



# Canaltown Crier

## Rotary Club of Palmyra-Macedon



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**Club President:**  
Pam Dean

**Asst District Governor:**  
Tim King

**District Governor:**  
Ellen Hughes

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President:**  
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### Upcoming Programs

Oct 16, 2013  
[Living the Four Way Test](#)  
American Legion - Noon

Oct 23, 2013  
[Building Minds in South Sudan](#)  
American Legion - Noon

Oct 30, 2013  
[Club Assembly - DG Visit](#)  
Parkwood Heights - Noon

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### Club Events

**BOD meeting at Palmyra Town  
Hall**  
Nov 14, 2013 06:30 PM

### Stories

#### [North to Alaska with the Clements](#)

Posted by Tom Breen on Oct 09, 2013

Mark and Kim Clement shared a brief travelogue of their recent trip to Alaska at this evening's meeting. Recently Mark's high school class held the 35-year reunion. "Sparky" ran into an old friend, Mark DeVries was there, his first time back for a reunion. He had spent 27 years in the Coast Guard, 7 of those stationed in Anchorage, Alaska. Upon retirement he and his wife moved there, and he now works in Crisis Management for BP. They invited Mark and Kim to come visit them in Alaska this Summer.

Mark and Kim shared with us some lovely photos they took on their trip, and some interesting facts about Alaska. First, Alaska is Huge. At 586,412 square miles, it is the largest US state by area, over twice the size of Texas. It is also the least densely populated state. The state's total population is just under 750,000 people. Almost 400,000 of those people live in the Anchorage metropolitan area. About 1 in 87 residents have a pilot license. Because of the undeveloped terrain, flying is the most efficient means of transportation. Mark and Kim visited glaciers and saw Denali. They got to help out at his friend's hunting cabin, and saw lots of moose.

They had a wonderful time on their trip and now have one more thing off their bucket list. If you have the opportunity to visit Alaska, they can't recommend it highly enough. And if you ask them real nice, they might even share their pictures and experiences with you.



*Size comparison of Alaska to the "lower 48."*

#### [October 9, 2013 - Meeting Minutes](#)

Posted by Tom Breen on Oct 09, 2013

#### **Guests:**

Bob Daly, Shirley Bassage, Jim Murray, Dave Stachnik, Katie Read, Mickey Kirchhoff,

**BOD meeting at Palmyra Town Hall**

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Andy Wahl, Mary Brooks, Noah Brooks, Megan LeMoyne.

**Missing in Action:**

Tom Brighton, Wayne Brophy, Eric Chapman, John Denniston, Chase Ellsworth, Cheryl Ford, Gary Haigh, Jeff Johncox, Anne Morrell, Peter Park, Arnie Pechler, Richard Searle, Wynnette Searle, Bob Sloan, Cindy Surline, Eric VanZeilen, Roger Wilbur, Bob Yost.

**Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:**

Rich Culp's mother, Erika, passed away this week.  
Mary Rutkowski fell and was hurt.

**Singing:**

Kim sang the verses, and we provided the chorus as we sang about some Pal-Mac Rotarians getting stuck in a lavatory.

**Birthdays / Anniversaries:**

Bob and Joy Ike's anniversary was last week.

**Fines, Happy Bucks, Confessions:**

- Mary Courtney was happy with the support received for the Rehema Walk; they raised \$4,000.
- Mark thanked Gene Bassage for the projector stand, which was hand-crafted by Gene. Thanks to Gene's ingenuity, there will be no more hand cramps for the poor soul drafted to hold the projector.
- Jim Murray pitched in one not-so-happy buck for each of the NY Giants' losses this season.
- Dianne gave a buck on Bob's behalf for his famous C Team, which remains undefeated. Also, she was happy that he had booked a massage for her as a surprise.

**Notes and Updates for the Club:**

- Reminder: October 30 is the new date of DG Ellen Hughes' official club visit. Please plan to attend; we always have a good crowd for the DG visit.

- At a previous meeting, a sign-up sheet was passed to gauge interest in polo shirts, aprons, etc. We now have prices. The cost will be \$20 for the polo shirt with our club name and Rotary wheel. You may have your name embroidered on your shirt for an additional \$3. If you would like to replace your apron or add to your collection of Rotary aprons, these will be available for \$16.50. The sign-up sheet will make the rounds again; please indicate if you are still interested and pay Tom.

- Rotary Leadership Institute takes place at the Inn on the Lake in Canandaigua, Saturday, November 2. Registration form is available at this [link](#).

- The District Foundation Bruch will be held on Sunday Nov. 10th at the Belhurst Castle in Geneva. The cost will be \$29 and more details will be available soon.

- The board of directors has received and approved membership proposal for Dave Stachnik and Jim Murray. Club rules require this to be published in two newsletters, allowing current members the opportunity to make comments to the board.

- The Palmyra Fire Department, Palmyra Library, and Pal-Mac Schools are sponsoring "Pancakes and Paperbacks" at the Palmyra Fire Hall Sunday, October 27 from 7am – noon. Pancake breakfast, story time and library cards will be offered. Cost is \$6 for adult, \$5 for children (5-12). Children under 5 admitted free.

Jim Murray won \$16 in this week's 50/50 drawing.

