

## August Events

Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>  
Rotary Fun Day-Greek  
Peak Resort

Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>  
Ithaca Rotary Road Rally

Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>  
Multi-District PETS  
Planning—Sheraton Sy-  
racuse University Hotel

Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>  
Community Corps Meet-  
ing-Dryden

Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>  
Bainbridge Golf Tourna-  
ment

Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>  
Service Club Night at  
Rumble Ponies

Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>  
DFC/DAC meetings—  
Wild Owl Café, Norwich

Aug 24<sup>th</sup>  
New Old Franklin Day



The first month of club visits is now history and it has been a very busy month. I visited 15 clubs during the month of July and have been amazed at what I have seen. While each club is unique, they are all doing things that reflect this year's Rotary priorities: increasing our impact, expanding our reach, enhancing participant engagement and increasing our ability to adapt.

Several clubs are involved in District international or RI global grants which demonstrates Rotary's influence in the world and these projects only show signs of increasing. For example, these projects include water systems for Costa Rica and solar lights for Haiti.

Clubs are reaching out through open houses or other methods to attract new member, engaging current members, and creating more alternatives for membership for the next generation which will expand our reach. One club has taken in 5 new members already this year.

Our clubs are also exploring projects which will enhance participant engagement by making a more family-friendly Rotary—one that welcomes children to our activities and that is more considerate of families in our scheduling. For example, a "Family Fun Day" is being planned for August 10<sup>th</sup> at Greek Peak (see more information below). Other family-friendly projects are "Night to Shine" prom for

special-needs children, an Honor Society banquet and ceremonies to recognize student achievement.

Our clubs are developing creative ideas that illustrate our ability to adapt. Several clubs are looking at incorporating social meetings into their monthly schedules. Others are using multiple venues for their meetings. Still others are using creative new ways to enable our members to get credit for participation in activities other than the formal club meeting. "We've always done it that way" is being replaced by "Don't be afraid to fail, be afraid not to try".

Finally, I am finding that the greatest strength of our clubs is the ability to connect with each other and with other civic organizations to bring about change in the world, in our communities and in ourselves. Clubs are connecting with Shelter Box, local fire departments and EMS services, the United Way, local schools, Chambers of Commerce and many others community organizations as well as with each other. Rotary truly does "CONNECT THE WORLD".

In addition to visiting clubs, I attended the RYLA closing ceremony on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. This was one of the most impressive youth programs I have witnessed. It was a packed house and the students were fantastic. It was very evident that many lasting friendships were created during this three-day event.

Chairman Jack Sullivan, the RYLA Committee, Director Julie Lambiaso and her staff are to be congratulated for a fantastic job.

On June 27<sup>th</sup>, the District Grants Committee met to review and award the 2019-2020 District Community and International Grants. This year there were 24 grant applications. The committee awarded 19 grants. Cindy Burger and the committee are to be congratulated for their hard work. Each year the number of grant applications

is increasing. Please consider increasing your contribution to the Annual Fund which supports these grants.

Until next time...

Yours In Rotary Service,



DG Dave

## District Grant Tidbit

To the 20 clubs in District 7170 who submitted 24 District grant applications for the 2019-2020 Rotary Year – THANK YOU! The Grants Committee reviewed them closely and was able to recommend 19 of them to The Rotary Foundation with the money available to us. The Committee is consistently getting requests for more funds than we have and we are committed to providing the best fiduciary oversight we can, so only the strongest (best written) grants will get consideration in June of 2020. Start thinking NOW about possible projects that may qualify for District Funded grants for the 2020-2021 year.

## Rotary Salutes!!!

At the **Morris Rotary Club** Pass the Gavel dinner they formally dedicated a bench the club purchased and placed in the village in honor of former Rotarian Bill Stowell.



President Matthew Palmer accepting position from Past President Winifred Talbot

My name is Jennifer Cower and I am a Rotarian from the **Colesville Rotary Club**. I am reaching out to other area Rotary clubs to see if you will join me in supporting the:



**FIRST ANNUAL  
BACK PACKS FOR  
SASHA**

**Memorial School  
Supply Drive**

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We are collecting back packs and school supplies to be given In Memory of Sasha to students at Westmere Elementary School in Guilderland where she attended Kindergarten, and local schools in the Binghamton Area.

**Our goal is to collect enough  
money or supplies for  
50-100 backpacks**

### A little backstory

On May 17, 2019 Sasha Melville was tragically killed by her mother in a murder/suicide. She was five years old. Sasha loved school. She thrived in school. And had a smile that would light up a room and fill your heart with wonderment.

With such a tragedy our family has been struggling since there is no understanding as to why this happened. To be honest we will never know why. In an effort to give our family something positive to focus on we decided to do something that will help the children of Sasha's school and others in the Binghamton area, in her name, and in her memory. Our goal is to raise money or get enough supplies to make up 50 to 100 backpacks. Even more would be better as we would be able to help so many others.

Please consider helping to support this event. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach me at 607-727-4212 or you can email me at [jcower@nbtbank.com](mailto:jcower@nbtbank.com) or [jjcower@aol.com](mailto:jjcower@aol.com).

