Avon Rotary News September 3, 2013

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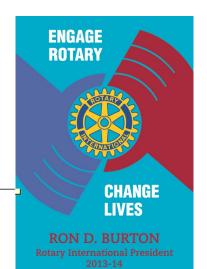
Avon Rotary Club Meets Tuesdays at 6pm Peppermints Restaurant Board of Directors Marcia Cameron, President Tim Dickinson, PE Dan Jones, Director Scott Holmes, Director Bob House, Sr. Rep Laurie Vonglis, Past Pres. Cathy Murphy, Secretary Kelly Cole, Treasurer

President's Message

Hello Avon Rotarians. Here is hoping all of you have been having an awesome summer filled with fun, sun, and great family time. It's hard to believe that summer is almost over. It always goes by way to fast. So was there anything going on in August that we should talk about....Nothing that I can think of Oh yea maybe we should talk about that little thing we do called the Avon Corn Festival. What an excellent day for a Festival. The weather was perfect and from the booths that I worked at it looked to me that everyone was having a great time, workers and festival goers alike. It was like a well oiled machine, which it is thanks to Tom Vonglis, Rodney George and the Corn Festival Committee. I want to tell everyone of you how awesome I think you are, the Committee and everyone that put a lot of time and effort into this project to make it such a success. Thanks to everything that each of you contributed to making this day such a HUUUUGE success. Give yourselves a great big pat on the back. Great job everyone. We also had a wonderful time at the home of Rodney and Donna George on Sunday after getting up very very early Sunday to clean up. Thank you Rodney and Donna for hosting again our after Festival picnic. There was lots of good food to eat and we all had a great time in fellowship. We were entertained once again by Bruce Amey's poolside antics.

There were a few of us who were able to attend the GVRC camp on a beautiful night in August and had a great chicken dinner thanks to Ernie Wiard and we also got to hear a little more about the camp

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plete with Building Awards, and 3 Paul Harris Fellows to deserving members in our community. Don Alhart will be there to explain about the Paul Harris Fellows and Past District Governor Gavin will be presenting the awards. Light refreshments will be served before hand so come early. I expect everyone will want to attend this and please invite family and friends so they can learn more about our club also. We want to fill up the auditorium. I think it will be a wonderful evening and I want to thank Mark Evans and the Foundation Committee for coming up with this amazing program. This will be a wonderful way to get our club some much needed publicity outside of our Corn Festival and Auction. People need to know what a great organization Rotary is and all the awesome things we do.

Unofficially summer is over so lets get back to work, like we ever stop, and show everyone why they need to also want to belong to the Avon Rotary Club. (Make sure you don't call it the group you get in trouble for that). Lets help Helen fill up our program schedule. I am going to start to put some more effort into the Senior Outreach part of our club so whoever is going to help with this see me in the next few weeks and lets get this party started. I want to start visiting the folks who are part of our club but no longer come to our meetings and to visit the nursing home in Avon and to see what we can do for them and the Avon on the Green home. So please help me with this. I would appreciate it very much. Lets show everyone how much we do and make things happen. Engage Rotary/ Change Lives. See you all soon.

Marcia Cameron, President/Queen

Avon Rotary Club

Avon Rotary Honors

In accordance with President Marcie's goal of greater public awareness of Avon Rotary, the Avon Rotary Foundation Committee has organized a special community event.

Tuesday evening, September 17th, THE AVON ROTARY HONORS will take place at the Middle School Auditorium on Clinton St. 6pm social hour. 7pm program.

This event is in lieu of our regular Tuesday Rotary meeting. Light refreshments will be offered by Carney's Catering. The general public is welcome to join us for this gala event.

The program will begin with the presentation of Avon Rotary's annual

Building Awards. Peppermint's Restaurant and the Avon Kids Club will be recognized for their investment in our community, as demonstrated by their recent building improvements.

Past District Governor and active Rochester Rotarian Don Alhart, anchorman of TV 13 news, will be on hand to explain the history and importance of Rotary's PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP program.

