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January is Rotary's Vocational Service Month

Who are you? If you are an active, engaged Rotarian, your identity lies in your callings (i.e. your vocations). Your passions give your life fulfillment and satisfaction and determine your callings. Rotarians pursue Vocational Service when their passions become evident through their Service Above Self. This concept of vocational service is rooted in the Object of Rotary, which calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster integrity and high ethical standards in all vocations. The worthiness and dignity of each Rotarian's vocation is an opportunity to serve society. Promoting integrity and ethical behavior is an essential part of what it means to be a Rotarian and demonstrated in our Four-Way Test and the Rotary Code of Conduct. These provide a road map for Rotary's Vocational Service.

As a Rotarian, you have many ways you can put your unique gifts, talents and Rotary's ideals into action through vocational service. You can: learn about the vocations of other Rotarians; give service to others using your professional skills; practice conspicuous integrity in business and personal dealings; inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions; help youth (in Interact and Rotaract) define their own callings and achieve their aspirations; and guide and encourage others in their professional development. When these actions motivate and energize you, you are performing Rotary Vocational Service. This "action based on integrity" is the very essence of Rotary and is what defines Rotary as a service organization.

Another way Rotarians engage in vocational service is to connect with fellow Rotarians who share a common calling. Rotarians apply their expertise and experience to bond with those with common interests from different professional and cultural backgrounds through Rotary Fellowships. Rotary Fellowships are independent groups of Rotarians, family members, program participants, and alumni who share a common passion. Rotary Fellowships allow Rotarians to apply their unique skill sets to serve their community and further their professional development while building lasting friendships. There are currently more than 60 Rotary Fellowships covering vocations such as lawyers, doctors, law enforcement; and unique interests such as writing, medicine, viticulture, cricket or jazz.

Through vocational service, Rotarians demonstrate their callings and provide vocational service to humanity while growing and developing their callings and helping others reach their full potential.

*Yours In Rotary Service,
Pete C.*



RESOLVE TO GET INVOLVED *and start by attending conference in 2017*

LEARN, GROW & PARTY IN SARATOGA SPRINGS

April 21-23, 2017

ROTARY DISTRICT 7150 CONFERENCE

APRIL 21-23, 2017 | GIDEON PUTNAM, SARATOGA NY



What questions do you have?

If you have never been to a conference before, you might not know why you should plan on coming.
If you have been to a conference before, you might be wondering why you should come again.

EACH CONFERENCE IS DIFFERENT

Not just the location changes from year to year, but the content of the weekend changes. Different speakers bring new inspirations, clubs have new ideas to share in the House of Friendship, fellowship opportunities vary and the entertainment is unique to each conference.

Different this year: Joint service projects with District 7190, fellowship at a local museum, local youth musicians, a beautiful and historic destination and wine tasting!

BUT SOME TRADITIONS RING TRUE!

What is a constant from year to year is the fun and learning that's built into every conference. The committee works hard for months preparing learning opportunities that will be relevant, interesting and impactful for every attendee. Making sure that we all enjoy our time together is a top priority, so good food, entertainment, social time and sometimes even cheesy fun is always at conference.

This year we will have favorites like: Youth Exchange students, options for break out sessions you can choose from, an open and accessible House of Friendship, and great swag bags!

You can submit feedback to DG Peter, committee chair Lizzy and on our Facebook event at <https://goo.gl/JZeF2j>



Register today at www.rotary7150.org



Don't forget that you can get the low, conference rate for your room to stay an extra night or two and see the sites, visit the spa, play some golf & enjoy!

COME EARLY OR STAY ANOTHER NIGHT

RECRUIT FOR RYLA

Make sure you have the new Rotary Youth Leadership Awards applications in your local schools to start recruiting potential students to send to this weekend-long leadership training program. It's \$325 per student for your club to sponsor a 10th or 11th grader to attend. You will want to receive these applications by some time in March, so your club can review them and interview applicants to make your selection(s).

