



October 2020

Linda Kohl, District Governor

Issue 4



Ken and Linda Kohl

Hello Everyone,

Happy October!

As a Rotarian, when I think of the October calendar, I think of World Polio Day-October 24.

Polio eradication was significantly affected this year with the announcement by the World Health Organization (WHO) that the African region is now free of the wild poliovirus.

However, polio caused by the wild virus is endemic in Afghanistan and Pakistan. According to the Rotary International website, to eradicate polio, multiple high quality immunization campaigns must be given priority. " Even during the Covid-19 pandemic, it is necessary to keep children vaccinated against polio while also protecting health workers from Covid-19 and making sure they don't contribute to its transmission."

On October 24, Rotarians will focus on World Polio Day.

Please go to <https://www.endpolio.org/world-polio-day>. At this site, you can download the World Polio Day toolkit, register your clubs World Polio Day event or find a World Polio Event to attend.

In addition, according to the Rotary International Facebook page, on October 24 Rotary International 's World Polio Day Online Global Update will be streamed around the world. Please go to this website to attend :<http://www.endpolionow.org/world-polio-day>.



OCTOBER 2020

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World Polio Day

The theme for World Polio Day is "A win against polio is a win for global health." The program will provide an update on Rotary and our partners' polio eradication efforts, and will focus on how investment in polio eradication is critical for our global health initiatives, such as a response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Please consider raising funds as a club for End Polio Now

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and presenting End Polio Now news to your club during October. There are many resources available as listed on <https://www.endpolionow.org/world-polio-day>.

In the words of Rotary International President Holger Knaack, "we must fulfill our promise that we made to the children of the world."

Yours in Rotary,
DG Linda
District Governor 2020-2021
Rotary District 7120
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ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

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"Sustainable development is the pathway to the future we want for all. It offers a framework to generate economic growth, achieve social justice, exercise environmental stewardship and strengthen governance."

Ben Ki-moon



Rotary Archive 1962

Rotary International made official Interact as its service club program for youths on October 28, 1962,

Rotary: Open for Business?

Many Rotary clubs are transitioning from pandemic Zoom to recovery “in person,” or at least hybrid, meetings. Questions remain. What is safe? What is responsible? What is fair to all concerned?

Who among us Rotarians would want to be responsible for transmitting CoVid-19 to another person? Imagine the consequences if a Rotary meeting or event proved to be the epicenter of disease transmission in a community.

Heed the warnings! Don't defy the health advisories! Those over 65 years old and those with diabetes, obesity, respiratory disease, and immune conditions are at increased risk. Masks and hand sanitizer work.

MASKS should cover both your mouth and your nose completely and fit snugly enough over your nose, around your cheeks, and under your chin so that the front of the mask sucks in toward you when you inhale. Adjust your mask before the meeting and then leave it alone! If you are not comfortable with this, if you feel claustrophobic, if you have that “I can't breathe” feeling with a mask on, then stay home and practice with it on! You will adapt. If your mask keeps slipping out of position, you've got the wrong mask. Do not remove your mask when speaking. Just project your voice more loudly. Do not remove your masks for pictures. Smile with your eyes!

HAND SANITIZER should be readily available at any meeting. Use it before and after touching any common use items at a meeting: tabletops, laptops, keyboards, hand-held microphones, podiums, money, and ticket stubs. These fomites can carry infectious particles for a short period of time. Resist touching your face.

MICROPHONES on a stand are better than the hand-held versions. Project your voice loudly and keep the microphone from contacting your mask.

SOCIAL DISTANCE of at least 6 feet radius is important, excepting your family. Your family is your household. Your third cousin, once removed, is not family; nor is your daughter-in-law or your nephew, unless you live in the same household.

Stay safe, Rotarians. Live to serve another day!

Dave Hannan

IPDG, District 7120

August 8, 2020

2023-2024 District Governor Application Process

TIME IS ALMOST UP for all 2023-2024 District Governor candidates. Your entry is due by **Thursday, October 15, 2020**

If you are interested in being considered a candidate:

- Discuss with members of your Rotary Club.
- Each Rotary Club will consider any and all interested Rotarians in good-standing with the club.
- The Rotary Club will make a resolution at a regular meeting of the club naming one suggested candidate.
- The selected candidate from the club will complete the DG Application for 2023-2024 available on the next page.
- The club's secretary or executive director will sign the application and mail the application by **Thursday, October 15, 2020** to Patrick Stack, 79 Northcliffe Drive, Rochester, NY 14616 or email to pkroc@outlook.com.

A prospective candidate should **NOT** contact any member of the Nominating Committee*, as this would be construed as electioneering, which is forbidden. Prospective candidates should contact the District Governor Nominee Ralph Brandt at rbrandt601@aol.com with any questions.

Per District 7120 "Policies and Procedures", pgs. 3-4, a Nominee for District Governor must have the following minimum qualifications:

- Served a full term as a Club President and been a Rotarian for seven years;
- Be physically fit and able to withstand three rigorous years plus a fourth year as Immediate Past District Governor (IPDG);
- Be willing to devote the required time and be able to perform as hereinafter set forth;
- NOT be a member of the sitting Nominating Committee;
- Have the support of his/her club.

Additional information on the roles and responsibilities of District Governor (DG), District Governor-Elect (DGE) and District Governor-Nominee (DGN) can be found on the District 7120 website in the Policies and Procedures document, pgs. 3-5.

The Nominating Committee will review all fully completed applications received by the deadline of October 15, 2020 and select the top three (3) candidates. The Chair of the District Nominating Committee will contact the top three (3) candidates to schedule each for a personal interview with the entire Nominating Committee. The spouse or partner of each candidate is highly encouraged to attend the interview.

*District 7120 Nominating Committee 2020-2021

Colleen Farley
Herb Gauch
Dave Hannan (IPDG)
Meg Huff

Ellen Hughes (PDG)
Gaven Hurley (PDG)
Jerome (JJ) Johnson
Linda Kohl (DG)

Norma Madayag-Reilly (PDG)
Devon Schmidt
Patrick Stack (Chair)
Janet Tenreiro (DGE)

Rotary
District 7120



2023-2024 District Governor Application Form

This application form must be fully completed by the candidate and approved by his/her Rotary Club Secretary or Executive Director. Please return the form via US Post or email to the Nominating Committee Chairperson:

Patrick Stack, 79 Northcliffe Drive, Rochester, NY 14616 or email to pkroc@outlook.com

This application form must be email date stamped or postmarked on or before Thursday, October 15, 2020.

If you do not receive confirmation of receipt of your application within seven(7) days, contact Pat Stack.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please Print)

Application Date: ____/____/2020

Name: _____ Birth Place: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Name of Spouse/Partner (If Applicable): _____

Business/Profession/Occupation: _____

Employer (Name, Address, Phone): _____

ROTARY INFORMATION (Please Print)

Home Rotary Club: _____ Total years as a Rotarian: _____

Other Rotary Club Memberships and years: _____

Rotary Service (Indicate year or years served):

President: _____ President-Elect: _____ Vice President: _____ Secretary: _____

Treasurer: _____ Director: _____ Other: _____

District Assignments during the past five years: _____

Candidate has attended the following (Indicate years attended):

District Assembly: _____ District Conference: _____

International Convention: _____ Rotary Leadership Institute: _____

General Information (Community/Civic/Activities): _____

Candidate Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Approved by Club Secretary (Please Print Name): _____

Club Secretary Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

SAVE THE DATE!

