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DG RANDY'S TOP TEN REASONS TO COME TO THE OCTOBER 19 DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN OSWEGO:

#10. Connect and Have Fun: Masquerade/Costume Party, Karaoke DJ, Photo Booth, all on Saturday night!

#9. Club Recognition for 2018–2019 Rotary Citations!

#8. Flexible meal plan selection and affordable room rates at the Lake Ontario Conference Center!

#7. Rudy's "Texas Hots" will be available!

#6. Connect to Veterans' Projects with our District Veterans' Achievement Project Awards!

#5. Vision 2020 House of Friendship for your Club to share the projects you are planning!

#4. Meet and Connect with our 2019–2020 Inbound Exchange Students!

#3. Raise funds for Polio Eradication: each \$1.00 raised will become \$6.00 through matching funds from the Gates Foundation and RI World Fund!

#2. Network and make new Connections with other Rotary Clubs and Rotarians.

#1. This is Your Conference – Your Time to Connect, to Be Inspired and to find new ways to Make a Difference!

Register online at rotary7150.org. Make your meal choices when your registration confirmation message arrives. Make your overnight room reservation directly with either conference hotel and be sure to ask for the Rotary Conference room block rate (available until September 30).

If you have already registered, thank you! If you haven't registered yet, please do so today and look forward to Connecting to our Rotary World!

> Rotary Connects The World! William R. "Randy" Wilson District 7150 Governor 2019–2020

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPT 28: ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

OCT 19: DISTRICT CONFERENCE

OCT 24: WORLD POLIO DAY

JUNE 6, 2020: RI CONVENTION, HONOLULU

Rotary's Vision Statement TOGETHER, we see a world where PEOPLE unite and take action to CREATE lasting CHANGE - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

PLAN FOR YOUR DG OFFICIAL VISIT

Incoming District Governor Randy is getting down to his final official visits. Do you know when he's coming to see you? **Click here** to download the full schedule. Please remember to set aside this meeting for DG Randy to present his vision for the coming Rotary year and to stand when he is introduced.

Here are some upcoming visits:

Sept 9 – Camden

Sept 10 – Moravia

Sept 10 – Rome

Sept 11 – Oriskany Falls

Sept 11 – Sauquoit

Sept 17 – North Utica–Whitestown

Sept 25 – Adirondack Foothills

HOW CAN WE BE CERTAIN WE CAN ERADICATE POLIO?

A disease has only ever been eradicated once before in human history, so how can we confidently say that it's possible to do the same with polio? To start, we've managed to eradicate it in almost every corner of the world, with just a few places left to tackle. But there are also reasons related to how the disease is transmitted, how long it lasts and how it's combated. Click here to read the five reasons why we know we can finish what we've started. This is a great article to share on your club's social media leading up to World Polio Day on October 24th!

MEMBERSHIP SUCCESS: ROME ROPES IN 12% GROWTH

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Rome for a 14% growth in membership, growing by 5 members this past Rotary year. President Nancy Neiley will be keeping membership front and center throughout the year to continue this wonderful growth. Immediate Past President Don Schlueter tells us, "The secret is old fashioned relationships: a former Rotarian returned to Rome, his neighbor, a daughter of a longtime Rome Rotarian, a wife of a member and the new Boy Scout

executive. All of the new members are due to relationships." The Rotary Club of Rome has established a fine public image in the community through their many projects including Canalfest (a family oriented summer event) and their Annual Christmas Party for about 100 children with Santa and gifts.

Rotarians.



Right: New member Kris Dombeck's dad was a longtime Rome Rotarian. She was invited by her neighbor, Steve.



Left: President Nancy Neiley

attributes Rome's membership

friends, neighbors, and former

success to net working: spouses,

Left: Member Keith Butters invited former Rotarian, Steve Mercurio, to rejoin Rotary.

Have you asked friends, neighbors, past members or family to join?

CHANGE TO ROTARY LEADERSHIP KITS

Anyone accessing the Rotary leadership kits online might notice that they were valid for 2016–2019, which means they are about to expire. Instead of renewing these manuals, Rotary is offering courses for each club leadership position in the Learning Center. Once this online learning course is complete, they will provide you with access to a current manual. The "old" manuals will remain available on the district web site as they are still useful guidelines for various club roles. Click here to access that page, found under the Training tab.



HAS YOUR CLUB SERVED VETERANS? APPLY FOR AWARD

District Veterans Services Chair Ziggy is seeking nominations from clubs who have sponsored projects that serve a veteran need in their community. The winning club will receive 1,000 Paul Harris Points from the district to honor a member of their choosing, and an award plaque to display at club meetings for the year. Nominations are due by September 30th and the winner will be announced at District Conference. **Click here** for the details on the award criteria and the form your club will need to submit.

NIGERIA HITS POLIO MILESTONE ON AUG 21

With the announcement that there have been no new cases of wild polio virus in Nigeria for three years, the World Health Organization can declare the African region to be polio-free next year. This milestone is the result of the sustained effort of thousands of health workers and success in gaining safe access to the northern part of the country. Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee says, "Rotarians have been hard at work raising awareness for polio eradication, advocating with the government, and addressing other basic health needs to complement polio eradication efforts, like providing clean water to vulnerable communities." Rotary has contributed \$268 million to fight polio in Nigeria. This will be a success to celebrate on World Polio Day (Oct 24), but do not lose momentum in our fundraising and awareness campaigns because we must continue to immunize; both to maintain this status in Africa and to achieve complete eradication worldwide! Click here for more on the successes in Nigeria.

SAVE THE "NEW" DATE!

