

Rome Rotary Club News



President: Don Schlueter
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Vice President: 0
Past President: John Collis

Club established 1919
Club 4856 zone 29

Treasurer: Dave Burke
Secretary: Jeannie Packer
Dist 7150 Gov: Marvin Joslin
ADG (Area 3): Dana Jerrard

Announcements:

April 16 2019

Next week's program will be presented by Sue Carvelli: Rome College Foundation



Followed by:

April 29: Diane Drake: Scouting

May 7: Scholarship Awards

May 14: Chuck Hereth from Nuair

May 21: Lisa Matte from the Jervis/Mid York Library

May 28: Steve Clark from the Delta Lake Bible Conference Center



Board of Directors meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month at **5:30PM**. Location: **Zion Episcopal Church**, Liberty St. Next meeting: will be held on **May 13**.

The Thursday night Fellowship Rotary dinner meeting

Our once a month meetings are held at different restaurants on the 3rd Thursday of each month at **6:00PM**. The Fellowship Dinner will be held at.



? Seeking interest in Fred Rice's Oak & Ivy Bed and Breakfast for a May Fellowship Dinner. Need 10 for a buffet style dinner which includes salad, 3 meats, different vegetable and side dishes and dessert. Cost is \$25.00 and payment is in advance of the registration. The Secretary will collect cash and/or check. No refunds.



50/50

Don Schlueter's ticket was drawn. He donated his half of the ticket earnings to the Polio fund. (Draw the queen of hearts to win the pot or Joker to win half)

Remembering our Rotarians

Donna Occhipinti is in room **516**. Cards & visits: **Bethany Gardens**, 800 Chestnut St. Rome, NY 13440. On holidays send her some cards.

Mary Winberg should be remembered. On holidays, etc., send cards to Mary at: 1700 Lincoln Lane, Rome NY 13440.

Shirley Waters, Wiley Hall, **Masonic Care Community** of NY, 2150 Bleecker St., Utica NY 13501.



Rotary Readers: Bellamy Elementary School

If you are interested in this program, please contact Jeannie Packer at: thepackers@twcnny.rr.com or Phone (315) 336-0675 to sign up.



Club Program Scheduling Pete Costianes invites members to suggest one possible program in the coming Rotary year. Members should try to provide at least one program and give contact information to him. The member will present the speaker, give him/her the gift, and thank him/her for coming. Reach Pete by phone: (315) 337-1409 or email: petercostianes@gmail.com **Peter needs programs.**



News

The Youth Exchange: Sam Pendergrast is the YEO.

Our exchange student this year is Paulo Rojas. (Paraguay) He is hosted by Gerry and Julie Pilny and their son, Curtis.

We will not have an exchange student next year since Sam has not found at least two families to commit to hosting an exchange student. A decision will be made by September for 2021. Again, two families need to be on board.



Our club's **100th anniversary** is next year..Co-chairs Sandie Latimer and Nancy Neiley are setting up the Gala. The **date** for the gala will be **November 2, 2019**. The **location is Griffiss Institute**, Raymond E. Urtz Center, 725 Daedalian Drive. The banquet will be catered by **Delta Lake Inn**. The **MC** will be Dennis Schonewetter. More information to follow.

Officer and Board nomination results: the new Board members: Bob Herrmann & Dave Kobernuss. (Term to 2022) We do not have a president elect or VP.

Canalfest Update: From the Canalfest meeting. **Dates** are August 2, 3, and 4, 2019.

Times: Friday 5:30-9:30PM; Saturday 12:30-4:30PM; Sunday 12:30-4:30PM.

Fireworks: Friday and Saturday nights.

Fishing Derby: Saturday with cash awards.

Photo Show: Set up on Thursday with a limit of 5 entries per person; Rome Sentinel advertising and Rome school and art department participation.

Flower Show: Confirmed with same set up as last year.

Vendors: Need someone to set this up

Food: We will have multiple food vendors

Bands: We now have a DJ for Sunday and are considering a "Battle of the Bands."

