



THE SANDPIPER



THE WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF SAND LAKE, NY

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MEETING OF DECEMBER 28, 2015 Immediate Past President Linda Ellis, presiding Greetings by Pat Lane & Invocation by Bob Pasquarelli

GUEST: prospective member Jim Rogers
a guest of Barb Fioravanti,



PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

BLOOD DRIVE, Wed Dec 30th, @ Church of the Covenant:

Set Up 12 – 1: **Davis, Malecki**

Registration 1 – 3:30: **Ward**

Canteen 1 – 3:30: **Weiss**

Take Down 6 – 7: **Davis**

Registration 3:30 – 6: **Linda E.**

Canteen 3:30 – 6: **Lane**

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Mon Jan 4th: **Wagner, Patton, Daniels, Behson, Malecki, Pasquarelli**

HOOSICK FALLS DIVISION COUNCIL, Tues Jan 5th @ Giuseppe's, 6:30:

Pasquarelli, Lane, Booker, Weiss, Behson, L&L Ellis, Loveridge

41st MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, January 9th:

12 – 7, Kitchen: **L&L Ellis, Loveridge**

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: **Hamlin, Weiss, Lane**

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: **Ward**

5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: **Hamlin, Weiss, Lane**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✓ **Bob Loveridge:** Planning has begun for Summerfest 2016. Art Gillette's only opening for the carnival rides is the same as last year: Father's Day weekend of June 18-19.
- ✓ **Joe Behson:** Thanks for the support for Change for Eliminate. \$131 collected last month; approximately \$1000 for the year to date.
- ✓ **Dave Booker:** There have been no new items submitted for Board consideration next week.

PROGRAM



John Brownrigg announced that the planned speaker from the FBI was unable to come. He then offered to explain some of the Honors Banner patches, including HOBY contributions, Round Robin awards, Division & District Spiritual Aims Awards for rebuilding Petersburg church, and awards for donations to District & International

Foundations (Skip A Meal, etc.). Dave Booker explained that Club Secretaries submit the information to District and International regarding these projects, and Banner Patches are awarded accordingly. He explained about the HOBY patches – the club sponsors a sophomore from APHS to attend the Troy CLEW; the various Governors' and 1st Ladies' patches and the many patches from the KI Foundation and The NY District Foundation. John then called upon some of our Past Presidents to recount memorable occasions from their years.

Barb Fioravanti recalled the Bike Safety Rodeo, conducted with the cooperation of the Rensselaer County Law Enforcement officials, where kids were given bike helmets if they did not have one, and Car Seat Installation Inspections.

Joe Behson recalled the cleanup of the Sand Lake Cemetery with the help of our youth organizations, and the rebuilding of the playground at Miller Hill Elementary School.

Bob Pasquarelli recalled going on interclubs at the drop of a hat, even as far as Montreal and Rhode Island, and SLK publicly pressuring the Town of Sand Lake into developing Butler Park. He also recalled the fun of going to International Conventions, both in the US and abroad.

Pat Lane, because of her having cared for many foster kids, mostly infants, was especially proud of our raising the money for the AMC Children's Hospital Trauma Center.

Jim Colabelli recalled the Summerfest softball tournaments when there were so many teams that both park ball fields and the high school fields were used, and he also recalled some of his experiences at the Convention in Nice, France, with his son and daughter.

Bob Loveridge's father was a member of SLK, and Bob helped with some of our projects even before he joined. He particularly remembers the two faculty members of Columbia High School who were shot taking down an armed intruder at their school. Bob contacted International, relating the incident, about how the two men's actions prevented any other injuries. As a result, they were awarded the Kiwanis Connolly Medal for Heroism, presented at the International Convention in Hawaii, all expenses paid!



Skip Patton commented on how Sand Lake supports its officers, and never lets anyone fail. He came down with Lyme Disease during his tenure, and the whole club took over Summerfest, making it a success.

Joe Trupia was president when Winter Carnival ended with the sale of Crooked Lake Hotel, and after trying to continue this most successful town event at Crystal Lake, we decided to try a summer project, and Summerfest was born.

John concluded with the comment that we do have a unique club, and the enthusiasm of our members is the reason for our successes.

HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ **Dave Booker:** Thanks to Linda for taking over the meeting in Stu's absence. She commented that she did enjoy being able to ring the bell again. She even brought her little bell that was presented to her at the end of her term, but it wasn't loud enough!
- \$ **Pat Lane:** During the holiday week, Eve and I went to Proctor's and thoroughly enjoyed the production of the musical, *White Christmas!*
- \$ **John Mulligan:** We had most of the family here for Christmas, and enjoyed having them. But it's nice to have peace and quiet again!
- \$ **Bob Loveridge:** Thanks for the great service provided by Wendy. Hopefully she will become a member one of these days. After all, that's how we got Eve! She used to be our waitress at Glass Lake!
- \$ **Joe Behson:** So sorry to have missed the party! Margaret is now all moved in to our new house, including her two Siamese cats.
- \$ **Barb Fioravanti:** Glad to have our guest, Jim Rogers. He too is a pilot, retired from Delta, who now flies a small two seater!
- \$ **Jean Hamlin:** Glad to be back. I still have some more testing to do, but I am determined to be all okay! I had a nice visit with my grandson from Kentucky. He's 40 years old, has two Master of Fine Arts degrees, and long hair which he regularly donates to Locks of Love!
- \$ **Jim Colabelli:** Thanks to my neighbor Joe who helped me solve a weighty problem! We wanted to move our very heavy sofa bed into another room. Joe's mover came over, and for a moderate fee, did the job easily in just 20 minutes! It would have taken Jan and me all day, and probably would have resulted in back surgery!
- \$ **Jean Hamlin, again, back by popular demand:** OK, here's a Scandinavian joke. Lena's husband Ole died, and Lena needed to post his obituary in the paper. She was told the rate was \$10 a word. She said "okay, print 'Ole died'". The printer said, "That's awfully short. I can let you have a few more words." Lena said, "OK, then make it 'Ole died. Truck for sale'!"

Once again, our attendance was down and we had six dinners for sale. Bob #1, Pat, Dave, John B, and Jean aided the club by purchasing one each of the meatloaf meals.

DOOR PRIZE, provided by John Brownrigg, was won by **Janet Malecki!** She drew another red ticket, and **Peg Weiss** won the remaining dinner!

50/50 for \$18 was won by **John Mulligan!**

PROGRESSIVE 50/50 worth \$92.50 this week is slowly growing.

Ron Wagner won the right to choose a card from the 49 in the deck, but no luck! He picked the **Queen of Diamonds!**



COMING WEEKS...

JANUARY 4

PROGRAM CHAIR: *Barb Fioravanti, John Mulligan, Stu Nippes, Linda Ellis, & Eve Ward*

PROGRAM: **Service Leadership Programs Committee Update
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Kevin Sarsfield*

JANUARY 11

PROGRAM CHAIR: *Jim Parslow -- TBA*

GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Joe Grillo*

JANUARY 18

PROGRAM CHAIR: *Bill Whipple -- TBA*

GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Angelo Patti*

JANUARY 25

PROGRAM CHAIR: *Nancy Davis -- TBA*

GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Bryce Ginther*

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world.”

Malala Yousafzai