Thank you for the consideration.



# **GET YOUR MOTOR RUNNING**

## **ITHACA'S 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ROTARY ROAD RALLY!**

**Sunday, August 11, 2019**

**Registration open 1:00 – 2:00 pm**

**Maguire Toyota**

**370 Elmira Rd, Ithaca**

**\$20 per adult \$10 children 12 – 18**

**free 11 & younger**



Bring the kids, the friends, the neighbors – all are invited to join in this fun activity. The FUNdraising rally is open to everyone and is a real blast!

Follow clues in your car along 30 +/- miles of country roads in Tompkins County, answering riddles, taking pictures, and picking up scavenger hunt items along the way. All cars must be on the course by 2:00 and cross the finish line by 4:00 pm at a “mystery” restaurant for prizes, drinks, and dinner (on your own).

## **GET YOUR MOTOR RUNNING**

### **ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ITHACA ROTARY CLUB PROGRAMS**

Rain or Shine! Walk-ins welcome

More info and pre-register at [www.ithacarotary.com](http://www.ithacarotary.com)

**Our sponsor:**



**MAGUIRE**  
FAMILY OF DEALERSHIPS & FAMILY INSURANCE AGENCY

**Rotary**  
Club of Ithaca, NY

# Rotary Fun Day

**11 am to 3 pm at Hope Lake Park over-looking the  
Greek Peak Resort – August 10, 2019**

Hope Lake Park offers swimming, boating, hiking and a pavilion. The District will provide use of the pavilion and a shuttle to take guests to other Greek Peak events.

A BBQ lunch will be served at the pavilion from noon to 1 pm. Children 5 and under are free, children 6-12 are \$20 and adults are \$25.

The District will also be organizing a corn hole event.

To register, just send an e-mail to [jsmith1532@aol.com](mailto:jsmith1532@aol.com).  
Checks can be mailed to:

Jeff Smith  
3600 Lorne Drive  
Endwell, New York

Pricing for Greek Peak events follows. Members, friends and family are welcome to this event.





## 15th Annual Bainbridge Rotary Golf Tournament

Thursday, August 15, 2019  
Afton Golf Club  
Afton, New York 13730  
9:00 AM Shotgun Start  
\$75/Non-Members - \$65/Members/Hole Sponsors  
Captain and Crew Format

*Join us for a great day  
of golf and fellowship!*



18 Holes of Golf plus Connie's Famous  
All-You-Can-Eat-Buffer  
Marinated Chicken, Pulled Pork, Baked Beans,  
Local Sweet Corn and Salads Galore!  
Save room for Dave's Gourmet Desserts!

Prizes: Cash for Top Three Teams  
Plus; Closest to Pin, Longest Drive, Skins Game and  
Free Club Membership at Afton GC for a Hole in One!  
Use your Mulligans!  
To Register, Call Dave: 607-743-2523  
Or email: [davedeclue@stny.rr.com](mailto:davedeclue@stny.rr.com)

### DG Dave having fun at the Deposit Lumberjack Festival



He was with the **Deposit Rotary** on Friday the 19th helping us sell our clams and shrimp & he also was chatting with our gals from EZ Red





**JOIN US FOR ROTARY NIGHT  
AT THE RUMBLE PONIES!**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
**GAME TIME: 6:35 PM | GATES OPEN 5:30 PM**



**(AA-BLUE JAYS)**

**VS**



**(AA-METS)**

**\$7**

**GRANDSTAND  
TICKETS**

**\$9**

**BOX SEATS  
TICKETS**

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# Rotary Builds with Habitat!



Have you found your Rotary niche yet? Do you like hands on projects? Come try this on for size!

On *Saturday, 31 August, 8:30 to 12:00* at *1932 Slaterville Road*, Rotarians from the 8 clubs of Tompkins and Cortland Counties (others are welcome!) will be lending a hand as *Habitat for Humanity of Tompkins and Cortland Counties* works on 3 houses! One rehab and two new builds.

Did you know *Habitat for Humanity* is an official partner of Rotary International? Of course, you know Rotary is emphasizing working with others to leverage our community's resources. Come join us as we help provide badly needed low cost housing.

Wear closed toed shoes and work clothes. Any needed tools, hardhats, and gloves will be provided but if you prefer your own feel free to bring them.

Registration is not required but if you are committed an email would be greatly appreciated! It helps with planning for the day.

Evan Kurtz, DG 21-22  
Dryden Rotary  
[emkurtz56@gmail.com](mailto:emkurtz56@gmail.com)







**Calling all Clubs in Rotary District 7170**

**Challenge!!!**

**Create a Restaurant week in your  
community to support the End Of Polio!!**

**Step One:**

Clubs will go out to restaurants in their community and ask if they would sponsor one night the week of October 24, 2019 World Polio Day. A sponsor would donate five percent of their gross receipts for that day to The Rotary Foundation, in the name of the sponsoring Club.

**Step Two:**

Once Clubs have secured restaurants their names would be submitted to the District. A District wide advertisement would be created, and published throughout our District, so everyone would know who is offering the deal each day that week.