Immediate Past District Governor Gavin Hurley will place Paul Harris Fellow medallions around the necks of three deserving community members. They are Retired Avon physician Dr. Richard Collins, Special Olympian Eric Byrd (who has been an inspirational survivor of a horrific car accident), and retired St. Agnes Pre-School teacher Cindy Zhe who continues to provide leadership in the current Avon Community Playground Project, ACE and numerous other organizations.

Please save the date, bring friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to honor these community leaders.

Mark D. Evans

Avon Rotary Foundation Committee

2013 Avon Rotary Corn Festival

Well another Avon Rotary Corn Festival has come and gone. The weather was fantastic and we enjoyed a very successful cay. What can be said about this event and all the planning that goes into it? Having started in January with a committee of people that work so hard and do such a great job I need to say thank you to all of you for the time, commitment and energy you put into making the Corn Festival what it is. I especially need to thank Helen because without her diligence and communications I know things would be forgotten. Its amazing to watch all the committee chair people go about their duties and "git r done". You are all so awesome.

The festival was a big success not only for Rotary but all our vendors as well. With the crowds of people that attended that beautiful day there was plenty of feedback that things went well. The music was once again fantastic during the daytime and at night we were able to listen to the talents of "Prime Time Funk". As many of you know we will continue to look at different bands for our night time entertainment. Our goal is to always have a band booked a year in advance. For the 2014 festival we will once again enjoy the "Skycoasters". Hard to believe but in only a few short months we will begin our planning process. For those that don't know I have agreed to once again chair the festival with Rodney as my co-chair. I'm confident with the rest of the committee chairpeople returning that we will have another successful Corn Fest.

While the Avon Rotary Corn Festival is a great community event and really highlights Rotary, our main goal are the funds we raise. These funds allow us to fulfill our mission of service and help support so many charitable organizations. This



year's festival will net approximately \$22,000.

Again my thanks to all who help make this possible. And finally good luck to our Auction committee as they tackle our second major fundraising event for 2013.

Tom Vonglis

Avon Rotary Corn Festival Chairman

Corn Festival Photo Highlights































Many thanks to Rodney & Donna George for hosting the celebration picnic on Sunday August 11th. What a great time and wow... so much food! Sunshine, warm pool, hot grill complete with cigar tent—a great setting with great Rotary people.















We had a wonderful time Tuesday August 20th at Camp Sam Wood. 13 of us visited the camp, toured grounds, enjoyed a picnic dinner and witnessed the evenings entertainment. Laughter was contagious as the campers and adults enjoyed the show. Once again we were all reminded what a special week this is for so many children and families. This year was record setting with about 116 campers. Of course this would not be possible without the support of area Rotary clubs AND the very dedicated volunteers who make this so very successful!

Laurie Vonglis, Past President & Camp Visitor

GVRC 50th Anniversary Celebration

SAVE THE DATE!

When: October 5, 2013 5-6PM Social Hour, 6-8PM Dinner/ Evening Program, 8-11PM Dancing and Celebration

Where: The River Reception and Conference Center, 134 North Main Street, Mt. Morris, NY 14510

Tickets: \$40.00 Purchase

HERE IS LOVE

online: http://gvrc.org/gvrc-50th-anniversary-celebration/

Join us on October 5, 2013 to celebrate 50 years of LOVE.



Tues. Sept 3	Reg Mtg—Youth Services Program
Mon. Sept 9	Board of Directors Mtg 7:30pm @ Hurricane
Tues. Sept 10	Reg Mtg—Auction Mtg following
Fri. Sept 13	District Golf Tournament 12pm
Tues. Sept 17	Special Meeting—Rotary Honors @ ACS Auditorium
Sat. Sept 21	District Literacy Seminar
Tues. Sept 24	Reg Mtg-Membership Program
Sat. Sept 28	District Membership Seminar
Sun. Sept 29	Rotary/Lions Golf Outing

SEPTEMBER CLUB SCHEDULE