

# The Toolbox



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## From the Governor's Desk

### Here We Grow!

As you read this, we are underway with an ambitious growth program for your clubs. Training has started, resources deployed, and the enthusiasm level for promoting Rotary is rising. As we've said, this effort is to help you build and grow your Club's presence in your community, and hopefully as that happens the entire Rotary movement is enhanced.

This effort is literally an all-hands-on-deck effort. We seriously challenge each member to find a way to identify and recruit one new member. Is it impossible? No, of course not. Is it difficult? It certainly can be, depending on your perspective.

Focus on the personal benefit; you enjoy Rotary. In fact, maybe you LOVE Rotary. Would your experience be even better if you could work alongside your friends? With leaders in your community that you know share your same values? How about with your family members?

Rotary for many of us is better with people we know. People we enjoy spending time with. That was true at the Rotary Birthday on Sunday, February 23. A good time was had by all, and for the first time anyone can recall, we did a service project in conjunction with the Birthday Party. Our volunteers helped cut fabric and Tyvek for the



reusable menstrual pads developed by the MoonCatcher Project.

Rotarians helping others happens every minute of every day, somewhere in the world. We are looking for those people who want to make a difference in the world, and in our neighborhoods. Begin your search by looking in the mirror and asking what got you into Rotary, and what keeps you in. That last part becomes more important as we also focus on retaining all of our members. Once you have that, your "elevator speech" starts to come into focus.

Let's keep working together to grow the Rotary Movement.

Yours in Rotary Service,  
Governor Larry

## DISTRICT EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **March 8: Daylight Savings Time Begins!** Turn your clocks ahead 1 hour.
- **March 13-14: Multi-District PETS** Syracuse
- **March 17: Happy St Patrick's Day!!**
- **March 19: Spring Arrives!!**
- **March 26: Foundation Dinner** pp 3, 4
- **April 4: District Training Assembly & Grant Management Seminar**
- **May 15-17: District Conference** Albany p 6
- **June 6-10: Rotary International Convention** Hawaii
- **June 20: District Change Over**
- **September 21: Gift of Life Golf Tournament**

## CLUB EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **NOW: Toy Drive** by Capital Region Rotary p 3
- **March 31: Casting Call** by Amsteram Rotary p 3
- **April 10: Fish Fry** by Amsteram Rotary p 5
- **June 6: Annual Winery Tour** by Glenville Rotary p 5

**New Members!**

District 7190 Welcomes  
the Following New Members!

**Schenectady Rotary Club:**

**Jennifer Miller**

**Lisa Carroll**

**James Salengo**

**Victor Gaudin**

(Pictured from left below.)



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**Attention All Clubs:**

Every month, kindly submit the names of your  
new members, and the names of your members  
who have passed on to higher service, to

[thetoolbox7190@gmail.com](mailto:thetoolbox7190@gmail.com).

Thank You

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**Looking for NEW ROTARIANS**

We are starting a new club in Troy, so if you  
know someone working or living in the Troy area  
who would make a good Rotarian please send  
contact info to Bruce McConnelee @  
[Barrelbackbuilder@gmail.com](mailto:Barrelbackbuilder@gmail.com).

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**Daylight Savings Begins  
Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>!**

Remember to set your clocks ahead Saturday  
night before you go to bed!



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**NEW MEETING VENUE!**

Colonie-Guilderland Rotary has a new location  
for their weekly meetings:

Scarborough's Restaurant  
497 Old Niskayuna Road  
Latham, NY 12110

They meet at 12:15 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday of the month.

Not free for lunch? Join them for dinner at  
5:30 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

The location of their meetings changes from  
time to time. If you are visiting them, contact  
them in advance at  
[coloniieguilderlandrotary@gmail.com](mailto:coloniieguilderlandrotary@gmail.com) and they will  
let you know if there have been any changes.

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**NEW MEETING VENUE!**

As a result of the fire at The Stockade Inn,  
Schenectady Rotary will be holding their noon  
luncheon meetings at the Turf Tavern, 40  
Mohawk AVENUE, Scotia, NY beginning Thursday,  
January 23, 2020.

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**March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Rotary District 7190  
Foundation Dinner**

**Rotary "Connects the World"  
Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>  
6pm  
Glen Sanders Mansion  
Scotia, NY**

Fellow Rotarians,

Spring and our District Foundation Dinner are fast approaching. It is time for each club in the District to step forward and support this event and the silent auction portion of it.

I have asked each club to donate, or solicit from your community, a gift basket, gift cards, a service, or an item for the silent auction. Smaller items may be combined so that the value of each Silent Auction item is in the \$100 - \$200 range. If you are unable to gather such items, a monetary donation from your club would be greatly appreciated.

The Rotary Foundation is our "Mother Ship" connecting and working with us. After three years, the Foundation returns fifty percent of our donations to the District, so we may continue the many services Rotary provides our communities and around the world.

Thank you to the Clubs that have responded thus far, and I await hearing from all the Clubs. Do not hesitate to contact me with questions or to arrange pick up of your donation.

See flyer on next page.

