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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **New Member Nomination**

The Ithaca Rotary Club Board of Directors will be considering the membership application(s) from the person(s) listed below. Any concerns about these membership proposals should be made in writing to the Secretary of the Club by March 31, 2004.

Name: Dale Baker

Position: Associate Director

Company: N.Y. Sea Grant (Cornell)

Sponsor: Bob Baker

- **Special Notice**

The following statement was adopted by the Ithaca Rotary Club Board in November of 2000 and was reaffirmed at the board meeting of March, 2004:

The Ithaca Rotary Club has a long tradition of including a "Thought for the Day" at the opening of its weekly meeting. Those thoughts range from philosophical to spiritual. While we recognize the need for spirituality in our lives and our meetings, we must honor the diversity of our service club. Any prayer that a speaker may prepare needs to respect the sensitivity of the audience. Equally important is for our club to recognize that a speaker has taken a special effort to share with us something that is important to them. All must realize these thoughts should include, not exclude, our membership. When considering any presentation, recall the 4-Way Test: 1) Is it the truth? 2) Is it fair to all concerned? 3) Will it build goodwill and stronger friendships? 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

- **Rotary Roses are Growing Again!**

Rotary Roses is fast approaching! The date for this year's delivery will be Wednesday, April 21, deadline for orders will be Wednesday, April 14. Member sales packets are out - order forms, a poster, and Rose Sale fact sheet are included - please pick them up at next week's meeting if you have not received yours already. We are growing Rotary Roses again this year. President Jeff encourages all members to invite the community to support our fundraiser by reaching out to a business, organization, board of directors, or church group to help us make this year's sale our best ever. For more information, or if you are interested in becoming a Rose Captain to help us grow Rotary Roses in a significant way, contact the Rose Queen, Bettsie Park, at 272-4902 or 15steps@clarityconnect.com.

- **Exchange Student's for Hire**

Bettsie Park announced that Esteban and Michal, two of our exchange students, are looking for odd jobs to help them raise some money. Each year, exchange students are offered the opportunity to participate in a month-long trip around the United States. The trip is at their own expense and Esteban and Michal's parents have been able to provide some of the money they need, but have challenged them with coming up with the remainder on their own. If you have any odd jobs that need doing, call Esteban or Michal (numbers listed below) and sign them up. Bonus: You will get to know them better as well!

- **Call for Meeting Setup Volunteers**

Dave Flinn, John Hays and Mike Billings have been sharing the meeting setup chores on a monthly rotation basis for the past three years and have done an admirable job. Dave and John have announced their need to participate in other ways and will be phasing out of service this year. So, this is a call for any interested Rotarian to serve the club in this necessary and important activity. It requires that the individual be available from approximately 11:45 to 12:15. (Earlier is acceptable) The tasks include preparing the podium and sound system, putting up flags and banners and assisting the President and program speaker as required. Service will continue to be rotated based upon the number of volunteers, i.e. three volunteers equals one month of service out of three. It is desirable but not required that the setup person be available for the entire meeting. Please see Scott Russell if interested. For further, first hand information, talk with Dave, John or Mike.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(continued...)*

• Applications for Ambassadorial Scholarships

Each year our district offers one Ambassadorial Scholarship and the opportunity to be sponsored for a Rotary World Peace Scholarship. Incoming District Governor Peter Brellochs reminds us that applications for these scholarships for 2005-2006 and 2005 - 2007 are due by June 30, 2004. Candidates must be sponsored by a Rotary club in the district. SUNY Oneonta, Hartwick College, SUNY Binghamton, SUNY Cortland, Ithaca College, and Cornell University Scholarship Centers or Guidance Offices will all be receiving applications and information. Interested applicants can also acquire the necessary forms and information about the programs by visiting the Rotary International web site at www.rotary.org.