Dave Kobernuss has created Canalfest advertising placemats for a number of area restaurants and businesses. They will be displayed for 6 weeks at these locations.

Donations: Have received donations from Erie Canal Group for \$500. and First Source: \$500.



Next Canalfest meeting April 25 at 12:00 Michelle's office, 223 N. Washington St.

Fundraiser Shredding Event

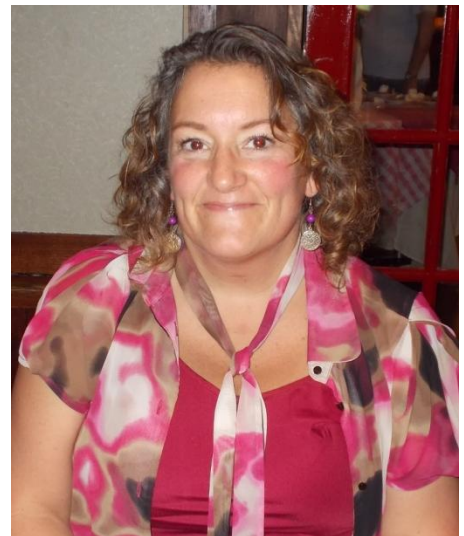
This will take place in the Westgate Shopping Center on **May 4** sponsored by Confi-Data from 9:00-12:00 Noon. A donation is suggested to those bringing material to be shredded. Five members are needed to be on-site. See Don.



Rome Rotarian receives promotion

Member Wendy Berg has received a promotion from Community Bank. She has become the district manager of the Oneida/Herkimer section of the Lowville District. Wendy has 30 years experience in the financial industry. Her new job will oversee five Community Bank branches within the Lowville District. The area includes Westmoreland, Camden, Old Forge, Rome's Turin Road, and Griffiss Park. She most recently service as vice president, branch manager of the Rome Turin Road and Griffiss Park locations.

We extend warm congratulations to Wendy on her achievement.



Birthdays

This month we have four.



Peter Costianes



Sam Pendergrast



Tony Recco



Don Schlueter

Guests



Bonnie Herrmann

Rotary Minute

The following Rotary History bites are from a booklet published by



Clifford L. Dochterman who was Rotary International President from 1992-3 called, "The ABC's of Rotary."

Youth Exchange

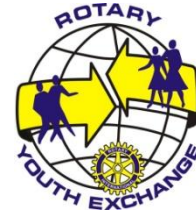
The Youth Exchange is a popular program that promotes international understanding and develops lifelong friendships.

It began in 1927 with the Rotary Club of Nice, France and exchanges in Europe continued until World War II. The exchanges resumed in 1946.

In 1939, an extensive Youth Exchange was created between California and Latin America. Since then, the program has expanded around the world. In recent years, more than 7,000 young people have participated annually in Rotary club and district sponsored exchange programs by the high-school age students in their host schools with excellent opportunities to learn about customs, languages, traditions and family life in another country.

Youth Exchange offers young people interesting opportunities and rich experiences to see another part of the world. Students spend a full academic year abroad through the long term exchange program. A growing number of clubs and districts are sponsoring short term exchanges of several weeks or months.

A structured program of RI since 1974, Youth Exchange is a highly recommended activity for all Rotary clubs to enhance international understanding and goodwill.



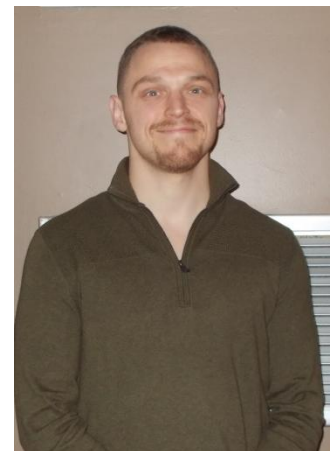
Program

Today's program was presented by Brad Velardi on the Greater Utica Magazine. Brad is a graduate of SUNY IT.

Brad and his father started the magazine as 6x9 inch postcards for advertising purposes. They set up a Facebook page displaying many old photographs from Utica's past along with captions. People began expressing interest and the postcards were transformed into a magazine. The staff now includes Brad, his father, a brother and a couple other people.

