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Tom Rogers, District Governor

Issue 4



**District Governor Tom Rogers**  
Home Club - Canandaigua, NY

One of the joys in participating as a District leader is the opportunity to attend the Rotary International Zone Training and Institute every Fall. This gathering of Rotarians from Zones 28 and 29 brings together over 550 members from 28 Districts. Led by our RI Director, Jennifer Jones, we were able to listen to incredible speakers such as RI President Elect Ian Risely and Foundation Trustee and Past RI President Bill Boyd. Inspirational presenters such as PDG Gowri Rajan spoke on Sri Lanka Heart Valve Bank; Michael McQueen, the Membership Guru gave us a talk of the Importance of Relevance; Ambassadorial Scholar Katrina Perehudoff shared on Human Rights in Health Management.

And this year there was a new program, the Young Professional Summit. These 40 young members were on a mission to tackle membership, co-mentoring and how Rotary can change the world, one person at a time. Our District 7120 was honored to select two individuals who are committed to Rotary and eager to connect with others who feel the same way. Kristina Chartrand from the provisional Club, Roc City and Dan Kelley of the Canandaigua Club were chosen to attend the Zone as recipients of Rotary International grants. The five days spent in trainings, facilitated meetings, and plenary sessions showed Kristina and Dan the power of Rotary and our world wide impact on people. Please read Kristina's reflection on her experience on Page 2.

November is Foundation Month in Rotary. We all know how our donations to the Foundation benefit global grants, district grants and, of course, the eradication of polio in the world. Over the past month, PDG Norma Madayag-Reilly and the Membership committee have held a series of One Rotary Summits attended by Rotarians from across our District. One core tenet of these seminars was the synergy between membership and the Rotary Foundation. Here is one concrete way that we can use a Foundation event to foster membership engagement and development:

When you sit down to enjoy a beer, you probably don't spend a lot of time thinking about one of its main ingredients – water. Or the fact that 3,000 children die each day from diseases caused by unsafe water. A group of innovative Rotarians aren't just thinking; they're doing something about it. Their fellowship group, Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide (BREW), has organized events around the world and is working to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for Rotary's global water, sanitation, and hygiene efforts.

"By drinking a beer, I can help bring fresh water to a village in Africa," says Steven Lack, a member of the Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill, California. "If you can drink beer and some of the money goes to doing good in the world, that is something you can feel good about."

Fellowships like BREW are Rotary's way of bringing together members who share a particular passion. Rotarian Action Groups unite members who have expertise in a specific service area. The beer fellowship's leaders realized that joining forces with this action group, which is dedicated to providing access to clean water, would create a sum larger than the two parts. Beer is fun and promotes fellowship, both of which make Rotary more appealing. And by bringing together people who share an interest in beer, you can unite them for the purpose of doing good.

In addition to working with the action group, BREW promotes the idea of good times and service by helping clubs organize beer festivals. These events appeal to younger people, raise money for club projects, and are easy to plan. All you need is to:

- Approach a microbrewery or two to donate beer
- Bring food or secure a food truck
- Line up a band
- Pitch a tent.

Such a good idea that will benefit The Rotary's Foundation area of focus: Water and Sanitation. Perhaps your club can do the same!! Have fun.

*DG Tom*

**I am a Young Professional.  
I am a Leader.**

By Kristina Chartrand

**I am a Rotarian.**

Not many in my generation can say the last statement, and that is something I want to change. Being surrounded by other like-minded individuals, destined and determined to make a difference in our communities, was nothing short of inspirational. At the Legacy Zone Young Professional Summit, I had the opportunity to learn, share and experience the power of Rotary at an entirely new level. While I have been involved with Rotary, in some capacity, for nearly eleven years – I can truly say that this experience quickly made its way to the list of unforgettable moments in my life, where I know I will look back and realize that something within me changed.



Aside from the countless new friends and extended Rotary family that I now have across Zones 28 and 29, I left the Summit with a heightened passion and desire to continue sharing the opportunities and experiences that Rotary offers, especially with my generation. From seeing the hotel in downtown Cleveland light up with the words “End Polio Now”, and watching the streets erupt with excitement, to hearing a variety of speakers share their personal experiences and stories from Rotary and travels around the world – I am more driven than ever to share that passion and Be The Change here in Rochester.

Recently, I started Roc City Rotary – a club in Rochester for Young Professionals, focused on personal and professional development as well as service. To say that I was nervous, and quite frankly fearful, of how it would be perceived would be an understatement. At the Summit, I had the opportunity to meet one of the leaders of a similar club who has been facing many of the same challenges that I have over the last few months, and was able to share in my uncertainty. Together, we talked through strategies. We brainstormed ideas for how to get younger members involved and to light this fire within them. After spending three days together, picking each other’s brains and sharing countless stories – I left feeling more empowered than ever.

I am here to shake things up. I love and believe in everything Rotary stands for, and I am excited to continue sharing that passion and vision in Rochester. I want to be able to share that with other Young Professionals in our community, and continue to show to them that we are a powerful force. We are people of action. We all come from unique backgrounds, skills and experiences; and together can accomplish incredible things.

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While there were several speakers that completely captivated me, there was one that spoke directly about engaging younger generations - Michael McQueen. He shared how social networking used to be people getting together around a bonfire, connecting face to face. Now, that has so clearly changed. It makes me so happy to see that Rotary is willing and able to adapt with the changing technology and overall demands of society. Whether you are a young professional, or young at heart – we all play a powerful role in this world and are part of building this incredible Legacy. I look forward to continuing to embrace change, and being part of that change in our community.

**Avon Rotary Honors**

By Laurie Vonglis

Avon Rotary proudly presented Paul Harris Fellows to 2 deserving Avon Community members for their years of exemplary service. Janis Cole & Chris Ryan have both dedicated most of their adult life to service in various ways. In recent years Jan has been committed to the Avon Ambulance Board of Directors and Chris has led the Avon Food Pantry. Both Women are shining examples of Rotary’s motto; Service Above Self.



Pictured above, left to right: Avon Rotary President Scott Holmes, Past District Governor Don Alhart, Paul Harris Fellow Janis Cole, Paul Harris Fellow Chris Ryan and District 7120 Governor Tom Rogers.

**Four Way Test**

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Rotary



Hard to believe that The Rotary Foundation...yes, OUR Foundation is 100 years old this year. What is your club doing to celebrate? If you need some ideas select something from the 100 Anniversary Board Game and have some fun. Haven't see the game yet? Go to [rotary7120.org](http://rotary7120.org), then go to the Foundation Home Page. Look on the left and you will find the link that will take you there.

Have your own idea? Substitute your own idea for any one block on the game board!

Be one of the 3 clubs to accomplish the most and your club could win 1000 recognition points to name a Paul Harris Fellow!

Send your good ideas, accomplishments and pictures to DRFC Ellen Hughes at [ellenhughes13-14@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ellenhughes13-14@rochester.rr.com). I will put them in future articles or in the November issue of the Foundation Newsletter, The Arbor.

Remember, October starts the new year of Grant Management Seminars. Register today for the one of your choice. The first renewal is Saturday, October 15th. The first full seminar is October 22nd. To register go to [rotary7120.org](http://rotary7120.org), then the foundation home page (or send me an email and you will be set).

Happy Foundation Giving!

