

## 2018-19 "Moments"



## 2018-19 Club Board of Directors

President - Larry Neal  
 Past President - Sam D'Angelo  
 President-Elect - Karan Bates-Gasior  
 President Nominee - Chuck Dib  
 Secretary - Valerie Miller  
 Treasurer - Julie Huttenlocher  
 Director - Patty Kaufman  
 Director - Gloria Murray  
 Director - Ryan Murphy  
 Director - Art Niederkoehr



## 2018-19 Foundation Board of Directors

President - Salvatore "Sam" D'Angelo  
 Secretary - Jessie Johnson  
 Director - Ted DeVantier  
 Director - Jeff Furest  
 Director - Ken Kish



## 2018-19 Committee Chairs

Club Administration - Larry Neal  
 Membership - Sarah Lee, Ellen Lysik, Julie Miller  
 Future Rotarians - Valerie Miller  
 Public Image - Karan Bates-Gasior  
 Service Projects - Art Niederkoehr  
 Social Activities - Gloria Murray  
 Club Centennial & Archives - Sam D'Angelo  
 Rotary International & Foundation - Sam D'Angelo  
 House/Sergeant-at-Arms - Mary Ann Hosey  
 Invocation - Tom Davies  
 Bulletin - Ted DeVantier  
 Photography - Don Carnaghi  
 Guests and Visitors - Kelly Allen  
 Sunshine - Mary Ann Hosey  
 Flowers, Birthdays and Anniversaries - Julie Miller  
 Music - Ryan Murphy  
 Recognition - Eric Pierson  
 Speakers - Larry Neal  
 Boat Outing - Chuck Dib  
 Dick Pierson Golf Classic - Joe Cassasanta  
 Fundraiser - Chuck Dib  
 President's Party - Julie Huttenlocher



## Neil E. Dempsey Rotarian of the Year

Gloria Murray

## In Memoriam

Bob Baker - Past District Governor (2005-06), Past President (1989-90)  
 Don Miller



## 2018-19 Year in Review





## President's Message



Words do not begin to reflect my sense of appreciation, pride and accomplishment of what we have achieved as the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens (RCMC) over the past year! As I quoted my favorite African proverb at the beginning of my presidency, "To go fast go alone, to go far go together." Together we have certainly come a long way! Time and again, you—our members—and your family, friends, neighbors and colleagues have stepped up to the plate and demonstrated that we are not only "people of action," but also people with big hearts who truly believe in "service above self."

This year's Rotary International theme was, "Be the Inspiration." I believe we have done just that. Together we have sponsored an Interact Club at the Macomb International Academy to cultivate and inspire (and be inspired by) future Rotarians. Our nascent "Books for Babies" concept is blossoming into the Michigan Libraries Early Literacy Project which seeks to resolve the literacy crisis that our community and state are facing through helping public libraries and a broad coalition of community partners educate parents and caregivers of children ages birth to 5 on the critical literacy skills needed to become ready to read.

We have kicked back and had fun building new friendships and strengthening old ones as generations of RCMC members have with our annual boat outing, Christmas party and president's party. We have, with our usual intense energy and creativity, held another successful fundraiser thanks to an amazing group effort led by President-Nominee Chuck Dib. Our well-attended weekly meetings have featured a wide range of interesting and informative presenters, documented by our bulletin writers and photographers, and kept lively with "singing" and recognition. We have straightened up our archives and are working to update the record of our rich history while also preparing for much work ahead as we think about what's next for our second century.

I would like to especially thank everyone who participated in our Club this year, whether on the Club or Foundation Board, as a committee chair or member, as a sponsor or donor, for securing speakers, hosting or helping with our field trip meetings, or even just as an engaged member! The number of programs, projects and events we held over the past year is nothing short of amazing for a Club of 65 members!

I wish Karan Bates-Gasior all the best as she leads us into our Club's centennial year. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as your 99th president. Thank you for truly being my inspiration over the past year!