May 8, 2021

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OPPORTUNITIES

DISTRICT 7120



Conference @Corning^{NY}

Rotary
District 7120



Hosted by Penfield Rotary Club

Contact for more info:

2021corning@gmail.com

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Literacy Seminar on Sept. 26, 2020

Direct Video Link: <https://youtu.be/O5jpgBbz6sw>

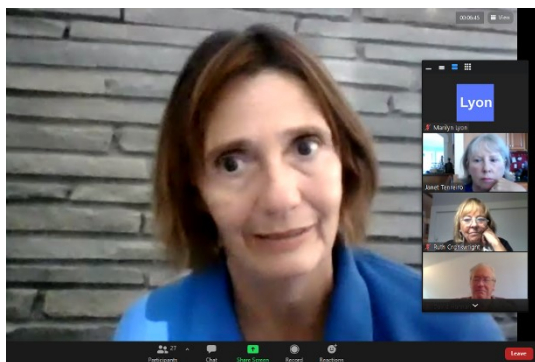


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JoAnn Terry
MaryAnn Mady
Mary Merritt
Ann Demers
Nancy Aumann
Ruth Cronkwright

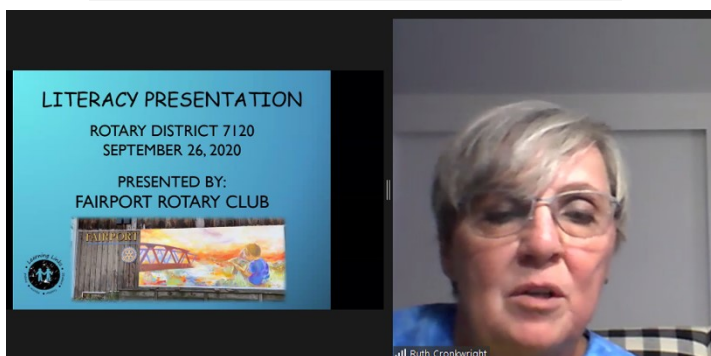
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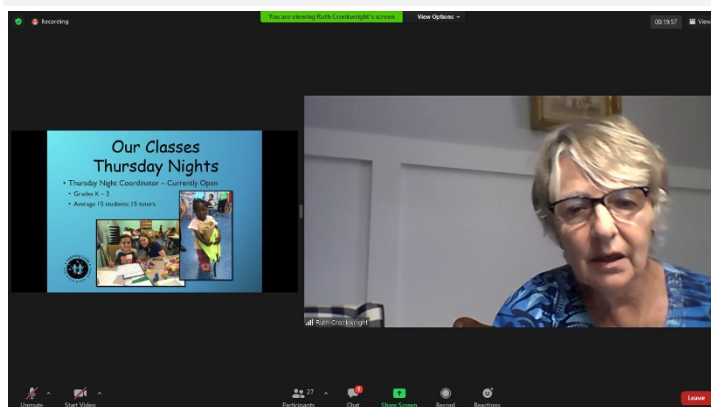
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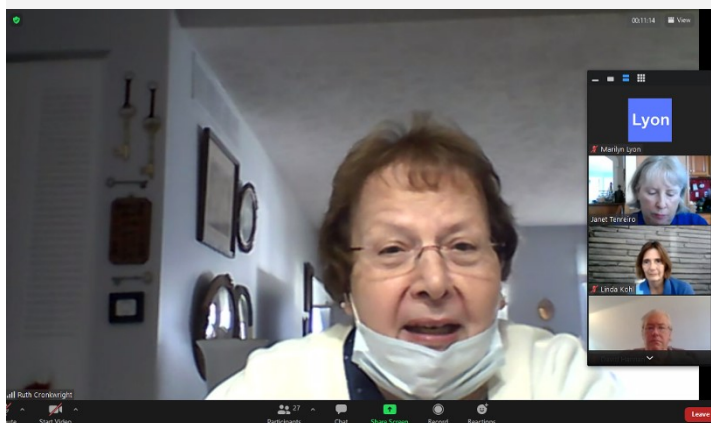
Ruth Cronkwright



Becky Wilson



Cindy Hunt



Mary Ann Mady



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Literacy
Seminar



District Literacy Newsletter for October 2020

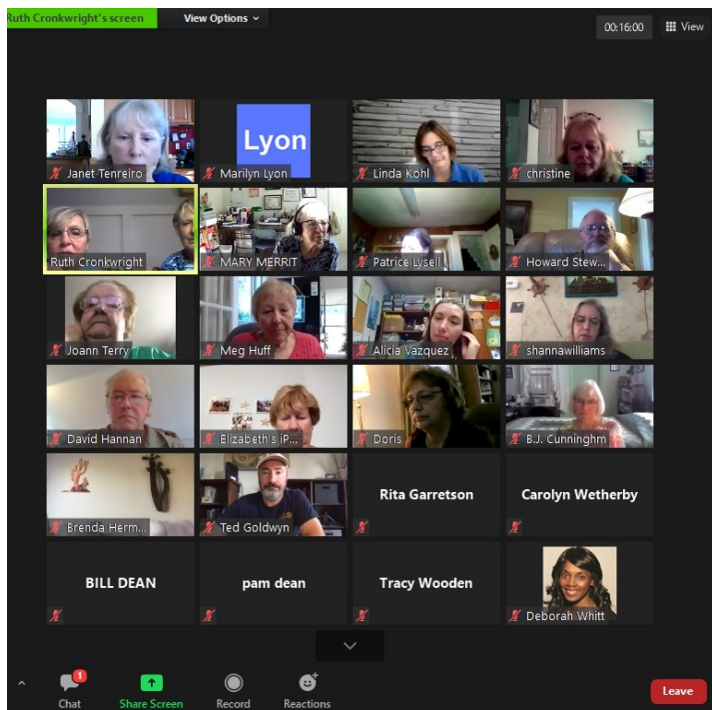
The Covid-19 pandemic has changed our lives in so many ways. Rotary Clubs have had to invent different ways to carry on their meetings, events and club projects. The Literacy Committee has had to do the same by doing our seminar this year on Zoom for the very first time.

September was Literacy Month and the Seminar was held on September 26, 2020 via zoom. The theme for the seminar was "Literacy Opens Opportunities, How will your Club?". Our speakers were Becky Wilson and Cindy Hunt from the Fairport Club and they spoke on the club's project with the Pines of Perinton. It is a very unique program working with families living there. For more information about this program, you can contact Becky or Cindy with any questions you may have about this project. The Literacy Committee would like to send out a special thank you to DGE Janet Tenreiro for hosting our seminar and to Pam Dean for all the work she did putting the seminar together.

Thirteen clubs earned their **2019-2020** Literacy Recognition Certificate for this year. I am sure there are clubs who did qualify that year for this recognition. There is still time for your club to get your certificate. Please send your **2019-2020** Recognition Form to me at 41 Ridge Castle Drive, Rochester, New York 14622 or by my email jotee218@aol.com. Once I receive your form, I will send out your certificate. If you need a form to fill out, I will be glad to send one to you.

The forms for the **2020-2021** Recognition will be sent out in January 2021. Keep up the great work your Clubs are doing during this pandemic and keep safe. Times will get better!

Submitted by JoAnn Terry



Training

(For Rotary District 7120)



From the District Trainer:

The District presented a Club Secretary Training-Basic on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 from 12:00-1:00 p.m. via Zoom by District Executive Secretary Karen Parkhurst & Assistant District Secretary Marc Kreuser. There were 10 attendees. The main topic of the training was Adding A New Member.

THANK YOU Karen & Marc!

A few points of emphasis at the training were:

1. Add your new member(s) using the Clubrunner management system. **Do not go direct to the Rotary International website.**
2. Before you click Add, find out if the member is/has been a Rotarian. This prevents your Club from having duplicate listing.

A **second** Club Secretary Training is planned for Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

This is open to all club secretaries. Interested?

Please email PDG Norma at madayag.reillyn@frontier.com.

Please email her to receive the Zoom meeting invitation.

We hope to see you at this training.

Have a great Fall season!

**Submitted by Norma Madayag-Reilly
District Trainer**

What is the Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund?

Gifts to the Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund ensure that future Rotarians will have the resources they need to design and implement sustainable projects year after year. Donations to the Endowment Fund can be made as an outright gift or a planned gift, such as a bequest in your estate plan. As of the 2018-2019 year, Rotary's Endowment totals \$374.5 million, with \$828.9 million in commitments.

