



August 2025

Jim Crane, District Governor

Issue 2



Dear Rotary Club Members and Friends,

As we embark on another vibrant month of service and fellowship, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for the enthusiasm and commitment each of you brings to the District and to your club. Rotary is more than just an organization, it's a movement of individuals who carry our RI Presidents message Unite for Good, who choose to make a positive, lasting impact in their communities and the world. Let us continue to embody the Rotary motto: "Service Above Self."

This is Membership and New Club Development Month

Membership growth is not just about numbers. It's about inviting more people who are ready to give their time, talents, and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve and bring lasting change. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve.

Upcoming Events

- Speaking of Membership development. Stay tuned for our upcoming One Rotary Summit.
- Mark our Calendars for Pre-PELS The Empire PELS committee is launching a series of monthly Pre-PELS Fireside Chats each session will focus on Leadership topics. Starting in September, I am told the dates and times will be on the Empire PELS website soon.
- Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is scheduled for: October 25th 8:00 am At Victor Jr High School.
- World Polio Day – October 24, raise awareness and funds to eradicate polio worldwide.
- Please note the date of our Foundation Brunch, Sunday November 2nd at Ravenwood Golf Club. We are planning to bring you distinguished guest speakers. We have arranged for Johrita Solari Chair of U.S. Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force. We will have more Information on the District Website.

Looking Ahead

As we move into autumn, let's remember that every small act of kindness and service adds up to powerful change. Whether you can give an hour or a day, your involvement matters. Thank you for being part of our Rotary family, together we are shaping a brighter tomorrow.

Yours in Rotary

Jim Crane
District 7120
Governor 2025-2026

Nominations are Now Being Accepted for 2028-29 District Governor

The District 7120 Nominating Committee is now accepting nominations for District Governor for the Rotary Year 2028 – 2029. Are you an experienced Rotarian, with interests in getting deeper into the operation of our district? Do you have leadership skills, perhaps underutilized, that need to be exercised? Can you assemble and lead a team of like-minded, enthusiastic people?

If so, please consider submitting an application. Also, look around your club, your Rotary area and our Rotary district. Whom have you noticed with the skills needed to lead our district? Who would you like to see leading District 7120 in a few years?

Reach out and ask a few questions. Some people, very qualified people, only need a little “push” to consider accepting the rewarding challenge of helping lead a Rotary district to discover and demonstrate its potential for Service Above Self.

To assist you in your effort, here is the **Procedure and List of Requirements** for a Rotary District Governor:

A candidate should NOT contact any member of the Nominating Committee, as this would be construed as electioneering, which is forbidden. If prospective candidates have any questions, they should contact District Governor Jim Crane at ipsarchy@gmail.com, District Governor Elect Lisa Norwood at lnorwood@gmail.com or District Governor – Nominee Peter Vogt at WalkingPete1947@gmail.com

Important information for prospective candidates:

A Nominee for District Governor must complete an application for consideration as District Governor and meet the following minimum qualifications:

- Must have served a full term as a club president and been a Rotarian for seven years;
- Must be physically fit and able to withstand at least two rigorous years;
- Must be willing to devote the required time and be able to perform as hereinafter set forth;
- Should have at least one year working at the district level in a leadership position;
- Should have a good working knowledge of Rotary;
- Must not be a member of the sitting Nominating Committee;
- Must have the support of his/her club.
- The application must be signed by the candidate and the secretary of the Rotarian's club.
- The application must be returned to the Chair of the District Nominating Committee by the due date on the Application (October 14, 2025).

After receiving a complete application, the chair of the District Nominating Committee will contact the candidate to schedule a personal interview.

- The candidate will be contacted for an interview time.
- The spouse or partner of the candidate is strongly encouraged to attend this interview.

District 7120 Nominating Committee 2025-2026*

Vern Hecker, (Chair) Ann Bastine, Tom Rogers PDG*

Wendy Winnett Nancy Stelnyk Mike Slovak PDG*

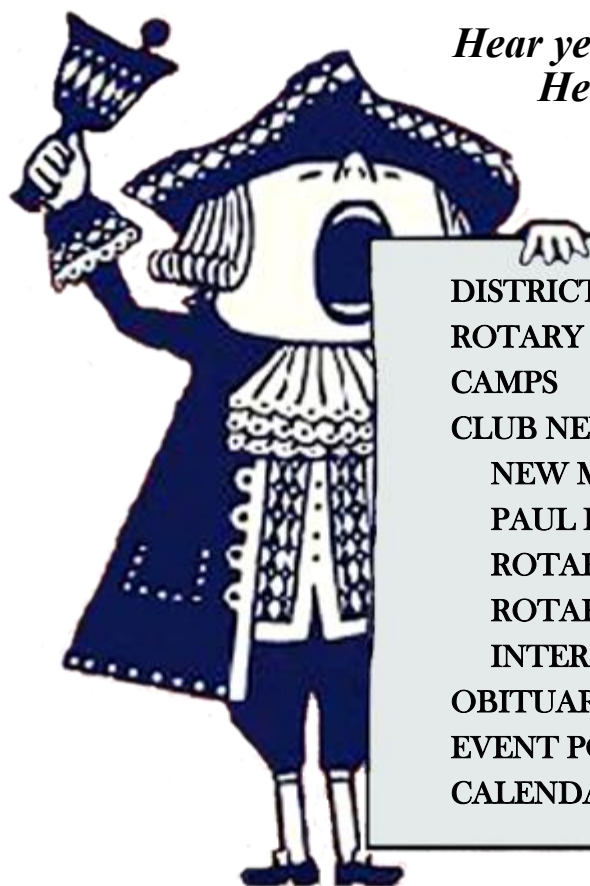
Kelsey Holland, Gary Reilly David Hannan PDG*

David DeMers IPDG*

Ex-Officio: Jim Crane DG, Lisa Norwood DGE Observer: Peter Vogt DGN

The District 7120 Governor Candidate Application can be obtained from the District Governor or District Governor Elect, any assistant governor, club president or past district governor (except those currently serving on the Nominating Committee*). The deadline for submitting an application is Tuesday, October 14, 2025. At this time please submitted applications to Nominating Committee District Governor Jim Crane ipsarchy@gmail.com or 1380 County Rd 28, Shortsville, New York 14548.

Interviews are scheduled to be conducted on November 2nd, 2025



*Hear ye!
Hear ye!*

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ROCHESTER PRIDE PARADE ~ 7/19/25
Photos from 7120 Facebook



Bags, Bikes & Battery Hauls: District 7120's First-Ever Spogomi Trash Olympics!

This spring, Rotary District 7120's Environmental Action Committee (EAC), launched its first-ever **Spogomi Trash Olympics**—a friendly, districtwide competition turning community cleanups into an environmental sport! Inspired by the Japanese sport of *Spogomi* (*competitive trash-picking*), the event encouraged clubs to clean up their communities while vying for cash prizes and quirky awards.

Between April 1 and June 30, **six clubs**—including one Rotaract Club—participated, logging **over 125 volunteers**, collecting **nearly 70 bags of garbage** and **over 100 pounds of old batteries**, and hauling in **43 bags of cans and bottles**. Projects ranged from Adopt-A-Highway efforts and cemetery cleanups to canal sweeps.

With generous support from **Waste Management** and the **Fairport Rotary Club**, the EAC was able to offer cash prizes—\$500 for first place, \$300 for second—plus plaques for the clubs that found the **weirdest** and **grossest** items during their efforts.

And the Winners Are...

1st Place: Geneseo Rotary Club (2.53 bags/person)

Geneseo hosted two events: a Temple Hill Cemetery clean-up and a can/bottle drive that brought in \$496 in deposit refunds. Though they didn't find anything especially gross or weird, their consistent turnout and impressive results earned them the gold medal (and \$500!).

2nd Place: Canandaigua Rotary Club (1.56 bags/person)

Canandaigua got creative with their own local Trash Olympics and followed up with an Adopt-A-Highway event. Their haul included 36 bags of trash, 8 tires, and—perhaps most impressively—a full stop sign and post.

Honorable Mention: Bloomfield Rotary Club (1.17 bags/person)

Bloomfield focused on their Adopt-A-Highway Route on NY-5 & 20. Their collaboration with local Scouts and consistent cleanup work landed them in the top three.

Grossest Item: Rochester Southwest Rotary Club with its mud-covered child's bike, found during their annual Erie Canal Clean Sweep event, took top (or bottom?) honors.

Weirdest Item: SUNY Brockport Rotaract discovered a "ratty green chair" during their Earth Day Canal Walk clean-up which stood out among many oddball finds.

Awards will be presented at the District's One Summit on Saturday, September 6th at Avon High School.

