

Newsletter

2016-17 District Governor: Peter F. Cardamone

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In 2016-17 Rotarians will be guided by RI President John Germ. There has never been a better time to be a Rotarian. Being a Rotarian today is a great opportunity to give world-class service to people all over the globe; people who you may never meet and who may never be aware of your help. Rotary is the opportunity of a lifetime to change the world for better, forever through Rotary Service to Humanity.

Rotary Service to Humanity takes many forms. Rotarians vaccinate children from the debilitating polio disease; dig bore wells; build toilet blocks; and provide mobile medical units, so that people know that Rotary is a path to a life well lived. And because Rotarians in Afghanistan and Pakistan are working to eliminate the last reservoirs of wild poliovirus, polio-eradication is clearly in site. Every Rotarian in District 7150 should prepare to spread Rotary's message - that in the history of humankind, no service has ever been more important than Rotary's work to eradicate polio. These and other stories of Rotary Service are why our theme in 2016-17 will be simply, Rotary Serving Humanity.

2016-17 may one day be known as "The greatest year in Rotary's history." We are in a position of tremendous strength in Rotary: in our achievements, in our Foundation, and in the respect that our organization has earned. The Vatican has such respect for Rotary that Pope Francis celebrated a Mass for Rotarians in St. Peter's Square. When polio is finally and forever eradicated, our Rotary Clubs should be ready to reach out to welcome anyone who wants to do good in the world. Rotary Serving Humanity is a great opportunity to change yourself and the world. We need more willing hands, caring hearts, and bright and inquisitive minds to "Do good in the world, and to grow Rotary Serving Humanity."

Yours in Rotary Service, Pete C.

ROTARY RESOURCES

District 7150 Web Site: www.rotary7150.org

Rotary International Web Site: www.rotary.org

District 7150 on Facebook: www.facebook.com/RotaryDistrict7150

Rotary International on Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/rotary</u>

Rotary Logos & Brand Center brandcenter.rotary.org

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DISTRICT CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Rotarians from all around the district gathered in East Syracuse for a dinner to celebrate our leadership and welcome those stepping up to lead in the new year. There were a lot of inspiring and warm-fuzzy moments as Mac recognized those that supported him in his year and DG Pete told us of the amazing things to come in this year.



Close to 100
Rotarians from all around District
7150 came to the dinner at
Traditions at the Links



PDG Mac and DG Pete exchanged pins.

"I am pleased to serve and will do my best to make you proud!" -DG Pete

Mac shared why he loves Rotary so much.

"We have the opportunity to reconnect people with good and with purpose..." -PDG Mac



Club reps from Auburn and Tully participated in the traditional exchanging of the Home Club banner, which will reside with Tully for Pete's year.



ROTARY DISTRICT 7150 CONFERENCE

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

Get away for a weekend or longer to this beautiful and historic destination!

Take advantage of our discounted conference room rates for the week before or after the event so you can have even more time to see the sites and take in the gorgeous state park!

PLAN YOUR VACATION TODAY!

YOU MUST REGISTER BY AUG 31ST TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR OUR CONVENIENT PAYMENT PLAN THAT SPLITS YOUR COSTS INTO THREE EASY INSTALLMENTS

Be entered to win a free room upgrade with a drawing for just the first 25 to register for conference!

In order to be eligible for the drawing you must submit at least the first installment to pay for your registration!







Greetings fellow Rotarians!

Your conference chairperson here. Thank you to everyone who has registered early so far. We have more Rotarians registered for conference than ever before!. However, many of you chose to pay by check and have not submitted payment. You must send in at least your first installment in order to qualify for this first drawing for a

room upgrade!

DG Pete has a lot of great ideas, and efforts to have a great speaker and fun events are already underway. I hope to once again put together something educational and fun.

We received a lot of great feedback from those who attended District Conference this past spring. I welcome feedback, suggestions and inquiries from anyone, at any time via email at

ebrown@syracuse.com. If you have never been to a conference before, I would be happy to speak with you about what it entails and hear what would make it

worthwhile and enjoyable for someone new to the event! Thanks, Lizzy



Register now at www.rotary7150.org

OFFICIAL DG DATES

DG Pete's visits are being posted to the events calendar on the district site. Please make sure that your club is prepared to welcome him and his wife Dee, using proper etiquette.

