



THE SANDPIPER



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



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MEETING OF MAY 4, 2015

President Linda L. Ellis, presiding

GREETINGS & INVOCATION by **Jim Rogers**

GUEST: Nikki Freeman, APHS math teacher & Head Coach of Capital District Women's Youth Rugby team



WELCOME
BACK:



T. C. McEntyre



Bruce Perry



Mike Gates

PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Tue May 19th: **Patton, Nippes**

33rd MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, May 9th:

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

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: **Hamlin, Rogers**

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: **Ward**

5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: **Hamlin, _____**

TROY KIWANIS PRAYER BREAKFAST, Tue May 12th 7:30 AM, at Buchman Pavilion, Sage:
Pasquarelli, Loveridge, Lane, Hamlin, Linda Ellis, Weiss, Booker

FOOD COLLECTION @ WEST SAND LAKE POST OFFICE, Tue May 12th or Wed May 13th:
Colabelli, Daniels, Ginther, Booker

DIVISION COUNCIL MEETING, Tue May 26th, 6:30 PM, East Greenbush Town Park, \$13:
Booker, Pasquarelli, Lane, Linda Ellis, Weiss, Loveridge

WSL K-KIDS CELEBRATION, Thurs May 28th at 4 PM:
Behson, Patton, Nippes, Mulligan, Fioravanti, Lane, Weiss, Ward

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Joe Behson:** It's been a long time since I was able to bring my "Skinny Blonde" {a yellow broom} but in honor of the Yankees' clean sweep of the Red Sox this past weekend, here she is again! {Shouldn't that be a Happy Dollar, Joe?}
- **Eve Ward:** There will not be a June Work Night/Steak Roast at BSA Camp Rotary this year. They don't need our help for opening the camp, but do need us for closing, so we will schedule a work night in October. No steak roast, but there will be food!
- **President Linda:** Thank you note received from Miller Hill/Sand Lake K-Kids for our contribution to their American Heart Association fundraiser. We have their gavel, bell, and banner ready for presentation soon. Poestenkill K-Kids banner presentation will be tomorrow Tue May 5th at 3:30 PM. All are invited.
- **Bill Whipple:** Distributed Summerfest sponsorship assignments to members, and urged their prompt return. We need the money!

MAY BIRTHDAYS: (below left) Jerry Tysiak, Lyndon Ellis, George Raneri, & Frank Breselor



MAY ANNIVERSARIES: (above right) Skip & Nancy Patton, Jerry & Cindy Tysiak and Frank & Judy Breselor, We made feeble, off-key attempts to sing to each of those present, (!), but we very definitely had no trouble polishing off Eve's delicious strawberry cream cake!

PROGRAM



Bob Loveridge introduced our speaker, Nikki Freeman, APHS math teacher, and Head Coach of the Capital District Women's Youth Rugby team. Rugby is not a well known sport in the US, but Nikki has been playing for 7 years. Because it's small in numbers, it gives kids a different sports opportunity. Many who aren't involved in the more popular sports



teams have a chance to be part of a team. Safety is stressed, since this is a contact sport, and rules are strictly enforced. Mouth guards are a must, teams have mandatory insurance,

and EMT support is at every activity. There are fewer injuries than football, despite no big pads, because of the different type of contact, which is more like wrestling. Every kid, large or small, is included; everyone gets to play, and have fun. Practice and games are held at the Poestenkill VFW field. Rugby began in 1823 when William Webb Ellis was playing European “football” (soccer) developed this full contact game



with no pads and different tackling techniques. It’s faster than football, and is a sport based on comradery. It will become an Olympic sport in 2016, which may popularize it more. It has been called a

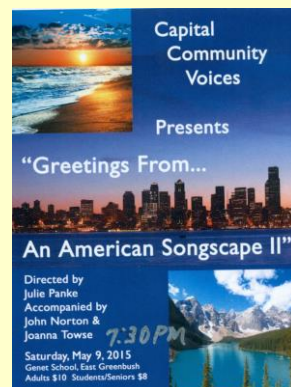


game of “elegant violence” and has 15 players on each team. Coaches and referees donate their time, and foster a respectful environment. Both teams eat together at the end of the game, and make friends from all teams. There are about 20 girls and 25 boys, half of whom are from APHS, the rest from neighboring schools. High school students are active in teaching the sport to the younger kids, modifying the action to suit the age group. The last two games of this season are at the VFW field on Sunday, May 17th at 1 PM and 2:30 PM. Come and watch! Jim Rogers thanked Nikki for her very interesting description of this new sports activity, and presented her with our Certificate of Appreciation.



HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ Dave Booker (for Dale Hall):** Dale reported waking up to severe body pain which sent him to the hospital in the middle of the night. His Happy Dollar is because it turned out to be diverticulitis which, in view of Dale’s history of severe cardiac problems, is much preferred!
- \$ Bob Loveridge:** Thanks to Nikki for a great program!
- \$ Joe Behson:** My actress daughter-in-law Amy is starring in a play at the Old Castle Theater in Bennington for the next 3 weeks! Come and see a good show!
- \$ Eve Ward:** Saturday’s Kiwanis Family Picnic was a lot of fun on a beautiful day! I was playing board games with a couple of young boys (Harleen’s grandsons), and one of them asked, “What was your name again?” I replied, “Mrs. Ward.” He answered, “Well, I think you’re a really nice old lady!”
- \$ Jim Colabelli:** One’s for the great program; one’s for 3 of us wearing the uniform of the day (yellow shirts & khaki pants!); and the 3rd is for the choral group I sing with. Capital Community Voices is presenting a concert “Greetings From...An American Songscape II” this Sat May 9th at Genet School, East Greenbush, at 7:30 PM. Tickets \$10 & \$8!
- \$ Jerry Tysiak:** To celebrate our 44th anniversary, Cindy and I attended a wedding in DC, and then toured the many monuments. Arlington Cemetery was having a ceremony to mark the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War...very moving.
- \$ Bill Whipple:** We spent a weekend in Gloucester, and the main topic of conversation was how much snow they had last winter, and it just went away!
- \$ Pete Stevens:** My son played rugby at the Coast Guard Academy, and really enjoyed it until they formed a league and got very serious, and it was no fun anymore!



