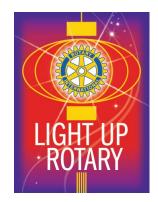
## **Avon Rotary News**



## **July 2014**

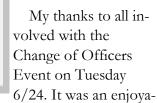
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#### **Board of Directors**

Tim Dickinson, President
Dan Jones, PE
Scott Holmes, Sr. Director
Tom Vonglis, Director
Helen Zamboni, Member at Ig
Marcia Cameron Past Pres.
David Kilgore, Secretary
Kelly Cole, Treasurer

#### President's Message



ble evening for all. Congratulations to our "Rookie of the Year" Pam Hayes and to our "Rotarian of the Year" Scott Holmes. Both honors well deserved. Congratulations and welcome to our two newest Rotarians Shannon Difranco and Colin Bruckel. I hope you enjoved the evening as much as I did. Reminder that DG Scott MacDonell will be visiting the club at our 7/8 meeting so everyone please make an extra effort to attend if you can. Just so you know, I am granting immunity from fines for anything that took place at the COO Dinner. Celebrations \$\$\$ will still be happily accepted and put to good use. I don't want to fine anyone for participating heartily in that event. Mind you, this only covers the hours of 5:00pm to 9:30pm on 6/24. All else is fair game.

As I mentioned in my brief statements at the COO, I would like to see us focus on the theme for the year "Light up Rotary". We can do that by continuing to make what we do in the community and around the world visible to the others in our community. We don't want to be a well-kept secret. I would like each of you to report what

you do in service to the community, outside Rotary, by simply sending me and/or the club secretary, David Kilgore an email. Just identify the group your served and the hours spent in doing so. I would like to accumulate those hours for our entire club and in a written communication to the community, planned for quarterly publication, let everyone know what Rotary does, is doing, and is all about. I would also like us to work on one or two projects with nearby Rotary Clubs. One project comes to mind in that a new Habitat for Humanity House is under construction in Caledonia on Rt 5 as you head west out of town. It would be great to work with the Caledonia Rotary Club jointly in giving HFH and hand building. Third, I would like us to focus on inviting more people from the community to see what Rotary is all about. Through our visibility, our enthusiasm, and inviting people to see what we do while able to read about what we do on a regular basis, we may find more likeminded community members that would like to join in the fun and fellowship.

Reminder that our first meeting is July 8 as we will not try to meet the week of July 4. July 15 meeting is a picnic at Pam and Doug Hayes' home. Corn Fest is fast approaching as well.

Your Club President, Tim

Avon Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 6pm at Peppermints Restaurant

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#### Welcome New Members Shannon DiFranco & Colin Bruckel

At the June 24th Change of Officers Dinner, Avon Rotary inducted 2 new members.

Shannon is a long time local resident and proud business owner of S & S Apparel. Her business is over 10 years old and recently moved into a store front next door to the Avon Inn. She has a long history of involvement in the community and is looking forward to her new roll as an Avon Rotarian.

Colin, grandson of Bill Bruckel, graduate of the University of Kentucky and corporate attorney at Trevett Cristo Salzer & Andolina P.C. Born and raised in Avon, Colin's roots are deep and he is looking forward to continuing the Bruckel tradition as a Rotarian.

Please welcome them with warm friendly Avon Rotary hospitality.



L-R: New Members: Colin Bruckel, Shannon DiFranco, Sponsors: Laurie Vonglis, Kelly Cole

## Avon Rotary 2014-2015 Board of Directors



L-R: David Kilgore-Secretary, Scott Holmes-Sr. Director, Marcia Cameron-Past President, Kelly Cole-Treasurer, Helen Zamboni-Member-at-large, Tom Vonglis-Director, Tim Dickinson-President, Dan Jones-President Elect

Our Board of Directors was 'officially' inducted at the Change of Officers dinner June 24th. As we begin the new Rotary year, be mindful of our new theme "Light Up Rotary". Be active, attend meetings, have fun and enjoy this great club of ours! If you have ideas—social, projects, programs—please contact a board member and make things happen.

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## Congratulations Pam Hayes & Scott Holmes!