If your club is holding an event that you wish to have the District Governor attend, you can reach out to him to get it on his schedule at peterf7150@gmail.com.

CLUB RECOGNITIONS

At the District Changing of the Guard, several clubs received recognitions from Rotary International.

A new program from RI includes providing banner patches commemorating club aninversaries. The Greater Utica Sunrise Club received a patch for 25 years, Fayetteville-Manlius received a patch for 50 years and Camillus-Solvay-Geddes also received a 50th anniversary patch. Clubs can look forward to receiving these for their next milestone anniversary!

Several clubs also achieved various levels of the Presidential Citation. These clubs completed goals set by the RI president during the past year:

Chittenango

Marcellus

Moravia

Sherrill

Camillus-Solvay-Geddes

Oriskany Falls

Sauquoit

The Baldwinsville Rotary Club received the highest achievement with a Gold President Citation.

The Presidential Citation is the list of goals provided by Rotary International that serves as a guide of what your club should be striving to achieve in the coming year. Be sure to review and create plans to reach these goals, if you haven't already. Check out the citation here: http://rotary7150.org/SitePage/presidential-citation-for-clubs

NEW LEADER RESOURCES

Rotary International publishes kits to help club leaders be effective in their positions as presidents, secretaries, treasurers and more. You can download these guides right from our district site at http://rotary7150.org/ SitePage/club-officers-kit

COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION CHANGES

A recent review of Rotary International rules resulted in many changes in an effort to make Rotary more accessible and appealing to potential members. Some changes, like eliminating attendance requirements, more flexible definitions for what constitutes a meeting and nixing admission fees, could impact your club. There are also going to be incremental increases in dues that your board will want to consider! Get the full list of changes on the district web site at http://rotary7150.org/SitePage/new-2016-17-ri-changes-for-clubs

DISTRICT GRANTS REPORT 2015-2016

In accordance with Rotary Foundation rules, districts must report to their clubs on the use of all district-designated funds (DDF) to their member clubs. Here is a brief rundown of all grants distribution for the past year. Get the full report on the district web site at http:// rotary7150.org/SitePage/grants-information/welcome

Baldwinsville Rotary - \$672 - install tourism sign at new dock **Dewitt Rotary** - \$3,616 - new freezers for Samaritan Center, partnership with Marcellus Rotary

Fulton Noon/Sunrise - \$1,500 - help with dredging Lake Neatahwanta

Moravia Rotary - \$2,500 - mechanical hoist for equine therapy center

Skaneateles Rotary - \$3,000 - supporting Honor Flight program, partnership with Skan. Sunrise Rotary Club Scholarships - \$6,450 - Provided secondary education support for students at Baldwinsville Central School, Oswego Central School, Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Central School, Syracuse YMCA Student & Govenorment Program and the Mohawk Valley & Utica College Rotaract Intern Program Grant Manager Seminar - \$178
Total Grants Issued - \$17,916

Thank you to PJ Scott for his service to the district as Foundation Chair and welcome to Mark Matt starting in this position for the new Rotary year!

AUBURN ROTARY NEWS

The Auburn Rotary Club received a surprise gift when one of its club songbooks from 1918 was discovered at a garage sale in Florida. This wonderful booklet was mailed to us and we are making preparations to donate this to a local museum.



In addition, the Auburn Rotary Club made a \$1400 donation to Cayuga Centers for laptop computers for graduating seniors from its program.





And during Memorial Day weekend, several of our club members participated in the local parade and wreath laying ceremony at Memorial Park.

FULTON NOON NEWS

Fulton Rotary President Bridgette Seguin, left, welcomed Oswego County Director of Veterans Services Donna Kestner.. Kestner, recently named Rotarian of the Year for the Sunrise Club, was also honored with the noon Rotarians who served in the US military. Kestner told the group that the county office is accredited by the American Legion and assists veterans in receiving benefits through the Veterans Administration and other programs.





Rotary Membership Chairman Dave Cramer, left, and Secretary Judy Young, center, welcome new member Margaret Barclay, Development Coordinator for Oswego County Opportunities, Inc. Welcome Margaret!