DOOR PRIZE, provided by Bob Loveridge, was won by **Kevin Sarsfield!**

50/50 for \$24 was won by **Bill Whipple!**

PROGRESSIVE 50/50, worth \$423.50 this week, kept that King of Clubs well hidden in the remaining 27 cards. **Ron Wagner** did his best but could only come up with the **9 of Diamonds!**



COMING WEEKS...

- MAY 11 PROGRAM CHAIR: *President Linda Ellis*
Annual Meeting and Election of Club Officers & Directors
GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Eve Ward*
- MAY 18 PROGRAM CHAIR: *Jim Rogers -- TBA*
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE: *Lyndon Ellis*
- MAY 25 NO MEETING -- MEMORIAL DAY
MARCH IN PARADE &/or SERVE FOOD in TRAILER
- JUNE 1 PROGRAM CHAIR: *John Brownrigg – Summerfest Issues*
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
GREETER/INVOCATOR: *Jim Parslow*

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“Life is what happens to you while you’re making other plans.” John Lennon

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

ROLL CALL: Present: Pres Ellis, Imm Past Pres Nippes, Pres-Elect Ellis, Sec Booker, Treas Pasquarelli; Directors Behson, Lane, Fioravanti, Malecki, Loveridge, Mulligan, Ward, Weiss
Absent: Director Daniels

SECRETARY'S MINUTES approved

TREASURER'S REPORT accepted (Large expenses for K-Kids & Key Club, but Summerfest money starting to come in.) Balance 4/30/15: \$21370.82.

HIGHLIGHTS OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Services (Loveridge/Ginther):

Doors of Hope (Ginther): Unloaded & stored 2 food deliveries (10,152 lbs, 14.5 hrs)

Community Signs (Whipple): *Dissipated* 8 concert, Pasta Dinner, WSL School Carnival, Church of the Covenant Rummage Sale (6 hrs)

Interclub (Pasquarelli): 9 members attended Division Council at North Greenbush Club

Membership & Education (Behson): 1 prospective member

Spiritual Aims (Johnsen): 9 members toured Capital City Rescue Mission

Sponsored Youth (Fioravanti, Mulligan, Malecki, Nippes, Ellis-Linda):

Builders Club/Algonquin MS (Fioravanti): attended 3 meetings; club working on movie/ice cream social May 8 to benefit family whose house burned; they will pay recruiting visit to Miller Hill K-Kids on May 20.

K-Kids/Miller Hill ES (Linda Ellis): Have gavel, bell & banner; to be presented.

K-Kids/Poestenkill ES (Nippes): Banner to be presented Tue May 5th. Planning a party in May; to work @ Regional Food Bank at end of May; operating a school store to raise funds for field trips and supplies.

Key Club/APHS (Mulligan): attended 3 meetings; officer installation held at SLK meeting/6 KC officers & Lt Gov attended.

Ways & Means (Ellis-Lyndon):

Pasta Dinner (Loveridge): 44 dinners served, \$216 profit.

Summerfest 2015: 12 members attended 2 meetings.

Youth Services (Lane): Sponsored APHS sophomore at NE NY Regional HOBY seminar.

OLD BUSINESS (previously tabled, continued)

1. Food Trailer Design Contest
2. Use of memorial donations for Past President Dudley Dorr
3. Service Leadership Night for K-Kids & Builders Clubs
4. Junior Achievement funding request

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approved ½ page ad in program book for SL Center for the Arts for \$200.
2. No action on funding request from Joseph's House (no motion made).
3. \$160 approved to buy bases for Eagle Scout Maxwell Everett's project of refurbishing a Poestenkill kickball field.
4. Approved \$25 for ½ page ad in Hendrick Hudson Male Chorus' program book.
5. Approved \$100 to be a Hole Sponsor in Lakeview's ALS Golf Outing May 31st.
6. Accepted invitation to participate in Memorial Day Parade and provide food service from our trailer (food provided by VFW/American Legion).
7. Endorsed amendment to the "Mandatory Club Policies by adding "...\$75...(NY District Member Add Fee \$15).
8. Discussed club's dues collection dates in relation to proposed KI dues increase. Invoices will be withheld pending outcome, and will be due upon receipt.
9. Approved tent request from Vacation Bible School (@ Salem UMC this year) from July 26 – Aug 1. Jim Colabelli to be responsible Kiwanian.
10. Approved leave of absence for Joe Behson from May 11 – June 1 for travel to Wales.
11. Approved tent request from Salem UMC for Church Fair Sept 12th. Eve Ward and Woodie Hacker to be responsible Kiwanians.
12. Approved tent request from Jim Colabelli for personal use on July 24 & 25. Jim volunteered to transport tent to Salem and set up for the VBS.

New Business for next Board meeting:

Participation on Townwide Garage Sale Sept 12 & 13

Funding request from Girl Scouts

Donation to Capital District Youth Rugby League

DIVISION NEWS

Both candidates for Gov-Elect will attend Division Council meeting on May 26th.

DISTRICT NEWS

NYD registration for Intl Convention down 50%: 189 registered; goal 377.

INTERNATIONAL

Some proposed bylaw amendments at KI Convention are a) \$10 dues increase, b) future voting on amendments, elections, etc over internet, c) increasing KI dues up to 5% /year without convention approval.