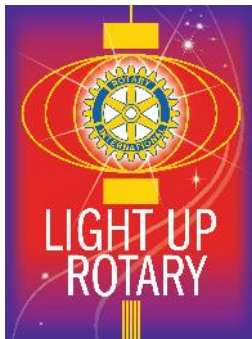




## Canaltown Crier Rotary Club of Palmyra-Macedon



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## Preparing the Local Workforce: Marisa Pennetta

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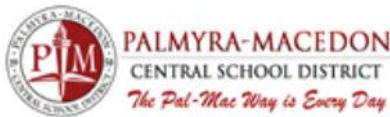
Marisa Pennetta joined us today, from the Pal-Mac school district. Marisa is the work-based learning coordinator for the district. She came to tell us some of the ways the school is preparing students to be part of the workforce.

"Just about the time you think you've learned all the answers, someone changes the questions," she told us. In the past, one of the benchmarks for a school's success was its graduation rate. These days, more attention is being paid to what becomes of the students after graduation. As a result, the focus in school is more on readying students for college and career.



Rotarian and PMHS principal Andy Wahl (left), with Marisa Pennetta, Work-Based Learning Coordinator, and Club President Bob Yost (right).

Work-based readiness programs at the school help guide students toward a career of their choice. This is done through several avenues including career shadowing and internships, career fairs, and field trips. In addition, Marisa arranges for guest speakers to come in to school and discuss their careers.



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Pal-Mac has recently partnered with Finger Lakes Manufacturing Enterprise, which will enhance their ability to help prepare students for potential careers in advanced manufacturing after graduation. Marisa is always looking for sponsors to provide internships and shadowing to students. She also helps to set up interviews with companies who may want to hire graduates straight out of high school.

Preparing our students for what awaits them after school is a challenging and worthwhile task. It's clear Marisa has a passion for doing just that and that she cares about the students. We're grateful to have such an individual working in our school district.

### [April 22, 2015 - Meeting Minutes](#)

#### Guests:

Marty and Tina Medina, Jenn Preston, Amanda VanZeilen and the twins, Sophia Clement, Marisa Pennetta, students Cody Grandy, Jacob Vanderstynne and Greg Straight.

#### Missing in Action:

Gene Bassage, Brian Brooks, Marie Cramer, Vicky Daly, Bill Dean, Pam Dean, Cheryl Ford, Gary Haigh, Bob Ike, Deb LeMoynne, Jim Murray, Peter Park, Arnie Pechler, Dave Pray, Maurina Schmidt, Bob Sloan, Dave Stachnik, Cindy Surline.

#### Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Pat's daughter LeaAnn.

#### Birthdays and Anniversaries:

None this week.

#### Fines, Happy Bucks and Confessions:

- Nancy was happy to announce that we have a RYLA candidate, Shelby Hutton, who will be attending the Rotary Youth Leadership conference at RIT June 28-July 2. She will present to the club July 22. Nancy offered her thanks to Leslie for her help in recruiting a candidate.
- Mark had a happy buck in honor of Sophia being with us, and another for a busy season with auctions. He also confessed to misplacing his dinner badge.
- Leslie confessed that she's been holding on to a thank you card from Jill Davis and the Select Choir for the Christmas party.
- Anne was away to Florida for a quick trip, and

visiting other Rotary clubs in the district for inbound students.

- Gary tells us the girls' JV Lacrosse team is on a tear, racking up wins.

#### Singing:

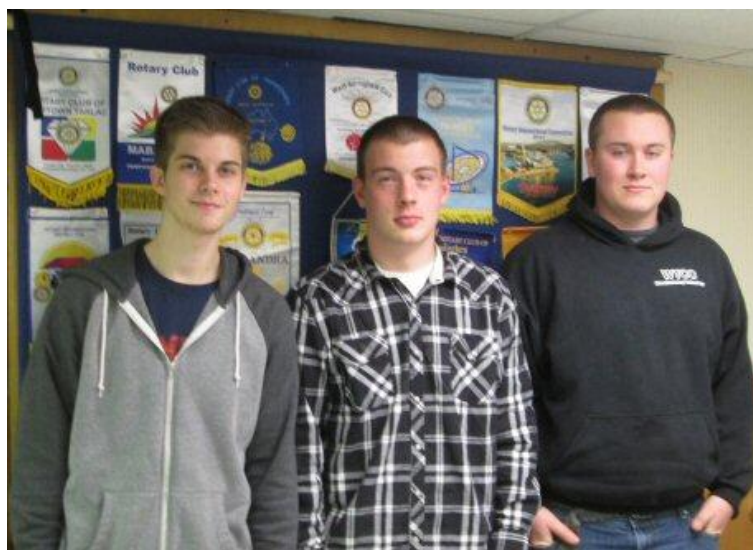
Kim led us in "Proud Rotarians," sung to the tune of "America the Beautiful."

#### Notes and Updates for the Club:

Shifts are still open for RL Concessions at the Hill Cumorah Pageant. Our club members are encouraged to take at least 3 shifts each. Sign up your family and friends, too, to help you make the 3.

Rotary night at the Red Wings is August 1. Rochester hosts Syracuse that evening. See Bill Dean for more details, or visit the district [website](#).

The Interact club is hosting a blood drive at the high school on May 22. If you've been thinking of donating blood, that would be a good time to do so.



