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[New Mobile Unit Coming for VA](#)

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Our speaker today was Kevin Whittaker from the Canandaigua VA Center, a nurse case manager with the Canandaigua VA. He came to tell us about a new resource for coming soon for area veterans.

The VA has recently purchased a 35-foot RV, which is being equipped to go out in the communities and provide remote medical evaluations and services in Ontario, Seneca, Yates, Wayne, and Monroe counties. This mobile unit will be able to provide behavioral health screening as well as audiology and PT evaluation. In addition, the unit can serve as a lab/draw station for blood testing.

Available by appointment, all services will be done through tele-health. A secure internet link-up will enable doctors and patients to "meet" via video conference to discuss cases and treatments. Diagnostic exams can be conducted remotely, and treatments prescribed.

The mobile unit will see patients by appointment only; it is not for urgent or emergency care. It is currently in the planning stages still. Mr. Whittaker tells us the plan is for the unit to be available one day per week in each of the five counties served. That is subject to change, however, as demand is measured. It may turn out that one county might need the unit twice a week, while another county may be adequately served every other week.

Delivery of the new mobile unit is expected in mid-June. After staff orientation and training, they hope to begin service with appointments sometime in July.

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Guests:

Tim King, Tom Ferguson, Terri Giacoman, Jerry Giacoman, Speaker Kevin Whittaker, Lisa Wild, students Caley Austin, Taylor Blankenberg, Samantha Gagliano, Nicole Donoghue, and Szabi.

Missing in Action:

Gene Bassage, Brian Brooks, Wayne Brophy, Eric Chapman, Marie Cramer, Gary Haigh, Debbie LeMoyne, Jim Murray, Peter Park, Arnie Pechler, Dave Pray, Nancy Schrader, Cindy Surline, Eric VanZeilen, Leslie Vecchitti.

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At the beginning of today's meeting, we took a moment to honor our friend, Roger Wilbur, who passed away last month, by adding his dinner badge to those of other Rotarians who have gone before. They continue to have perfect attendance in our hearts and in our memories.

Please remember the following in your thought and prayers:

21 students and a security guard were injured this morning in a stabbing rampage at a Pennsylvania high school. Our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families.

Singing:

In honor of Lt. Col. Ferguson and the VA representatives, we sang "God Bless America."

Birthdays, Anniversaries:

As of last week, Dick Kirchhoff is now 88; on Friday, he and Mickey will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary.

Gary and Terri Hopkins are celebrating their 19th anniversary.

Fines, Happy Bucks, Confessions:

- We all pitched in a happy buck in honor of Dick's birthday, anniversary, and recent excursion with Honor Flight.
- Maurina confessed to missing the joint meeting with the Lions Club last week.
- Tom Ferguson offered a correction to PE Bob Yost, who introduced him as Colonel Ferguson. Tom is a Lieutenant Colonel, not a Colonel. He says the "Army didn't have that much of a sense of humor."
- Dave Read tells us his grandson Teddy Courtney is starting Army Basic Training. Dave wonders how Teddy will survive ten weeks without a cell phone, but wishes him well!
- Bob Yost informed us that his daughter Heather was sworn in to the US Marine Corps today.
- Joan offered a happy buck because she knows one of our guest students today; Caley is her granddaughter.
- Dave Stachnik offered a dollar as he lamented his *terrible* bracket.
- Andy had happy bucks for the Pal-Mac girls' and boys' lacrosse teams.
- Bob Sloan had a happy buck because one of the kids at Rotary Reads ran up and hugged him. That's the kind of thing that makes you feel special and lets you know you're having an effect on the kids.



This year's murder mystery dinner raised \$1,500 for Camp Onseyawa. In this photo, Gary Hopkins (l) and Bob Sloan (r), present the check to Gerry Giacoman representing Camp Onseyawa.

Notes and Updates for the Club:

- Auction items are needed for this month's Club Assembly (April 30). Please contact Joan if you are able to contribute an item.
- From the "Can't Say We Didn't Give You Enough Notice" department: Mark your calendars! Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is November 1.
- New members: if you haven't turned in your ABC's of Rotary book to Joan, please do so at your earliest convenience.
- On Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 PM at the Palmyra-Macedon Primary School, Rotary Reads with Mrs. Murphy's and Ms. Robischon's Multiage (Grades 1 and 2) class will perform the musical *Friends*. Cash or gently used/new children's books will be accepted at the door and all proceeds will be given to Pal-Mac Rotary President, Pam Dean. All are welcome.



Pal-Mac students visiting our club this week were (l-r): Taylor Blankenberg, Caley Austin, Szabi, Nicole Donoghue, and Samantha Gagliano.

Congratulations to Vicky Daly, winner of \$12 in this week's 50/50 drawing.

Next meeting – April 16, noon at the American Legion in Palmyra.

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