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Dave DeMers, District Governor

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June 2025 DG Corner

The month of June has arrived and it just seemed like yesterday that at 12:01 AM on July 1st of last year, I received a call from Julie Carney and she said, “tag, your it.” From that all the training I had received the previous 2 and a half years was now to be put to use. I was a bit scared for suddenly I found myself at the top of the District. Though knowing the support that people have provided me on my journey to being DG eased some of the nervousness.

The Rotary International theme for June is Rotary Fellowships. Most of you are saying we have fellowship in our clubs during our meetings, projects and fundraisers. Though the type of Fellowships Rotary is recognizing this month goes beyond the club level.

Rotary Fellowships are international groups that share a common passion. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary experience.

What are Rotary Fellowships? They are groups of any interested individuals who connect to explore shared interests in:

- Recreational Activities
- Hobbies
- Sports
- Vocations
- Rotary History & Culture

There are over 100 fellowships worldwide. One I belong to is BREW (Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide). Here is the website to learn more about fellowships:

www.rotary.org/fellowships

Here is how you can promote Fellowships:

- Publicize events and activities organized by Fellowships on your club or district website
- Invite local Fellowship officers to speak at a club meeting, virtual meeting, or district conference about their activities and related service work
- Seek out Rotarians who are outstanding in their professions or are enthusiastic about a hobby and encourage them to join fellowships or develop new ones.

Do you have a passion where there is no Rotary Fellowship? Organize a new Fellowship. Interested in starting a new international Fellowship on a new topic? Go to www.rotary.org/fellowships where you can find all the steps on how to get started.

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You will need:

- At least 25 potential members, representing at least five countries
- Completed application form with a clear explanation of the group's purpose
- Copy of the group's proposed bylaws
- List of proposed officers and their responsibilities

This is my last DG Corner article. It has been a great run and a special thanks go out to my wife Ann, who kept me on task this Rotary year. Love you!!

DG Dave DeMers
Rotary District 7120
District Governor 2024-2025

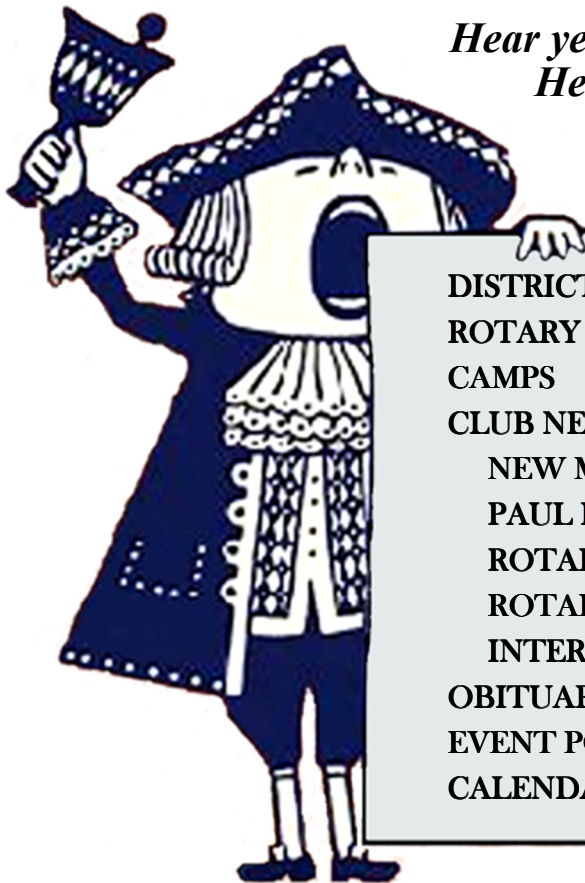
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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Hear ye!
Hear ye! **TABLE OF
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Jim Crane • District Governor 2025-2026



DGE Jim Crane

Sunday
June 29, 2025

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Changeover
DINNER



Cocktails at 5:00 pm
(Rotary Business Casual)
Dinner at 6:15 pm

\$55.00 per person

RSVP by JUNE 18



IPDG Julie Carney, DG David DeMers, DGE Jim Crane, DGN Lisa Norwood, & DGND Pete Vogt

Ravenwood Golf Club, 929 Lynaugh Rd, Victor, NY 14564

PURCHASE AT: <https://Bit.ly/2025-Change-Over>

HAVE QUESTIONS? 7120Changeover25@gmail.com



Victor-Farmington
Rotary



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Assistant Governors Needed for the Following Areas

Please consider taking on the role as an Assistant Governor starting in the 2025-26 Rotary year. Please contact the AG in your area to learn more.

Area 1 – Chemung Sunrise, Corning, Elmira Heights, Elmira, Horseheads, and Watkins-Montour

Area 4 – Dansville, Geneseo, Mt. Morris, Nunda & Penn Yan

Area 5 – Lima, Bloomfield, Honeoye Falls Mendon & Honeoye Lake

Area 12 – Ontario-Walworth, Wolcott, Webster, Red Creek & Webster

Role and Responsibilities

- Serve as the District Governor's official representative among the designated Rotary clubs.
- Support club effectiveness by assisting the governor with the administration of designated clubs, including the timely submission of semi-annual reports, payment of RI and District dues, and monthly membership and attendance statistics.
- Visit each club regularly, at least quarterly, to meet with the club president and other club leaders to discuss the business of the club and resources available to them.
- Assist club leaders in planning and preparing for the governor's official visit.
- Keep the governor informed about clubs, and suggest ways to enhance Rotary development and resolve difficulties.
- Ensure appropriate financial stewardship of club funds by club leaders.
- Serve as a two-way communication link between clubs and District committees
- Promote the implementation of the Club Leadership Plan, including the Assistant Governor's club.
- Encourage clubs to implement the governor's requests and recommendations
- Share "best practices" from their designated clubs with each other, and with other Rotary clubs.
- Monitor and motivate clubs to achieve club goals relating to membership development and retention, and support for The Rotary Foundation.
- Assist clubs in researching and implementing effective community and international service projects.
- Assist clubs in completing the activities which will lead to the Presidential Citation for the club, and the submission of the certification form to the governor by 1st April each year.
- Identify and develop leaders capable of serving Rotary beyond the club level.
- Promote attendance at the District Conference and the International Convention.

**We want to
know what
you think.**

Answer this quick survey to share
with us your knowledge and interest
in Rotary Friendship Exchanges.

(<https://forms.gle/8ZmzpAdDRvzyZmkAA>)

Click or Scan Code



Rotary
District 7120



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

new generations
service
exchange



Would you like to be part of an incredible exchange program for 18-30 year olds?

Do you want to share your expertise with an eager young adult, mentor future leaders, or open your home to cultural diversity?

Join us in making a difference through the Rotary New Generations Service Exchange!

- ✓ **Host an international participant** and experience cultural exchange firsthand.
- ✓ **Offer an internship or mentorship** to help a young adult grow professionally.
- ✓ **Apply as a participant** to explore global opportunities.

Get involved today! Contact [Julie Carney](#) to learn more about how you can make an impact OR to have a program presentation at your Club!

juliecarney7120@gmail.com

585-519-9466

Thank you to Avon Rotary, Geneva Rotary, Rochester Rotary and Victor Farmington Rotary for making an impact on our future leaders!

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

Peace Poles can be a variety of sizes and materials. Below are a few options for obtaining a Peace Pole for your community.

A standard peace pole will have graphics on each of the four sides of an 8-foot post. The post and sleeve will be buried in the ground ~ 2 ½ ft. of post and six inches of sleeve will then be secured with concrete. Another option instead of using cement is to dig a two foot hole and put gravel in the bottom and pack the dirt back in and around it.

Option One: Order from the Local Community using a vinyl sleeve over a pressure treated wooden post
(Estimated cost: \$110)

Order a white composite vinyl post sleeve from **Lowe's (Item #1)** and have it sent to **Fuse Graphics in Spencerport** (191 S Union St. Spencerport, NY 14559, Attn: Harry Sotomayor).

Contact fusecreative@gmail.com or phone 585-509-0954 to make arrangements (provide expected delivery date, design and graphics for each side). Estimated cost for printing - \$10/side plus \$10 for the Rotary logo - \$50.