Not Just a Game

The Trash Olympics wasn't just about prizes—it was about impact. Participating clubs made a tangible difference in their communities while building camaraderie and raising environmental awareness. "This competition was a great way to get clubs involved in service, have some fun, and build awareness around environmental issues," said Past District Governor, Ralph Brandt. "Next year, we hope even more clubs will join in!"

Congratulations to all the winners—and to everyone who stepped up to clean up!
Let's keep building a cleaner, greener District 7120.





One Rotary Summit

To all Rotary Club Presidents & Secretaries:

You and your club members are invited to attend the ...

One Rotary Summit – “Rotary’s Action Plan”

A District Learning Event

Check-In starts at 8:00 AM

SUMMIT Starts at 8:30

Saturday, September 6, 2025

8:00 AM – 12:30 PM,

Avon High School

245 Clinton St. Avon, NY

WHY attend?

- **Learn ways to increase club vibrancy and attractiveness.**
- **Hear and share ideas on new opportunities on member attraction and engagement; club flexibility, club impact; etc.**
- **Your club is not alone.** Come together with fellow Rotarians and exchange ideas on how to expand your reach and make new connections; enhance Rotary experiences; become adaptable and become more impactful!
- **All these, we will learn through the lens of Action Planning.**

Register now by clicking on this: <https://rotary7120.org/event/one-rotary-summit-%e2%80%93-quot-rotary%e2%80%99s-action-plan-quot/>

Suggested attendees: Club chairs or champions on Membership, Community Service, Public Image, newer members, potential club leaders, board members, enthusiastic members who care about the future of your club. etc.

Register at least three members so that you will have a group of members to share ideas learned and start the club planning. The more attendees, the stronger the group be!

Any questions, please call or email PDG Norma at 585-451-6822 or Madayag.reillyn@frontier.com.

We look forward to seeing you & your club members!

Yours in Rotary Service,
PDG Norma
District Learning Facilitator



Socks for Veterans

Rotary District 7120 Diversity, Equity & Inclusion are collecting socks to donate to the American Red Cross. Every Year the American Red Cross Services to Armed Forces Team donates socks to veterans at the veteran Stand Down.

2025 STAND DOWN & JOB FAIR
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
11 A.M. - 2 P.M.
CITY OF ROCHESTER PUBLIC MARKET
280 UNION STREET N.
ROCHESTER, NY 14609

**Last Day to pick socks from Rotary Clubs:
August 22, 2025.**

Long Black Socks and short colorful socks are needed.

To schedule for me to pick up socks from your club.
Please text: 585-414-9164 /
Email: wmartinezjohncox@gmail.com





GOLF TOURNAMENT

Where: Reservoir Creek Golf Course, Naples, NY... rated one of the top 5 public courses throughout our district located in the geographic center of district 7120.

When: Friday, September 12, 2025; registration/lunch 11:00-11:45 am; Tee-off 12 noon; buffet dinner 5:45 pm; awards 6:30pm.

Format: 4-person scramble.

Cost: \$95 per person, cost includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes.
\$35 per person dinner only option.

Scan here to register:



Pre-registration is required. All teams registered and paid by Friday, August 22nd will be entered into a raffle for a foursome at Reservoir Creek (retail value up to \$300)!

Deadline for all registrations is August 31.





2025 Golf Tournament

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To register:

Scan Here:



or click this link:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/2025-rotary-district-golf-tournament>

Have questions? Contact Jack Fredericks JackF374@gmail.com or (585) 314-4124

Checks payable to Rotary District 7120 may be sent to Naples NY Rotary Club, PO Box 173, Naples, NY 14512

Pre-registration is required. *All teams registered and paid by Friday; August 22nd will be entered into a raffle for a foursome at Reservoir Creek Golf Course (retail value up to \$300)!*

Deadline for all registrations is August 31.

Raffle Items: Each club is asked to donate a raffle item or basket valued at +/- \$50.00 by August 31st. Contact Jack Fredericks at JackF374@gmail.com or (585) 314-4124 to coordinate pickup. Too busy to shop, please send a monetary donation, and we'll shop for you! We will share drop off points via email, too.

Sponsorships: Please consider becoming a personal or business sponsor – easily achieved through the link above!

Hole sponsor = \$50 Custom sign posted on the course & listing in the program.

Tee sponsor = \$100 Custom sign posted on the course & listing in the program.

Additional Sponsorships:

Registration table sponsor = \$250* Custom sign prominently displayed at registration & listing in the program.

Cart sponsor = \$500* Custom signage on every golf cart & listing in the program.

Awards sponsor = \$1,000* Custom signage in the registration/dinner pavilion, program listing, and an opportunity to address the attendees from the podium for 3 minutes prior to awards.

*Email sponsor name and logo to John French at jfrenchrotary7120@gmail.com, or text to (585) 746-7810.

Let's "Unite For Good" at Reservoir Creek Golf Club!

(In support of District Governor Jim's initiatives in 2025-26; Polio Plus and local causes)



Literacy Corner

Save The Date

September 27, 2025

District Literacy Seminar

9 AM – 12 AM

Clifton Springs Hospital – Rotary Room

2 Coulter Rd.

Clifton Springs, N.Y. 14432

**Join us to learn more about adult literacy from our 2
experienced speakers.**

As always, refreshments will be served.

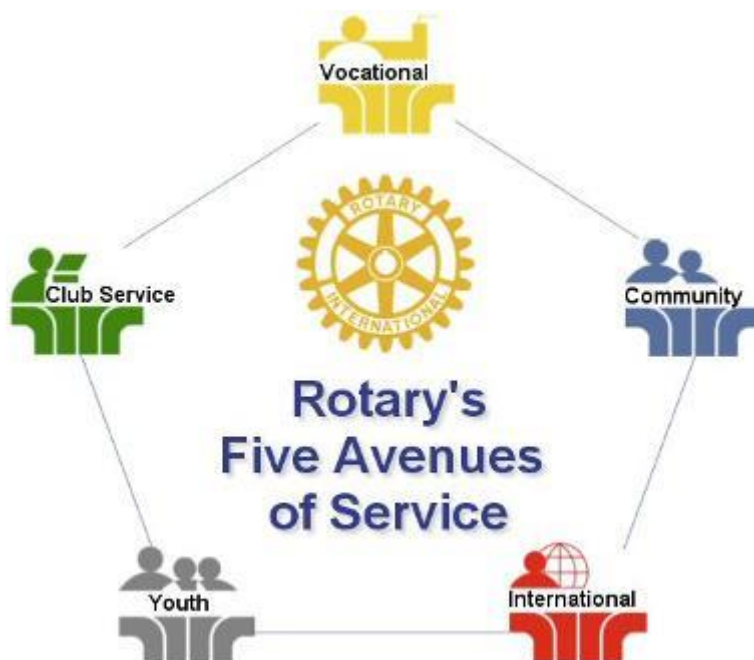
See you then

Submitted by Tracy Wooden



District 7120 End Human Trafficking Committee

District 7120 is forming an End Human Trafficking committee and is going to need members from clubs around the district to serve on the committee. Initially the main focus will be to increase club awareness of what Human Trafficking is and help to develop programs which clubs may use in their community. Human trafficking is in every community and we must work to help the youth of the communities which we serve. If you are interested in being on the committee or have more questions, please contact Immediate Past District Governor Dave DeMers at demers@gmail.com



new generations service exchange

Exciting News for Our District!

Let's Talk About the Future of Rotary — and How We Can Bridge the Gap.

I'm thrilled to share a powerful initiative that's close to my heart:

New Generations Service Exchange (NGSE) — a dynamic Rotary program that creates global opportunities for young adults ages 18–30 through cultural exchange, professional development, and service.

As the district liaison for NGSE — and now the newly elected Director of North America (covering the USA, Canada, and Mexico) — I've seen firsthand how this program transforms lives and strengthens Rotary's impact around the world

NGSE isn't a standalone program. It's a natural bridge between the youth services we already offer — Interact, RYLA, Youth Exchange — and long-term engagement in Rotary.

Too often, we lose touch with young people after high school. NGSE is our chance to keep them connected, engaged, and inspired during that critical 18–30 age window.

I've created a presentation that explains NGSE, shows how it connects to existing youth programs in our District, and outlines real ways it can grow both connections and membership.

I'd be honored to present this at your club — to start the conversation, inspire new energy, and create opportunities for young leaders who are eager to serve.

Let's invest in the future of Rotary by nurturing those who already know our values and just need the right door to walk through.

