News Both Fit and Unfit!

Guest Speakers:

Jon McNamara from Renovus Solar in Ithaca N.Y. Renovus Solar was formed in 2003 and is a local owned and operated. They are actively developing



Solar Farms for whole communities on a co-op platform. A lot of people do not have an ideal location for solar panels on their house. Renovus can provide solar power for a group of homes at a location nearby. Renovus is expecting rapid growth within the next 5 years. Thanks to New York States initiative to create 50% of its energy by renewable sources. With tax subsidies, solar energy is extremely attractive to many different businesses and families. With the level of interest in Solar and Renovus in particular NYS and its residents are in for wonderful opportunity to invest in long term renewable energy. We also had the pleasure of Jim Sheehy joining us from Redondo Beach California. He will be reaching out to our club members for donations for his marathon walk.

Guests: Jim Sheehy, a fellow Rotarian from Redondo Beach California. Jon McNamara, General Manager from Renovus Solar. Kate Miller, Marketing from Renovus Solar.

Fine Master: The Honorary Pete Griffiths is this weeks 50/50 winner. A Whopping \$21 dollars was deposited in his wallet. Aaron Martin took the podium for his very first fine master session and collected a very impressive \$49 bucks. His first order of business was dinging the 50/50 winner for a few bucks. He also fined the club each a dollar for NO October birthdays along with the members who sit at the same table every week. Then much to Andy's dismay, Aaron proceeded to a hold trivia event about pasta. Difficult questions were asked and a few bucks were definitely raised for the club. Happy fines were a small in number but plentiful at heart. Pete paid up for finding money, maybe he could find some for the rest of us. Ted was super happy to make it a week with not being fined, so he paid anyways! Kevin was happy for safe travel, and because he flew on a private jet or something awesome like that!

Upcoming Speakers:

Dr. Ahmed Khan, Heart Surgeon UHS Oct 31,2016

Club Business – Meeting – No Speaker Nov 07, 2016

Meeting Cancelled - Chamber Luncheon on 11/15 Nov 14, 2016

Amelia LaDolce -

Director, Binghamton Urban Farm

Nov 21, 2016

Denise Johnson -

Director of Vestal Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Nov 28, 2016

<u> Announcements:</u>

- 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
- <u>District Conference</u> 5/52017 thru 5/7/2017 in Canandaigua.
 <u>Would be terrific to achieve 100% attendance.</u>
- 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/
- Chamber luncheon November 15, 2016 at the Mckinley.

Upcoming Events

FOUNDATION DINNER, NOVEMBER 13, 2016 THE MCKINLEY

October Celebrations

Birthdays: ZERO

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



<u>50/50:</u> Honorary Pete Griffiths. \$21. Don't spend it all in one place Pete!

Don's Joke Corner:

Q: What do you call a cow with no legs? A: Ground Beef

Quote of the Day:

It is better to keep your mouth closed and let people think you are a fool than to open it and remove all doubt. Mark Twain

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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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