Full Materials List:

1. **Vinyl Post Sleeve (\$26.98):** <https://www.lowes.com/pd/Freedom-4-in-x-4-in-x-8-ft-White-Composite-Deck-Post-Sleeve/5015285283>
2. **Post Cap (\$4.48):** <https://www.lowes.com/pd/Freedom-Fits-Common-Post-Measurement-4-in-Actual-4-125-in-x-4-125-in-White-Vinyl-Post-Cap/4008751>
3. **Fence Post (\$16.88):** <https://www.lowes.com/pd/Severe-Weather-Common-4-in-x-4-in-x-10-ft-Actual-3-5-in-x-3-5-in-x-10-ft-2-Treated-Lumber/4222509->
4. **Bag of Concrete (\$4.46):** <https://www.lowes.com/pd/Sakrete-High-Strength-60-lb-High-Strength-Concrete-Mix/5015648043>
5. **Peace Pole QR Code (\$10):** Contact Larry Strober at lsstrober@gmail.com. Provide the physical location of the pole to be added to the map.

Option Two: Order a Custom Pole from www.peacepoles.com or rotarypeacepoles.world (Estimated cost: \$300 - \$1500)

Submitted by Ann DeMers

MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS:



Rotary Fellowship, Unity, and Desire to Serve

“What binds Rotarians together is a unity of desire and a unity of purpose to serve society and to serve mankind...a unity in diversity.”

Rotarian July 1965

Submitted by Christine Casaceli, District 7120 Mental Health Chair
christinecasaceli@hotmail.com



ROTARY 201: June 26, 2025

ZOOM Link: [Rotary201*](#)

Sign in 7:50, Start 8:00-8:55 PM EDT

JUNE: FELLOWSHIPS MONTH

The Importance of Fellowship:

- **Building relationships, fostering connections**
- **Promoting World Understanding and Peace**
- **Enhancing the Rotary experience: Personal Growth**
- **Supporting Rotary's Core Values**

LOOKING AHEAD: 2025-2026 and Beyond

**Have an idea or suggestion:
Jack Best, Dean Rotary 201
Phone/text: 585-261-0073
Email: jackbest@rochester.rr.com**



SAVE THE DATE

District 7120 Golf Tournament



Reservoir Creek

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.

Friday, September 12, 2025

Text Jack Fredericks, PE Naples NY Rotary at (585)314-4124 for details

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

2025 Earth Day/Spring Project:



Welcome to the Trash Olympics! This is a friendly districtwide competition with cash prizes for the top three clubs based on a Japanese competition called Spogomi! The contest runs till June 30, reports must be received by July 6th.

Sponsored by Waste Management

This is a fun and easy to project plan:

- **Select a date**
- **Select a gathering location**
- **Recruit volunteers including youth group and other service clubs.**
- **Check in teams of two at the start, one to collect trash one for recyclables.**

If your project is a can and bottle drive, try to gather all participants for the drive at one time for the picture. Outsize items will count as a bag. If your project is electronic recycling, make sure you have an official disposal site. Each item will count as a bag.

To be considered for the prizes, gather all your bags and take a photograph for proof. Count the number of bags and the number of participants. Divide the number of bags by the number of participants. The club with the highest score wins. Last day to report is June 15th.

Report results here:

<https://forms.gle/2NrGiVkoosoZf8528>

Waste Management and the Fairport Club have combined to provide prize money. we are now up to \$500 for the club, \$300 for second, \$200 for third. There will also be plaques for First Place, the most unusual and ugliest items collected.

Clubs may do multiple projects and combine their results. Eligible projects include water-shed clean ups, adopt a highway projects, village/town clean-ups, can and bottle drives, compost collection, and battery turn-ins with each battery counting as a trash bag. If clubs do multiple projects, their scores will be aggregated.

Questions, please contact DGN Lisa Norwood: Ignorwood@gmail.com



ROTARY NIGHT

SATURDAY, JULY 5TH / 6:05PM

RPO PERFORMANCE AND FIREWORKS FOLLOWING THE GAME

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF THIS
EXCLUSIVE OFFER



TICKETS \$11 PLUS CONVENIENCE FEE

PLEASE CONTACT CJ SCROGER WITH QUESTIONS AT CSCROGER@REDWINGSBASEBALL.COM

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ROTARY DISTRICT 7120
AT THE ROCHESTER PRIDE PARADE!**



DIVERSE
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ACCEPTING
WELCOMING
SAFE SPACE
FOR EVERYONE

Rotary
District 7120
Where volunteers belong!



PARADE START /LINE UP:
SOUTH AVE TO HIGHLAND PARK
WHEN: JULY 19, 2025
PARADE START: 11:00AM
(BE IN THE LINE UP BY 10AM)

For more information contact:
Cat Jensen: Catwomyn19@gmail.com
(585) 752-0219
Wanda Martinez-Johncox: wmartinezjohncox@gmail.com
(585)414-9164 (text)



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





Literacy Corner

Literacy Skills of U.S. Adults



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY

Adult literacy is a critical issue that affects millions of individuals, impacting their ability to participate fully in society and the economy.

The Numbers Don't Lie

This fact sheet highlights the issue of adult skills in the United States, where 59 million adults read at or below the lowest levels.

Only a small percentage of those in need receive services, and many programs have waiting lists due to high demand.

Low literacy levels are associated with lower earnings, higher poverty rates, and increased health care costs. The importance of adult education as a solution is emphasized.

The most recent study of literacy skills among U.S. adults is the Survey of Adult Skills conducted through the Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC), a project of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). According to the OECD PIAAC [website](#), "the Survey measures adults' proficiency in key information-processing skills—literacy, and problem solving—and gathers information and data on how adults use their skills at home, at work and in the wider community."

What the 2017 survey data shows

The Survey reports literacy on a six-level scale, from Below Level 1 to Level 5. Overall, as of 2017, 19 percent of U.S. adults ages 16 to 65 scored at Level 1 or Below Level 1, and 33 percent scored at Level 2.

Those at Level 1 have a basic sight vocabulary and can read short texts on familiar topics to locate a single piece of information.

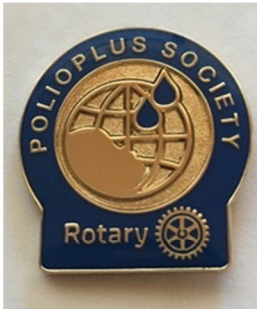
Those at Level 2 can read paragraph-length texts, compare information from the text with what is already known, and draw straightforward inferences

Race/ethnicity: In 2017, 36 percent of Black respondents and 31 percent of Hispanic respondents scored at Level 1 or below in literacy, versus 12 percent of White respondents

Nativity: In 2017, 33 percent of those born outside the United States scored at Level 1 or below in literacy, versus 16 percent of those born within the United States

Self-reported health status: In 2017, 31 percent of those reporting fair or poor health scored at Level 1 or below in literacy, versus 13 percent of those reporting excellent or very good health.

Submitted by Mary Merritt
District Literacy Committee



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.



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21-25 JUNE 2025 • CALGARY, CANADA

Register today at convention.rotary.org

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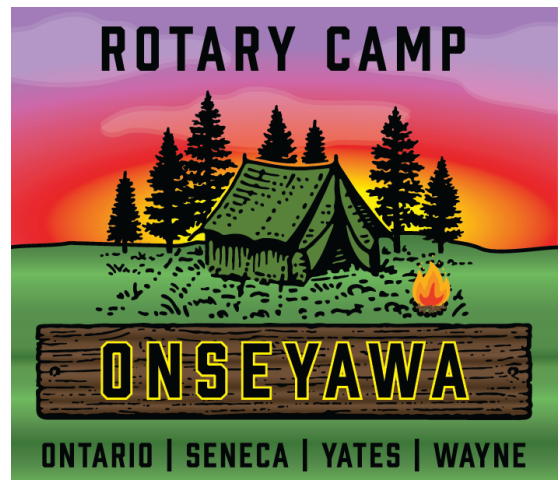


August 10-15th 2025



HERE IS LOVE

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

Fairport Rotary Welcomes Three New Members

It was a special evening for Fairport Rotary as members gathered in the cozy lower level at Eagle Vale to celebrate the induction of three new members into our club. The atmosphere was filled with camaraderie and pride as we officially welcomed **Jon Morse**, **Jessica Ferrindino**, and **Chuck Steinman** into the Rotary family.