Julie Carney

juliecarney7120@gmail.com

<https://www.ngse.net/>

Strategic Planning Workshop

The Rotary District 7120 Strategic Direction/Planning Committee assists and guides the development and updating of the strategic direction of the district and its Rotary clubs.

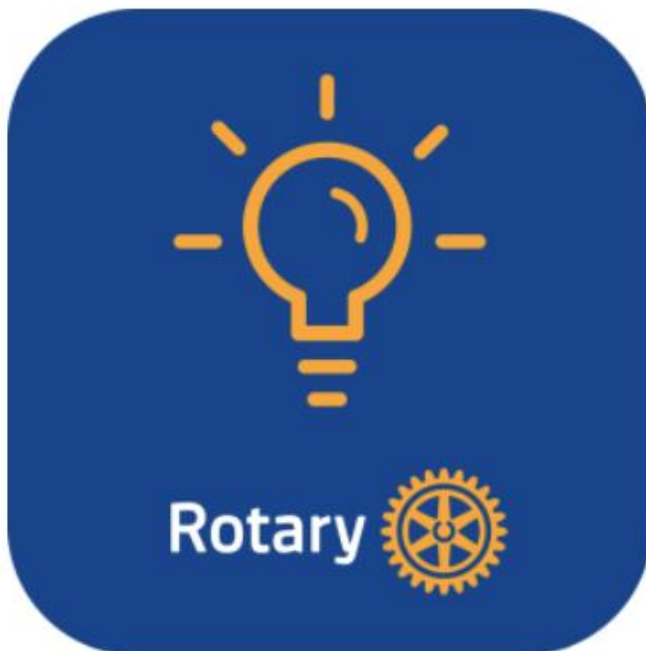
Do you dream of your Rotary Club being known as the premier service organization in your community? Would you like to retain and attract more members to your Rotary club? You can achieve all this and more when you discover the value and importance of an effective Strategic Plan. These concepts have helped many clubs grow membership and become a sought-after leader in their community.

Making a commitment to keep or regain vibrancy within your Rotary Club is the beginning of an attitude mind-shift that will allow your club to transform the results of its efforts from average to EXTRAORDINARY.

A well-designed strategic plan allows the club to more effectively use its budget dollars, member's skills and community resources to make a positive difference locally and internationally. The process sets the stage for continued strategic visioning and organizational growth development.

For more information or to schedule a workshop for your Rotary Club, contact ...

PDG Bill Gormont or PDG Scott MacDonell

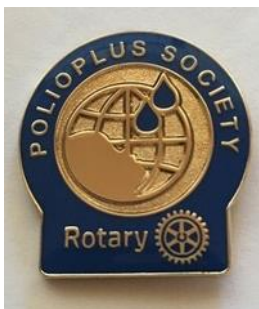


A new and improved Rotary Learning Center app

The Rotary Learning Center has a new mobile app, RotaryLearn, that makes it easier for you to take courses on your mobile devices. RotaryLearn replaces the Go.Learn app and gives you a more convenient and intuitive way to use the Learning Center.

With the new app, it's now easier than ever to take role-based courses, view your progress, and explore other Learning Center courses and resources wherever you are. [Download the app from Apple's App store](#), or [download the app from Google Play](#). Then open it, sign in to My Rotary, and explore!

Refer to the updated [mobile guide](#) for step-by-step instructions on how to get to the Learning Center on your mobile device.



**Our wish is to have at least
one member of the PolioPlus Society from every club.**

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for more than 35 years. Our goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever.

As a founding partner of the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#), we've reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

Rotary members have contributed more than \$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments to contribute more than \$10 billion to the effort.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year.

By the numbers:

\$3 average cost to fully protect a child against polio
430 million children in total vaccinated in 39 countries in 2017
\$100 million cost to conduct polio surveillance worldwide

District 7120 now has a PolioPlus Society recognized by Rotary International. To become a member, you pledge to donate \$100.00 or more per year until Polio is eradicated in the world. October 24th is World Polio Day – please consider participating by making this pledge. The commitment form is below! Remember that every dollar is matched 2 to 1 by the Gates Foundation.

Create Your Peace Pole Project

Become a Peace Builder and plant a Peace Pole to inspire peace within and between all people

1. **Link** with a group of people in your community.
2. **Find a location** to put a Peace Pole.
3. **Get permission** to plant a Peace pole on the site.
4. **Decide what to write** on each side of the peace pole.

We strongly suggest one side say "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in English. The other three sides may say the same in other languages or be variations on the theme such as "May Peace Prevail in Our Community"

Be sure to include your Rotary Club logo on the Peace Pole.

5. **Order your Peace Pole** – see the district website for ordering options

Get the QR Code Decal to put on your Peace Pole **to link to the [world map](#).**

6. **Enjoy creating a community ceremony** to plant your Peace Pole.
7. **Invite** children, teens, adults, seniors, Rotary members, other civic groups, schools, and clergy to your Peace Pole dedication ceremony to celebrate peace with you.
8. **Invite the media** to attend to tell the story and take photos.

[Peace Pole Ordering](#)

and

[District 7120 Peace Pole Project](#)

Submitted by Ann DeMers

Looking for Host Clubs for the 2025-26 Rotary Youth Exchange Year

The District Youth Exchange program has begun its 2025-26 Youth Exchange year. We need the support of the District's Rotary Clubs with their commitment to host an Inbound (IB) Student for the 2025-26.

The [Statement of Intent](#) and [Club Compliance](#) forms for you to fill out are linked. If you have hosted an Exchange student before, you are familiar with these forms. If not, these documents need the signature of the Club President, President Elect and the YEO - Club's Youth Exchange Officer to confirm your club's commitment to host an inbound student.

Our District operates on a one to one exchange that is determined by the Outbound students placement. Therefore the number of Rotary clubs needed to host an Inbound Student is to date, 19. It is important to return these forms to the District's Youth Exchange placement officer, Mike Taylor (mktaylor4@gmail.com) as the declaration of your club's intent to host an inbound exchange student for the 2025-26 Youth Exchange year.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me to get your questions answered. I look forward to helping you through the process of hosting an inbound exchange student.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Pam

Pam Schlierf

D7120 Vice Chair for Youth Exchange

rosbrookp@gmail.com

585 709-6633



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

TAIPEI, TAIWAN | 13-17 JUNE 2026



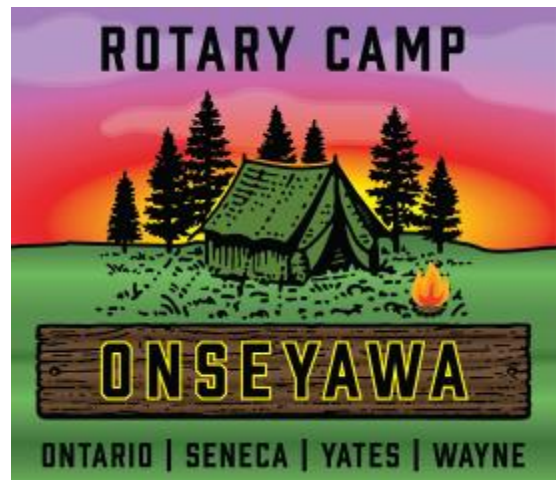
#Rotary26



August 10-15th 2025



August 10th - 16th
2025



August 11-15 and 17-22
2025.



Session 1 (Ages 7-15)
July 6th – 11th
Session 2 (Ages 16-21)
July 13th – 18th



July 28 - Aug 1: Youth Week - Ages
7 to 18 years old
August 4 - 8: Adult Week - Ages
19 to 30 years old

Camp Star Golf Tournament

The annual Camp Star Golf tournament was held on July 21st, 2025 at Indian Hills Golf Course. Our tournament is the largest fund raiser for our Camp sponsored by the Bath, Chemung Sunrise, Corning, Elmira, Elmira Heights, Horseheads, Prattsburg, and Watkins Glen Rotary Clubs. It is amazing what a handful of hardworking Rotarians can accomplish! We made almost \$29,000.00 ! Everyone seemed to have a great time, most went home with not only a goodie bag but door prizes and as a bonus the weather was awesome! Please consider helping us next year by a sponsorship, donation or just coming to golf!