Contributions to this fund are invested for the future. Only earnings on investments are used to support Rotary programs so that your generosity goes on to do good in the world in perpetuity.

What is YOUR Rotary legacy? Our Endowment Fund committee can help you make your lasting impact and we are just a phone call away! **(Submitted by PDG Jeff Krans)**

Beth Cross, 585-737-0579

Jeff Krans, 315-536-7180

Nancy Loughlin, 607-425-4530

Chuck Turner, 585-271-8597

Peter Winnett, 607-936-3720

District 7120 Golf Tournament & Fellowship Event



100 Golfers at Lima Country Club 9/11/2020

All the golfers in carts, with Tom & Kirk announcing all ready to go (Photo submitted by Laurie Vonglis)



Laurie Vonglis presenting DG Linda with a mum as a thank you and celebrating the 1st district gathering in way too long.

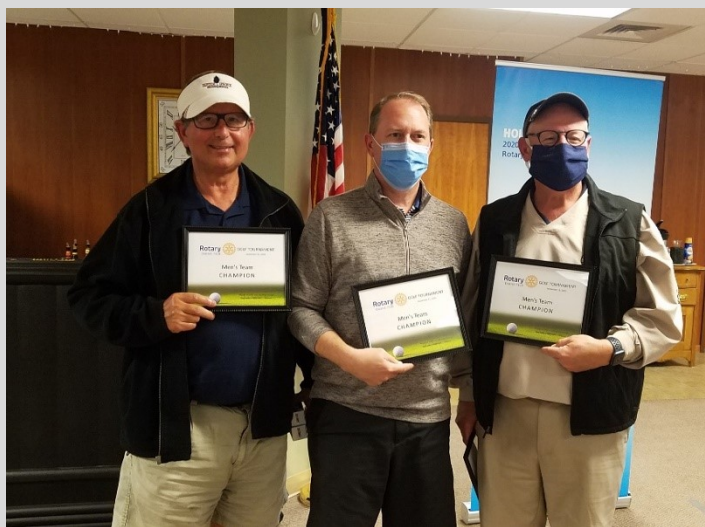


DG Linda Kohl saying a few words to the golfers and volunteers, thanking all for participating.

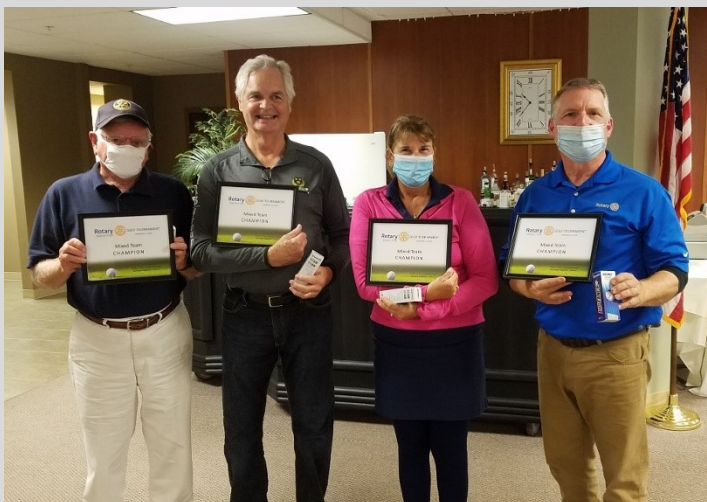
Photos submitted by Tim Hayes, photo captions by Laurie Vonglis

Golf Tournament (*continued*)

Women's Team Champion – Bath Team: Cheryl Muller, Nancy Latour, Brandi Graham, Gloria Hair – score of 72, also Best Dressed Team



Men's Team Champion – Canandaigua: Donald Raw, Marty Muehe, Phil Esce, Chris Hubler – score of 60



Mixed Team Champion – Geneseo Team: Art Hatton, John Lanpher, Kim Cox, Tim Hayes – score of 67



Team that got the most exercise – Spencerport: Roger Ressman, John Maier, Ann & Dave Demars with a score of 77



Golf Tournament *(continued)*

Longest drive winners –
Men's: Art Hatton
Senior Men: Marty Muehe
Women: Katie DeGraff



Closest to the pin women – Karen Vanderbilt (Avon) 17'5"
No photo for Men's closest to the pin – Dave LeCroix (Brighton) 3'10"



Drawing for winning team – Newark: Norma Reilly, Scott Healy, Gary Reilly & Richard VanLaeken



Paul Harris Fellow - Club Certificate drawing:
Presented to the Fairport Rotary Club.
Pictured is MC Tom Vonglis, accepting is
PDG John Hall (Fairport)

Rotary Moment Poem by Patrice Lysell

*It was the Annual Golf Tourney
For District Seven One Two O.
Naples Rotary had 8 Golfers
Who were "raring to go!"*

*Many of us love to play golf
Or so it seems.
As Naples Rotary itself
Came up with two teams!*

*The first team was Tony,
Marty, Billy, and Jack,
All ready to give that ol' ball
A whack!*

*French, Arsenault,
And two Lysells
Made up the "FALL" team,
As first letters would tell!*

*100 players
Showed up that day.
All giving their best,
As we golfed away!*

*'Twas a little bit chilly,
But we all did our part
To keep Rotary Fellowship
And Service at heart!*

*From all over the District
Rotarians came.
Each of us unique,
But our goals were the same!*

*Opportunity "opened",
And it was our chance to give.
And this, of course,
Is how Rotarians live!*



(submitted by Sherry Brahm-French)

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS — 22 SEPTEMBER 2020



Facing the challenges of COVID-19, Rotary clubs and partner organizations are finding new ways to support access to education

by Arnold R. Grah

Recognizing that education is a pathway out of poverty, Rotary and other organizations have made significant progress in increasing access to learning in communities around the world.

Now, the COVID-19 pandemic is threatening to erase many of those gains. More than 91 percent of students worldwide have been impacted by temporary school closures, according to the United Nations. By April, close to 1.6 billion young students were out of school.

Some experts fear school closures and the loss of some family incomes could keep children out of school indefinitely. “We have worked so many years to get kids in school, get them enrolled, and get them to stay in school,” says Carolyn Johnson, a Rotary member from Maine, USA, who helps Rotary clubs design grants that support education. “This is going to put those efforts back years.

“Parents who were already on the edge about sending their kids to school are just going to throw up their hands and not do it,” she adds. “They are literally starving and need the money their kids can bring in working.”

Mary Jo Jean-Francois, Rotary International’s area of focus manager for basic education and literacy, believes that the pandemic’s impact on education will continue long after the development of a COVID-19 vaccine.

“Many kids are at a high risk of never going back,” she says. “That is a huge concern for the education community.”

Education is no easy task

The UN Sustainable Development Goals, a blueprint for creating a more just world, has named “quality education” as its fourth goal. One target of that goal is ensuring that by 2030, all children have the means to complete a “free, equitable, and quality primary and secondary education.”

It’s a monumental goal. Even in the best times, educating children is far more complex than just getting them into a classroom. Are the teachers regularly trained? Do the children have access to proper nutrition? Are they physically healthy and well enough to learn? Does the school have adequate sanitation? Is there a safe, reliable way for teachers and children to get to school? Are there issues at home? Can parents help with homework? Does the family’s need for income mean the child is working instead of being at school?

The school closures, job losses, and need for physical distance have further complicated things.

Fortunately, Rotary has a history of tackling the world’s most challenging issues. Members, some with years of experience in education, are addressing the needs that lie ahead.

In Guatemala City, Guatemala, Rotary clubs are partnering with clubs in the U.S. and Canada to help children and their families who live off what they find in the city’s huge garbage dump. The project is just one example of organizations pivoting to meet the challenges imposed by the pandemic, including supporting remote learning.