Membership Committee Chair **Pieter Smeenk** served as emcee of the ceremony, sharing a brief introduction and background on each inductee before leading the traditional pinning ceremony. Following their induction, each new member took a few moments to introduce themselves to the group.

Jon Morse returns to Rotary with a rich history of service, having previously been a member of the Westlake Village club in California, where he notably served as club president. **Jessica Ferrindino** joins us as a local financial advisor with a passion for running — she's preparing to complete her 20th half-marathon. **Chuck Steinman**, a Fairport resident since 1992, is an attorney and currently serves the community as a Perinton Town Judge.

We are thrilled to welcome these three outstanding individuals and look forward to the energy, experience, and service-minded spirit they'll bring to Fairport Rotary.

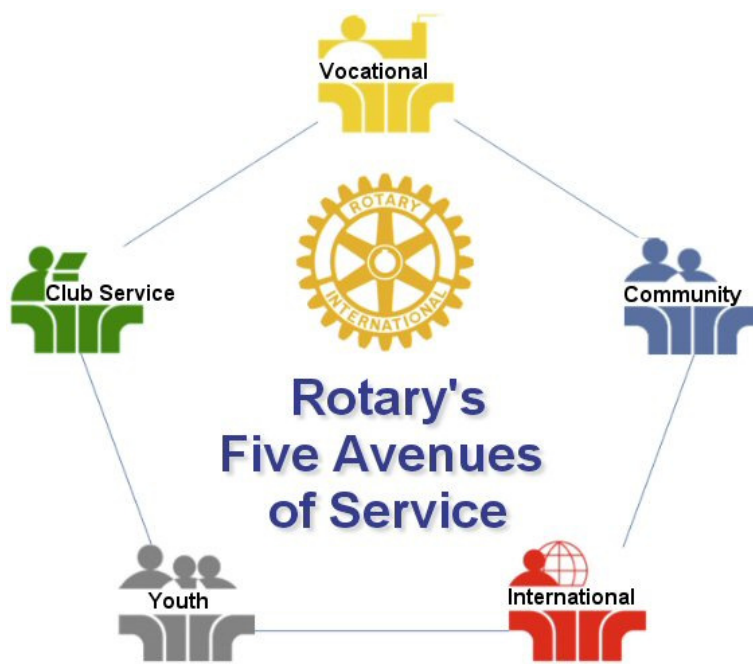
Submitted by Domenick Cecconi



Geneva Rotary Club

Laine Pufnock was inducted into the Geneva Rotary Club at the June 4 meeting. Laine, who previously belonged to Geneva Rotary, had to leave the club for several years, but continued to work on Rotary projects, such as the Santa Train Express. She was sponsored by Rotarian Dave Cook.

Submitted by Phil Beckley



Victor - Farmington Rotary Club

The Victor – Farmington Rotary Club held its annual Law Enforcement Awards Lunch on May 14th, during National Police Week, to honor the police officers from the two agencies that provide police services to the Victor – Farmington community.

Each year the club honors a deputy from the Ontario County Sheriff's Department and a trooper from the New York State Police – Troop E. This year's recipients were Trooper John Sullivan from Troop E HQ in Farmington and Inv. Joseph Tobias from the Sheriff's Department.

This year's award ceremony was impacted that morning by a bomb threat at Finger Lakes Community College in Canandaigua. The threat prevented the involvement of Sheriff David Cirencione and Inv. Tobias who were responding to the bomb threat. The incident was successfully concluded with an arrest. The presentation of the award to Inv. Tobias will be rescheduled for a later date.



L to R: DGE Jim Crane and DG Dave Demers presenting Paul Harris Fellow award to Trooper Sullivan

Special recognition was made of the critical support law enforcement officers receive from their spouses in performing their duties and responsibilities. Trooper Sullivan's wife, Gina Sullivan, was recognized for her critical support.

The club's 2024-2025 Rotary YEX student, Jacob Lundgren (Sweden), was presented lapel pins from the NY State Police and US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to add to the pin collection for his YEX blazer.

Submitted by David Luitweiler



L to R: PP Dave Luitweiler, Major Kevin Sucher, Trooper John Sullivan, DGE Jim Crane

District Governor Elect Jim Crane presented the club's "Service Above Self" award to Trooper Sullivan for his outstanding record of service as a trooper. Trooper Sullivan was bestowed a Paul Harris Fellow award by District Governor Dave Demers and DGE Crane. Both the DG and DGE made personalized comments in recognition of Trooper Sullivan's service.



L to R: Gina Sullivan - Tpr. John Sullivan, DGE Jim Crane



Paul Harris Fellows

Canandaigua Rotary Club

At this years Rotary District 7120 Conference the District Governor from the Spencerport Club Dave Demers awarded Brett Sobieraski, a Rochester Police Officer and an acclaimed author, a Paul Harris Fellowship. Brett authored "Gray Man", a book about an average man's journey to personal greatness, and "8 States for Maz," a book about a humanity tour. The Award was presented to Brett by Monroe County Sheriff Todd Baxter at the District Conference.

Pictured are Monroe County Sheriff Todd Baxter and Brett Sobieraski:

Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg



Canandaigua Rotary Club Honors Two with Paul Harris Fellowships

At a recent Canandaigua Rotary Club meeting Becky and Larry Gamba were honored with a Paul Harris Fellowship. 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. Recipients are Rotarians or community professionals in recognition of their outstanding contributions, exemplifying the highest ideal in Rotary by placing Service Above Self. Recognition of a Paul Harris Fellow is an opportunity to show appreciation for a person, either Rotarian or non-Rotarian, who share these values. The Gambas have also provided lunches on a continuing basis every week at the American Legion.

Pictured are Club President Kim Tenreiro, Becky and Larry Gamba:

Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg



Honeoye Lake Rotary Club



May 15th was a very special meeting for members of the Honeoye Lake Rotary Club as they celebrated the 120th anniversary of Rotary and the 63rd anniversary of the club. We had many guests join us including PDG David Hannan and Pam, PDG Ralph Brandt, DGE Jim Crane and Nancy, DGN Lisa Norwood, and Karen Parkhurst.

In addition to these celebrations, we took advantage of having so many special guests by presenting Paul Harris pins to many of our members. Linda Evenski was presented with her medallion that she did not receive when awarded her Paul Harris pin. Janelle Deal, MJ Hamele, and David Richardson were surprised to be awarded their first Paul Harris pins, certificates and medallions while Gary Hubble and Linda Zukaitis were honored with their Paul Harris plus one. Receiving their Paul Harris plus two pins were Elaine Ackroyd-Kelly, Sandy Hubble and Keith Stumbo. Dick Hamele is now at a plus four while Jerry and Marilyn Passer are proudly wearing pins indicating they are at a plus seven level. Jeanne Hamele is at plus eight and she and her husband, Dick, were presented with the Major Donor crystal piece, pins and charm.

What a wonderful way to honor our small but mighty club --- we will continue to add to this group and to our individual honors.

Submitted by Jeanne Hamele



Paul Harris Fellows

Victor – Farmington Rotary Club

There are times when even the best planned events can be disrupted by the unexpected. The V-F club's annual salute to the law enforcement officer's who serve the V-F community was such an event.

The May 14th awards presentation honor a trooper, and a deputy were impacted by a bomb-threat incident at the Finger Lakes Community College (FLCC). Investigator Joseph Tobias of the Ontario County Sheriff's Department was scheduled to receive the club's service Above Self Award, as well as a Paul Harris Fellow bestowment. Both Investigator Tobias and Ontario County Sheriff David Cirencione were responding to the FLCC emergency and were not able to participate in the awards presentation.



Sgt. Dana Egburton explaining how drones are used by Sheriff's Department

However, flexibility is a Rotary trait when confronting situations such as this and the club was able to adjust upcoming programs to reschedule the presentation for June 4th. In making the presentation to Inv. Tobias it was noted that police officers often put their dedication to serve the public above concerns for their own personal safety. During the short, three-week delay in his award presentation three police officers died from hostile gunfire in the USA.

In conjunction with National Police Memorial Week, the club previously had presentations from the Sheriff's Department, State Police, and Ontario County District Attorney.

