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Idea Fund Erie



Rebecca Styn serves as the Executive Director of the Idea Fund Erie, non-profit organization that supports early stage entrepreneurs through funding and education with priorities given to women, minorities and veterans. In addition to her role, she also is Proprietor of Room 33, a newly developed speakeasy style bar and restaurant located in downtown Erie.

Throughout her career, Styn has continually dedicated her energy to advancing community-oriented organizations.

She has run for local political office, served as campaign chair for other local and statewide candidates and previously served as contributing editor and writer for the Erie Reader, penning bi-monthly columns focusing on the issues that affect the city.

Currently, Styn is completing on her dissertation (Entrepreneurial Leadership) for her Ph.D. in Leadership and Organizational Learning at Gannon University – with a fall 2019 expected graduation date.

From a volunteer perspective, she serves as president of the board of the Public Relations Society of NWPA, and on the board of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP). She has held previous appointments with the Erie Redevelopment Authority and the Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority. She has also previously served in executive board roles for the Erie Art Museum, the Flagship Niagara League, and several other local non-profit organizations. Rebecca holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Gannon, and bachelor of music in piano performance from Mercyhurst University.

For her work within the Erie community, Rebecca has been recognized and the recipient of key awards such as the Erie Reader's 40 under 40, Mercy Center for Women's Women Making History, and yep! Generation-E awardee.

Supporting Cast:

President: *Lisa Graff*

Greeter: *Dawn Joy*

Invocation: *Paul Pilatowski*

Pianist: *Bruce Gingrich*

Song Leader: *TBD*

Sgt at Arms: *Zac Wild*

Speaker Intro: *Tom Pysz*

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

**Lunch Meeting at the
SHERATON BAYFRONT HOTEL**
11:30 am - Buffet Opens
Noon - Meeting

NOV 21:

Thanksgiving Holiday
No Meeting
Happy Thanksgiving!

NOV 28:

Diane Chido
President of DC Analytics
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

DEC 5:

Dr. Michael J. Hannon
New President of EUP
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton



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DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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Rotary of Erie Service Opportunity!

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On November 10th

ServErie Saturdays occur a few times per year and focus on improvement projects for local Erie organizations. ServErie gathers and assigns volunteers to make big impacts on these organizations that are vital to helping our Erie community thrive.

ServErie makes volunteering easy by 1) providing childcare for ages 7 and under, and 2) setting up carpooling to and from project sites. Volunteers will gather at the launch-site of choice and disperse to their pre-assigned location. This November, we will be serving organizations in the center of Erie County.

- Location: McLane Church Erie, 2319 W 38th St, Erie, PA 16506
- Time: 8a-1230p,
- Details: childcare and transportation provided,
- Date: November 10th

Please reach out to Nathan Burtt at nate.burtt@hubinternational.com for more details and watch for sign-up sheets at the next Rotary luncheons! An attempt will be made to keep Erie Rotarians in the same group for this Saturday.



We want to send lots of birthday wishes to

Michael Barrett
on November 9th

Enjoy your day!



The Rotary Youth Exchange Outbound School Year Program

Please see the attached forms to this week's newsletter and also on page 4 & 5 of this newsletter.

Dear Friends,

I'm writing to ask for your help in promoting the Rotary Youth Exchange outbound School Year program to high school students in your area. We are now accepting applications from students to study and live in another country during the 2019-20 school year. It would be great if you – or others from your clubs – would deliver flyers, brochures and posters to your local high schools, and inform students about this opportunity for intercultural learning.

The Rotary Youth Exchange program offers high school students from the U.S. and other countries the opportunity to live and study in another country during a school year. The program's objective is to foster world peace, international understanding and good will by extending international communication at the personal level through the exchange of students of high school age.

Eligible students should be of good character and reputation; be approximately between the ages of 15 to 18½ at time of departure; have above average academic ability; and have a pleasant personality.

The student's share of expenses include a \$450 youth exchange program fee, airfare, insurance and other travel costs. The program is for one school year and the hosting Rotary club will provide housing with host families, food, schooling and a monthly allowance. Attached is some information. Check out www.exchangestudent.org for more information.

I will bring RYE flyers, brochures and posters to the District Workshop in Sharon on Saturday, November 3. If you need anything in the meantime, please let me know.

For more information, materials or club programs, contact me anytime.

Thanks!

Jeff Simmons

Member, Rotary Club of Zelienople



Rotary Youth Exchange



SCHOLARSHIPS!

Applications now being taken for 2019-20

Local Rotary clubs in Northwestern Pennsylvania are offering students the opportunity to study and live in another country during the 2019-20 School Year as a part of the Rotary Youth Exchange program.

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To receive a preliminary application or for more information on how to participate in Rotary Youth Exchange, contact:

Jeff Simmons, 724-875-1136, jssim89167@yahoo.com



STUDENTS AND FAMILIES WANTED FOR ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

International Cultural Connections Offer Life-Changing Experiences

Rotary Clubs in our region are presenting area students and families with opportunities to become involved in the Rotary International Youth Exchange Program.

2 Ways for Students to Participate

1. **Long Term/School Year program.** Travel overseas to spend a whole school year in a foreign country.
2. **Short Term program.** Spend 3-6 weeks in a foreign country in the home of another student; host that student in your home for 3-6 weeks. Short Term applications are due March 30 of each year.

2 Ways for Families to Participate

1. **Long Term/School Year program.** Host a student from another country in your home for part or all of a school year.
2. **Short Term.** Enable your child to spend 3-6 weeks in a foreign country in the home of another student; host that student in your home for 3-6 weeks. Short Term applications are due March 30 of each year.

Students Needed for School Year Rotary Youth Exchange Program

Are you between 15 and 17 years old and looking for something exciting and different to do during the next school year? Do you want to travel overseas and help increase world understanding here at home? Rotary Clubs of District 7280 are searching for outgoing high school students to travel overseas to over 40 countries next year as part of the Rotary International Youth Exchange Program.

Eligible students should be of good character and reputation, not older than 18 at time of departure, have above average academic ability and have a pleasant personality. A preliminary application with a local interview is required before the Rotary District 7280 interviews in November. Country preferences will be taken into consideration and placements made in January.

The student's share of expenses includes a \$450 youth exchange program fee, airfare, insurance and other travel costs. The program is for one year and the hosting Rotary club will provide housing with host families, food, schooling and a monthly allowance. **Check out www.exchangestudent.org for more information.** To request a packet of outbound information, see the Rotary contact information on Page 2.

Host Families Needed for School Year Youth Exchange Program

Families are needed to host an in-bound foreign student for all or part of a school year. Many Rotary Clubs have found it good to have the in-bound student live with 2-3 families during the school year so the student gets to enjoy a variety of experiences, several families get to enjoy that student and no one family is over-burdened. The local Rotary Club will be responsible for getting approval from the school district for the student's enrollment. The club also provides the student with a monthly allowance.

All families—even those without children—are encouraged to apply to be hosts. Any reputable family in our community is eligible to host a Rotary exchange student. For more information on how to become a host family, see the Rotary contact information on Page 2.

- Rotary *in Review* -

November 7, 2018 Meeting

Elana Como, Speaker



Allison Keenan, Song Leader



Diane Chido



President Elect, Stephanie Williams



Speaker, Elana Como



Speaker, Stephanie Williams, Dr. Joyce Miller

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