At least four pages in each issue feature two businesses along with assorted advertising. The distribution area is from Herkimer to Rome. Historical articles from all areas are welcome. The magazine expanded from 6 pages to the current 64 pages. The philosophy of the magazine encompasses three areas:

- To educate readers on the history of the area.
- Entertain the readers



- Encourage local businesses to team up. The editors believe that area businesses deserve to be recognized.

The magazine is funded through advertising from area businesses. The circulation is now 18,000.

Brad distributed copies of the magazine to club members.

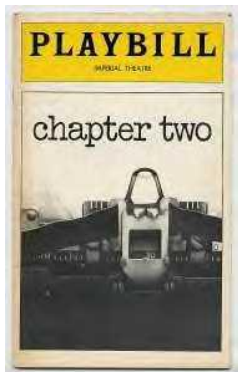
The printing is done by Vicks Printing Co.



Community Events & Activities

Rome Community Theater

Chapter 2



A semi autobiographical play by Neil Simon.

The play focuses on a recently widowed writer, George Schneider, who is introduced by his press agent brother to soap opera actress Jennie Malone. Jennie's marriage to a football player has dissolved after six years. Both are uncertain of their readiness to start dating and developing a new romance when her breakup is so recent and he still has recurring memories of his deceased wife, Barbara.

June 6-8 at 7:30PM and June 9 at 2:30PM

Tickets can be purchased through the Box Office. Call one week before the show between the hours of 6:00 and 9:00PM. 315-337-

5920. Reservations recommended

At the Cinema Capitol

Mary Magdalene



She is one of the most transformative yet misunderstood women in history, alternately vilified as a sinner and canonized as a saint. For the first time, the incredible story of Mary Magdalene is told.

Starring Rooney Mara, Joaquin Phoenix, Chiwetel Ejiofor

MVCC Rome Campus 1101 Floyd Ave.

May 3 at 7:00PM in the Festine Auditorium of the Plumly Complex.

Game Show: the price is right. The game show that you know and love. Contestants compete to win \$300.00 in prizes. General admission is \$5.00; MVCC employees, \$2.00.



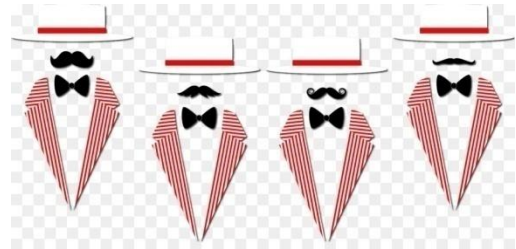
Sip into Spring



Rome Art and Community Center on **April 27** from 6:00-9:00PM. Sample fine wines, local craft beer, handmade chocolates, local cheeses, desserts, and food pairings. Purchase available. \$20.00 presale; \$25.00 at the door. Available online: www.romeart.org/events

Heart and Soul

Concert on **April 27** at 7:30PM in the Clinton Central School Theatre (College St and Chenango Avenue) Featuring the international finalist Category four quartet, the New Horizons Chorus, chapter quartets and District Champions. Cost is \$15.00 for Adults and \$7.00 for 25 and under. Order tickets at www.bhs-mv.org
Or 315 240-6124



District 7150 & RI News Rotary Month Celebrations

Rotary Month Celebrations

January: Rotary Awareness month.

February: World Understanding month

March: Literacy month.

April: Magazine month

May: Promote Internat'l. Convention mo.

June: Rotary Fellowship month.

July: Literacy and New Year month

August: Membership & extension mo.

September: New generations month

October: Vocational service mo.

November: Rotary Foundation/World Interact month

December: Family month

The following information and excerpts from various Rotary sources

Rotary District Websites

Official Website, Rotary7150.org.

Rotary International Website, Rotary.org.