Submitted by Dave Luitweiler



Deputy Jonathan Cicero demonstrating drone capabilities



L to R - Lt. Lee Martin - Inv Joseph Tobias - Sheriff David Cirencione - V-F Club President John Summers



Rochester Northwest Rotary Club

The Rochester International Academy (RIA) was in the spotlight on Thursday May 29th with their Interact Club, founded 12 years ago specifically for refugee children. Rotarians gathered to present Interact pins to the students who every year raise thousands of vegetable plants for Foodlink and sunflowers for their annual fundraising project at the Rochester Public Market. The students send the donations received to international organizations who helped them before coming to this country: UN High Commission for Refugees, Doctors without Borders, International Red Cross, etc.

The highlight of this day was awarding a Paul Harris Fellow to RIA founder and principal Mary Andrecolich-Montesano. She has been extremely supportive and encouraging to development of Interact, as well as with staffing and access to the greenhouse in this former Jefferson High School. On hand for this award and pinnings were NW Rotarians Mike Coniff, Paul Minor, Bobbie Majka, PDG Julie Carney, DG Dave DeMers, DGE Jim Crane and DG Nominee Lisa Norwood.

Submitted by Judy Bennett



Paul Harris Fellow

Geneva Rotary Club

Bob McFadden, Treasurer of the Geneva Rotary Club, presented Izzy Alcock from Geneva High School with the Interactor of the Year award and a \$500 check, acknowledging her outstanding dedication and hard work that drove the Interact Club's achievements this year. The presentation was at the recent Geneva High Awards ceremony. The Geneva club also gave out \$1,000 to Sophie Augustine, recipient of the Mary Luckern Service Above Self Award, and \$1,000 to Jack Cunningham, recipient of the Paul Kirsch Service Above Self Award.



Two members of the Geneva Rotary Interact Club at Geneva High School have been announced as the valedictorian and salutatorian of this year's graduating class. Rendell Belanger Curren is the valedictorian and Emily DeBolt is the salutatorian. Rendell is currently studying abroad in Rajamaki, Finland, in the Rotary District 7120 Youth Exchange Program. She attributed her academic success to her family, especially her parents, Elizabeth Belanger and Ethan Curren. She also expressed gratitude to all of her Geneva High teachers. Rendell plans to attend Williams College, but has not decided on a major yet. Emily will attend West Virginia University where she expects to major in biochemistry or forensic science. She would like to become a forensic scientist. She attributes her academic success to her general interest in learning and sense of commitment, as well as her parents, Janine and Ken DeBolt. Geneva Rotary has sponsored the Interact Club at Geneva High for many years and club members take part in Rotary Club activities and meetings.

Submitted by Phil Beckley



Victor - Farmington Rotary Club

The club's 2024-2025 Rotary YEX student, Jacob Lundgren (Sweden), was presented lapel pins from the NY State Police and US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to add to the pin collection for his YEX blazer.

Submitted by David Luitweiler



L to R: PP Dave Luitweiler and NYSP Major Kevin Sucher presenting pins to YEX Jacob Lundgren

Service Above Self



Rotaract Club of SUNY Geneseo



Hi everyone! I'm just here to let you know of a really cool project that some members from my club at SUNY Geneseo were able to do! Rotaract Club is funded by the Geneseo Rotary, and we'd like to thank them for the funding for our projects, this one included! We volunteered at the Livingston County Dog Control facilities, assisting by cleaning some of their facilities (that were already very well taken care of), organizing some of



the supplies, walking one of the pups, and ensuring that the used dog toys were all safe for play! They are an amazing asset to this community and I would like to share some pictures of the work we did! Also, they have a couple amazing pups, Reuben & Sozo, who are looking for homes! Reuben's the playful little pup you'll see in the picture with our group, but you'll also find their photos and bios on Livingston County Dog Control's page! Although Sozo isn't good with men, they're looking for lovin'!

[Livingston County Dog Control](#)

Submitted by Jillian Mitchell



SUNY Brockport Rotaract Club Award

Spencerport Rotary Club is happy to share that the Rotaract Club we are affiliated with at SUNY Brockport was recognized with a "Student Union Leadership and Activities (SULA) Community Fan Favorite" Award at this year's annual Student Organization Banquet. It was a wonderful moment for the Rotaract club and a reflection of the impact they've made this year.

Spencerport Rotary wants to thank Rotarian Mary Jo Orzech, Librarian at Brockport's Drake Memorial Library and the Rotaract liaison for her continued support and guidance to the students and thank you to the Rotaract Club President, Orlensy Castillo, Class of 2026.

Submitted by Colleen Farley



Roc City Rotary

Join Roc City Rotary for a fun-filled afternoon at **Three Heads Brewing** for our **Bags & Brews Cornhole Tournament** on **Saturday, June 21st** from **1 PM to 5 PM!**



1st Place Prize: \$150 + Drink Tokens!



Enjoy craft beer selections and exciting raffles throughout the day!



Proceeds benefit **Roc City Rotary Club** and **Open Door Mission**.



Location: Three Heads Brewing, 186 Atlantic Ave, Rochester, NY 14607



Registration: \$50 per team | \$30 individual



Register early – space is limited! More info: bit.ly/RocCity2025

Come toss some bags, sip some brews, and support great local causes!

Thank you,

Kelsey Holland



Gananda Rotary Club

Gananda Rotary Club members held a clean up day in the community. Pictured here are some of the members who participated: Gabe Parulski, Don Reeners, Bridget Meredith, Theresa Downham, and Kristy Airy.

Submitted by Patti Holdraker



Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club

The Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club held its annual Road Rally on Saturday, May 10. Eight teams traversed all over the county deciphering clues of a small business location. What kind of clues? One clue was "Burt Ives sang this song in Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." Another clue for a different site was "76.8205° West". *Do you think you could determine the clues?*

Once the team determined the site, they needed to do a small task. At the Burt Ives site (a jeweler's store) they had to correctly match eight precious and semi-precious stones. The 76.8205° West site (a taphouse named after the latitude of its location) participants had to correctly county from the right side of the taps and state the name of the brew.

All money raised stays local for community organizations and their projects. Save the date for next year! It will be Saturday, May 9.



Submitted by Kelly Comfort

Gananda Rotary Club

Don Reeners was visiting a dairy farm one day and noticed a cow stanchion. He thought to himself, "if that was turned upside down, it would make a great bike rack."

Always looking for ways to promote Rotary and fundraise for his Gananda Rotary Club, Don spoke with the owner of Seneca Dairy Supply and asked the cost to make a bike rack from the already produced stanchion. He worked with a manufacturer to get a cost on incorporating the Rotary Wheel and the name of his club.

With that in mind, Don brought the idea back to his Club and suggested that these racks could be used for the Bike Rack project the club had discussed with the Gananda Central School District.

Three racks were ordered and the Gananda Rotary name and logo were added to each end of the stand. It will hold 6-12 bikes or e-bikes. and is very sturdy. The club agreed that it not only allowed them to offer a great service to the school, but it puts the Rotary name out there in the community. The school felt a need to incorporate bike racks, as e-bikes are becoming more popular and must be locked up while the students are in school.

The bike racks were ordered and delivered with weeks. They were on display at the Rotary 7120 District Learning Assembly last month to a great deal of positive feedback. The three racks were presented and installed at the Gananda School District last month.

The thought of coordinating with other local Rotary Clubs to give them an opportunity to serve their community and shine a light on Rotary projects, led Don to suggest that the club begin to take orders. For \$580 each (plus shipping from Romulus) you can contact the Gananda Rotary Club through their email at ganandarotary@gmail.com to place our order or ask questions. to add your club name to the rotary logo, an additional \$34 is charged.

This is a great idea for presenting to schools, parks, and community centers. It's also a wonderful way to celebrate Rotary and install bike racks in parks, and along rivers, lakes, waterways and especially at our great Erie Canal (bicentennial year) where much bike traffic occurs.

Submitted by Patti Holdraker



Clifton Springs Rotary Club

At the May 20th meeting of the Clifton Springs Rotary Club a \$1500 check was presented to David and Melissa Markel of the Seneca Falls Rotary to support irrigation, educational, and health initiatives at the Malawi Children's Village. The Clifton Springs Rotary has worked with the Seneca Falls Rotary for over 15 years on this significant humanitarian program in southeastern Africa. David will travel to Malawi from June 27th to July 12th of this year. He will visit several irrigation sites and look to replace aging treadle pumps with new solar pumps. These pumps can be purchased right there for \$250 thus avoiding costly shipping charges. While there he will purchase 20,000 lbs. of maize which will be stored at the children's village. This will be distributed in November/December to those in need.



