



# THE SANDPIPE



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

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## MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2014 VAN RENSSELAER DIVISION COUNCIL MEETING

PRESIDENT Stuart J. Nippes presiding

GREETINGS & INVOCATION by John Brownrigg

**GUESTS:** Representatives from each of the seven Clubs in Van Rensselaer Division



WELCOME BACK, President Stu!

## PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Tues Jan 21<sup>st</sup>: **Wagner, Ginther, Breselor, Patton, Daniels**

19<sup>th</sup> MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>:

12 – 7, Setup & Cook: **L&L Ellis, Loveridge**

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

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: **Ward, Meislin**

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

Following dinner, the meeting was turned over to NYD Past Governor Booker, also VRD Secretary, in the absence of Lt Governor Harleen Hilton. Roll call: Castleton/Schodack 6; East Greenbush 8; Hoosick Falls 4; North Greenbush 5; Rensselaer 3; Troy 5; Sand Lake 18. Minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were both approved. Upon the report that Rensselaer's President Don Bink was no longer in remission from MS, a card was circulated for all to sign, wishing him all the best for this new challenge.

The nomination and acceptance of James Prout (Troy Club) for Lt Governor-Elect was unanimously accepted, and he was duly elected to the post. Congratulations, and thanks, Jim!

The official visit of NY District Governor Joe Aiello will be March 15<sup>th</sup> perhaps at The Desmond, Albany.

The Governor's Project, "Autism" may be recognized by having a speaker at a meeting. Clubs may also go online for other ideas. The First Lady's Project is "Treats for the Troops"; personal hygiene products can be collected and sent overseas. A soldier's specific name and address is needed.

The Annual Mid-Year Conference is Feb 21-23 at the Holiday Inn Turf on Wolf Road. Lt Gov Harleen will put together a basket from the Van Rensselaer Division to be raffled.

Key Club Division Lt Governor Jake Spencer spoke on behalf of the annual convention and his members' needs for financial assistance; cost is \$250 per Key Club member.

Discussion was held concerning the background checks required by Kiwanis International for the officers and those who work regularly with students or chaperone them on trips. Each club was urged to read the rules and adapt them to their own specific clubs.

Golf Outing – Bob Loveridge

Approval granted for 2014 event, to be held on Sat May 31<sup>st</sup> at Burden Lake Country Club.

Discussion of use of funds raised: approval was given to match funds to sponsor SLPs to attend their conventions up to \$75 each for up to two SLP members; and approval was given to donate \$1000 to the EliMiNaTe Project. A packet of information was given to each club, and they were urged to participate in this Division-wide project. Encourage foursomes to play, ask businesses to sponsor a hole, solicit gifts to be used as prizes, encourage non-golfers to attend the dinner.

Report on Membership Growth was given by Division Chair Joe Behson. The most recent members present were given an “Ask Me About Kiwanis” pin to promote curiosity about Kiwanis.

Bob Pasquarelli reported on the Kiwanis Family Fun Day: Students requested it be moved from September to May when they know each other better and have more free time. To be held at the Schodack Town Park, Stewart’s to provide ice cream, VRD to provide food. All Kiwanis groups are invited—Circle K, Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids, Kiwanians and all their family members. Bring whatever games you like to play—physical and mental!

It was mentioned that Lynn Catelotti (East Greenbush) needs financial support following her knee surgery, and a spontaneous collection raised nearly \$500.

### Club Reports

Castleton/Schodack: chicken BBQ this weekend Jan 26<sup>th</sup>; planning 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at Birch Hill on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Hoosick Falls: Autism Walk at the Armory Sat April 26<sup>th</sup>; collecting clothes for vets at VA Hospital; free ice skating Sat Feb 16<sup>th</sup>.

East Greenbush: collecting used greeting cards for St Jude’s to use for project; Annual Comedy Night to be Sat March 1<sup>st</sup> at the Comfort Inn.

Rensselaer: Working on the Governor’s Project; helped out with Bells of Life.

North Greenbush: Bowlathon fund raiser; planning a cruise theme dinner on Sat February 8<sup>th</sup>.

Sand Lake: Provided food and toys to 87 families & 217 kids; WSL K-Kids earned \$824 during our citrus fruit sale.

Troy: Participated in the Victorian Stroll; held citrus sale; gave out toys at Christmas.

Next Division Council meeting will be hosted by the East Greenbush Club on Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**DOOR PRIZE**, provided by Dave Booker, was won by **Peg Weiss!**

**50/50** for \$82 was won by **Dale Hall!**

### COMING WEEKS...

NEXT..... PROGRAM: *Angelo Patti*—“**Why did I join SLK?**” (Various members)  
JANUARY 27 GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Jim Hoffman*

FEBRUARY 3 PROGRAM: *Joe Behson*, **Update on Membership Committee**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Nancy Davis*

FEBRUARY 10 PROGRAM: *Bryce Ginther* -- **TBA**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Mike Gates*

FEBRUARY 17 PROGRAM: *Woodie Hacker* -- **TBA**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Barbara Fioravanti*

### **SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

**“It is often easier to fight for principles than to live up to them.”**

**Adlai Stevenson II**