



Be a gift to the world

# Avon Rotary News

## July 2015

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#### Board of Directors

Dan Jones, President  
 Scott Holmes, PE  
 Tom Vonglis, Sr. Director  
 Heather Ayers, Director  
 Karl Sawicki, Member at Lg.  
 Tim Dickinson, Past Pres.  
 Kate Hill, Secretary  
 Kelly Cole, Treasurer



### President's Perspective

Welcome to a new Rotary year! We started the new year Rotary style at the change-over dinner celebrating the past, honoring special Rotarians and enjoying the fellowship of all. Past District Governor Gavin Hurley and his wife Kathleen and the new District Governor Bill Gormont and wife Helen joined us in the celebration. Congratulations to Shannon, Kirk, Ed, Rob, Rodney and Dorothy Coyne for being honored with special recognitions at the meeting. (See below for more details.)

The new theme "Be a Gift to the World" was introduced by District Governor Bill Gormont who encouraged us to embrace it personally and corporately as a club. I am challenging the club to celebrate 1000 gifts to the world this year. This means we need to celebrate approximately 25 gifts each week we meet. Everyone is expected to participate. We will track our celebrations by separating out the celebration money each week and setting it aside for a special designation the board will determine in our upcoming meetings.

The new board of directors con-

sists of Dan, Scott, Tom, Heather, Kelly, Kate, Karl and Tim. The July meeting will focus on setting our direction for the year financially and thematically. During Tim's year we began planning to donate a small pavilion to the Genesee Valley Rotary Camp. We also have begun setting aside funds for another large community project. Shelter box, the Foundation and many local charitable organizations will also continue to receive funding from Rotary.

I look forward to serving as your president this year. If you have questions or concerns about what is going on in Rotary please take the time to contact me by phone or email. Other members of the Board of Directors are also available to hear your concerns. We are all committed to enhancing the great reputation Avon Rotary has earned in our community and district. Remember to check out the webpage if you have questions. Meeting dates and details are listed as well as information about our upcoming events. July 14<sup>th</sup> is our summer picnic at Doug and Pam's house and Corn Fest is just around the corner August 8<sup>th</sup>. Plan on having lots of fun this year as together we use our time, talents and treasures to be gifts to the world.

President Dan

Avon Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 6pm at Peppermints Restaurant

## Change of Officers Highlights



2015-16 Board of Directors: President Dan Jones, Past President Tim Dickinson, Treasurer Kelly Cole, President Elect Scott Holmes, Sr. Director Tom Vonglis, Director Heather Ayers, Member at Large Karl Sawicki



Congratulations to Tim Dickinson on a fine year as President. Here Dan Jones presents Tim with a Gavel Plaque with sincere appreciation on behalf of the club.

**Rookie of the Year: Shannon DiFranco**



Shannon DiFranco was presented the award by President Tim Dickinson

**Rotarian of the Year: Kirk Vanderbilt**



Kirk Vanderbilt was presented the award by Past President Laurie Vonglis

**Rotary**



Paul Harris Fellows were presented to Avon Rotarians, Ed Kime, Rodney George & Rob Lupisella



Past District Governor Gaven Hurley presented Dorothy Coyne with her multiple Paul Harris pin



## Rotarians & Family Gather For Our Change of Officers—June 30, 2015



## The CAP comes to Rotary



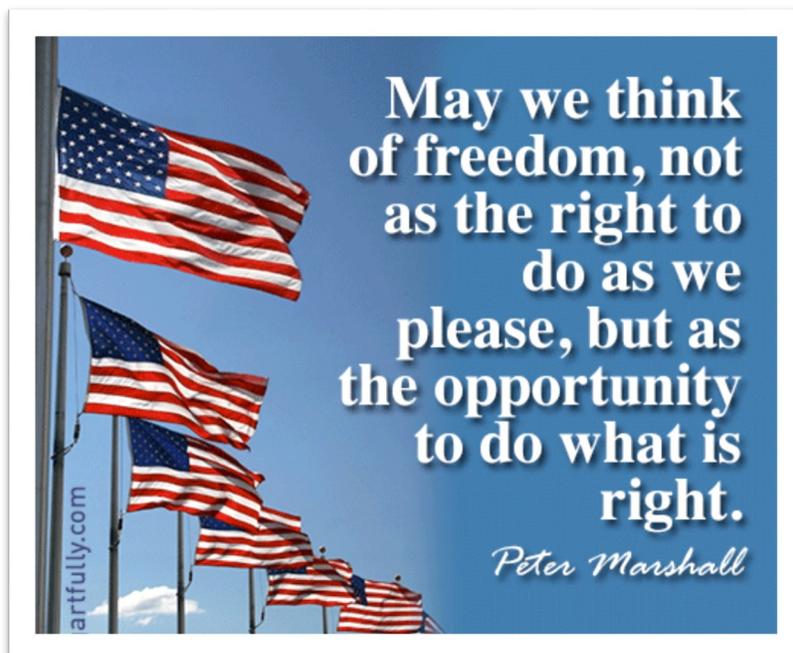
By: Terry Lemen

On June 23<sup>rd</sup> I had the absolute pleasure of watching my son, Cadet Senior Airman Henry T. Lemen CAP and his friend Cadet Airman 1st Class Nicholas A. Hall CAP, give an extremely well presented talk on the Civil Air Patrol. Both boys worked in unison to provide the club with a brief history and function of the CAP as well as expounding upon the benefits to young men and women looking to join this great organization. As the parent of a CAP cadet, I have seen firsthand what membership in this organization has done for my son. He has always been confident and well liked young man, but I have seen him become an amazing young man. He has taken the skills he has learned and turned into a true leader.

