

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 23 2019

Next week's program will be presented by Diane Drake: Scouting



Followed by:

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@twcnv.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 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 two host families are needed. Tony Recco will be the YEO.



Our club's **100th anniversary** Gala being set up by Co-chairs Sandie Latimer and Nancy Neiley. 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 Schonevetter. More to follow.

Officer and Board nomination results: 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: We have received \$3200.00 in sponsorships so far.



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

New member

Congratulations to Steve Mercurio who is our newest member.



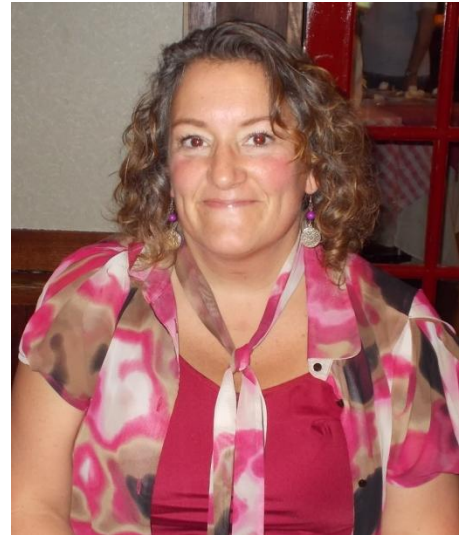
Fundraiser Shredding Event

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."

No personal privileges

Frequently, friends ask whether Rotarians receive special business benefits from their Rotary membership. Should a Rotarian expect a special discount or preferential service because they are dealing with a fellow Rotarian? The answer is clearly no.



The RI Manual of Procedure expressly states the Rotary position on this. The policy was approved by the RI Board in 1933 and states that in business and professional relations, a Rotarian should not expect or ask for consideration or advantages from a fellow Rotarian than the latter would give to any other business or professional associate. Using the fellowship of Rotary as a means of gaining an advantage or profit is contrary to the spirit of Rotary.

On the other hand, if new or increased business comes as the natural result of friendship that develops in Rotary as it would outside Rotary, it is not considered an infringement on the ethics of Rotary membership.

It is important to remember that the primary purpose of Rotary membership is to provide each member with a unique opportunity to serve others and that membership is not intended as a means for personal profit or special privileges.

Program

Today's program was presented by Sue Carvelli: Rome College Foundation. Sue is the President of the Rome College Foundation.

What is RCF? (www.RomeCollegeFoundation.com)

The Rome College Foundation is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1966 and supported by the Rome Area Chamber of Commerce and other local groups. Located in offices of the Chamber of Commerce in downtown Rome, it is managed by a Board of Trustees representing local businesses, industries, professions and academic institutions. Staff services are provided by the Rome Area Chamber of Commerce at minimal cost to the Foundation. Additionally, the Foundation pays no dues or service charges to any national organization.



Mission

The mission of the Foundation is to promote and enhance the Rome community's needs for higher educational opportunities. Specifically, the goal of the Foundation is to develop, advocate and offer a wide variety of college programs for all area residents. As

funds grow through grants, donations and bequests, the Foundation continues to expand its scholarship programs.

Brief History

In the mid 1960s, the Rome community became increasingly aware that Rome was the largest city in NYS without significant post-secondary college facilities. Mohawk Valley Community College operated a small number of evening classes at Staley Junior High School, and that was all. The need was first articulated by William H. Flinchbaugh, then the Executive VP of the Rome Chamber.

In 1965, a special committee was formed to study the potential of a public or private college and to establish a broadly based committee representing all segments of the community to do what would be necessary on a long-term basis to develop higher education opportunities in Rome. In 1966, an absolute incorporation charter was granted.

The charter specified that the education corporation, to be called Rome College Foundation, would be located in Rome. On Sept 19, 1966, an organizational meeting of the incorporators was held. A.D. Ross Fraser was selected as the first chairman, Emlyn I. Griffith was named secretary; and he later became the second chairman.

The Rome College Foundation directors, assisted by the Chamber staff, developed studies and data which demonstrated the need and the wisdom of expanding MVCC's presence in Rome, having determined that a separate public or private institution was unlikely. The State University's master plan was changed by the Board of Regents in the 1970's to allow an MVCC branch in Rome. Oneida County committed to the support necessary for the branch.

Scholarships and programs

Sue mentioned that scholarships are give to MVCC, Hamilton College, SUNY IT, and Utica College.

Money has been give to MVCC's Culinary Arts Program, Jervis Library's professional development, and the Fibonacci STEAM Conference by sending four student last year. Partnering with BOCES to assist students in manufacturing or trade areas is currently underway. Certification is being sought with apprenticeships.

If you sponsor a scholarship through RCF, you can determine your own scholarship details.

With grants from the Sears Family Foundation, the Foundation co-sponsored several programs administered by the Chamber's Education Committee, including: Sophomore Mentoring Program for students at RFA, RCS, and NYSSD; College Night at RFA; the "Be Cool" substance abuse education program in cooperation with Rome Memorial Hospital for fifth graders; the "Starting Off On The Right Foot" program for college-bound high school graduates; and the traveling art exhibit by elementary school students

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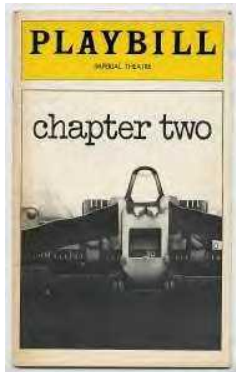
Website: www.RomeCollegeFoundation.com



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



The Mustang

Roman (Matthias Schoenaerts), a convict in a rural Nevada prison who struggles to escape his violent past, is required to participate in an "outdoor maintenance" program as part of his state-mandated social rehabilitation. Spotted by a no-nonsense veteran trainer (Bruce Dern) and helped by an outgoing fellow inmate and trick rider (Jason Mitchell), Roman is accepted into the selective wild horse training section of the program, where he finds his own humanity in gentling an especially unbreakable mustang.

Starring Matthias Schoenaerts, Bruce Dern, Jason Mitchell, Connie Britton, Gideon Adlon

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.

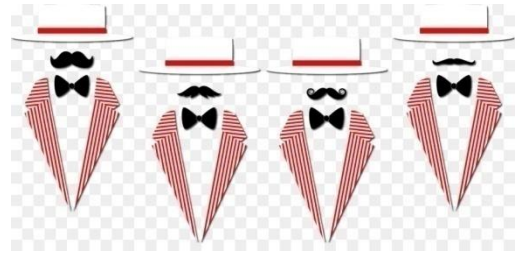
Sample fine wines, local craft beer, handmade chocolates, local cheeses, desserts, and food pairings. Purchase available.

\$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.



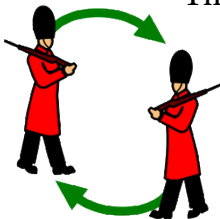
Changing of the guard

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@twcnny.rr.com

Other areas: Area 1: Jerry Gortner 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.



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

-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

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 Slippery 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 Slippery Rock Bloom Committee. The committee of Rotarians and interested residents, plans and coordinates year round beautification, fundraising and the thousand of volunteers who participate.

We started by cleaning the town. We created a recycling program and there was a fall cleanup with schools. Slippery Rock University students and community volunteers assisted. Since then, the committee has raised nearly \$100,00.00 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 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



The Rotary Foundation
"Doing Good in the World"

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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