Rotary Leadership Institute, <http://www.rlinea.org>

Youth Exchange calendar:

<http://www.rotarydistrict7150youthexchange>

D7150 Calendar of Events – list of events from Newsletter

RYLA Conferences: Cazenovia College
<http://www.rotary7150.org/sitepage/ryla>
Additional questions about **RYLA**:
Phyllis Danks, chair: phyl7150@gmail.com
Rotaract chair: Maria Pavelock & Jonathan Yost:
pavelockm7150@gmail.com
Youth Exchange chair: Colleen Weibel

District newsletter information and articles

Please send future newsletter inputs directly to editor Lizzy Flinn-Brown at:
ebrown@syracuse.com

From District 7150 FYI: District group leaders:
District Governor: Marv Joslin: marvd7150@gmail.com
District Secretary: Peter Cardamone: peter7150@gmail.com
District Treasurer: Laverne DeLand: laverne7150@gmail.com
District Foundation Chair: Mark Matt: mmatt7150@gmail.com
District Youth Exchange Chair: Dave Bauer:

Youth Service Leadership unfilled at this time. **Interact's** District Chair is Dennis Schonwetter. Dennis7150@gmail.com. A club for young people in their community or school.

Youth Exchange with District Chair Dave Bauer: club gives young people exposure to new cultures and customs and promotes global understanding and peace. Students spend time in another country living with different host families and attending classes at the local schools.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award with District chair Phyllis Danks: An intensive training program for young adults ages 14-30. The program usually involves seminars, camps, or workshops organized by Rotarians and held over 3-10 days. Question about RYLA Phyllis Danks: phyl7150@gmail.com

ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS PROGRAM For more information visit:
<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/member-center/rotary-global-rewards/offers#/offers%0D%0AJust>

2019 RYLA application available

The rotary Youth Leadership Awards weekend will be July 5-7 and clubs should be getting applications into their schools now. Here is a schedule to keep applications on track:



- Provide your local schools with the updated application and modify the deadline to fit your club. You will have the month of April to process them, conduct interviews and make a selection.
- May 1 is the deadline to submit your students to the RYLA committee so they will have a head count.
- We have a new chairperson for the event, Brian Miller. You can contact him at: bmiller7309@gmail.com or 315-723-5763.

District 7150 Schedule

- o **2019 May 3-5, District Celebration Conference, Crowne Plaza Lake Placid**
- o **2019 Jun 01-05**, RI International Convention, Hamburg, Germany
- o **2019 Jun 27, 5:30 PM Changing of the Guard**, Traditions, Links at Erie Village
- o **2019 July 05-07**, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Cazenovia, 7/7 Noon banquet
- o **2019 Aug 07**, Youth Exchange Welcome Home Dinner, location TBD
- o **2019 Sep 28**, Rotary Leadership Institute, VVS High School (RLINEA.org Website)

Upcoming District 7150 Governors

The DG for **2019-20** will be Randy Wilson. (Sauquoit) The DG for **2020-21** will be Cheryl Matt. (DeWitt) District **2021-22**: Dana Jerard. **Treasurer** position will be held by Laverne DeLand. (Deland: Fulton Sunrise)
District **Youth Exchange** chair will be held by Dave Bauer. (Bauer: Sauquoit)

New Rotary Theme announced

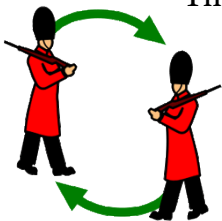
The incoming Rotary International President Mark Daniel Maloney, of Decatur, Alabama, announced his theme for the 2019/2020 year: Rotary Connects the World. He shared his vision for the year, which is focused on growth.



Changing of the guard

Thursday, **June 27**, 2019 Traditions at the Links, 5900 Burdick St. E. Syracuse

Join us to honor outgoing DG Marv and celebrate incoming DG Randy!
Watch your emails and read your newsletter for details as both events will require online registration.



