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TOM KENNEDY

Renaissance Center: 20th Anniversary Celebration



Originally from Long Island, NY, Tom moved to Erie in 1988 to work for GE Transportation Systems after previous assignments with GE Power Systems, GE Aerospace and Ingersoll-Rand Company in various locations. In addition to earning a degree in Marine/Mechanical Engineering from the State

University of New York Maritime College, he also earned an MBA from Penn State Behrend, and achieved officer status in the US Navy, Merchant Marine and Coast Guard.

In 1993, Tom left GE to pursue his dream of owning a business and founded Professional Development Associates which has become a leading business and real estate development company. Business interests include PDA, Altair Real Estate/Property Management (former Prudential RE Brokerage), Palace Business Centres, Express Cash Advance, etc. Tom is also known for developing Palace and Renaissance Centres in Erie, Parkside Commons in Meadville (former High School), Westlake Centre in Cleveland, and several other Commercial and Residential projects that now include a portfolio of Cobblestone Hotels in PA and Ohio.

Tom continues to be active in the Erie Community as well. He is a founding board member of Erie Bank, serves on the boards of Erie Water Authority and Penn State Council of Fellows, and is former Chair of the Erie Metro Transit Authority and Greater Erie Board of Realtors. When not working, Tom enjoys spending time with his wife Kim, and their 2 Boys Devon and Grant who both chose to similarly attend Maritime College and pursue careers in Engineering. They love Erie, and enjoy boating, snow skiing, ice hockey and spending time traveling to new and interesting places.

Supporting Cast:

Presiding: Laurie Root

Greeter: Stephanie William

Invocation: Dave Lastowski

Pianist: Bruce Gingrich

Song Leader: Michael Malthaner

Sgt at Arms: Brenda Bennett

Speaker Intro: Nathan Wheeler

Program Schedule

12:00 pm

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

AUGUST 3:

Debra Niland

*Erie Homes for Children & Adults
MOVE Program Director*

AUGUST 10:

Sean Fedorko & Bill Scholz

Radius CoWork

AUGUST 17:

Thomas Saunders

Western PA Conservancy



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DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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Calling Volunteer Rotarians!

“A good Rotarian does not say no.”

- Sage Rotarian

Vision Statement: Rotary Club of Erie is a service organization with a growing, vibrant and engaged membership, promoting ethics and focusing on improving local and global conditions.

Our vision statement depends on the active engagement and support of our membership. Please consider – really consider – **volunteering to help develop the six new standing committees** that were identified through the 2015 strategic planning process and approved by the Board of Directors. **These committees will organize all of the activities of our Club, allowing for more participation by members as well as continuity and stability as volunteers come and go.** They will also serve to attract new members as it will be much easier to explain the activities of our Club, how they can get involved and the benefits of joining.

The six committees are:

- Communications: Chair, Geri Cicetti
- Education: Chair, VACANT
- Ethics: Chair, Stephanie Williams
- Events & Fundraising: Chair, Linda Wilkinson
- International: Chair, VACANT
- Membership: Co-Chair, Mary Ellen Dahlkemper; Co-Chair, VACANT

Additional volunteers are needed for ALL committees, in addition to the open Chair and Co-Chair positions. Working through this Rotary year, the volunteers will develop the following for each committee:

- Statement of Purpose
- Information on specific activities
- Committee membership responsibilities and time commitment
- Subcommittees, if appropriate
- Leadership structure, eg Chair, Vice Chair, tenure, etc.

All of the existing activities will fall under one of the standing committees. For example, the Naturalization Ceremony will be under the purview of the International Committee, the Red Ribbon under Membership, and Student Service Above Self under Education.

The Rotary Club of Erie has a long and dynamic history, thanks to the contributions of countless Rotarians who volunteered their time and talent to the organization. Just as the past 100 years have been active for our Club – **let’s build on our strong foundation so that the Rotary Club of Erie continues to be a leader in promoting ethics, improving local and global conditions, and being a home to friendship and camaraderIE!**

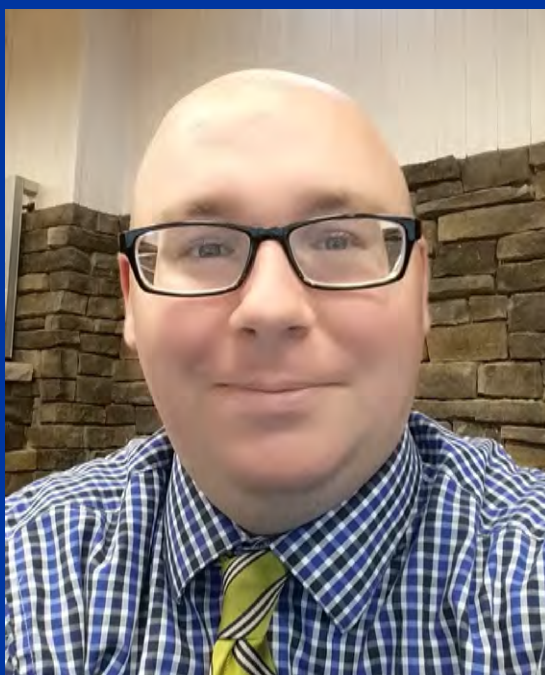
Please contact any of the identified Chairs listed above or Laurie Root to join this exciting effort to set the foundation for a strong, vibrant Rotary Club of Erie for the next 100 years!

Laurie’s contact information: laurie@unitedwayerie.org, w: 456-2937, ext 223 or c: 923-2892





NEW MEMBER



A BIG Rotary welcome to
new member

BRADLEY KEIPER

Bradley is a father of 3 kids (18, 15, and 14) and husband to my beautiful wife Trish. His oldest daughter going into the Navy in November.

They live in West Millcreek where they enjoy the many summer festivals that Erie has to offer. He has been in the insurance industry for the past 18 years and now works for the Great Lakes Insurance agency as an insurance broker here in Erie.

He looks forward to learning more about the Erie Rotary Club and its members along with its support of the local community.

Great News...

We just learned from Patty Meehan, our District Treasurer, that we have two Erie Rotarians serving at our District Level:

Dr Joyce Miller as Peace Scholar Chair

and

Dr David Doupe working with End Polio

CONGRATULATIONS!



Happy Hour!

The next happy hour is Wednesday, July 27th
Marriot Courtyard Bayfront • 5:00pm - 7:00pm
2 Sassafra Pier, Erie, PA 16507





Presque Isle Rotary wants you to join us for breakfast!

We are serving up our world famous pancakes as part of the Discover Presque Isle events on Saturday, July 30th and Sunday, July 31st from 7:30 a.m. - Noon each day at the Rotary Pavilion at Presque Isle State Park.

This fundraiser supports Presque Isle State Park.

You are also invited to join Rotary and help us serve our community. For more information email: presqueislerotary@gmail.com



GREAT PRESENTATION FROM THE TOOL & DIE GUY, PHIL KERNER!

Thanks for your commitment to keep manufacturing in Erie!

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am 1450
fm 107.1

KEEP UPDATED & STAY TUNED!

The station (am 1450/fm 107.1) broadcasts our weekly speaker's presentation on Friday at 12:30 pm and on Saturday at 10:06 am.

Do you want to bring a guest to the Rotary meeting?
Contact Gary Flick the Monday before for ample seating
814.454.3737

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



2016-2017 PROGRAM CHAIR

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