

# Rotary



## Club of Rich-Mar (Valencia)

### No Rich-Mar Meeting on November 27th

Our next Rich-Mar luncheon meeting will be at Treedale Country Club at 12:15pm on December 4th.  
Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

A large, orange, cursive-style message that reads "Happy Thanksgiving". The text is centered within a dashed-line rectangular border on a light beige background.

#### Club Meeting

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

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#### Upcoming Events

November 27th  
**No Meeting**

December 4th  
**Rich-Mar (Valencia)  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**  
**Speaker:** Jill Szwed

### President's Message - Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!



community.

I was privileged to attend the Shelter Box Gala on November 14 along with several main club and satellite members. Dave and Melanie Sturrock are dedicated ambassadors who are very close to their \$35,000 stretch goal, with our club (the satellite and main club) being the highest level donors. Shelter Box USA conducted an on-line fundraiser that same evening and we were acknowledged as one of the watch parties and big contributors. Shelter Box is helping people all over the world and also in Western North Carolina after Hurricane Helene. It is not too late to help. See <https://shelterboxshine.square.site/>

Within this newsletter, you will see the media article on the new Peace Pole prominently located near the entrance to Pine Community Center. In addition to the dedication of the pole noted in the article, I want to thank Chuck Berry and Jim Long for helping with the registration of over 1400 people at the big Pine Holiday Dazzle event within which we did the pole dedication. I also note that we agreed to co-sponsor the Breakfast with Santa coming up in early December. Pine truly appreciates all the Rotary help as we continue to increase our prominence in the

The survey of our main club members is close to issuance. We will wait until after Thanksgiving to send it out. Please take the time to give us feedback to make the club better and as Rotary says: 'irresistible'. And I hope to see you at our December 4/18 club meetings and the December 11 social.

Dave

WTAE  
**Subject:** Winter  
Forecast

December 11th  
**No Meeting**

December 11th  
**Rich-Mar Christmas  
Party**

December 18th  
**Rich-Mar (Valencia)  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**

## Birthdays

Gary Weston  
November 26th  
David Hein  
December 10th

## 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  
Chair



John D  
Chips  
Club Service  
Chair



Jim Long  
Community  
Liaison

Robert Louis  
Sigmund  
International



## Water Has Arrived in Wugladza



It was a day of sheer joy, celebration, gratitude, and hope in the beautiful village of Wugladza today! Thank you to the Pine-Richland High School Interact Club's Walk 4 Water Event. To gain an appreciation of the change and joy that was brought to the people of Wugladza, watch a short video by clicking on the link below.

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=nuKZQqeEEMM>

## Rich-Mar Provides Peace Pole for Pine Township

Rich-Mar was recognized in the Pine Creek Journal for erecting a Peace Pole in the Pine Community Park. See the article and photos by clicking on the link below:

<https://community.triblive.com/c/pine-creek-journal/news/3675976>



Service  
Chair



Charles D.  
Berry  
New  
Generations



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President



## December 5: Rich-Mar Bell Ringing

Rich-Mar Rotarians will be ringing the bell again this year on Thursday, December 5th.

