The Penwheel Reporter: Jack Best October 16, 2012

MARY ANN MADY greeted all 12 attendees to today's meeting. She doubled up by also giving the Invocation. DAVE STURTZ led The Pledge.

Our Visiting Rotarian was Nancy Aumann, who moved to Penfield about a year ago and still belongs to the Cortland Breakfast Club. She has attended several meetings and is excited about the opportunity to join Penfield Rotary. Nancy was a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar in the 1970's, sponsored by the Williamson Rotary Club. Her educational travels led to a Ph.D and took her through three private and three public colleges, most recently as Associate Provost at SUNY Cortland from which she retired last year. Nancy first joined Rotary in 1987.

Also visiting was Shannon Staub, with Northwest Savings Bank in north Penfield (Plank and Empire). Shannon found us on the Internet, in a search to get involved in a meaningful community organization. She lives in Greece and is responsible for teller training in the Rochester area branches. She's a soccer mom and chairs a soccer league.

Aline Nguyen could not attend today's meeting, but has visited our club twice. Aline owns the *Mathnasium* franchise located in the Kam Wah restaurant/office complex behind Dunkin' Donuts. She and her parents came to the States in 1975. She graduated from both RIT and UR and spent 20 years in the corporate world. She remembers her days in Vietnam as a child in school struggling with the science of numbers. "It is why I opened Mathnasium of Penfield – to give your children the same opportunity to exceed that my parents and tutors gave to me. I know from my own experience how challenges can become opportunities and how math can prepare children to realize their full potential in our increasingly technological world."

Important Dates:

1. **October 20, this Saturday: at the OLD CAMP HACCAMO** behind Popeye's and Panorama Plaza. A real estate offer fell through, so the property needs to be spruced up again. **Let President Christian know by Wednesday night, October 17**, if and when you plan to help:
    a. 8:30: continental breakfast at the OLD CAMP HACCAMO main building
    b. 9:00 – Noon: spruce up work: bring gloves and your favorite garden tools
    c. 12:15: hots and hamburgers

2. October 28: Euchre Tournament at The Legacy at Willow Pond. Doors open at 1:30, registration at 2:00, games done by 5:30, cleaned up by 6:30. All member are asked to solicit $25-$100 prizes for the Euchre Tournament. Identify them to BILL PETHICK or JACK BEST at next Tuesday's meeting. Ten prize pods (#1: 32" television set) will then be prepared for the winners.

3. November 3: Rotary Leadership Institute in Canandaigua

4. November 4: Eastern Cities Dinner featuring RI President SAKUJI TANAKA

5. November 11: Foundation Brunch at The Belhurst Castle in Geneva. Mary Ann is chairing that district event, says that seats are going fast for this annually sold-out event. Provide her with a check for $29, payable to Rotary District 7120, to reserve your place. Spouses, friends are welcome to attend.

6. Dictionary project set to be implemented by Mr. Tools November 7-20. Can you accompany him to a presentation or two?

Happy Dollars:

1. JACK WETZEL: $1: walked 3.75 miles for Haccamo last Saturday, with 50-75 hikers
2. MARIE CINTI: $2, for her first round of golf last weekend. She's already addicted, is in withdrawal until April.
3. Nancy Aumann: $2: Liked the Nobel Prize winners this year, plus Bills win!
4. Mary Ann: $2 because of our two guests
5. WALLY ASHNAULT: $5: liked last week's meeting at the Nucor House. Also was able to introduce Case "KC" Hamilton, a college student, to the Nucor House officials for possible employment. Wally also visited the Curtiss Wright Museum in Hammondsport, "Not to be missed," he said.

CLUB ASSEMBLY, directed by President Christian:

1. **Treasurers Report:** This year's budget is balanced with $11k of expenditures and $11k expected revenues. Plus, approximately $25,000 rests in the club's bank accounts. Ideas for new projects, opportunities to help with those funds are welcome.
2. **Weekly programs** have been strong, now scheduled through STEVE KETCH. Upcoming:
    a. October 23rd: Tribute to Wally next week for 50 years as a Penfield Rotarian. At least 50 attendees expected! Lunch cost: $20, for expanded lunch menu + one 50/50 ticket. Location: usual downstairs room, CASH BAR upstairs.
    b. 30: BOCES Superintendent Dan White, on Vocational training now available
    c. November 6: at Jay Advertising Studios,170 Linden Oaks Office Park
    d. 13: At the Yellow House on Jackson Road, new location of Ecumenical Food Center
    e. 20: Rotary Foundation Program, featuring four Paul Harris Recognition presentations
    f. December 4: John Odenbach: the history of the Penfield quarries
    g. 18: Annual Christmas party at the Dolomite Lodge
    h. December 25, January 1: No meetings that week

3. **Public Relations**: excellent coverage in the Penfield Post Messenger,with LINDA KOHL taking the lead. Suggestions were made for more photos, news, announcements in the monthly District newsletter and on Penfield Cable 12.

4. **New Generations,** Marie Cinti: eight Rotary programs are in place at Penfield Central. Marie acknowledged the help she is receiving from Rotarian chairs of those activities. Her goal is to increase visibility of the Rotary programs offered to students. Marie has developed a New Generations brochure, along with a Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/NewGenerationsatPenfieldRotary Club members are also invited to get involved with this year's Young Entrepreneur Academy, seeking a mentor or two for a Penfield Central participant to be determined. Mary Ann read a thank-you from School 9 for the school supplies donated by our club. Eric Wallen is in his 3rd year as the Interact faculty advisor, with IVETH REYNOLDS the direct Rotary contact.

5. Penfield Rotary's commitment to **The Rotary Foundation** in November, Foundation Month: **the club will match up to $50 of any member's contribution in November.** Provide Mary Ann with your check payable to *The Rotary Foundation* in November. At the end of the month, the club will send in the checks with the appropriate matches funded by the Club.

6. **Membership:** opportunities abound in Penfield Rotary for leadership and vision. Who can you personally invite to attend a meeting as the club's guest to find out more about Rotary and what Rotarians do? New members from the class of 2010 are already providing extraordinary leadership as president and directors. Our goal: net 12 new members by June 30, 2013, to increase our membership to 40.

7. **Activities:** Jack Wetzel observed that many activities are already under way, with the Oratorical Contest and its $100,000 scholarship opportunities just starting.

The Joker eluded Bill Pethick who won $6.50 in the 50/50 drawing.

Next Week, October 23: Tribute to Wally Ashnault, lunch price: $20, includes one 50/50 ticket. Usual downstairs meeting room. Cash bar upstairs, expanded lunch buffet available at 12:05.

Volunteers:

Greeter: Don Milton
Reporter: Linda Kohl
Pledge: Chris Kausch
Invocation: Marie Cinti
Pick Up Joe: Jack Wetzel