



Rome Rotary Club News



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

President: Kyle Cairns
President- Elect
Vice President: Carla Till
Past President: Steve Mercurio

Club established 1919
Club 4856 zone 29

Treasurer: Dave Burke
Secretary: Tamalin Martin
Dist 7150 Gov Dana Jerrard
ADG : Judy Reilly

Announcements:

July 6 2021

Next week's program will be presented by Marie Cryz from Rome Health

Dates for July and August:

Will be held at the **Rome Yacht Club** on Karlen Rd.

Followed by



July 13: Anne Marie Cryz from Rome Health. Ridge Mills donation acceptance

July 20: open

July 27: Canlafest meeting

Aug. 3: Canalfest wrapup



Board of Directors meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month at **5:30PM**. Location: These meeting are going to **Zoom**. Next meeting, is **July 12**.



The Thursday night Fellowship Rotary dinner meeting

Once a month meetings are held at different restaurants on the 3rd Thursday of each month at **6:00PM**. The Fellowship Dinner will be held at The Black Stallion restaurant on Rte 5 in Vernon. Big black stallion in the front. **July 15, 6:00PM**.



50/50

Only at on-site meetings (Draw the queen of hearts to win the pot or Joker to win half) Resume on site.

Remembering our Rotarians: holidays, etc



Donna Occhipinti is in room **516**. Cards & visits: **Bethany Gardens**, 800 Chestnut St. Rome, NY 13440. **Sept. birthday**.

Shirley Waters: Rm. 252 Woodgate Unit/Health Care Pavilion, **Masonic Care Community** of NY, 2150 Bleecker St., Utica NY 13501. **Oct. birthday**.

Mary Winberg: 1700 Lincoln Lane, Rome NY 13440. Cards & visits. **July. birthday**

Rotary Readers: Bellamy Elementary School

If you are interested in this program, please contact Jeannie Packer at: thepackers@twcny.rr.com or phone (315) 336-0675 to sign up. This includes reading with an elementary student once a week for a half hour at Bellamy Elementary School.



Club Program Scheduling



Pete Costianes invites members to suggest at least one possible program in the coming Rotary year with contact information. Pete's phone: (315) 337-1409 or email: petercostianes@gmail.com **Peter needs programs.**




The Youth Exchange . Chair: Not sure. No Youth Exchange for the 2021-2 year.

Rotary Foundation: Bill reports that we have sent in \$2147.00 to the Polio Plus fund and \$1140.00 to the annual fund.

Children's Christmas Party: help from Jennifer McCullough on jackets for the Children's Christmas party. Shelly and Joel returned in June to meetings..

Chicken Barbecue #3: Possible October date.

Canalfest 2021: Will take place August 6, 7, and 8 at Bellamy Harbor Park.

 **Club election:** We have a president elect of Kyle Cairns and a co- VP of Carla Till and Diane Drake. Steve Mercurio, Past President; Vice Pres.: Carla Till; Treasurer: David Burke; Secretary: Tamalin Martin; Director: Wade Cornett (7/1/21-6/30/24); Director Pat DeMatteo (to 6/30/24); replacement Director: Glen Bahr (to 6/30/23)

July 4th program: Rob Tracy and Art Simmons from Rome Historical Society had the program at the Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary soldier. The program began at 1:00PM. The program consists of a re-enactment of Ft. Stanwix, Father Sean O'Brien with the invocation and benediction; Rebecca Matt performing the National anthem, Tech Sgt Michael Carson, and a wreath laying ceremony.

Gift Committee: club spent \$10,000.00 on donations. Completed are: Abraham House: \$1,000.00; Bellamy School projects: \$500.00; Capitol Theatre: \$500.00; Connected Schools: \$1,000.00; Lucy House: \$1,000.00; Michelle Adey Fund: \$1,000.00; Rescue Mission: \$1,000.00; Rome YMCA: \$3,000.00; Wright Settlement Cemetery donation mailed to them.
Still to be given: Ridge Mills School: \$500.00.

Honor America Days: usually scheduled for July 31, 2021. Canceled.

International Student Day: IS Day has been moved to Spring of 2022.

Membership: Inductions of the new members have been completed.

Scholarships: Don Schlueter's scholarship project was completed at the Tuesday July 6 meeting with scholarship winners and their parent hosted for lunch at the Rome Yacht Club. Photos in the program section.