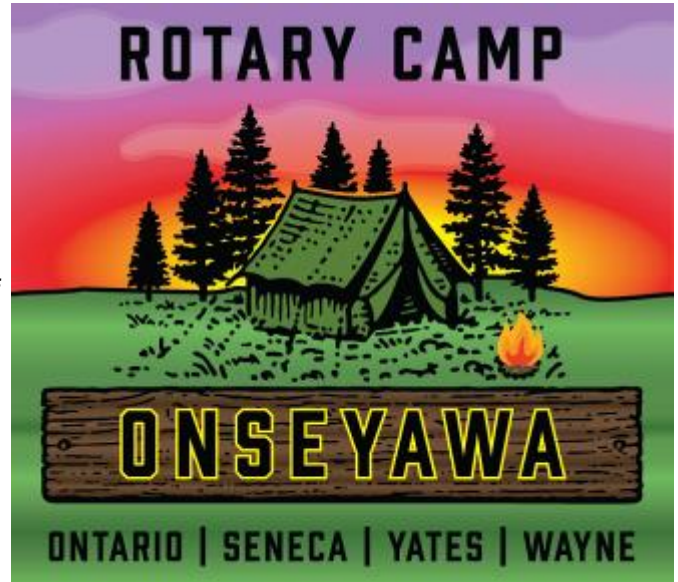
Submitted by Marianne Kalec



Rotary Camp Onseyawa Golf Tournament

The Rotary Camp Onseyawa Golf Tournament Committee would like to thank all of our sponsors, golfers, Rotary Clubs and Silver Creek Golf Course employees for contributing to the success of our tournament. The event raised over \$20,000 in support of our camp and campers.

Pictured are some of our winners.



Mixed team winners—Trish Brewer, Jeff Brewer, Danielle Roetting, and Stephanie Ross, Waterloo



Longest Drive Men—Steve Hughes, Seneca Falls

Submitted by Liz Becht

Canandaigua Rotary Club

At a recent meeting Carol Maue was inducted into the Canandaigua Rotary Club. Ms. Maue is a full service attorney with over thirty years of experience. She is also very active in numerous professional and civic activities.

Pictured are Club President Elect Paul Harvey, Ms. Carol Maue, Marty Muehe, Janet Tenreiro, and Judy Gorenflo:



Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg



Spencerport Rotary Club

New members were recently inducted into the Spencerport Rotary Club. A big welcome to all 4 new members joining us!

Pictured L-R: Spencerport Club President Kathy Magin, Sophia McCabe, Maggie Serapilio, Rich Serapilio, Rachel Greene.

Colleen Farley



Dansville Rotary Club



Dansville Rotary Club inducted its newest member, Ed Trefzger, at their weekly meeting on July 29, 2025. Pictured with Ed, far left, are Membership Chair and Past President Amy Pollard, and current Dansville Rotary President Joyce Davies.

Ed graduated from RIT, resides in Rochester, and currently works in Dansville as president of Genesee Media, WDNY/WDXT Radio. Ed is no stranger to community involvement as he is a board member for

the Dansville Area Chamber of Commerce, Cornerstone Mission Inc. , and Elder of the Evangelical Church of Fairport.

Submitted by Teresa Dearing



Rotary

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

first

Is it the **TRUTH**?

second

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third

Will it build **GOODWILL** and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to
all concerned?

Rush Henrietta Rotary Club

At a recent Rush Henrietta Rotary Club meeting there was an awarding of a Paul Harris Fellowship to Bill Sargent. Bill joined Rush Henrietta Rotary in 2021 after retirement. He quickly took on responsibilities at the club and has made outstanding contributions and is an inspiration by exemplifying the ideal of Rotary by placing Service Above Self.

At our Changeover Dinner we showed our appreciation to Janet Walker for her work as President for 2024-2025 and her willingness to be President for the 2025-2026 year. She embraces the ideal of Rotary by placing Service Above Self. Her enthusiasm for Rotary shines through all that she does.

In July, we said goodbye to our exchange student from Switzerland and look forward in August to welcoming our new student from Chile.

Submitted by Maureen Neumaier



Bill Sargent, Paul Harris Recipient, with Bob Owens on left and on the right Holly Evans, Past President, and Janet Walker, President 2024-2026.



Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club

On Wednesday, August 6, the Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club held its annual Changeover Dinner (incoming president was on vacation before that). Dinner was held at Peter Wallin's house on a beautiful summer evening. Outgoing President Melissa Morse was recognized for her dedication to Rotary and her accomplishments this past year, including Pints for Polio, #BelikeTali, the daily FaceBook posts and having more than 1000 followers! Incoming president Kelly Comfort was officially recognized for her new leadership role in Rotary. The club surprised Rotarian Beth Stranges with her first Paul Harris Fellow award. Beth is the Director of Chemung County's Office of the Aging and she is recognized for her passion for not letting the community forget our loved and experienced seniors!

Submitted by Kelly Comfort



Naples Rotary Club

Naples Rotary Club celebrated our Changeover "Gavel" Dinner on June 30, 2025 at Brew & Brats.

2025 – 2026 President Jack Fredericks was awarded a Paul Harris pin and certificate. His wife, Rotarian Sharon had the honor of pinning him. Three additional Paul Harris Fellows were celebrated, selected by our past Paul Harris awardees.



Joan Luther is a community member who has given generously of her volunteer time for many years. Her passion is for Bristol Valley Theater, who as a board member, stepped up in the last few years to keep the theater alive. She's also active on the board of Naples Historical Society and town boards.



Laurie O'Brien was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow. She has been a Rotarian for 10 years, serving on the board, as treasurer, and chair of literacy and oratorical contest committees. Laurie is always there to serve Rotary and the community.



A Paul Harris Fellow was awarded to Betty Zillmann, who passed away in May. Betty was dedicated to Camp Onseyawa, volunteering for 2 weeks each summer. She was known especially for her cooking skills. Her companion, Bruce, received the award in her memory.

The Robert Allen Award is named for the first President of Naples Rotary. It is voted on by the members, based on the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self". Club Secretary Cindy was honored to receive it this year.

The Doc and Katy Community Service Award was given to Annalise Chapman. She was instrumental in founding and advising the Interact Club at Naples High School.

The Robust Rotarian Award goes to a Rotarian with greater than 20 years of service. Skip Miller was honored this year and was also celebrated for his 40 years of perfect attendance!

The Bill Vierhile Humanitarian Award was given to Jon Betrus. He is a Naples teacher and coach who gives his time every year to help with the Naples Rainbow Trout Derby.

Submitted by Cindy Scoda

VICTOR-FARMINGTON ROTARY

In 1986, Zann Hoad was a Rotary Youth Exchange student from South Africa who left her home in Johannesburg, South Africa to spend a year in upstate New York. The Victor – Farmington Rotary Club served as her host. Zann attended Victor Senior High School and actively participated in school and Rotary activities. Then Club Past President (PP) Larry Scott, now a resident of Arcade, NY, served as a host/counselor. A lasting friendship spanning four decades resulted. That friendship continues to this day. Zann, who now resides in Cape Town, recently made a trip to the USA to visit Larry and wife Darlene before she continued on to Texas to visit her son.

Zann spoke to the club about her experiences as a YEX student and her involvement with the club. She also discussed life in today's South Africa. PP Dave Luitweiler, one of the two remaining club members from 1986, arranged for a tour of her old school. The tour was personally hosted by Brian Siesto, the Principal of Victor Senior High School. Zann was impressed by the many changes from her time there as a student.

Submitted by David Luitweiler



ZANNB.jpg - Brian Siesto, Principal of Victor Senior HS, welcome Zann back after four decades



ZANN 5.jpg - Past Club president Larry Scott with Zann



ZANN HOAD 1986 - Zann 1986 YEX student

Geneseo Rotary Club

Stove Team Challenge

Since 2020, the district has supported StoveTeam International in Central America. StoveTeam crosses several key Rotary areas of focus (Environment, Building Economy, and Health and Safety) and does not neatly fit any one committee's area of responsibility. Consequently, the Geneseo Club is coordinating a district wide challenge to support StoveTeam. We are dedicating \$500.00 dollars of our Can and Bottle drive profits (two stoves) to the project and challenging other clubs to match or exceed the amount. The drive will go from August 15th to October 31st. We will advertise how many stoves each club is able to sponsor at the end of the drive. This is an actual chance for each club to make a real and quantifiable difference in the world. Below is a quick explanation of what they do from their website:

Each year, smoke inhalation from indoor cooking fires kills more people than malaria and AIDS combined. And CO2 emissions from cooking fires are a major contributor to climate change. StoveTeam partners with communities in Central America to deliver and sustain clean cookstove solutions that improve health, protect the environment, and ignite lasting change. Help us save lives and forests!

Nuevo Palmar, located in the Quetzaltenango department of Guatemala, is a community in urgent need. In 2023, the mayor approached the Retalhuleu Rotary Club, seeking help for over 500 families still cooking over open fires. With the support of Rotary Clubs across the U.S. and their partnership with the Rotary Club of Retalhuleu, StoveTeam has placed 70 cookstoves so far in 2025, with an additional 40 preparing to be built before the fall. Each Justa Cookstove costs about \$250 to place, which includes materials, labor, and monitoring and evaluation of the stove for five years. If each club can contribute \$250. We will have collected enough to build stoves for sixty-six families which will make a huge dent in the needs of Nuevo Palmar.