PDG Ellen Hughes  
District Rotary Foundation Chair

**World Polio Day 2016 — October 24**

By Laurie Vonglis, District Polio Chair

**No child anywhere should suffer from polio,  
a completely preventable disease.**

**Join Rotary for World Polio Day  
on October 24th  
to support polio eradication.**

**GIVE**

- ⇒ Help us reach a polio-free world and donate.
- ⇒ Every donation that Rotarians commit to polio eradication is tripled by the Bill & Melinda Gates foundation.
- ⇒ Mark your calendar and GIVE on October 24th to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Foundation.



**POLIO GLOBAL ERADICATION INITIATIVE**

Update as of October 1, 2016

Wild Polio Case Counts

Country	2014	2015	2016	Date of last case
<b>Pakistan</b>	306	54	<b>14</b>	27 July 16
<b>Afghanistan</b>	28	20	<b>9</b>	11 Aug 16
Somalia	5	0	0	11 Aug 14
<b>Nigeria</b>	6	0	<b>3</b>	6 Aug 16
Cameroon	5	0	0	9 July 14
Equatorial Guinea	5	0	0	3 May 14
Iraq	2	0	0	7 April 14
Syria	1	0	0	21 Jan 14
Ethiopia	1	0	0	5 Jan 14
<b>Total</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>26</b>	

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR:

**THE ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

Oct. 29, 2016 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM  
Canandaigua Inn on the Lake  
770 South Main Street  
Canandaigua, NY 14424

## TO REGISTER:

Go to [www.rlinea.org](http://www.rlinea.org)

- ⇒ Click on RLI Home page
- ⇒ Look on the left side of the page with Upcoming Events title and scroll down till you find Canandaigua Inn on the Lake
- ⇒ Click on course registration
- ⇒ Fill out the form and special attention to the payment section.

**Note to attendees:** All payments must be received on the specified date to be included in the training.

This is a must event for current and future Rotary leaders!  
It is a multidistrict leadership development program whose mission is to strengthen Rotary clubs through quality leadership education.

Questions? Contact PDG Scott MacDonell  
[smacdone@rochester.rr.com](mailto:smacdone@rochester.rr.com)  
315-462-3245

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 19**

## A Report on the



One Rotary Summit /Membership Development Seminar was presented at three different locations: Bath, Newark & Rush. At these three locations, there was a total of 100 attendees.

### Thank you to the following:

- The attendees
- PDG Glenn, Eric, Ellen, Scott & Bill for doing group facilitation at the Rush site
- The District Governor track for attending and their support
- The members of the District Membership Development Committee
- Bath Rotary Club for sponsoring the Bath site
- Newark Rotary Club for sponsoring the Newark site
- Rush-Henrietta & Monroe County South for sponsoring the Rush site

Topics covered included but were not limited to Member Attraction & Recruitment, Member Engagement, Council on Legislation updates, Public Image, Foundation programs/grants and the TRF 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration

### The following Membership resources were reviewed:

- The Impact Begins With You –This brochure is a great resource for prospective members. The brochure explains how Rotary is different from other organization and the impact that Rotary Clubs have at the local and global levels. Maybe purchased through [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org) at 5 for US\$1.25
- **Membership Assessment Tools** - This document contains 6 tools, with assessment on classification & diversity, current Member Satisfaction Survey and Exit Survey for members who are leaving the club. The cost at [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org) is US\$3.75. This is also available for free PDF download at [rotary.org](http://rotary.org).
- **Strengthening Your Membership: Creating Your Membership Development Plan** - This is a great reference before a club starts developing its Membership Plan. Includes topics about Evaluating your Club, Diversity, Attracting prospective members, Engaging Your Club's members and a Membership Development Plan Worksheet. **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT CLUB MEMBERSHIP Committee read this.**
- **Introducing New Members to Rotary** - This brooklet replaces the New Member Orientation brochure and is geared toward club leaders or members who provide orientation with new club members. It suggests contents for prospective and new member information programs. It is available for free PDG download and purchase at [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org) at US\$1.00 per booklet.
- **Rotary Club Health Check** - This helps identify potential club health risks before they become serious. It helps diagnose problem areas and suggests resources and ideas to remedy them. Available only online [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)
- **Other important resources:** Past & present District leaders, AGs, FADS, past & present club officers, District membership Development Committee members.

*Those who wish to know more about any of these resources or have any questions on any of them, please contact PDG Norma. Thank you to all who participated in this Summit.*

## 2016 District Golf Tournament Re-Cap

On Friday, September 9, 2016, 100 golfers (26 Teams), teed off at 1:00 PM at Island Oaks Golf Course in Lima, NY. This is the largest number of teams in several years. The golfers enjoyed great weather and a new "twist" this year. Before and after play, Trinika, a Licensed Massage Therapist, provided neck massages. These massages were free of charge and she saw over 30 golfers during the event. The feedback was very positive and she has offered her services again next year. We again had on-line registration thanks to Tom Brown, the District Public Image Chair.

After play, everyone returned to the Club House for dinner and the program. Before dinner, Co-Chair Scott Healy welcomed the golfers, dignitaries and guests. DGE Don Milton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer given by DGN Mike Slovak. Scott then introduced the dignitaries: DG Tom Rogers, DGE Don Milton, DGN Mike Slovak, PDG Norma Madayag-Reilly, PG Chuck Turner, PDG Roger Ressler, AG's, FAD's and Club Presidents. He had them all stand to be recognized. We then had a wonderful buffet dinner. After dinner, Scott introduced DG Tom Rogers who thanked everyone for attending and provided the group with some words of wisdom.

Before the awarding of the prizes and drawings, Scott, on behalf of the committee, gave a **BIG THANKS** to the following: John Checko and the Lima Country Club, Cheryl and the rest of the dining room staff, our volunteers: Marilyn & Jerry Passer, Honeoye Lake; DG Tom Rogers, DGE Don Milton, DGN Mike Slovak, Tina Zaludny, Jackie Ward & Cameron Larson from Lima Rotary; Newark Rotary (who donated the bottled water); Ventosa Vineyard; District Clubs who participated or donated raffle money or items; but most of all to the **GOLFERS** who have supported this event over the years.

Next on the program was recognizing the **Prize and Contest Winners**:

**"Overall" Lowest Score:** JCP Team from Wayland Rotary – Jim Parks, Lorie Marino & Carl Washburn

**Men's 1st Place:** Fairport Rotary #1:

Peter Smeeck, Tom Wolanski, Peter Lovier & Jim Benjamin

**Ladies 1st Place:** Fairport Putters:

Ruth Cronkwright, Connie Borkhuis, Cindy Hunt & Becky Wilson

**Mixed 1st Place:** Brighton Rotary:

Lauren Blue, PDG Chuck Turner, Bill Moehle & Ron Brand

**Men's Longest Drive:** Cameron Larson, Lima Rotary

**Ladies Longest Drive:** Donna Cator, Lowden's Crew

**Men's Nearest the Pin:** Tom Reed, Gananda Rotary

**Ladies Nearest the Pin:** Kelly LaVoie, Geneva Rotary

**Putting Contest:** Tom VanBuskirk, Fairport Rotary

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## District Golf - Re-Cap (continued):

**"Best" Dressed Team":** Avon Presidents

**Team that got the Most Exercise:** Fairport Putters

**Club Paul Harris:** Webster Rotary

Again, we **THANK the District clubs** for your continued support of this great fellowship event each year. **Watch for the date of next year's event in the January 2017 Edition of the District Grapevine.**

**Your 2016 District Golf Tournament Committee:**

**Scott Healy, PDG Norma Madayag-Reilly & Gary Reilly**

## Avon at District 7120 Golf Tournament

By Lauri Vonglis

Sept. 9, 2016 - 2 Avon Teams participated and enjoyed a sunny, warm afternoon supporting this annual District fundraiser. Both teams scored well but Team 1 won "Best Dressed". Sporting country attire and shamelessly promoting the Blue Jean Ball scheduled for May 13th 2017 s, Tom Vonglis, Laurie Vonglis, Kirk Vanderbilt, Scott Holmes.



