

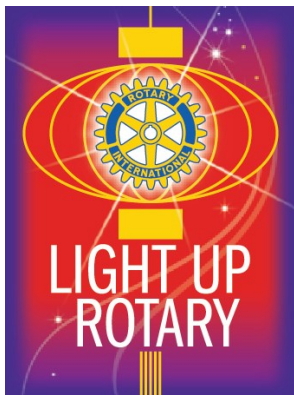


# Avon Rotary News

## November 2014

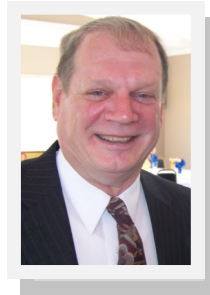
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### *President's Message*

By: Tim Dickinson

The month of October has certainly been an interesting one.

Roadside clean up, Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner, Halloween Party, and preparation for the upcoming 47<sup>th</sup> Avon Rotary Auction all made for an event filled month. On a rainy Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 13 Rotarians and a 4 year old trash spotting specialist joined together to clean up our adopted section of Route 39. Although we got a bit soggy we persisted and completed our task in less than an hour. Work was followed by breakfast at Peppermints. You can see the sleepy 4 year old, President Tim's granddaughter Sophie visiting Gramma and Grampa from Burlington VT in the picture of our breakfast gathering. She likes finding slimy, sticky, stinky stuff and we did find plenty. She says that Peppermint's Mickey Mouse Chocolate Chip pancakes are very good but a bit more than a 4 year old can handle. She did manage to eat all the chocolate chips.



10/18 Roadside Cleanup Crew: Dan, Terry, Jim, Bob, Kirk, Colin, Ernie, Doug, Jim T.

Monday, October 27 found over a dozen Avon Rotarians traveling to the Rochester Riverside Convention Center for the annual Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner. Ten of us travelled together on a chartered bus the I can attest is "The Way to Travel". Great time of fellowship both to and from the dinner event. Bartender Tom Vonglis was on his A game so none went thirsty. On our return trip home Laurie Vonglis demonstrated her "Cat Like sense of Balance" perched precariously on the arm of the couch in the moving van as it traveled over the less than smooth surfaces of 390.

Avon Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 6pm at Peppermints Restaurant

## *President's Message Continued*

The dinner at the convention center was delicious and great fellowship as well with over 500 fellow Rotarians. The event Master of Ceremonies Don Alhart did a wonderful job on this his 25<sup>th</sup> successive ECFD. Thanks go to Don as well for clearing up some missing information on our ad in the ECFD Program regarding our auction coming up on November 15. Seems we inadvertently sent a draft version of the ad that missed a couple of important facts. 1 – the fact that the Rotary Auction was really the Avon Rotary Auction and 2- that the auction would take place in the Primary School Gym. The omission got our ad mention from the podium so we did get additional free advertising.



Avon Rotarians in Attendance at the ECFD:

Back L-R—Colin Bruckel, Tom Vonglis, Ernie Wiard, Jerry Dougherty, Mark Evans, Ed Kime, Jim Ryan

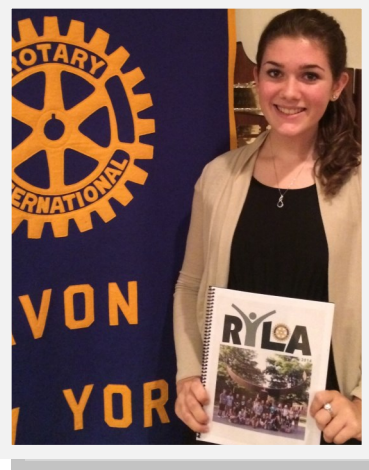
Front L-R—Julie Carney, Terry Lemen, Laurie Vonglis, Tim Dickinson, Kirk Vanderbilt, Barbara Herman, Rob Lupisella, Jim Tompsett

Tuesday, October 28 was our Halloween Party. Many thanks to our hosts Doug and Pam Hayes for your hospitality. Your willingness to share your home for the evening with many strangely dressed Rotarians is appreciated by all who attended. Great food and drink shared by all as well as the fellowship and fun of gathering made the evening very enjoyable. If you were not able to attend you missed a fun evening. Costumes ranged from Rock Stars to Rock Star Groupies to Sports “Fans” to Ducks to Rotarians just getting home from work. All shared in laughter and plenty of good food.