Link to article: <https://www.rotary.org/en/educating-in-a-pandemic-and-beyond>

Community Garden

The Rochester Latino Rotary Club planted a garden that was dedicated to the late Father Laurence Tracy for his work over 40 years with the Latino community. The garden at St. Michael Church on North Clinton Avenue in Rochester is available for the community at large. It has a bench that provides a place to sit and meditate or just rest in a nice environment. Dedicated on November 1, 2012, the garden is maintained by club members who weed, plant, and apply mulch every year.

Over two Saturdays on August 29 and September 5, club members and volunteers worked to prepare it for the upcoming fall. This time, the bench was painted in addition to the weeding and planting, and the application of black mulch. The club feels it is important to care for the environment and contribute to the upkeep of an area often affected by urban blight.

Fr. Tracy, as he was known in the community, was an honorary member of the club. In 2012, he was awarded the Luisa Baars Service Above Self Award, one of many awards he received over his many years of service. He was a dedicated priest who certainly went above his duties in order to serve those in need. Upon his death, a center to provide assistance to individuals affected by addictions was established next to the church. His donations made it possible. It is staffed by the executive director and volunteers. The Fr. Laurence Tracy Advocacy Center has already served many individuals with referrals, counseling, clothing, and food. It offers hope in an environment that respects the dignity of every human being.



A view of the finished garden



President Elisa DeJesús cleans the walkway



Club members and a volunteer after a few hours of hard work. Face masks were worn as a precaution.

(Submitted by Luisa Baars).

Spencerport Rotary Club Sees Needs in the Community

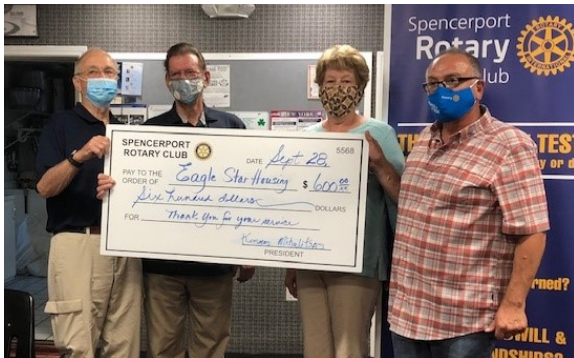
With the unfortunate cancellation of this year's annual Firefighter's Carnival, the Spencerport Rotary Club felt the Spencerport Fireman's Exempt Club had a great need for donations. Such a donation also says "Thank You" for all that the totally volunteer fire department and the Exempts Club does for our community.

Pictured: Kosmos Mihalitsas, Rotary President and Chris Damon, Fire Department Vice President, Safety Officer and Senior Explorer Advisor.

The success of the Spencerport Rotary Club's annual golf tournament, chaired by Ann and Dave DeMers, allowed the club to also make a donation to Eagle Star Housing. This non-profit organization provides Veterans that have become homeless a safe place to live while they regain independence and self-sufficiency. Through support, food security, and education in life skills Eagle Star Housing is committed to ensuring all Veterans have a safe place to sleep at night, while maintaining a long-term goal of assisting each Veteran find and secure permanent and stable housing.

Pictured: Frank Ryan, VP of Housing Services, Bill Cecere, House Manager, Past President Ann DeMers, Club President Kosmos Mihalitsas.

Submitted by Colleen Farley



Spencerport Rotary

Joe Marasco has been awarded a Paul Harris Plus 8, presented by Roger Ressman, PDG.



Joe has been a member of Rotary for 43 years, since 1977. He served as club President twice, in 2003-2004 and in 2011-2012.

Congratulations, Joe and thank you for your steady and unwavering support of the

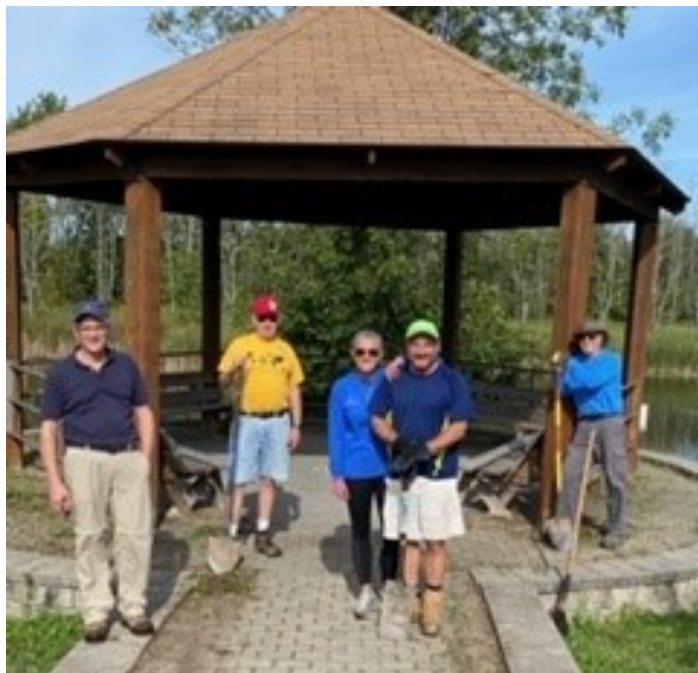
Spencerport Rotary Club!

(Submitted Colleen Farley)



Rush-Henrietta Rotary

The Rush Henrietta Rotary members were at the gazebo at Tinker Nature Park doing some weeding and sprucing up. Pictured: Ray Warrick, Gene Gillian, Bob Owens, Aimee & Steve Synesael (Submitted by Steve Synesael)



Newark Rotary

Newark Rotary Helps Care Net...A Blessing to Those in Need

Thanks to the generosity of many Newark Rotarians, we were proud to deliver on Oct. 01: Almost 1000 baby diapers, over 4000 baby wipes, 9 large cans of baby formula, over 200 jumbo crayons, and 18 coloring books to Deb Stoepe, Executive Director of Care Net & fellow Newark Rotarian.

Wayne County Care Net helps people women before, during, and after unintended pregnancy, regardless of their choices. The Care Net center is characterized by relationships with families that include parenting skills for different developmental stages of the children's lives.

Photo: Newark Rotarian Steve Hasseler helps to deliver needed supplies donated at a recent Rotary meeting.

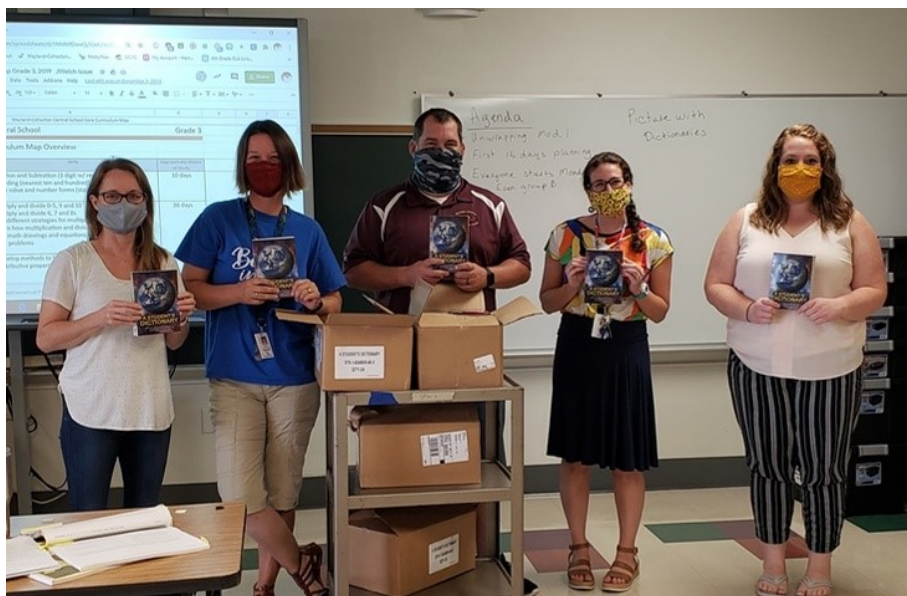
(Submitted by John Zornow)



Wayland Rotary

With the help of new member Ann Smart, the 3rd grade teachers at Wayland Cohocton Central School are serving as the distribution point for Wayland Rotary's dictionary project this year. Virtual learning students received them when they picked up the rest of the materials. Students attending the Hybrid model will be receiving them on the first day of attendance. The club was pleased to have the school's help during this time of re-invention!