The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship program is the largest program of its kind in the world and offers scholars anywhere from \$13,000 - \$25,000 to study abroad. The World Peace Scholarship is a two-year, \$50,000 scholarship that allows graduate-level or higher students to add to their Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution skills at one of seven select institutions around the world. If you know of anyone who might be interested in participating in one of these programs, please pass this information along. Completed applications along with all necessary attachments should be mailed to:

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FEATURED ROTARIANS

• Sunshine Report

Ralph Jones and his two new knees was back with us today. Welcome back Ralph who thanked us all for our cards, letters, calls, and visits. Sue Munson suffered a small accident, but was doing fine and sent us all a note letting us know she would be back soon. Stan Shepardson is home and not feeling well. It seems rather serious, so please keep him in your thoughts.

• Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Week

Nancy Potter extended thanks from the Rotary Foundation Annual Program Funds Committee - Janet Steiner, Brian Wilbur, JB Brown - to all of our members who have become Paul Harris Fellows over the years. Fellows were each presented with a green and white carnation in celebration of Paul O'Harris Day in our club and members were asked to stand by the year or decade in which they became Paul Harris Fellows for the first time.



• Visiting Rotarians

Steve Kroyle (Ithaca Sunrise)
Barry Downing (Endwell, NY)

PROGRAM NOTES “IC Gerontology Institute & Longview Partnership”

John Krout, Prof. of Gerontology, Ithaca College



Dr. John Krout, Director of the Gerontology Institute at Ithaca College

Our speaker today was Dr. John Krout, Professor of Gerontology and Director of the Gerontology Institute at Ithaca College. John shared with us some of the details about the gerontology program at IC and then spent the bulk of his presentation talking about the unique relationship that Ithaca College shares with Longview at Ithaca, the adult care facility located just across the street from the college.

Starting with the construction of the facility itself - and a new expansion that will be completed soon - the IC gerontology program has been working with Longview and its residents to improve the lives of senior citizens. A special room at Longview was created for IC programming and students and residents are constantly back and forth between the campus and the facility, teaching each other as much as they learn from each other.

It is not only the gerontology program that benefits from this special relationship. Faculty from various programs give lectures for the residents at Longview, faculty and students from the music school give recitals and lessons, and members of the physical therapy program work with residents both on campus and at Longview to help them live better, healthier lives. As a result of this unique program, many lives have been touched and improved. Indeed, many of the students have become close friends with the residents and the enrichment of lives has traveled in both directions. A great deal of valuable research into aging issues has already come out of this program and there is much more to come.

Our thanks to Dr. Krout for his interesting and informative talk about one of our community's greatest assets.

CALENDAR

March 24: *Meeting* "IC Environmental Studies Program & EcoVillage", Susan Allen-Gill

March 27: Rotary Leadership Institute, Parts 1-3 (Binghamton, NY)

March 31: *Meeting* Club Assembly

April 1 – 3: District 9100 District Conference, Bamako, Mali, Africa. Our GSE team will be there!

April 5: District GSE Team returns from West Africa

April 7: *Meeting* Mary Kane Trochim Topic: TBA

April 14: *Meeting* “TC3 Update”, Carl Haynes

April 17: District Assembly (Sidney High School)

April 21: *Meeting* 2004 Ithaca Rotary Rose Sale!, Topic: TBA

April 27: Ithaca Area Rotary Clubs Spring Gathering at Taughannock Farms Inn

April 28: *Meeting* “Home Health Care”, Elizabeth Classen

May 5: *Meeting* “10,000 Villages Store”, Pat Lawless

May 12: *Meeting* Ithaca Rotary Community Grants Presentation

May 19: *Meeting* “Hospicare”, Nina Miller

May 23-26: Rotary International Convention (Osaka, Japan)

May 26: *Meeting* GSE Team Presentation

June 11-13: District Conference, Binghamton, NY Celebrating the Family of Rotary

June 20: Ithaca Rotary Chicken & Ribs BBQ at Stewart Park

June 25: District Pass the Gavel Celebration

June 27 - July 2: RYLA 2004

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