Both of these young Rotary stars have been very active since joining our club. When Pam joined in December of 2012 she quickly became involved with our youth, assisted with both corn festival and auction, social events and got us involved with the "Pirate Toy Fund". Her energy & enthusiasm is infectious! Scott joined the club in 2011 and stepped into several leadership roles right away. He joined the youth leadership team, took over as corn festival food and game vendor chairperson and joined the board of directors. Pam and Scott are great examples of 'Service Above Self'.

## Avon's New Paul Harris Fellow Recipients

Patty Brisbane and Linda Moran were presented with Paul Harris Fellows on June 24th, much to their surprise. Linda, owner of the Avon Inn and Patty, her in charge assistant for many years. These ladies were honored for their hard work and dedication to our community through their service at the Avon Inn. Hoyt Mason did the honors through his generous donations to the Rotary Foundation. His gifts brought much deserved recognition to two humble, gracious, giving individuals.

Hoyt was then presented with a new Paul Harris +8 pin for his many years of giving to the Rotary Foundation. His contributions certainly make a difference in the world.



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## Avon Playground Update



Avon Rotarians At Work—Saturday morning June 7 several Avon Rotarians joined forces with the Playground Committee to get the final phase of the project near completion. Awesome job everyone!

Bottom L-R: Rob Lupisella, Bob House, Steve Vanderbilt, Terry Lemen. Top L-R: Jake Ayers, Laurie Vonglis, Heather Ayers, Kirk Vanderbilt, Tim Dickinson, Jim Ryan, Tom Vonglis, Doug Hayes

Right: The new completed playground at the Avon Driving Park—on the eve of the ribbon cutting

Below: Hundreds gathered in the park for the official ribbon cutting. Barilla sponsored the event complete with lunch and giveaways.





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## Corn Festival T-Shirt Quilt

By: Mark Evans

The 25-Year AVON ROTARY CORN FESTIVAL T-SHIRT QUILT 1987 - 2011 is complete. The quilt contains the actual souvenir t-shirts from the first 25 years of THE AVON ROTARY CORN FESTIVAL, 1987 - 2011. Quilt top pieced by Sarah Gaehring; Quilting by Nancy Steele-Merritt; back & binding by Miss Pat Evans; quilt stand constructed by Steve Stephenson; Souvenir Booth Chairs Lew Henning, Mark D. Evans & Karen Vanderbilt.

- The CORN FESTIVAL quilt will be on display at Avon's Community Bank, 68 Genesee Street from July 21 August 8 during business hours.
- The CORN FESTIVAL quilt will be on display at Avon's Bank of Castile, 263 E Main Street from June 30 July 18 during business hours.
- The CORN FESTIVAL quilt will be exhibited at the Souvenir Booth at the 28th Annual AVON ROTARY CORN FESTIVAL, Saturday, August 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Avon Rotary Club funded the supplies and cost of quilting for this project. The t-shirts were preserved and



donated by several Avon Rotary families. The quilt documents and celebrates a very important part of Avon Rotary's history and will be used to promote the Avon Rotary Corn Festival for years to come. Thank you to all, including the various local t-shirt artists, who helped make this a reality. It brings back many memories of a wonderful community event and fund raiser that is still going strong!

Since 1987, more than a quarter million dollars has been raised via the Avon Rotary Corn Festival for community projects, as well as providing a fund raising venue for other local community organizations and a social opportunity for the Avon community. The 2012, 2013 and 2014 Corn Fest tees are being set aside for the next quilt!

## Avon Youth Receive Special Rotary Scholarships

#### Henry Druschel Memorial Scholarship

This \$1000 award was established by Mr. Henry Druschel, a Guidance Counselor at Avon High School and member of the Avon Rotary Club. "Hank" felt graduating students who wished to pursue a career in one of the vocational or trade fields, as opposed to a traditional four year education, should be provided some financial support. It is in Hank's honor and memory that the Avon Rotary Club awards this scholarship to a student who exemplifies the character traits of service, honesty, hard work and humility.

This year Avon Rotary choose two deserving students, Ashley Seils and Jeremy Muir.





#### Linda Kime Memorial Scholarship

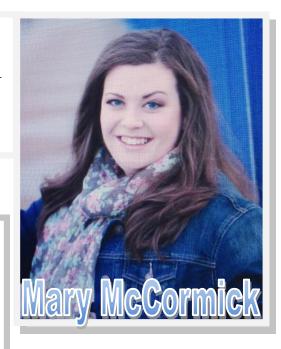
It is in Linda's honor and memory that the Avon Rotary Club awards this scholarship to a student who exemplifies the character traits of service, honesty, persistence despite difficult circumstances and a humble spirit. This year senior Mary McCormick was awarded \$1000.