The mission of the Children's Village "is to enhance the lives of orphans and other vulnerable children by providing health, social and educational resources in 39 villages along the southwest shore of Lake Malawi."

Submitted by Scott MacDonell

Rush Henrietta Rotary Club

Rush residents and members of the Rush Henrietta Rotary Club, Maureen and Steve Neumaier, became aware of a problem in their town. Speeding cars in the hamlet were creating dangerous situations for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. The hamlet is at the intersection of two major roads, Route 15A and Route 251. Maureen and Steve approached Rush Town Supervisor, Dan Woolaver, asking if the town would like some safety signs. The Town Supervisor and Highway Superintendent, David Kyle, were pleased to receive 5 signs to place in strategic locations. These signs are single-faced, reflective, size 24" x 36", aluminum gauge .080 and meet or exceed federal



road sign standards. The signs were installed in January near all 5 of the "Welcome to Rush" markers. The reflective material makes the signs stand out at night. The RH Rotary Club is happy to assist the town of Rush in making the roads safer!

Submitted by Maureen Neumaier



Bath Rotary Club

Eight graduating seniors from five area schools were awarded \$8500 collectively by the Bath Rotary Student Fund, Inc. (BRSF, Inc.), the scholarship arm of the Bath Rotary Club, as part of the organization's continuing commitment to help students further their education. The students, accompanied by their parents/guests, were honored by the local club on May 15 at its Annual Scholarship Recognition Luncheon held in Lyon Hall of the First Presbyterian Church of Bath. Also recognized as guests at this memorable and celebratory event were: Rotary District 7120 Governor Dave DeMers and his wife, Ann; Roy and Sandra Hepler, members of the Dr. Frank E. Nicklaus and Rachel Nicklaus family; Brian Markham and Leigh Markham Peck, members of the Ted Markham family; Heidi Burns, Avoca Central School Guidance Counselor; Tim Gallagher, Bath-Haverling Central School Guidance Counselor; Matt Holmes, Campbell-Savona Central School Guidance Counselor; Matt Burns, Hammondsport Central School Guidance Counselor; Aimee Bristol, Prattsburgh Central School Guidance Counselor. Also in attendance were Kelly Houck, Bath-Haverling Central School Superintendent, who is herself a Bath Rotarian, and her guest, Brett Harrison, Bath-Haverling Central School High School Principal, as well as fourteen other Bath Rotarians and four guests. The students were lauded for their outstanding academic achievement and extraordinary involvement in school and community activities, including service projects.

The program began with a welcome by Elaine Tears, Chairperson of the Bath Rotary Student Fund, Inc. Board of Directors and was followed by an inspirational invocation by John Gould, Bath Rotary Club President and a member of the BRSF, Inc. Board of Directors; the Pledge of Allegiance led by Eddie VanStine, Bath Rotary Club President-Elect and also a member of the BRSF, Inc. Board of Directors; the singing of "Rotary Bonds" led by Nancy Latour, a Bath Rotarian and the Rotary District 7120 Assistant Governor, Area 3.

After a bountiful salad bar and delicious dessert, provided by Waters Clubhouse and Catering, LLC, Tears introduced the recipients, announced the scholarship each had been awarded, and presented the recipient with a Certificate of Scholarship. The students then introduced their parents/guests who were in attendance. The awards, including the names of the recipients' parents, high school, and college plans are as follows:

Frank E. Nicklaus Memorial Scholarship (\$1500 each)

- Zayda Braun, daughter of Lisa Nichiporuk and Zegin Braun; Hammondsport Central School; Nazareth University; Speech Pathology
- McKenzie Calderwood, daughter of Steven and Deborah Calderwood; Prattsburgh Central School; Dakota State University; Dual Major in Production Animation and Digital Content Creation
- Leah Krelie, daughter of Chad and Lori Krelie; Bath-Haverling Central School; Corning Community College with a transfer to St. John Fisher University; Wegman's School of Pharmacy

Ted Markham Memorial Scholarship (Student must be entering the field of environmental studies, agricultural studies, or a related field.) (\$1000 each)

- Vivian Crane, daughter of Brian and Kimberly Crane; Avoca Central School; Alfred University; Environmental Engineering
- Corinne Ruddy, daughter of George and Jennifer Ruddy; Hammondsport Central School; University of Rhode Island; Biotechnology

Bath Rotary Club Scholarship (\$500 each)

- Sage Brinckerhoff, daughter of Nate and Wendy Brinckerhoff; Campbell-Savona Central School; Houghton University; Mathematics
- Austin Durand, son of Katie Durand; Bath-Haverling Central School; Duquesne University; Sports Media/Information
- Linsey Haff, daughter of Michael and Carrie Haff; Bath-Haverling Central School; Finger Lakes Community College; Hospitality and Tourism

Interact Scholarship (\$500)

- Leah Krelie, daughter of Chad and Lori Krelie; Bath-Haverling Central School; Corning Community College with a transfer to St. John Fisher University; Wegman's School of Pharmacy

VanStine then presented the recipients with a yard sign stating "A Bath Rotary Scholarship Winner Lives Here" to be placed in their front yards. The Board of Directors for the Bath Rotary Student Fund, Inc., who enjoyed reading and rating the applications submitted by the students, include: Elaine Tears, Chairperson; Jane Russell, Treasurer; Benita Nesbitt, Secretary; John Gould; Tess McKinley; Cheryl Muller; Eddie VanStine. Rotary, an organization of business and professional leaders, provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. One of the commitments of this service organization is the awarding of scholarships.

Written by Elaine Tears Pictures by Tess McKinley



Frank E. Nicklaus Memorial Scholarship: Sitting left to right: Elaine Tears, Aimee Bristol, McKenzie Calderwood, Zayda Braun, Leah Krelie, Sandra Hepler, and Roy Hepler. Standing left to right: Tess McKinley, Carolyn Morford, Steven Calderwood, Kayla Nichiporuk, Lori Krelie, and Jane Russell.



Bath Rotary Club Scholarship: Rotary District 7120 Governor Dave DeMers, Ann DeMers, Sage Brinckerhoff, Austin Durand, Linsey Haff, Matt Holmes, and Tim Gallagher. Standing left to right: Rotary District 7120 Assistant Governor Area 3 Nancy Latour, Nate Brinckerhoff, Katie Durand, Carrie Haff, Brett Harrison, and Kelly Houck.



Ted Markham Memorial Scholarship and Interact Scholarship: Sitting left to right: Brian Markham, Heidi Burns, Vivian Crane, Leah Krelie, Corinne Ruddy, Matt Burns, and Leigh Markham Peck. Standing left to right: John Gould, Kimberly Crane, Lori Krelie, Jennifer Ruddy, George Ruddy, and Eddie VanStine.

Webster Rotary Club

On a beautiful Thursday evening, the Webster Rotary Club gathered at Webster's Sandbar Park to dedicate their first Peace Pole in the town of Webster. A second Peace Pole is planned for Webster in the very near future.



Submitted by Joe Corona



Pal -Mac Rotary Club



At our last meeting in May we hosted Kathleen Cornwell, a Music Therapist and owner of Life Itself Music Therapy. She began her presentation with having us identify and sing a few familiar songs. This demonstrated how easy it is to remember, and helped us understand how music can be therapeutic to those with memory issues.



From there, Kathleen enabled us to see the benefits of music in rehabilitation and end-of-life care. Her gentleness and sense of humor were evident throughout.

Our club president, Marie Fessler, recovering from a recent right shoulder replacement, led us in expressing appreciation for this wonderful experience.

Submitted by Jeff Crawford

Honeoye Lake Rotary Club

On June 4th, Dave Richardson, president of the HLRC, attended Honeoye Central School's awards celebration for the high school students. Dave had the honor of presenting Cora Gillette the scholarship HLRC gave in honor/memory of Jim Kozlowski, our famous Wizard of Clay. Jim and his wife, Lois, were wonderful supporters of the club, attending our golf tournament for many years until Jim retired as the Wizard and they moved out of the area. Their many pieces of pottery donated to the tournament made sure the club was financially able to support many community service projects in the Honeoye area and beyond.

Cora was selected by her teachers and was surprised to receive this scholarship. She plans to pursue art as her future career and we were surprised to learn after presenting this scholarship to her that she actually worked at the Wizard of Clay the summer of 2024! Congratulations, Cora, and thank you Jim and Lois for all the support you gave to the HLRC.

