



The See-Way



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District 7280

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Rotary International: Our Mission

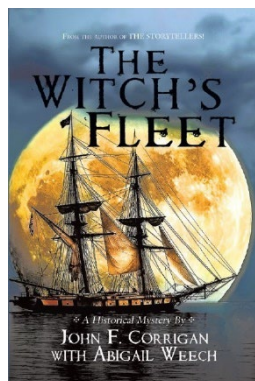
We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Vision Statement

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Please Join us On Wednesday, June 7th Speakers:

The Witch's Fleet, John Corrigan and Abigail Weech



John Corrigan is a product of Edinboro University where he majored in History and Psychology. He is the author of the Gothic Romance Adventures GWEN (2000) and AIDAN (2005) and the Historical Mystery Novel THE STORYTELLERS (2019). He currently resides in Cleveland, Ohio.

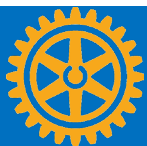
Abigail Weech is a product of Midway University of Kentucky where she majored in Equine Management. She has been John Corrigan's creative partner since 2016. She was the inspiration for the character Abby Weech in Corrigan's 2019 novel The Storytellers. She currently resides in Erie, Pa. with her son Aedyn.

Date & Time	Location	Online
Wednesday, June 31st 11:30 am – 1 pm	Sheraton Erie Bayfront Hotel 55 West Bay Dr. Erie, PA 16507 2nd Floor Meeting Rooms	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86522530793?pwd=Q0NLNVkvcEIBY1hnVnZDQWtHemFTZz09 Meeting ID: 865 2253 0793 Passcode: 1424

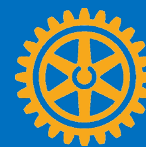
Please Join us On Wednesday, June 14th

Presentation: Flag Day and Leadership Resources provided by Julie Cella

- June 14th is Flag Day, please join us in celebrating a flag presentation provided by SFC Watson will be the POC for the event. Collegiate with some Erie cadets will support.
- Walter Harf will be presenting one of our own very special Rotarian with our Four-Way Test Award.
- Leadership Learning Resources: Julie Cella will be providing a special presentation on how to access and take advantage of the various leadership learning programs that were available to all of us through DACdb.



Rotary Of Erie Club



Annual Scholarship Luncheon – May 24th

Scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 were awarded to five Erie Public School graduating seniors to help with college expenses. The recipients include Aliece Taylor and Grace Miller from Collegiate Academy. Recipients also include Atavia Florez, Stella Valenti, and Jasmin Andreucci-Cintron from Erie High. The applicants were evaluated after a face-to-face interview and a review of their grades, their community and school service, and their original written essay on “Service above Self” which is the motto of the Rotary Club. A team of Rotarians interviewed all the scholarship applicants.

Meet the Members!

One of the initiatives of the Strategic Plan was to improve both internal and external communications. One of the tactics was to include a new feature in the See-Way. Meet the Members will highlight a member each week to help us get to know everyone in the club. You may be surprised to learn some fun facts about Rotarians and gain new insights into our membership. Want to be featured? Please send your photo and bio to gcicchetti@eriehistory.org.



Norm Stark is a long-time member of our Rotary Club.

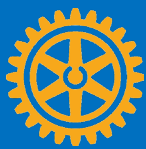
He practiced law for 35 years at the MacDonald Illig Jones & Britton firm. William Pitt Gifford was a name-partner in that firm for many years until his death in 1964. He was the first President of our club, and there has always been a member of that firm in our club since its inception in 1913.

Norm was the president of our Club in 1998-1999 and was the District Governor in 2001-2002. He has attended five Rotary International conventions in Glasgow, Indianapolis, San Antonio, Chicago, and Toronto. His greatest satisfaction in Rotary is fellowship with other Rotarians while working on service projects.

Norm has five children, 20 grandchildren and eight grandchildren. He is shown here with his wife, Donna M. Geiger. (P.S.—That is not their house!)

Erie Rotary Club News:

- Rotary tailgate party and baseball game: Pirates vs San Francisco Giants, Saturday July 15, 2023
Cost per person \$35.00, please contact Mike McElhaney to RSVP your spot. (724)549-4958 or email at mikemacsr17@gmail.com
- **My Rotary:** Please consider using the “My Rotary” feature to make your annual donation. A minimum of \$75/per member would guarantee our club meets requirements to apply for grants! Thank you, Diane for your instruction regarding this process.
- Does your organization have an upcoming event? Need help promoting or volunteers? Please submit your request to be published here! mrizzo@brevillier.org



Rotary Of Erie Club



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Brevin Flowers	06/22/22	1
Walter Harf	06/01/95	28
Susan Kaliszewski	06/29/19	4
Penny Mechley-Porter	06/03/15	8
John Oliver	06/09/04	19
Bob Peters	06/10/15	8
Susannah Weis Frigon	06/06/15	8

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Mary Ellen Dahlkemper	08 June
Joe Kuvshnikov	11 June
Bill Lillis	16 June
Tony Snow, M.D.	06 June

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If you have comments, questions, or ideas...

Please feel free to reach out to one of your Club Directors & Chairs! We are here to Serve!



Rotary 2023-2024



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

RI President-elect R. Gordon R. McNally calls for Rotary to create hope in the world by working for peace and mental wellbeing. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that's necessary to realize these values.