Camp Kingsley: groundbreaking for the Robert Burns Sr. Welcome Center, 5328 Tuffy Rd. Ava will be held on **July 22**. Program: 1:15PM: Welcome & remarks in the dining hall from Scout Executive, Ray Echenbach, Camp Director Bob Mahardy, and Council President, Matt Dziedzic; 1:30PM Groundbreaking ceremony with the Barnes family. **RSVP by July 16**. More information call Jan Martin at 315 263-6226.

Guests

Many shown in the program section

Birthdays: this month we have eight



Victor DiPerna



Tamalin Mrtin



Bill Tuthill



Rocco Versace

Rotary Minute

The following Rotary History bites are from a booklet published by Clifford L.



Dochterman, Rotary International President 1992-3 called, "The ABC's of Rotary."

Rotary Foundation's beginning

In 1917, RI President Arch Klumpf told the delegates of the Atlanta convention that it is proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world. The response was polite and favorable, but the fund as originally labeled received its first contribution of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri which was the balance of the Kansas City convention account following the 1918 annual meeting. Additional small amounts were contributed each year, but after six years the endowment had reached only \$700.00. A decade later, The Rotary Foundation was formally established at the 1928 Minneapolis convention. In the next four years, the Foundation fund grew to \$50,000.00. In 1937, a \$2 million goal was announced for The Rotary Foundation, but these plans were abandoned with the outbreak of WW II.



In 1947, upon the death of Paul Harris, a new era opened for the Rotary Foundation as memorial gifts poured in to honor the founder of Rotary. Since then, The

Rotary Foundation has been achieving its noble objective of furthering understanding and friendly relations between peoples of different nations.

By 1954, the Foundation received for the first time \$500,000.00 in contributions in a single year, and in 1965 \$1 million was received.

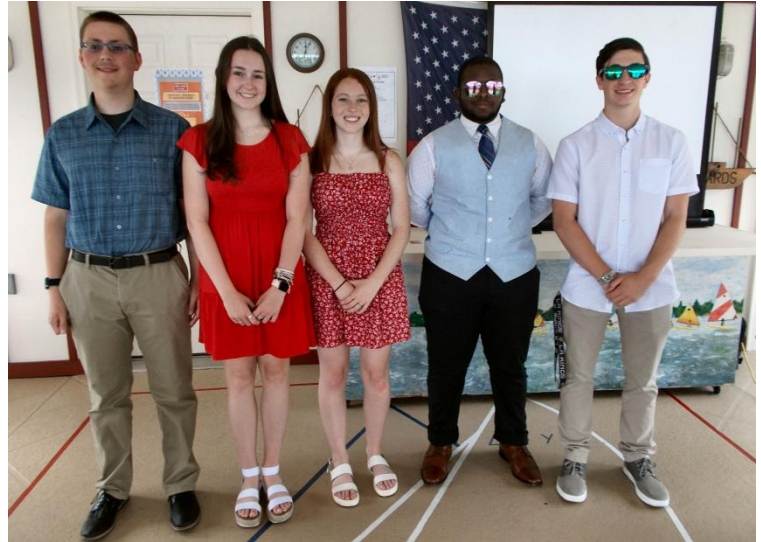
It is staggering to realize that from such humble beginnings, the Rotary Foundation received almost \$85 million in 2004-05 to support annual programs and nearly \$118 million in total contributions.

Program

Today's program was a presentation of Scholarship awards for STEM and RFA merit

Don Schlueter's vision & program:

L to R: Dawsen Kelley, STEM,
Lauren Haag RFA merit,
Hailee Catalano RFA merit,
Theodore Allah STEM,
Dominick Gualtieri STEM



With parents



Community Activities/News

Innovare Advancement Center

IAC is a 150,000 square foot open innovation hub that converges world-class scientific, engineering, and entrepreneurial talent from universities, government, and industry to tackle new challenges in artificial intelligence, machine learning, cybersecurity, quantum, and unmanned aerial systems. Innovare's unique capabilities include highly specialized laboratories for experimentation in quantum communications and neuromorphic computing, 40,000 square feet of high-tech and high-speed communications-enabled collaboration spaces, an auditorium with capacity for over 250 people, a 50-mile drone corridor for advanced unmanned aircraft operations, and coming in spring 2022 – an indoor sUAS research and testing facility with 22,500 square foot indoor flight testing area - the largest in the United States.