L-R: Avon Rotarians: Karl Sawicki, Bruce Amey, Chris Masten, Jake Ayers, Tom Vonglis, Laurie Vonglis, Kirk Vanderbilt, Scott Holmes

## Charity Navigator Upgrades Rotary Foundation's Rating

The Rotary Foundation has received the highest possible score from [Charity Navigator](#), an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

In the most recent ratings, released on 1 September, The Rotary Foundation earned the maximum 100 points for both financial health and accountability and transparency.

The ratings reflect how efficiently Charity Navigator believes the Foundation will use donations, how well it has sustained programs and services, and its level of commitment to good governance and openness.

In the previous rating, the Foundation had received 97 points.

## Sodus Rotary Club Welcomes Four New Members

By Sandra K. Hall



The Sodus Rotary Club recently welcomed four new members. From left to right: Paul Morales, Rebecca Saiff, President Dave LeRoy, Mary Ellen Quinn, and Brandon Butler.

Already, these new members are energizing the Club with their ideas, service, and talents. Mr. Morales is a project estimator and local business owner. Mrs. Saiff is a School Administrator. Mrs. Quinn is a retired School Guidance Counselor. Mr. Butler is a financial advisor and local business owner. We are very proud of our new members!

## Livonia Rotary Welcomes New Member

By John Connelly



Jim Franco (right) accepted his Welcome to Rotary kit from current Livonia Rotary president Josh Monster on Monday, October 10th. Franco, the club's newest member, is a retired industrial buyer and has been a resident of South Livonia since 1993. "Now that I am retired I wanted to become more active in the community," Franco said. "I've heard a lot of good things about what Rotary has done for this area and I wanted to be a part of it." Welcome aboard, Jim.

## District 7120 Membership

The District Membership Development Committee is pleased to welcome and congratulate the following new members/transfers for the month of September 2016:

- **Geneva** - Dawn Lamitie
- **Greece** - Stacy Morreale
- **Hornell** - Elizabeth Benedict
- **Newark** - Joseph Van Haelst & Karen Vanderbrook
- **Rochester Latino** - Jazmin Ruiz
- **Victor-Farmington** - Virginia Harford & Nancy Purdy
- **Watkins-Montour** - Bruce Boughton, Jame Somerville & Kristine Somerville

Please note that the above is based on reports found in the District 7120 website. There may be more new members/transfers than the list shows due to some clubs registering directly with Rotary International and not with the District.

We encourage ALL CLUBS to register their new members/transfers with the District so we can recognize them each month.

## New Avon Rotarian

By Laurie Vonglis



L-R: Sponsor & Rotarian Rob Lupisella, New Rotarian Marcie Williams, Avon President Scott Holmes

Marcie was raised in Honeoye, NY. She had a good friend whose father was in Rotary and they were always having exchange students and that interested her. She loved to travel and meet new people. She attended college at Cal State Long Beach, lived in Southern California for 15 years before returning to NY. She has been teaching primary school for 21 years. She has two sons, Jackson 17 and Carson 13. Marcie and her husband like boating, traveling, and landscaping. They love Avon and look forward to being a part of Avon Rotary. Marcie is currently hosting Avon's exchange student, Fernando Gomez from Mexico.

## Paul Harris Recipients at GVRC

Three long-time members of the Genesee Valley Rotary Cap (GVRC) staff were presented with Paul Harris Awards at the annual GVRC board meeting held at the camp.



Recipients, left to right: Janet Green - camp nurse, Kent Rounsville - head cook, and Marcia Bartalo who works with him. At right is GVRC board president Chris Wood who made the presentations. Combined there is over 90 years of dedication to this camp.

## Two Paul Harris Recognitions Presented at Watkins-Montour Rotary

By Michelle Benjamin

The Watkins-Montour Rotary Club recently named two club members to the organization's highest honor for Service above Self - Paul Harris Fellows. Bill Phoenix and Michel Ray, the club's current President and Treasurer, respectively, were honored as Paul Harris Fellows at the club's regular meeting, September 1, 2016.

**Bill Phoenix** came to Schuyler County in the late 1970's as an industrial arts teacher at Odessa-Montour (OM) School after graduating from SUNY Oswego. Phoenix's time at OM was just a couple years, but in his short time as a teacher he was very involved beyond the classroom affecting students' lives as a swim coach and ski club advisor. He landed a job at Watkins Sporting Goods and ten years later he would become the business owner. It is as a business owner that Phoenix has had the greatest impact on Schuyler County – giving him the opportunity to quietly and behind the scenes help with numerous projects, groups, and individuals. He has given many Schuyler teens their first job and has never abandoned Schuyler County when faced with business challenges. When not working, which is rare, Phoenix was one of the co-founders of the County Dart League some 30 years ago and his involvement continues today. He saw two sons through many years of travel and school soccer and basketball.

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## Watkins-Montour - (continued):

In 2009, he joined Rotary and has demonstrated for many years his qualities as a true Rotarian.



New Paul Harris Fellow Bill Phoenix (left) is congratulated by Rotary District Governor Tom Rogers.

**Michel Ray** was born and raised in Odessa. Following graduation, she married her husband, Tim, who was in the service, and traveled with him to Germany for 18 months. They returned to Odessa in 1995 and Michel Ray continued her career in banking. She is now the manager of Visions Federal Credit Union in Watkins Glen. Her staff comment that Ray is a "great manager and very thoughtful." She is a wonderful and proud mother to daughter Katie, who is in her senior year at Nazareth College, and son, Brandon. She graciously accepted the position of treasurer of the Watkins-Montour Rotary Club several years ago, volunteering at the club's many events, chairing their Moose Club breakfast for many years, and next the club's new Chicken BBQ fundraiser. Michel is also involved with the Watkins Glen Area Chamber of Commerce. Michel is a great asset to the Watkins-Montour Rotary Club and community and the club is proud to welcome her as one of its newest Paul Harris Fellows.



Michel Ray receives her Paul Harris Fellow pin from Rotary District Governor Tom Rogers, as her son, Brandon, and husband, Tim, look on.

### DG Tom Visits Chemung County Sunrise Rotary - Helps Recognize New Paul Harris Fellows



Bright and early Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 AM, District Governor Tom Rogers and his wife Sandie visited the Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club. Tom brought with him an inspiring message, shared a banner with this year's theme, and helped recognize 10 Paul Harris Fellows, some honorary, some new, and multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Missing was our 11<sup>th</sup> PHF, Darlene Ike, who was representing our local Meals on Wheels in New Orleans.

