

# 7150NEWS

**ROTARY DISTRICT 7150**  
**JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER**

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7150 | DISTRICT GOVERNOR DANA JERRARD




**SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**

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**District Governor**

 2021-2022 Governor  
Dana Jerrard ..... Utica

**District Executive Committee**

 **DG Elect**  
Jerry Seguin ..... Fulton


 **DG Nominee**  
Elise Hereth ..... V.V.S. Community

 **Immediate Past DG**  
Cheryl Matt ..... Dewitt

 **District Trainer 2021-22**  
PDG Deb Glisson ..... Marcellus


 **District Trainer 2022-24**  
PDG Dennis Schonewetter ..... V.V.S. Comm.


**Assistant Governors**


 Wendy Mucica ..... Little Falls


 Judy Reilly ..... Greater Utica Sunrise

 Jim Cook ..... New Hartford


 Jim Eklund ..... Chittenango

 Steve Osborne ..... Fulton

 Blessed Sikhosana ..... Onondaga North

 Charlie Smith ..... Marcellus

**Assistant Governor Trainer**

 Jenny Doane ..... Baldwinsville

**7150 CHANGING OF THE GUARD**  
DGN Elise Hereth has planned the June 30 event and it will not be your typical COG.  
**Registration is open now!**  
Great Swamp Conservancy in Canastota.  
More details are in this issue of 7150NEWS.

**A MESSAGE FROM DG DANA**  
**It Has Been My Pleasure**

Dana Jerrard | DG | Utica

At a recent meeting of the Onondaga North Rotary Club I sat next to outgoing Assistant Governor and Onondaga North Rotarian Blessed Sikhosana. Our conversation turned to the Rotary year about to wrap up, and Blessed asked, "Would you take a second year as District Governor if offered?" From the expression on her face I believed she was expecting a resoundingly negative answer. "Blessed, I would take that offer in a heartbeat!", was my reply.

Our Rotary year started in turmoil, and it only got more challenging from there. It would have been easy to turn our focus inward and deal exclusively with a raging pandemic, but district Rotarians worked together to do so much more. We responded to refugee crises among Afghans and Ukrainians, providing food and items for those resettling in our area, conducting fundraisers, and giving support to the Rotary Foundation Disaster Response Fund. Fifteen clubs applied for and will receive district grants for projects supporting their communities, the environment, and education. Our financial support of the End Polio Now campaign has increased by 35% over last year, and with a month to go we are on track to increase our Foundation Annual Fund giving as well. I have asked clubs to each provide three sentences describing how they have Served to Change Lives this year, and will have 100 Sentences of Service to share at our Changing of the Guard on June 30. I hope to see you at the Great Swamp Conservancy in Canastota for the celebration.

And, don't get me started on membership growth! As of this writing we are up a net of 52 members, a 5.23% increase, which ranks us third out of 43 districts in Rotary Zones 28 & 32. More than 130 new members have been introduced to Rotary, and it is now our job to keep them engaged and energized. To all who have sponsored a new member this year, I thank you for thinking enough of your Rotary experience to introduce it to others.

As much as I would like to toy with the idea of another year, Fulton Rotarian Jerry Seguin has completed his District Governor training and is the leader we need as we Imagine Rotary in 2022-23. DG Jerry is reaching out to Rotarians beyond the confines of our district, and is prepared to make Rotary a force for service in the Empire region of upstate New York. I know that you will extend to him the courtesies that I have enjoyed in this past Rotary year. DG Jerry, you have a great team with you, and I look forward to a historic year under your leadership.

