

Rome Rotary Club News



President: Don Schlueter
President-Elect: Nancy Neiley
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



Next week's program will be presented by Don Schlueter with a video on China mining operations.

Followed by:

March 19: Jim Griffith from the Oneida County Family Treatment Court.

March 26: OPEN

5 March 19 2019



Board of Directors meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month at **5:30PM**. Location: **Copper City Community Connection, Black river Blvd.** Next meeting: will be held on **March 11**.

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 *Aquino's restaurant* (Floyd Ave), **March 21**.



50/50

Rob Tracy's ticket was selected. He drew a card for the pot, but had no luck. (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.



Science Fair

Rome Science Fair was on **March 2** in the RFA Cafeteria.

There were 14 categories in the sciences. First in each category were:

Physics: Zakaria Shaik; Microbiology: Collin Gannon; Medicine & Health: Sven van Hoesel; Botany: Miranda Catanzaro; Chemistry: Ruqivah Shaik; Space Science: Dennis van Hoesel; Earth Science: Abigail Minicozzi;

Zoology: Brianna Fernandez; Computer Science: Tah'ken Fadiw & Jordan Elliott; Mathematics: Callie Ott; Biochemistry: Alexandra Grande & S. Fromages; Behavioral Social Science: Liam Butler; Engineering: Dylan Gannon & Ben Miller; Biochemistry: Harun Shaik. The **Best in Show** winners are: Ruqivah Shaik, 1st; Sven Van Hoesel, 2nd; Collin Gannon, 3rd.



Rotary Readers: Bellamy Elementary School

If you are interested in this program, please contact Jeannie Packer at: thepackers@twcny.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



Our club's **100th anniversary** is next year..Co-chairs Sandie Latimer and Nancy Neiley are working hard at 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. More information to follow.

Officer and Board nomination results: the new Board members will be Bob Herrmann and Dave Kobernuss. (Term to 2022) We do not have a president elect. The office of Vice President will be Ryan Tuggey.

Necrology Report: A report on 2018 member deaths was sent to the Necrology chair. To be read at the Annual District Conference to inform attending Rotarians of those who passed away from each club.

Dave Kobernuss has created advertising placemats for a number of area restaurants.

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: Looking for a DJ on Sunday.

Birthdays

This month we have one.

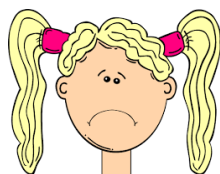


Maria Dailey





Guests



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."

Club Leadership Plan

The RI Board of Directors approved the Club Leadership Plan in 2004 as the recommended administrative structure for Rotary Clubs. The plan is designed to strengthen Rotary clubs by focusing on building continuity among leadership, achieving consensus for decision making and planning, and involving all members in club projects and activities. Rotary clubs should follow nine steps to implement the plan, which can be adapted to meet the club's specific needs and culture. The plan also includes a streamlined committee structure focusing on club administration, membership, public relations, service projects, and the Rotary Foundation.



Program

Today's program was presented by Linda Scherz on Basketry.

Linda's basketry journey started in the late 1980's when she was taught how to make a 6" melon basket. She has always loved being creative. Linda's children were young and her basketry grew into their lives. The enjoyment for making baskets grew when she started her business in 1990.



She was asked to teach locally and to join an artist cooperative to sell her baskets. It soon progressed to designing and teaching her designs. Linda created her first website in 2004. She teaches throughout the Eastern half of the United States and occasionally participates in high quality juried shows. It is very rewarding and fulfilling for Linda to share what she has learned with her students, to continue to learn, to assist customers with their questions, create custom work and to share in conversation with those interested in basketry.