Recognized were Honorary PHFs Mary Jane Eckel, Rick Pirizzolo, Tom Santiobianco; First time PHF Vicie Rolling; PHF+1s - Dalton Flatt, Myrna Flatt, RC Ike I, Darlene Ike; PHF+2s - John Kelly, Peter Wallin, Barb Preucil; PHFs +3 - Al Preucil.

### Spencerport Rotarians Receive PHFs

By Colleen Farley



Two Spencerport Rotarians received Paul Harris Fellowship (PHF). Milt Danko (at right), a Rotarian since 1994, received his PHF+1. As a Rotarian, Milt has served on the District Ambassador Scholarship Committee, chaired the Soap Box Derby Committee and headed up the Rotary award winning Sneaker Recycling Program to assist Katrina victims.

Although only a Rotarian for 2 years, Nancy Peebles (at left) received her PHF+2. Nancy serves as the Director of Youth Service and is also serving on the Literacy Committee.

### Paul Harris Recognitions at Greece Rotary

By Judie VanBramer

Several Greece Rotarians were the recipients of Paul Harris awards recently, in recognition of their continuing strong financial support.



Al Meilutis, past president, (right) presented the Paul Harris awards to Alan Wallace (left) PH+2 & Ralph Annucci (center) PH+2.



Past Rotary District 7120 Governor Bill Gormont, center, was honored with a Paul Harris Ruby+1 award for his generosity and support. The presentation was made by Al Meilutis on left with an assist from Greece president Keith Rockcastle

### Rush-Henrietta Donates to 13thirty Cancer Connect



Pictured is Rush-Henrietta Rotary President Kathy Gessner presenting Lauren Spiker, Founder and Director of 13thirty, with a \$500 check to her charity.

**13thirty Cancer Connect** is dedicated to helping teens and young adults live with cancer through resources, support, and advocacy. The Rochester-area-based [13thirty](#) program provides regular weekly activities for teens and young adults, both in the midst of treatment and beyond it. Their vision is that all teens and young adults with cancer have opportunities for life-affirming experiences throughout each stage of their disease. Rush-Henrietta Rotary has been a proud sponsor of the charity for 5-years

### Penfield Rotarians learn about Habitat Opportunity

By Jack Best



Habitat Penfield Coalition Coordinator Ray Griswold, right, invited Penfield Rotarians to “mud drywall or pound nails” as part of an upcoming “build” of a Habitat home in Rochester. Listening from left: Jack Wetzel, Joe Best, Dave Sturtz and Steve Lawrence. The Penfield Coalition raises about \$20,000 annually from the sale of Kelly’s Farm Market Pies at Thanksgiving. *Flower City Habitat* has built or renovated over 200 homes since 1984.

### Pittsford’s RYLA Attendees

By Grace Soong

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is a leadership program coordinated by Rotary Clubs around the globe. RYLA organizers ask all attendees to report back to their sponsoring clubs. Pittsford Rotary’s two Interactors who attended RYLA in June, talked about their experiences, leadership skills and use of those skills through practice.



Rotarian Pat Mallery (at left) introduced Isha Kenkare from Sutherland HS (right) and Jessi Dirksen from Mendon HS (center) early in the September 21st Club program because the young ladies had to head back to school.

### Car Wash for Haccamo



Pictured above are Rush-Henrietta Rotarians at Rush-Henrietta’s 4th annual car wash for Camp Haccamo. The area scouts also helped out!

## Geneva Rotary Club Presents \$12,000 To Fund Schools' Backpack Program To Feed Children

By Phil Beckley

The Geneva Rotary Club recently presented \$12,000 to the Geneva City School District to fund the Backpack Program to feed needy local children on weekends.



Geneva Rotary President-Elect Tara Rago (left) and President Dick Austin (second from left) recently presented \$12,000 to the Geneva City School District to fund the district's Backpack Program to feed needy children on weekends. (Photo by Spencer Tulis, Finger Lakes Times)

The local service club contributed \$1,500 last spring to keep the Backpack program going through the 2015-2016 school year and pledged at the time to raise money to fund the program in the 2016-2017 school year.

Tara Rago, Rotary president-elect, presented the check to Gerry Barker, school district food service director, at the club's Sept. 28 meeting at Geneva Country Club. The money was raised at the club's annual Service Above Self Dinner and other projects.

Barker praised the Rotarians for being "extremely generous" and said the donation will "support a huge number of needy children."

Many children receive free and reduced price lunches during the week at school, so the school district started the Weekend Backpack Program in 2008 to help children get the food they need on weekends.

The current Backpack Program works as follows: Every other weekend, bags of food are assembled and distributed to more than 140 children. The food items, which can't be perishable, include peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit and vegetables, apple chips and Rice Krispie treats, among other things.

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## Backpack Program (continued):

Barker explained that the program helps the school district build relationships with families and also that they have realized the program helps families with children in different schools.

Past President Lisa Ventura, who co-chairs the annual Service Above Self Dinner, said the club will continue to raise money for the Backpack program at the dinner, which will be on Thursday, April 27, next year.

The Geneva Rotary Club also presents monetary grants annually to Geneva organizations and contributes to Rotary International's Polio Plus campaign to eradicate polio around the world.

## Vehicle Charging Station in Brighton

By Roland Steorts



The Brighton Electric Vehicle Charging Station was formally opened with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Brighton Town Hall by Town Supervisor and Brighton Rotary Club member Bill Moehle (pictured at left) on September 22.

Brighton Rotary Club made a significant donation toward this project. The station is located in the Town Hall Parking Lot at 2300 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618 and is available to anyone needing the service.

**SAVE-THE-DATE**  
**April 8, 2017**  
**District Training Assembly**  
**Newark High School**  
**Newark, New York**

Attention:  
 Club Officers, Members of the Rotary Club Board, Club Committee Chairs, new and current members

## Newark - Helping to Feed the World's Hungriest Children

By John Zornow

When does a community like Newark have an opportunity to feed 34,000 of the world's hungriest children? The answer for us is every September when St. Mark's Episcopal Church hosts the Stop Hunger Now community meal challenge. This past weekend nearly 250 volunteers from the Newark area and beyond came together to package the soy, rice, dehydrated vegetables and nutrition packet which will be sent to one of the 73 participating countries with dire food needs.



Pictured above - The Volunteers

The event, which is sponsored by Newark Rotary, Together in Christ (TIC), Catholic Charities of Wayne County and the Newark School District, brings together volunteers from churches, businesses, organizations, high school sports teams and clubs as well as individuals from the community.



This year the Newark High School JV and Varsity Soccer Teams participated as well as the Interact Club including Wika Czekajska (pictured at left), Rotary's youth exchange student from Warsaw, Poland .

## A Field Trip for the HLRC

By Jeanne Hamele

On September 8, 2016, the Honeoye Lake Rotary Club enjoyed a great evening of fellowship and education as they visited the Genesee National War Plane Museum. The event started with a pizza dinner during which we chatted, laughed and just enjoyed being fellow Rotarians.

From there, we headed to the hangars where we had a wonderful guided tour of the museum. (continued) >>

## Field Trip - (continued):



It was amazing to see such a collection of memorabilia and planes! We were like kids in a candy shop! Our guide was extremely knowledgeable and very proud and excited to share his wealth of information with us. It was neat to be able to actually sit inside the planes and see the construction of them.

