



# The See-Way

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## E. SHAWN WASKIEWICZ Director of Marine Operations Tall Ships 2016



Shawn has lived in Erie most of his life. He grew up in Harborcreek and graduated from Edinboro University with BS in Business Administration, minor in Economics. Waskiewicz worked in sports management from 1997 to 2012. He graduated from Mercyhurst University in 2011 with MS in Organizational Leadership.

Shawn became the Executive Director of The Flagship Niagara League in February, 2012. His main responsibilities include managing day to day operations, grant writing, and fundraising. Waskiewicz and his team ran the biggest fundraiser in Niagara's history, Tall Ships Erie 2013, raising \$426,000. Over 83,000 visitors attended the festival with an economic impact estimated at six million dollars. His team is currently preparing for another successful Tall Ships event. Waskiewicz lives in Fairview with his wife Meghan and four children.



## Supporting Cast:

Presiding: Laurie Root

Greeter: TBD

Invocation: TBD

Pianist: TBD

Song Leader: TBD

Sgt at Arms: TBD

Speaker Intro: Mark Louis

## Program Schedule

12:00 pm

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

### **JULY 13:**

#### **Jeff Kidder**

Kidder-Wachter Architects  
The Development Plan  
for Bayfront Place

### **JULY 20:**

#### **Phil Kerner**

The Tool & Die Guy

### **JULY 27:**

#### **Tom Kennedy**

Renaissance Center:  
20th Anniversary Celebration



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



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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAURIE ROOT'S SPEECH:

### Fast Forward 100 years

It's 2016 and Frank's descendent becomes President of the Rotary Club of Erie – yes, as some of you know, Frank Bond is my great-grandfather. I highly doubt that he would have imagined this – maybe a great-grandson – but I choose to believe he would be supportive! He only had daughters – two – both of whom went to college which was a bit unusual at that time. So, I want to thank Dad Bond for his involvement in the early days of our club!

### Looking Ahead

- Erie, and our Club, have gone through great times and challenging times – we have a lot of history!
- While we are a relatively large Club, our membership has remained in the mid-150s for years
- Leads to Strategic Plan – to identify current activities, what's working and what could be improved, and what other activities might attract new members and engage current ones.

### Creating Committee Structure to include the following Committees:

- Communications – being led by Geri Cicchetti • Education • Ethics • Events & Fundraising – Linda Wilkinson
- International • Membership

We need volunteers to help create these committees - including as Chairs or Committee members. Geri and Linda have already stepped up as Chairs of Communications and Events & Fundraising respectively, and Geri has Committee members, but Linda does not. And ALL of the other ones need volunteers.

### Timeline & Invitation

- Have these new standing committees established and functioning by next Rotary Year
- We invite you to join in this exciting year by helping with one of these committees – all existing activities will fall under one of these committees, for example
  - Naturalization Ceremony – International Committee
  - Red Ribbon – Membership
  - Student Service Above Self – Education

### Results

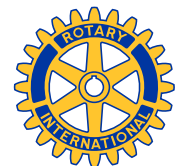
- By having this standing committee structure, there will be more opportunities for members to be actively involved
- We, as a Club, will be more informed of what we are actually doing!
- Can easily highlight and share activities with prospects and the general public

Anyone interested can contact me directly: **Email: [laurie@unitedwayerie.org](mailto:laurie@unitedwayerie.org) • Cell: 814-923-2892**

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



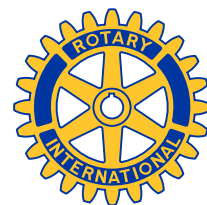
**Contact Gary Flick the  
Monday before for ample seating  
814.454.3737**





# Changing of the Guard

## JUNE 29, 2016



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

LAURIE ROOT, PRESIDENT · DENNIS LAGAN, PRESIDENT ELECT · LISA GRAFF, VP & PROGRAM CHAIR · GARY FLICK, TREASURER · JIM MCDOWNEY, BOARD MEMBER · MELANIE TITZEL, PAST PRESIDENT · DAWN JOY, BOARD MEMBER · LEAH MANINO, BOARD MEMBER · STEPHANIE WILLIAMS, BOARD MEMBER · DEREK SIEBER, BOARD MEMBER · GERI CICCHETTI, BOARD MEMBER

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## July 2016 Birthday Greetings

## Rotary Club of Erie Member Anniversary Milestones July 2016

Name	Date	Name	Years	Date
Stark, Norman H.	Jul 11	Pytlarz, Terry	13 years	Jul 01 2003
Furman, Timothy	Jul 14	Barber, Lori	6 years	Jul 07 2010
Kern, Sr., Bruce	Jul 15	Furman, Timothy	19 years	Jul 23 1997
Peters. II, Bob	Jul 16	Doupe, David W	42 years	Jul 24 1974
Saunders, Robert L	Jul 16	Naughton, J Gordon	43 years	Jul 25 1973
McBrier, James P.	Jul 19	Schneider, Jim	5 years	Jul 27 2011
Naughton, J Gordon	Jul 24	Scott, Chris	6 years	Jul 28 2010
Tofel, David	Jul 25	Garvey, William	36 years	Jul 30 1980
		Messina, Albert P	25 years	Jul 31 1991



**FLASHBACK FRIDAY:**  
Independence Day Fireworks  
behind Bicentennial Tower  
on July 4, 2013  
Photo by: Andy Colwell  
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