Meet your new District Governor nominee designate 2021/2022): Dana Jerrard

Dana Jerrard has been a Utica Rotarian since 1986, and in that time has held most of the offices available to a member. Board service in 1989 led to the first of three “sentences” as club Sergeant-at-Arms. From there he moved through the natural progression to club VP, PE,



and, in 1994-95, club president under the leadership of PDG Joe McCarthy. Immediately following his year as club president, Dana accepted the role editor of the club's weekly newsletter, an assignment that he held for more than 20 years. This period also included 12 years as club secretary. On the district level, Dana has been newsletter editor, conference House of Friendship coordinator, directory publisher, master of ceremonies, and, most recently, Assistant Governor for Area 3 clubs. He is a Paul Harris Fellow +2, and a Rotary Foundation Benefactor. Professionally, Dana spent 30 years at Vicks Lithograph in Yorkville before retiring in 2016. He currently works on a part-time basis at JAY-K Lumber in New Hartford and is also part of the local music community in groups as diverse as Classified, The Clef Dwellers, and the Utica Symphony. Outside of Rotary, Dana was president of the Mohawk Valley Community College Foundation for 13 years, Founder and President of Senior Services of Utica, Pacesetter Campaign Chair for United Way, and President of Family Services of Utica. Currently, he is Alumni Class President for his graduating class at Cornell University. Dana Jerrard | Rotary Club of Utica | jerrarddana@gmail.com

District 7150 Membership committee

District 7150 now has membership coaches for each area of District 7150. The Membership Coaches will be visiting their designated clubs to share membership updates and strategies and one-on-one work with club presidents and chairs. Our Area 6 coach is Tara Renner trenner1@twcny.rr.com
Other areas: Area 1: Jerry Gortner Gerald.Gortner@yahoo.com
Area 2: Francesca Magro francescasbanquets@msn.com
Area 3: Jim High carlyhi@aol.com
Area 4: Charlie Smith deaconcharlie@hotmail.com
Area 5: Henry "Mac" MacDonald henrymac7150@gmail.com
Area 7: Catherine "CJ" Sturtevant cjsturtevant7@gmail.com

Rotary International Convention

The Rotary International Convention will be held in Hamburg, Germany, **June 1-5, 2019**. Arrive early to meet Rotaractors from around the world at the Rotaract Preconvention, **May 31- June 1**. Connect with People of Action at the 3K Walk Against Polio, discover new ways to bring about change in your community at engaging breakout sessions, and explore fresh opportunities for service in the House of Friendship. Register at <http://www.rconvention.org>



District Conference Celebration

May 3-4, 2019 at the Crowne Plaza hotel in Lake Placid, NY
Registration and check-in starts at 3pm on Friday, May 3rd and cocktails start at 5pm. You will probably need to take a little time off work that day to get there in time to have a toast with friends! That night we are going to have our Parade of Flags and hear from the first of several inspirational speakers throughout the weekend, Emad Rahim, author of "Resilience - From Killing Fields to Boardroom."



Saturday morning we'll do a little Rotary business and education before an afternoon of fun. We are seeking Rotarians who are veterans to form teams for an Armed Services Trivia (Army/Air Force versus Navy/Marines). Please contact DGND Dana Jerrard at jerrarddana@gmail.com if you are a veteran who wants to participate and will be at conference.

In the evening you get to try to solve a murder mystery while you dine and cheers with friends. We'll also welcome PDG Dale Flinn from District 7170 for some more inspiration to close out the celebrations.

-We will also be collecting items for care cases to help children in the foster care system. Deliver to us at conference, where we will assemble the packages that will be delivered in both Syracuse and Utica.

We are asking clubs to: bring their club banner, -Register for a space in the House of Friendship and put together a fun and interactive display

-Donate a door prize valued at \$50 or more

-Sign up as many members as possible to join in on the weekend

Also seeking donations

Suitcases
Duffel Bags
Blankets
Pillows
Pillow Pets
Journals
Pens
Coloring Books
Crayons
Markers
Toothbrush & Toothpaste Sets
Headphones
Snacks
Small Stuffed Animals

Upcoming Rotary International President nominee Sushil Kumar Gupta, of the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest, Delhi, India, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2020-21. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested. Gupta says he wants to increase Rotary's humanitarian impact as well as the diversity of its membership.



Featured article Rotarian March 2019 Flower Power...Anne Stein

Slippery Rock Pennsylvania is a well-cared for community with planter pots dotting the boroughs 2 square miles and filled with a palette of greenery that rotates with the seasons.

