



# THE SANDPIPER



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

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### MEETING OF OCTOBER 31, 2016

President Jean F. Hamlin, presiding

GREETINGS & INVOCATION by Pat Lane

GUEST:



**Bob Scepaniak**, from Monolithic Solar Associates (on right shown with Program Chair Joe Grillo)

WELCOME BACK, Rose Metchick



**Dick Johnsen**



and



**Jen Koury**

### PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Fri Nov 4<sup>th</sup>: **Daniels, Lane**, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, **Help Needed!**

Mon Nov 14<sup>th</sup>: **Daniels, Lane, Patton**, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

50<sup>th</sup> MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, November 12, 2016

12 – 7, Kitchen/Cook: **Lewandusky, Wagner, Daniels, Loveridge, Metchick**

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

3:30 – 7, Cashier: **Ward**

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

INTERCLUB AT CASTLETON, Wed Nov 9<sup>th</sup>, Scarnato's Restaurant, 6 PM

**Booker, Pasquarelli, Weiss, Lane**

HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS, week before Thanksgiving, American Legion Hall, AP

Wed, Nov 16<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 PM: **Lane, Weiss, Ward, Wagner, Nippes, Daniels, Mulligan, Stevens**

Thur Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 PM: **Lane, Ward, Wagner, Malecki, Daniels, Stevens**

Sat, Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 – 1 PM: **Lane, Weiss, Ward, Behson, Patton, Pasquarelli**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **Stu Nippes:** Get moving on the citrus sales! More order forms available; just let me know. All orders and payments due by Mon Nov 28<sup>th</sup> (meeting after Thanksgiving).
- ✚ **Joe Behson:** I'm passing the hat again for personal donations toward helping indigent vets get their names on the Memorial Wall. Two more times left!
- ✚ **Nancy Davis** (in absentia): My gratitude to Barbara Fioravanti for graciously filling in for me last month, when unexpected company kept me from my duty, and to Skip Patton for promising to drive me home (I don't drive after dark). I was happy to welcome my visiting daughter in law and granddaughter from Maine!

## PROGRAM



Joe Grillo introduced Bob Scepaniak, Solar Energy Consultant from Monolith Solar Associates, a local company headquartered in Rensselaer. They do both residential and commercial installations; Bob works mostly with residential. They are in the top 4 solar companies in the U.S. Tax credits are granted up to 50% in NY for roof top or ground mounted panels (for individuals). Home sites are evaluated on which way the roof faces (south is best), and how much trees



shade the house. Community panels are also possible for group homes, townhouses, etc. Solar farms are mounted away from the homes, and power is traveled. Most solar panels are made outside the U.S. because they are better and less expensive. Panels are guaranteed for 25 years, repairs included. When mounted on roofs of asphalt shingles, they protect the shingles they cover, thus making them last longer because the principal cause of shingle deterioration is the sun's rays. Solar installations make a house more saleable. The balance of the loan (for solar) can be added to the price of the home. The glass on the panels is very strong, and can withstand hailstorms, tree branches, etc. If damage does occur, Monolith will repair it under the 25-year guarantee. The panels are installed into the roof rafters with rubber gaskets, making the roof stronger. The company offers a money-making plan to groups like Kiwanis via referrals: for the first two referrals, there is a \$500 payback; every one after that earns \$1000. Pat Lane thanked Bob for his informative program, and presented him with our Certificate of Appreciation.



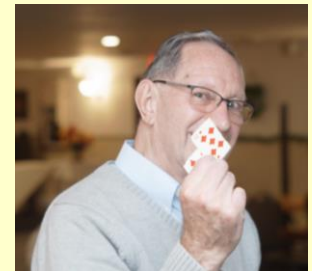
## HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ **Dick Johnsen:** Carol and I recently took a trip to sunny CA, where we rented a car, planning to drive the Pacific Coast Highway. After visiting Muir Woods, where I was able to finally hug a redwood tree, we consulted the GPS to find Route 101 South. I implanted what I thought to be the correct information, and followed “her” directions, only to wind up at a bar named “101 South!” Tried it again, with the same results. Finally, we asked directions of a native, and were able to get on the right road, probably doing it the wrong way, judging by the honking and hollering from the other cars. Carol was not impressed with my driving skills!
- \$ **Pat Lane:** Carol tells the story much better! I enjoyed Troy’s 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration last Saturday night. David admitted that he was at Troy’s charter night 100 years ago! Really?
- \$ **Skip Patton:** Dick’s story brought back some pleasant memories from our trip to that area many years ago. We will be leaving for Spain this week with a group led by Noreen Yost! If you hear of a wine shortage occurring, you’ll know who caused it!
- \$ **John Brownrigg:** The fund raiser I attended last week was for Toys for Tots, and its leader was Tim Pratt, the State Trooper who was killed a few days ago! He was always working on similar causes for the community he lived and worked in, and will be greatly missed!
- \$ **Barb Fioravanti:** I haven’t been able to work in the Food Trailer this season because of being out of town so much, so I was pleasantly surprised to see the great improvements to it yesterday! It looks wonderful!
- \$ **Joe Grillo:** My Happy Dollar is for the great program by Bob from Monolith Solar!
- \$ **President Jean:** I’m glad this weekend is over. I played penny ante poker, went to a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party, then went to another birthday party, and worked a shift in the Food Trailer! I’m TIRED! *{Who says senior citizens sit around in rocking chairs? —Ed.}*

**DOOR PRIZE**, provided by Joe Grillo, was won by **Jen Koury!**

**50/50 for \$20** was won by our speaker **Bob Scepaniak**, who donated it back to us! Thanks!

**PROGRESSIVE 50/50**, worth **\$55** this week, hung on to the King of Clubs, despite the experienced ticket holder **Bob Pasquarelli’s** best efforts! He drew the **10 of Diamonds!**



COMING WEEKS.....

NEXT WEEK PROGRAM CHAIR: **Pat Lane**

NOVEMBER 7 PROGRAM: **Youth Services Committee Update/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE PRESENTER: **Bruce Perry**

TWO WEEKS PROGRAM CHAIR: **Jim Colabelli**

NOVEMBER 14 PROGRAM: **Van Rensselaer Division Council meeting here**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE PRESENTER: **Stuart Nippes**

THREE WEEKS PROGRAM CHAIR: **Frank Breselor**

NOVEMBER 21 PROGRAM: **TBA**  
GREETER/INVOCATOR/CERTIFICATE PRESENTER: **David Booker**

**SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

*“All art is but an imitation of nature.”*

**Seneca The Younger**