94th Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner Monday, September 23rd

Joseph A. Floreano Riverside Convention Center



Keynote Speaker: Holger Knaack RI President Elect 2019-2020 RI President 2020-2021

www.rochesterrotary.org

KNOW WHO COULD BE THE 2022-23 DISTRICT GOV?

It's the time of year when the district seeks nominations for our future leader. Click here to read more about the qualifications for a candidate for District Governor and a nomination form.

DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15TH!

ROTARY DISASTER RESPONSE

One of the biggest benefits of donating to Rotary in times of crisis is how connected clubs are to their communities, giving them a unique ability to address people's needs. In this article you will hear stories from the aftermath of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, which we all know was truly devastating to the islands. Clubs helped individuals that fall through the cracks when it comes to support from the government. They do projects that bring back the joy and culture of the area. They make life better and more hurricane–proof for the future. Click here to read more!

WANT TO HELP IN THE WAKE OF HURRICANE DORIAN?

A hurricane relief effort is underway in District 7020 in the Bahamas. You can make direct donations to their district's fund online with credit cards or Paypal, or submit checks in the mail. You can also make contributions to the Rotary International Disaster Relief Fund, which will help with any and all natural disasters around the world.

Click here to learn more about how you can donate to the Rotary Clubs in that area or help Rotary response to disasters where ever they occur!

District Conference 2019



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH Lake Ontario Conference Center

Engaging keynote speakers Fun fall activities Flexible meal plans Great hotel prices Discounts & group tours of local museums Bring the whole family!

HOW TO REGISTER:

- Go to www.rotary7150.org
- Click on the Conference tab
- Click on the black registration bar right at the top
- Fill in your information (for you & your guest)
- Opt in to for the registration fee, choose your meal package(s), answer questions & pay online
- Then, if you plan to stay overnight, contact one of the two conference hotels to book your stay!

See the top ten reasons to come in DG Randy's letter on page I

JUST \$369 FOR A COUPLE

to enjoy a full day conference with lunch & dinner and overnight stay with breakfast at the hotel



RLISCOMING!



Saturday, September 28 Vernon Verona Sherrill High School 8am-3:30pm

\$85/person - Online Registration Required Offering Parts I, II, III and Graduate Includes breakfast & lunch!

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

HONOLULU BOOK NOW Join tens of thousands of Rotarians on a beautiful island June 6-10, 2020. Register & book your hotel now before they are sold out!



Saturday October 26, 2019

15MILE & 5K RACE 10:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M. Starts At Town of Sullivan Parks & Rec 707 Legion Dr, Chittenango

REGISTER ONLINE www.eriecanalrun.com SPONSORED BY







The Rotary Club of Rome

cordially invites you to join us in an evening of entertainment in celebration of the

100TH ANNIVERSARY

of the founding of the RomeClub on December 1, 1919



Saturday, November 2, 2019 The Griffiss Institute

Rome, New York

5:00pm reception 5:30pm program 6:30 buffet dinner \$50.00 per person | Cash bar

RSVP with check to "Rome Rotary Club 100th" By Oct 20 to Rome Rotary Club, PO Box 655, Rome, NY 13442

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PAINTING PUMPKINS FOR POLIO

with Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Community Rotary

SATURDAY, OCT 26

Pumpkin painting, snacks & beverages Come out and learn more about how Rotary is eradicating polio

MORE DETAILS TO COME ON OUR VVS COMMUNITY ROTARY FACEBOOK PAGE!

SAVE THE DATE FOR FULTON'S 100TH

Save November 8th to join Fulton at their 100th Year Celebration at the Oasis in Fulton. The night will include dinner, drinks and speakers. Details are being finalized, so stay tuned!

FULTON SUNRISE SUPPORTS STUDENTS WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

At a recent Fulton Sunrise Rotary meeting, Emeraldlee Tanner was presented with a scholarship to help further her education. Emeraldlee, a recent GRBodley High School graduate, has her Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)from

BOCES and intends on pursuing a Registered Nursing Degree (RN) at Cayuga Community College. Pictured from left are President Abby Wiertzema,



Emeraldlee's mother, Tammy, Emeraldlee Tanner and Rotarian Linda Rossiter.

MOHAWK VALLEY CLUB NEWS

The Mohawk Valley Rotary club has been collaborating with Rotarian Ed View with helping to make his vision of a Dog Park in the Village of Herkimer a reality (photo on left). The club is using District 7150 Grant funds to beautify the park by adding benches, trees, and signage. We are currently seeking donations to help us purchase a fence and other items needed to make the park safe and friendly to the community members using it. If you are interested in donating we have a Go Fund Me page setup on our Facebook page.



We welcomed special guest District Governor Randy Wilson and his wife Jan at our weekly meeting today. Randy shared a message of connectivity and reinforced that together, we see a world where people unite & take action to create lasting change! (photo on right) Chittenango Rotary 🥻

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2019–20 SU MEN'S BB SEASON PASS RAFFLE

DRAWING OCT 5TH AT CONCLUSION OF CHITTENANGO FALL FESTIVAL 3PM



Will Be Sold!

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

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

UTICA ROTARIANS RAKE AND SWAY FOR PARK CONCERTS

It was a double dose of community service for Utica Rotarians that involved raking a park and swaying to music. First, members of The Rotary Club of Utica spent part of a day sprucing up Utica's Kopernik <u>Park in May</u>

in preparation for the summer Levitt AMP Music Series. They weeded, raked and picked up garbage, filling 58 trash bags.



Then they returned on Aug. 19 to help set up for a concert, moving chairs, tables and umbrellas to the site. They also put up their own tent to share Rotary



With the crowd, and enjoy the bands, singing and dancing. The Levitt AMP Music Series featured outdoor concerts on Monday evenings.