Linda enjoys working with a variety of materials, allowing her imagination to roam freely as she creates her baskets. Initially working with only reed, her interest quickly expanded to bark, then waxed linen. When able she enjoys being out in nature and harvesting white pine or red pine bark from downed trees. She likes to incorporate woodsy elements into some of her baskets as it reflects her love of the outdoors and the Adirondacks. She also loves to recreate the vibrancy of nature in her baskets



through a technique called dye-painting. Each unique in color, design and shape. The journey of exploration continued once introduced to waxed linen creating her miniature baskets. Her love for designing, color and pattern is expressed with each new piece. In 2013 one of her baskets was selected for the National Basketry Organizations All Things Considered VII Exhibition and in 2015 another basket was selected for All Things Considered VIII Exhibition. These shows featured “benchmarks in excellence in traditional and sculptural basketry that demonstrate superior technique, and original concept and design. These traveling exhibitions were comprised of baskets of the highest caliber, craftsmanship and technical ability, which speaks to intricacy of expression, intimacy of design, visual excitement and communication that highlight tradition and stretch the imaginations of the viewer to new insights of the scope of basketry in the 21st century.” The juried, invitational exhibition in 2013 was in Gatlinburg, TN, another in the Fuller Craft Museum in Brockton, MA. In 2015, St. Paul, MN, and Harvard, MA. where Linda was honored to be included in the exceptional exhibition of baskets.

Venues in New York State where Linda teaches include:

Adirondack Folk School; Amboy 4-H Center; Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum; Great Camp Sagamore; The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake; Thousand Islands Art Center

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Community Events & Activities

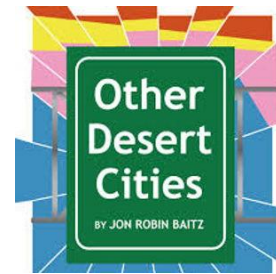
Space event

NASA reports that a recently discovered asteroid will make a pass of the Earth. It is approximately 13 lunar distances away with little chance of disrupting the Earth during its flight.



Rome Community Theater Other desert cities

Other Desert Cities is a play by Jon Robin Baitz. The play premiered Off-Broadway in January 2011 and transferred to Broadway in November 2011, marking the Broadway debut of a Baitz play. The play was a finalist for the 2012 Pulitzer Prize for Drama



April 11-13 at 7:30PM and **April 14 17** 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

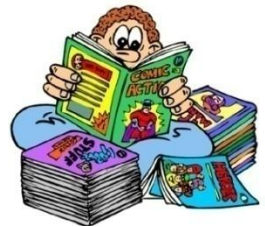
On the basis of sex

Young lawyer Ruth Bader Ginsburg teams with her husband Marty to bring a groundbreaking case before the Supreme Court and overturn a century of gender discrimination. 2018 marks Justice Ginsburg's **Starring** Felicity Jones, Armie Hammer, Justin Theroux...



MVCC Rome Campus 1101 Floyd Ave.

Lecture, "Comic books go to war" **12 Noon** Rm 119 Plumly Complex, **March 27** This is a discussion on the early days of the comic book industry and how its creators used the storytelling power of comics to generate home front heroics, raise support for a war amid a previously isolated America, unite people and further vilify its wartime enemies.



Also



Lecture, "Meet me in space" with author Melinda Grace at **6:00PM, March 27** in the Festine Auditorium of the Plumly Complex. The book concerns a Central Auditory processing disorder.

Copper City Community Center

St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance on **March 17** from 5:00-9:00PM



Formerly Ava Dorfman Sr. Cen. presents "Double Chase" for our 2019 St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. This event will be open to the public.

Menu: Choice of Corned Beef or Ham , boiled potatoes and cabbage, and dessert

Doors open 4:30pm and Dinner served promptly at 5pm.

Cash bar 5:00-9:00PM.

Band will begin at 6pm. More information will be updated as it becomes available

District 7150 & RI News

Rotary Month Celebrations

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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:

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

District 7150 Required 2019-2020 Rotary Year Presidents Training

- o **2019 Mar 15 & 16 - Multi District PETS** – at Syracuse University Sheraton
- o **2019 Apr 06, 9 AM to Noon District Assembly** --- at VVS High School
- 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)

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@twcnj.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.

We will be celebrating clubs, their accomplishments and their Acts of Kindness Bring a great display to the House of Friendship-(registration required) and make sure someone from your club is available for a little show and tell

-We will also be collecting items for care cases to help children in the foster care system -(club runner home page for a list of items your club can start collecting now). Deliver to us at conference, where we will assemble the packages that will be delivered in both Syracuse and Utica.