Larry P. Neal  
2018-19 President, Rotary Club of Mount Clemens

## 2018-19 Programs, Projects and Events

- July 10 Rotary Board meeting (host: Larry Neal)
- July 12 Club Meeting - Dr. Lisa Rivard, Macomb Intermediate School District, Language Arts Consultant
- July 19 Boat Outing, Clinton River Boat Club (chair: Chuck Dib)
- July 26 Club Meeting - Jane McManus, District 6380 Governor
- August 2 Club Meeting - Dr. Tom Karas, "Stress Reduction"
- August 7 Rotary Board meeting (host: Sam D'Angelo)
- August 9 Club Meeting - Glenn Burton and Nancy Dedenbach, "Trip to Jacmel, Haiti for Joan Rose Foundation"
- August 16 Club Meeting - Jeremy Allen, "Podcasting"
- August 23 Club Meeting - George Murphy, "Mount Clemens Grand Prix Soap Box Derby"
- August 30 Club Meeting - Anne Mandel, "Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped @ CMPL" at library
- September 6 Club Meeting - Kelly Allen, "L'Anse Creuse Marketing"
- September 8 Mount Clemens Grand Prix (chair: Karan Bates-Gasior)
- September 11 Rotary Board meeting (host: Valerie Miller)
- September 13 Club Meeting - Karan Bates-Gasior, "Turning Point update"
- September 20 5th Annual Dick Pierson Rotary Golf Classic, Gowanie Golf Course (chair: Joe Casasanta)
- September 27 Club Meeting - Mashell Carissimi, "JM Electric"
- October 4 Club Meeting - Phil Gilchrist, "50th Anniversary of Anton Art Center"
- October 9 Rotary Board meeting (host: Ryan Murphy)
- October 11 Club Meeting - Melissa Roy, "Advancing Macomb"
- October 12 Art, Literacy, Wine and Cheese, Anton Art Center (chair Gloria Murray)
- October 18 Club Meeting - Bruce Sachs and Dianne Dych Sachs, "Michigan Polio Network"
- October 25 Club Meeting - Nicholas Sinishtaj, "Experience working in U.S. Embassy in Albania"
- October 27 Mount Clemens Trunk or Treat (chair: Nancy Dedenbach)
- November 1 Club Meeting - Patti Courtney, "Rotary Youth Exchange"
- November 5 Euchre Tournament, Madison's Pub (chair: Nancy Dedenbach)
- November 6 Rotary Board meeting (host: Patty Kaufman)
- November 8 Club Meeting - Kevin Kelly, "RI and the Foundation"
- November 15 Club Meeting - Rufus McGaugh, "Longitude and Latitude, with Attitude: One Man's Quest to See the Entire World"
- November 17 Mount Clemens Santa Clause Parade (chair: Valerie Miller)
- November 24 Salvation Army Bell Ringing (chair: Art Niederkohr)
- November 29 Club Meeting - Mary Avrakotos and Cheryl Farmer, "Rotary Global Grant: Sierra Leone Bumpah Chiefdom: Growing a Community's Future"
- December 1 Salvation Army Bell Ringing (chair: Art Niederkohr)
- December 4 Rotary Board meeting (host: Julie Huttenlocher)
- December 6 Club Meeting - "Fraser Singers"
- December 13 Rotary Club Christmas Party - Gowanie Golf Club with Metropolitan Detroit Chorale (chair: Gloria Murray)
- December 20 Club Meeting - Bob Cannon, "Update on medical and recreational use of marijuana in the community"
- January 3 Club Meeting - "Annual Meeting, Election of Officers"
- January 10 Club Meeting - Dorothy Yope, Viviana Palmer and students, "L'Anse Creuse Coalition Presentation & Activity"
- January 17 Club Meeting - Kara Fields, "Veteran and Military Services at Macomb Community College"
- January 24 Club Meeting - video "Remembering Mira Green"
- January 31 Club Meeting - Larry Neal, "Travelogue to Greece"
- February 5 Rotary Board meeting (host: Chuck Dib)
- February 7 Club Meeting - Sarah Lemanski, Jen Clyne and students from Graham Elementary, "L'Anse Creuse Leader in Me"
- February 14 Club Meeting - Nicole Gastelewicz, "Consumers Energy"
- February 21 Club Meeting - Wesley Berry, "Big Things Have Small Beginnings"
- February 28 Club Meeting - Doug Newell, "Fitness as you Age"
- March 5 Rotary Board meeting (host: Art Niederkohr)
- March 7 Club Meeting - "Macombers' Rotary Fundraiser Dress Rehearsal," (Emerald Theatre)
- March 14 Club Meeting - Joe Grimm, "The Faygo Book"
- March 21 Club Meeting - Anthony Lewis, "Public Works 101"
- March 28 Club Meeting - Kate Mazzara, "Michigan 2019 Notable Books"
- April 4 Club Meeting - Phelan McCoo II (Larry Powe), "Pigeon Pumpkin Pie"
- April 4 Rotary Board meeting (host: Club)
- April 11 Club Meeting - Ellen Lysik, "Bravo Programs of America"
- April 18 Club Meeting - (hosted by Kelly Allen at L'Anse Creuse Public Schools Frederick V. Pankow Center)
- April 25 Club Meeting - Julie Koroly, "YMCA of Metro Detroit Aquatics Program"
- May 2 Club Meeting - Ryan Lesperance, "Smash Creative"
- May 7 Rotary Board meeting (host: Karan Bates-Gasior)
- May 9 Club Meeting - Chuck Dib, fundraiser working meeting
- May 11 MacArthur Park cleanup - (chair: Art Niederkohr)
- May 16 Club Meeting - Scott Chabot, "Going Green with Infrastructure"
- May 17 Cabaret n' Cuisine Fundraiser - Emerald Theatre
- May 23 Club Meeting - Karan Bates-Gasior, "2019-20 Planning"
- May 30 Club Meeting - David Zimmerman and Ted DeVantier, "Camp Rotary"
- June 4 Rotary Board meeting (host: Gloria Murray)
- June 6 Club Meeting - (hosted by Patty Kaufman at Baker College Mobile Dental Clinic)
- June 13 President's Party at Camp Rotary/Wolcott Mill Park, (chair: Julie Huttenlocher)
- June 20 Club Meeting - "Neil E. Dempsey Kayak Launch ribbon cutting in MacArthur Park" (lunch beforehand at YMCA)
- June 27 Club Meeting - "Presentation of checks and president's farewell"