And as my final official thought, I congratulate and thank Syracuse Rotarian Jim Morrow for his creativity, talent and effort in producing the District 7150News each month. If you have ever been responsible for your club's newsletter you know that this is not an

easy job, and it certainly doesn't fit conveniently into any person's schedule. Jim had a tough act to follow in succeeding Lizzy Martin, but succeed he did. As I sit in my rocker on the front porch of the OG (Old Governors') Home, I will review Jim's work with many fond memories. I am so grateful for the experience of sharing Rotary with all of you, together, as we have Served to Change Lives in our communities and around the world in 2021-22. ♦

Yours in Rotary,  **EDITOR'S NOTE - DG Dana, Lizzy, and District 7150 Rotarians: Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your newsletter editor for the 2021-22 Rotary year. It has been a true pleasure.**

New Hartford Rotary Fundraiser

**Chicken BBQ** 

1/2 chicken, Salt Potatoes, Coleslaw, Roll w/butter

**Drive-thru**

**Saturday, June 18, 2022**  
Noon until gone


**Sangertown Square Mall**  
8555 Seneca Turnpike, New Hartford, NY 13413  
Parking Lot 0: next to the Seneca Turnpike entrance

**Price: \$15.00 per meal**  
Tickets available from New Hartford Rotarians  
*Proceeds to benefit local charities and programs.*




The next District Town Hall is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28 at 6:00 pm. Invitations to register will be sent via email on June 21.  
**Please join us for a relaxed, but lively discussion.**


**District Officers**

 **District Secretary**  
Pete Cardamone ..... Tully

 **Treasurer**  
Tara Renner ..... Onondaga North


 **Finance**  
PDG Randy Wilson ..... Sauquoit

 **District Conference**  
Chair, Linda Iannone ..... Utica

 **District Rotary Foundation**  
Chair, Don Reese ..... Utica

 **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**  
Co-chair, Darnell Hayes ..... DeWitt

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Co-Chair, Cheryl Matt ..... DeWitt


 **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**  
Co-chair, Devin White ..... Eastwood

 **Membership**  
Joe Caruso ..... Utica

 **Innovative Clubs**  
Lizzy Martin ..... Baldwinsville

 **Public Image**  
Lizzy Martin ..... Baldwinsville

 **Parliamentarian**  
PDG Dennis Schonewetter... VVS Community

 **Rotaract**  
Jonathan Yost ..... Eastwood

 **Veterans Service**  
John "Ziggy" Zygmunt ..... New Hartford

 **Youth Exchange & Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**  
PDG Phyllis Danks ..... Marcellus

 **Rotary Leadership Institute**  
Donna Schonewetter ..... VVS Community

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PDG Dennis Schonewetter... VVS Community

 **New Generations**  
Tom Taylor ..... Onondaga North

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**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**  
*Gala*



- Red Carpet With Photo
- Music By Soul Injection
- Dinner
- 1 Hour Cocktail Open Bar

**\$125 PER TICKET**

GET AN ENTIRE TABLE OF 8 FOR \$900

**When:** 6:00pm- 10:00pm, Friday June 24th 2022  
**Where:** The Stanley Theatre  
259 Genesee Street, Utica, NY 13502

Proceeds to Benefit  
**Camp Abilities**  
A COMMITMENT TO  
CABVI | live your vision

**Rotary Club of Utica**




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Purchase Tickets At [bit.ly/uticarotary](http://bit.ly/uticarotary) or Ask Your Local Rotarian

**SEND US YOUR NEWS**  
Submit club and district news to: [rotary7150@gmail.com](mailto:rotary7150@gmail.com)  
The deadline to submit brief articles with great photos for publication in an issue of 7150NEWS is the 25th of each month.

## OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION MOMENT

James High

Every District Governor brings the message: "Give to the Rotary Foundation". Some of us do, many of us don't. Why? Maybe it's the same old message given the same old way. Maybe we should look to other products for a new look on how to "sell" our Rotary Foundation.

Here are a couple of ideas:

Hmmm... I don't think that "plop, plop, fizz, fizz" would work.

How about: "Reach out and touch someone." (AT&T) That explains what every Rotary grant does.

Maybe: "When you care enough to send the very best" (Hallmark) would work.

Think about all the Foundation's programs, don't you think they live up to that slogan?

When it comes to making our donations to The Rotary Foundation: "Think small." (Volkswagen)

Your donations are combined with donations from around the world. Even when you are unable to do the "big bucks." your donation makes a big difference. The size does not matter.

So, when it comes to making your donation to your Rotary Foundation, "Just do it!" (Nike)

And remember, "There are some things money can't buy. For everything else there's ...." Our Rotary Foundation.