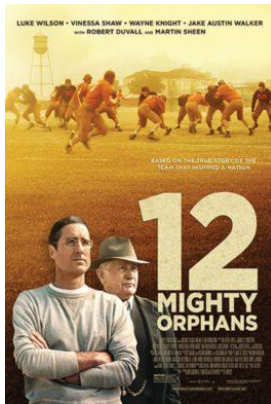
- Heather Hage president and CEO; Email: hhage@griffissinstitute.org
- Phone: [315-356-2682](tel:315-356-2682)

Location: 592 Hangar Rd. Rome NY 13441

Telephone: (315) 838-1696

Cinema Capitol

The Capitol is reopening to the public on July 17, 2021



Movie 12 mighty orphans

12 MIGHTY ORPHANS tells the true story of the Mighty Mites, the football team of a Fort Worth orphanage who, during the Great Depression, went from playing without shoes—or even a football—to playing for the Texas state championships. Over the course of their winning season these underdogs and their resilient spirit became an inspiration to their city, state, and an entire nation in need of a rebound, even catching the attention of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The architect of their success was Rusty Russell, a legendary high school coach who shocked his colleagues by giving up a privileged position so he could teach and coach at an orphanage.

July. 9: 4:00PM; **July. 10:** 4:00 & 7:00 PM; **July. 11:** 1:00PM; **July. 12:** 7:00PM;

It is recommended that patrons purchase tickets in advance. These can be purchased at www.romecapitol.com or by calling 315-337-6277. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults; \$7.00 for students and military, and \$6.00 for Capitol "Friends."



RACC

Art Exhibits Rome City School District Student show **June 2** – 4:00-6:00PM.

Artletics program: (children 5-12) **June 29-August 19.**

**Rome Community Theater
Second Annual give and take Event**

8911 Turin Road, Rome. On **August 7**, from 10:00AM to 5:00PM. **Bring** us your cans, bottles and scrap metal.

Take (purchase), coffee; Krispy Krèmes; nothing bundt cakes; jewelry and mittens by Joan. Order deadline **July 23**.

To benefit the Rome Community Theater

Make checks payable to the Rome Community Theater. Form can be printed from the RCT website: www.romecommunitytheater.net

**ROME
COMMUNITY
THEATER**

**District 7150 & RI News
Rotary Month Celebrations**

Rotary Month Celebrations

January: Rotary Awareness month.

February: World Understanding month

March: Literacy month.

April: Magazine month

May: Promote Internat'l. Convention mo.

June: Rotary Fellowship month.

July: Literacy and New Year month

August: Membership & extension mo.

September: New generations month

October: Vocational service mo.

November: Rotary Foundation/World Interact month

December: Family month

The following information and excerpts from various Rotary sources

Rotary District Websites

Official Website, Rotary7150.org.

Rotary International Website, Rotary.org.

Rotary Leadership Institute, <http://www.rlinea.org>

Youth Exchange calendar:

<http://www.rotarydistrict7150youthexchange>

D7150 Calendar of Events – list of events from Newsletter

RYLA Conferences: Cazenovia College

<http://www.rotary7150.org/sitepage/ryla>

RYLA: PDG Phyllis Danks chair: phyl7150@gmail.com

Rotaract chair: Jonathan Yost: jonathanm.yost@yahoo.com

Interact Chair: Dorene Gortner: dorene.gortner@yahoo.com

Youth Exchange chair: PDG Phyllis Danks: phyl7150@gmail.com

District newsletter information and articles

Please send future newsletter inputs directly to editor Jim Morrow at:

Rotary7150@gmail.com Phone: 315 751-7830

From District 7150 FYI: District group leaders:

District Governor: Dana Jerrard: jerrarddana@gmail.com

District Secretary: Peter Cardamone: peter7150@gmail.com

District Treasurer: Laverne DeLand: laverne7150@gmail.com

District Foundation Chair: Mark Matt: mmatt7150@gmail.com

District Youth Exchange Chair: PDG Phyllis Danks : phyl7150@gmail.com

District Membership Chair: Janet Joslyn: jmjoslyn83@hotmail.com

Youth Service Leadership unfilled at this time.

Interact Club is a club for young people in their community or school.

Interact Chair: Dorene Gortner: dorene.gortner@yahoo.com

Youth Exchange a program giving young people exposure to new cultures and customs, promotes global understanding and peace. Students live in foreign countries with different host families and attend classes at the local schools.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award an intensive training program for young adults ages 14-30 that usually involves seminars, camps, or workshops organized by Rotarians and held over 3-10 days.