Avon Rotarians & Friends celebrating Halloween together at the home of Pam & Doug Hayes. Good fellowship, good times.

## *Erica Steele On RYLA*



By: Erica Steele

This past summer I was part of a select group of students privileged to attend RYLA; a leadership camp graciously sponsored by Rotarians. At RYLA, I worked with 24 other students as well as our mentor, Ted Baumhauer, and our mom and pops for the week: Mr. and Mrs. Slovack and Mr. and Mrs. Carney. Our lessons on leadership consisted of many classroom sessions and several team building activities. Throughout these activities, our group was taught the basic foundation of what it means to be a leader and I think I speak for all 25 of us when I say that we extended our comfort zones far beyond what we had originally thought possible. I will carry the connections that I made with these amazing people and the valuable lessons I learned at RYLA with me for the rest of my life. RYLA has not only changed my outlook on myself, but has taught me various methods to achieve greatness and to take this greatness further than just the five days I had at this camp. I am extremely appreciative to have had such a rare opportunity. I was specifically sponsored by the Avon Rotary Club so I would like to extend a sincere thank you to every person involved in providing me with this life changing opportunity. RYLA has undoubtedly been the greatest learning experience I have had thus far.

## *President's Message Continued—again*

As we begin November we will kick off Rotary Foundation Month at our November 4 meeting. The auction will be upon us as the Saturday, November 15 event date approaches. Please join us at 8 am on the 15<sup>th</sup> to get an advanced look at the auction items before the auction starts at 9 am. Bring a friend and enjoy the day winning bids on the many bargains and unusual items that will be auctioned off. We will hold a post auction celebration dinner that evening at Fratelli's. The next day, November 16 is the District Foundation Brunch starting at 11:30am at Belhurst Castle in Geneva. We will wrap up November with a Thanksgiving Celebration on Tuesday 11/25 at Peppermints.

Take time during this upcoming Holiday season to enjoy your families and friends. Above all be safe as you travel during this time when the white stuff begins to fall.

**AVON  
ROTARY  
AUCTION**

**Saturday, November 15, 2014**  
 Avon Primary School  
 Preview: 8 am Auction: 9 am Sharp!



### Avon Rotary and Interact "Play Dead"

By Pam Hayes

On Saturday, Nov. 1, 2014 two car loads of 11 Zombie "wann-a-be's" and 2 apocalypse survivor hopefuls met at 8:30 am to participate in the RunDead fundraiser for the Special Olympics held at the Genesee Valley Park in Rochester, NY.

The day started with check in, and everyone getting an awesome Run Dead T-shirt. The runners went over and got their belts with 3 Velcro tags on them. The Zombies proceeded over to another pavilion to get made up to look like "the Dead." Yes, that is Ed Kime in the background who we all persuaded into being a Zombie too!

Then the waiting began... half the time in cars...it was pouring and cold out. Then our two runners warmed up doing some Zumba lead by local Zumba fitness gurus.

Then finally the zombies were taken off into their Zombie Zones along the 5K trail. There were 8 hordes of Zombies and our group was in zone 1. (Okay, confession time for Pam: of course it started pouring very bad when the zombies were being dispersed and yes I wimped out and sat in the car... Yes... can you say the word "Fine?" )

Once all the zombies were in their spots ready to pounce and grab the tags off the runners the race began with 5 groups of runners starting approx. 5 minutes apart. Fun was had by all! Tabata, for our group of Zombies, captured the most tags of 21! Beth and Emily ended the race with 2 tags remaining. They both received a very nice plaque stating they were Zombie Apocalypse Survivors! Our Avon Team, with registration and donations, contributed \$500 to help the Special Olympics.

We ended our time wet and hungry and celebrated at Pizza Land...special thanks to Ed!