**The Mission of Our Rotary Foundation:**

Food where there is hunger.  
Health care where there is disease.  
Education where there is illiteracy.  
Fulfilling our promise to eradicate Polio.  
...Anywhere in the world. ♦

## ONE BUSY CLUB... UP THERE IN OSWEGO

Oswego

The Oswego Rotary Club has been busy this spring. Take a look at a few of the projects the club to the north has been working on.



**Weeding/Preparing and Planting:** Part of **Project Bloom**, a project run by the Greater Oswego/Fulton Chamber of Commerce. Even in the rain, club members pulled weeds and planted flowers at the entrance to the City of Oswego, across from St. Luke's on Interstate 481.

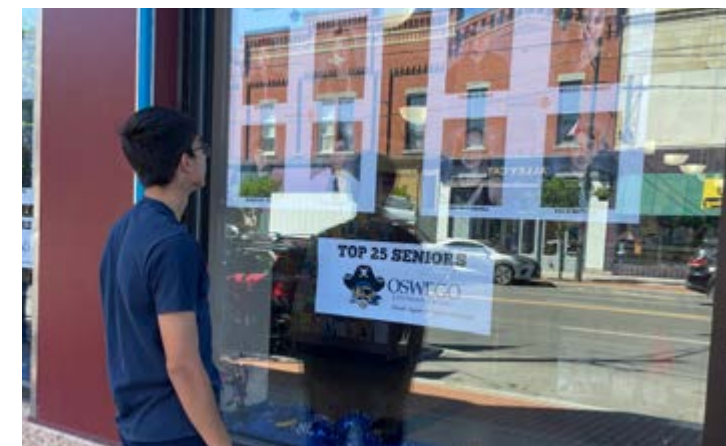
**Top 100:** After a two year hiatus, due to Covid, the Oswego Rotary Club recognized the Top 100 students at Oswego High School. These students represent the top 25 of each class from freshmen to seniors. A cookie and coffee reception followed the event.



**Four Rotary Scholarships presented:** the Oswego Rotary Club continued its long standing tradition of presenting four scholarships to graduating seniors. As part of the application process, each applicant is required to write a short essay, using their own life experiences and one part of Rotary's Four Way Test. This year's recipients are: Joshua Chun, Jack O'Leary, Allison Tyrrell and Mary Kate Cloonan. Many thanks to the Shineman Foundation and Pathfinder Bank for their partnership, to continue offering these scholarships.



**Paws Across Oswego County Donation:** Continuing the Oswego Rotary CARES project, with help from the Tarandi Foundation and the Oswego High School Interact Club and generous donations from club members and community members, dog and cat food, and used blankets, towels and bedding were recently donated. This is one of the most successful service projects we've held this year.



**Top 25 Seniors:** When Covid hit, the Oswego Rotary Club had to change how it recognized the top students at the Oswego High School. One change was posters hung in the windows of Wayne Drugs, showcasing the top 25 seniors of the graduating class. We decided to continue this tradition. Posters will remain in the windows throughout the summer and all those recognized are invited down to take pictures. ♦

## ON-BOARD A RECENT HONOR FLIGHT

Lizzy Martin | Baldwinsville



Give a big cheer for Eastwood Rotarian Bernie Bregman, an Army veteran, who was a guest aboard an Honor Flight on April 30. Several Rotarians (pictured below, L to R) Mandy Taylor of Onondaga North, Mary Ann Stark of DeWitt, Bill Rosentel of Baldwinsville, and Kurt D'Angelo of Fulton volunteered to help make sure Bernie's flight was a success.



All Honor Flight veterans, like Bernie, are celebrated with a big to-do at Hancock International Airport as they depart, and again upon their arrival back in Syracuse later the same day.

