

The See-Way

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James Grunke

Erie Regional Chamber



James Grunke came to Erie and the position as President/CEO of the Erie Regional Chamber in September of last year. James brings more than 25 years of experience in economic development leadership roles to the position.

James has had key roles at a number of economic development organizations, and at chambers of commerce. During his 6-year tenure at the Missoula

Economic Partnership in Missoula, Mont., the community gained 10,000 new jobs while attracting nearly \$1 billion in capital investment. The partnership assisted more than 100 new start-up companies and helped to attract more than 30 companies that relocated from other areas.

Before moving to Montana, James worked as Project Director for Atlanta-based National Community Development Services, where he led successful campaigns that raised nearly \$20 million for community and economic development priorities in several communities. He created and led chapters of the Keiretsu Forum, a network of accredited private equity angel investors, venture capitalists and corporate investors, in Boise and Sun Valley, Idaho. He also held leadership roles with Idaho's Boise Valley Economic Partnership, Washington County Economic Development Commission and Orofino Chamber of Commerce.

James holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Public Policy degrees from Boise State University. He also is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma Economic Development Institute – widely regarded as the nation's premier economic development educational program – and the Northwest Community Development Institute, an intensive three-year training program for economic development professionals, community leaders and elected officials.

Supporting Cast:

President: *Lisa Graff*

Greeter: *Nancy Dolan*

Invocation: *Nancy Dolan*

Pianist: *Bruce Gingrich*

Song Leader: *Norm Stark*

Sgt at Arms: *Zac Wild*

Speaker Intro: *Tom Tupitza*

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

**Lunch Meeting at the
BAYFRONT SHERATON**

**11:30 am - Buffet Opens
12:00 pm - Meeting**

MAY 1:

James Grunke

Erie Regional Chamber
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

MAY 8:

Ron DiNicola

Local Erie Leader
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

MAY 15:

Dr. Matthew Sipple

Psychiatry
Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton



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LOCAL WEBSITE: ERIEROTARY.ORG

DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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JUNE 8, 2019 7 – 11 P.M.

ARTrageous – an event unlike any other.

ARTrageous is the Museum's annual fundraiser. For one night, the Museum – its galleries, patio and courtyard – is completely transformed. Tickets cost \$100 and are all inclusive. Five open bars, live music, dancing, art and food from the best restaurants in town.

The Board of Directors voted to trade a club membership for an ARTrageous event sponsorship.

We receive recognition on their website, social media and THREE event tickets.

Everyone who signs in at the April 10, April 17 and 24 meetings receives an entry for the tickets.

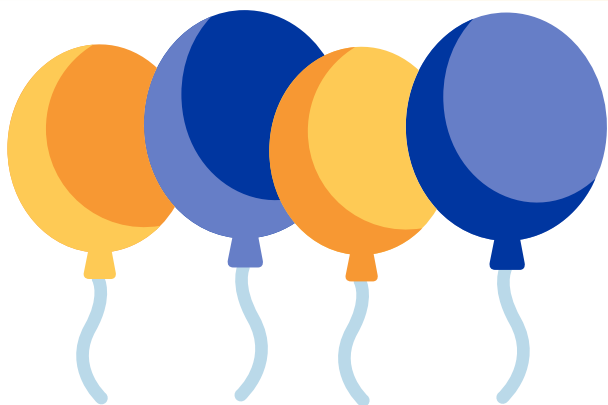
The random drawing will be held at the May 1 meeting and you must be present to win. Also, your dues must be current thru March 31, 2019.

Host Families Sought for Incoming French Exchange Student

The district has asked us to assist with placing an incoming exchange student. The first one that we talked about from Belgium fell thru on the European side. Now we are looking for a second host family for a girl named Lilas from a small town in France. She sounds like a lovely girl. Dad works with insurance and Mom is a sales manager.

Thanks to Linda Wilkinson, we have one host family secured and need at least one more residing in the Millcreek school district. Typically there are at least 2 or 3 host families. You do not have to be a Rotarian to be a host family. If you are interested or know a family who may be interested, please contact

Kevin Hedderman: kevin@hedderman.net



We want to send lots of birthday wishes to...

Jim Hynes, April 29

and **Robert Allshouse, April 30**

Enjoy your day!

-SAVE THE DATE-
THE ROTARIAN ANNUAL PICNIC
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2019
AT SHADES BEACH PAVILION IN HARBORCREEK

Picnic volunteers are always welcome; anyone who would like to join the committee **PLEASE CONTACT:**

Susannah Weis Frigon - SFrigon@eriecommunityfoundation.org

For future meetings, we'll have a sign-up available.





Karen Burton-Horstman

2019 Four-Way Test Award Honoree



Karen Burton Horstman graduated from Penn State University with a degree in accounting in 1988. She became a CPA and spent four years in the audit department of Price Waterhouse in Washington DC.

She then attended Katz Graduate School of Business where she earned her MBA in Finance and Human Resources. She returned to her family's business in 1994 as the fifth generation at Burton Funeral Homes. After she and her brother purchased the business from their father in 2007, she became a licensed funeral director as well.

She joined Rotary just prior to getting married in 1996 and has served on the board as well the Scholarship Committee and over the past several years has been the liaison to the Interact Club at Villa and RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). Karen and husband Mark have 2 children Julia (age 20) and Jon (age 18).



*Karen and her husband, Mark,
at the 2019 Four-Way Test
Awards Ceremony held on
April 17, 2019*

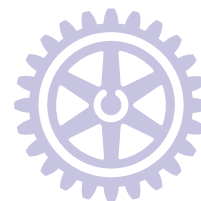




- Rotary *in* Review -

April 24, 2019

Rotary Foundation Scholarship Winners





BE THE INSPIRATION

Rotary
District 7280



2019 District Conference

May 16-19

District 7280 and the Rotary Club of Port Allegany invite you to join fellow 7280 Rotarian: and guests in Erie, Pennsylvania Thursday, May 16, through Sunday May 19, 2019 as we celebrate the Rotary year. We hope you will be inspired to see how Rotary has changed people's lives and most of all have fun at a beautiful Lake Erie property.

