



PROGRAM: LEAD NY

SPEAKER: Chad Hendrickson

HOST: Jim Preston

GREETER: Holly Baker

## SEASONS OF BEE KEEPING

PRESENTED BY: PHIL CHERRY

HOSTED BY: TOM WEIDEMANN

**Meeting Date: June 22, 2017** – Tom Weidemann introduced Cooperative Extensions Director, Phil Cherry, who took up beekeeping with his wife and Rotarian, Judy, several years ago.

Phil is an avid beekeeper, but doesn't claim he's an expert. Actually, he's always learning. He explained that bee hives are dormant in the winter, active in the spring and summer, and harvesting of honey taking place in the fall. He prefers to capture swarms over purchasing bees. Very rewarding hobby, but not the easiest - in the past 6 years, he's been stung about 20 times.

Phil showed many pictures through a Power Point presentation of him and Judy in the special beekeeping gear, his beehive boxes, and tools for extracting honey from the frames. He's built some of the tools himself to make the process more efficient. In one season, Phil and Judy can collect about 40 – 60 lbs. of honey.



## NEXT MEETING: JULY 13

PROGRAM: Library Advocacy

SPEAKER:

HOST: Glenda Gephart

GREETER: Meredith Williams



### CONGRATULATIONS OM SOTM: SIMONNE DEWALT

Karen Gunning introduced the May Student of the Month for Odessa-Montour, Simonne DeWalt. She described Simonne as an outstanding artist and active volunteers. Simonne is frequently busy at the library, soup kitchen, or other volunteer activity in connection with her church. Simonne hopes to become an elementary teach or children book illustrator. Simonne thanked her teachers, parents, and Rotary for the honor. (Photo: Top Left)

### CONGRATULATIONS OM SOTM: MADISON MORSE

Russ Gardner introduced Madison Morse. He described Madison as a hard-working and intelligent student who is willing to put forth the time and effort to truly understand everything she learns. She loves math, science, and art is plans to attend Corning Community College in the fall. Madison thanked her family and teachers. (Photo: Center)

### A YEAR IN REVIEW BY ANGELIKA FRIIS

Angelika detailed the highlights of her stay in Schuyler County, which included two trips to NYS, one to OBX in North Carolina, and one to Old Forge. She had a wonderful time at the OM semiformal and prom, where she was shocked to be honored as Prom Queen and moved by how the school welcomed and accepted her. Angelika became close with Moeko. They have already invited each other to their future weddings. Angelika thanked Nancy Ruda who always made her feel safe, and Nancy Loughlin, who was able to find a solution to any problem. She also thanked the Club for a wonderful year and the experience of a lifetime she will never forget. She credited this experience for a tremendous boost in her self-confidence. She would now like to volunteer in Bangladesh to support women's rights. Angelika and Moeko will soon return home after a trip across the U.S.

(Photo: Top Right)

# JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> CLUB NEWS

**GUESTS:** OM May Student of the Month: Simone DeWalt, her presenter, Karen Gunning, mother and father, Mary and Stephen DeWalt; OM June SOTM: Madison Morse, her presenter, Russ Gardner, and grandparents, Donna and Edward Steinhauer. Exchange Students: Angelika Frie and Moeko Oshima; Abigail Gunning and Katy Ruda; Bacalles Family: Mary, George, Joe, Marissa, Sotera, Penelope, and Lydia; Rick Evans from Boy Scouts of America

**RAFFLE WINNER:** Don Stocum

**MONTHLY AUCTION:** July: Bridgette Stewart, Don Stocum, Tom Weidemann

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**FLX CHEESE FESTIVAL:** The festival is July 22 and the club is rallying volunteers to assist with seminars – plating cheese, pouring wine and beer, serving attendees. The slots are 2.5 hours and you are welcome to sign up for more than one spot. The festival is making a donation to the Club for our volunteer assistance.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**BOARD MEETING RESULTS:** The Board met and approved the purchase of florescent vests for volunteers to wear during Roadside Cleanup and AMBA parking. Also approved optional sale of calendars. Participation in the Farm to Fork Fondo was approved and occurred (June 25).

**NEW MEMBERS APPROVED:** Duke Argetsinger and Dena Carrigan both collected 20 signatures of living Rotarians in their books making them official members of the club! Congrats and welcome!

**BOY SCOUTS RECEIVES ROTARY DONATION:** The Club presented a \$200 check to Rick Evans representing the local Boy Scouts Troop. Rick thanked the club and said Boy Scouts is active and well in Schuyler County.

**THANK YOU FOR THE MAKEUPS:** Board Meeting: Bill Phoenix, Michele Ray, Rebekah Carroll, Judy Cherry, Judy Phillips, Holly Baker, Rich Greenberger, and Terri Orbin

**THOSE WE MISSED:** Michelle Benjamin, Carl Blowers, Judy Cherry, Charlie Cole. Matt Hayden, Dean Hillyard. Brian Kenney, Dennis Morris, Kevin Murphy, Judy Phillips, Jeff Schultz, Kristine Somerville, Nan Woodworth, Jim Chedzoy, Tom Clifford, Ginny Eaton, Dave Ryan, Dave Sidle

## CELEBRATIONS AND CONFESSIONS:

**Chris Burns:** Congrats to Bill on his last meeting as President; SOTMs

**Nancy Ruda:** For Angelika

**Don Stocum:** SOTM, Bill, Paul Harris Fellows

**Glenda Gephart:** SOTM, For Bill

**John King:** SOTM, PH Fellows; Exchange Students; Boy Scouts

**Michele Ray:** Great attendance – 60 people today!

**Bridgette Stewart:** Late to meeting; SOTM

**Mike Learn:** SOTM, PH Fellows

**Stan Beaver:** Paul Harris Fellows

**Jim Guild:** Great people here today

**Rich Greenberger:** SOTM, PH Fellows, Exchange students, Thank you Bill

**Nancy Peters:** SOTM, PH Fellows

**Nancy Loughlin:** SOTM, PH Fellows, Exchange Students

**Tom Weidemann:** PH Fellows; Exchange Students; Speaker

**JC Argetsinger:** PH Fellows and Bacalles grandchildren

**Jim Bacalles:** To Bill for a great year, Tom Weidemann for introducing PH Fellow, SOTM, and Youth Exchange Students

**Bill Phoenix:** Youth Exchange, SOTM, Paul Harris Fellow, Last meeting as President!

## CONGRATULATIONS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS: JIM AND MARY BACALLES

Tom Weidemann presented Paul Harris Fellow awards to first Mary Bacalles, then surprised her husband Jim by presenting him with the honor as well. Mary has always been an active volunteer in her church and community. She has also served on the Hugh Gregg Elementary School PTA, as well as the Hospital Foundation Board. She is still on the board for Corning Public Library. In addition, she has served as a chapter President for Delta Kappa Gamma. Jim, who has served on Steuben County legislature, Steuben County Board of Supervisors, as New York State Assemblyman and as the Corning mayor, was also honored. Tom commented that his Sustaining Club unanimously voted to recognize Jim for his selfless service and continuing contributions to our local communities.