Submitted by Jeanne Hamele



Bath Rotary Club

Instead of its regular, weekly club meeting several members of the Bath Rotary Club attended a social event, planned by Bath Rotarian Jane Russell, on May 28th at the Living Roots Winery, located just outside of Hammondspport. Jourdan Dyer, Manager of the Living Roots Winery in the Finger Lakes, spoke to the Rotarians about the local vineyards, wines available, and winery itself and also noted that there are similar vineyards and winery in the Adelaide Hills' region of South Australia as well as an urban winery and tasting room in the Rochester area.



Bath Rotarians recently enjoyed an afternoon social event at the Living Roots Winery. Standing left to right are: Mike Slovak, Jo Slovak, Bill White, Angela Mattoon, Jane Russell, Jen Hutches, Nancy Latour, Benita Nesbitt, Brandi Graham, Eddie VanStine, Cheryl Muller, Jourdan Dyer (Manager of the Finger Lakes Living Roots Winery), LeighAnn Rumsey, and Joe Rumsey. Also present was Bath Rotarian Jami Long, who was taking the picture.

If any other District 7120 clubs are looking for a site for a social event, the Bath Rotarians encourage their members to consider a trip to the Living Roots Winery. Check out its website for details: www.livingrootswine.com.

Written by Elaine Tears

Pictures by Eddie VanStine & Jami Long



Jourdan Dyer, Manger of the local Living Roots Winery, spoke to the Bath Rotarians about the winery's vineyards, wines, etc. as the local Rotarians enjoyed their glasses of wine and appetizers.

The Rotarians enjoyed their glasses of wine and appetizers, prepared by the winery staff. All who attended stated that Dyer and her were very knowledgeable and welcoming. The expansive tasting facility also provided an epic view of Keuka Lake. The local Rotarians indeed enjoyed the late afternoon of fellowship and look forward to their next social event.



The Living Roots Winery and its vineyards provide an unmatched view of Keuka Lake. Unfortunately, it was a very rainy and foggy afternoon which blocked some of the best views of the lake when the Bath Rotarians visited the winery on May 28th.

Perry Rotary

Perry Rotary purchased 100 Giant Arborvitaes (4-5' tall) that were planted along the back of the public property. Each one is being staked and, in the fall, will be protected by burlap and fencing. Pictured taking a break, stake placers Past President Jeff Fitch and new Rotarian Duane Baker. The club worked with the Village's Department of Public Works. Rotarians also worked in and around the park and downtown during the annual Perry Clean Sweep to beautify these public spaces for the warm weather traffic. Most gratifying was seeing the many children enjoying the Rotary/Village sponsored Splash Park in the Lake Street Village Park on the first hot Saturday in Perry.

Submitted by Lorraine Sturm



Canandaigua Rotary Annual Awards

At a recent meeting of the Canandaigua Rotary Club it was announced that Doug Merrill was chosen as the Rookie Rotarian of the Year.

Pictured at upper right are: Mark Sheppard, Doug Merrill and Club President Kim Tenreiro:

Also announced was Small Business Person of the Year was Sam Viggiani, owner of Uber Lawn and Landscape.

Pictured at lower right are: Canandaigua Chamber CEO Tracey Dello Stritto, Sam Viggiani, Donna Miller, and Club President Kim Tenreiro:



Also announced was the Rotarian of the Year was Kathi Nevin.

Pictured left are Club President Kim Tenreiro, Kathi Nevin and husband Dr Phil Nevin:

Information and photos by: Jack Kellogg

Lima Rotary Club

May brought our small town's big Parade and celebration for Memorial Day.

We're proud to be part of this strong, patriotic community. That has a tradition for showing love and respect for our fallen heroes. Our Lima Rotary participated in the parade and activities after. We are growing strong with the help of our community.

Submitted by Lisajo Keeler



Fairport Rotary Club Volunteers Honor Local Veterans on Memorial Day

For the eighth consecutive year, members of Fairport Rotary came together on Memorial Day to support and honor our local veterans in a meaningful and practical way. Each year during the annual Fairport Parade, local veterans, including our own John Hall, ride in convertibles as part of the procession before attending the ceremony at Potter Park. To help them transition comfortably from the end of the parade route to their seats for the ceremony — and to assist those who needed additional transportation afterward — we organized a golf cart shuttle service staffed entirely by Rotary volunteers.



A heartfelt **thank you** goes out to the dedicated Rotarians who gave their time and energy to assist our veterans this year. Special recognition to **Bob Linder, Dan Arbuckle, Dom Cecconi, Bob Ruhland, Maureen Hall, Connie Borkhuis, George Wolf, Heinrich Fischer, Scott Baker, Dave and Sue Scheirer, Mike Lischak, Mark DeBacco, and Tom Povlock** for their outstanding efforts throughout the event. Their teamwork and spirit of service exemplify *Service Above Self*.

It's a tradition we're proud to continue — a small but meaningful gesture of gratitude for the men and women who have served our country.

Submitted by Domenick Cecconi



Dansville Rotary Club

NOYES/UR HOSPITAL RECEIVES UPDATED WAITING ROOM SEATING

Dansville Rotary Club recently secured a District grant to provide much needed new chairs for the waiting room at the Noyes/UR Mental Health Clinic in Dansville. This upgrade of furnishings helps create a more welcoming and comfortable space for clients and their families. Rotarian Barb Frazer, a Noyes hospital Board member and Rotary President Amy Pollard are pictured with the new equipment in the waiting room of the Mental Health Clinic.

Submitted by Teresa Dearing



Rotary Club of Elmira

The Able2 Community Garden received a well-deserved upgrade thanks to the support of the Rotary Club of Elmira and Seth Youngs Landscaping. A special ribbon cutting ceremony was held on Tuesday June 3rd to commemorate the new garden features including new and expanded pavers, wheelchair accessible garden beds, and plants, making the garden more inclusive and wheelchair accessible. The project was partially funded with a District 7120 Simplified Grant.

The Community Garden was established in 2015 and is located behind Able2 on Old Ithaca Road in Horseheads. The garden donates food to serve those in need through the Food Bank of the Southern Tier, Catholic Charities' Samaritan Center, and to the individuals who live or work within Able2's programs. The Erin Garden Club and LECOM maintain other areas of the garden space.



L-R: Katrina Manning; President of Rotary Club of Elmira, Matt Guagliardo; Past President Rotary Club of Elmira, Marge Redfield; Erin Garden Club, Todd S.; Able2, Terri Reed; Able2

Submitted by Katrina Manning

Dansville Rotary Club

ROTARIANS IN THE DOGWOOD
PARADE MAY 17, 2025

Rotarians celebrated the Dansville community and its history at the annual Dogwood Festival Parade on Saturday, May 17th. "The Magic of Rotary" was featured by the Club's annual support of Genesee Valley Rotary Camp, the Red Cross (with Clara Barton represented by President Amy Pollard), the Dansville Granola Company, and the Dansville Gliders baseball team. Rotarians distributed granola bars to many watchers along the parade route.



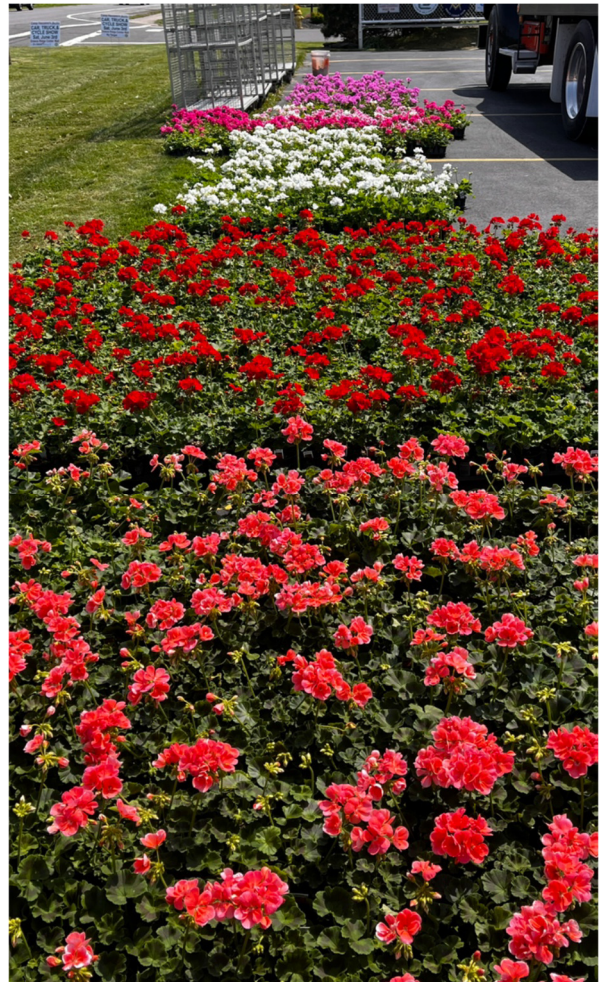
Pictured walking, in addition to President Amy on the float as Clara Barton, are Dansville Rotarians Kelly Hoag, Natacia Schledorn, and Janet Martucio.

