

Skaneateles Suntainian

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Sow The Seeds of Love (2002-03 Rotary International's Theme)

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Skaneateles Sunrise Provisional Rotary Club

Meets every Thursday Mornings, 7-8 am at Johnny Angels, Skaneateles NY

Officers: President, *Doug Hill*; Secretary, *John Rooney*; Treasurer, *Toni Feldmann*, Pres-Elect: *Rhett Weiss*

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Board Members: *Bill Lynn, Rhett Weiss, Elaine Taggart*

District Advisor: *PDG Ward Vuillemot*

Skaneateles Rotary Club Support Team: *Bill Stevens, Donn Nottage, Dick Poppa & Peter Anderson*

This Week's Program: 03/06/03 – Scuba Diving with *Henry McDonald*

Next Week's Program: 03/13/03 – Rescue Mission with *Sally Star*

Last Week's Program: 02/20/03 – Skaneateles Boy Scouts with *Brian Underwood*.

- **Present:** *Rhett Weiss, Doug Hill, Toni Feldmann, John Paddock, John Rooney, Elaine Taggart, Ron Bond, Rich Berman, Doug Smith, Dave Labourdette, Joachim Ohlin (Welcome Joachim !)*
- **Visitarians:** *Ward Vuillemot, Donn Nottage, and Dick Poppa* of the Evening Club
- **Guests:** *Sophia Berman and Brian Underwood*

Program: *Brian Underwood*, Scoutmaster of Troop 61 spoke to us about the history of scouting in Skaneateles and the current troop. *Brian* pointed out that Skaneateles is one of the most active and successful troops in the Hiawatha-Seaway council, much of which is attributable to the adult and parent support. Troop 61 goes on at least 1 outing every month and which provides many opportunities for teaching the boys responsibility from planning the events months in advance to cooking and cleaning up at the events. Troop 61 happens to be chartered by the Skaneateles Evening Rotary club since its inception in 1933. *Brian* also pointed out that Rotary provides some financial support to the Troop every year and can also work with Rotary on community projects.

International Project- After *Jerry* spoke last week, *Ward* shared stories of Rotary finding uses for our old fire equipment in other parts of the world . It turns out that *Borodino* is buying replacement clothing gear within the next year and they planned on giving their still-usable outfits away. *Rich* will

follow up when the time comes and request that Rotary be considered for finding the gear a new home in the international community.

Food Pantry Tuesday March 11th at 11:45 AM is the next Food Pantry Day.

Winter Events (2004) Planning - Doug S. did some excellent research on the New Year's eve First Night Celebrations where the Arts typically take center stage. Doug noted an example of a small town that had concurrent activities slated throughout various venues which were typically churches and school buildings and involved significant community involvement and preparation. It was suggested that we vote on which project (First Night or Winterfest) our club should consider for next winter. We'll address at board meeting.

New Fundraiser Idea - Need to follow-up on Doug's presentation of a potential Concession Sales opportunity at the old ice arena next year. If this job arises, the Sunrise Club wishes to be considered as one of the organizations sharing a weekend a month and Doug will relay this to the arena board. We'll address at board meeting.

Another Fundraiser Idea - Toni was approached by Christian from TC Timber about our having our Sunrise club provide coffee and refreshment service to their bi-annual sale event. We'll address at board meeting.

Rotary Info Meeting - Ward is willing to do another presentation for the new Sunrise members and has suggested meeting either before or after any regular meeting that's convenient for those interested.

Board Meeting - Planned for March 13th, immediately following Sunrise meeting.

Calendar of Coming Events:

- **March 6th**- Program Scuba Diving - Henry McDonald
- **March 11th**- Food Pantry at 11:45 AM
- **March 13th**- Program Rescue Mission - Sally Star
- **March 13th**- Board Meeting 8:00
- **March 20th**- Program Open
- **March 27th**- Program Open
- **April 5th**- Rotary Leadership Institute Meeting 7:30 - 4:30 at MVCC. Ward and John P. plan on attending. Others are encouraged.
- **April 12th**- Syracuse Inner City Club Charter event

District 7150 Charters its Forty Sixth - *The Syracuse Inner City club has received its Charter and will celebrate at a special event on April 12th. Let's plan to have to attend and celebrate with them as we prepare for the Skaneateles SR charter and celebration. Also, we should plan on presenting a gift to the new club (e.g \$50)*

Rotary Information

The District Assembly

In view of the annual turnover of Rotary leadership each year, special effort is required to provide the 33,000 club leaders with appropriate instruction for the tasks they will assume. The annual district assembly is the major leadership-training event in each of the 530 Rotary districts of the world.

The district assembly offers motivation, inspiration, Rotary information and new ideas for club officers, directors and key committee chairmen of each club. Some of the most experienced district leaders conduct informative discussions on all phases of Rotary administration and service projects. The assembly gives all participants valuable new ideas to make their club more effective and interesting. Usually eight to ten delegates from each club are invited to attend the training session.

Another important feature of a district assembly is a review by the incoming district governor of the program theme and emphasis of the new R.I. president for the coming year. District goals and objects are also described and plans are developed for their implementation. The success of each Rotary club is frequently determined by the club's full representation and participation in the annual district assembly.

District 7150's Spring 2003 Assembly is to be held Saturday, May 17, 2003 at Mohawk Valley Community Collage in Utica. All club presidents, officers and 4-Avenue of Service chairs are invited to participate. Mark your calendars!

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