Thanks so much to Pat and Dick McWilliams for arranging this visit for us. We had a super evening --- future visits may be happening as there is so much at the museum to enjoy and learn from. So much history being stored in one place!

## Pittsford Rotarians Assist in Saints Place Housekeeping

By Grace Soong



Saint's Place furnishes refugees with all of the necessary items a refugee will need in order to create a home. Most of these items are donated by the people of Rochester, NY. Other items like beds, bed frames and pillows are purchased by Saint's Place from funds donated by organizations such as the Rotary Club of Pittsford, individuals and from their semi-annual Super Sales.

On September 24, Rotarians Grace Soong, Pete Crooker and Bob Vukosic volunteered their Saturday morning to move furniture, linens and other donated household items at Saint's Place Headquarters in Pittsford and two other storage facilities located at St. John of Rochester in Fairport and a warehouse in downtown Rochester.

## HLRC'S Rotary Reading Rally

By Jeanne Hamele



Third graders at Honeoye Central School were introduced to the Honeoye Lake Rotary Club's "Rotary Reading Rally" on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Rotarians Jan Blackmer, Janelle Deal, Jeanne Hamele and Marilyn Matteson filled the students in on the goals they can set for themselves as they read through grades three, four and five.

Awards are presented once a student reads and reports on at least 5 books. They receive a bookmark at that level, then for reading ten books, a certificate is presented along with an invitation to a pizza party at the end of the year. The next tier is 30 books when a student is presented with an engraved plaque at the awards assembly in June. If a student manages to read 60 books, the club honors him/her with a trophy.

This is a very rewarding program for the HLRC as well as we can share in the pride of how many books the students read and report on. Some students achieve goals of 30 or 60 books in third grade! This is amazing. Then we have those who get to 60 --- again sometimes in third grade --- yes, they leave us in awe.

The greatest feeling of pride comes when we invite the students who have managed to read and report on over 100 books --- and again, yes, some just in third grade. These students are invited to a Rotary meeting in the summer. They, along with their parents, share dinner with us and the students are given a t-shirt welcoming them to the "100 Book Club". A game of some sort (reading related, of course) is given to them along with a gift certificate to share with the family for supporting them in their endeavors. Beyond that we sometimes need to recognize the 200 book readers! What a challenge this presents to future HCS readers.

We also filled the third graders in on the "Golden Reader", an old book painted gold that is presented every few weeks to the classroom that reads the most books over a period of time. Amazingly, this establishes a great deal of competition among the teachers! Having that "Golden Reader" hanging outside their classroom brings great pride to the room that earns it!

Last year, students in grades three through five read well over 1200 books --- a super total for a little over 135 students total! What will we see for this year?

## Take a Rest on the Benches Around Watkins-Montour

By Michelle Benjamin

Benches with the Rotary logo are popping up around Watkins Glen and Montour Falls, thanks to the Watkins-Montour Rotary Club. The club partnered with the Watkins Glen High School Interact Club, who raised funds for a community outreach project. That project turned into five new benches placed around the area.



Pictured above, left to right: Watkins-Montour Rotarians Bill Phoenix, Rich Greenberger and Fred Hall show off the new Rotary bench placed outside the Human Services Complex in Montour Falls.

Locations include, in Watkins Glen: Perry Street at Mill Creek Center, Decatur Street at Watkins Glen School Apartments, and Franklin Street at the Post Office. Montour Falls locations include: the Human Service Complex and - still to be placed - the Post Office.

"Though Rotarians donated time and some supplies to place the benches, it is the efforts of the Watkins Glen High School Interact Club that made the benches possible," said Chris Burns, Watkins-Montour Rotary Club Past President. "They are the ones who worked so hard to raise the needed funds."

Interact Clubs are sponsored by Rotary Clubs, and give students ages 12-18 the chance to make a real difference while having fun through a variety of service projects.



## 91st Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner

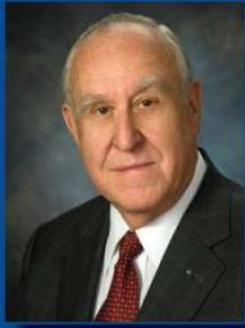
**Tuesday, December 6th**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**91st Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner**

**Tuesday, December 6th**

Joseph A. Floreano Riverside Convention Center



**Keynote Speaker:**  
**John Germ,**  
**RI President 2016-2017**

**Rotary**



Due to a conflict, President John Germ has rescheduled his speech for **Tuesday, December 6th**.

This year's dinner promises to be a very special evening - as we welcome **RI President John Germ** and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation.

**5-6:15 pm Registration and Reception**  
**6:30 pm Dinner & Program**

**This year's dinner price is as follows:**

**Early Bird Tickets - \$45**  
*(available through Friday, Nov. 18th)*  
**Regular Tickets - \$50**

Please share this information with you fellow club members.

**Reservations must be made online at:**  
[www.rochesterrotary.org](http://www.rochesterrotary.org)

*(For those interested a table seats 10 people.)*

## **Bath Rotary Club Hosts Multi-Club Picnic**

By Elaine Tears

On October 3<sup>rd</sup> the Bath Rotary Club hosted a Multi-Club Picnic at the Hickory Hill Family Camping Resort in Bath. Fifty attendees enjoyed a picnic of hotdogs, hamburgers, potato salad, tossed salad, baked beans, potato chips, variety of beverages, and a beautifully decorated cake, celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Rotary Foundation. In addition, they enjoyed a wine tasting experience provided by Pleasant Valley Winery and a wide selection of hors d' oeuvres made by a few of the Bath Rotarians.



Pictured, left to right: DGN Mike Slovak, District Editor Howard Selleck, Bath President Elaine Tears, DG Tom Rogers, AG Area 3 Jean McMillan and FAD Area 3 Joanne Sheehan.

Those attending the picnic included: District Governor Tom Rogers and his wife, Sandie; District Governor Nominee Mike Slovak and his wife, Jo; Assistant District Governor for Area 3 Jean McMillan; District Foundation Director for Area 3 Joanne Sheehan and her husband, Steve; District Grapevine News Editor Howard Selleck and his wife, Marge; members of the Bath Rotary Club, Naples Rotary Club, Prattsburgh Rotary Club, and Wayland Rotary Club; Bath Quota Club.

Before dinner was served Stanley Bhasker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Bath, and Eleanor Collinsworth, pastor of the Centenary United Methodist Church in Bath, both members of the Bath Rotary Club, delivered a joint, inspirational invocation; District Governor Nominee Mike Slovak led the group in the Pledge to the Flag; District Governor Tom Rogers then led the group in the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner". Bath Rotary Club President Elaine Tears then introduced all of the District Officers in attendance as well as all of the clubs and encouraged everyone to enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship.

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## Second Annual October Cruise

By PDG Jack Best



40 Rotarians, including six on the Rotary Friendship Exchange from Oregon, enjoyed a beautiful sold-out, end-of-season cruise on the Emita II. They sailed east from Newark, through Fairport, to return to the Emita II's home base in Macedon. Passengers also contributed \$440 to The Rotary Foundation, based on two raffles for gift certificates donated by Mid-Lakes Navigation. Penfield Rotarian Jack Best arranged the cruise.

