

The See-Way

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MAYOR JOE SCHEMBER

48th Mayor of the City of Erie



On Jan. 2, 2018, Joseph V. Schember was sworn in as the 48th Mayor of the City of Erie.

A lifelong Erie resident, Joe spent high school and the first two years of college at St. Mark's Seminary studying to become a Catholic priest. After deciding against becoming a priest, he completed his undergraduate degree in English at Gannon University. He went on to obtain a master's degree in English from the University of Dayton.

After teaching at Elk County Christian High School in St. Mary's, Pa. for two years, Joe returned to Erie and began a career in banking at Marine Bank, which became PNC

Bank. Starting as a teller, he attended classes at Gannon University to obtain a master's degree in business management from Gannon University.

A dedicated teacher, Joe spent 30 years teaching summer banking classes for the PA Bankers Association and the American Bankers Association at Bucknell, Georgetown, PENN and Penn State Universities. He also used those skills to write and deliver bank training classes, radio and television spots.

From teller to regional manager, responsible for all 53 branches in the Northwest Pennsylvania, his reputation for skilled management grew. His final years with the bank were spent as a relationship manager in the Wealth Management Group. What Joe loved about banking is that it is a "people business". That is why he spent 40 years in various banking roles.

In an effort to give back to the community, Joe served as a member of Erie City Council for 5½ years. During this time, he chaired the finance committee and was active in guiding decisions that would help the city's finances.

Now, as mayor, Joe is working hard to "build opportunity, restore hope and transform Erie" for future generations. By listening and collaborating, he is tackling the tough and complex issues facing this city and region. Whether it is through neighborhood meetings, door-to-door visits or professional gatherings, he is meeting with community leaders, educators, life-long residents, transplants, immigrants, refugees and anyone who lives in the Erie region. Joe is committed to being open, honest, transparent and accessible.

Joe fell in love with his wife, Rhonda Mahoney Schember, at age 19. Rhonda and Joe are very close with their three children: Jaime, Jodi and Joe.

Supporting Cast:

President: *Lisa Graff*

Greeter: *David Bertges*

Invocation: *Penny Mechley-Porter*

Pianist: *Bruce Gingrich*

Song Leader: *Linda Wilkinson*

Sgt at Arms: *Zac Wild*

Speaker Intro: *Chris Groner*

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

Lunch Meeting at the SHERATON BAYFRONT HOTEL

11:30 am - Buffet Opens

12:00 pm - Meeting

APRIL 3:

Chanel Cook

Erie County Library
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

APRIL 10:

Becky Weiser

Erie County Historical Society
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

APRIL 17:

Karen Tyler

Sevice Above Self Awards
Lunch Meeting @ MBA



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LOCAL WEBSITE: ERIEROTARY.ORG

DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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2018-19 Eligible for Nomination for the Four-Way Test Recognition Award

Nomination for the Four-Way Test Recognition Award Eligibility Criteria:

1. Be an Active Member of our club over 10 years prior to April 15, 2019
2. Be a "straight talker"
3. Talks about principles, opinions marked by fairness
4. Brings people together in a spirit of goodwill
5. Talks about things of higher value

Nominations are requested from the membership identifying a member they deem a worthy recipient of the 2019 Four - Way Test Recognition Award.

Nominations are to be given to Norm Stark by the April 10th Meeting. Members eligible include:

MEMBER NAME	YEARS	MEMBER NAME	YEARS	MEMBER NAME	YEARS
Robert Allshouse	24	Jake Rouch	24	Richard Liebel	11
Michael McCormick	36	Gary Flick	13	Norm Zymm	14
John Baldwin	29	Raymond Sammartino	24	William Lillis	43
Phyllis McCracken	17	Thomas Freeman	15	James McBrier	26
Michael Barrett	19	Robert Saunders	40	Scott McCain	28
Albert Messina	27	Timothy Fuhrman	21		
Michael Batchelor	28	Nicholas Scott	45		
Joyce Miller	10	Bruce Gingrich	12		
James Berlin	15	Thomas Scull	39		
David Murphy	39	Kevin Hedderman	11		
Samuel Black III	22	Robert Smith	14		
Robert Nelson	30	Robert Heibel	10		
John Blakeslee	19	Anthony Snow	25		
Gery Nietupski	27	Joseph Herbert	12		
Betsy Bort	15	John Stockard	15		
Ronald Norman	51	Charles Herron	20		
David Briggs	30	Melanie Titzel	18		
John Oliver	14	William Jackson	10		
John Brinling Jr.	34	David Tofel	17		
David Poor	22	Bruce Kern Sr.	47		
Karen Burton-Horstman	22	Scott Wallen	15		
Thomas Pysz	17	Clarke Kuebler	12		
Paul Carpenedo	26	Brenda Warner	20		
Terry Pytlarz	15	Dennis Lagan	14		
Geri Cicchetti	12	Michael Zavasky	31		
Michelle Robertson	20	David Lastowski	23		
Christopher Coughlin	11	Roger Zurn	23		

