

CLUB INFORMATION

2018-2019 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
Barry Rassin

DISTRICT GOVERNOR
DISTRICT 7360, ZONE 29
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2017-2018 ROTARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

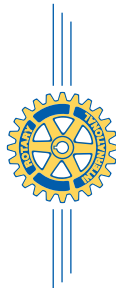
President Don Ruggery Jr.	Secretary RICHARD J. JOHNSTON
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	<u>CHAIR</u>	<u>CO-CHAIR</u>
CLUB SERVICE	Jodi Cessna	
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VOCATIONAL SERVICE	Joy Weidell	Larry McAleer

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Meeting Times of Other Clubs

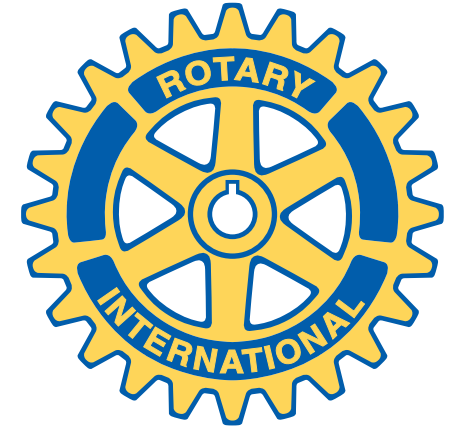
Altoona Sunrise, The Casino, Lakemont	Wednesday	7:15 AM
Bedford Sunrise, Clara's, Best Western	Monday	7:00 AM
Bedford, Carriage House Restaurant	Monday	6:15 PM
Claysburg, Peggy's Diner	Tuesday	6:00 PM
Clearfield, Clearfield Elks Club	Monday	6:00 PM
Hagerstown, MD, Fountain Head Country Club	Wednesday	12:00 PM
Harrisburg, Hilton Hotel at Tower	Monday	12:00 PM
Holidaysburg, The Casino at Lakemont Park	Tuesday	7:15 AM
Huntingdon, Huntingdon Country Club	Tuesday	12:00 PM
Indiana, Rustic Lodge, RT. 286 S.W.	Tuesday	5:30 PM
Johnstown, Sunnehanna Country Club, Westmont	Wednesday	12:10 PM
Lewisstown, Birch Hill Supervisors Club	Tuesday	12:00 PM
Morrisons Cove, Jun - Aug Morrisons Cove Memorial Park		
Sept.- May Spring Cove School District Admin. Bldg.	Tuesday	7:00 AM
Pittsburgh, Omni William Penn Hotel	Wednesday	12:00 PM
State College, Downtown, Damon's Restaurant	Thursday	12:00 PM
State College, Nittany Lion Inn	Tuesday	5:30 PM
State College Sunrise, State College Hotel	Wednesday	7:15 AM
Tyrone, Bull Pen - Tyrone Shopping Center	Monday	5:45 PM
Summer meeting till August - Reservoir Park, Tyrone		



Data-Note
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ROTARY CLUB OF ALTOONA

DISTRICT 7360



CLUB NEWSLETTER
Meets Each Tuesday, 12:10 P.M.
The Calvin House



**RECOGNIZING OUR PAST
CELEBRATING OUR FUTURE** OUR 101st Year

**No. 597, October 26, 2018
Program Chair: Joseph Fagnani
November Registration: Chris Michelone**

- The Four-Way Test
1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build Good Will and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Don Ruggery Jr., President

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM 10/16 & 10/23

- We are working on a virtual Rotary Club of Altoona. Please submit items to Jodi Cessna
- We have 4 members and their spouses signed up for the Rotary Foundation Dinner this Saturday: Don Ruggery, Irv Seltzer, Larry McAleer, and Tim Balconi.
- Tim O'Brien shared that Young Life is hosting their 44th annual dinner at the HAHS cafeteria. See Tim for details

Program:

Assistant District Governor Susanna Tomlinson introduced District Governor Dan Bennet. Dan graduated from Penn State and Clarion and taught for a while before getting into supermarket and department store chains and now working as a State Farm Agent in Reedsville, PA. Dan has been a Rotarian since 1991. Dan spoke about "what Rotary means to me." He asked the group to tell him what Rotary is about to them. He encouraged us to share our Rotary story with others and focus on the real impact that Rotary makes in the lives of others. He encouraged us to share our heart. He shared a story of John, who was asked by a friend to help on a bike repair project. He enjoyed the effort and was invited back, where he saw others wearing their Rotary shirts. He later joined because he realized the impact that Rotary was making. Encourage participation in our service projects! Dan asked three things of us, 1) Contribute to the foundation personally, no matter what the amount. 2) Achieve the Rotary Citation as a club. 3) think about and share what Rotary is to you. He reminded us that the next District Conference is at the Blair County Convention Center on May 17-19, 2019

JT Black introduced Rotarians with guests; Christy Collins/ John Beissinger, Frank Fiore/Joy Weidel, Don Ruggery/Jackie Slovensky

Don shared that our new Sister Paula soup kitchen coordinator is Mandy Michelone. We are seeking new Volunteers. The schedule will be on the website.

