

#### Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Corning NY

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#### **NEXT WEEK**

June 14, 2018	Gerry Wolfe
Scholarship awards	Leon Golder
Log Cabin Restoration	Leon Golder

### **IN THE WINGS**

June 21, 2018 Her year in review

**June 28, 2018** 5:30 p.m.

Changeover Dinner

Yuka

# THIS WEEK

The Club met at the American Legion in South Corning for food and fellowship. The bell rang Rotarians to order. **Jim Hudson** led us in song. **Ray Defendorf** led us in prayer. **Darin Strong** greeted Rotarians at the door and administered the 50/50 raffle.



**Rick Davis** knocked over drinks to take photos! **Paula Smith** was our Cogs writer. President **Ted Goldwyn** presided.



**TIME TO EAT!** A BBQ buffet offered a variety of salads, pulled pork sandwiches, grilled chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, and cookies.

# GUESTS

**Francis LaLomia** brought one of our speakers, Katie Cervoni, an IT Training Analyst at Corning Incorporated. **Samantha Roman** brought her friend and our Radisson meeting liaison Kristin Morseman.

#### MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

President **Ted Goldwyn** announced that although this is the first Thursday of the month, there is no birthday table. So, we will have a birthday table at next week's meeting when we are back at the Radisson and have a piano and ice cream.



In her role as Foundation Chair, **Paula Smith** announced that, thanks to a generous gift from John Ullman, the Club has exceeded its Polio Plus goal by \$300! This announcement was met with applause.

**Paula** also updated the club on the Annual Fund, which is about \$1,200 short of goal. To close that gap, a fundraiser including prizes for the most generous will be held at the June 21 meeting. So please bring your wallets and be generous! YUKA



Yuka spoke to us about recent events. Two weeks ago, she visited a cute town with a beautiful beach and rode a seven-person bicycle. They stayed in a very nice hotel that was close to the beach and has a pool.

Last Thursday, she had her senior retreat to an amusement park. She loves riding roller coasters, so she was excited that there were so many different roller coasters. Her friend had a little scare when the safety bar on one of their roller coaster rides didn't latch properly. She had to hold on very tight. She made it, but she thought she was going to die. Although there was a water park, it was too cold to get wet. If she has a chance to go back someday, she'd like to try the water park too.

### **PRESIDENT'S TIME**

**President Ted** put Rotarians' minds to rest by announcing that his wife Maria was not the woman who was beat up by police and arrested on their Memorial Weekend trip to Wildwood Beach in Wildwood New Jersey.



**Dr. Gerry Wolfe** gave a preview of what is happening Friday, June 8 with our youth exchange students from around the District. We have 22 exchange students coming from around the District, including Yuka. They will be meeting at CMOG at 10 AM, where they'll have a tour. Then at Noon they will go to Aniello's for lunch. At 1:30 PM they will go to the Rockwell Museum for a tour. Rotarians are invited to meet up with the group at any of those times and locations to help chaperone.

**President Ted** thanked the Club service people. He also clarified that an email he sent out re: Club dues was not intended for any one specific person. The email went to everyone regardless of whether or not their dues were paid. The wonders of ClubRunner customizes the emails so that they look to be intended for a specific person, however that was not the case. He thanked everyone who has paid their dues and reassured Rotarians the email meant no offense. He also indicated many Rotarians have yet to pay their dues, which need to be paid by June 14.



**Buddy Cutler** presented the 2018 Groundhog Day Pancake Supper Project Ballot. Proposals included:

- Catholic Charities of Steuben is requesting funding to support their "Too Good for Drugs & Violence" prevention education program at the Corning-Painted Post School District. Amount = \$904.10
- **Bob Cole, MD** is seeking funding for drug boxes for people to drop off unused prescriptions. Amount = \$800 to \$1,000 per box
- Meals on Wheels is seeking funds to purchase insulated food delivery bags for volunteers to use when delivering weekend meal packs. Amount = \$1,060.02
- Salvation Army is requesting funding for training Kids' Café program staff, specifically a comprehensive behavior management training and reading tutoring. Amount = \$1,000
- Science and Discovery Center is requesting funding for scholarships for their summer program. Amount = \$300
- Steuben County's Sherriff's Office is requesting funding for two projects: (1) to purchase one of 10 needed AED units

and (2) Project Lifesaver, which provides radio transmitter tracking equipment to victims of cognitive disorders like Alzheimer's. Amount for project (1) =\$1,500. Amount for project (2) = \$350

 Watson Homestead is requesting to fund the provision of a secondary combustion air duct, together with grilles, a damper, etc. for the swimming pool boiler room. This is required by the current version of the NYS building code, and its absence has been implicated in at least one and probably two events which have caused significant damage to a boiler. Amount = \$3,750 (part of which may come from a District Simplified Grant)

The full project descriptions and amounts being requested were listed on sheets on all the tables with spaces for Rotarians to rank each project in order of importance from one to seven. Rotarians were asked to rank their top three or to rank all seven and to turn in the ballots at the end of the meeting. The results will be presented to the Board for final decisions on what and ow much will be funded. With the generous contribution from the Sustaining Fund, the hope is that all projects will be funded to some degree.

### PROGRAM



**Francis LaLomia** introduced our guest speakers, Katie Cervoni and **Samantha Roman**, who had joined Francis on his latest recent trip to Talnique, El Salvador to build homes for five multi-generational families in what is known as the "100 House Rotary Village".

Katie and Samantha took turns sharing their impressions of the trip.

By the numbers, the trip had **one** purpose – Service Above Self; included representatives from **two** countries – the United States and Mexico – as well as representatives from **five** states; built **six** homes over the course of **10** days with **11** Corning locals joining **75** Rotarians, Interact students, and friends; and produced **countless** memories. The trip interwove work with cultural experiences and sightseeing that looked something like this:

- Day 1: Arrival and Easter services
- Day 2: First day at worksites
- Day 3: Building
- Day 4: Building/Beach
- Day 5: School tour/Building
- Day 6: Building/Waterfall Hike
- Day 7: Cultural Experiences
- Day 8: Building/Donations
- Day 9: Soccer/Goodbyes/Beach
- Day 10: Journey Home



Since the project has now reached its goal of building 100 homes, next steps include terracing off a part of the hill so new construction can begin. **Francis** is looking at returning next February to continue the good work being done there.

# 50/50

The sure win was \$10. The Grand Prize of \$188 remains safe.