Question about RYLA Phyllis Danks chair: phyl7150@gmail.com

ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS PROGRAM For more information visit:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/member-center/rotary-global-rewards/offers#/offers%0D%0AJust>

Recordings of 3 multidistrict "Membership Monday" events you may have missed:

> An interview of Dr. Sylvia Whitlock:

She made history as the world's first female president of a Rotary Club following a federal lawsuit requiring female membership in Rotary and many other organizations. Don't miss this opportunity to learn directly from **a Rotarian who has faced adversity and made a difference** in her community and the world. Here is the link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ci_f52IrSwo&list=UUnN93AoKIFCypg3xwuVo4XQ&index=2

If anyone would like to have a **signed copy** of her book: WOMEN ALSO, SERVE! they can write to her at <sylvia5@msn.com> and she will mail you one. After you receive the book, send her \$20. All profits go to The Rotary Foundation. (And don't forget to tell her what name you want in the book.)

> "The Future of Rotary" event:

For those curious about the future of Rotary, you may have missed an exciting presentation by incoming RI Director Drew Kessler and RI Past President Barry Rassin. They discussed some **possibilities for the future of our Districts, our Clubs and**

how our global organization may look down the road. Would you like to see less “layers” in the Rotary organization? Are there some traditions you’d like to retain? You’ll want to watch this presentation. It will open your mind to some new ideas that are on the horizon. The link is here:

<https://youtu.be/fPU-IHKRxQg>

New District 7150 news editor

The new news editor is Jim Morrow who is a member of the Syracuse Rotary Club which he joined in 2012.

He is a past president (2014/15), has been on the membership and programs committees, and currently serves as a board member, a trustee on the club's foundation and chair of Philanthropy & Charity.

Deadlines for district news is the 25th of each month.

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Our new District Governor.2021/2022): Dana Jerrard

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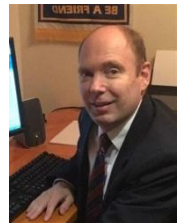
Meet your new District Governor designate 2022-2023: Gerald Seguin of Fulton Rotary Club



Gerald retired from Fulton City School District June 2018.

Served as Fulton Rotary club Pres. 2009-10, 13-14, and 17-18.

He is now Dist 7150 Asst Gov for Area 5. Has been Club Secy, Treasurer, Foundation Chair. (Also participation chair Dist Assemblies, District Training and MD-PETS)



Proposed District 7150 Governor for 2023-24

Pursuant to Article 14.020.6 of the Rotary International Bylaws, we announce that the Nominating Committee for District 7150 Governor has recommended Merle “Elise” Hereth of the Vernon

Merle “Elise” Hereth lives in Sherrill, NY and is a member of the Vernon Verona Sherrill Community Rotary Club. She grew up in southern New Jersey, where her father was a dedicated Rotarian. Elise then attended the University of Florida and earned a B.S degree in Geology. Upon graduation, she was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the USAF. Her second assignment brought her to Griffiss AFB, where she met Chuck Hereth, whom she married. Still on active duty, was overseas but eventually joined the NY Air National Guard, continued serving, in her active duty career, in Upstate NY. She retired in 2014, at the rank of Colonel having served almost 29 years.



District 7150 Membership Team

We are no longer using Area Membership Coaches, a District Membership Team.(From Janet Joslyn, District 7150 Membership chair) Joe Caruso is the closest to our club distance wise.:

Joe Caruso Utica Rotary email: jpcaruso12@gmail.com

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Featured article June 2021. Our clubs: getting their kicks – Rotary club Kingman Az..Paul Engleman...condensed

President Dwight Eisenhower's Federal Aid Highway Act in 1956 began the American interstate highway system. The death knell was sounded for many towns along Route 66 which was the historic highway stretching from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Kingman, Arizona could have been one of those towns along Route 66 that hollowed out and died a slow death, but residents banded together to preserve their city and their stretch of highway. Dan Messersmith, now a member of the Rotary club of Kingman Route 66 was part of the group that launched a successful campaign to establish the Historic Route 66

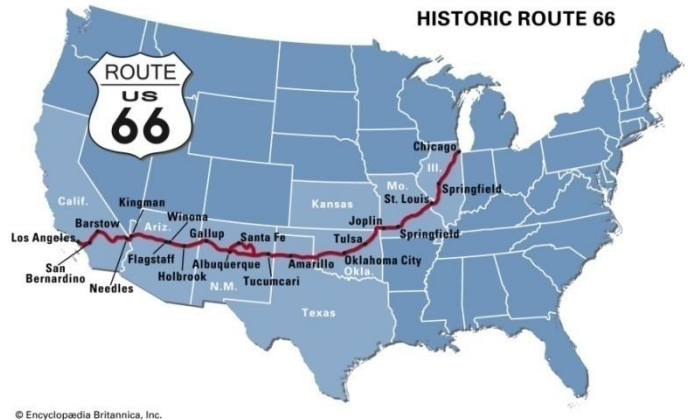
Association of Arizona in 1987, the same year the club was chartered.