Submitted by Teresa Dearing

Spencerport Rotary Club

Spencerport Rotary Club's annual Geranium sale proved to be a success again this year with 2,000 plants sold. A big thank you to the club members who had numerous presales and especially those who volunteered their time - Michele and Kos Mihalitsas, Joe Marasco and Kathy Magin.

Submitted by Colleen Farley



Spencerport Rotary Club

Spencerport Rotary Club and the Spencerport Central School District partnered to present a free concert to area residents. The concert opened with performances by two of the school's incredibly gifted musical groups - the Vocal Jazz Group and the Wind Ensemble. Then the 198th Army Band took the stage and presented the audience with an incredible concert. The highlight of the evening was a salute to all the branches of the military – the band played a portion of each branches' official song and asked veterans of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard as well as their families to stand to be honored when they heard their song. The concert was very well received. Thank you to all the club members involved, especially Annette, Sean and Sophia McCabe who coordinated the concert with the band and the school and Christina Bowerman who coordinated the school's participation.

Submitted by Colleen Farley



Chemung County Sunrise Rotary

Our club had a very busy month in May. It started out with seven of our members attending the District Conference in Corning, New York. Our poster displayed at the conference won the Biggest Community Impact under the theme Expanding our Reach. Our Facebook page took second place due to our President Elect, Kelly Camfort. Kelly does an amazing job in making our page current and highlighting events and the purpose of Rotary. We sold cookies this month to raise funds for Camp STAR. We contacted Mrs. Jean's Kitchen in the Woods to provide the cookies and sold 108 baker's dozens!

Submitted by Sandra Jessup



Chemung Sunrise Rotary Purse Bingo Sandy Jessup, Kelly Comfort, Peter Wallin, Jackie Stevens, Melissa Morse, Beth Stranges, Lisa Venture, Jodi Crouse



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second

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third

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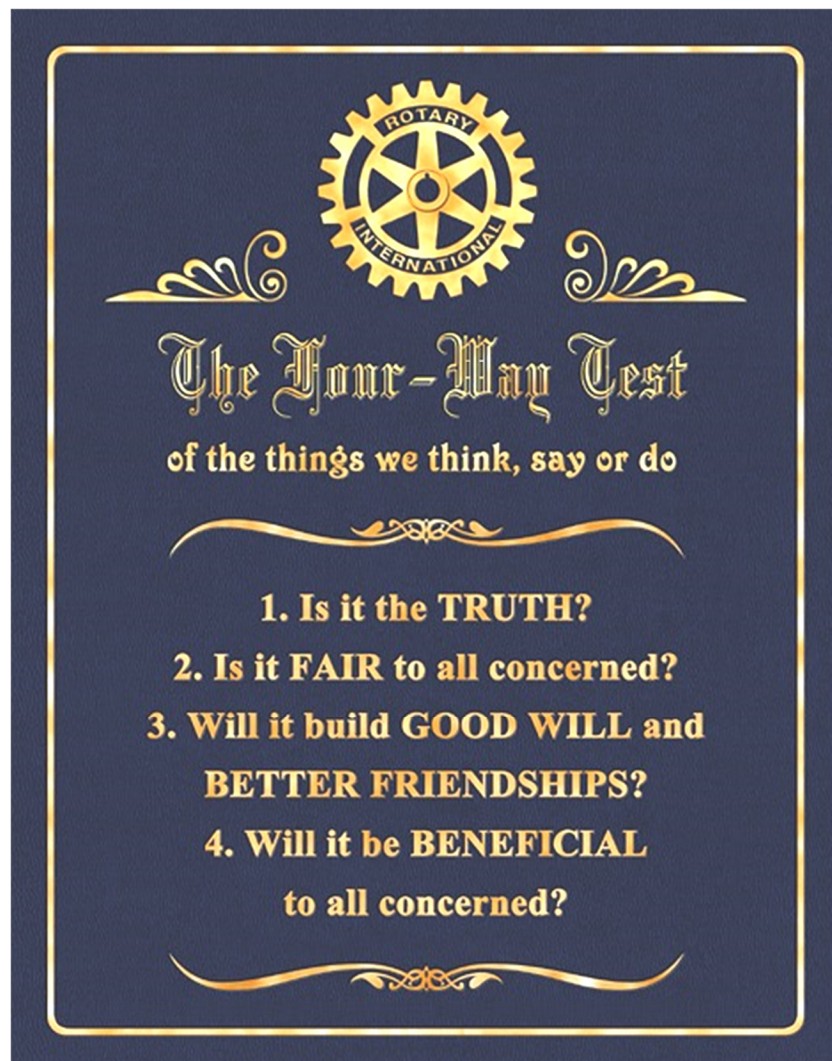
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There are two ways to get your club event onto the District Calendar.

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.

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9/12/25

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Festival**



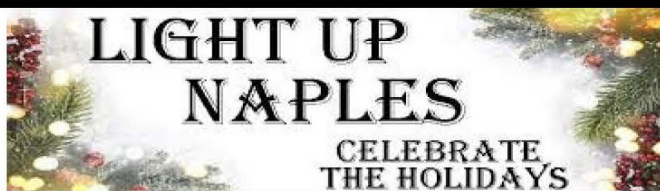
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Call Andrew Urckfitz at (585) 340-8660 or email at urckfitz@penfield.org





Be Well and Lima Rotary Presents



Sleep Better, Stress Less

Join us to learn about how to get quality sleep, how to manage your stress, and stay in the present, and how both can improve overall health and wellbeing!

June 19, 2025 6pm-8pm at the Lima Library



Jericho Banker, RN, MSN, FNP-C

Jericho is a Nurse practitioner of Family Health, and she completed her Master's Thesis on Sleep in Older Adults. With over 25 years experience in healthcare, she has counseled patients on wellness practices, including getting better sleep. She believes quality sleep is the best insurance policy for health and longevity. Jericho is also a member of Lima Rotary

Christine Steerman, PhD

Dr. Steerman is a Clinical Psychologist who has been working with children and families locally for over 40 years. She has worked in several settings. And has experience with a number of common behavioral health issues such as stress, anxiety, conflict, parenting issues and isolation. She is a current member of Lima Ambulance, Lima Rotary, Lima's Green Team and Lima's Be Well Committee.



ROC CITY ROTARY FUNDRAISER

BAGS & BREWS

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

**SATURDAY,
JUNE 21**

1PM - 5PM



\$50 TEAM
REGISTRATION

\$30 INDIVIDUAL
REGISTRATION

CRAFT BEER SELECTIONS & RAFFLES!

Proceeds will support Roc City Rotary Club & Open Door Mission.



**THREE HEADS
BREWING**

186 Atlantic Ave, Rochester, NY 14607

Roc City
Rotary



MORE INFORMATION

bit.ly/RocCity2025

2025 Geneseo Rotary Summer Festival Crafter/Vendor Application
Geneseo Village Park. Corner NYS Routes 20A & 39 Geneseo NY
July 11 and 12

The Village of Geneseo requires a CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE naming the Village of Geneseo, 119 Main St. Geneseo, N.Y. 14454, as additionally insured. Minimum of Liability is \$300,000. Please include this Certificate of Insurance when returning this form. Please be sure the box labeled ADDL INSD is checked off by your insurance company and that the Village of Geneseo is listed as the CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

If you do not carry insurance please call 585-243-4498 for other arrangements.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____
Telephone _____ email _____
Primary Contact _____

Please describe craft or product _____

I Would like to rent _____ 10X10 spaces at \$125 each _____

I Would like to rent _____ 8ft tables at \$10 each _____

Total Enclosed _____

Please make checks payable to Geneseo Rotary Festival, Send to Stephen R. Wiener DMD,
22 Elm St. Geneseo, N.Y. 14454. For Questions Steve Wiener 585-243-4498 or
stephenrichardwiener@gmail.com

Festival Times Friday 10 AM-9 PM Saturday 10 AM - 10 PM

You will be sent a confirmation letter explaining times, site location, parking information.

