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Rotary Club of Palmyra-Macedon



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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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Speakers

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[Rehema Home visits Pal-Mac Rotary](#)

Posted by Dianne Sloan



Jonathan Schwandt and Lance Teitsworth from Rehema Home, Pal-Mac Rotary President-Elect Dianne Sloan

Jonathan Schwandt from Rehema Home spoke at our April 4 meeting. Rehema Home (meaning: "Mercy" in Swahili) is dedicated to the long-term care of abandoned and orphaned children, regardless of their health status, who have no family to care for them. The orphanage, started in 1998 by Jonathan's parents who live in Kenya, is currently home to 60 children, 50% of whom are HIV positive. Rehema Home is committed to providing, along with the basic necessities of food, clothing, shelter, and medicine, an education and loving environment for children who would otherwise be forgotten. Current figures indicate that, in Africa, there are over 34 million orphaned children. One third of these children are orphaned by AIDS.

Jonathan, who spent all except the first two years of his childhood in Kenya, opened a U.S. office for Rehema Home to direct fundraising for programs, organize short-term mission trips, and recruit missionaries who want to dedicate their lives to the kind of humanitarian works provided at Rehema Home. He shared several stories, some heartbreaking and some uplifting, of how some of the children came to Rehema Home. On the team's recent trip to Keyna, they assisted with a three-day medical clinic to bring much needed medical attention and medication to the area due to funding shortage at this time. Their actions of validating and caring for one child at a time is in the hopes of not only providing a loving home for these children, but to produce future leaders of Keyna who are able to succeed and give back to their country.

Joint Rotary/Lions Dinner

Apr 18, 2012 06:00 AM

Board meeting

Apr 19, 2012 06:30 PM

Highway Cleanup

Apr 21, 2012 08:00 AM

GSE team arrives

May 12, 2012

Rotary Barn Sale

Jun 01, 2012

Rotary Barn Sale

Jun 02, 2012

Rotary Barn Sale

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For more information on Rehema Home and what you can do to help, visit their Website at www.rehemahome.org/.

April 4, 2012 - Meeting Minutes

Posted by Tom Breen on Apr 04, 2012

Guests:

Jonatha Szhwandt and Lance Teitsworth of Rehema Home;

Students:Lindsay Haschmann, Kayla Henry, Breanna Freeman;
And, of course, Joey**Missing in Action:**

Gene Bassage, Jim Bilotta, Eric Chapman, Trevor Chapman, Bob Culver, Vicky Daly, Chase Ellsworth, Gary Haigh, Robert Ike, Jeff Johncox, Melinda Meyer, Anne Morrell, Dave Nagle, Arnie Pechler, Steve Selvaggio, Cindy Surline.

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

- the family of John Chapman (Eric's father), who passed away on the 3rd;
- the family of Frank Piccola, who recently passed;
- PDG Ralph Kommer, who suffered a mini-stroke, or TIA, and is now undergoing physical therapy;
- and Cortney's boyfriend's niece, who just had a premature baby.

Birthdays:

Dave Pray – April 3

Anniversaries:

Gary and Terri Hopkins, 17 yrs

Fines, Happy Bucks, Confessions:

- Debbie LeMoyné welcomed a new grandson.
- Jim Bush went fishing with Mark Clement, had a great time at the cast party hosted by the Clements for the cast of the Murder Mystery Dinner, and performed recently at the Ohmann Theatre.
- Leslie Vecchiotti seconded Jim's praise on the cast party.
- Cortney Surline had some friends home for a visit.
- Nancy Schrader visited her grandson.

- Bob Yost also had a good time fishing with Mark Clement and Jim Bush, and confessed to needing rescue from said Mr. Bush, after locking himself out of his car in Sodus. He also confessed to having his picture in the paper, accepting a donation for Dollars for Scholars.
- Pam Dean offered thanks for all the thoughts and prayers sent her way on her mother's passing.

Notes and Updates for the Club:

- Our joint **Rotary Lions dinner meeting** will take place on **April 18 at 6 pm at Parkwood Heights**. If you have not signed up and want to attend, please let Dianne know.
- **Historic Palmyra** is having its 13th annual fundraiser dinner, 5:30 – 8:30, Saturday April 21st at the Alling Coverlet Museum. Tickets are \$25 per person. Contact Joan for tickets/further info.
- Our **Adopt-A-Highway** cleanup will take place Saturday morning, April 21st. Contact Bob Yost to sign up or for more info.
- The **District Conference** will take place on **May 18-20 in Rochester**. You have until April 15 to sign up - visit the District Website to do so.
- Our **Rotary Barn Sale** will take place on **June 1-3**. Drop off donations at the Surlines' barn anytime.