Announcements, Reminders and Good News

- Thank you to the Rotarians who attended the 2018-2019 District Rotary Foundation Dinner. Our club received the "Rotary Citation from the RI President" for 2017-2018 during the awards portion of the Dinner.
- Club directory needed many revisions but will be out soon.
- World Polio day is tomorrow. Our club was recognized for the \$750 we donated through our World's Greatest Meal Event where we visited Lenny's Classic Cars in lieu of having a lunch meeting.
- The club is invited to the United Way of Blair County on 11/30 at 6pm to celebrate World Polio Day and for the viewing of the documentary "Breathe" - wine and cheese will be offered.
- Our Christmas party is scheduled for the evening of December 11th. We are hoping to include children and grandchildren to make this a family event.
- November 29th is the Christmas parade. We will be looking for volunteers for the float.

- Grapes for Good is officially scheduled for 3/30/19.
- John Wolf shared that this week is the Altoona library used book sale; Friday, Saturday, Monday 9-4.
- The club has purchased tickets for Souper Saturday. Don will have those available to give to members at upcoming meetings.

Program: Irv Seltzer (Eldest past District Governor) Irv shared stories and encouraged us to take advantage of the Rotary Foundation while looking at what more can be done by our club. There are 35 million Rotarians world-wide. The top 5 are the U.S. with 3,020,000 Rotarians, India with 139,000, Japan with 88,000, S. Korea with 60,000 and Germany with 55,000. Violence, abuse and Aids as well as non-communicable diseases are at staggering numbers. There is much need for sanitary toilets, clean water, educational needs to address illiteracy. We need to seek grants through the Foundation to identify and fund worthwhile projects. Our club donates \$10,000 annually to the Foundation and we need to recoup some of this and put it to work in our own community and elsewhere.

October 16 2018

Allison, Beyer II, Britz, Clouse, Collins, Conigy, Cooney, Corso, Degol, DeLongis, DiAndrea, Durbin, Ebersole, Fiore D., Foreman, Foster, Frederick, Fruth, Gardner, Gentesch, Green, Hite, Hurd, Hymes, Kech, Kooman, Margroum, Michelone M., Miles, Morder, Newborn, Okonak A., Okonak R., Parnell, Ritchey, Rudel, Seasoltz, Seelye, Seltzer S., Shellenberger, Shreve, Smith S., Spallone, Stevens

October 23 2018

Balconi, Baumgartner, Beck, Beyer II, Bilger, Britz, Carey, Clouse, Cooney, Corso, Degol, DiAndrea, Dubrow, Durbin, Ebersole, Fiore D., Forney, Frederick, Fruth, Gardner, Gentesch, Hart, Hite, Hurd, Hymes, Kech, Kooman, McAleer, Miles, Mullen, Naugle, Newborn, Okonak A., Okonak R., Parnell, Ritchey, Rudel, Seelye, Seltzer A., Seltzer S., Shreve, Spallone, Stevens

INVOCATION

- 11/13 Jason Ebersole
- 11/20 Kate Shaffer
- 11/27 Jodi Cessna
- 12/04 Tim O'Brian



SOUP KITCHEN

- 11/16 Chris Michelone and Marty Kooman
- 11/23 Closed
- 11/30 John Wolf and Celia Fagnani
- 12/07 Phil Dubrow and Fred Thursfield

Make-ups

- Soup Kitchen - 09/21 Sinclair, Frederick, Kech
- 09/28 T. Smith, Kech 10/5 Navarro, Carrey
- Highway Clean Up - 10/6 Foreman, Mannion, Magnetti, Sinclair, Thursfield, Homan, Balconi, C. & M. Michelone
- E Club - 10/09 Cessna
- Board Meeting - 10-16 Ruggery, Johnston, Magnetti, Dubrow, I. Seltzer, O'Brian, Hann, D. Wolf, Baker, Naugle, Sinclair, Kaup, Carey

Soup Kitchen schedule is now on Rotary website
<http://rotaryofaltoona.org/Rotary%20Food%202016.pdf>

Jodi Cessna introduced visiting Rotarians; Susanna Tomlinson, assistant district governor and member of the Altoona Sunrise Rotary and Dan Bennet, District Governor and member of the Lewistown club.

President Don's guest is Jackie Slovensky from Heartland Payment Systems, who found us on our website and is interested in becoming a member.

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