



**We will have an  
important meeting  
on June 29th:**

**Changing of the Guard**

**Please join us as  
we bid farewell  
to our President,  
Melanie Titzel  
and welcome our  
incoming President,  
Laurie Root.**

*Thank You!*



# The See-Way

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## GARY LEE

### *Erie Summer Jobs and More Program: Investing In Our Youth Dreams*



Mr. Gary N. Lee currently serves as the Director of Administration, who was appointed by Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper in March of 2014. He is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations for the county, which includes overseeing approximately 800 employees with an annual budget of \$410 million.

Mr. Lee was born and raised in Erie, PA. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in graphics communications technology from California University of PA, and a Master of Business (MBA) degree from Gannon University. Mr. Lee was appointed by Governor Tom Ridge to the Director of the Bureau of Contract Administration and Business Development, which managed the state contracting processes and awards to minority and women owned businesses. In addition, he served as the Director of Bureau of Professional Selections and Administrative Services, and was responsible for policies and procedures as it related to 400 design and construction projects with an annual budget of \$1.5 billion.

He is the former President of GNL Consulting Group, which provided business and strategic planning consulting to small businesses.

Mr. Lee has been recognized as one of American's Most Outstanding Young Men for outstanding, superior leadership ability and exceptional service to the community.

## Supporting Cast:

Presiding: *Melanie Titzel*

Greeter: *Michael Gaines*

Invocation: *Stephanie Williams*

Pianist: *Bruce Gingrich*

Song Leader: *Tom Pysz*

Sgt at Arms: *Brenda Bennett*

Speaker Intro: *Dennis Lagan*

## Program Schedule

12:00 pm

Sheraton Erie Bayfront Hotel, 2nd Fl  
Parking is free in the Parking Garage!

### JUNE 29:

**We will meet this day:**  
*Changing of the Guard*

### JULY 6:

*\*Breakfast Meeting at 7:30am  
the Conference Center @ the MBA*

**Shawn Waskiewicz & Joe Lengieza**  
*Director of Marine Operations  
Tall Ships 2016*

### JULY 13:

**Jeff Kidder**  
*Kidder-Wachter Architects  
The Development Plan  
for Bayfront Place*



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DISTRICT SITE: [ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG](http://ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG)



@rotary

*Do you want to bring a guest to the Rotary meeting?*



**Contact Gary Flick the  
Monday before for ample seating  
814.454.3737**



**FROM THE DESK OF**  
*Laurie Root*

Hello all!

As you know, we are ending the 2015-16 Rotary year and I would like to congratulate Melanie on her tenure as President. She has done an outstanding job this past year!

Moving into the 2016-17 Rotary year, there will be some changes announced soon that will provide increased opportunities for more Rotarians to be actively engaged in the Club.

***In the meantime, though, we need some volunteers to fill positions that are important to making sure our weekly meetings run smoothly. New members - this is a GREAT way to get to know fellow Rotarians and learn more about the Club. But, I encourage anyone who is interested to please volunteer!***

Here are the volunteer positions that need a good Rotarian to fill:

INVOCATIONS - secure individuals to provide the invocation at weekly meetings

GREETERS - secure volunteer Greeters for weekly meetings

SONG LEADER COORDINATOR - secure volunteer to lead song at weekly meetings

SYMPATHY AND GET WELL GREETINGS - route cards as appropriate to send to Rotary members

ROTARIAN MAGAZINE UPDATE - provide highlights from current month magazine - one a month at a weekly meeting

ROTARY HIGHLIGHTS - provide recognition of individual Rotary member achievements in the community - when appropriate at weekly meetings

Please let me know if you are interested in being an active participant in our Club and would like to fill one of these roles.

**My contact information is:**

**Laurie Root**

**[laurie@unitedwayerie.org](mailto:laurie@unitedwayerie.org)**

**Cell: 814-923-2892**

I hope to hear from you!



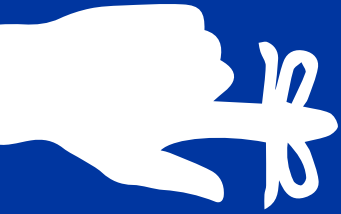
*Happy Hour!*

The next happy hour is Wednesday, June 29

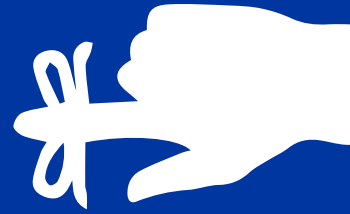
**Cloud 9 Wine Bar • 5:00pm - 7:00pm**

**WEATHER PERMITTING, WE'LL SOAK UP THE SUN WITH OUTDOOR SEATING**





# FRIENDLY REMINDERS



Greetings Fellow Rotarians,

I wanted to address a few things that were discussed at the last Board Meeting and bring them to your attention:

- When signing in at the next meeting, please confirm your email address for our records.
- Please be sure to check your Rotary invoice prior to writing your check. Some are paying old dues rather than the actual total.
- Also, please remember to sign in at each meeting for that is one way we account for our responsibility to the Sheraton.

Thank you!  
Melanie Titzel

*A Father is*



NEITHER AN

**ANCHOR**

TO HOLD US BACK

NOR A SAIL

TO TAKE US THERE

BUT A GUIDING LIGHT

*whose love*

SHOWS US THE WAY

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS??

*Now accepting ads for the  
Rotary Newsletter!*

*Contact Lisa Watkins for more information!*

*Rates are for 4 weeks*

**\$30.00 1/8 page**