Submitted by Jean Mcmillan



Belmont Rotary Club



The Belmont Rotary Club was pleased to host our District Governor, Linda Kohl, and her husband, Ken, at our September 9th meeting. Governor Linda was able to share in presenting President-elect Stephen Fleischman with a Paul Harris award. Linda's message reflected on the motto for this Rotary Year, "Rotary Opens Opportunities". Thank you, Governor Linda, for your ideas and inspiration.

(Submitted by Mary Fuller)



Stephen Fleischman with President Bob and Governor Linda.



President Bob and Governor Linda sharing the motto for our Rotary Year.

Dansville Rotary

Rotarians Jon Shay, Lou Colella, Jenni Leuzzi, Barb Frazer and Joyce Davies answered the call for help on Saturday, 9/12 to distribute 900 cases of food stuff to residents as the normal work staff was lacking in adequate help.
(Submitted by Jon Shay)



Bloomfield Rotary

"The Bloomfield Rotary Club inducted its newest member, Virginia LaRue, at its August 24th meeting. She is sponsored by her mom, Ann LaRue."
(Submitted by Pat Overmoyer)



Canandaigua Awards Paul Harris Fellowship

The Canandaigua Rotary Club awarded a Paul Harris Plus 2 fellowship at a recent meeting to Ethan Fogg. He is the Executive Director of the Canandaigua Chamber of Commerce. A Paul Harris Fellowship is awarded to a living individual who exemplifies a community inspiration and who has brought leadership and service to our community.
(Submitted by Jack Kellogg)



Pictured below are Lynn Holcomb Rotary President and Ethan Fogg:



Canandaigua Rotary Club Awards Business of the Year

The Canandaigua Rotary Club presented the Business of the Year Award to Tall Trainer Fitness. The business is locally owned by Jeremy and Sarah Biernat. Tall Trainer was started 14 years ago and has been helping all sorts of people become more mobile and healthier. The business grew adding his brother Andrew, and then Jeremy wrote a book *Fitness in Real Life*. The business has collected and donated for various non-profits through the years to the tune of over \$100,000. It also collects annually for the Gleaners Kitchen. (Submitted by Jack Kellogg)

Pictured left to right are Donna Miller, Ethan Fogg, Jeremy and Sarah Biernat and Andrew Biernat:



Rush-Henrietta Rotary

Eric Schmidt (left) handed over the RH Rotary Presidency to Bill Myers.

He also award Bill, a Paul Harris for all he does for Rotary.



(Submitted by Steve Synesael)



Dansville Rotary

Ian Coyle, Livingston County Administrator, speaking style Dansville Rotary on 9/22. Dansville meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall auditorium where we can distance with no problem.

Lunch is preordered and brought in by Jay Howard owner of the Gaslight Grill. (Submitted by Jon Shay)



Geneseo Rotary

Geneseo Rotary held its Fall Sale on October 2nd and 3rd at Anderson Greenhouses.

The items sold included pumpkins, gourds, Indian Corn, mums, apples, pears, etc.



(Photo by PP Bonnie Swanson, submitted by Marilyn Lyon)

Dansville Rotary

Dansville Rotarians on the porch at the Union Hose Clubrooms. Tonight was the 1st annual Chicken and Biscuits dinner where 600 meals were served. Meal was prepared by Kent Rounsville. (Submitted by Jon Shay)



BATH ROTARIANS CLEAR ROADSIDE OF LITTER

Three times a year Bath Rotarians don orange safety vests, work gloves, and heavy footwear to pick up litter along the on and off ramps of I-86 Exit 38, as part of New York State's Adopt-A-Highway



Recently members of the Bath Rotary Club cleaned the on and off ramps of I-86 Exit 38 as part of the Adopt-A-Highway program. Standing in row 1 left to right are Nancy Latour, Robin Lattimer, and Cheryl Muller. Standing in row 2 left to right are Joe Latham and Al Johnson. Not pictured: Bill White.

program. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Rotarians also wore facial masks and adhered to the recommended six foot, social distancing guidelines.

On September 22nd Bill White, Bath Rotary Club's Adopt-A-Highway Chair, Club Service Director, and Membership Co-Chair was joined by the following in this community service project: Al Johnson, Historian and Photographer; Joe Latham; Nancy Latour, Secretary; Robin Lattimer, Community Service Director; Cheryl Muller, Interim Treasurer, Vocational Service Director, and Interact Advisor.

For several years the local Rotarians have participated in this program which not only helps to provide an aesthetically pleasing roadside but also provides great satisfaction to the Rotarians themselves.

"Taking part in this highway cleanup program is just one example of how Rotarians apply the

principle of 'Service Above Self' to promote pride in their community. The Rotarians experience the fulfillment that comes from giving back to their community," remarked White. "We are most pleased that we are able to extend a helping hand to keep America beautiful."

In case you do not know the background on the Adopt-A-Highway program, Elaine Tears, Bath Rotary Club Public Relations Chair, has provided the information below. She stated that she, herself, did not know the details about the program until she became involved with Rotary.

Legislation to formalize New York State's Adopt-A-Highway program which encourages individuals, organizations, or businesses to clean up highway roadsides was passed in 1990. Approximately 5000 miles of the state's highway roadsides have been adopted; the segment of highway, designated for each group, is usually about two miles in length. In addition to the pride that the adopters themselves feel, the New York State Department of Transportation erects a blue and white Adopt-A-Highway sign within the group's designated segment which acknowledges the adopters. Today all fifty states have some type of Adopt-A-Highway program because there is a need for litter free highways in spite of the reality that roadside beautification simply cannot compete with highway safety for diminishing public funds.

(Submitted by Elaine Tears, Photos by Al Johnson)



Bill White, Bath Rotary Club's Service Director and Chair of the club's participation in the Adopt-A-Highway program, gets ready to pick up trash along the on and off ramps of I-86 Exit 38. He couldn't be in the group picture since he was taking that picture.

WAVING HANDS FOR A JOB WELL DONE BY ROCHESTER ROTARY DEAAF CLUB FOR THE SURPRISE CHECK PRESENTATION TO DEAF AT ZOOM! (9/8/20)

DEAAF has become quite a common acronym with the Rochester Deaf Rotary Club. It's been a four year project, and RDR has been successful in raising the funds to support it. We do owe a huge thanks, and much appreciation, to the many Rotary Clubs, our District #7120, District #7120 Secretary Karen Parkhurst, and other corporations and individuals who donated to this great cause. DEAAF (Deaf Education & Arts for African Families) is a not-for-profit organization at the DeSanto Centre, committed to providing much needed schooling to deaf children within the African continent. The children learn many skills, including reading, writing, math, sign language, social skills, sharing and kindness.

We were able to present a check, via Zoom, for \$9,000, to Lisa Zahra, who is the founder and teacher in the school in Zambia. She was more than shocked, and ever so grateful. Now she will be able to purchase a vehicle to transport the students to the school, saving them from walking many miles with no shoes as well as the increased high cost of additional taxis due to Covid-19 social distancing requirements. RDR (Rochester Deaf Rotary) is a happy club now that this project is successfully completed!

ZOOM photo: David Gratzner (DEAFF Project Co-Chair), PP Robert Tawney, AG Lisa Norwood, RDR Club President Karen Beiter,

Sarah Haimowitz, Bob Green (DEAAF Project Co-Chair), Alice Hochhausler, Shida Rahmani (United Kingdom), Barry Dischinger,

Lisa Zahra (DEAAF in Zambia-Africa), Gary DeSanto (problem with video) and several more that were not in this ZOOM photo.