UTICA ROTARY UPDATE

The Rotary Club of Utica saluted three hard working members June 17 with 2016 Quiet Giver Awards. As explained by Quiet Giver chair Roger Breslow, the award recognizes Rotarians who are devoted to Rotary service, contribute to the success of the club, and seek no recognition for their service. Recipients this year were Dan Murphy, Amy White and Bill Luley.







Outgoing President Ken Williams addressed the Rotary Club of Utica and closed by saying, "In the immortal words of Larry Calabrese, 'If you can you

should,' and that is what we do. And don't ever forget it's the bonds of fellowship that keep us strong and help push us through those difficult moments in our personal lives which we have too many of this year. Nothing makes me prouder than when I attend an event in this area and see 10-12 Rotarians present. So I will end by saying a very heartfelt - Thank You - for all the support and the memories that I will take away with me from this year as your President."



SUCCESS IN BVILLE

After a couple of years without action on the river, mother nature cooperated for the 22nd annual Seneca River Day on June 11, 2016. Six homemade boats raced in the Anything That Floats Contest and over 2,700 ducks paddled to the fun noodle finish line in The Great Seneca River Duck Race. With all the support from fellow clubs, Rotarians won four of the 15 prizes we gave out this year! Thanks to everyone who participated, volunteered and we hope to see you again next year.





5th Annual Muleskinner 5K

Saturday August 13, 2016

Erie Canal Park, Camillus www.csgrotary.org/muleskinner-5k

Camillus-Solvay-Geddes Rotary Club



SYRACUSE INNER CITY ROTARY CLUB

Community Chat

Monday, July 25 at 6:00 pm Grace Episcopal Church 819 Madison St., Syracuse



Bea Gonzalez
Dean, University College
Consensus – affirming community!

Please RSVP by Fri. March 25 at RotaryCommunityChats@gmail.com or 315-468-1025 so we have enough chairs!

Rome Rotary Invites you to

Canalfest '16

Bellamy Harbor Park, Mill Street

August 5,6,7

Fishing Derby | Water Ski Show | Photography Contest | Flower Show Rides & Games | Artisans | Vendors | Face Painting | Duck Race | Photo Contest | Fun for all ages! | Nightly Fireworks!



The Great Cassetty Hollow Classic Golf Tournament
BIG 50TH ANNIVERSARY

hosted by Oriskany Falls Rotary

July 22 at noon

Register your teams now!



Contact Deirdre Purdy at PurdyDE@aol.com





Syracuse Sunrise Rotary Youth Music & Arts Fest 2016

> August 13th at Kellish Music Farm 3192 Pompey Ctr Rd, Manlius

SPONSOR OR SIGN UP A YOUNG MUSICIAN
(age 24 or younger)

Contact Greg Hoover - (315) 345-4444

www.SyracuseSunriseMusicFestival.com

Join us in supporting local talent at this fun & relaxing event!

EVERY THURSDAY THIS SUMMER

DURING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONCERTS Lakeside Park, Rt 20 & Albany Street, Cazenovia



Stop by our stand for Hoffman hot dogs & coneys, drinks & chips to raise money for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONJUNE 10-14, 2017
www.riconvention.org





QUILTS OF VALOR

Oswego Rotary celebrated its veterans at a recent program. Kerry Barnes representing Quilts of Valor presented each veteran with a handmade quilt from the Quilts of Valor Foundation. The Foundation's mission is to cover service members and veterans

touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Quilts of Valor was founded in 2003 by Blue Star mom Catherine Roberts. She began the initiative in her sewing room in Delaware. Her son's year long deployment to Iraq provided the initial inspiration, and her desire to see that returning troops were welcomed home with love and gratitude provided the rest. Catherine hit upon the idea that linking guilt top makers with machine guilters in a national effort could achieve her goal of awarding healing quilts to returning service men and women touched by war. These awarded quilts, called Quilts of Valor, serve as tangible reminders of appreciation

and gratitude to service members. Since then, the project has expanded to include military service members and veterans touched by war regardless of the conflict. For more information on Quilts of Valor: www.QOVF.org Pictured are Club President Dr. Richard Tesoriero and Kerry Barnes AND Dr. T., MC King (Navy), Kerry Barnes, Corte Spencer (USAF), Jim Bushey (US Army) and Paul Heins (USAF).