## Red Jacket Rotary's Cleanup on Route 21

By Jeff Crawford



Pictured above, left to right: Jeff Crawford, Dick Coffey, Don Collins, John Stoddard, Linda and Vern Hecker.

On Saturday, September 10 seven members of the Red Jacket Rotary Club did our semi-annual trash pick up along a section of Route 21 running from Shortsville to Chapin. We expended some sweat, had fun and accomplished service to our communities. An eighth member, George Payne, kept us supplied with donuts and coffee.

## Penfield Rotarians Collect 93 Bikes

By PDG Jack Best

Penfield Rotarians Michael Donnelly, lower left, and Tara DuMont, lower right, helped R Community Bike staff to load 93 bicycles into their van. It's the Club's Sixth Annual Bike Drop, with more than 1,000 bikes of any type and condition donated over that time. The bikes are repaired, refurbished and gifted to community members who can establish need and use.



## Bath Hosts Multi Club Meeting (continued):

After dinner District Governor Tom delivered an address on the Rotary Foundation and all of its hard work and success in advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Foundation, supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotary members and friends of the Foundation, is essential in making possible projects that bring sustainable improvement to communities in need. This address was most relevant at this time since the Foundation is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. After his address the themed cake was cut and enjoyed by all.



Other activities for the evening included wagon rides through the camping resort (at left), a 50/50 drawing with the proceeds going to PolioPlus,;

The auction of an original watercolor of Brodie's Tavern in Scotland for which the \$85.00, paid by the winner of the auction, Nancy Latour (at right), will also go to PolioPlus; and the opportunity to take "selfies" in an area setup with a fall theme.



### Third Graders at HCS Receive Personal Dictionaries - Sixth Graders Thesauri

By Jeanne Hamele



On Monday, September 19th, four members of the Honeoye Lake Rotary Club presented each third grader at Honeoye Central School (HCS) with their own personal dictionary. This annual presentation was done by Rotarians Jan Blackmer, Janelle Deal, Jeanne Hamele and Marilyn Matteson. As third graders sat in awe, a discussion about what can be found in a dictionary was held with students providing educated answers to the Rotarians questions. For many of these students, having their own dictionary was very special ---- you could see the wonder and pride on their faces as they held their books and leafed through the pages.

In addition to giving third graders dictionaries, thesauri were presented to sixth graders. Again, these books are very important and special to these middle schoolers. For some students, it is their only "personal" book.

Teachers appreciate having the students each having a dictionary or thesaurus as it makes lesson planning easier when they have common "texts" for teaching skills. It helps to be able to have students on the same page as they learn how to use these resources with speed and ease.

### Over 1300 Dictionaries handed Out This Year by Greece Rotary

By Judie Van Bramer



Shown here are the enthusiastic third graders at Buckman Heights Elementary school. Rotarians present included top row: John Zink (red shirt), Kathy Graupman-GCSD Superintendent, Pam Leathersich, Bill Selke, Jon Seiler, PDG Bill Gormont and Joe Robach.

For 10 years Rotarians in Greece have played a key role in the lives of third grade students in Greece/Hilton school districts, distributing nearly 14,000 dictionaries. Led by Rotarian John Zink, club members are on hand to personally present the books to each child. The program at each school (13 in all) includes a magic show by Bill Gormont, past district governor and magician extraordinaire, as well as remarks from Senator Joe Robach, who not only lends his support but provides funding through his office.

### Red Jacket Delivers School Supplies

By Jeff Crawford



In early September, members of the Red Jacket Rotary Club delivered \$2000.00 worth of School Supplies and Back Packs to the Red Jacket Middle School. The supplies included earbuds and headphones which according to the letter of thanks from the school "leveled the playing field for students....not able to purchase all of their school supplies." This is one of our club's service projects each year. Members included Dick Coffey, Nancy Johnsen, Travis Yates and Don Collins.

Rotary  

**We're closer than ever to ending polio. But we need your help.**

Rotary's World Polio Day Livestream Event  
24 October 2016  
6:00 p.m. EDT

endpolio.org

### President, Professor and Playwright



John Kelly pictured with Maggie Thurber of the Finn Academy

Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club President John J. Kelly, Director of the Theatre Program and Professor at Elmira College, continues to have success finding recognition for his playwriting. His short play, *Special*, was recently selected for inclusion in the anthology Best 5-Minute Plays for Teens, to be published in January by Applause

Theatre and Cinema Books. His play *WC (war crimes)* has been chosen a finalist in the Roots of the Bluegrass competition in Kentucky. Final selection of the winning entry will be November 11<sup>th</sup> in Lexington.

*WC (war crimes)* was presented in Elmira as a staged reading this past January. The two-evening event served as a fundraiser for local charities. Elmira College, the Arnot Art Museum (host of the event,) and the Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club (which disbursed the funds generated) all combined efforts to present the production.

Kelly, whose plays have been produced in New York, Chicago, and Washington D.C., recently completed a full-length work, *Possibilities* (about the attempted assassination of Pope John Paul II), which is currently in submission and under consideration for production by several theatre companies. A new, as yet unfinished full-length work, *aide et réconfort* (about French women who offered aid and comfort to German soldiers during World War II,) is to be completed and presented this February, once again as a fund-raiser for local charity, and once again reuniting the college, the Arnot, and the local Rotary club.

### Red Jacket's Diverse Membership Age-wise

By Jeff Crawford

Our breakfast meeting on Tuesday, September 20th reflected our Red Jacket Rotary Club's diverse membership age-wise. We began by celebrating with club member, Jay Schadler and his wife, Lydia, who are having their first child. The club presented Jay with a Pack N Play that can be used in several ways.



Jay Schadler with the gift for him and his wife Lydia

Then, Vicki James, Medicare Consultant, helped us understand Medicare more clearly.



Club member, Charlie Chamberlain with Vicki James

### Nature Preserve on Five Mile Line Road



### Plans under way for Irene Gossin Nature Preserve on Five Mile Line Road

By PDG Jack Best

Town resident Mindy MacLaren told Penfield Rotarians about her 18 acre gift to the Genesee Land Trust. It will create the Irene Gossin Nature Preserve across from Rothfuss Park on Five Mile Line Road. Club President Jack (center) presented Mindy (left) with a copy of *Images of Early Penfield*. With them is Rotarian Nels Carman (at left), Chair of the Town Nature Trails Committee. Penfield Rotarians and other groups will be invited to take part in nature-related projects. The Preserve should open in 2018.

## Chemung County Sunrise Rotary at Community Arts

Members of the Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club visited Community Arts of Elmira to present a check for \$2500 for the implementation of the new Thoughts Are Things program. Thoughts Are Things is a long-term continuous educational project that, in the short term, is designed to empower at-risk female students in seventh to ninth grades through direct, hands-on experience with creative and healing arts. Students will learn artistic, healing, and social skills that will raise their consciousness regarding their creative ability, personal identity and voice, not only as it relates to their expression and health, but also to the immediate community and their role in it. Originating and leading the program for Community Arts will be Maureen O'Connell Burke, an Elmira-based experienced artist in the creative and healing arts professions.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Lynne Rusinko - President, Community Arts of Elmira; Robert Butcher - Community Arts Board Member and Rotarian; Brent Stermer - Elmira Second District Councilman; John Kelly - President, Chemung County Sunrise Rotary; Maureen Burke, Originator & Lead Artist of "Thoughts Are Things"; Peter Wallin, Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Member and Foundation Chair; and Joe Caparulo, Vice President, Community Arts of Elmira.

