



# HOT POTATO

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Rotary Club of Wayland, New York, D7120

Patrice Lysell, president

Thomas Quinlan, secretary

## Tom Mees, “Come To Turning Stone” & Victory Park Project

It was the first mild day of the season. It may be the reason that the attendance for the dinner was so poor. Everybody showed up after the dinner. I don't think that we went to deeply in the hole, maybe a buck, because there was a fairly robust happy dollar section of the meeting.

Over the last few weeks, we have learned of several members' close relatives having cancer. It has happened at an unexpectedly young age. They are on our minds, and we sincerely hope for a happy outcome and short convalescence.

Wouldn't you know, The Miller House served spaghetti and meatballs when Janine Miceli had to come late and miss it. I'm not a pasta enthusiast, but it was pretty good. It had breadsticks on the side in lieu of the rolls, and a side of corn. For dessert, we had chocolate pudding and whipped cream on top.

There was a plethora of happy bucks around the table. Almost everybody chipped in for various reasons, such as wives going away, etc., but to keep the newsletter short, no more details, except Bob Radell, who tried the happy buck scheme for winning \$55 in a poker game. Bob won the money without actually playing poker. We were treated to a story on Bob's latest investment scheme, i.e. lending a friend money to play, then refusing to take the money back (\$250) after the first successful game, then losing most of it in succeeding games.

Tom Mees gave a nice presentation on the district conference at Turning Stone. They are down to 20 openings in our district, and they will not be held further than March 15. Thank you Tom, - Pat and I are going.

## Business

Bob Radell had already purchased the eggs and candy for the Easter Egg hunt on March 31. He decided not to get reimbursed for them, for which we are very grateful. It was decided to give Bob \$50 in change to disburse in the eggs in varying amounts. Next Tuesday, we'll "stuff the eggs" after the meeting.

Don Griffing presented a request from a Dansville theater group, which is requesting to operate under our "tax free umbrella." In the past, The Dansville Rotary club has let them do the same thing, but for some reason cancelled the relationship. It was not clear how many Wayland kids would be involved, nor where they planned to do it in the future. President Pat wanted to have the person in charge come to a club or board meeting, to give us more information. Don will find out if it is possible. President Pat will also find out the Dansville club's official position and make sure there are no obstacles before we go further.

Art Traphagen was approached by the mayor of Wayland, concerning a village project at Victory Park. They plan bathroom facilities, estimated to cost \$21,000.00. Art suggested our effort to help could be multiplied with a district simplified grant. Specifically, we would take care of fixtures in the building, totaling an estimated \$2,500.00. The "seed" money for our part would be \$1,000.00. Tom Didas moved to go ahead, and was seconded by Bob Oswald. The motion passed.

George Smith's luck at 50/50 seems to have run out and Bob Radell's "luck" continued instead. Thanks for donating it to the club, Bob!