Participating clubs should make checks payable to StoveTeam International and send them on to the our Treasurer Bonnie Swanson P.O. Box 216. Geneseo, NY 14454-0216. Bonnie will forward them to Stove Team. We will publish results in the September, October, and November Grapevine issues.

Submitted by Gary Anderson

Spencerport Rotary Club

A recently approved District Grant for the Spencerport Fire Department will be used to purchase thermal imaging cameras for fire training. The cameras will enhance firefighter training safety and effectiveness and be used by instructors during live fire training in their burn building facility, where recruits learn essential interior firefighting techniques.

In a live fire environment, visibility can be reduced to near zero due to thick smoke conditions. Thermal imaging cameras (TICs) are a critical tool that allow instructors to monitor students in real time, ensuring they maintain proper fire attack techniques and avoid hazardous conditions. Without these cameras, instructors must rely on limited visibility, making it difficult to assess students' movements and safety in real time.

Pictured L-R: Spencerport Fire Chief Jake Bromage, Spencerport Club President Kathy Magin, Rotarian Anne Forberg, Public Information Officer Rich Healey.



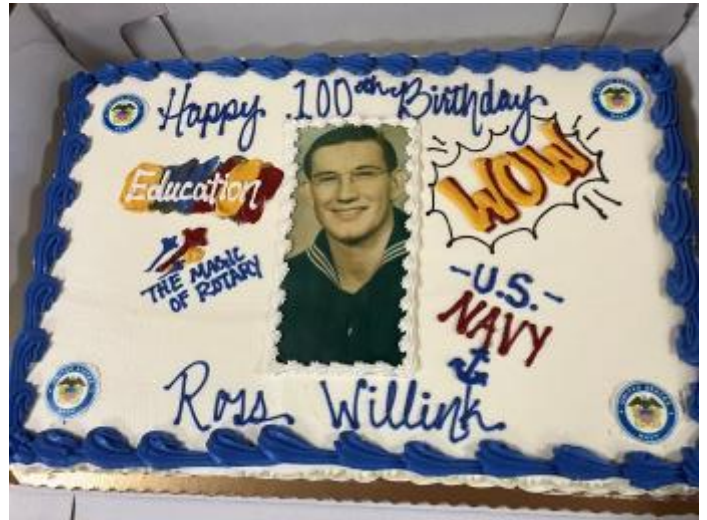
Submitted by Colleen Farley

Webster Rotary Club

Ross Willink 100th Birthday Celebration

On Wednesday, July 23, a large contingent of friends and admirers of Ross Willink gathered at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in the village of Webster to celebrate the 100th birthday of this most remarkable person in Webster history.

Ross Willink, born July 22, 1925, in Penfield, NY, joined the US Navy in World War II, attended post war college, taught school, became an administrator in the Buffalo area schools, was Superintendent of East Irondequoit School District 1964-1968 and Webster School District 1968-1981.



Ross joined the Webster Rotary Club in August 1975, was Club President and has received multiple Paul Harris Fellow awards.

Surrounded by well wishers which included family, friends, and fellow Rotarians from Webster, the mood of the day was festive, uplifting, and cheerful. Rochester Rotarian Don Alhart interviewed Ross for Channel 13's Bright Spot which was featured on the 6:00 pm evening news.

Kudos go to the kitchen crew at the Immanuel Lutheran Church for a wonderful lunch and the Goodie Shoppe for providing a complimentary ice cream cake. On behalf of the Webster Rotary Club, we wish Ross a Happy 100th Birthday!

Submitted by Joseph Corona



News from Area 13 and Area 14.

Rochester Rotary working with the 7 other City of Rochester Rotary Clubs (Irondequoit, Downtown City Center, ROC City, Rochester Deaf, Rochester Latino, Rochester Northwest and Rochester Southwest) are pleased to announce a brand-new Citywide Service Initiative to benefit the City of Rochester. The following was published in Spoke 36, Rochester Rotary's weekly newsletter.

Thank you to AG's Kimberly Miranda and Pat Stack for their wholehearted support of this collaborative initiative to Unite for Good!

Call to Action: Unite for Good—Launching Our Citywide Service Initiative!

As we begin an exciting new Rotary year, I'm thrilled to invite every member of our club—and indeed, every Rotarian across the City of Rochester—to ignite a spirit of unity and action as we embark on a bold, new citywide service project! This year, Rotary International challenges us to "Unite for Good." There's no better moment to answer that call, right here in our hometown.

Just imagine: Eight Rotary clubs, hundreds of caring hands, and one shared mission—serving Rochester with renewed purpose. When we come together as one Rotary community, we multiply our impact, inspire greater change, and send a powerful message about what "Service Above Self" truly means.

Throughout the year, we'll launch quarterly, large-scale service projects in partnership with agencies like Open Door Mission. Some opportunities are already on the table such as existing and ongoing service projects now done by respective Clubs, and many more will come as we mobilize our experience, expertise, and passion. Each club will rally volunteers, and together, we'll tackle urgent needs with enthusiasm and care.

This is our chance to connect more deeply with each other while building a lasting legacy for all Rochesterians. Whether you're a longtime member or brand new to Rotary, your spirit and skills are essential for the journey ahead.

Let's set the standard for what Rotarians can accomplish when we unite for good! Bring your ideas, invite friends and family, and make sure your club's voice is heard as we shape this important initiative. Our city needs us—and together, we're unstoppable.

Will you answer the call? Join us in making this year's motto, "Service Above Self," more powerful than ever—one city, one vision, United for Good!

Rich de Asis

President Rochester Rotary

See EVENT POSTER in the poster section.

UNITE FOR GOOD

Belmont and Friendship Rotary Clubs

Honored for Commitment and Service to Allegany County

Belmont, NY – At the Allegany County Legislative Board meeting held at the Fair on July 17, the Board adopted resolutions recognizing the Belmont Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Friendship, New York, Inc., for their commitment and service to their community and Allegany County.

The first Rotary Club was formed 120 years ago on February 23, 1905, by Paul P. Harris and is one of the largest service organizations in the world. The Friendship Rotary Club was formed in 1955, and the Belmont Club was formed in 1959. Both clubs serve as pillars of community service, leadership, and fellowship, embodying the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

The Belmont Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Friendship, New York, Inc., have consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to improving the lives of others through countless acts of generosity, volunteerism, and civic engagement.



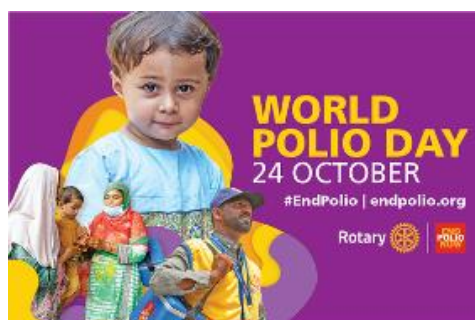
The Belmont Rotary Club has implemented, sponsored, or supported local initiatives including the GVCS Interact Club, Belmont Rotary Basketball Tip-Off Tournament, annual 200 Club, Rotary Foundation Dinner, Genesee Valley Rotary Camp for Children with Disabilities, community flower pots, has financed senior citizens meals each month, Belmont Fire Department Gun Raffle with a lottery board, Christmas trees in Rotary Park and decorations in the Village of Belmont, Wreaths Across America, has provided food for Wellspring Ministries holiday dinners, Allegany County National Honor Society Scholarship Fund, Amity Daze, scholarships to GVCS Seniors, and Corning Rotary Scripps National Spelling Bee Regional Competition.

The Rotary Club of Friendship, New York, Inc., has implemented and supported local initiatives including providing snacks and beverages for travelers at the Friendship I-86 rest stop and using donations from those events to help finance sending children with disabilities to summer camp, Community Christmas Sparkle, care of Island Park picnic tables and pavilion, and scholarships for two Friendship graduating seniors each year.

Both groups were recognized for exceptional service, unwavering dedication, and profound impact on the lives of others and commitment to "Service Above Self."



