

Rotary District 7150 NEWSLETTER

August 2018



BE THE INSPIRATION

July was a busy and exciting month for yours truly. I have visited 18 of the 43 clubs in our district. During those visits I met so many fine people and enjoyed listening to their personal Rotary stories. The friendliness and hospitality I have experienced so far has meant a great deal to me. Thank you all for making me feel welcome! The number of projects, fundraisers and events our clubs have been involved in during the spring and summer is absolutely amazing. A Rotarian at one of my visits stated that the difference between Rotary and other service organizations is that we serve everyone, no matter what age, gender or national origin. Hearing and seeing the breadth of our club's activities confirms that the Rotary clubs in District 7150 exemplify that ideal.

At the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, one of the speakers gave the audience tips to lead a more fulfilling life. I would like to share those tips with you:

1. Be kind to yourself.
2. Make time for silence.
3. Curtail intake of news.
4. Treat each day like a precious gift.
5. Take a thirty-second break three times a day.
6. Express love tangibly.
7. Say affirmations.
8. Make a difference – reach out beyond one's normal scope.

Have a fun-filled and inspiring rest of the summer!

Peace,
District Governor Marv
marvd7150@gmail.com

CLICK HERE TO SEE DG MARV'S CLUB VISIT SCHEDULE

Please contact him at marvd7150@gmail.com
if your club still needs to schedule a visit!

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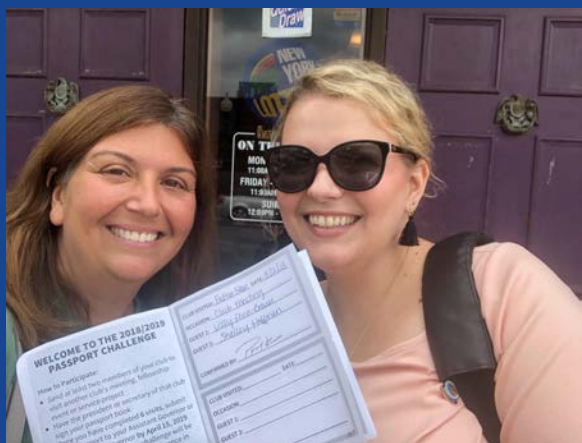
This month it's a match game - how well do you know what other clubs are up to? [Click here](#) to match five clubs with their projects and get your submission to DG Marv by September 15th.

[Click here](#) to download a fun Rotary word search puzzle - there's still time to get your July contest in by August 15th!

Email completed entries to
marvd7150@gmail.com or snail mail to:
Marv Joslyn, 3287 Twilight Crt
Baldwinsville NY 13027

PASSPORTS ARE BEING SIGNED - IS YOURS?

Rotarians are getting out of their comfort zones and visiting other clubs using the buddy system to get their Passport to Service signed. Have you started on this challenge yet? If so, capture the moment and share on social media (and with this newsletter) to inspire others to get involved. Expand your horizons and get to know more Rotarians from around the district. You never know what new collaborations and inspirations you will find!



Baldwinsville Rotarians Lizzy & Shelley visited the Fulton Noon Rotary Club in early August, getting the first signature in their club's passport from Fulton Club President Pat!

WHAT IS YOUR CLUB DOING ON OCT 24?

District Governor Marv is encouraging all clubs in District 7150 to plan an event to recognize World Polio Day on October 24, 2018. Consider how you could shine a light on the progress we have made toward defeating this disease and educate more people about the final push to banish it from the face of the earth.

Most of us have never planned a WPD event, so [click here](#) for an article with four ways to create buzz around this special date so you can rise to the challenge!



RYLA PHOTOS UP

This year's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards students were another impression group of young leaders. They spent a weekend in July hearing from inspirational speakers, getting to know their leadership style and honing those skills through service. Thanks to the clubs that sponsor a student (or two) each year and to PDG Phyllis for leading the charge on this inspirational project! Check out photos from the entire weekend on our district homepage at www.rotary7150.org.

ACTS OF KINDNESS IN D7150

Another challenge from DG Marv this year to live our theme "Be The Inspiration" by spreading kindness in our communities. The Acts of Kindness program asks clubs to plan an activity that will bring someone else joy and document it with photo and/or video. All clubs that participate and submit their photos/videos will be recognized at the District Celebration in Lake Placid next May. The top three will receive a special prize. The first Acts of Kindness are already rolling in. If they inspire you, feel free to do them in your community. Thanks to the Mohawk Valley Rotary Club for embracing the project right away and sharing great photos from their activities!