Support for Thoughts Are Things is made possible by a grant from the local Rotary club in association with Rotary District 7120 through their District Simplified Grant program. The District, comprised of some 70 local Rotary clubs, provided support of over \$55,000 for projects within the region totaling more than \$240,000. The Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Club also supports numerous local charities such as Camp Star, Meals-on-Wheels, Strong Kid Safe Kids, and international efforts such as the Polio Plus program and the House with Heart in Kathmandu.

**Swingin' on Seneca's Shores**

**Saturday**  
**Nov. 12**  
**7-10 p.m.**

**Live music by Hepeats Big Band**

**Clute Park Community Center, Watkins Glen**  
~ SPACIOUS WOODEN DANCE FLOOR ~  
Free light table snacks, soft drinks

**\$15 per person or \$25 per couple**  
~ Advance tickets: (607) 351-2731 / (607) 535-2445  
~ Tickets also available at the door  
Presented by the Watkins-Montour Rotary Club  
Proceeds dedicated to the eradication of polio

## Mount Morris Rotary

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Disco**  
**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Tickets \$25.00**

FOOD-MUSIC-RAFFLES-AUCTION  
PHOTO BOOTH  
Costume & Dance Contests

7:00PM-11:00PM

**Genesee River Restaurant**  
**134 N Main Street, Mount Morris**



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AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS



## Honeoye Falls – Mendon Rotary Club Harvest Dinner

This terrific community happening is a Fund Raising Event with proceeds exclusively applied to the Rotary Foundation. HF-M Rotary and going towards Community-Literacy and Youth Programs, as you know, is a meeting of friends and neighbors, and part of an International Organization, who gather together to do what we can to serve our community on a local and global level.

**Event date:** Friday, October 28, 2016

**Hosted by:** The Rabbit Room and the Honeoye Falls-Mendon Rotary

**Venue:** The Rabbit Room, 61 North Main St., Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

### Details:

- Appetizers paired with a signature cocktail from The Rabbit Room
- Four Course Dinner with Wine Pairing by local wineries
- Dessert paired with local white wine  
Coffee & Tea

Dinner Music by Steve Melcher on the piano  
Cost (tax deductible): \$100 per person (advanced ticket sales only)

Tickets can be obtained through any of the HFM Rotary Members, Colonial Liquor in Honeoye Falls or by going to our Facebook event link at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1607720502862167/>

Sponsorship and tickets can also be purchased online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-harvest-dinner-tickets-27507111511>

### MENU:

**1st Course:** Curried Local Butternut Squash Bisque, Sunflower Seed, Scallion. (This is also the Vegan option)

**2nd Course:** Roasted Vegetable Ravioli - Autumn Vegetable Pan Sauce, Toasted Pine Nuts. (This is also the Vegan option)

**3rd Course:** Braised Beef Short Rib, Stewed Beans, Kale, Shiitake Puree, Smoked Carrot. (Vegan: Stewed Beans, Kale,, Shiitake Puree, Grilled Portabella, Smoked Carrot)

**Dessert:** Coconut Sorbet, Toasted Coconut, Poached Pear, Dried Cherries, Pistachios. . (This is also the Vegan option)  
Coffee / Tea / Brandy

For menu and other information at The Rabbit Room, please go to:

<http://thelowermill.com/hfmrotaryhavest.htm>

The Honeoye Falls-Mendon Rotary Club contact:  
Denise Lowery - ph:(585) 943-6616



## Women of Rotary Needs You!!

Formed in 1931 in Rochester, this organization is dedicated to the support of Rotary Sunshine Campus. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at Shadow Lake Golf Club in Penfield, September through June, for fellowship, friendship, and purpose. In addition to a delicious lunch, we always have an interesting speaker.

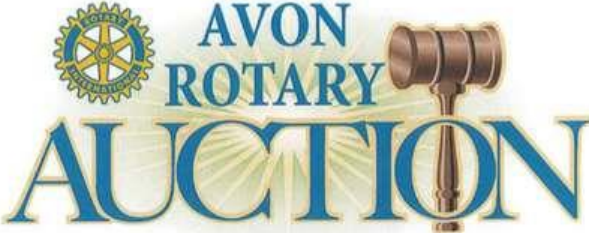
Our sewing group makes quilts for newborns, and our camp committee cares for the gardens at Sunshine Campus.

Through past fundraisers we've been able to donate thousands of dollars for necessary equipment and projects at camp. All female family members of Rotarians in the greater Rochester area are invited to join us for a luncheon to get to know us. If you'd like to come, please call me at 585-342-6031, I would love to have you as my guest!

Additionally - On November 2nd, Women of Rotary will be having it's first Dough Raiser at Uno Pizzeria to support Rotary Sunshine Campus. It's simple...encourage friends and family to dine at Uno on that day-lunch, dinner or take out. They need to bring a voucher or have it on their phone when they dine at the restaurant. The vouchers cannot be passed out in the parking lot or in the restaurant that day. WOR will receive either 15% or 20% of gross sales, depending upon the amount of total sales. You can dine at any one of their 3 locations - Victor, Henrietta, or Webster. For vouchers please call Lauren Burns at 585-729-1145 or email her at [LBpayroll1@gmail.com](mailto:LBpayroll1@gmail.com)

*Anne Kelderhouse,*

Women of Rotary Co-President and Membership Chair



**Saturday, November 12, 2016**

**Avon Primary School**

**Preview: 8 AM Auction: 9 AM**

## Car Wash Fundraiser Benefits Camp Haccamo

By Amanda Hughes

The Rush-Henrietta Rotary Club, Garber Automotive and Monroe County South Rotary Club, in the spirit of collaboration and teamwork, co-sponsored a car wash fundraiser on Saturday, September 17, 2016. All proceeds from the event goes towards "Camp Haccamo", a camp for individuals with disabilities in Monroe County.



Shown in the photo are President Kathleen Gessner (Rush-Henrietta Rotary), President Ebo Ocran (Monroe County South (MCS) ), Foundation Area Director Bob Owens. Also included are Axel (Exchange student from Sweden), Skip Evon (MCS), Amanda Hughes (MCS), Ed Crosby (Rush-Henrietta), Gene Gillan (R-H), Pam Saxton (R-H), Broccolo Piccolo (R-H), Steve Hoepnner(R-H), Charley Lookup (R-H), Ray Neeliem (R-H), Bill Myers (R-H), John Malach (R-H) and Jim Barletta (R-H).

## Monroe South Rotary Launches "Meg's Reading Corner"

Amanda Hughes

The Monroe County South Rotary Club, in alignment with district wide literacy activities, launched "Meg's Reading Corner" at the Rush United Methodist Church, in honor of Meg Kinnally (Monroe County South). The nicely decorated bookshelf is stacked with a variety of books to meet the needs of all readers. Are you as beautiful on the inside as you are on the outside?



Pictured above in the photo, from left to right, are: Monroe South Rotary President Elect Kevin Kinnally, President Ebo Ocran, Literacy Chair Deborah Hughes and Membership Chair Skip Evon.

## Prattsburgh Rotary Presents Dictionaries at Prattsburgh Central School



Prattsburgh Rotary members presented dictionaries to the Third Grade Class members at Prattsburgh Central School in Prattsburgh. Additionally they were each given a new pencil as well as bookmarks, one of which was donated by Friendly's good for a free kid's meal.