Yours in Rotary,  
Jane Rey, Silent Auction Chair  
[janeprey45@icloud.com](mailto:janeprey45@icloud.com) 518-441-8230



**arrives March 19<sup>th</sup> !!!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Casting Call  
for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Amsterdam Rotary  
Variety Show  
March 31<sup>st</sup>  
7pm  
St. Mary's Hospital Carondelet Pavilion  
380 Guy Park Avenue, Amsterdam, NY**

Tell your friends and be ready to put your best foot forward!

For More Information Call Club President, Pete Rose 518-848-0401

Preserving our Past, Being Ever Present, and Sustaining Our Future

As Rotary Connects the World

This year's Annual Variety Show Recipients are:

- Historic Amsterdam League (HAL)**
- Comfort Zone Ministries (CZM)**
- Creative Connections Club House**
- Haven of Hope Farm and Residence**
- Annual Rotary Scholarships and the Amsterdam Rotary Charitable Account**



Capital Region Rotary presents its annual

**Bins of Fun Toy Drive**

They need your help! They are collecting new toys, gift cards, movies and entertainment for ages newborn -18.

All toys donated will be delivered to the Bernard and Millie Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center.

All donations can be mailed to CRRC c/o John Mariani 848 Warner Road Schenectady, NY 12309





*You are cordially invited to the  
Rotary District 7190  
Foundation Dinner*

*The Glen Sanders Mansion  
Scotia, NY  
6:00 pm  
March 26, 2020*

RSVP by March 15, 2020

Registration is open at [www.rotary7190.org](http://www.rotary7190.org)

Contact Lisa Jackson at 518-441-1225 or [lisarmj33@gmail.com](mailto:lisarmj33@gmail.com) with any questions

*The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviate of poverty.*

Rotary Clubs in District 7190 use grants from The Rotary Foundation to leverage the good they are doing in our local communities and around the world. Each year clubs in our district support education by funding scholarships, promote literacy by delivering dictionaries to children, enhance communities with recreational equipment, and travel to other countries to provide clean water.

**Please support The Rotary Foundation by joining the  
Foundation Dinner Honorary Committee with a minimum donation of \$100.**

Tickets to the dinner are available now at [www.Rotary7190.org](http://www.Rotary7190.org)

**People of Action:** \$80 for a single ticket

**Making a Difference:** \$150

[includes a single ticket and \$75 donation to The Rotary Foundation]

**Be the Inspiration:** \$400

[includes 2 tickets and a \$250 donation to The Rotary Foundation]

### Save The Date!

**Amsterdam Rotary presents  
its Annual  
Good Friday Fish Fry  
Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>  
11:30am- 2:00pm  
Raindancer Restaurant  
4582 State Highway 30  
Amsterdam, NY 12010**



### Ballston Spa Rotary Holds Food Drive

Recently, Ballston Spa Rotary held their annual "Feel the Love Food Drive". This year they held it in conjunction with the Ballston Spa Launching Pad's performance of "Frozen Junior". The Launching Pad is a local organization that gives students the chance to perform in musical theater and what a great job they did! Besides the donations that were collected at each performance, food was collected at several local businesses. The drive was a great success.

We also invite any of you from other clubs to come to Ballston Spa and explore our very eclectic collection of specialty shops and restaurants. It's a short drive from anywhere in our District and you might end up finding a new favorite spot. We're open every day, including holidays and weekends, and if you visit, maybe you'll see why so many of us call Ballston Spa the "Village of Friends".

By Ray Otten



### Save the Date!!!

**Glenville Rotary  
presents its  
11<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Winery Tour  
Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>  
(Revised Date!)  
Details to follow!**



### New Gift of Life Child Arrives

Batnasan arrived with his mother at The Albany Airport on Sunday, February 23. They are from Mongolia. Batnasan will have open heart surgery at AMCH on March 5/20. Folks from Rotary 7190 Gift of Life and Samaritan's Purse were there to greet them.



Gift of Life is a Rotary Program which sponsors life saving heart surgery for children from all over the world. For more information on Rotary Gift of Life check the web site. WWW.giftoflife7190.org.





**Friday May 15**

- 1:30 – 4pm Day of Service Projects: Northeast Regional Foodbank Farm, NERFB Warehouse or Ronald McDonald House, Albany
- 5:30 – 7pm Re-Connecting Dinners (Dinner on own – selected venues)
- 7:30 – 9:30 pm International Taste Tour at 4-5 Pubs in Albany’s North End

**Saturday May 16 @ Albany Capital Center**

- 8:00 am – 1:30 pm @ Albany Capital Center
  - Business Meeting & Break out meetings
  - Showcase of Club Projects
  - Lunch program – Club Awards, RI Rep Michael Caruso
- 1:30 – 4:00 pm – Discover Albany – Options: Treasure Hunt of Albany sites, NYS Museum, Tour Ten Broeck Mansion & more!
- 5:30 – 9:00 pm – International Street Fair @ Albany Capital Center
  - International Tastings
  - Mazzone Hospitality’s International Food Stations
  - Cultural Activities and Entertainment

**Sunday May 17 @ Albany Renaissance Hotel**

- 9:30 Sunday Brunch
  - Remembering Rotarians Memorial Service

***All Proceeds from the weekend will go to  
The Rotary Foundation***

**Register Now!!**

**For more information:** <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50091/page/conference2020>

**To register:**

<https://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=f333f02e-222e-47e4-9bd9-2de2bd822743>