This is a project called Slippery Rock in bloom and was launched eight years ago by the Rotary Club of Slippery Rock's president at the time, Jeff Berta.



This was a community improvement effort by the club who raised the funds and got their hands dirty.

Last year, their work was rewarded when a nonprofit called America in Bloom gave Slippy Rock top honors in the category of communities with a population of 3,000 to 10,000. The contest promotes improvements in the quality of life, and entries are evaluated on these seven criteria: overall impression, community vitality, environmental efforts, heritage celebration, urban forestry, landscaped areas, and flowers.

"It is a lot more than the flowers and tidiness," explains club member Regina Greenwald, who coordinates the Slippy Rock Bloom Committee. The committee of Rotarians and interested residents, plans and coordinates year-round beautification, fundraising and the thousands of volunteers who participate.

We started by cleaning the town. We created a recycling program and there was a fall cleanup with schools. Slippy Rock University students and community volunteers assisted. Since then, the committee has raised nearly \$100,000.00 from individuals and from private and public grants to pay for numerous projects.

The committee has torn down an old bank building that was an eyesore and replaced a flowering pear tree which had been wiped out by fire blight with new less vulnerable trees. It has worked to improve local water quality and encouraged landlords and homeowners to clean up yards and spruce up houses.

Everyone helps out including scout troops, church groups, local businesses, college students, and Rotarians.

**Featured article from The Rotarian
May 2019: Secondhand
treasures..Anne-Marie Manno
(condensed)**

Members of the Venlo-Maas en Peel, Netherlands Rotary Club have sponsored a book and record sale for 33 years. Last year, five trucks full of items arrived at a secondary school and unloading began for the seven-day event. They raised \$95,000.00 for projects that improve the lives of children in Brazil, Malawi, Peru, and Sri-Lanka.



In partnership with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the club gathered 200 volunteers including non Rotary members. About 10,000 book and record aficionados from throughout the Netherlands and other countries including Germany and Belgium attended the sale and took home 60,000 books and 15,000 records.

It takes a year of planning to organize the fair. The club has drop off points for book and record donations, and volunteers sort through them twice a week.

The items are categorized by genre, and a coordinator responsible for each category makes the final decision on what will be included in the sale. Most books sell for between 50 cents and \$2.50, but those that are new or special can cost between \$3.00 and \$50.00

Sometimes the club receives a donation of something unique. A few years ago, a dossier of documents related to the history of the city of Papandrecht brought in \$8,000.00. The oldest of the documents, which the city bought, dated to 1320.

After 33 years, club member Peter Elbers has some tips on how to organize a successful book and record fair. Most important is to plan from the start to make it an annual event. "Don't try to organize such a fair only once, he says." When people recognize the quality of what you are selling, they will come back. A reliable volunteer workforce is also a must. Club member Jaap Verhofstad brought his children to help set up and break down the fair..He states that, "My children have had a few hours of fun helping out at the fair during the sale."

Rotary International

The Rotarian November, 2019: Rotary Leaders selected

Mark Daniel Mahoney of the Rotary Club of Decatur Alabama is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2019-20.



Rotary Club of Rome Organization and contact information:

Board of Directors

Pat DeMatteo	Sandra Latimer
Dave Kobernuss	Keith Butters
Dave Rapke	Tony Recco



Membership Committee Co chairs:
Pat DeMatteo & Don Schlueter
**Membership Development, Mentoring,
& Orientation:** Keith Butters, chair



Rotary Foundation
Bill Tuthill chair



Rotary Readers
Jeannie Packer chair
With Glen Bahr



Scholarships: Ryan Tuggey chair



Pres. Elect



Carla Till chair



International Student Day Co-chairs:
Pete Costianes & Emily Gifford
With Keith Butters



Polio Fundraising
Bill Tuthill



RYLA Ryan Tuggey, Chair
Rotary youth Leadership Award



Science Fair: Keith Butters



Interact Club, Nancy Neiley, Chair



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