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LAST WEEK: Dr Jeffery La Duca spoke about the rising "epidemic" of skin cancer. The doctor's sense of humor and delivery made a very serious topic entertaining and informative. There are three major types of skin cancer and the most dangerous is melanoma. In his practice he has diagnosed 89 new cases in the past year 41 of which "...were not the chief complaint of the patient at the time of the office visit." Making the point that early detection is the key. Dr. La Duca urged us all to be mindful of changes in an appearance of a mole because he would rather "...tell you it is a nothing than have you wait and it turn out to be a something."

In addition to the Dr. LaDuca we were once again visited by Blessed Sikosana. She was accompanied by Obert Sibanda. Obert will be on the receiving end of the Zimbabwe water project money and once again assured us that he money raised will not pass through the hands of any government. Obert also mentioned that the economic problems of his country were becoming more reasonable as the inflation rate was down from 230 million% to a manageable 5%.

THIS WEEK: We will have two presenters this week: Gerald Gortner - Major Donor Presentation and Planned Giving - Janet Newcomer, Rotary Foundation Major Gift Officer, RI Zone 29

NEXT WEEK: Skaneateles Rotary "Book-Blitz"

Annual Christmas Fund Raiser, December 6th

The Skaneateles Rotary Club's annual Christmas fund raiser will be held on Thursday December 6th at the Skaneateles Country Club. We will begin with a happy hour at 6 PM followed by a family style turkey dinner at 7 PM. We [Rotarians and our many guests](#) will be entertained by Tony Lombardo at the piano. Tickets are \$25, same as last year, to cover the cost of the dinner at this fine local venue.

As in past years, the dinner will be followed by a raffle of prizes donated by local businesses and professionals as well as by Rotarians. Each of the dinner participants receive a raffle ticket in exchange for making a cash donation to our Skaneateles Rotary Foundation for the benefit of the local Outreach office and the Skaneateles and Spafford Food Pantries for their Christmas gift and dinner programs for the area's needy. This year we expect that the number of local needy families will be greater than ever.

Each Rotarian is asked to begin planning for this great event by lining up friends, business associates, neighbors, golfing buddies, etc. to invite to dinner on Dec.6. Last year there were 200 of us enjoying the holiday ambiance and great food at the Club, the camaraderie of guests and fellow Rotarians and especially the warm positive emotion of helping others during the Christmas season. Last year we raised over \$10,000!

Jack Hyatt is in charge of tickets and he is once again encouraging Rotarians individually or in partnership to put together an 8 or 10 person table of guests. The goal this year is to again reach a capacity level of 200 participants, Jack and the other committee members (Guido van de Ven, Steve Schwartz, Todd May, Roy McDonald, Timer Whittingham, Jack Emmer, Dale Zabel, Bob Holloway, Charlie McElroy, John Moran, & Robin Jowaisas) will be at upcoming meetings to provide additional information, to answer any questions, and most importantly, to reserve tickets for Rotarians and their guests.

Finally, the organizing committee needs fellow Rotarian support in coming up with raffle prizes. The goal is to have at least 50% of attendees win a prize. While local merchants and professionals will be canvassed again this year for prize donations, all Rotarians are [also](#) being asked to donate prizes such as a bottle of wine, a gift card, etc. Please let Roy McDonald or Todd May know in advance of the event what you will be bringing in the way of a prize.

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UPCOMING KEY DATES:

- Thursday Dec 6th - Christmas Party at Skaneateles Country Club
- Thursday Dec 13th - Club Party for spouses and friends
- Thursday Dec 20th - Seward House event

ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENTS & HOST FAMILY:

Kazuaki Oda, Japan: First host family-Roberta Williams and Kosta Hou
 Vimmy Pragneshkumar, India: First host family-Steve and Sandi Frackenpohl
 Jade Zhang, Italy: First host family-Nancy and Chuck Lewis
 Tim Zengerink, Netherlands: First host family- Rod and Cecilia Stabile

Our outbound students:

Dylan Baker, Belgium
 Katherine Hirsh, Ecuador
 Kayleigh Rottger, Italy
 John Lotkowitz, Germany
 Ryan McQuiggan, Chile

To see pictures of these students, go to the website - http://www.skaneatelesrotary.org/Skan_Rotary/Youth_Exchange.html

What is Rotary Leadership Institute ... An Opportunity

The Rotary Leadership Institute of Northeast America includes the original area where the RLI was founded in 1992. It now includes 28 districts in the northeastern part of the USA and Bermuda. The RLI is a recommended unofficial affiliate of Rotary International, but not an official program of R. I. nor under its control.

Clubs and districts looking to train Rotarians as leaders at local levels can now access online a wide array of resources developed by the RLI. The institute offers a training program in three full-day sessions, followed by graduate seminars. Faculty are carefully selected from among Rotarians with outstanding leadership abilities, prepared to conduct innovative participatory course sessions.

Our club is prepared to reimburse the fee for those members that want to take advantage of this fantastic Rotary leadership and information learning experience.

We, in the Skaneateles region have three venues that are in easy driving distance for us.



- [Sat., Mar 23, 2013](#) / \$75 / Owego, NY, [Owego Treadway Inn](#) & Suites, Part I, II, III, Grad.
- [Sat., Apr 6, 2013](#) / \$75 / Verona, NY, [VVS High School](#), Part I, II, III, Grad. **TO REGISTER ONLINE**, goto <http://www.rlinea.com> Remember to register at least 10 days in advance.

REMINDER TO MEMBERS: For those members with special dietary restrictions, special meal requests are limited to a salad or pasta dish, and must be arranged in advance of the meeting by calling Nancy Ranieri at the Sherwood Inn at 685-3405.

MAKEUPS: Remember to report your “make ups” to Cheryl Silvestrini ASAP. You can email her at cherylsilvestrini@rocketmail.com. It is important to report the work you are doing and the time you are putting in.

CELEBRATIONS:

Rotary Anniversaries in November: Roberta Williams (8), Bill Huba (2), John O’Sullivan (15), Bill Stevens (23), Ralph Jurgensen (34).

Member Birthdays in November: Gary Caldwell (1st), Bill Conole (1st), Dick Poppa (5th), Lee Overstrom (27th).

SETUP - 50/50 - Ticket Sales - Pledge of Allegiance - Invocation:

Nov. 8th	Set-up-50/50-Ticket Sales	Umesh Patil, Bill Pavlus
	Pledge of Allegiance	Skip Plank
	Invocation	Dick Poppa
Nov. 15th	Set-up-50/50-Ticket Sales	Kayo Price, Bill Reckmeyer
	Pledge of Allegiance	Dan Roche
	Invocation	Lori Ruhlman

Be courteous & get a replacement if you won’t be available for your assignment please!

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