We have a discounted rate at the Sheraton Erie Bayfront until April 17th: Hotel Reservations can be made here:

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1807060966&key=2E3A51C0&app=resvlink>

Thursday – May 16, 2019:

- In the evening, we will host a benefit concert for End Polio Now and Elhers Danlos Society performed by our special guest, Aaron Bloome, Violinist, Rotarian, and Ambassador Scholar from Belgium. The event will be open to the public. Further details to follow

District Conference Electronic Registration:

<https://fs29.formsite.com/P5pMwV/40jhzzh4rn/index.html>

Friday – May 17:

- Golf – If interested please contact DG @ Scott.bayline@verizon.net
- 11:30 AM – 5:30 PM Registration open – Sheraton Erie Bayfront
- 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Conference: Casual
- o Opening
- o Rotary International President's Representative
- o Speakers
- o Breakout Sessions
- o Rotary Moment
- o Individual Awards
- 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM Island themed dinner. Mingle with Rotarians and guests while enjoying our Island themed food stations fit for omnivores and vegetarians. We will also provide island themed cocktails.
- o Keynote Speaker
- o Catch up with Old Friends and Meet New Ones
- 8:00 PM until ??? Hospitality Suite
- o Head across the hall to our Hospitality suite for snacks and drinks as long as the lights are on
- o Feel free to bring along a favorite beverage for yourself or to share. Please check with the Hospitality Committee before bringing in your item.
- o Mingle with our fellow Rotarians and guests with a view of the bay and your favorite cocktail.

Saturday – May 18:

- Breakfast is on your own but you can purchase food and beverage vouchers. Come casual and dressed comfortable for the day
- 8:30 AM – Noon Registration
- 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM Welcome
- 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM Business Meeting
- 10:00 AM – 11:45 AM Morning Session
- o Welcome
- o Polio Plus Update
- o Shelter Box Update
- o More Individual Awards
- o Club Awards
- o Speaker
- 11:45 AM – 1:30 PM Youth exchange Luncheon
- o Come enjoy a lunch buffet with our Youth Exchange Committee and students
- 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- o Service Project packing weekend BackPacks for students in the city of Erie School District at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania: <https://nwpafoodbank.org/our-programs/programs/backpacks/> Sign up when you register if you'd like to participate the facility can only hold 50 volunteers
- o Enjoy free time in the Erie area
- 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Cocktail hour – Black tie or business attire for Dinner
- 6:30 PM Dinner:
- o The Grand March
- o Rotary Moment
- 7:30 PM President's Representative
- 8:15 Changing of the Guard
- o Rotary Club of Port Allegany and the "Be the Inspiration" Rotary year transitions to the Rotary Club of Rich-Mar and "Rotary Connects the World."
- o 2019-2020 District Governor Ken Fleeson
- 9:00 PM - : Hospitality Suite

Sunday - May 19:

- 8:00 – 9:15 AM: Foundation Breakfast:
- o Paul Harris Society Member Recognition
- o Thank You for Supporting The Rotary Foundation
- 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM Celebration of Life
- 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Advisory Board

Please share any Dietary restrictions, so we may accommodate your needs.



MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Please, no home-canned foods, glass containers, unsealed or opened packages, outdated baby food or formula, or bulging or severely dented cans.

PROTEINS

- Canned Meat
- Canned Fish
- Canned Nuts
- Peanut Butter
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Dry Beans

BREADS & CEREALS

- Cake Mixes
- Bisquick
- Muffin Mix
- Cornbread Mix
- Dry Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Rice
- Rice Cakes
- Pasta

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

- Canned Fruits
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Juices
- Canned Soup
- Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- Dried Fruits

OTHER NEEDED ITEMS

- Coffee
- Baby Products
- Dish soap, laundry detergent & cleaning supplies
- Paper Products
- Toothpaste & brushes, shampoo & bar soap

Attached is the golf sign up form for Friday May 17th. Ralph Jockel of the Rich-Mar club will be collecting sign ups and coordinating the event. The course is Whispering Woods Golf Club and the first tee time is at 8:50.

A second attachment is an updated program ad sponsorship form. The program will be an 5.5 by 8.5 inch booklet. A half page ad would be approximately 5.5 by 4.25 and a quarter page would be approximately 2.75 by 4.25.

The final attachment is a list of most needed items at the Second Harvest Food Bank. During Conference we will collect these items you, your club, or your community would like to donate and provide them to Second Harvest.

A correction to DGN Beth's email for the celebration of life ceremony. Her correct email is: harriettclyde@gmail.com

-Rotary Youth Exchange-

Dear Friend in Rotary,

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 2020-21 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. Participating students learn about new cultures, learn to speak a new language and make friends with people from around the world. 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 have RYE flyers, brochures and posters that I can send you. If you need anything, please let me know. For more information, materials or club programs, contact me anytime.

Thanks!
Jeff

Jeff Simmons
Member, Rotary Club of Zelienople
Outbound Coordinator, Rotary District 7280 Youth Exchange
Area Governor, Rotary District 7280
724-875-1136 mobile

Special Thanks!

Special thanks to Garret Roth and new member Colin DeVault for planting trees downtown with volunteers from Gannon University and the Western PA Conservancy. Thirty-nine trees were planted on 11th Street between Peach and Sassafras Streets and 12th and State Streets. Later that day, six additional trees were planted at Griswold Park. Great showing of "Service Above Self"!