YOU MUST SELECT & NOTIFY YOUR STUDENTS IN TIME TO CONFIRM HOW MANY YOU ARE SENDING BY MAY 1, 2017.

Check out the RYLA page, under the Youth tab at www.rotary7150.org for more information and applications.

REPORT YOUR CLUB OFFICERS TODAY!

All District 7150 Club Presidents and Secretaries must submit election results for the 2017-18 officers for the next Rotary year. December 31, 2016 was Rotary's deadline for the election of officers. Please report your club executives to District 7150 and Rotary International on or before January 15, 2017. Current club officers should submit this information via the Rotary7150.org website club database.

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NEW DISTRICT PAGE FOR VETERANS

Under the "Useful Pages" tab at www.rotary7150.org you will find a new page for Veterans in 7150. There you will find information from our District Veteran's chair Ziggy about current fundraisers, as well as his contact information. Should your club wish to help local veterans, he can help you with meeting their current needs and with ideas on what organizations you can support. He is available to be a program as well! There are currently two district-wide fundraisers that are on-going to support veterans. For \$5 you can get two green light bulbs. Displaying them by using it as your front porch light will show your support for our military and all funds raised go toward serving local vets. You can also purchase a cemetery marker for a loved one who served. An order form to pass around at your next club meeting is available for download on the new Veterans in 7150 page on the district web site!



PAUL HARRIS
ROTARY FOUNDER

ROTARY DISTRICT 7150
*Foundation Centennial
and
Polio Plus Gala*

JAN 28, 2017 | YAHNUNDASIS GOLF CLUB



REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.ROTARY7150.ORG

Club	July '16	Nov '16
Adirondack Foothills	33	29
Auburn	42	46
Aurora	9	9
Baldwinsville	50	58
Camden	11	9
Camillus-Solvay-Geddes	30	32
Canastota	18	18
Cato	20	20
Cazenovia	20	15
Chittenango	46	38
DeWitt	78	75
Dolgeville	20	20
Eastwood	26	25
Fayetteville-Manlius	8	0
Fulton	26	27
Fulton Sunrise	23	23
Greater Utica Sunrise	6	6
Hamilton	33	32
Herkimer	28	28
Kuyahoor Valley	31	28
Little Falls	29	29
Marcellus	25	28
Moravia	14	15
New Hartford	25	26
North Utica - Whitestown	21	21
Oneida	57	54
Onondaga North	7	7
Oriskany Falls	17	17
Oswego	33	32
Oswego Sunrise	12	14
Rome	45	39
Rotary E-Club	18	18
Sauquoit	15	15
Sherrill	12	13
Skaneateles	61	57
Skaneateles Sunrise	16	17
Syracuse	58	57
Syracuse Inner City	9	11
Syracuse Sunrise	20	19
Tully	25	23
Utica	124	124
Waterville	17	17
West Winfield	10	9
TOTAL	1,228	1,200

CLUB MEMBERSHIP BY THE #'S

Remember that each club is responsible for keeping their membership data up to date in Club Runner - usually a task handled by the club secretary. It's important to have your members' info in the database for tracking purposes and to be sure your dues invoice from RI and the district are accurate. Also, it ensures your members get their subscription to The Rotarian magazine, that we have their current email address for communications and more.

What you input in Club Runner will be communicated to RI!

SUBMIT NAMES FOR CONFERENCE MEMORIAL

Each year at District Conference we set aside a time on Sunday morning to honor those we have lost in District 7150 in the past year. Please be sure to submit the names of those who have passed from your club to Memorial Service coordinator Donna Schonewetter at dennis7150@gmail.com.

***Have a friend of Rotary or Rotarian spouse that passed?
We can honor them too!***

CLUB BIOS ARE DUE!

DEADLINE: JAN 15TH!

The most important part of the Rotary 315 Booklet is the pages that feature our clubs. Has your club submitted your write up for the 2017 edition? Make sure you get an updated bio in to DG Peter today!