Article by Michele Randall (RDR), ZOOM photo by Robert Tawney (RDR), ZOOM photo collage and article submission by Bob Green (RDR)

Making Education Possible for ALL Deaf Children in Livingstone (Zambia)



(The De Santo Centre for the Deaf)



Actual photos
from Zambia

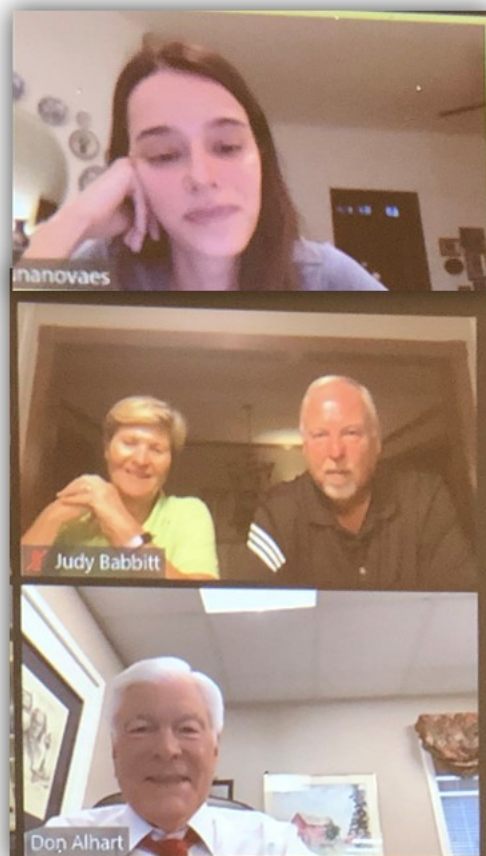


Rotary
Club of Rochester Deaf



AVON ROTARY NEWS

At our **September 22** meeting our former exchange student, (2008) **Bruna Joaquim Novaes** joined us via Zoom and shared her story on her life since her Exchange and how her experience here impacted her journey. Surprise special guests, Don Alhart—Wham 13 and former host family, Judy & Gary Babbitt. This opportunity was a wonderful reminder of the importance of the Rotary Youth Exchange program and positive impact it has on so many individuals.



At our **September 1** meeting, Foundation Chairman, Kirk Vanderbilt presented a Paul Harris Fellow plus pin to Hans Koomen +7 (via Zoom), and Jim Tompsett +3.

Congratulations to both gentlemen on this recognition for your continued generosity to the Rotary Foundation.

(Submitted by Laurie Vonglis)



HLRC THIRD ANNUAL ROTARIAN CREATED CRAFT SALE

On September 19, 2020, members of the Honeoye Lake Rotary Club gathered at the town's gazebo on Main St. to enjoy sharing their handmade crafts with shoppers. All items on display were handmade by Rotarians and Friends of the HLRC. Besides giving our members a chance to enjoy making these items, this fundraiser added a few dollars our club treasury.

Most wooden items were constructed from pallet wood then stained and/or painted. These included turkeys, reversible snowmen/scarecrows and pumpkins and trees. We also added wine glass pumpkin candle holders to our holiday themed sale and displayed mason jar hanging sconces.

Many knitted and crochet items also were offered for sale – scarves, baby blankets, snugglies, pot holders and doggy jackets were also a hit.

Thanks to all our crafters, supporters and buyers for making this project a success.

Submitted by Jeanne Hamele



Gates—Chili Rotary Club



Gates-Chili Rotary President Dallas Embling presents to Gates Chief James VanBrederode a Paul Harris Award for his numeral accomplishments. This award is given on the donation of \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation that supports many philanthropic programs worldwide

Submitted by Ralph Squire



October 8, 2020

District Governor Linda Kohl gives plaque to club President, Dallas Embling in recognition of the club for 50 years of service to the towns of Gates, Chili and Churchville.

Rochester Latino Rotary Club. Voter Registration Drive

The Rochester Latino Rotary Club hosted a voter registration drive on October 3 on North Clinton Ave in Rochester outside the Father Tracy Advocacy Center. Our goal was to register at least one voter. The club was able to register 5 voters, distribute voter registration applications and provide information on early voting to those already registered. The club also emphasized to the community that their voice and their vote matters.

Submitted by Jazmin Ruiz



HLRC DISTRIBUTES DICTIONARIES TO HCS THIRD GRADERS IN A PANDEMIC MANNER

On October 6, 2020, third graders at Honeoye Central School were presented with their very own paperback dictionaries. These were compliments of the HLRC as one of the many activities in our Adopt-a-School program. Each year in early fall we visit the third grades, share Rotary facts with them, introduce our Rotary Reading Rally challenge and give them a personal copy of a dictionary. These are usually kept in school so teachers have them as a resource to teach skills and use as reference material.



This year Rotarians were not allowed to visit the classrooms so we needed to find a “pandemic” solution to that part of our distribution. Thanks to Honeoye Lake Rotarian Mike Bastian, who is a staff member at HCS, and the third grade teachers, an easy way to handle the problem was identified.

Since it was a warm, sunny day on October 6, classes were each taken outdoors, formed into a circle while maintaining social distances and wearing their masks. Rotarian Mike then shared information with the students and personally handed them their copies of the dictionaries. How rewarding it is for club members to know this project once again occurred. (Submitted by Jeanne Hamele)



Third graders were also introduced to our Rotary Reading Rally program. This involves the reading of at least ten books a year to achieve a cumulative goal of 30 books by the end of fifth grade. We have found this challenge to be tackled by many of our students as they strive for a certificate and pizza party for reading ten books a year, a plaque when they reach a goal of thirty, a trophy for sixty and when reaching 100, a t-shirt and membership in our 100+ Book Club. We have found our small number of students (this year around 100 total grades 3 through five) reads over 1000 books a year. Paper or electronic reports are handed in, recorded and added together year by year so students know where they stand.

The HLRC is proud and excited to be able to carry out these two Adopt-a- School projects again this year especially with having to work around the pandemic issues. A huge thank you goes out to our staff members who worked with us to implement these programs.

Naples Rotary Club Notes - September 2020 (submitted by Sherry Brahm-French)

The Fall temperatures are tingling and Rotary friends were mingling (being socially distant, of course), but it was so good to see one another in person again this week!

John French warmly thanked all those who made the Walk Of Life such a success this year in spite of the pandemic. The WOL committee announced that they were excited to match last year in terms of donations! A total of \$16000 was presented for two important charities: Naples' Hospice House and the Margery Coughlin Pawluk Cancer Patient Needs Fund. The District Golf Tournament was held in Lima and we had two teams represent Naples Rotary



Welcome
New Member

(See the Rotary Moment Poem on page 13)

Another Naples Rotary project is purchasing school supplies for those in need was a success again this year. We purchased 35 backpacks for the high school students and shopped for school supplies for K-12 students, using the lists provided by the teachers with the \$1500 which we raised.

Many of our activities and projects look different this year, and with our largest fundraiser, the Naples Grape Festival, cancelled this year due to the pandemic, the club formed a fund raising committee which has several fun events looming on the horizon. The next one is the Lucky Ducky Derby which will be on Oct. 10th and then "Light Up Naples" for the month of December.

President Matt Frahm welcomed the following programs...

9/14 – Caleb Makepeace talked about the Makepeace Pump Park, which is a wonderful project to keep the memory of his brother's family close to our hearts. "What is a pump park? Pump Tracks are a fairly new sport and they are designed to give the biker the ability to go all the way around the track without pedaling."



The Induction Team welcomed Micah Moore, as our newest member. Rotary has been a part of Micah's family, as his grandfather and father were members and maybe the 4th generation Micah's son, Grayson



9/21 - Wayne Buchar, owner of the Maxfield Inn along with Jun Liu, gave a wonderful presentation about the involvement of the Victorian Garden at the inn.

