



# Canaltown Crier

## Rotary Club of Palmyra-Macedon

Wed Jul 25, 2012

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<b>Club President:</b> Eric Chapman
<b>Asst District Governor:</b> Tim King
<b>District Governor:</b> Norma Madayag-Reilly
<b>Rotary International President:</b> Kalyan Banerjee

### Speakers

Jul 25, 2012  
[Club Assembly](#)

Aug 01, 2012  
[DG Gaven Hurley](#)  
 Gaven's official visit to Pal-Mac Club

Aug 15, 2012  
 No meeting

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### Club Events

**July Board Meeting**  
 Jul 26, 2012 06:30 PM

**August Board Meeting**  
 Aug 23, 2012 06:30 PM

**Sept Board Meeting**  
 Sep 20, 2012 06:30 PM

**October Board Meeting**  
 Oct 18, 2012 06:30 PM

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### Stories

**Tim King, Outbound GSE Team Leader**

Posted by Tom Breen on Jul 11, 2012

We were joined at our July 11 meeting by Area 11 Assistant District Governor Tim King, who recently served as team leader with the outbound Group Study Exchange (GSE) to the Philippines. Tim shared some photos and memories from his trip.

The team visited many local sites and venues during their stay; one which stood out was Bataan. Very early in the second world war, American and Filipino forces were being overrun and so attempted to hold out there until reinforcements could arrive. After a 3-month siege by the Japanese, they surrendered. As prisoners of war, they were forced to march nearly 80 miles to Tarlac, with no provision for food, water, or medical care – the infamous Bataan Death March.

On the lighter side, Tim told us of some of the food they were served there, including stuffed frogs, water buffalo, goat, and pork. Bananas are a local fruit there; as are mangoes, which are to the Philippines as apples are to the US.

The Philippines was a territory of Spain before becoming a US territory. As such, about 80% of the population is Roman Catholic. In the area our team visited, that number is almost 98%. Almost every house visited by the team had a shrine to the Virgin Mary. In the quarters of the children in the area attend a Catholic school. Most prefer it over the public school system.

Tim shared many photos and would have told us much more about the trip if only we had another hour or so for our meetings!



*Club President Dianne Sloan with ADG Tim King, GSE Team Leader.*

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### July 11, 2012 - Meeting Minutes

Posted by Tom Breen on Jul 11, 2012

#### Guests:

Speaker ADG Tim King, Shirley Bassage, Inductees Richard and Wynette Searle

#### Missing in Action:

Margaret Brooks, Trevor Chapman, Vicky Daly, John Deniston, Chase Ellsworth, Cheryl Ford, Gary Haigh, Gary Hopkins, Bob Ike, Jeff Johncox, Dick Kirchhoff, Anne Morrell, Dave Nagle, Peter Park, Arnie Pechler, Dave Pray, Nancy Schrader, Cindy Surline, Cortney Surlin, Leslie Vecchiotti, Pat VerPlank. Bob Yost

#### Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers this week:

Dick Kirchhoff, who recently had surgery and the tens of people who were absent this week (we hope they're okay!)

#### Singing:

In honor of the recent Independence Day holiday, we sang "Yankee Doodle," with a special verse written by Kim.

#### Birthdays / Anniversaries:

Dave Read – July 11, Four-Score minus One  
Kim and Mark Clement – 27 years

#### Fines, Happy Bucks, Confessions:

- Richard had a happy buck to celebrate his and Wynette's new status as *members*.
- Eric's grandson hit a home run in a recent game, prompting a happy buck.
- Dianne enjoyed a fun weekend at the cottage with her family. Got to see her brother and spend some time with Joey.
- Dianne also confessed to omitting Mark's name when she announced the new board of directors at the changeover picnic.
- Pam pitched in a happy buck because the changeover picnic actually came out a few dollars ahead, after factoring in the 50/50.

#### Notes and Updates for the Club:

- On August 1 our new District Governor, Gaven Hurley, will be making his official club visit. That meeting will be at the American Legion, as usual.
- Rotary Red Wings day is Saturday, August 18 vs the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Yankees. Game time is 7:05pm, with fireworks after the game. More info is available at the district website, or contact Bill Dean. Deadline for orders is August 7.
- Fair booth sign-up has begun. Saturday is always the hardest day to fill, so please consider helping out by taking a shift that day.
- The committee list for 2012-2013 has been distributed. Please contact Dianne with any questions or concerns.

Check out the photos from our Changeover picnic! [Click here](#).

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This week's 50/50 winner was Dianne Sloan.

Next meeting: Club Assembly - Noon, July 25, at Parkwood Heights



*Newly inducted members Richard and Wynette Searle receive their Pal-Mac Rotary swag from President Dianne Sloan.*

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