

ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 5, 2016

PRESENT: Jack Marren, Galen Powers, Brian Emelson, Mitch Donovan, Jake Chard, Mary Duprey, Elizabeth Saeva, Karen Guidarelli, Tracey Archie, Sue Stehling, Dale Dewey, Kim Delong, Petrea Rae, Jennifer Hurlburt, Margaret Maynard, Elly Dawson, Sue George, David Lee, Chauncy Young, Meg Joseph, John Palomaki Jr., and Suzy Paquin

Jack welcomed everyone and reminded everyone to try to keep the gathering to one hour only. The City of Canandaigua now has a Roundtable program of its own thanks to Mayor Polimeni. These 2 are the only ones in Ontario County.

Galen Powers: - Victor Farmington Rotary: They recently hosted a couple of visiting District Governors, from India and Australia. The local club is finishing their Nicaraguan water project. Rotary installed the tank and chlorination station for this Village.

The Taste of the Finger Lakes fundraiser is coming soon and more information will be coming.

Brian Emelson – Victor Parks & Rec: Their new facility opened on January 4th. Their annual Winterfest event will be combined with an Open House for the new facility with a ribbon cutting and fireworks planned also. They are planning for activities not weather dependent. There will be 2 bands for concerts also. The new center is located at 7891 Lehigh Crossing.

Work is underway in preparation for the upcoming spring and summer programs and brochures.

Mitch Donovan – Victor Chamber of Commerce: Some networking events are coming up. Ask the Experts will feature tax tips this month at the Library on Wednesday February 10th from 12-1 pm. Lunch will be provided. Please register. The Business After Hours networking events will now be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. February's gathering will be held at Ethan Allen with food provided by Champps Americana and beverages from Three Brothers.

There will be a ribbon cutting at Climbing Vines Climb & Play at noon. Capstone IT held a ribbon cutting as well as Tops.

The Women of Excellence awards will have recruitment tables available for member non-profits this year. Bring applications for membership, recruitment materials and promotional items. Contact the Chamber Office for details.

Jake Chard – Senator Funke's Office: Budget talks are coming soon. Office hours will be in Naples on February 11th from 1-2 pm at the Town Hall.

Mary Duprey – Victor Garden Club: The Garden Club, the Town of Victor, Victor Parks & Rec and the NYS DOT have been working on a sign to be placed at the 4 Corners area by Burger King. The sign will be 4' by 8' and say Town of Victor. The sign will be lit at night and have rose bushes and 2 small trees will be planted around it. The cost for this is estimated to be \$7,000. The Garden Club has donated \$500 from its 2015 budget, \$500 from the 2016 budget and has received \$1,000 from the Cobblestone Creek Charity Guild. The Town will assist with funding and other businesses will hopefully donate as well. Donations can be made at various levels - \$1,000 and over – Platinum, \$500 – Gold, \$250 – Silver and \$100 Bronze. This is a continuation of the project for the flower pots in the Village. The sign needs to be installed by late April. This sign is in addition to the one that is located at the county line before Eastview Mall. It was felt this location was the best one and various groups helped in the decision. Many thanks to Brian and Jack for all their assistance.

Elizabeth Saeva – Serenity House: Their annual Gala will be held on March 12th. They are still looking for corporate sponsorships and donations for auction items, baskets, etc. The theme is Arabian Nights. Please attend or donate items.

Karen Guidarelli- Victor Farmington Food Cupboard: There are currently no fundraisers coming up, but they are in need of volunteers to unload trucks with the weekly food deliveries from Foodlink. You need to be able to lift about 40 pounds. You could also put food on the shelves if you cannot lift. Karen passed out her business cards to pass out so people can volunteer to help. Every other Tuesday's time is around 7:30am and every Monday and Thursday's time is somewhere between 9 & 11:30am.

On March 6-8 they will have an event where volunteers will 'shop' items from the Food Cupboard only for meals and then discuss the experience. The cost to participate is \$10 to cover the cost of the food.

This Sunday for Super Bowl Sunday, the Food Cupboard is doing a "Souperbowl Sunday" event. Please collect hearty soups at your party and then donate them to the Food Cupboard.

Karen is also reaching out to local pastors and politicians to volunteer at the Food Cupboard and then share their experiences with others.

She is also working on food related grants and if anyone comes across information on any being offered, please let Karen know.

Tracie Archie - FLCC: Classes have started for the new semester. There is a partnership with the Empire State College and are on campus on Friday and Saturday.

There is a Professional Development Day on February 22, with no classes that day. All staff and classes will attend that event.

The search continues for a new President.

This is Tracie's last Roundtable. She will be in a new position at the Main Campus, coordinating Diversity and Inclusion. Don Emirbayer will take her place. Congratulations Tracie!

Sue Stehling – Victor-Farmington Kiwanis: Upcoming events include Dr. Pete Zarinowski manager of the Rochester Center for War Veterans talking about his experiences assisting veterans with combat related illnesses; Ray Sullivan, the Director of Victor Challenger Baseball, a program from Little League for children with special needs; and the evening of Great Tastes at Ravenwood tomorrow evening. She passed out a flyer for their 27th Annual Senior Citizens' Dinner on March 12, 2016 at St. Patrick's.

Dale Dewey – SCORE: SCORE is a national mentoring association to assist people to start small businesses. Each year they do a storming and forming event to re-focus for the year. The Bausch & Lomb Library has a small Business Resource Center with many databases and other resources for use by individuals starting small businesses. There is a Foundation Center, which is a national organization that lists all grantors in the country. This listing is available at the library. If you are an existing business or organization, you can apply for grants, not for start-up purposes. They have also launched a speaker's bureau. They speak not only on the SCORE organization, but also to educational groups with entrepreneurship programs.