Kingman is near the middle of the longest remaining continuous stretch of Route 66. The city of 30,000 has become a tourist destination. The Route 66 association's annual Fun Run, a tradition dating back to 1988, is a

car enthusiasts cruise of the Arizona segment of the highway. The run draws participants from as far as Europe and Australia say club member Becky Fawson who is executive director of the Kingman Area Chamber of Commerce. A restored power station houses the city's visitor center and the Arizona Route 66 Museum on the stretch of highway running through downtown Kingman.

Visitors with questions about the history of the city can turn to Messersmith who is the local historian.

Last year Kingman launched an adopt-a-park program and the Rotarians were the first to step up and take part, adopting Metcalfe Park which is the site of the club's two major fundraisers: Brews and Brats Oktoberfest and the Kingman Festival of the Arts. The club's work in the park includes monthly cleanups as well as the installation of a peace pole and a new handrail for the entrance that was designed by club member Zane Fawson who is Becky's son.



Businesses have been hard hit by the Pandemic and in response, the Rotarians ran a program earlier this year called Rotary Gives Back in which the selected a local business to support and promote each week, lobbying for members to patronize the business and participate in a drawing for a \$50.00 gift card.

The club also support veteran's causes. Last year they raised \$4,000.00 for a local nonprofit called the Jerry Ambrose Veteran's Council to fund mailboxes for homeless vets. They helped fund a shelter space for female veterans and have collected furnishings for a 49 unit veterans housing community.

Members also funded a project at a school in Taxco, Mexico that will capture, store, and filter rainwater to provide clean drinking water for students.

RI International President 2021-2

Shekhar Mehta, of the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, West Bengal, India, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2021-22. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested.



Mehta acknowledges that current membership trends are a challenge and says that membership development should be Rotary's highest priority. He believes that focusing on regional plans, successfully transitioning Rotaractors into Rotary clubs, increasing diversity and female members.

Mehta's initiatives:

Rotary International President-elect Shekhar Mehta will have three special initiatives for the 2021-22 Rotary year aimed at increasing our impact through service and expanding our reach by introducing new members to Rotary. Mehta is asking every Rotarian to make membership a responsibility through the Each One, Bring One campaign.

His initiatives are:

Empowering girls. To address the inequities that girls face worldwide, members will be encouraged to launch a club-based initiative or be part of a district or global grant that improves the health, well-being, education, and economic security of girls in their communities and ensures their access to resources.

Rotary Day of Service. Clubs will be asked to collaborate to conduct hands-on service activities with members of their communities and share those activities on Rotary Showcase.

Presidential conferences. A series of presidential conferences will highlight club humanitarian efforts in their communities and around the world. Members should invite a friend to one event so they can learn about Rotary's work and be inspired to join us in our commitment to service.

Rome Organization and contact information:

Board of Directors

Pat DeMatteo	Dave Kobernuss
Kris Dombeck	Wade Cornett
Glen Bahr	Bill Wolf



Membership Committee Co chairs:

Keith Butters & Steve Mercurio

Membership Development,

Mentoring, & Orientation: Joel Gray & Kris Dombeck



The Rotary Foundation
"Doing Good in the World"

Rotary Foundation
Bill Tuthill chair



Rotary Readers
Jeannie Packer chair
With Glen Bahr



Scholarships: Ryan Tuggey chair



Carla Till



Veteran's Affairs
Steve Mercurio,
chair



RYLA Ryan Tuggey, Jen
Meisenhelder, Nancy Neiley
Rotary youth Leadership Award



Dictionaries: Carla Till chair



Polio Fundraising
Bill Tuthill



International Student Day Co-chairs:
Pete Costianes & Emily Gifford
With Keith Butters



Interact Club: Ryan Tuggey
& Jen Meisenhelder



Science Fair: Keith Butters



Programs: Peter Costianes

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