



THE ITHACA ROTARY NEWS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Notes from President Jeff**

Rotarians in Action: Steve Garner and Chris Sanchirico were recently featured in the newspaper as the Tompkins Trust Company presented the Ithaca Breast Care Alliance with a check for \$10,000 as a result of the Power Play for Prevention program this year. The proceeds represent a donation for each power-play goal scored by the Cornell men's hockey team this past season. Tompkins Trust donated \$100 per goal and members of the local community contributed as well to reach the final tally.

The Baden Powell Council of the Boy Scouts of America will honor our own Alan Cohen as their Distinguished Citizen of the Year at their annual banquet on Tuesday, June 1. Reservation slips are available on the back table at the next few meetings and lets have a nice turnout for Alan.

- **Route 13 Cleanup**

Noel Desch announced that this spring's highway cleanup day will be on Saturday, May 1. The crew will meet at Tops Market at Triphammer at 8:30 am and, with enough help, will clean all the way down to Stewart Park. This year, we will also be cleaning Dewitt Park, so you may sign up for either location. Sign-up sheets will be passed around for the next couple of meetings. At least 30 people are needed for the Route 13 portion of the cleanup and a few more for the Dewitt Park cleanup. Please check your calendars or Palm Pilots, or whatever, and plan to help make our community cleaner and more beautiful.

- **Rose Sale Update**

As of meeting time, the Rose Sale had recorded orders for 687 dozen roses, a few short of the 950 dozen goal. More orders were coming in throughout the meeting, so we should come pretty close. For those of you who may have missed your chance to place an order or need to add an extra dozen or two to your order at the last minute, you can contact Bettsie Park by Monday, April 19. Bettsie will also be ordering a few extra dozen, just in case. Kelly Damm is in charge of deliveries next Wednesday and now she needs your help. The roses will be arriving early Wed. morning and help is needed unloading the trucks and then making the deliveries. If you are able to help, please contact Kelly and volunteer.

- **News from the Ithaca-Cayuga Rotary Club**

The Ithaca-Cayuga Rotary club, Lansing Lions, Lansing Students and the Lansing Faculty Association are holding their annual Chicken BBQ at Lansing High School next Tuesday, April 20 from 5 - 7:30 pm in the high school cafeteria. They will again have their fancy cake auction as well. Dinners are \$7 for a half, \$5 for a quarter and take-out is available. This is Ithaca-Cayuga's primary fundraiser to support their exchange students, so please take a short drive out to Lansing and enjoy some great BBQ chicken for a great cause.

- **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!

- **Ithaca High School Career Day 2004**

IHS Career Day 2004 at Ithaca High School is coming up soon. Students at IHS are given the opportunity to meet with and listen to people from around the community who share details of their careers. The program has a web site you can visit to find out more about the program, what type of speakers they are looking for, and fill out an information form if you would like to participate. IHS Career Day is Wednesday, April 21 from 8:00 - 9:35 am and if you are interested in finding out more, visit their web site at: www.icsd.k12.ny.us/highschool or call Ithaca High School Student Services at 274-2157.

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- **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.

- **District 7170 to Offer a Rotary Foundation Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship**

For the first time, in the Rotary year 2005-2006, Rotary International District 7170 will offer a 3-month Rotary Foundation Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship, in addition to an academic year scholarship. The Cultural Scholarship is for 3 months of intensive language training and cultural immersion abroad while living with a home-stay family and has a maximum of \$12,000 including transportation. The language training can take place in fifteen languages in more than twenty countries. The three-month scholarship, as well as the academic year scholarship, will be awarded for the Rotary year 2005-06, but the applications are due to the District Rotary Foundation Scholarship Sub-committee Chair by June 30, 2004. Applications should be sent to Peter Brellochs, DGE, 1405 Ellis Hollow Road, Ithaca, 14850. Information and application forms are available on the web by using the following links:

<http://www.rotary.org> >> click on 'downloads' >> 'The Rotary Foundation' >> 'Educational programs' >> 'Ambassadorial Scholarships'

Use the Ambassadorial Scholarship Application Form (the information on the Cultural Scholarships begins on page 13; to apply it is easiest to print all twenty pages, although some of them refer only to the academic year scholarship) or you may contact either PDG Clayton Alcorn, at 607-753-8187 calcorn@twcny.rr.com, or DGE Peter Brellochs at 607-272-3848 or peterbrellochs@aol.com.