#### RYLA—2014 Rotary Youth Leadership Award goes to Erica Steele

RYLA aims to: 1. Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth.

2. Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders. 3. Encourage leadership of youth by youth. 4. Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities.



#### Fun On The Genesee

Kudos to Bill Wall for organizing an outing on the Genesee River, Sunday June 22nd. Several Avon Rotary members made the trek down to Canaedea where we launched our canoes and kayaks. We paddled at least 10 miles through the 'clear' waters through several shallow rapids enjoying the scenery and camaraderie. Our day included 3 tip overs and a cook out, plenty of sun and blue skies. Special mention to Ed Kime and Marcia Cameron as this was their maiden voyage in a canoe (and they never tipped over). When the adventure ended in Filmore some felt exhilarated at the full day and accomplishment, while some felt relief to finally reach our desti-

nation and rest tired shoulders. All in all, a good time was had by all and we're looking forward to future adventures together.



Above: Jake Ayers, Bill Wall



L-R: Chris Steger, Sue, Bill Wall, Marcia Cameron, Ed Kime, Doug Hayes, Terry Lemen, Heather Ayers, Jake Ayers, Julie Carney, Pam Hayes, Laurie Vonglis, Ernie Wiard

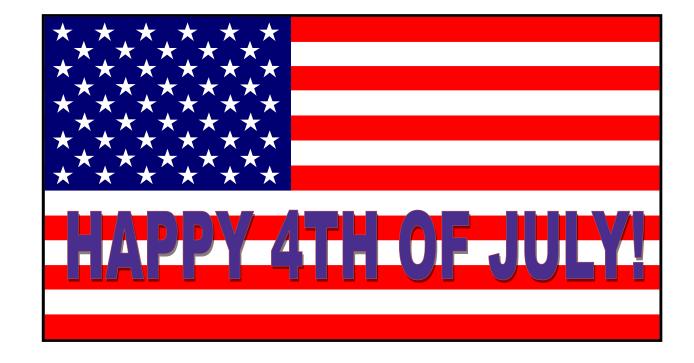


## Summer Picnic

Tuesday, July 15 at 6 pm
Pam & Doug Hayes's Picnic Palace
1987 Dutch Hollow Rd. Avon
Bring \$5 & a dish to pass
No time for sign ups so email your rsvp
to lvonglis@hurritech.com

#### JULY CLUB SCHEDULE

Tues. July 1	No Meeting
Tues. July 8	Regular Mtg—DG Visits, Corn Fest Mtg after
Mon. July 14	Board of Directors Mtg @ Hurricane 7pm
Tues. July 15	Summer Picnic @ Pam & Doug Hayes's 6pm
Tues. July 22	Regular Mtg
Tues. July 29	Regular Mtg



# Avon Rotary Social Events 2014-2015

Tuesday, July 15, 2014: Summer Picnic @ Pam & Doug Hayes's

Sunday, August 10, 2014: Corn Festival Picnic @ Rodney George's

Tuesday, August 19, 2014: Visit to GVRC & Picnic

Sunday, September 14, 2014: Rotary/Lions Golf @ noon—dinner @ Duffy's

Tuesday, September 16, 2014: Avon Rotary Honors @ TBD

Sunday, October TBD, 2014: Eastern Cities Dinner @ Roch Conv Ctr

Tuesday, October 28, 2014: Halloween Party @ Pam & Doug Hayes's

Saturday, November 15, 2014: Auction Dinner @ Fratelli's

Tuesday, November 25, 2014: Special Thanksgiving Meeting @ Peppermints

Saturday, December 6, 2014: Christmas Party @ Bill Wall's

Thursday, January 15, 2015: Rotary Social @ Avon Inn

Tuesday, February 10, 2015: Sweethearts Dinner @ Peppermints

Tuesday, March 17, 2015: St. Patrick's Day Party @ Peppermints

April TBD, 2015: Rotary/Lions Steak Dinner @ VFW

Fri-Sun May 15-17, 2015: District Conference @ Buffalo, NY

Tuesday, June 2, 2015: Quad Cities Golf & Dinner

Tuesday, June 30, 2015: Change of Officers Dinner