Top Photo: MVRC members volunteered to serve dinner at the Ilion Elk's Lodge #1444 for Drums along the Mohawk's Pioneer Drum and Bugle Corps members.

Bottom Photo: MVRC also had a wonderful time visiting with residents of Valley Health Services, a local senior living facility.

[Click here](#) for more about the program and get some inspiration!



CHECK HERE FOR MEMBERSHIP PROGRESS

DG Marv's goal for this Rotary year is to get our district membership up to 1,200 strong. After all the database updates at the start of the Rotary year, we are currently at 1,122, which means each club needs to net +2 for the Rotary year. Check here for the thermometer indicating our progress towards achieving this and, as always, the latest in membership news to inspire your clubs to grow! See pg 4.

A large thermometer graphic with a black frame and a red liquid level. The scale on the right side of the thermometer ranges from 1,100 to 1,200 in increments of 20. The red liquid level is currently at 1,122.

D7150 GRANTS AWARDED

The District Grants team has made the tough decisions and divvied up the grants fund among 23 club requests, including two joint projects. [Click here](#) for a breakdown of the fund allocations.

GET A TOUR OF OUR SITE

[Home](#) [News/Events -](#) [District Conference](#) [Resources -](#) [Youth -](#) [Programs -](#) [Training -](#) [Useful Pages -](#)

Check out the re-organized menu bar at the top of the district web site or just contact District Public Image Chair and Web Master Lizzy to be a program at your next club meeting. She can walk your members through all the resources available on your site (and answer any public image questions while there!). Contact her at ebrown@advancemediany.com today!

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH IN ROTARY

The goal has been outlined and the thermometer is fired up to keep us on task this Rotary year. August is the perfect month to set forth your plan to grow your club so you can inspire even more in your community. There are many resources available to clubs so you can be successful in these efforts. Have your club's Membership Chair take the lead, but remind your members that this should be something the entire club works on together.

Can you improve diversity in your membership?
How can you enhance the club experience to make it appealing to current & new members?
Do you know why members have left your club?
Do you have an attractive & informative club brochure or way to leave information with a potential member?
What is the orientation process for a new member?

WHERE TO START

Follow these steps and utilize the resources for each in My Rotary:

- Assess Your Club
- Engage Current Members
- Connect With Prospective Members
- Follow Up With Member Leads
- Make New Members Feel Welcome
- Develop Your Club

[Click here](#) for help with all of these steps, including downloadable materials, best practices, educational materials you can share with the club and much more!

PROMOTING YOUR CLUB WITH PEOPLE OF ACTION

Although most of the public knows our name, our latest research tells us that too many prospective members or supporters do not fully understand Rotary. Nearly 60 percent of those surveyed said they were unaware that a Rotary club exists in their own community.

The People of Action campaign helps you bring Rotary's story to life by showing Rotary members as the people of action we are. Telling our People of Action stories in a meaningful, coordinated way builds the public's understanding of who we are and what we do. It highlights the impact we make in our communities and around the world. [Click here](#) to learn how to tell your People of Action story.

A big part of telling this story is showcasing it in photos, but NOT with the typical Rotary scene of two people standing still while posing for the camera! You will also need to factor in the text that we want you to overlay on the images to brand the campaign. [Click here](#) for the photography style guide & share with your club's main photog!

CELEBRATION ZONE 2018



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT IN ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA

Come to the Zone Institute & Level Up Your Rotary Skills

SEPTEMBER 26-30, 2018

Travel to the shores of Lake Erie for inspiring speakers, leadership development and, most importantly, fun! Join leaders at the zone level for a whole new training and transformational experience. Typically attended by district leaders, this really is a great program for any Rotarian! Entitled the "Celebration Zone," this year's event will be celebrating life, leadership, success, Rotary and the world.

Learn More &
Register at
www.CelebrationZone.org

ROTARY REEF UPDATE

In the calm blue waters of Lamon Bay in Quezon Province, Philippines, lies a source of pride for local fishermen and a submerged salute to Rotary: an artificial reef in the shape of a Rotary wheel. The wheel has helped restore the local fishing industry, which was devastated by large-scale commercial fishing vessels that used dynamite, cyanide, and fine mesh nets from the late 1990s through the early 2000s. [Click here](#) to see how the reef is doing today & learn how it was funded.



ROTOPLAST IS SPREADING SMILES

Since 1993, Rotarians in Chile and the United States have been teaming up to provide life-altering reconstructive surgeries for thousands of children with cleft lips, cleft palates, and other birth defects. The project got its start when San Francisco Rotarians sponsored a medical mission. That was the beginning of Rotaplast, a program that evolved into a nonprofit organization that has since sent teams to 26 countries. [Click here](#) to learn more about their impact.

