

Rotary District 7150 NEWSLETTER

October 2018



My late mother had a favorite poem, "October's Bright Blue Weather", written by Helen Hunt Jackson. Let me share one line from that poem.

"Ye cannot rival for one hour October's bright blue weather".

I would agree with Ms. Jackson. The beautiful skies, the crisp air and the glorious colors of the trees are truly difficult to rival.

My mother was a survivor of childhood polio. Her aunt spent many long hours rubbing her arms and legs in the effort to minimize the effects of the disease. She was fortunate to not have any of the crippling effects. She lived a long and productive life, but she never forgot the horrifying experience of her childhood.

I share this with you because October is the month we have the opportunity to tell the people in our communities our polio story. October 24 is World Polio Day and I have asked each of our clubs to make an effort to plan some public recognition of what their club and Rotary have done to wipe polio from our planet. Some clubs have told me of their plans. I am excited about the very special event that is being planned in Syracuse. I hope every club will find some way to raise public awareness as we need the public's help to continue the fight. We have come so far and we cannot rest until polio has been conquered.

My club visits are nearly complete and I am looking forward to being a part of the club events and projects that are being planned. Please make sure that you are notifying Lizzy Flinn-Brown so that she can include information about your event in the district newsletter and website.

End Polio Now.

**In Kindness And Peace,
District Governor Marv**

OCTOBER'S POLIO TRIVIA CONTEST

[Click Here](#) to download this month's trivia game

Answer these polio trivia questions and submit to
DG Marv by November 1st to be entered to win!

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IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO BE THINKING ABOUT GRANTS

You are correct. The District Grant process for 2020 doesn't begin for a few more months with the District Grant seminars, but there are things for you to consider at the club level before those meetings come around. First, remember the scope of the District Grant. These are funds for small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in your community or in communities overseas. Right now your club can be doing research. **PLAN** the project! Talk to Rotarians, neighbors, family. Attend local meetings of non-profits, government, or the like. **Identify the two (or more) club members who will attend this year's Grants Management Seminar.** Choose a Rotary Club partner – this is a requirement for a 2020 grant in our district. Consider carefully how Rotarians will be involved in the project and how Rotary's involvement will be publicized with proper branding. Be absolutely certain that **NO FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS** have occurred before the grant request has been approved by our District Foundation and by the Rotary Foundation. And, lastly, work now to satisfy our District requirement for your club to achieve an average of at least \$50 per capita contribution to the Rotary Foundation SHARE Fund. **Start planning now for a successful District Grant outcome this year!**



Congratulations to the Rotarians who graduated at Rotary Leadership Institute in Verona on September 22 , 2018!

DISTRICT GRANTS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018 | 6-8pm
Vernon-Verona-Sherrill High School

FREE TO ATTEND

Not only is this a free, educational event, it is also required that at least **TWO** members of your club attend the seminar in order for your club to be eligible to apply for a District Grant or Global Grant 2019-2020. These funds are available to us because Rotarians in our District 7150 contribute to the Rotary International Foundation Annual **SHARE** Funds.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE](#)

D7150 ALUMNI NETWORKING EVENT - PLEASE SHARE!

District 7150 will be hosting a Rotary Alumni Networking Event **Tuesday October 9th, 5:30PM-8:00PM, at the Inn Complete** (SU South Campus). Please join District Alumni Chair, Dona Occhipinti, and District Governor Marv for a night of Rotary fun and fellowship! Past, present and future Rotarians are welcome to attend. Light fare will be provided. Drinks available for purchase. Please share the event with your club and encourage Rotarians to attend. Help spread the word by sharing the [Facebook event!](#)

RECONNECT WEEK | 2018



WORLD POLIO DAY IN DISTRICT 7150

Check out these local events to mark World Polio Day on October 24th and follow [Rotary District 7150 on Facebook](#) as more events are added!

SYRACUSE MAYOR TO PROCLAIM WORLD POLIO DAY

Thanks to the work of Blessed Sikhosana and her multi-club committee, Syracuse Mayor Ben Walsh will make an official proclamation as part of an event at the Atrium at City Hall in downtown Syracuse on Wednesday, October 24th at noon. Survivors of polio will speak, there will be a panel discussion on the importance of eradication and the mayor will make the formal proclamation as part of the mid-day gathering.

Please plan to join in this special event!



Join Us to End Polio Now Party
October 27, 2018
Hotel Solsville
6-9 PM ish
Live Music, Raffles, Snacks
Donations Free-Will (Pass the Hat)
 Donations will Benefit
Rotary International Polio Eradication
 Sponsored by
Oriskany Falls Rotary Club
Come As You ARE!!!



World Polio Day
Pin Down Polio!
 With Area 2 & Area 3 Rotary Clubs
All proceeds to benefit PolioPlus
Date: Wednesday, October 24th
Location: Vista Lanes
 550 Oriskany Blvd.
 Yorkville, NY 13495
Time: 6pm
Cost: \$15 per person
 *Bowl 2 games
 *4-6 bowlers per lane

To secure a lane for your team RSVP to:
Stevekarbo9@gmail.com
 Or
 315-794-7894

END POLIO NOW

There are many resources available for promoting awareness and education in your community on the District 7150 web site's Public Image page. [Click here](#) to download images to share on Facebook, posters you can put up in your office, fast facts about polio eradication and much more!