- **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

- **New Members**

We welcomed two new members to our club today!

Jean McPheeters introduced Theresa Nix is a U.S. Army veteran, is married, and has two children - a son, 13, and a daughter, 15. She started her health care career as the Human Resources Director for Classen Home Health Care in 1994 and since 2001 has been integral in the creation of Bridges, Cornell Heights, a retirement entity of Classen Home Health. Currently she is the Executive Director at Bridges, on the board of the Fingerlakes Independence Center, working on completing her MBA, and working with a partner to found the Tompkins County Stroke Support Group. What little free time she has left, she spends with her family and their three Wire-haired terriers.

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Bob Baker introduced his son Dale Robert Baker, who was born in his grandparents' home in Lansing. He has three children - the oldest son is a lawyer in Boston, the middle daughter is in Minnesota, and the youngest daughter is in Ohio. Grandchildren are in the works. Dale earned his bachelor's degree at Syracuse and his masters at Cornell. For 22 years, Dale headed up the Sea Grant Extension Program in Duluth, Minnesota and was also a Rotarian there. He returned to Ithaca a few years ago to head up the Sea Grant program at Cornell. The Duluth Rotary club also has a Rose Sale each year, but they are a little more successful than we have been so far - they sell 9,000 dozen roses! We now have our own long-term goal for the Rose Sale! Welcome to Theresa and Dale, please introduce yourselves to our newest members and make them welcome.

- **Rotarian Travel Log**

Carm Hill recently made-up at the Marco Island Rotary club and brought back this interesting tidbit. For those of you who have never made up at another Rotary club, here's an example of what you might find!

At the Marco Island Rotary Club they had more visiting Rotarians than members when I attended in March. They have a Rotary Song sung to the tune of the Marine Corps song; Jack Burns take notice:

From the shores of Marco River
to the sand of Marco Beach
We will look for ways of service
Everywhere within our reach.

First we test for truth and fairness
And to keep our spirit strong
We will build good will and friendship
And work for Rotary all day long.

If Kiwanis and the Lions
Ever sail on Heaven's sea
They will find the waves made smoother
By our Marco Rotary.

- **Rotarian Ambassadors**

3/25: Don Dickinson (Tavares, FL)

- **Visiting Rotarians**

Kevin Gross (Cortland Noon)

- **Exchange Students**

Esteban Campos-Hernandez (Costa Rica)

Michal Sykora (Slovakia)

Jose Salcedo-Martin "Pepe" (Mexico)

- **Contact Information for our Youth Exchange Students**

Our students will be moving to new homes for the spring, here are their new contact numbers:

Esteban: Holly & Michael Kazarinoff, 111 Randolph Rd., 257-4026

Michal: Mary & Arnie Schwartz, 9 Laura Lane, ph. 257 – 4774

Jose: Joyce & Mike Billing, 6 Pheasant Lane, 272-9208

PROGRAM NOTES “Update from TC3”
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<i>Dr. Carl Haynes, President, Tompkins Cortland Community College</i>
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Dr. Carl Haynes, President of Tompkins Cortland Community College was our guest speaker today. However, just as he was getting warmed up, the fire alarm sounded and our meeting was cut short. Without enough time to properly make his presentation after the alarm ended, Dr. Haynes was invited back to speak to us again. Our thanks to Dr. Haynes for his time and we look forward to hearing him speak again in June.

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Special Presentation

One of our exchange students, Esteban, recently made a short video for his English as a Second Language class at Ithaca High School. He shared his work with us today. Esteban narrated the video which gave us a quick view of his native Costa Rica. He showed us the geography and beauty of Costa Rica, as well as talked about traditions and life in general there. Throughout the video, he included a background of native music in all its forms - from traditional to modern. Since music is one of his primary interests, he was able to include a great deal of information about the roots of the different styles. An excellent presentation and our thanks to Esteban for sharing his work with us.

CALENDAR

April 21: *Meeting* "Marketing on a Shoestring Budget", Jessica Ryan, Family & Children's Service

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

April 28: *Meeting* "Unconventional Long Term 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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