### 2014 Avon Rotary & Interact Run Dead Team



From left to right, back row: Doug Hayes, Ed Kime, Pam Hayes, Nick Hayes, Olivia Minster, Caroline Christiano, Sam Bond. Front row: Emily Hayes, Tabata, Beth Younger, Liz Passarell, Erica Steele



Our Runners:  
Emily & Beth



The Runners getting warmed up to run the 5K



3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Avon Rotary & Interact Toy Drive to help support the Pirate Toy Fund Please bring in New Toys to our Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>!



## The Rotary Foundation

From Rotary.org

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary; we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into our priorities, such as eradicating polio and promoting peace. Foundation

grants empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact.

Strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that we make the very most of your contribution. Give and become a part of Rotary's life-changing work!

### Club Member Celebrations... November



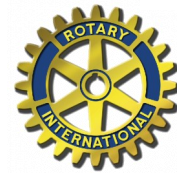
#### Birthdays

- ⇒ Tom Vonglis
- ⇒ Steve Csapo
- ⇒ Kirk Vanderbilt
- ⇒ Greg Johnson
- ⇒ Heather Ayers



#### Anniversaries

- ⇒ Kirk Vanderbilt
- ⇒ Bruce Amey
- ⇒ Kate Hill



#### Rotary Anniversary

- ⇒ Dave Henehan 1980
- ⇒ Wayne Warriner 1986
- ⇒ Charles Feller 2000
- ⇒ Kevin Tompsett 2000
- ⇒ Bruce Amey 2006



## NOVEMBER CLUB SCHEDULE

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|---------------|---|
| Tues. Nov. 7  | Reg MTG, Program - Jim T & Jeff Krans; Rotary Foundation  |
| Mon. Nov. 10  | Board of Directors 7pm @ Hurricane Conference Room        |
| Tues. Nov. 11 | Reg MTG, Auction Final Prep & Steering Comm Mtg following |
| Sat. Nov. 15  | 8:00 AM AUCTION; 5:30 PM Post Auction Dinner @ Fratelli's |
| Tues. Nov. 18 | NO MEETING  |
| Tues. Nov. 25 | Special Thanksgiving Dinner @ Peppermints                 |

*“Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.”*

*~William Arthur Ward~*

# The Rotary Foundation



Please join us for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**District 7120 Rotary Foundation Brunch**  
 Belhurst Castle  
 Route 14 South, Geneva NY

Sunday November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
 12 Noon (doors open at 11:30 AM)  
 \$ 31 per person

**2014 Keynote Speaker**  
**Melissa Pritchard**  
**Ambassadorial Scholar**



### About Melissa

Melissa Pritchard grew up in Eugene Oregon, as the middle child of five, to which she attributes her energy, curiosity and outdoor personality. She attended Alfred University where she studied art and design. In her junior year, she studied abroad in England and Spain. After graduation, she received an Ambassadorial Scholarship and Barcelona Spain became her home for 10 years. She attended university and then taught 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade at an international school.

In August 2013, Melissa decided to return home via bike as a solo cyclist. She pedaled 14 months, through 26 countries, in 4 continents, and has shared her experiences with school children along the way.

On October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014, her birthday, she plans to arrive in Oregon after pedaling 22K miles.

### Please review the following IMPORTANT Information

- Seating is limited to the first 240 registrants.
- Make Checks payable to "Rotary District 7120"
- Advanced registration only. Unfortunately, walk-ins cannot be accepted.
- **\*\*NEW\*\*** Requests to sit with specific members or clubs can be made if desired.

Take care to fill out this registration form completely and accurately. Failure to do so may impact your registration and seating preferences.

Fill in blanks and return to Mary Ann Mady by **Sat. Nov 1<sup>st</sup> if seating is requested**, or by **Fri Nov 7<sup>th</sup>** otherwise. Print clearly using name(s) desired on name tags. Thank you.

First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # w/ Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Needs (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Seating Preference (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Payment in FULL must be received with this complete registration form. Use reverse side for additional space. **Mail to: Mary Ann Mady, 40 Eaglesfield Way, Fairport, NY 14450**

# 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 @ Avon Middle School
-  Monday, October 27, 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
- Saturday, December 13, 2014: Christmas Adventure—Bus Trip
- 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