Pal-Mac seniors visiting us today (l-r): Greg Straight, Cody Grandy, and Jake Vanderstyne.

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[April 29, 2015 - Meeting Minutes - Club Assembly](#)



District Governor Scott MacDonell was on hand to assist in the induction of our club's newest members, Marty and Tina Medina. Also taking part in the induction ceremony were Club President Bob Yost, their sponsor Dianne Sloan, and Bob Sloan. Be sure to give them a warm welcome, and don't forget to introduce yourself and sign their ABC's of Rotary book, whenever Tom Breen remembers to bring it in.

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#### **Guests:**

District Governor Scott MacDonell, Dave Nagle, Lucille Hamlin, Students Ben Griffin, Emily Vokes, Jason Kohl, and Kira Beals.

#### **Missing in Action:**

Gene Bassage, Brian Brooks, Vicky Daly, Bill Dean, Gary Haigh, Bob Ike, Deb LeMoyné, Jim Murray, Peter Park, Arnie Pechler, Dave Pray, Chris Santelli, Maurina Schmidt, Dave Stachnik, Cindy Surline, Eric VanZeilen.

#### **Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers:**

Pat's daughter LeaAnn.  
Dianne's sister-in-law is back in ICU.

#### **Birthdays and Anniversaries:**

Jim Bush's mother celebrated her 101st on April 26 (that's 5-score plus one).  
Tom Breen becomes eligible for AARP on May 3.

#### **Fines, Happy Bucks and Confessions:**

- Dick K gave a happy buck as he noticed he was sitting with 3 past-presidents and 2 potential presidents.
- Mark had happy bucks for his trip with Kim to Washington, DC. Also, the badge he misplaced was found and turned in at Parkwood four weeks ago.
- Dianne had a happy buck each for our newest members,

Marty and Tina, inducted today.

- Bob Sloan offered a buck for the campout with son Rory and the backpacking they did. Also, Bob and Dianne's friend Arun got married over the weekend, and all had a good time.
- Right after today's meeting, Anne will be off to Ithaca to watch her son's team play in the Lacrosse semifinals.
- DG Scott offered a happy buck for the nice Spring day, saying it was nice to visit our club while it was sunny.
- Kim gave a buck, saying she was "happy to see Nagle's smiling face."
- Pam took a weekend trip to Charleston, SC.

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- Eric Chapman is testing the waters to see if club members might be interested in having a Rotary day at the Bills game, September 20. The Bills will be hosting the Patriots. If you would be interested in making the outing, please contact Eric.
- The Camp Onseyawa golf tournament will be June 20 at Silver Creek Golf Course in Waterloo. This annual event helps support our area's camp for kids with special needs. Entry fee is \$400 per foursome, which includes greens fees and cart, lunch, dinner, and prizes. Also available are Greens and Hole Sponsorships. If interested, please see Bob Sloan for an entry form.

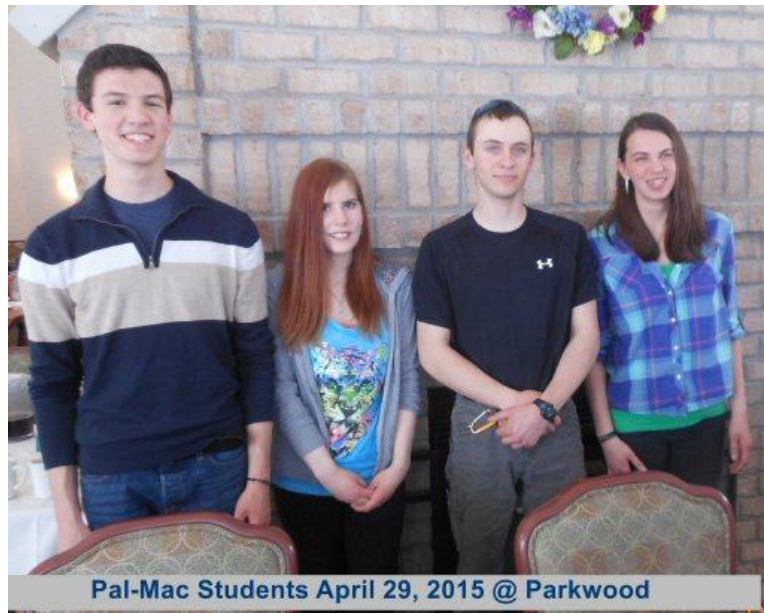


Our club made contributions today to the local food pantries, in the amount of \$600 each. Accepting for the Palmyra-Macedon Food Pantry was Dave Nagle. Lucille Hamlin accepted on behalf of the Macedon Food Pantry.

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This month's assembly auction raised \$22 for Polio Plus. So far this Rotary year, which began July 1, our auctions have raised \$186 for the Foundation and \$176 for Polio Plus. Thank you to all who have donated and bid. This month's items were donated by Margaret Brooks and Leslie Vecchiotti. Cheryl Ford, Anne Morrell, and Gary Hopkins were the winning bidders.

The exempt button for May goes to Margaret Brooks, and this week's 50/50 winner was Cheryl Ford.



*Pal-Mac seniors visiting us today (l-r): Ben Griffin, Emily Vokes, Jason Kohl, and Kira Beals.*