Tell us in approx. 400 words all about your club and include some photos. We put it all together for you!
Sent to peterf7150@gmail.com ASAP!

Get more info at
<http://rotary7150.org/Page/rotary-315-booklet>.



Advertising in Rotary 315!

Showcase your club event or Rotarian-owned business in this guide to every club and program in Central New York & the Mohawk Valley. Copies distributed at District Conference and available to every Rotarian, plus a digital version on rotary7150.org all year-round.

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For more information or to send camera ready artwork, your business card or get help in creating your ad, please call Ed Helinski at (315) 664-3103 or reach by email at eddhelinski@yahoo.com

AUBURN ROTARY NEWS

Besides the holidays, Auburn Rotarians celebrated with a Paul Harris Fellow Award presentation to past president Karen Macier, and Saga Apollonia Lumi Pirskanen, our exchange student from Finland, received a honorary American citizenship from Mayor Michael Quill and the City of Auburn. This concluded a great 2016 for the Auburn Rotary Club. We look forward to bigger and better things in 2017.



BVILLE WELCOMES 58TH MEMBER



In December, the Baldwinsville Club welcomed their newest member, Shelley Hoffman. Shelley is a friend of current Rotarian, Sean Becker, and her induction brings the club to 58 Rotarians.

The club has experienced steady growth over the past year thanks to fun membership competitions and members speaking to their friends, coworkers and neighbors about joining. Recognizing the opportunity that all new members bring, and knowing the risk of losing them if they don't get involved, member Dave Horan leads the way with a very detailed orientation program. Upon induction, Dave sits down with each new member to review the mission and guiding principles of Rotary, what the club does in the community and all of the ways someone can get involved. The program is designed to help a new member find a way to get involved that will keep them interested and motivated to put Service Above Self! The club "borrowed" this orientation plan from the Ithaca Rotary Club, customized just for B'ville.

AREA 5 CELEBRATED THE HOLIDAYS TOGETHER



Rotarians from the Fulton Noon, Fulton Sunrise, Oswego Noon, Oswego Sunrise, Baldwinsville and Cato Clubs all came together for some holiday cheer. The second annual event was held at Battle Island in Fulton, which is always decorated beautifully and has great fare! Everyone shared holiday cheer through song, and even a little dance with the "12 Days of Christmas" led by DGN Marv Joslyn. Thanks to Don Todd for coordinating a successful joint venture again this holiday season!

TRI CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Several Area 2 Clubs celebrated a holiday gathering on December 7th, hosted by Oriskany Falls Rotary Club President Bruce Pierce at his car barn in Hamilton, NY. Plenty of good food, fellowship, and fun was enjoyed by all. DG Peter Cardamone and PDG Gerry Gortner were welcomed as special guests. We want to extend Happy New Year wishes to all our fellow Rotarians in D7150, from the Rotarians in Oriskany Falls, Sauquoit and Waterville. DG Peter is missing from this picture, as he practiced Service Above Self by taking this photo for us!





MERCER PARK, BALDWINSVILLE

Taste delicious food from local chefs at Best in Bowl - \$5 per person - and watch polar plunge teams from Noon - 3pm. Then hit the town with the Poker Bear Express Pub Crawl, starting at 5pm.
www.bvillebigchill.com



Skaneateles Sunrise Rotary Club SATURDAY, JAN 28TH VILLAGE OF SKANEATELES

TASTE OF SKANEATELES

11:30am-3pm | \$15 per person

Sample tasty treats from over 20 vendors/chefs
 Discounted passes for couples & families available

ENJOY ICE SCULPTURES & POLAR PLUNGE TOO!

Follow this event on Facebook for the latest details:
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SAVE THE DATE FOR MAY 30, 2017

Download details & the certificate you will need here:

<http://goo.gl/3HAP3w>

And they're off! KENTUCKY DERBY night

ONLY AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

**SATURDAY APRIL 22
2017**

ladies

Wear a spring frock, fancy or outrageous hat & gloves



Don your loudest bow tie, seersucker suit & derby cap

gents

don't finish last!
register online today

www.rotary7150.org

See you in Saratoga!