THE FUTURE OF ROTARY LEADERSHIP

Sushil Kumar Gupta, of the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest, Delhi, India, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for



2020-21. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested. Gupta says he wants to increase Rotary's humanitarian impact as well as the diversity of its membership. [Click here](#) to read more on Sushil.

NOMINATE A DGND

All Rotarians in District 7150 received an email on July 21st notifying everyone that your district leadership team is now seeking nominations for the 2021/22 District Governor (also known as the District Governor Nominee Designate!). We have a whole page on the site with information about what a good candidate for District Governor would look like and what the qualifications are, as well as frequently asked questions and the nomination form. [Click here](#) for all of that information. **Nominations are due no later than September 21, 2018.**

CURRENT DG LINE-UP

District Governor 2018/19: Marv Joslyn
Baldwinsville Rotary

District Governor Elect (2019/20):
Randy Wilson, Sauquoit Rotary

District Governor Nominee (2020/21):
Cheryl Matt, DeWitt Rotary

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 20TH

@ THE MINER'S TABLE AT 6:30PM



\$40/person or \$75/couple
All Rotarians & friends are invited!

Proceeds will help rehab a home with Habitat for Humanity of Herkimer County, paying for the materials needed for the project!



Rotary's

Big Bucks Raffle

*Must be 18 years of age or older to enter

*Only 100 Tickets
to be Sold!*

Tickets cost \$100 each.

THREE PRIZES

1st: \$3,500 • 2nd: \$1,000 • 3rd: \$500

Proceeds benefit Oswego Rotary Club
programs and scholarships

*Actual winnings based on number of tickets sold.
1st prize gets 35%, 2nd place gets 10%, 3rd place gets 5%

Available from: Dufore's for Diamonds,
The Palladium-Times, or any Rotarian.

Drawing on: *November 3, 2018, at the Rotary Italian Feast
at the American Foundry in Oswego
*No need to be present to win.

It's at the discretion of the Oswego Rotary Club that if all tickets sell quickly,
a drawing will be held before November 3rd, and a second raffle will be started.

SWING



GOLF FOR A CAUSE

SATURDAY, AUG 18

Elmcrest Golf Course, Fulton

8am start | \$85/person

CASH PRIZES

Steak & Bake to Follow

[CLICK HERE](#)

to download a registration form

Chittenango Rotary



Presents



2018-19 SU MEN'S BB SEASON PASS RAFFLE

DRAWING PARTY
OCT 13, 6-8 PM

WILLIAM CAIN
AMERICAN LEGION
POST #1287

\$20

*Includes admission for
you + guest to party

Only 500 Tickets
Will Be Sold!

WIN TWO
SEASON PASSES:
SECT 308 ROW C
SEATS 13-14

2ND PLACE: \$100

3RD PLACE: \$50

Proceeds to benefit local and worldwide projects for fighting disease, providing clean water,
supporting education, and promoting peace.

Buy tickets online at ChittenangoRotary.org

MORAVIA ROTARY AUCTION

Friday, August 17 at 6pm
Moravia Fire Dept
Keeler Ave, Moravia

FULTON SUNRISE AWARDS ROTARIAN OF EXCELLENCE

At a recent Fulton Sunrise Rotary meeting, Rotarian Abby Wiertzema was presented with the 2018 Rotarian of Excellence Award by President Dan Farfaglia. This award recognizes committed Rotarians and exemplifies Service Above Self.



SHOTS OF DG VISITS



A visit to Fulton Noon Rotary - from left to right, Fulton Noon President Pat Kinane, DG Marv and AG Jerry.



While at his home club, Baldwinsville Rotary, DG Marv (left) helped club foundation chair Joan (center) present Sean Becker with his Paul Harris +3



The Fulton Sunrise Club really stepped up the DG visit game with Marv faces for all of their members. What a hysterical memory for the District Governor's year!



During his visit with DeWitt Rotary, president Linda Ervin presented Marv with a check for \$1988.00 for Polio Plus. DeWitt Rotary raises money every year at their annual Pancake Day in support of Rotary International programs.

GET YOUR NEWS IN BY THE 25TH

Get your club's news and events submitted to the editor by the 25th of each month to be featured in the next month's edition. Remember that the publication date tends to be during the second week of the month and factor that into when you send in an event to be promoted! All submissions go to Lizzy at ebrown@advancemediany.com.

