


Perry Rotary Club

Rotary International Theme 2006-2007	
"Lead the Way"	
William B. Boyd, Rotary International President, 2006-2007	2006-2007

<Recognize this masthead? It's from the front page of our club's mini-website. Rick Bramer's been a busy boy and we are glad of it. Go to: <http://www.rotary7120.org/Perry.cfm>.

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Perry Rotary Club News from March 1, 2007 – Kibitzin' by Kunze

Today's guests: **Bonnie Matson** with **Nancy M.**, **Kim Brown** with **P.E. Donna F.**, **Josh Wolcott** with **Lorraine, Holly** our exchange student with **Ruth**, and **Joe Delforte** and **Ben Gullo** of Canandaigua club with Ben's brother **Sam**.

Congratulations to **Bob Briggs** who retired after 41 years in banking and deposited \$1 per year in our pan-fund. The Jim Fulmer photo in the paper netted \$1 fines from each Bank of Castile employee in Rotary.

Gary Wood had several thoughts of **Prez. Fred** while in California...a visit to the Jelly Belly Jellybean Co. netted a bag-o-sweets and a candymaker's paper hat. Another shop yielded an Alcatraz Psych Ward hat and a Nevada City coin. Great stuff and a \$5 fine.

PP Howard Wood jumped up to pay **John Wheeler's** latest fine, \$5, for daughter Meghan's athletic talents, this time taking it to the free throw line to put Perry ahead of Avon and in the finals where the Lady 'Jackets lost to Bloomfield. All great games.

Flash! 7 new members may be joining us on March 15 with an info meeting to follow our regular session. Was **Mike Kelly's** announcement a hint that we should behave?

Bob Scott's back from a 5 days in Florida where he found time to see Fly Wheelers, which are old tractors. He returned with gifts, an orange FL hat and T-shirt., \$3.

The antics of **Jeff Fitch** never cease to entertain. His grateful payback to **PP John McClurg** for a complementary Viper ride came in the form of (John's son) **Garrett's** time in the driver's seat of Jeff's Arctic Cat. **John** pleaded innocence so **P. Fred** nailed him \$2 for daughter **Tori's** picture in the paper. She helped Perry to a swimming finish.

PP Roy Humberstone and **Denis Berwanger** gladly gave for the basketball-playing athletes, Roy's granddaughter, **Lindsey H.**, an athletic conference champ for Keuka College and Denis's daughter and tournament MVP **Alison**.

The Triple District Conference at Turning Stone Casino at T-Way exit 33 is coming May 4,5,6 in Verona. Past International President Carl Wilhelm Steinhammer will be there. There is lots to do and see so watch the website or call 396-0926 for info. **Joe and Ben** gave us a glimpse of the place in a Power Point presentation. Looks like fun!

New member **Bob Pascoe** was our program speaker with his classification talk. Born 1942 in Flemington, New Jersey, his family moved to Perry in '46 when his father and former member, Joe Pascoe, bought the Perry Herald. Joe brought Bob to a Perry Rotary meeting in 1956-7. Growing up in Perry were great years. He graduated PHS in 1960 and attended Rutgers U. where he rowed on the crew team. He did his grad work at Syracuse U coming out a research engineer.

Bob married Perry girl Jane Allen and switched his career path to ministry. They have two children, daughter Julie, whom we've met and learned of her Peace Corps work and son, Richard, who manages the Warsaw Advanced Auto Parts store.

Bob attended seminary in Boston, graduating in 1968. They moved to Sheraton, outside Dunkirk, where men joined the fire department and trimmed grapes (in February, a frosty lesson in community service). He also learned that as one of the few men who didn't commute out of town for work, he'd be one of a handful of volunteers to respond to fires including one day when there were 15 grass fires along 18 miles of railway.

Bob thought he'd get a break from the snowy area when he was sent to Boston, NY one November. Upon arrival, Boston received 20 inches of snowfall. He found out what snowbelt means because nearby Buffalo was spared. Boston brought more opportunities for service so Bob joined the rescue/ambulance squad. Upon seeing him in the rig, one parishioner thought her time had come. He reassured her it had not.

After 10 years in Boston, Bob was moved to Geneseo where in 1983 he joined the Rotary Club. During his 8 years in Geneseo Rotary, it became the first club to accept women. His next move to Jamestown for 6 years was to become district superintendent of the United Methodist Church, an assistant to the UMC Bishop. It snows from October to April there. His first meeting was to announce the closing of a church, a session he barely made on time after finding the Leon bridge was out and a detour had him behind a Sunday procession of Amish buggies.

Next stop was an assignment in Kenmore where at 56 parish folks were excited by his youth. He joined Rotary there and found the same thing. Neighbors once picketed him after a church decision to raze three homes for a parking lot. In his ten years there, he brought more young people into the church. Still, Kenmore has the highest percentage of senior citizens than any other town in the state.

Bob retired after 40 years in the ministry and moved back here because he and Jane still had their lake home where they now reside. Jane retired after 23 years at PCS. He joined our Rotary for excitement. He enjoys remodeling, golfing, boating, reading and is currently transcribing letters of Civil War soldier Joseph Cronkite, an ancestor of Jane's, who was from the Village of Wyoming. His letters home from 1862-5 arrived from his Suffolk, VA post in 3 days! Thanks, Bob, for a fascinating program!

Newsies: Amanda on March 15; Lorraine on March 22 and 29.

Happy Birthdays: March 19 Gary Wood; March 25 Bert Croop & Mike Hughes.