The dictionaries were explained to the students as well as given them an exercise in looking up words that relate to Rotary which was led by Aimee Bristol (pictured standing in photo at left), Rotarian and school Guidance Councilor.

Other Rotarians participating in the presentation were: Maureen Kunak, Marge Selleck and Howard Selleck.

### Upcoming DISTRICT Events

<http://www.rotary7120.org/DistrictActivities.cfm>

#### October 2016

- ◆ **October 15th - President Elect Training Seminar 1 and Grant Management Seminar (Renewal) - Mt. Morris**
- ◆ **October 15th - Club Secretaries Training session, Mt. Morris** - which will run simultaneously with the PETS I session.
- ◆ **October 22nd - Grant Management Seminar (Full) - Bath**
- ◆ **October 29th - Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) - Canandaigua Inn on the Lake, 770 South Main Street; 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM**

#### December 2016

- ◆ **December 6th (Tuesday) - Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner - See Page 14 for more information.**

#### January 2017

- ◆ **January 9th - 14th - District Governor Elect Host Hospitality**

#### April 2017

- ◇ **April 8th - District Training Assembly - Newark**

### Let us know when your club's special events are

The information can be entered on the District website - contact: Tom Brown at [TomBrown@mediabarker.com](mailto:TomBrown@mediabarker.com)

To be listed in The Grapevine email the information to: Howard Selleck, Editor [hselleck@empacc.net](mailto:hselleck@empacc.net)

### Upcoming CLUB Events

<http://www.rotary7120.org/DistrictActivities.cfm>

#### October 2016

- ⇒ **October 27th - Newark Rotary 90th Anniversary Celebration** - Clifton Springs Country Club
- ⇒ **October 28<sup>th</sup> - Honeoye Falls-Mendon October Harvest Dinner Fundraiser** - Rabbit Room Restaurant in Honeoye Falls, 6:30 pm; Four course meal with wine pairing - \$100 per ticket. Contact: Denise Lowery - ph:(585) 943-6616.

#### November 2016

- ⇒ **November 2nd - Wednesday - DOUGH RAISER** - to benefit the Sunshine Campus at your local **UNO Pizzeria & Grill**. Download [this certificate](#) and present it to your server - up to 20% of your check's value will be donated to the Sunshine Campus! (*Participating UNOs Victor, Henrietta & Webster*)
- ⇒ **November 5th - Mount Morris 4th Annual Disco** - Genesee River Restaurant, Mount Morris, NY. 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM (**See Page 18**)
- ⇒ **November 8th - Newark Rotary Spaghetti Dinner** - First United Methodist Church - 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- ⇒ **November 8th - Pittsford's Rotary's 50th Annual Pasta Supper** - 5:00 PM -7:30 PM. Tickets may be purchased in advance from Pittsford Rotarians, online or can be purchased at the door. You can also save \$1 per ticket with a Valpak coupon or a Brighton Pittsford Post event flyer after November 3rd.
- ⇒ **November 12th - Avon Rotary Auction** - Avon Primary School; Preview at 8AM; Auction at 9AM. (**See Page 19**)
- ⇒ **November 12th - Swinging on Seneca Shores - 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM**. Clute Park Community Center, Watkins Glen (**See Page 18**)



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Club Name	Division	Membership			Attendance	
		Member Count		Year to Date (YTD)	Percent	
		7/1/2016	8/31/2016	+/-	August 2016	YTD
Avon	E	53	No Report			
Bath	F	33	33	0	89.00	94.50
Belmont	G	17	17	0	100.00	100.00
Bloomfield	F	27	30	3	71.00	76.50
Brighton	F	29	No Report			
Brockport	F	22	21	1	72.00	69.50
Caledonia-Mumford	G	8	8	0	85.00	85.00
Canandaigua	D	111	111	0	59.00	59.50
Canisteo	G	16	No Report			
Chemung County Sunrise	F	32	31	-1	78.00	79.50
Clifton Springs	F	43	45	2	73.00	71.00
Clyde	G	10	No Report			
Corning	D	111	103	-8	50.00	47.50
Dansville	F	39	40	1	88.38	76.77
Dundee	F	27	27	0	81.00	80.00
East Rochester	G	17	16	-1	72.00	68.50
Elmira	F	42	38	-4	44.21	46.60
Elmira Heights	G	27	27	0	78.00	77.00
Fairport	E	58	58	0	71.50	73.05
Friendship	G	14	15	1	100.00	100.00
Gananda	G	14	14	0	100.00	100.00
Gates-Chili	G	16	16	0	70.00	70.00
Geneseo	F	40	No Report			
Geneva	E	69	68	-1	59.00	67.00
Gorham	G	14	14	0	95.70	94.30
Greece	E	84	80	-4	44.25	43.42
Hammondsport	G	9	9	0	100.00	100.00
Hilton	G	9	No Report			
Honeoye	G	19	22	3	60.00	59.50
Honeoye Falls-Mendon	F	27	26	-1	60.30	66.55
Hornell	G	16	No Report			
Horseheads	G	15	16	1	68.75	65.13
Irondequoit	F	32	30	-2	55.00	55.00
Lima	G	13	14	1	57.00	61.00
Livonia	F	29	No Report			

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Club Name	Division	Membership			Attendance	
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		7/1/2015	8/31/2016	+/-	August 2016	YTD
Lyons	G	13	No Report			
Monroe County South	G	15	15	0	48.00	49.00
Mt. Morris	G	23	23	0	60.00	58.00
Naples	F	45	45	0	59.00	57.50
Newark	E	95	95	0	59.55	61.38
Nunda	G	6	6	3	100.00	100.00
Ontario-Walworth	F	29	29	0	66.00	65.50
Palmyra-Macedon	F	39	39	0	91.00	93.00
Penfield	F	19	20	1	75.00	74.50
Penn Yan	F	41	42	1	92.30	82.45
Pen-Web	G	18	No Report			
Perry	E	66	66	0	100.00	100.00
Pittsford	F	49	42	-7	69.05	68.99
Prattsburgh	G	10	10	0	85.00	85.00
Red Creek	G	16	16	0	70.00	70.16
Red Jacket	G	20	22	2	90.00	83.50
Rochester	B	342	351	9	49.00	49.00
Rochester AM	G	15	No Report			
Rochester Deaf	G	13	No Report			
Rochester Latino	G	15	16	1	50.00	61.00
Rochester Northwest	G	13	13	0	70.00	65.550
Rochester Southeast	G	24	No Report			
Rush-Henrietta	F	35	34	-1	77.30	77.45
Scottsville	G	11	12	1	62.50	58.53
Seneca Falls	E	53	54	1	67.00	66.00
Sodus	G	21	No Report			
Spencerport	F	28	29	1	98.14	99.07
Victor-Farmington	G	22	22	0	88.00	82.00
Waterloo	F	29	29	0	72.41	68.97
Watkins-Montour	E	51	49	-2	62.00	63.50
Wayland	G	14	14	0	100.00	95.50
Webster	G	24	No Report			
Wellsville	F	23	23	0	81.00	82.00
Williamson	G	5	5	0	80.00	80.00
Wolcott	G	14	15	1	69.00	65.00