Story and Photos from Allegany County Website
Submitted by Shirley Levernier
Friendship Secretary



Belmont Rotary Club

On Wednesday, June 25, Belmont Rotarians celebrated the end of a successful year under President Pat Schmelzer, with a pot luck dinner at her cottage on Rushford Lake. Several members were recognized for their accomplishments. Brandon LaValley was presented a framed certificate and a gift certificate, in recognition of 40 years of perfect attendance. Foundation Chair, Mary Fuller, presented Jim Arthur with a Ruby Paul Harris pin, recognizing his giving to The Rotary Foundation. He is the first in our club to reach this milestone. President Pat Schmelzer was presented a gift certificate in appreciation of her year as our leader. Pat then passed the gavel to incoming President, Dirk Knapp. It was a great evening of good food and fellowship and a perfect location. Thanks Past President Pat for your hospitality and thanks to all who were there to celebrate.

Submitted by Mary Fuller



Canandaigua Rotary Club

It was announced that there is a new President for the Canandaigua Rotary Club Kent Gilges. Outgoing President Kim Tenreiro did an outstanding job as President, leaving big shoes for the new President. Meanwhile, Kent is excited to carry on the new leadership with a District Grant of nutrition in Uganda, the local Flag Project, with the support of the Club's members. The Rotary year runs from July to June.

Pictured are new President Kent Gilges and Kim Tenreiro:



Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg

BATH ROTARY CLUB

The Bath Rotary Club participated on July 21 in the Camp STAR Benefit Golf Tournament, held on the greens of the Indian Hill Golf Course. The local club's golfers included: Brandi Graham, Past President; Nancy Latour, Secretary; Woody Latour, Friend of Rotary; Jay Maslyn, Treasurer; Cheryl Muller, Youth Services Chair; Lauren Latour, daughter of Nancy and Woody; Kellie Okoniewski, friend of Graham and Latour.

Bath Rotarians had donated door prizes for the tournament. All seven of the golfers expressed that they had a great time not only playing golf but also sharing the experience with other Rotarians. They extend a special thank you to Marianne Kalec, Camp STAR Benefit Golf Tournament Chair, for the countless hours she spent organizing and running the very successful event.

The tournament organizers stated that the event, including sponsorships, raised funds to support Camp STAR to be held August 10 – 15 on the scenic and rural setting of The Y at Watson Woods outside of Painted Post.

The cost for the camp is over \$700 per camper for six days and nights of fun. The funds, raised from this tournament and the assessment of Rotary District 7120 clubs which support this summer sleepover camp, allow the projected sixty children between the ages of 6 and 12, who have a physical or developmental disability, to attend the camp at no charge to their families. The camp will be staffed by approximately twenty-five counselors and a camp nurse. Several Bath Rotarians will also provide a picnic for the campers during the week of the camp.



Standing left to right are the members of the Bath Rotary Club Women's Team who participated in the Camp STAR Golf Tournament on July 21: Brandi Graham, Cheryl Muller, Kellie Okoniewski, and Nancy Latour.



Kellie Okoniewski on the left and Nancy Latour on the right, members of the Bath Rotary Club's Women's Team at the recent Camp STAR Golf Tournament, seemed to have forgotten that the object of golf is to keep the ball on the greens.



The Bath Rotary Club also competed in the Mixed Team event at the July 21st Camp STAR Golf Tournament, including Jay Maslyn, standing on the left and Woody Latour, standing on the right. Absent from the photo is Lauren Latour.

Written by Elaine Tears
Pictures by Brandi Graham & Jay Maslyn

Canandaigua Rotary Club

The Canandaigua Rotary Club announced recently that it was making a donation to The Family Promise of Canandaigua. The non-profit helps families get turned around and back on their own with counseling, short-term housing, and other needs.

Pictured are Melissa Farrell, Jasmine VanBuren, JT Squires, Todd Bernhardt CEO, and Rotary Club President Kent Gilges. They were there to receive the money that was raised on Past President's Day.



Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg

Pal-Mac Rotary Club

Our lunch meeting on July 23rd was led by our new club president, Leslie Vecchiotti. The highlight was our guest speaker, Jill Harper. Jill is a registered nurse with over 30 years of experience in maternal-child health, school nursing, and public health systems. She currently serves as the Optimal Team Health Director for the Wayne County School System. She focuses on critical issues such as Health and Hygiene and Nutritional Education. Jill's mission is to expand access to physical, mental, and behavioral health services in Wayne County's rural and under served communities.

Here is President Leslie with Jill after presenting her with a gift for coming among us.

Submitted by Jeff Crawford and Marie Fessler



Dundee Rotary Club

Builds and Distributes 50+ Bookcases

For the 13th year, Dundee Rotary members have built, sanded and finished approximately 50 bookcases to give out to graduating Pre-K students from Dundee Central School. Dundee Rotary Club has also begun to include the Pre-K students from Bradford. This project is community-supported as the students in the Tech Class at DCS helped by building some of the bookcases and the Honor Society students at Bradford finished some of them. The books that each child received with their bookcase are donated by several community groups including Team Charlie, Our Town Rocks and Reads, VFW Auxiliary, the Dundee Library, and the DFD Auxiliary. Special thanks to members Alan Giles, Dave Semans, John Fredericks, and Caryl Sutterby for keeping the project organized and seeing it through to completion.

Pictured are DCS students December Cornell (parents Alisha Morey and Joshua Cornell), Harrison Gibson (parents Sheldon and Brittany Gibson) receiving their bookcases, and all of the Bradford students with their bookcases.



May these bookshelves and books help all of these children to develop a lifelong love of reading!

Submitted by Lauren Snyder

Spencerport Rotary Club

CAT RESCUE DONATION

A portion of the proceeds from the club's Annual Geranium sale has been donated to Alanna Dalba, founder of Misfit Meeps, a cat rescue. The funds will be used to pay for visits to veterinarians in preparing cats and kittens for their new homes.

Pictured L-R: Rotarian Colleen Farley, Misfit Meeps founder Alanna Dalba.

Submitted by Colleen Farley



Gananda Rotary Club



Gananda Rotarians, family and friends worked on their themed float which was entered in the Walworth Lions Club's Festival in the Park Parade on July 25th. Not only did the entire team have fun decorating, throwing candy to crowds, and making witchy cackling noises to promote our "Haunted Hayride" in October, but the float won first prize!!

Submitted by Patti Holdraker



Pal-Mac Rotary Club

At our last meeting in June, Marie Fessler was recognized as our Rotarian of the Year. The occasion was our annual change-over picnic, held at Bob and Dianne Sloans home in Palmyra.

Marie did an excellent job of leading us for the 2024-2025 year as our president. The high mark was helping to see that we properly celebrated our 75th Anniversary. But, there were many other notable moments. We loved Marie's focus and sense of humor. She epitomized the fulfillment of our motto, "Having Fun While Getting Things done."



Here are photos of Past President, Deb LeMoyne, presenting the Recognition Certificate, and some of Marie's family, who were there to help her celebrate.

Submitted by Jeff Crawford

Bloomfield Rotary Club

In July, Bloomfield Rotarian and ally Marce took part in Rotary's 3rd Annual participation in the Pride Parade.

Submitted by Marce Chavez



The Greece Rotary Club

Golf Tournament July 28.

The Greece Rotary held their 35th Annual Rino Pappano Golf Tournament at Ridgemont Country Club on July 28, with 112 golfers. The event raised over \$13,000.00 to support the Challenger Little League along with other Rotary Initiatives in Rochester, and the World.

Submitted by Chuck Gannon



Honeoye Lake Rotary Club

A TRADITION ONCE AGAIN CELEBRATED

For several years, the HLRC has carried on with the tradition of providing totes filled with school supplies for our elementary students who need them to start the school year off well prepared. Shopping for the basic supplies is started in June with bulk orders and completed by the end of July so the totes can be assembled and delivered to HCES by the first part of August. This enables the office staff to distribute the totes as needed before the first day of school.

This "Treasure Box" community service activity was presented at a Rotary 7120 Literacy workshop a few years ago and the HLRC has embraced it annually. Items included in the boxes/totes are folders, composition notebooks, spiral notebooks, crayons, colored markers, colored pencils, highlighters, scissors, pens, pencils, scissors, pencil cases, rulers, glue (liquid and sticks), index cards, erasers, sharpeners, etc. The plastic shoe boxes used to pack small items are labeled with a "This tote is a gift from the HLRC" sticker.

Thanks to the individual club members who sponsored one or more boxes to make the project a success for the 2025-2026 school year.

Submitted by Jeanne Hamele



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TOTES READY FOR DELIVERY

Chemung County Sunrise Rotary

On Wednesday, July 9, the Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club continued its tradition of promoting a social activity within the community on the second Wednesday of each month. Club members, bringing friends and family, met on the Chemung River to have a guided kayak tour. Afterwards, they stopped by Ill Eagle Restaurant in downtown Elmira for dinner.