2018 Mohawk Valley Rotary Club
Fall Foliage 6th Annual Golf Tournament
Friday, September 28, 2018
Pine Hill Golf Course, Frankfort, NY

Registration: 2:15-3:15 pm / Shotgun Start: 3:30 pm
Includes: 9-hole scramble, cart, dinner, beer on course,
golf bag per 3 prizes and more! \$60.00 per golfer

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone/Fax: _____
Email: _____

☐ Corporate Priority Sponsorship: team, hole, company name/logo on publicity
\$200.00 inclusive

☐ I would like to sponsor a hole for \$20.00
Hole Sponsor Name: _____

☐ I would like to donate a door prize

☐ I would like to play and be placed on a team \$60

☐ I will sponsor a full team \$240

☐ I will sponsor a team & hole \$290

☐ Dinner Only -- \$15.00 per person

Please list all players below:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

Sponsors and players, please respond by September 21, 2018
Make checks out to: Mohawk Valley Rotary Club, PO Box 222, Hartford, NY 13345
For more information contact Roger Skinner at 315-868-2110 or Frank Green at 315-866-2110
Fields Open at 315-868-2110 or 315-866-2110

SEEKING SPONSORS!

SAVE THE DATE: FALL FOLIAGE GOLF TOURNAMENT



Mohawk Valley Rotary's 6th Annual Event

SEPTEMBER 28, 2018

For more info contact: Roger Skinner at (315) 868-3847 or Frank Green at (315) 866-2110

[Click here](#) to download a registration form:

MVRC CELEBRATES DISTRICT AWARDS

Mohawk Valley Rotary Club members came together to acknowledge the awards received from the District for the 2017-2018 Rotary year. The club received several awards including: Community Service, Rotary Foundation Recognition, Passport Award *Gold*, Membership Recognition, Exemplary Award, Club Service, & Communication award!



NEW HARTFORD RAISES FUNDS FOR VETS

New Hartford Rotary just finished our last concession stand on 8/1/18 for the New Hartford Citizen Band concerts this summer. The club was well represented and acknowledged at every concert, but at the last concert, band director Mike DiMeo recognized the club with a Certificate of Appreciation for all the club has done for the band, both this past year. Director DiMeo also noted that the funds raised this year were going to help furnish the temporary housing units at the Veteran's Outreach Center in Utica. This was the club's best year, grossing \$750.00 for the 5 events participated in. Shown in photo is NHCB Director Mike DiMeo presenting Certificate of Appreciation to President Mary Webster



POLIO STOPPERS PROJECT COMPLETE

PDG Ward closed out his PolioStoppers program at the Annual District Changing of the Guard event. The grand total raised for Polio Eradication over the past two years is \$13,000. A total of 150 bottle stoppers, 1 fountain pen, 1 ball point pen, and 2,500 of his Ward's PH points were distributed to the donors from multiple clubs and districts. Lots of saw dust and wood chips were generated during the project and an opportunity to focus a hobby into making a difference in the world. Many thanks to all that participated in the fund raising project.

WELCOME HOME DINNER & YE ROUND UP

On Wednesday, August 1st, in a packed room at the Fireside Inn in Baldwinsville, Rotarians, families and students gathered to hear about the experiences of our recent class of outbound Youth Exchange students. In addition to words from the District Youth Exchange committee on the value of exchange, students who just returned from a year abroad shared tales of their time away. The overarching theme was that while there are many challenging moments during exchange, they encourage growth and maturity that makes the experience worth every minute.



The 2017/18 Class of Outbound Youth Exchange Students

The District Youth Exchange Committee also honored one of their own, Pam Fallesen, the youth protection officer, with a Paul Harris Fellow in honor of her hard work. Pam's behind-the-scenes work is vital to the success of our program, which wins awards on the international stage. Congratulations to Pam!



B'VILLE ROTARY SERVES SENIORS WITH A SMILE

In coordination with the local senior center, the Baldwinsville Rotary Club hosted their annual Senior Citizen Summer Picnic on July 25, 2018. The club prepared a BBQ dinner and served over 125 local seniors, gave out over a dozen door prizes and held an hour of entertainment from local Joe Trionfero, who gets a lot of laughs with his high energy and fun music. Photo: B'ville Rotarian Sylvia White (in yellow) chats with seniors enjoying the day.



FULTON SUNRISE SUPPORTS SPORTS

At a recent Fulton Sunrise Rotary meeting, President Dan Farfaglia, left, presented a donation on behalf of the Fulton Sunrise Rotary to Randy Cotton, center, from the Fulton Force Elite Baseball Team, to help support his efforts. The Team is made up of all local boys, selected to represent the Force in Elite Travel Baseball Events throughout NY and across the country. Also pictured is Rotarian Jason Santiago.

