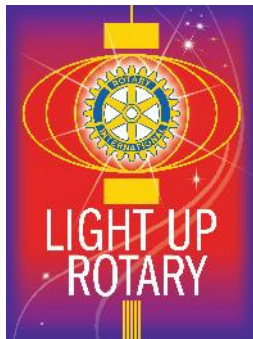




Canaltown Crier Rotary Club of Palmyra-Macedon



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Speakers

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Jan 24, 2015

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Stories

[Jonas Ivanoc - Exchange Student from Slovakia](#)



Our exchange student, Jonas took some time today to give us some information about his home country of Slovakia. Jonas is from the city of Prešov, centrally located in the eastern part of the country. It is the third largest city in Slovakia, with a population of 91,000. Prešov is about 40 km north of Košice, the city whose Rotary Club sponsored him.

Slovakia's capital city is Bratislava; it is located on the border with Austria. Slovakia also shares borders with the Czech Republic, Poland, Ukraine, and Hungary. The Tatra mountains, the highest mountain range in the Carpathian Mountains, are the country's geographic glory. Jonas told us his country has "too many caves, like 4,000." Some of these caves and caverns are open to the public. Five of these caves are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites.



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Jonas showed us some photos of his hometown and its sights, including the Fountain of Neptune and Church of Saint Nicholas. The fountain was commissioned by a Jewish merchant in 1789. He had earned an exception to the law forbidding Jews to trade in the city, and the fountain was his gift of thanks. The Church of Saint Nicholas dates back to the 13th century.

We asked Jonas about his family at home and learned that his mother is a housewife, his father is a bank manager, and his sister attends college studying pharmacology. His sister was also an exchange student, traveling to Seattle 5 years ago. When Jonas' time with us is done, he will return to Prešov for another year of school. When asked what he'd like to do after school, he told us he'd like to be a bank manager, or a documentary filmmaker.

[January 7, 2015 - Meeting Minutes](#)

Guests:

Pal-Mac HS students Travis Lundy, Zane Rampulla, Michael Tetty, Mike Yohonn, and Jonas.

Missing in Action:

Gene Bassage, Marie Cramer, Gary Haigh, Debbie LeMoyne, Peter Park, Dave Pray, Maurina Schmidt, Joan Shaffer, Anne Stewart, Steve Stewart, Cindy Surline, Eric VanZeilen, Andy Wahl.

Birthdays / Anniversaries:

Bob Sloan had a birthday January 4th.

Fines, Happy Bucks and Confessions:

- Dave S had a birthday, which he says he tried to hide only to have it discovered at the Christmas party.
- Kim and Mark have had their grand-daughter and having fun.
- Mark put in a happy buck for the holidays, spent with family.
- Anne spent Christmas in Stowe, which she said is lovely. She's afraid she may be falling in love with Vermont.
- Eric saw the Bills-Packers game, which he said was a good game. He also travelled to Kingston, NY to drop off Kari for another semester.
- Bob Yost's boys were home for the holidays and it was good to have time together. Nate brought his girlfriend, who is from Texas. This was her first real experience with snow, so Bob did not deny her the joy of shoveling when she offered.
- Leslie was happy to have all 3 kids home at one time over

the holidays, the first time since August.

- Dianne told us how they took the kids out of school a day early for the holiday break, so they could all go to Splash Lagoon, before spending the weekend at the cottage.
- Gary had a happy buck because rehearsals for the Murder Mystery Dinner are going well. By the way, he added: "Get your tickets!"

Notes and Updates for the Club:

- The annual Wayne County Rotary Spelling Bee will be Saturday, February 7 at the Wayne Central Performing Arts Center in Ontario Center. Our club is sponsoring the PM Interact team again this year in the youth division, and Pat VerPlank is once again sponsoring our club's adult team.
- The District Conference this year will be at the Buffalo Hyatt, May 15 through 17. More information to come.
- Our club's Foundation fundraiser Dessert Auction is Wednesday, Feb 11 at Parkwood Heights. This annual event helps us raise money to benefit the Rotary Foundation, and gives us a chance to gather for some sweet goods and fellowship.



Students joining us for our meeting today were (l-r): Zane Rampulla, Michael Tettey, Mike Yohonn, Jonas, and Travis Lundy.

- Bob Ike won the 50/50 this week, and donated the money to Literacy.

Our next meeting will be at noon on Wednesday, January 14 at Parkwood Heights, where Bob Ike will present our Rotary Vocal Contestants.