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Fairport Rotary Club

On August 4, nineteen Fairport Rotarians and guests visited Camp Haccamo, located at Rochester Rotary's Sunshine Camp in Rush, NY. After reconnecting in the courtyard, the group enjoyed a hearty dinner in the camp's multi-purpose hall, served by Dolly and her team. As music began, campers filled the floor with joyful, unrestrained movement—an inspiring reminder of the camp's mission.



Following dinner, guests toured the 157-acre property by foot and by vehicle, taking in highlights such as climbing walls, a zip line, the treehouse with its crooked windows, and the camp's nostalgic train, relocated from its former site behind Panorama Plaza. Whether a first-time visitor or returning friend, everyone left with a renewed appreciation for this Rotary-sponsored haven for children with disabilities. (Photos by George Wolf)

Submitted by Dom Cecconi



Honeoye Lake Rotary Club

ANOTHER HOLE IN ONE

The HLRC's 40th Annual Golf tournament took place on July 28th at the Lima Golf and Country Club. After having their pictures taken teams lined up for our shotgun start. Our 14 teams enjoyed their round of golf even though it was a very warm day. Upon returning to the club house, they had a delicious buffet dinner and took part in our raffle, silent auction and 50/50 drawing.

Golfers enjoyed a complimentary snack bag which came with a drawstring bag recognizing our 40th annual event.

Trophies were awarded and this year we had an all-women's team to honor. Our first-place men's team had a tie so we did a coin toss to determine the winners.

To make the day more memorable we enjoyed a special cake for dessert.



Submitted by Jeanne Hamele

Even though we only had 14 teams, it was a successful day for the club and we raised some money to fund some of our projects for the coming year. We had three new teams in this field of 14 and we hope they had a great day so they will return next year.

Thanks to the staff at Lima Golf and Country Club and to the HLRC club members and friends of the HLRC for working to make the day a memorable one. Their hard work and support are very important and greatly appreciated.

Bloomfield Rotary Club

Bloomfield Rotary also joined the East Bloomfield Historical Society Car Show for the 5th year, providing the event's delicious food offerings.

Submitted by Marce Chavez



Rotary E-Club of District 7120

Camp Haccamo 69th Season- July-August, 2025 Summer Fun!

The dedicated Rotary Clubs of Monroe County hosted Camp Haccamo for its 69th season: dates are July 28 through August 1 for ages seven to 18, and August 4 through 8, for ages 19 to 30. Camp Haccamo is a unique summer camp designed to provide a free and enjoyable camping experience for children and adults with a wide range of special needs. Camp Haccamo's vibrant and supportive environment enhances growth and acceptance while helping campers overcome road-blocks and snags. Camp Haccamo Board President Neal Gorman and the board members provide oversight policy support for the camp's activities. Dolly Kujawa, long time executive director of Camp Haccamo, has expressed "a great need for programs like ours for emotionally fragile and behaviorally challenged children and adults".



Pictures Description

Haccamo Campers and Staff at dinner with District 7120

Governor Jim Crane, District 7120 Governor-Elect Lisa Norwood, Haccamo Board President Neal Gorman, Executive Director Dolly Kujawa, Co-presidents Ebo Ocran, Tassie Demps and E-Club D7120 Leadership Team, District 7120 Leadership Team, Monroe County Rotary Clubs, Leadership and Members.

Submitted by Ebo Ocran, Tassie Demps and Maame Esi Ocran (E-Club of D7120)

Rotary E-Club of District 7120

Rotary Night at the Red Wings- July 5th, 2025

- 🚫 Take Me Out to the Ball Game
- ★ Take Me Out with the Crowd
- 🌟 Show Everyone that Rotarians are Fun
- 🚫 We Are Not Going to Leave Until the Ballgame is done!!

District 7120 Governor Jim Crane and Family, Co-Presidents Ebo Ocran and Tassie Demps, E-Club of District 7120 Leadership Team and Family, District 7120 Rotarians and Families.

Submitted by Ebo Ocran, Tassie Demps and Maame Esi Ocran (E-Club of D7120)



Dansville Rotary Club

ROTARY AND LIONS CLUBS' MEMBERS GATHER WITH FIREMEN

Income realized from the Annual Joint Rotary/Lions Golf Tournament held June 21, 2025 totaled \$15,500 to benefit the Dansville Junior Firefighters Association of the Dansville Fire Company. Members of both Clubs gathered at the Fire Hall on Franklin Street to celebrate. The funds will be used for the Junior Firefighters' member training and equipment.



Submitted by Teresa Dearing

Rochester Southwest Rotary Club

It's that time of year, folks!

The **Roc River Ride** is back for its 4th edition as part of the **Rochester Fringe Festival**! This unique event combines the beauty of the Erie Canal and the city with the talent of local performers along your bike route. The idea was started by **Glenn Cerosaletti**, past president of our club, under the inspiring motto: *"Riding through history and embracing diversity."*

If you'd like to have fun while supporting the riders, you can join our volunteer team [HERE](#)!

This year's featured performers include:

- Almeta Whitis
- Still One Left
- Trish Corcoran
- John Curran
- Bomba Yagüe
- ROC City Elite Cheerleading
- Roc City Skate Park

Come and be delighted by storytelling, live music, dance, history, and much more.



Come **Saturday, September 13th**, at the **Genesee Waterways Center, 149 Elmwood Avenue**, at **10:00 am**. Grab your bike and register through the **Rochester Fringe Festival website**. See you there!

Submitted by Dayanara Vázquez Comas

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Lima Rotary Club

July was a bang of a month !! We held our 2 meetings. We had new member **Susan Gaiter** join us.

Our Hot Dog Tent at the annual Crossroads Festival in Lima was a huge success, proceeds go to scholarships for two local graduating seniors. Our Business of the month was: **Lima Country Club** and to top off the month we passed the gavel to our new president: **Lisajo Keeler**



We are in full force of selling our Cash Raffle Tickets for the Drawing in November contact any Lima Rotary member if you are interested in purchasing tickets.

Submitted by Lisajo Keeler



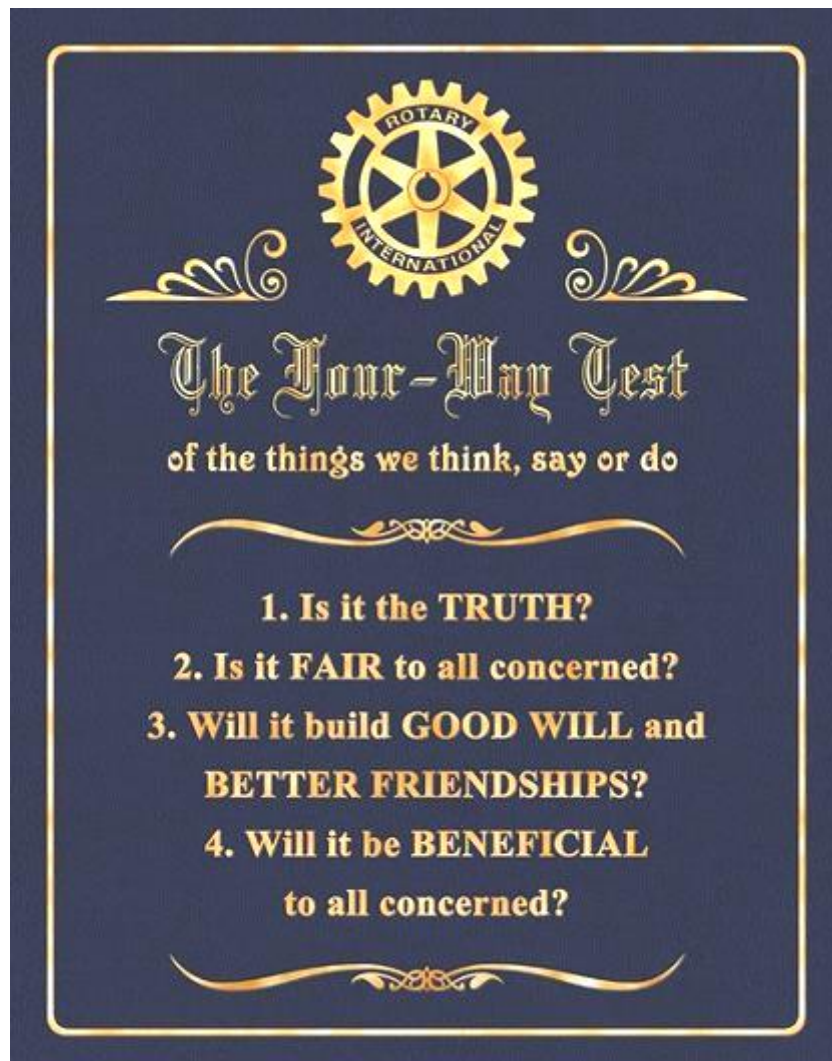
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There are two ways to get your club event onto the District Calendar.