Kim DeLong – Finger Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption: Program: Two fundraisers are scheduled - Pasta for the Ponies will be held on February 23rd at the Paddock Room at Finger Lakes Race Track and on March 6th they will hold a bowling tournament.

Petrea Rae – The Partnership for Ontario County: Their organization received an award from Ontario County for collecting 10,000 pounds of prescription drugs since 2010. A couple of heroin forums are scheduled. There will be a closed student forum at Marcus Whitman on February 10 and an open forum for the community on February 24th. There will be a forum in Naples on February 11th.

Drug collections continue with 4 boxes throughout the area and 2 collection dates, one on April 30th at the Canandaigua Wegmans and the other on September 24th at the Victor Village Hall.

The Child Advocacy Center is on April 21st and With Youth For Youth is having a summit on February 17th. Contact Patty Damico for more information.

Jennifer Hurlburt & Margaret Maynard – Cancer Services Program: Their organization provides payment assistance with individuals needing assistance in paying for screenings and diagnostic procedures, particularly women ages 40-64. Their offices are located at Clifton Springs Hospital, but serve individuals in Ontario, Seneca and Yates Counties. This program is sponsored by the NYS Department of Health and they are looking for strategic partners in the community to find those who have no health

insurance or a high deductible policy. They do presentations at Food Cupboards and Mobile Food Pantries about the Cancer Services Program.

They also passed out information about a NYS Dept of Health program to have employers provide paid time off for cancer screening appointments.

Call their office to determine eligibility for the assistance programs. This office even schedules the appointments for patients and provides a follow-up service.

March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Jennifer has proclamations that locales can use to promote awareness for the program. Contact Jennifer for materials for this program.

Elly Dawson – Victor Farmington Library: She passed out a schedule of upcoming events. Pete the Cat will be at the Library all day tomorrow for a children's event. Their computer classes are very popular and even the most basic are very well attended.

Sue George – Economic Development & LDC: The Victor Business Awards Luncheon will be held on May 5th. Applications are due by March 4th and selections will be made on March 10th. Tickets are available.

David Lee – Ontario County Tourism: He is accompanied by Jake Banis from their office. Jake is their Marketing Assistant. They are currently running a special promotion for the Canadian market. Since the exchange rate does not currently favor Canadians spending in the US, they have developed a new program entitled "More Loot for your Loonies" to provide discounts and incentives for the Canadian market. This is a matched marketing plan with the organization matching what local business spend on Canadian advertising.

Chauncy Young - Fishers Fire Department: Chauncy talked about a recent economic study by FASNY that puts the value of volunteers in the fire service at \$3 billion a year in New York State. The FFD recently hired the first of the recently approved paid firefighters to replace a firefighter who is on military leave.

Victor Hiking Trails: He passed out pictures of Fish Creek where a new bridge will be built, a survey for trail maintenance, pictures of a bridge in Fishers Park and a draft of their Strategic Plan. They group is doing presentations to the Parks & Rec Citizens Advisory Board, Planning Board and Conservation Board on the Plan. They will eventually bring this to the Town Board and dovetail it with other Plans, such as the PRCAC and Master Plan on Parks and Trails.

Meg Joseph – Friends of Ganondagan: The Seneca Arts & Cultural Center will re-open on February 13th with many events coming up in February including Conversations, Cookies & Crafts on February 13th, Heart Friendship bracelet-making on February 14th, Ganondagan Winter Break Family Days February 16-21 and the Native

American Winter Games & Sports on February 27th. The Center is closed on Mondays. Meg is always looking for ideas for events and organizations to partner with.

John Palomaki Jr. – Sustainable Finger Lakes: Last month's meeting had a very good attendance and centered on discussion on the Earth Day Eco Fair to be held on April 21st in conjunction with the PTSA. The goal is to get more student involvement this year. A couple possible new events are a book swap and a sporting goods exchange.

On February 25th the first discussion in the Discuss FLX Series will focus on single use plastic bags. During a visit to the Casella Landfill recently he observed the 100' high fence erected to capture the bags covered with bags. At the discussion they will have a screening of the movie "Bag It" and then discussion on the problem and any possible solutions including fees on plastic bags and the encouragement of reusable bags.

The March 24th discussion will focus on food waste and composting on an individual and community scale and how to cut down on food waste.

The discussion group meets at the Victor Farmington Library each month.

Jack Marren – Supervisor: The Lt. Gov came to the FLCC Main Campus to deliver the Executive Summary of the State Budget. Sales tax revenue in Wayne, Seneca and Monroe Counties has increased in the last year, but not in Ontario County. Jack attended a forum on that situation. Jack also attended a Heroin Epidemic Forum.

Final Comments included:

- The next hike for Victor Hiking Trails is February 13th at Fishers Park.
- Victor Chamber event information is on their website under Featured Events.
- Serenity House received a \$500 donation from the new Tops Market.
- Senator Funke was named Chair of the Parks and Rec, Cultural Affairs and Tourism Committee.
- Senator Nozzolio will not be seeking re-election due to health issues.
- The Food Cupboard can use donations of your plastic bags.

Thank you all for attending and see you in March.

The next Roundtable meeting will be on March 4, 2016 at 8:00am in the Victor Town Hall main meeting room.