9/28 - "Life In China" was brought to us by former NCS student, Josh Dominick. Josh, who was a Rotary foreign exchange student said the time he spent in China "opened opportunities galore".



Newark Rotary

The Newark Rotary Club, continues to support the Laurel Comfort Care home on Fair Street in Newark. Their latest project is the installation of lattice along the base of the resident deck. This project is multi phase and will include the installation of awnings and donation of outdoor furniture. The Newark club has received a District 7120 Simplified Grant to make this possible.

Laurel House is a comfort care home where residents spend their final days, at no cost to themselves or others, in a highly supportive, warm and compassionate environment, surrounded by loved ones and kind-hearted staff and volunteers who attend to their needs.

Submitted by John Zornow



Photo: Gary Reilly, Kevin Mooney, Norma Reilly, Donna Johnson, Bella Johnson, Jean & Bob Bendix. Missing from photo is Paul Salisbury.

Fairport Rotary

Fairport Rotary Golf and Steak Dinner

September 21st was golf and picnic day for Fairport Rotary. It marked the first time in months the club at-large was together in-person for any length of time. The weather at Eagle Vale was perfect, even if the golf always wasn't. Thanks to the coordination efforts of Tom Wolanski and his committee, 24 members enjoyed a round of golf that day, and even a greater number enjoyed a delicious steak roast at Perinton Park that evening, with social distancing protocols in mind. **Becky Wilson** created individual bags with a little something for everyone playing. Golf prizes were awarded at dinner.

Submitted by Kareen V. Zeitounzian



Rochester Northwest Rotary Club



Put the face of Rotary on the face of someone in your community! The latest rage in masks - 'ClearView'! Critical for the deaf and people with hearing loss, but equally important for teachers of young children, care givers, medical professionals and others. Facial expression and the show of emotions are crucial in human development and connection.

Produced by Rochester Sewing and Repair (a project of Rochester Refugee Resettlement Services Inc), a special edition of these masks with the Rotary International logo are now available for purchase so that your Rotary



Club can distribute them in your community to people who benefit the most. 1,200 masks Rochester Sewing and Repair produced under a grant from the Community Foundation were distributed by 10 Rotary Clubs in Monroe County back in May. Can the entire District distribute that many of these special masks? \$15 per mask includes shipping and a small bottle of defogger.

A joint collaboration of the Rochester Deaf Rotary Club, Rochester Northwest Rotary Club, and Rochester Southwest Rotary Club. Order at <http://rochesterrefugee.org/deaf-rotary> ('Shop')

Submitted by Paul D Minor

Fairport Rotary

Fairport Library Ghost Tours

Longtime Fairport resident and Rotarian, Ron Roberts has led a free Ghost Walk in the Village of Fairport for the past five years, sharing stories about haunted houses and businesses. He accepts cash donations, which he has given to the Perinton Food Shelf, as well as to our Fairport Rotary Club. All proceeds received by the Club are shared with worthy causes designated by it.



Paul Harris Fellows



Tom Wolanski serves as our newest Paul Harris Fellow, and three other club members recently added Blue Sapphire pins to their inventory: **Pat George** (PH plus 3), **Lew Heisman** (PH plus two), and **Bob Hartnett** (PH plus one).

Submitted by Kareen V. Zeitounzian

BATH ROTARIANS PLAY IN DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Bath Rotary Club was represented by two teams at the Annual Rotary District 7120 Golf Tournament held on the greens of Island Oaks Golf Course at the Lima Country Club. Nancy Latour, Robin Lattimer, Cheryl Muller, and Becky Stranges, members of the Bath Rotary Club, competed in the tournament. Also competing for the local club were: John Stranges, former Bath Rotarian; Brandi Graham, Corning Rotarian; Gloria Hare, member of the Bath Country Club; Patrick Honadle, partner of Lattimer.

At the awards ceremony the foursome of Graham, Hare, Latour, and Muller proudly won first place in the Women's Division and first place in the Best Dressed category.

The Bath teams thoroughly enjoyed not only a fun-filled afternoon of golf but also fellowship with other district Rotarians, family members, and friends. They also had the opportunity to win raffle items, provided by the other clubs in the district. The Bath Rotary Club provided a \$50.00 scratch-off tree for the raffle.

The members of the Bath teams would like to thank Tom Vonglis, Laurie Vonglis, and Kirk Vanderbilt, members of the Avon Rotary Club, for serving as Co-Chairs of the tournament as well as the Lima Country Club for making their golf course available for the Rotary District 7120 Annual Golf Tournament.



(Photo Left)

Bath Rotarians and friends participate in the Rotary District 7120 Golf Tournament at the Island Oaks Golf Course on the grounds of the Lima Country Club. Kneeling from left to right are: Becky Stranges and Robin Lattimer. Standing in row 2 from left to right are: Nancy Latour, Brandi Graham, Cheryl Muller, and Gloria Hare. Standing in row 3 from left to right are: John Stranges and Patrick Honadle.

(Photo Right)

Members of the Mixed Team, representing the Bath Rotary Club at the recent Rotary District 7120 Golf Tournament, are: John Stranges, former Bath Rotarian; Becky Stranges, Bath Rotarian; Robin Lattimer, Bath Rotarian; Patrick Honadle, partner of Lattimer.



Written by Elaine Tears
Pictures by Robin Lattimer & Nancy Latour

DISTRICT CALENDAR CLUB EVENT SUBMISSION FORM

There are two ways to get your club event onto the District Calendar.

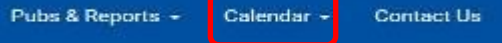
1) If your club is using Club Runner use this link:

<https://www.clubrunnersupport.com/article/1044-how-do-i-create-an-event-in-event-planner>

for instruction on how to add your event. Be sure to click Yes on the 'Show Event in District Calendar' option.

2) If your club does not use Club Runner, go to the District Home Page: <https://rotary7120.org/>

And under Calendar, chose



Submit Event (docx)

Download the form, complete it and submit it to the District Calendar Coordinator.