The Civil Air Patrol is an organization which will help those lucky enough to be involved, achieve their goals and dreams by teaching discipline, leadership and dedication to a cause. Not unlike Rotary, CAP believes in helping out their fellow man and striving to create citizens we can all be proud of. If you have a child, grandchild, niece or nephew that you think might be interested or would benefit from the CAP, please do not hesitate to ask me questions. I will put you in touch with the proper people.



L-R: Cadet Airman 1st Class Nicholas A. Hall CAP, Cadet Senior Airman Henry T. Lemen CAP





## Why Do I Love Rotary?

By: Steve Csapo

I love Rotary for what it does for people who either need help in every day survival such as the water projects or for polio eradication and for the ability to assist a foreign student the opportunity to see what living in the US is all about first hand. I personally have learned about other cultures through the presentations we have had at our meetings and most recently hosting two students on our Rotary Exchange Weekend. The fellowship that our group has is truly amazing and how it carries in to the community definitely makes me proud to say I am a member of Avon Rotary.

THERE ARE  
SOME PEOPLE  
IN LIFE THAT  
MAKE YOU  
LAUGH A LITTLE  
LOUDER, SMILE  
A LITTLE BIGGER  
AND LIVE JUST  
A LITTLE  
BIT BETTER.

### July Club Schedule

Tues. July 7	No Meeting
Mon. July 13	Board of Directors Mtg. 7pm @ Hurricane
Tues. July 14	Summer Picnic @ Hayes 5:30 pm
Tues. July 21	Reg. Mtg. + Corn Fest Steering Com Mtg
Tues. July 28	Reg. Mtg.

### Rotary Anniversary

- ⇒ Ted Coyne 1955
- ⇒ Steve Stephenson 1963
- ⇒ Jerry Dougherty 1966
- ⇒ Jim Gaffney 1971
- ⇒ Charlie Pease 1987
- ⇒ Julie Carney 2009

### July Member Celebrations

#### Birthdays

- ⇒ Joe Callahan
- ⇒ Karl Sawicki

#### Wedding Anniversary

- ⇒ Terry Lemen
- ⇒ Cathy Jo Murphy
- ⇒ Jim Ryan
- ⇒ Ernie Wiard

## Avon Rotary Social Events 2015—2016

Tuesday, July 14, 2015:	Summer Picnic @ Pam & Doug Hayes's
Sunday, August 9, 2015:	Corn Festival Picnic @ Rodney George's
Tuesday, August 18, 2015:	Visit to GVRC & Picnic
Tuesday, September 15, 2015:	Avon Rotary Honors
Saturday, September 19, 2015:	Canandaigua Outing
Sunday, November TBD, 2015:	Eastern Cities Dinner @ Roch Conv Ctr
Tuesday, October 27, 2015:	Halloween Party TBD
Saturday, November 7, 2015:	Auction Dinner @ Fratelli's
Tues. or Wed. Nov. 24 or 25, 2015:	Thanksgiving Meeting w/ Lions @ Avon Inn TBD
Saturday, December 5, 2015:	Christmas Party TBD
Thursday, January 14, 2016:	Rotary Social @ Avon Inn
Saturday, January 23, 2016:	Short Track for Pancakes
Tuesday, February 9, 2016:	Mardi Gras @ Peppermints
Tuesday, March 15, 2016:	St. Patrick's Day Party @ Peppermints
Saturday, April 23, 2016:	NYC Spring Break—TBD
Fri. April 29—Sun May1, 2016:	District Conference @ Hershey Lodge PA
Saturday, May 14, 2016:	Blue Jean Ball
May or June, 2016:	Quad Cities Golf & Dinner
Tuesday, June 28, 2016:	Change of Officers Dinner

## District 7120 Golf Tournament—Save the Date

To all District 7120 Rotarians, families and friends

**YOU ARE INVITED**



- WHAT:** District 7120 Golf Tournament
- WHERE:** Island Oaks Course at the Lima Country Club
- WHEN:** Friday, September 4, 2015; Registration at 12:00 noon and tee off at 1:00 P.M.
- FORMAT:** Scramble
- COST:** \$80.00 per person, includes golf, cart, hot dog lunch and dinner
- PRIZES:** “Best Dressed” Team  
 Putting Contest  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place-Men’s; Ladies; Mixed Team  
 Longest Drive  
 Nearest to the Pin  
 In addition, a Paul Harris drawing for clubs w/ at least a paid foursome.

Please note: To be eligible to win first place, a team must have at least three (3) registered players who will finish the event.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** This year, Tom Brown is setting up on-line registration for this tournament. He plan to have it ready around July 10<sup>th</sup>. I will inform everyone when it is ready.

**NOTE:** Each Club is requested to donate a raffle item valued at \$25.00. Please bring the raffle item with you on the day of the tournament. **No time to shop?** You may send a check, in the amount of \$25.00, to Gary Reilly **no later than August 21, 2015** and he will do the shopping for your Club.

**Make checks are payable to: District 7120 Golf Tournament.**

**We had a great time last year so we encourage you to join us for this fun-filled afternoon of golf and fellowship!**

