



ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES

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January is Rotary Vocational Service Month



I have exciting news to share! Zones 33-34 are rolling out a new initiative under the leadership of Stephanie Urchick, Director of Zones 33/34, called Rotary Works.

Rotary Works is designed to assist Rotarians and Rotaractors experiencing career transition, especially those who have lost their jobs, transitioning to a new job, or seeking employment for the first time.

This is a three-part Vocational Service Program focusing on career strategies, job board, and impact funding.

1. The career strategies include mentors who will provide information and inspiration for those in attendance seeking opportunities of self-exploration, self-improvement and ultimately seeking employment or entrepreneurial prospects.
2. The "Job Board" will allow you to search for employment opportunities, post open positions, request a mentor, become a mentor, and find valuable and relevant career transition resources.

The "Impact Fund" is designed to assist Rotarians and Rotaractors in Zones 33 and 34, who may have experienced financial stress will have an opportunity to apply for a one-time grant of \$500.

For more detailed information, please copy and paste the following website: <https://www.rizoness33-34.org/rotary-works/>



CLUB CALENDAR

2021 Coudersport Lottery Calendar Sales

Coudersport Rotary Club

DISTRICT CALENDAR

February 27, March 6 & March 7

Virtual Sessions

PETS (Presidents-Elect Training Seminar)

Please send dates for your club events to:

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Rotary Works is a new vocational initiative provided for Rotarians and Rotaractors within our Zones who are experiencing career transition. This initiative is comprised of three distinct programs that will provide education, networking, and/or financial resources for participants.

Throughout the Career Development Series, we will collaborate with business professionals in career development to exchange ideas and have conversations with experts in their fields. These mentors (both inside and outside of Rotary) will provide information and inspiration for participants seeking opportunities in self-exploration, in self-improvement and ultimately in seeking employment prospects.

Our monthly series will be held consistently on the second Wednesday of each month, and the topics will vary from direct, self-help conversations to hands-on, developmental processes. Each month, our professionals will be available to discuss specific topics with you. The topics will be outlined every month in our Rotary Works newsletter, on our website, as well as on DACdb for registration purposes.

In Spring 2021, we will launch our second phase, the “Zone Job Board”. This will be a resource to search for, or post, employment opportunities. And finally, the third phase is our Impact Fund, designed to offer a one-time grant of \$500 for individuals in our Zones who have experienced financial stress due to career transitions. Criteria is being established providing eligible Rotarians and Rotaractors the ability to apply for these grants. We will direct our members to the Zone website for more information on that process and want to stress that these personal grants are a “hands-up” opportunity, not a “hand-out”.

Upcoming Rotary Works Sessions:

- January 13th Vocation, Evaluation, and Opportunities
- February 10th Building Your Personal Brand
- March 10th Essential Tech Tools for Marketability
- April 14th So You Want to Be Your Own Boss?

Webinars are at 12pm EST on Zoom. Visit our website and register.



The global pandemic has forced changes in the way every Rotary Club operates. Many clubs have adapted well and have held successful virtual meetings for many months. Our Best in Class clubs have continued to focus on attracting members, served their communities in safe ways, and grown their memberships, despite the challenges of meeting online.

Unfortunately, too many clubs have not met regularly in months. A few clubs have not met at all in over six months.

As Rotarians, we identify and assess challenges, develop solutions, then implement those solutions to address and overcome the challenges. In normal times, we overcome those challenges in our local communities, but now we need to turn our attention to other Rotary Clubs who need help. Our clubs that are thriving during the pandemic can and should lend a hand to other clubs that are struggling to engage their members.

If your club has had trouble engaging your members, either through virtual meetings or Covid-friendly community service projects, please reach out to another club in our district that has overcome these pandemic-related challenges. If you are in a club that is regularly engaging your members, please expand your service profile to include partnerships with other clubs that need a boost.

When clubs operate as partners, the benefits are numerous. All Rotarians involved will expand their social and professional networks, and the impact of service projects will increase. By ensuring that both clubs are engaging members during the pandemic, the clubs will emerge from the pandemic with healthier memberships and will be prepared to address the many needs that will still exist in a post-pandemic world.

Rotary Clubs and Rotarians collaborating with each other should be as natural as breathing. With shared values and purpose, it is natural to work together. Even in challenging times, let us be sure that all of our clubs stay engaged with their members and their communities.

This is the Rotary Way!



Welcome!

NEW MEMBERS

Bittinger , Ronald L Jr (RONALD)	Berkeley Springs
Chimel, Lindsey (LINDSEY)	Chambersburg
Collins, Jack E. Jr. (JACK)	Hollidaysburg
Ebright, Rylan D (RYLAN)	West Snyder-Beaver Springs
Frantz, Jody L (JODY)	Lock Haven
Griffith, Jordan G. (JORDAN)	Hollidaysburg
Hanes, Joshua (JOSHUA)	St. Marys
Kyle, Drew (DREW)	Coudersport
Lugg, Carol A (CAROL)	Lock Haven
Morrison, Brenda J. (BRENDA)	Shepherdstown
Singer, Kenneth R. (KEN)	Hughesville
White-Moore, Patricia S. (PATRICIA)	Oakland



DECEASED MEMBER OF THE
ROTARY CLUB OF HUGHESVILLE

Harriet Jane "Hattie" Gleason, 91, of Pennsdale, passed away on Saturday, December 12, 2020 at UPMC Susquehanna Williamsport. Harriet was born on March 29, 1929 in Unityville and was the daughter of the late Owen C. and Veda E. (Myers) Long. She married LeRoy S. Gleason on October 22, 1949 and shared 41 years of marriage.