FULTON SUNRISE DICTIONARY PROJECT COMPLETED

Recently, third grade students at M.A. Maroun Elementary School in Phoenix received another resource to bolster their knowledge and vocabulary. Over a hundred dictionaries were distributed to all third grade students thanks to the Fulton Sunrise Rotary Club. Pictured with some of the students are Rotarians Abby Wiertzema, left, and Ellen Nowyj.



B'VILLE SERIOUSLY SUPPORTS SENIORS



The Baldwinsville Rotary Club recently presented one of the biggest donations in the history of the club. McHarrie Life, the local nursing home and rehab facility, received \$12,600 to purchase a new bladder scanner. Director of Philanthropy, Audrey Gibbs, requested the donation in an effort to both better serve seniors and have a cost effective way to keep their residents in good health. Without a bladder scanner, residents with suspected infections have to be transported to the hospital for scans - a costly and often stressful experience. With the new bladder scanner, detecting bladder issues can be done on-site with ease. Photo: Baldwinsville Rotarians Dave Horan (left) and Dick Baker(right) present the check to Audrey Gibbs of McHarrie Life (center).

DEWITT VERY BUSY WITH GIVING IN DECEMBER

Amaus Dental Services is located in downtown Syracuse, where they do wonderful work providing dental care to those less fortunate who would not normally be able to afford it. They rely on dentists who donate their time and talent. Dewitt Rotary proudly donated \$1,000 to Amaus Dental Services to help cover some supplies that every dental practice uses each time they care for a patient.

Photo- from left to right: Dr. David Dasher from Amaus Dental, and Dewitt Rotarian Kathleen Komar-who works at the dental office, accept the donation from Cheryl Matt, Dewitt Rotary President.



In 2003 George Wladis saw that many kids attending Syracuse City Schools did not have hats and gloves to endure the harsh winters. So, on his own time and with his own money, George went out and bought 200 pair of hats and gloves and delivered them to the Seymour Elementary School. Since then this program has increased to thousands of hats and gloves. After George passed away in 2015 his sons continued the tradition. Dozens of volunteers, from several organizations and businesses, distributed over 11,000 pair of hats and gloves along with warm jackets. It all began on Wednesday, December 7th, when the Wladis Law Firm hosted a breakfast for the volunteers, including a group from the Rotary Club of Dewitt. Mark Wladis gave each volunteer an assignment sheet indicating which school they would go to, to help distribute the items to the kids. Mel Rubenstein, a DeWitt Rotarian, said, "I was at the Edward Smith School along with two other Dewitt Rotarians, and it went very smoothly. It was very rewarding hearing the 'thank you's' from these 2nd graders. I am looking forward to doing this

again, next year."

Photo: Back row- DeWitt Rotarians Joe McCarthy, Dave Huntington, Debb Parker, Mel Rubenstein. Front row- Linda Ervin, Kuki Haines, Val Rados

Dewitt Rotary also gave a donation of \$1,000 to the Onondaga Historical Association for their CNY Regional 2017 History Day. The event involves about 200 students from grades 6-12 from all across CNY. Participation not only promotes the subject of history, but helps students grow as individuals and members of their community. This money will go toward the food, technology and awards for the competition being held at OCC.

Photo- from left, Dewitt Rotary President Cheryl Matt, John Zella of OHA , and Mark Hansen, Dewitt Rotary Philanthropy Committee Chair.



STEP UP WITH SHORT TERM EXCHANGE

The Short Term Exchange Program (STEP) is a family to family summer exchange program covering a two month period in the summer, July and August, each year. Students will each spend 3-4 weeks together in each others homes in each others countries.