Does your club still need an idea? See what other clubs around the world are doing and get resources for your event at www.endpolio.org.

ROTARY IN VIRTUAL REALITY

Virtual reality is an amazing way for people to digitally connect with experiences they might never have in real life. Rotary is creating opportunities for people to experience some of the most impactful work our volunteers are doing.

[Click here](#) to check out the latest virtual reality movie, where you can travel to a remote area of Uganda to help immunize children against polio!

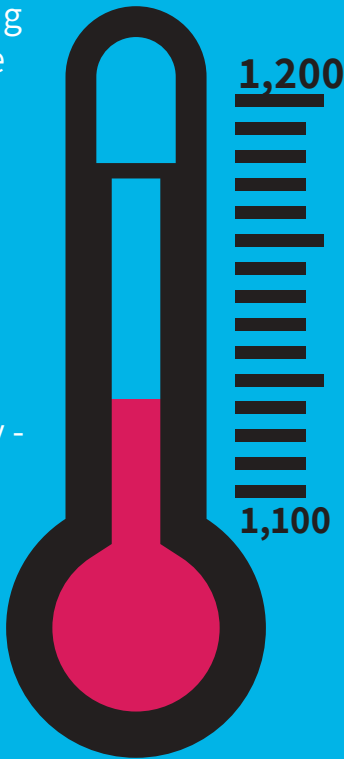
ROTORACT CHANGES LIVES

In the latest Rotary Voices blog, Salman Ali Rajput, past president of the Rotaract Club of Nawabshah Central, Pakistan, and District 3271 secretary, shares how becoming a Rotoractor changed his life as a young professional and global citizen. [Click here](#) for this great read!

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

What is your club doing to be proactive about adding more members? Here are some quick tips to set yourself up for success:

- Have fun meetings
- Do orientation
- Get creative in finding prospective members
- Don't be afraid to ask someone to join Rotary - we do great things!



[Click here](#) for additional membership resources

CAPTURE THE MOMENT IN HAMBURG



REGISTER TODAY

Rotary  

5 WAYS TO APPEAL TO YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Currently, only 6% of Rotarians are under the age of 40 worldwide. Looking around at your club members, what is the percentage in your club? There are things that you can do to make your club more attractive to young professionals and their families. [Click here](#) to read an article in the Rotary Leader with more details on how these five values can be tailored to accommodate more members!

- FAMILY COMMITMENTS
- LEADERSHIP
- MENTORING
- NETWORKING
- TIME & MONEY

CHITTENANGO ROTARY INVITES YOU TO

OCTOBER 20TH



15 MILE RUN & 5K
START TIME: 10:30AM
PRIZES & POST-
RACE FUN!

WEAR YOUR SCARIEST COSTUME
& RUN FOR A GREAT CAUSE!!

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary's
HARVEST SOCIAL

October 22, 2018 from 5:30-7pm

St. Margaret's House | 47 Jordan Rd, New Hartford
\$10/person for beverages and appetizers



Learn about St. Margaret's House &
Ecumenical Center while sharing in
fellowship with fellow Rotarians.
Great for potential new members!
RSVP to Judy Reilly at (315) 724-2324
by October 19th!

Kuyahoora Valley Rotary
invites you to the



TOOLBOX BASH

LIVE MUSIC, DINNER AND DANCING

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!

CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS

or contact us at
kvrc.toolboxbash@gmail.com



Rotary's
Big Bucks Raffle

*Must be 18 years of age or older to enter



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.

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

The Rotary Club of DeWitt 37th ANNUAL KINDLING SALE

All Proceeds Benefit Monarch Industries

(A Division of Arc of Onondaga)



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17th

*** Dick's Sporting Goods Plaza ***

Erie Blvd. East, DeWitt

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

\$6.00/Bundle or 3/\$15.00

We will deliver 10 or more bundles!

To place an order in eastern Onondaga County
or for more information call

John Shepard 315 481-9172

CATO ROTARY HONORS CAL



Last year, Cato Rotary lost a member, Cal Weldon. On September 15th, they honored him with a plaque in Mott Park on a beautiful, late summer day. Former Area Governor Jenny Doane spoke at the event and said after, "Cal was looking down at us with a big grin I am sure."

DG HELPS INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS IN HAMILTON

Pictured with DG from left: President Joanne Borfitz; Rotarian Barbara Albrecht, Rotarian David Craine and new member Daniel Starr.



EIGHT OSWEGO ROTARIANS CELEBRATE A QUARTER CENTURY

Eight of Oswego Rotary's long-time members were honored for 25+ years of service at this week's Rotary Meeting, which was held at the American Foundry. Pictured left to right are Carrie Penoyer, immediate past-president for Oswego Rotary, Paul Heins (honoree, 35 years), Joe Hutchinson (honoree, 31 years), Oswego Rotary President, Bob Pompo, Rick Tesoriero (honoree, 34 years), Selma Sheridan (honoree, 26 years), Corte Spencer (honoree, 36 years), Sue Witmer, Oswego Rotary program coordinator, Terry Gorman (honoree, 29 years), Jim Bushey (honoree, 31 years), and Vern Tryon (honoree, 33 years).