At absolutely no cost to the honored veteran or their families, Honor Flight gives participating veterans the opportunity to visit the military memorials in Washington, DC, giving them a VIP experience that honors their service. Learn more about the local chapter at [www.HonorFlightSyracuse.org](http://www.HonorFlightSyracuse.org) and see how your club could support them for the next flight this fall. ♦

## CHITTENANGO PROJECTS

Karen Fauls-Traynor | Chittenango

In April, Chittenango Rotary Club raffled off two tickets to BROADWAY IN SYRACUSE: CATS at the Landmark Theater and raised \$500 to benefit Vera House to help continue their mission of supporting victims of domestic violence. In addition, club members collected five boxes of personal hygiene items to pass along to the program.



From right to left: Robin McCombie and Sherry Menninger present a check to Sara from Vera House.

The Club also matched member donations to the Rotary Disaster Relief Fund for Ukraine and raised \$1500

Chittenango Rotary was also pleased to support a new nonprofit in our area: Fishing for a Cure: One Cast at a Time, created by Chittenango resident Cory Jenner. The mission of Fishing for a Cure is to provide recreational fishing opportunities for families dealing with a cancer diagnosis. The club donated \$350 to this very worthwhile venture. ♦



Dan Kingsley (right) presents a check to Cory Jenner, founder of Fishing for a Cure.

# The 27th Annual SENECA RIVER DAYS

Baldwinsville Rotary Club

Paper Mill Island, Baldwinsville

<p><i>Friday</i> <b>JUNE 10</b></p> <p><b>Food Truck &amp; Fireworks</b> Gates Open at 4:30pm</p> <p><b>ADMISSION \$5</b> Kids 12 &amp; Under FREE</p> <p>LIVE MUSIC FROM Vote for Pete B'ville Pep Band</p> <p><i>This year's main act:</i> <b>DIRT ROAD RUCKUS</b></p> <p>Enjoy dinner from local food trucks and treats from Rotary's popcorn and cotton candy stand</p> <p>CRAFT BEERS ON TAP from WT Brews &amp; others</p> <p>End the evening with <b>FIREWORKS</b> sponsored by <b>Honda City</b></p>	<p><i>Saturday</i> <b>JUNE 11</b></p> <p><b>Family Festival</b> Gates Open at 10:30am</p> <p><b>FREE ADMISSION</b></p> <p>FOOD TRUCKS MAGIC SHOW TREASURE HUNT CRAFTS &amp; GAMES FUN FOR ALL AGES</p> <p>LIVE MUSIC FEATURING Loren Barrigar Gregg Hoover</p> <p><i>The Great Seneca River</i> <b>DUCK PLUCK</b> STARTS AT 4PM</p>
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**GET YOUR DUCKS** and your chance to win:

<b>GRAND PRIZE:</b> <b>\$1,000 CASH</b> <small>brought to you by</small> <b>HORAN</b>	<b>2ND PRIZE:</b> <b>\$750 CASH</b> <small>brought to you by</small> <b>State Farm</b> <small>Scott Northrup</small>	<b>3RD PRIZE:</b> <b>\$500 CASH</b> <i>Plus many more prizes!</i>
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Buy online at [www.SenecaRiverDays.com](http://www.SenecaRiverDays.com)

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The 58th Annual

# CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Thursday, June 30 | 5:30-8pm  
The Great Swamp Conservancy  
8375 N Main Street, Canastota, NY 13032

**All Are Invited**

All Rotarians are welcome at this annual celebration of current and future leaders. It's especially encouraged that your clubs outgoing and incoming leaders are present since we are honoring them!

**\$30/PERSON**  
All must register and pay online by credit card  
*Walk-ins cannot be accommodated*

**REGISTER HERE**

Enjoy a buffet from Dinosaur BBQ:  
Pulled Pork (rolls available)  
BBQ Chicken Breast  
Macaroni Salad  
Tomato Cucumber Salad  
BBQ Beans

Need a vegetarian option? We've got you covered, but you must contact DGM Elise to request this special order. Email her at [eliserotary7150@gmail.com](mailto:eliserotary7150@gmail.com) ASAP!

Drinks & dessert also provided  
*Please note this facility does not permit alcohol*

Dress code is business casual  
Grab your name badge to wear, along with your Paul Harris and other "Foundation Bling"  
*If your club's outgoing and incoming presidents are attending, bring your gavel for a passing of the gavel ceremony*

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