News Both Fit and Unfit!

Guest Speakers:

This week's guest speaker where two of our returning exchange students. Melanie Fredrick is returning from India, and Alexandra Yager is returning from Mexico. Melanie shared some great stories about living



in Western India. She said it was less about learning the language and more about the culture and the experience. Melanie attended a lot of festivals. The 3 host families are all great friends and loved having Melanie. School was 6 days a week and the Rotary club is a big part of the community. Alexandra shared a lot of information about her time in Puebla Mexico. It is a town with 10,000,000 residents! Alexandra spent her school days in public school and she loved it! Alexandra became fluent in Spanish in a matter of months and speaks the language very elegantly. She was passionate about letting people know that Mexico is more than just Cancun. She had a wonderful vacation to Vera Cruz and a lot of fellow rotary exchange students joined her especially because of the POOL! Thank you to both students for sharing their stories about the wonderful experiences they had.

Guests: Alexandra, Diane, and Kevin Yager. Melanie Fredrick and her Mother and former Rotarian Christine Day.

Fine Master: Aaron Martin was the winner of the 50/50 this week. A whopping \$19 that is going right to his kid's college fund. Rob Flanders was this week's Fine Master and he lived up to the reputation of being tough. He took a new approach and started with happy fines first and we in the club where happy! George was happy the Bills won. Terri is happy he daughter is ok. Roy's wife has moved her office and I quote "my family is crazy" (In a good way) Art felt the need to gloat about the Packers and his cruise. Steve Day was happy for children visiting. Daisy Loved her time in Cleveland. Aaron was happy to win the 50/50. Pete enjoyed his time with his wife and daughter. Carol is just happy! Ted loves the Fall time. Siobhan is just happy as well. Rob Flanders kept bringing up milogranite. Matt C. was fined for having the audacity to levy fines 2 months ago to senior citizens. \$47 dollars

collected.

Upcoming Speakers:

Club Business - Meeting - No Speaker Nov 07, 2016 Meeting Cancelled - Chamber Luncheon on Nov 14, 2016

11/15

Amelia LaDolce – Nov 21, 2016

Director, Binghamton Urban Farm

Nov 28, 2016 Denise Johnson -

Director of Vestal Park Rehabilitation and Nursing

Announcements:

- Any questions or suggestions regarding the lunch menus, facilities, etc. should funnel thru Teri Mahonski, House Committee Chair
- Sign-ups for publishing *The Vigilant* will be forthcoming. Thank you for all who have agreed to assist so far. If you have never written the newsletter, please consider doing so. We still need: JANUARY, MARCH and APRIL, Thx
- District Conference 5/52017 thru 5/7/2017 in Canandaigua. Would be terrific to achieve 100% attendance.
- Of course, the DG is ours and the support would be HUGE! Dress code casual, families are welcome.
- St. Patrick's Day party date March 11th
- For more information visit our website: http://www.vestalrotary.org/

Upcoming Events FOUNDATION DINNER, NOVEMBER 13, 2016 THE

5/7/2017 DISTRICT CONFERENCE – Canandaigua, NY. Home club is expected to run the Hospitality room, check-in, etc. Dress is casual, as long as it is microfiber. More to come!!

October Celebrations

Birthdays:ZERO

Anniversaries: Rob and Kathy Flanders 48 years. Bill and Pam Scannel 32 years. Siobhan and Alan Davey 16 years

50/50: Aaron Martin \$19

Don's Joke Corner:

Q: Why did the fish get bad grades? A: Because it was below sea level.

Quote of the Day:

Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail. Ralph Waldo Emerson



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ROTARY CLUBS FOR MAKE-UPS

MONDAY

Hillcrest 12:15- Villa Tuscana in Chenango

Bridge (Red & White/Lower Level).

Vestal 12:15 – California Grill

Conklin 7:00 PM – Maines Community Center

TUESDAY

Binghamton 12:15 – Holiday Inn Arena

Endwell 12:15 – Brother's 2

Owego 12:05 – Owego Treadway Inn

WEDNESDAY

Binghamton B-fast 7:15 am – The Binghamton Club

Greene 8 am – Varies

Colesville 6:15 pm – Hitchin' Post Rt. 7

THURSDAY

Endicott 12:15 – Nirchi's Washington Ave.

Johnson City 7:30 am – Davis College

Whitney Point 6:15 pm –Northern Broome Senior

Center, 12 Strongs Place

FRIDAY

Nimmonsburg 12:15 – Chenango Town Hall



2016 -2017 Theme

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