Past Living Recipients of Award

- 2000 Harry Sinden
- 2001 Brady Louis
- 2002 Bill Bloomstine
- 2006 Norm Stark
- 2008 L.T. Bud Briggs
- 2010 Walter Harf
- 2013 Linda Wilkinson
- 2014 Mark Louis
- 2015 Mel Witherspoon
- 2016 Lisa Watkins
- 2017 Thomas Tupitza
- 2018 David Doupe

Use your power! Nominate a member whom you think is deserving:

I Nominate _____

Because _____

HAPPY HOUR

Wed., March 27th • 5:30 pm

408 BAR N GRILLE

408 State Street, Erie PA



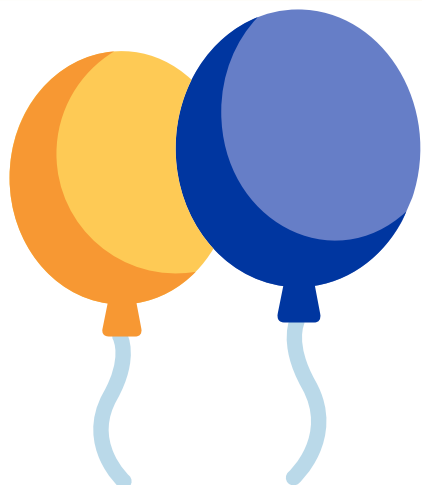
-SAVE THE DATES-

• DISTRICT CONFERENCE •

May 17, 18, 19
Bayfront Sheraton
Erie, PA

• ROTARY FAMILY PICNIC •

Wednesday, June 19
(no meeting that day)
Shade's Beach
7010 East Lake Road



We want to send lots of birthday wishes to

Geri Cicchetti, March 28

Julie Cella, March 30

Michael Gaines, March 30

Marc Turner, March 30

Laurie Root, March 31

Enjoy your day!





**ROTARY DISTRICT 7280 - DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
RAMADA INN - 45 HOLIDAY INN DRIVE, CLARION, PA 16214
SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2019**

Cost: \$19.00 per person which includes lunch
(Please note: only coffee, tea and water will be served during registration)

District Assembly provides Club President-Elects, their leadership team and club members training and information that can enhance their club's opportunity for success for the coming Rotary Year.

Agenda

9:00 – 10:00	Registration
10:00 – 12:00	District Grants and Memo of Understanding Training (In order for clubs to be eligible for District Grants, they must have two people from their club participate in the training.) Rotary Peace Builder Program Guatemala Water Project Rotary Citation and District Club Awards for 2019 - 2020
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 1:45	Breakouts - Sessions will be offering trainings for Club Secretaries, Membership, Foundation and Public Image chairs. There will also be a session for those that would like to learn more about how to develop a strategic plan. Each of the breakouts will be twenty minutes in length and will presented twice, offering attendees the opportunity to sit in on two different sessions of interest.
1:45 – 2:00	Closing Comments
2:00 – 3:00	Post-PETS

Please complete the attached registration and submit to Mike Visconti by March 30, 2019

Thank You

Hoops for Haiti

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Fundraiser



Students from Villa will be traveling to Haiti to help the children at the EBAC Orphanage. All proceeds from the basketball tournament will benefit the needs of the orphanage.

**Register in the Prep and Villa main offices
or by contacting Tehya Vargas at
Tehya.Vargas@prep-villa.com**

Where: Hagerty Family Events Center
When: Saturday, March 30, 2019
Time: Starts at 9am
Cost: \$8 per person (3 players per team)
 Optional: 1 alternate per team
 Separate boys and girls brackets



- Rotary *in Review* -

March 20, 2019

Nicole Bawol & Brian Carroll, Humane Society



Penny Mechley-Porter reviewing the Rotarian Magazine



Intro Gery Nietupski, Humane Society board member



Nicole Bawol, Speaker



Brian Carroll, Speaker



left to right: Tom Pysz, program chair, Gery Nietupski, Brian Carroll, Peggy Schneider, Kelly Hilling, Nicole Bawol and Anne Marie Dammeyer