1) If your club **does not use** Club Runner, go to the **District Calendar Submission Page:**
<https://rotary7120.org/sitepage/club-calendar-submission-form>
Complete the Club Calendar Submission Form and click the submit button.

If there are Registration Forms, Image Files, Graphics, or any Other File you wish to make accessible to Rotarians for this event, send them as attachments to: Jim Kozlowski, District Calendar Coordinator at jim.koz65@gmail.com and mention the name and date of your event.

2)) If your club **does use** Club Runner, go to :
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It's a new Rotary year!

Is your club looking for a
dynamic speaker?



If you were at the recent District Conference, you may have heard about the Build-A-Chair Initiative. If not, here is what you need to know!

- The Build-A-Chair Initiative is sponsored by the **Rotary Club of International Service, Impacting Women & Children** in our district 7120.
- Since 2020, the project has provided **over 200 locally-made, custom-fit wheelchairs** to children and adults with disabilities in Tanzania, Africa.
- This is a **grassroots Rotary project run by Rotarians**: A Rotarian based in Tanzania, Shedrack Domingo, tailors each wheelchair to the needs of every individual, and Rotarians around the world spread the word and raise funds for this critical work.

We would love to share more about this life-changing initiative with your club. Please reach out to the Rotarians below if you'd like a member of the Build-A-Chair team to come speak to your club.

Michelle Bailey: michellebailey110@gmail.com

Mark Wyse: mwyse@rochester.rr.com

We also invite you to visit Build-A-Chair.org to learn more about this project, and rotary-7120.com to learn more about our club!



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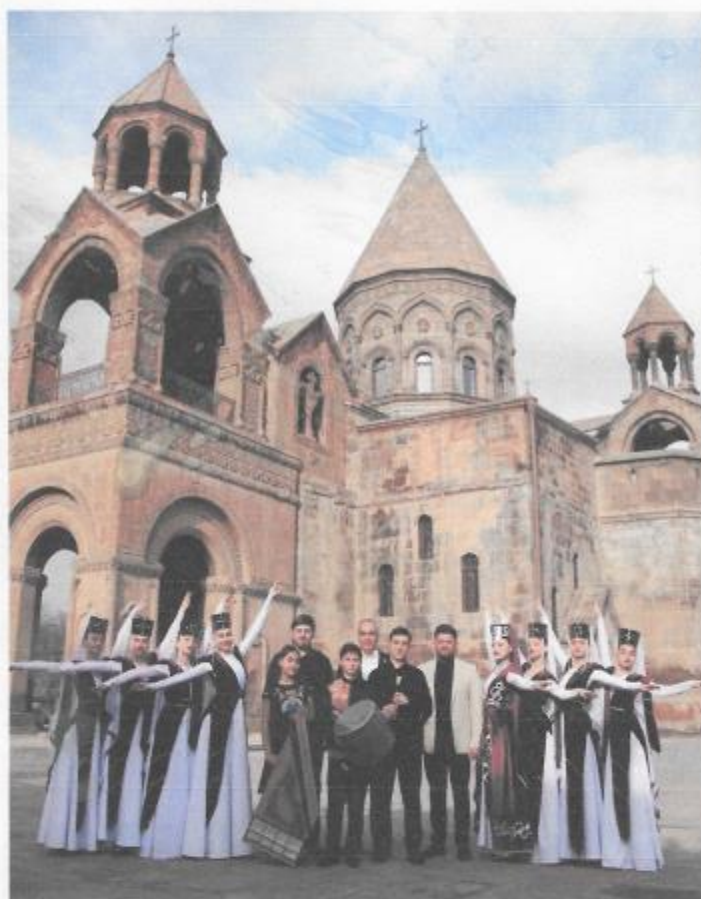
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Bath Rotary, District 7120

PEACE POLE UNVEILING CEREMONY



**PEACEBUILDING AND
CONFLICT PREVENTION**

Promoting Peace

Please join the Bath Rotary Club event to promote peace within the local community through the unveiling of a Peace Pole. There is no charge to attend and there is parking at the St. Thomas' Episcopal Church as well as on Liberty St. There will be music, a speech, and information about Rotary at the event.

LOCATION:

Community Park at the corner of E.
Washington St. & Liberty St. Bath, NY

DATE: 4 SEP 2025

TIME: 12:00 PM

Additional details:
<https://bathnyrotary.org>



Save the Date!!

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

at Empire Sports of the Southern Tier

All proceeds go to community projects.

5pm doors open with the first game at 6pm.



City of Rochester Rotary Clubs UNITE FOR GOOD



Open Door Mission Painting-Service project

Open Door Mission's facilities provide emergency services and a step forward to hundreds of Rochester's men and women each year. Please join fellow Rochester Rotarians from clubs throughout the city as we roll on a fresh coat of paint!

LOCATION:

156 North Plymouth Avenue, Rochester NY

**DATE: FRIDAY September 12th &/or
Saturday September 13th**

Friday 8AM-3PM Saturday 9AM-2PM

Sign up here or visit rochesterrotary.org

The first 30 Rotarians will receive a Rotarians at Work t-shirt



Come to our Annual Bingo Fundraiser for a night of fun and games!
Proceeds benefit Women and Children locally and globally!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

CASH PRIZES - BASKET RAFFLE - GOOD FOOD

DOORS OPEN AT 5PM

BINGO BEGINS AT 7PM

HIGHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER - BUTLER, PA

TICKETS: \$25.00 IN ADVANCE \$30.00 AT THE DOOR

FOR TIX OR SPONSORSHIP INFO:

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WHEN YOU RAISE A PINT TO
HELP ERADICATE POLIO IN
THE WORLD!

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM



Basket Raffles, 50/50, and purple crocuses!

Food truck will be on site. Don't worry about dinner!

Purple crocuses are a symbol of Rotary International's campaign to eradicate polio, known as "[End Polio Now](#)". The purple color is associated with the dye used to mark the fingers of children who have received the oral polio vaccine, ensuring they are not mistakenly vaccinated again.

Planting purple crocuses in communities helps raise awareness and support for the [End Polio Now campaign](#), according to Rotary International.

16th Annual - Gananda Rotary's
HAUNTED HAYRIDE
and Haunted Barn

October 10, 11, 17, 18 and 24, 2025
7-10 pm
(last ticket sold at 9:30 pm)

Tickets are \$10 at the door
Cash or Venmo
(reservations only needed for
Reserved full wagons)

1485 Walworth-Penfield Road, Walworth

All proceeds benefit the community
Sponsored by the Gananda Rotary Club
Questions? Call Patti at 585-739-9521



Enter!
to Win

Lima, NY
Rotary
Club



9th Annual Rotarian Raffle



1st \$500.00
2nd \$150.00
3rd \$50.00

DONATION:
\$5 ea
5 for \$20

Contact any Lima Rotary
member to purchase tickets.

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 29TH 2025

DRAWING FOLLOWING TREE LIGHTING

Check the District Calendar
for additions and changes

“Click” on the calendar



Upcoming DISTRICT Events

One Rotary Summit –

“Rotary’s Action Plan”

A District Learning Event

Check-In starts at 8:00 AM

SUMMIT Starts at 8:30

Saturday, September 6, 2025

8:00 AM – 12:30 PM,

Avon High School

245 Clinton St. Avon, NY

District Golf Tournament

September 12

Reservoir Creek Golf Club

Naples, N.Y.

District Literacy Seminar

September 27, 2025

9 AM – 12 AM

Clifton Springs Hospital – Rotary Room

2 Coulter Rd.

Clifton Springs, N.Y.

Upcoming CLUB Events

Rochester Deaf Rotary Club

Coupon Book Sale

Rotary Club of International Service

Build-A-Chair Project

Gananda Rotary Club

Bike Rack Fundraiser

August 21 Bath Rotary Club

ArmFolk Group from Armenia

August 23 Newark Rotary Club

Family Festival - Firemen's Field, 100 Barker
Parkway, Newark

August 23 Seneca Falls Rotary

Back to School Bash

September 4 Bath Rotary Club

Peace Pole Dedication

September 10

Chemung County Sunrise Rotary

Purse Bingo

September 12 Rochester Rotary Club

Open Door Mission Painting Service Project

September 19

Rotary Club of International Service

Rotary Bingo Night

October 8

Chemung County Sunrise Rotary

Polio Fundraiser

October 10,11,17,18,24 Gananda Rotary Club

Haunted Hay Ride

November 29 Lima Rotary Club

Rotarian Raffle



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