B'VILLE SERVES UP FOOD TO BIKERS

On September 28th, cyclists rode to raise funds in the CNY Ride for Missing Children. Baldwinsville Rotary provided and served a meal for the riders at the end of their trek, at Jones Road Sports Center. Thanks to member Dawn Custer, this has been a tradition for the club for many years now! Shown here (from left to right) are Baldwinsville Rotarians Marcia Benson, Jenny Doane and Bruce Stebbins, happy to serve a meal with a smile.



SYRACUSE INNER CITY NEW MEETING TIMES

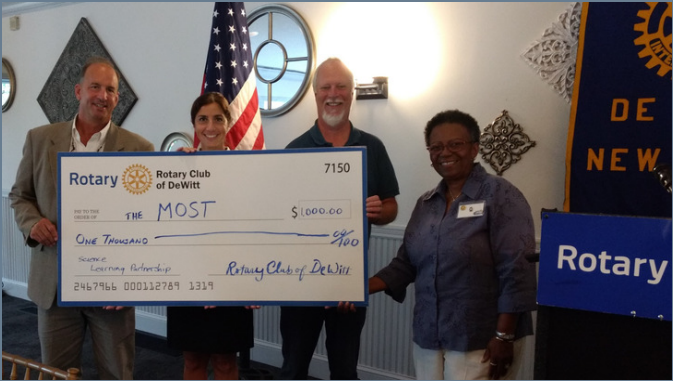
Starting 10/10/18, the meeting times and place for the Syracuse Inner City Rotary club will change:

1st, 3rd and 4th Wednesday of each month will be at noon at the Emma L. Johnson PEACE Building at 136 MLK West Blvd, Syracuse.

On the 2nd Wednesday of each month it will be at 5:00 p.m. at a restaurant to be named, starting with Creole Soul on October 10th (128 E. Jefferson St., Syracuse, NY 13202).

DEWITT ROTARY SUPPORTS MUSEUM OF SCIENCE/TECH

Recently, Jim Dungey, Consulting Development Officer, and Lauren Kochian, President of The MOST received \$1000.00 from DeWitt Rotary Philanthropy Chair Mark Hansen and President Linda Ervin. According to Lauren, this money will allow 500 Syracuse city school students to visit The MOST throughout the school year to inspire interest and excitement in science . These Funds are made possible by DeWitt Rotary’s annual Pancake Day proceeds, at work in the CNY community. (Photo- left to right; Jim Dungey, Lauren Kochian, Mark Hansen, and Linda Ervin)



FULTON SUNRISE SUPPORTS YOUTH HOCKEY

At a recent Fulton Sunrise Rotary meeting a donation was presented to Jeff Schremp for the Fulton Youth Hockey Club. Jeff presented updates for the club including plans to do some upgrades. They are getting ready for the new season. Pictured from left: Rotarian Dennis Goss, Schremp and President Dan Farfaglia.

GREATER UTICA SUNRISE COLLECTING SHOES

Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary Club (GUS) is conducting a shoe collection drive from Now until November 1st to raise funds for Community Projects. GUS will earn funds based on the number of pairs collected as Funds2Orgs will purchase all of the donated goods. Those dollars will benefit the community with projects for children and other non-profits. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used or new shoes. All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of micro-enterprise partners in developing nations. Funds2Orgs helps impoverished people start, maintain and grow businesses in countries such as Haiti, Honduras and other nations in Central America and Africa. Proceeds from the shoe sales are used to feed, clothe and house their families. One budding entrepreneur in Haiti even earned enough to send to her son to law school.

"We are excited about our shoe drive," said Joyce Astafan, President of GUS. "We know that most people have extra shoes in their closets they would like donate to us and help those less fortunate become self-sufficient. It's a win-win for everyone.

By donating, the shoes will be given a second chance and make a difference in people's lives.

If you have shoes to donate, they can either be dropped off at the St. Margaret's House in New Hartford or contact Joyce at 315 723-5597 or joycea1435@adelphia.net.

MOHAWK VALLEY SCOOP ICE CREAM ON PASSPORT EXCURSION

MVRC spent a Saturday volunteering with the Adirondack Foothills club, scooping soda floats for the club.



YOUTH EXCHANGE ORIENTATION WEEKEND

Meet the inbound Youth Exchange class of 2018/2019



SUBMIT ROTARY NEWS

Make sure you keep fellow Rotarians in the know by submitting your club's news for the District Newsletter by the 25th of each month to be featured the following month. Submit by emailing Lizzy at ebrown@advancemediany.com

The students spent a weekend in Baldwinsville at their first orientation since arriving in America. The training included mini golf, learning American slang from local Interact students and understanding how to make the most of the exciting year ahead. Great work from the orientation team and thanks to the Baldwinsville Rotarians that hosted students for the two nights.