There is no smoking or vaping in the park

If cancellation becomes necessary, your payments will be refunded.

Thank you, Geneseo Rotary



FRIDAY, JULY 11th
SATURDAY, JULY 12th
VILLAGE PARK





Camp Star Golf Tournament
4 Person Scramble Indian Hills Golf Course
Monday July 21, 2025
Sign in at 11:00 Shotgun at 12:00
Player's Application

By playing in the Camp Star Golf Tournament, you are helping to send children with disabilities to a summer sleepover camp. An opportunity they would not have without the generous support of people like you.
Thanks for being a good neighbor!

A \$90.00 entrance fee for each player must accompany this application. Please write the check to Camp Star and mail to:
Marianne Kalec/Camp Star
PO Box 697
Horseheads, NY 14845

Additional information?
Campstargolf@stny.rr.com
607-738-2819

Fee includes golf, cart and dinner

- Golfer's Name: _____
Address: _____
Email _____ Phone: _____

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Spring 2025

Dear Sponsor,

The Camp Star Board is planning its Annual Golf Tournament. The Golf Tournament will be held at the Indian Hills Golf Course on Monday July 21, 2025. Sponsorship, donations, and golfer entry fees will be used to support 60 special needs children for six days at camp.



Camp Star is a summer camp for special needs children between the ages of 6 and 12 years of age that otherwise cannot attend camp. This camp is held annually at the Y at Watson Homestead in August and the funds from this tournament will help to allow us to offer this camp at no cost to the camper. The cost is over \$700.00 per camper for an entire week of fun designed just for their special needs.

Depending on your level of Sponsorship (see enclosed flyer for Sponsorship levels), your business may receive valuable publicity such as:

1. Signage at the event
2. Product booth at the event
3. Recognition in printed materials
4. Advertising and links on our Camp Star Website

We also welcome donations for the raffle as well as special prizes for example longest drive, closest to pin, team prize winners and last place team, We hope that you can help us make this a great event!

Door prizes are always welcome!

Respectfully yours,

Marianne Kalec
Camp Star Golf Tournament Chairperson
PO Box 697
Horseheads, NY 14845
607-738-2819

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

(SPONSOR MUST BE REGISTERED BY JULY 15, 2025 TO BE LISTED ON THE GOLF BROCHURE)

- \$ 100.00 Friend of Camp Star Sponsorship (Name listed in Brochure)
- \$ 200.00 Tee and/or Green Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on course)
- \$ 200.00 Closest to the Pin Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on course)
- \$ 200.00 Straightest Drive Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on course)
- \$ 350.00 Dessert Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on tables)
- \$ 500.00 Beverage Cart Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on cart)
- \$ 500.00 Lunch Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and sign on tables at lunch)
- \$ 750.00 Scorecard Sponsorship (Name in Brochure and Name on all the scorecards)
- \$ 1,200.00 Cart Sponsorship
 - Name in Brochure, Name on all Carts, One Team Entry Fee
- \$ 1,200.00 Awards/ Dinner Sponsorship
 - Name Banner on Display at Dinner, In Brochure, One Team Entry Fee

Donations: Monetary, raffle items, other. (Raffle items valued over \$100 may be used as Grand Prizes.)

Name as it is to be displayed: _____

Item Description: _____ Approx. \$ value: _____

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Tax ID 23-7063766

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Camp Star 501(c)3
PO Box 697
Horseheads, NY 14845
607-738-2819



HONEOYE LAKE ROTARY
40th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

CONSIDERED THE BEST LITTLE TOURNAMENT FOR THE MONEY

Monday, July 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM SHARP!

Registration starts at 9:00 AM with Reception/Dinner 4:30PM

FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE – Lima Country Club
GREAT FUN!!! – GREAT PRIZES!!!

Proceeds To Benefit Honeoye Lake Rotary Community & Youth Projects, and support Camp ONSEYAWA

*Please reserve a spot for us in the four-person scramble for the benefit of
HONEOYE LAKE ROTARY COMMUNITY, YOUTH PROJECTS, & Camp ONSEYAWA.*

Captain's Name: _____ **2nd Person** _____

Address: _____ **3rd Person** _____

_____ **4th Person** _____

Email address _____

___ Check if you do NOT have a foursome and would like us to assign you to one.

Golf, Cart, Lunch, Dinner & 5 Raffle Tickets per person \$ 115

Dinner and 5 Raffle Tickets..... per person \$ 37

Make checks payable to: Honeoye Lake Rotary Foundation

Mail to: Honeoye Lake Rotary, P.O. Box 674, Honeoye, NY 14471 by 7/21/2025

GOLF HOLE SPONSORSHIP

_____ **Corporate-Patron @ \$175.00 each includes golf & dinner for 1 person**

_____ **Associate – Eagle @ \$100.00 each**

_____ **Affiliate – Birdie @ \$75.00 each**

_____ **Friend – Par @ \$50.00 each**

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____ Questions: Jeanne Hamele 585-729-9118 or jnnhamele@aol.com

Name to be used on sign: _____

42nd Annual Spencerport Rotary Golf Tournament Saturday, August 9th, 2025

- Location:** Timber Ridge Golf Club
7061 W. Ridge Rd., Brockport
- When:** Saturday, August 9, 2025
11:30 AM Registration/lunch/putting contest
1:00 PM Shotgun Start
- Cost:** \$125* entry fee per player / \$500 per foursome

** Includes Gift Bag with 2 Beer Tickets (No outside alcohol allowed)
Automatic entry into 50/50 - \$15 value, basket raffle tickets - \$10 value
Extra 50/50 and basket raffle tickets available \$10 each*

Shotgun Start with Scramble Format
Awards for Men's, Ladies and Mixed Teams
Lunch at registration – hot dog or hamburger, chips, soft drink
Water and soda on course
Buffet Dinner

PUTTING CONTEST SPONSORED BY Spencerport Schools Robotics Team

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/42nd-annual-spencerport-rotary-golf-tournament>

Or mail registration form with check

Questions? Email Joe Marasco at joedovetree@yahoo.com



PARTIAL PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO SUPPORT THE OGDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT



Team Registration Form

Team Name _____

Address _____

City State & Zip _____

Telephone # _____

Email _____

Players

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Extra 50/50 Qty: _____ @ \$10 each = _____

Extra basket raffle: Qty: _____ @ \$10 each = _____

Dinner only: Qty: _____ @ \$25 each = _____

Mail with check to:

Spencerport Rotary

Golf Tournament

PO Box 274

Spencerport, NY 14559

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

NEWARK ROTARY FAMILY FEST

SATURDAY
23RD AUGUST
11.00AM TO 7.00PM

FREE ENTRY

FIREMAN'S FIELD
100 BARKER PKWY
NEWARK

NEWARK
Rotary
Club

LIVE MUSIC
RUBY SHOOZ

VENDORS

SILENT AUCTION

FOOD AND GAMES

Family Fest

Check the District Calendar
for additions and changes

“Click” on the calendar



Upcoming DISTRICT Events

District 7120 Changeover Dinner

June 29 Ravenwood Golf Club

District Golf Tournament

September 12 Reservoir Creek Golf Club
Naples, N.Y.

Upcoming CLUB Events

Rochester Deaf Rotary Club

Coupon Book Sale

Rotary Club of International Service

Build-A-Chair Project

June 14 & 15 Gananda Rotary Club
Garage Sale

June 16 Penfield Rotary Club

Golf Tournament with the Town of Penfield and
Kiwanis Club

June 19 Lima Rotary Club

Sleep Beter. Stress Less.

June 21 Roc City Rotary Club

Bags & Brews

July 11 & 12 Geneseo Rotary Club

Summer Festival

July 21 Camp Star

Golf Tournament

July 28 Honeoye Lake Rotary

40th Annual Golf Tournament

August 9 Spencerport Rotary Club

Golf

August 23 Newark Rotary Club

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



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every month**