SUPPORTING LITERACY & EDUCATION



At a recent Fulton Sunrise Rotary Club meeting, a donation was presented to Sarah Conley, representing Friends of the Fulton Public Library. Pictured presenting the check on behalf of Fulton Sunrise Rotary are Rotarians Doug Stevens, left, and

Dennis Goss. If you have an interest in learning more about Friends of the Fulton Public library or Sunrise Rotary, contact LaVerne DeLand at 315-593-7838.

Dewitt Rotary gave out scholarships to several local students this month. Two of the recipients were present at a recent meeting. (Pictured from left to right) Cason Wagner, Nottingham High School graduate, who will attend Syracuse University and Le Moyne College in the Fall to major in Software Application and Systems Development, Linda Ervin, outgoing Dewitt Rotary Philanthropy Chair; and Dan

McGann, Jamesville Dewitt High School graduate, who will attend Northeastern University and major in either Mechanical Engineering or Computer Science and Computer Engineering. DeWitt Rotary extends to Cason and Dan the best of luck and good wishes.



NEW PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Rotary Club President Bridgette Seguin presents a Paul Harris pin - his second - to member and past Rotary Foundation Chairman Ray Czachor to recognize his generosity to the foundation as well as the club.





Left to right: Oswego Rotary members Bob Pompo receiving a Paul Harris, Terry Gorman getting a Paul Harris +1 and club president Rick Tesoriero.



POLIOPLUS TURNS THE BIG 3-0

GOOD-BYE POLIO THANKS ROTARY

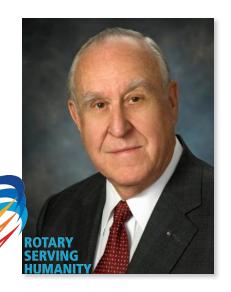
Rotary's official program to combat polio turns 30 years old this year and we are on the brink of seeing the last ever case of wild polio virus. It will truly be a cause for celebration, recognition and sighs of relief that this crippling and devastating disease has been erased from our planet. We still have a ways to go though! Not only do we have to be free from new cases for three years before we can be completely sure, but we are still combating variations of the virus all around the world. An article in a recent issue of The Rotarian explains more on why our efforts will need to remain strong and steady for several more years before we can truly put polio in the history books. Check it out here: https://goo.gl/rcYX0x

MEET YOUR NEW RI PRESIDENT

The 2016-17 Rotary International President is John Germ from the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee. He is the CEO of Campbell & Associates, Inc, consulting engineers and has been in Rotary since 1976.

This year's theme is "Rotary Serving Humanity," because our committed and skilled volunteers can truly achieve whatever we put our mind to, impacting the world!

For a full profile, his monthly message and more about this year's theme: https://goo.gl/eVQCDD



YOUTH EXCHANGE COMMITTEE OPENINGS

The District Youth Exchange Committee is pleased to announce that it has a new website! Please visit us at www.7150youthexchange.org

We are looking for a "webmaster" to keep the website fresh by making edits and additions that will be provided by the Committee. Knowledge of WordPress is helpful, but not necessary. We anticipate this will be a

one to two hour a month commitment.

The District Youth Exchange Committee is also looking for a "trainer" to update our existing training materials and to arrange for training with the District's Leadership team. No experience necessary; the trainer will work with the District Chair to help update materials and schedule sessions. It is anticipated that this would be one to two hours a months commitment, although perhaps more in July and August.

If you have an interest in either of these positions, please contact Chair Tom Taylor (ttaylor@bhlawpllc.com or 422-1391) to learn more.

OSWEGO ROTARY TOP 100

The Oswego Rotary Club hosted the 27th annual Top 100 Dinner on June 5th where they recognized the top 25 students from each grade in the Oswego High School.

A total of 328 were in attendance.



FRESHMAN CLASS OF 2019



JUNIORS CLASS OF 2017



SOPHOMORES CLASS OF 2018



SENIORS CLASS OF 2016