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## Halfway Point Reached for President Don

The headline reflects a new calendar year. May you all have a Happy New Year!

The last meeting for the past calendar year was two weeks ago, and with all the holiday hustle and bustle, it's hard to remember that far back. Maybe the onset of old age is manifesting itself in more ways than pain everywhere?

Our two Bobs, Radell and Oswald that is, were back from their training for Vincent House. Bob Oswald was also experiencing pain, having dispensed straw over large areas of Atlanta and North Cohocton (Stan Rathbun's fields).

Fortunately, the stuffed pork chops that The Miller House served us were memorable, not only for their size, so I can remember what to report. The usual wonderful mashed potato with gravy came with them, plus vegetables. A stick to the ribs kind of meal

Roy Robinson was first in line for confessions. Marilyn and he had just become great grandparents for the first time. The young boy was named Elliot. Great grandkid confessions are unusual. Should the customary fine be doubled. Nah, five bucks was enough. Congrats!

Bob Radell had paraded in the Genesee Country Express, which enjoys wide distribution in the area. It must have had something to do with windmills is my guess. Well, wind power generation, and Renewable Energy Certificates, was the subject. The windmill operators get these certificates, and they sell them to the operators of dirtier generating plants, which they use to offset possible penalties to their plants. The windmills enable other operators to play dirtier, in other words. Don left it up to Bob's conscience for the amount over the publicity stunt. I don't know what the result was, but Bob must have felt that he shortchanged us, since he told us a funny story, which I believe he already had told us before. It didn't matter. It was a good story, and deserved a second chance, - maybe even a third?

### Business

Charlie Brewer had let Marty know that the Community Chest was very interested. We pencilled in January 10 for a meeting. This may change, subject to their schedules. It was decided that our regular meeting format would be the best way of keeping everybody informed, while maximizing the number of good inputs.

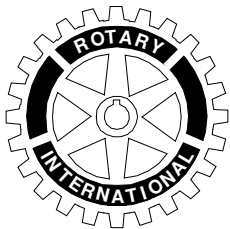
President Don reported about the Candygram project. It had been a lot of work for many, including himself, but it was a success. It is very popular and over 700 had been sold. Congratulations to the Interact club!

President Don had also spent the preceding weekend with 8 Interactors, judging the Christmas Light Displays in the village. They awarded five prizes, which had been donated by the Food Mart, Quinlan Pharmacy, Liquor Store, Steuben Landscaping and Bath National Bank. It was very well received by the community, and another fine job by the Interactors!

We presented Kelly with a gift certificate to the Mall for her marvelous service during the year. It would come in very handy, she said.

I think it deserves to be repeated that we set aside Saturday, January 21, 2006 for a special meeting. Art Traphagen will arrange to have the program about the "Lost City." The location will be announced later, but mark the date in your calendar.

President Don drew his own ticket in the 50/50, and with that, the meeting was adjourned.



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