

# Rotary



## Club of Rich-Mar (Valencia)



### January 22: Interact Clubs, Hope For Ghana, Ingomar Living Waters and More



Pine Community Center 100 Pine Park Dr, Wexford, PA 15090

Join with your Rich-Mar Rotarian Friends on Wednesday, January 22nd at noon at the Pine Community Center for what will be one of our most exciting programs of 2025. Sharing the spotlight will be 10 representatives from the Mars and Pine-Richland Interact Clubs, Andy Fraley from the Ingomar Living Waters Mission and Dr. Steve Greene from Hope for Ghana. See for yourself the amazing water well project we completed in Wudgladza, Ghana last year, plus here what exciting projects the Interact Clubs have planned for this year. Don't miss this opportunity to both celebrate and encourage these young people from our high schools in their efforts to serve others in our community and around the world.

#### Club Meeting

Rich-Mar (Valencia)  
Meets at Treesdale  
Country Club  
One Arnold Palmer  
Drive  
Gibsonia, PA 15044  
Time: Wednesday at  
12:15 PM

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#### Upcoming Events

January 22nd  
**Rich-Mar (Valencia)  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**

**Speaker:** Chuck Berry  
**Subject:** Interact  
Clubs - Mars & Pine-  
Richland

January 29th  
**No Meeting**

February 5th  
**Rich-Mar (Valencia)  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**

### Rich-Mar Matches the Kettle Campaign Collections

Prior to Christmas, on one of the coldest days in December, Rich-Mar Rotarians braved the cold and rang the bell for ten hours, raising funds for the North Hills Community Outreach (NHCO) Unit of the Salvation Army. A job well done. At our meeting on January 15th, the club did even better by presenting Harriet latte and Jason Shaffer from NHCO with a matching check in the amount of \$1406, which will be used by NHCO to meet the needs of many in our local community who are in need of a helping hand.

**Speaker:** Dave Hein  
**Subject:** Club  
Assembly /  
Appalachian Impact  
February 12th  
**No Meeting**

### Birthdays

Jane Anderson-Wymer  
January 21st  
Alfonso Marsico  
February 10th  
Edward L. Vogel  
February 10th  
Thomas Kvederis  
February 18th  
Dan Goss  
February 18th

### Club Officers


 **David Hein**  
President

 **Seth David Prentice**  
President-Elect

 **Mac E. Purvis Jr.**  
Secretary

 **Gary Weston**  
Treasurer

 **James Kirchner**  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair

 **Joe Schmitt**  
Membership  
Chair

 **Brandon Barg**  
Community  
Service  
Chair

**Roger Barna**  
Club  
Programs



President Dave Hein, Harriet Klatte, Jason Shaffer, Rich-Mar Community Service Chair Brandon Barg

## A Sweet Story: The Making of Honey





Chair



John D. Chips  
Club Service Chair



Jim Long  
Community Liaison



Robert Louis Sigmund  
International Service Chair



Charles D. Berry  
New Generations



Thomas Kvederis  
iPast President

At the January 15th meeting of Rich-Mar Rotary, Master Beekeeper Joseph Zgurzynski from Country Barn Farms gave us the opportunity to taste several different and delicious types of honey while educating us on all aspects of beekeeping and honey production. Did you know, for example, that bees have to visit two million flowers to produce one pound of honey? Or that queen bees live as long as three years, while the worker bees might last only 45 days, basically because they have been working so far flapping their wings that eventually their wings just fall off? Beekeeper Joe harvests the honey from hives he has placed throughout our communities. In addition he sells and ships queen bees all over the country, usually for less than \$10 each. But Joe admitted that he has in the past paid as much as \$300 for single queen bee that had some specific genetic properties that he wanted to introduce into his beehives. Perhaps most importantly, though, is that we realize how essential bees are to our food supply, since in addition to making honey, bees also make many of our favorite foods possible, because while bees are collecting the nectar to make honey they are at the same time pollinating plants that produce fruits and vegetables, such as apples, almonds, strawberries, watermelons, cucumbers, and avocados, just to name a few. Thanks Beekeeper Joe for an informative program.

## Night at the Races: February 21st



## Join the Appalachian Mission Team



## Rich-Mar Satellite Club



**The Satellite Club of Rich-Mar Rotary invites everyone to attend one of their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month, at 6:30pm at Willees Tavern in Valencia. All are also invited to help out at one of our service projects or fundraising events. Volunteers are always needed to help.**

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# Rotary



# PEOPLE of ACTION

## District 7280 Keystone Rotary International Eclub

Keystone Rotary International E-Club



[KeystoneRotaryClub.org](http://KeystoneRotaryClub.org)

Are You unable to make the Rich-Mar Meeting?  
Are you interested in connecting with other Rotarians from around the world?  
Do you want to find out more about what Rotary is doing in other locales?

**Join the District 7280 Keystone Rotary International Eclub on Thursdays at 2 pm.**

**Click below to join via Zoom.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89457260709>

Meeting ID: 894 5726 0709

Passcode: 7280

## Seeking Your Suggestions for

One of our more interesting speakers this year was Taylor Bittle, who spoke about her experiences on a mission to Ghana. Taylor was suggested by club member Jane Wymer. As we finalize our speakers for the next six months, we would like to include someone who represents a cause important to a member, has an interesting story to tell, has an interesting perspective in their line of business, or can inspire us in our lives. Unfortunately, we cannot pay a speaker's fee, but we do provide lunch. If you have any suggestions for a speaker, please contact Program Chair, Roger Barna at [rogerbarna@mac.com](mailto:rogerbarna@mac.com). Include a little about the speaker and topic plus their contact information. Thanks for your help!



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## Other Items of Interest

Please keep Past president Tom in your prayers.  
Tom's wife, Denise, died on January 10th.  
Tom's address is 126 Washington Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237.

Please keep Past President Chris Abernethy in your prayers.  
Chris' wife, Bif, has congestive heart failure and is currently under hospice care.  
Chris' address is 1220 Dunlora Drive, Charlottesville VA 22901

Please continue to keep Past President Mary Lord in your prayers.  
Her cancer has returned and she is no longer receiving treatment.  
Mary's address is 117 7th Avenue, Valencia, PA 16059.

On a happier note, please celebrate the following birthdays and Rich-Mar anniversaries:

January Member Birthdays:

Tim Heim January 3

Jane Anderson-Wymer - January 21

January Member Anniversaries

Rich Mangel - 19 years

Jim Long - 5 years

**"Happy Dollar" items?**

**Health concerns or hospitalizations?**

**Other Announcements?**

**Please email any items to Gary Weston**

**[glweston65@gmail.com](mailto:glweston65@gmail.com)**

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## Four Way Test

**OF THE THINGS we think, say or do:**

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