- Family to family: Each family must be willing to host & provide room, board and activities
- Families arrange their own transportation – buy their own airline tickets
- Families must agree to Criminal and Abuse Background check
- Students must purchase medical and liability insurance & cover costs outside the US

Student Selection & Eligibility

- Age 15 to 18 (not graduated high school) at departure.
- Average to above grades with interest in foreign language and cultures
- Active in school & community activities
- Rotary Club Youth Exchange Officer must interview students & their parents

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS APPLICATIONS DUE JAN 31ST!

January 15th: APPLICATIONS DUE to your local Rotary Club Youth Exchange Officer

January 31st: APPLICATIONS DUE to District Chair from Club YEO

Students MUST attend a mandatory orientation in April (exact dates TBD)

QUESTIONS – Please contact Catherine Docous - Oneida Rotary Club

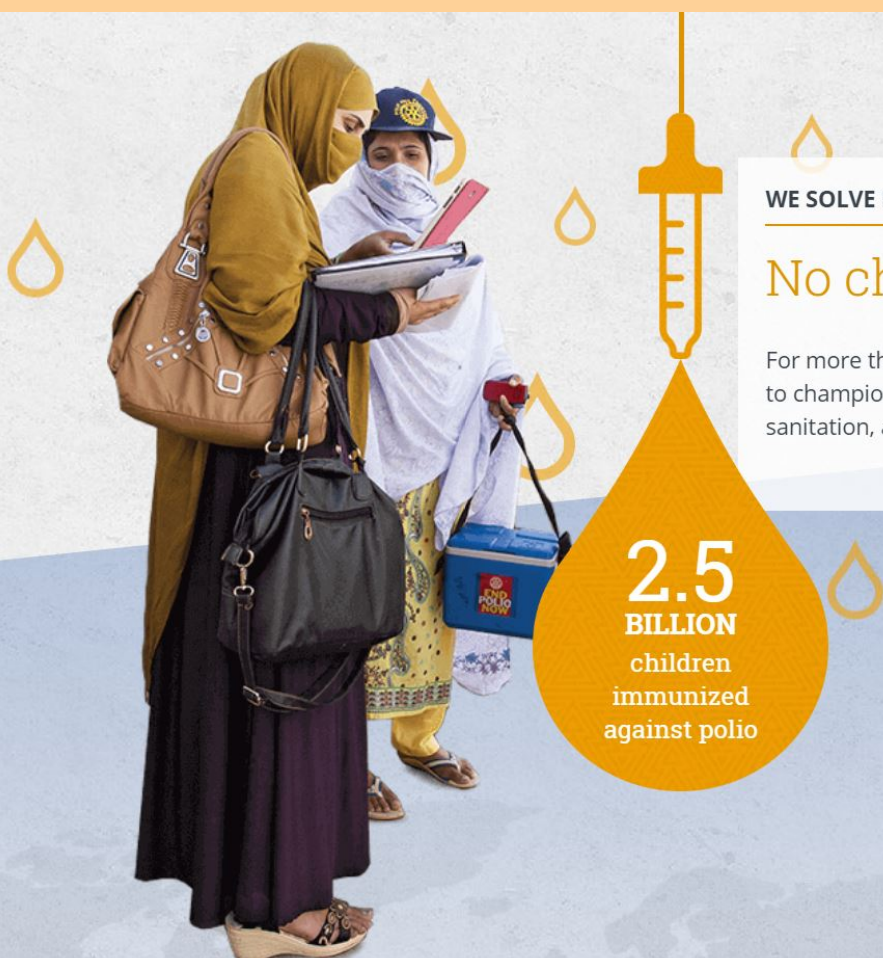
D7150 STEP District Chair

(315) 264-3947

Email: RotaryD7150STEP@gmail.com

For more information visit <http://7150youthexchange.org/our-exchanges/summer-outbound-exchange-students/>

We participate with 10 countries for the Summer Exchange: Italy, Germany, Spain, Austria, Sweden, The Netherlands, France, England, Ireland, Switzerland



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