Registration Instructions:

1. Register you and your guest at www.rotary7150.org
2. In your confirmation email, click the link to download a form to book your room & board - be sure to include



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 January 2019 Fight for families on the border...Ruby L. Powers

Ruby L. Powers, member of the Rotay Club of Houston, heard about family separation on the news. She has 2 children and wondered, what if these were my children? Ruby's mother was born to American missionaries in Mexico and she grew up between Mexico, Texas, and Missouri. Later, she was a Rotary Youth Exchange student in Belgium and an Ambassadorial Scholar in Barcelona, Spain.



Previously, she had taken a case at the Port Isabel detention facility near Harlingen, Texas and close to the border. She won the case and a family of four including a pregnant mom, were released. This was before the zero tolerance policy started in May. Ruby felt compelled to help because she was familiar with the detention facilities, experienced in immigration and asylum law, and spoke Spanish. She arrived at Fort Isabel on Tuesday June 26. Once you arrive, you have to turn in all your personal belongings including your cell phone. She was asked to take off her jewelry which was a new rule. Someone had tried to hide a recording device in their jewelry. She was escorted to meet the detainees. A guard walked her through a number of doors that even he couldn't unlock. She spoke with four moms and seven dads. Some cried uncontrollably. Many parents still had not spoken to their kids. Most didn't know where they were. She had 30 to 45 minutes with each person. She offered advice on how to prepare for the credible fear interview and what to expect.

She had been practicing immigration law for 10 years and wanted people to understand who these families are. Many fled to get their children to a safer place, fleeing from domestic violence, gang violence, or political persecution.

The people she met had no idea that they would be separated from their children. Zero tolerance policy began in May. Families being detained before were always held together. However, there is a law that states that children can't be held for more than 20 days in family detention. To sidestep the requirement the U.S. government started charging the parents with illegal entry if they didn't cross at a port of entry and then separated the parents from their children. This policy was in force from approximately early May to June 20.

At first, the families were separated and couldn't talk to each other. Now, most are getting out and reunited, but some parents have already been deported without their children or they waived their right to reunification without understanding what was happening.

Ruby sees this as a humanitarian issue not a political issue. The Rotary organization has taught her to care about other people, all people.

Featured article from The Rotarian February 2019: Duck soup Frank Bures

In 1989, four Rotary clubs around Kennewick, Washington dumped 28,000 rubber ducks into the Columbia river for the mid-Columbia River Duck Race. Since then, it has raised \$3million for local charities. In 1989, this was an unorthodox idea.

"It was a gamble" says Mark Smith of the Rotary club of Richland. However, now the event is the largest duck race in the western United States and duck derbies have become popular fundraisers for Rotary Clubs and other groups.



The ducks came from Fame, a rental company that launched a year before the first mid-Columbia Duck race and whose 300,000 rubber ducks are in heavy rotation, travelling from one race to the next. It supplies ducks for 90 races in the United States, Latin America, and Germany.

"I visited Game a number of years ago, and they didn't have a single duck on the premises," says Dick McLean, who was involved in the race for its first 27 years. "All their ducks are in motion somewhere. When your race is over, they let you know where they want you to send the ducks."

Over the years, the Washington race has grown to include six Rotary clubs and 40,000 rubber ducks, which are dumped into the Columbia River to drift downstream and be scooped up by a custom made collection barge known as the Konducki II. "It's become an iconic event," says Smith. "Each year it grows a little, but growth is really capped by how many of those little ducks will fit into a dumpster."

Over a quarter century working on the race, McLean accumulated some tips for clubs that want to race ducks. First, check your state gambling laws for any restrictions. Second, don't bite off more than you can chew: start small and build up. Finally, determine how the water flows and where and how you will be dumping the ducks into it.

A successful duck race can be an engaging way to raise a lot of money for local projects.

At its core, it really is a raffle, but a raffle with a whole lot of frills and fun," says Smith. "You've got these big inflatable ducks around town. People are at your front door with long-billed yellow duck hats selling duck tickets." There are other perks. "One of the benefits we didn't anticipate was getting the local clubs working together," he says. "It really draws them together to work on a common project like this."

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

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| Pat DeMatteo | Sandra Latimer |
| Dave Kobernuss | Keith Butters |
| Dave Rapke | Don Schlueter |



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



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



Scholarships: Ryan Tuggey chair



Carla Till chair



Pres. Elect



Science Fair: Dave Kobernuss



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Rotary youth Leadership Award



Interact Club, Nancy Neiley, Chair

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