Mt. Morris Rotary

Oldies But Goodies Dance

TICKETS: \$15.00

Sat. Oct. 24, 2020
8PM - Midnite
Doors Open @ 6:30

**Genesee River
 Restaurant &
 Reception Center**
 134 N. Main St
 Mount Morris, NY



RUBY SHOOZ

With **Teena!**

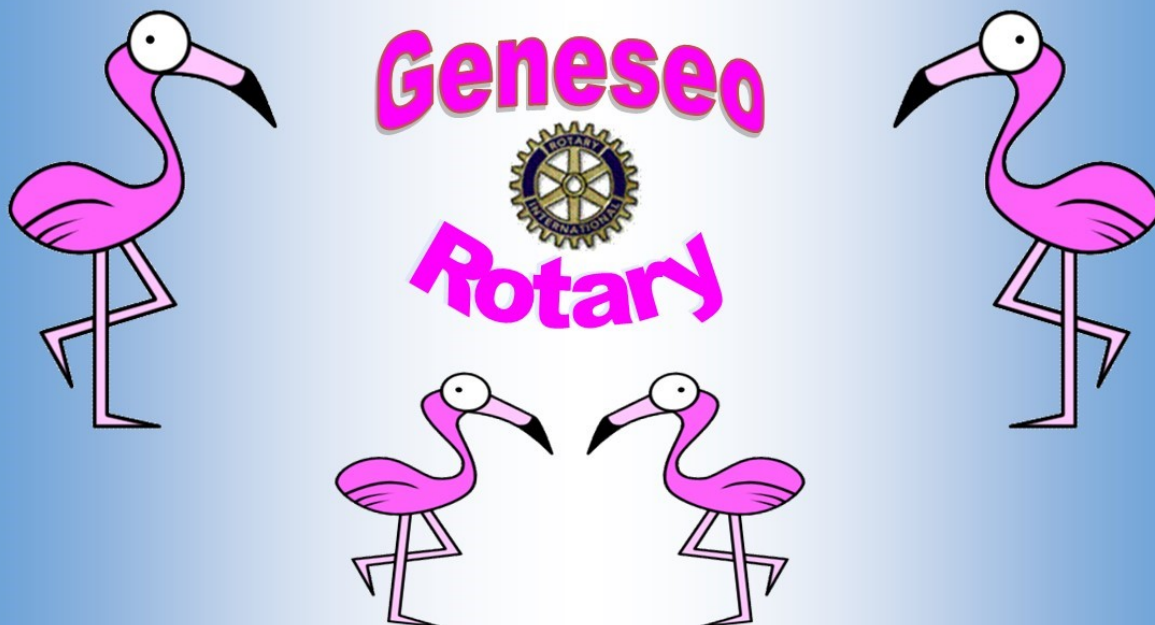
**50/50
 &
 Basket
 Raffles**

**Limbo, Twist,
 Bubble Gum,
 Costume, Hula
 Hoop Contests**

**Door
 Prize**

Advance Sale Tickets Available at:
Genesee River Restaurant - Mount Morris Lanes - Burt's Lumber in Perry - Any MM Rotary Member
or Call: Chris Howe @ 585-658-4708 or Jane O'Dell @ 585-507-5947
To Reserve Tables of 8 or 10 - Call Chickie @ 585-519-6573

All proceeds support Rotary Community Projects



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Celebrate a Birthday, Anniversary, Grandchild, etc.

Rotary will place, and remove, 40 Plastic Flamingos on your friend's lawn with a special sign identifying their celebration.

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Contact Kim Cox at 315-879-3136

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Flamingo Event



Rochester Latino Rotary Club

Book Drive

October 7 - November 7, 2020

In Honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, we are collecting books
by **Latino authors**:

- English, Spanish or Bilingual
- New and Gently Used
- For ALL Ages (birth to adult)

Benefitting the
Lincoln
Branch
Library

Drop-off Location:

Hipocampo Children's Book Store (online or in-store)

OR

Mail Books to: Rochester Latino Rotary Club
P.O. Box 12562
Rochester NY 14612

**WAYLAND ROTARY
CLUB**

CHICKEN BBQ

DRIVE THROUGH AT VICTORY PARK

OCTOBER 17

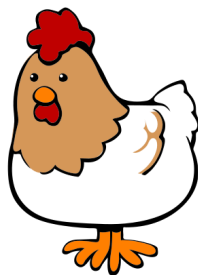
11:00 UNTIL GONE

\$10

NO PRESALE

CHICKEN DINNER BY STEARNS

BENEFIT ROTARY COMMUNITY PROJECTS



RETURNABLE CANS/BOTTLES WILL ALSO BE COLLECTED

Fairport
Rotary
Club



**Curb Side
Take Out
Service Only**

Annual Pasta Dinner Fundraiser

Sunday, October 25, 2020

4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

VFW Post 8495

300 Macedon Center Rd (Rt 31F)

Proceeds to benefit:

**Fairport Rotary Charities,
including the Perinton Pride Fund**

Adults \$10.00, Children (4-12) \$8

**Tickets available at the Fairport LNB Bank,
FairportRotary.com or contact any Fairport Rotarian
to get tickets , advanced sale only.**

(This is not a solicitation to sell securities. See disclaimer on page 37.)



Proudly Presents our 53rd Annual

ROTARY *On-Line* AUCTION

November 1st-12th, 2020

Past Auction Items

Baked goods
Flat Screen TV
Electronics
Weekend Getaways
Theater Tickets
Home & Garden Services
Gift Cards
Custom Artwork
Signed Memorabilia



BIDDING OPENS

November 1 at 8 AM

BIDDING CLOSES

November 12 at 7 PM

Item Pick-Up Day

**November 14 from 10am-12pm
at the Elementary School**

Visit our On-line Auction site to sign up and register!

<http://www.charityauction.bid/avonrotary2020>

or download the Auctria App in your App store,
enter ***Avonrotary2020*** to add the Event.

Pittsford Rotary Club Election Day Supper Nov. 3 Will Be Drive-Thru BBQ

The Pittsford Rotary Club will continue its long tradition of hosting an Election-Day Supper by serving drive-thru chicken BBQ dinners this year prepared by Sticky Lips BBQ. The charity event will be Nov. 3 from 4:30 – 7 p.m. at Thornell Farm Park, 480 Pittsford-Mendon Rd. in Pittsford, just south of Mendon High School.

Tickets for the supper are all \$12 and available online at PittsfordRotaryClub.org or from any Pittsford Rotarian.

“We conduct this event annually to celebrate our precious right and obligation to vote and felt it was important to continue the tradition by taking precautionary measures and making it a drive-thru BBQ event this year instead of a pasta supper,” said Pat Mallery, who is coordinating the event for the club. “We’ll be observing appropriate safety measures such as wearing gloves and face coverings to provide as safe an environment as possible. Sticky Lips serves some of the best barbeque around and we hope the community responds to help us support local and regional charities while enjoying a great meal.”

Rotarians will be on hand to control traffic flow and serve the dinners, which will include a half chicken, baked beans, macaroni salad and cornbread. The first 200 dinners served will receive a Pittsford Farms Dairy coupon for a serving of ice cream, to be redeemed by Nov. 4. A \$7 Sticky Lips coupon also will be included with each meal.

(Submitted by David Irwin)

Newark Rotary Club

Chicken & Biscuit Dinner

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

@Alex Eligh Community Ctr.

~Take-out only~

\$10 each

1:00 - 4:00 pm

Pre-orders: 315-573-0617

Tickets available at Newark LNB



Rochester AM Rotary

SAVE THE DATE

virtual

Wine Tasting
with Friends
in your bubble

SUN. JAN. 31
2021
5:00 - 6:00 pm

CANCELLED

Annual Wine Pairing

*Originally scheduled for October 25, 2020
is cancelled this year. Hopefully to return in October 2021.*

Upcoming DISTRICT Events

Check the District Calendar
for additions and changes



November

A second Club Secretary Training is planned for Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. Please email PDG Norma at madayaq.reillyn@frontier.com.

SAVE THE DATE!
May 8, 2021

EMBRACE THE
OPPORTUNITIES

DISTRICT 7120

**Conference
@Corning^{NY}**



Hosted by Penfield Rotary Club

Contact for more info:

2021corning@gmail.com

Upcoming CLUB Events

October

October 7 - November 17 Rochester Latino Rotary Book Drive Hipocampo Children's Book Store

October 17 Wayland Rotary Chicken BBQ
Drive through at Victory Park, \$10

11:00 am until sold out. Returnable cans/bottles will also be collected.

CANCELLED October 24 Mt. Morris Rotary "Oldies But Goodies Dance"

October 24 Penfield Rotary is having a drive-through Chicken BBQ dinner, 3:30 to 6:30pm to raise funds to support the Rotary Scholarship Program for Penfield High School students. Dinners provided by Good Smoke BBQ; a family owned and operated since 2006 defining their own style of *modern barbecue*! \$15.00 per dinner. Ticket sales and electronic payments will be accepted shortly through the Penfield Rotary Location: Penfield High School Website: www.penfieldrotary.org

October 25 Fairport Rotary Make a Difference Day (MADD) Pasta Dinner – Sunday, October 25, 2020, The VFW, 300 Macedon Center Rd, Fairport, NY 14450, Time 4pm to 6:30pm, tickets \$10 adults, \$8 for children 4 to 12.

November

November 1 to 12, 2020 Avon Rotary 53rd Annual "Online" Auction 8:00AM

November 3 Pittsford Rotary Election Day Supper BBQ 4:30 – 7 p.m. at Thornell Farm Park, 480 Pittsford-Mendon Rd. in Pittsford, just south of Mendon High School.

November 8 Newark Rotary Club Chicken Biscuit Dinner 1 to 4PM.

January 2021

Rochester AM Rotary Wine Tasting Sunday Jan. 31, 2021 5:00 - 6:00 PM

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