**Step Three:**

Go out for dinner at participating restaurants the week of October 20 through 26th to support the final eradication of Polio!!



## **Endicott Rotary gives Community Donations**

**ENDICOTT ROTARY FOUNDATION DONATES OVER \$28,000.00  
TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS**

The Endicott Rotary Foundation donated approximately \$30,000.00 to local not-for-profit organizations during its last Rotary year, which runs from July 1 to June 30. Those organizations include the Boys & Girls Club of Western Broome, Mom's House, the Amos Patterson & Military Heritage Museum, Truth Pharm. Endicott Rotary along with a partnership with the Endicott Elks Club, provides dictionaries to all third grade students in the UE School District. The club also helped sponsor the Holiday Parade in Endicott, granted an annual scholarship to a UE senior, and donated holiday baskets to 80 families who were in need.

The Foundation is funded through donations and fundraisers held by the Endicott Rotary Club whose major fundraising activities include running a food concession at Binghamton University, staffing the main food tent at the Dick's Open Golf Tournament, and a Super Bowl Pool. The Club's 44 members work very hard during the Rotary year to help fund the many projects undertaken by the Club each year.

Endicott Rotary is one of 44 Rotary Clubs in District 7170, and has been in existence for almost 100 years. It will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2021.

Rotary stands for Service Above Self, and the Endicott Rotary Club exhibits that in all that it does. Endicott Rotary meets every Thursday, at 12:15pm, at Food and Fusion, on West Main Street in Endicott. It is always looking for new members. Consider coming to a meeting and joining this great service organization!

**For more information contact:**





# Rotary T Shirts



Rotary Tee Shirts are available for \$15 each. These shirts were produced by women in India as part of the JHoole project formed by Hannah Warren, a speaker at our District Conference. Hannah formed this project to empower women to raise funds to support their families. District 7170 supported this Global Grant. Now the project sells their merchandise globally. \$10.00 goes to the JHoole project. \$5.00 goes to the Rotary Foundation. Hannah is developing a larger manufacturing space in India .

**Size options are:** Double Extra Large, Extra Large, Large, Medium, Small, and Extra Small

**Neck options are:** Crew neck in navy blue, V neck in both colors shown above

**Send orders** to Jeff Smith at [jsmith1532@aol.com](mailto:jsmith1532@aol.com)

**Send payments** to Jeff Smith, 3600 Lorne Drive, Endwell NY, 13760

We will ship or deliver your shirts at no charge.



## Governor's Official Visitation Schedule for 2019-2020



### August:

1-Groton (6:15 pm)  
6-Hobart (6:00 pm)  
7-Greene (8:00 am)  
8-Hancock (12:10 pm)  
14-Ithaca Noon (12:15 pm)  
15-Margaretville (6:00 pm)  
21-Johnson City (8:00 am)  
22-Ithaca Sunrise (7:30 am)  
26-Vestal (12:15 pm)  
27-Milford (6:00 pm)  
28-Schenevus-Worcester (7:00 pm)

### September:

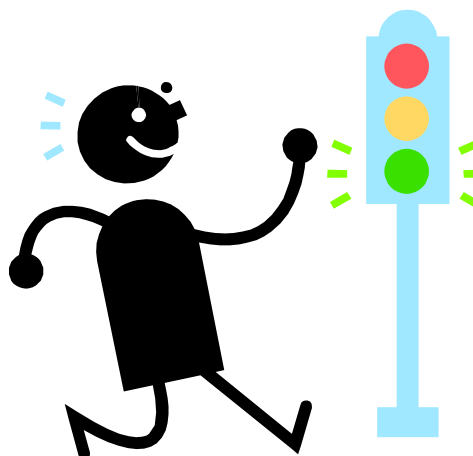
4-Stamford (6:00 pm)  
5-Oxford (5:30 pm)  
10-Endwell (6:00 pm)  
11-Unadilla (6:00 pm)  
12-Richfield Springs (5:30 pm)  
24-Cooperstown (12:15 pm)  
25-Edmeston (6:00 pm)  
26-Trumansburg (6:30 pm)

### October:

1-Lansing Ithaca (12:15 pm)  
2-Deposit (5:30)  
3-Waverly (12:05 pm)  
9-New Berlin (6:00 pm)  
10-Whitney Point (6:15)  
15-Norwich (12:00 pm)  
17-Sherburne (12:00 pm)  
24-Oneonta (12:15 pm)

I will meet with club board of directors for 1 hour after morning meetings and for 1 hour before noon and evening meetings.

I will also need 15 to 20 minutes of your meeting time to do my presentation.







*Dave Bensley  
District Governor  
2019-2020*

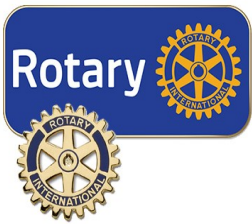
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Register for Hawaii  
International Conven-  
tion June 6-10, 2020

[Honolulu, Hawaii](#)

# Save The Date



## District Conference

**Friday, May 1st through Sunday, May 3rd, 2020**

**Marriott, Downtown Syracuse**