Hattie's world revolved around her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren who affectionately called her "Beesh". And of course, the dogs that also held the family status.

Harriet was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church of Pennsdale. She was very family and community oriented. Harriet was very supportive of the Pennsdale Fire Company. She was president of the auxiliary for many years. She drove ambulance and took special pride in preparing and serving food at the firemen's carnival.

She was a co-owner and manager of The Head Acres Dairy for many years. She enjoyed entertaining her family and friends at her favorite entertainment spot "The Veranda". Hosting class reunions, the Hughesville Rotary Club of which she was a member, and various social events.

Harriet is survived by one daughter: Elizabeth "Betsy" A. (Nelson Allen) Yerg of Montoursville, two sons: James "Jim" O. (Kathy Fox) Gleason of Pennsdale, Irvin C.L. (Katherine) Gleason of Pennsdale, a sister, Lois Gilot of Woodlands, TX, five grandchildren; Chad Yerg, Kristi Blackwell, James "Jacob" Gleason, Joshua Gleason, Jillian Harm on, four great grandchildren; Kilee Yerg, Katie Yerg, Kamdyn Gleason and James Gleason.

In addition to her parents, Harriet was predeceased by her husband LeRoy S. Gleason on February 27, 1991 and by a brother George Long.

Family and friends are invited to Harriet's 12 noon graveside service on Monday, December 21 at Twin Hills Memorial Park, 3332 Lycoming Mall Drive, Muncy, Dan Robbins officiating.

In Harriet's memory, memorial contributions may be made to UPMC Palliative Care, for the efforts of Rose Mattie Ace and Dr. Karl Ahlfwede 1100 Grampian Blvd. 3rd Fl. Williamsport, PA 17701 or to the Hughesville Rotary Club P.O. Box 1 Hughesville, PA 17737.

Honorary Members

Will this have an impact on your club and district?

Did you know?

RI Bylaws, Article 4, section 4.050.1, *Eligibility for Honorary Membership*.

Persons who have distinguished themselves by meritorious service in the furtherance of Rotary ideals and those persons considered friends of Rotary for their support of Rotary's cause may be elected to honorary membership in more than one club. The term of such membership shall be as determined by the board of the club in which they hold membership.

Section 4.05.02, *Rights and Privileges*.

Honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of dues, shall have no vote and shall not be eligible to hold any office in the club. Such members shall not hold classifications, but shall be entitled to attend all meetings and enjoy all the other privileges of the club in which they hold such membership. No honorary member of a club is entitled to any rights or privileges in any other club, except for the right to visit other clubs without being the guest of a Rotarian.

Will this have an impact on your club and district?

I raise this issue because it has a direct impact on membership in your club and at district level. Every club has the right to make the decision who is worthy of honorary status, and I encourage you continue this important tradition. But at the same time, please remember that honorary members reduce the number of active members in your club. Currently, we have 137 honorary members in the district.

As you know, we have made membership a priority this year. We are making every attempt to reverse the downward trend of membership in this district for the last five years. Membership in our district stands at 2,159 (excluding the 137 honorary members), down from over 2,500 members five years ago.

You have responded to our call to grow Rotary. Many clubs have brought in new members. Others are exploring possibilities for new and innovative clubs. You have responded to the need to pay more attention to retention and engagement.

Thank you.



SAVE THE DATE

Tri-State Tri-District President Elect Training Seminar (TSTD PETS)

- Virtual Sessions -

Saturday, February 27th - 10am-11am & 1pm-2pm

Saturday, March 6th 10am-11am & 1pm-2pm

Sunday, March 7th 12pm-1pm



Respectfully
Susanna Tomlinson, District Secretary

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION WEEKLY MESSAGES By Rotarians for Rotarians

WEEK 1 INTRODUCTION

Over the next year, I will be sharing a short weekly message about The Rotary Foundation, its programs and the need for your support. Today, I have a quote from Paulo Costa, Past President of Rotary International, 1990-1991. "Rotary International's masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation. It transforms our dreams into splendid realities . . . it is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity - a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind. The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve." Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation and its work.

WEEK 2 WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION?

The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary International. It is a non-profit that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of The Rotary Foundation who share its vision of a better world. Its sole mission is to support the efforts of Rotarians through Rotary's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian and educational programs in your back yard and around the globe. Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation and its work.

WEEK 3 HOW DID THE ROTARY FOUNDATION GET STARTED?

The Rotary Foundation was founded in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution in 1917 of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri to more than \$4.4 billion dollars in total contributions. The Rotary Foundation made its first grant of \$500.00 to the International Society for Crippled Children in 1930, and to this day, it continues to "do good in the world" in the name of Rotary. Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation and its work.

WEEK 4 THE WRITTEN OBJECTIVE FOR THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IN 1945

1. The promotion of The Rotary Foundation fellowships for advanced study
2. The fostering of any tangible and effective projects which have as their purpose the furthering of better understanding and friendly relations between the peoples of different nations
3. The providing of emergency relief for Rotarians and their families wherever war or other disaster has brought general destruction and suffering

The Rotary Foundation continues to do "good work" today!