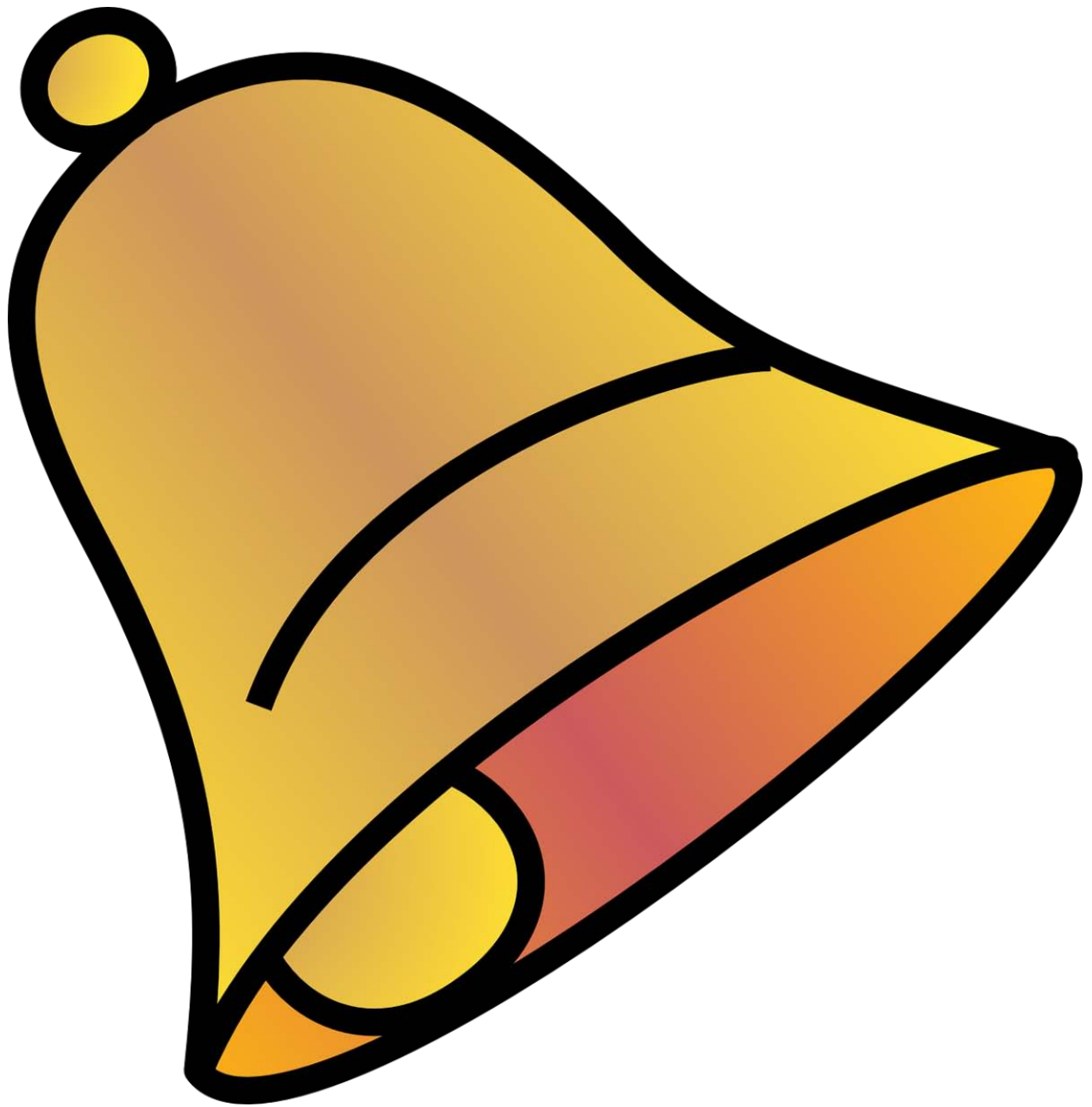
The Kettles will be set up at the Gibsonia Walmart on Route 8.

Proceeds support the Salvation Army division at the North Hills Community Outreach.

Four people are needed per shift, from 10am to 8pm.

To sign up click on the following link:

<https://signup.com/go/YiFJLBO>



## December 11: Rich-Mar Holiday Dinner

The Rich-Mar holiday Dinner will be at Luciano's Restaurant, off Route 228 at 6pm on December 11th.

It will be a buffet dinner with Chicken Romano as the entrée.

Included on the buffet will rolls, salad, garlic mashed potatoes and green beans.

The dessert will be Raspberry Cheese Cake.

Soft drinks are also included. There will also be a cash bar.

The price is \$30 per person, which includes tax and gratuity.

Reservations are required and payment is due in advance.

Please make checks payable to Rich-Mar Rotary and mail to PO Box 392, Mars, PA 16046.

All reservations and checks must be received by December 4th,

For more information, contact Club Service Chairman John Chips at [ifxth8@gmail.com](mailto:ifxth8@gmail.com).



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## Rich-Mar Honors Students from Mars & Pine-Richland High Schools



On November 6th students from the Mars Area and Pine-Richland High Schools were honored for both their academic achievement and their service to the community. They and their parents were treated to lunch at Treesdale Country Club. Plus a \$50 donation was given in each student's honor to a charity of their choice. Congratulations to these outstanding young men and women.

From left to right above: Lindsay Rosswog-Mars HS Principal, Ava Herbovich-Mars, Carson Mahan-Mars, Sara Irwin-PR, Carrie Dosch-PR, Reagan Connelly-Mars, Tracy Kuchnicki-PR Asst. Principal, Dr Frank Hernandez-PR Principal

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**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.**

Fri., Dec. 6th - Community of Music event to benefit North Hills Cares  
The Block at Northway Mall  
Note: Collecting non-perishable foods now for donating that evening

Sat., Dec. 7th - Volunteering at Living in Liberty's Repurposed Retail Store  
7805 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh 15237

Wed., Dec. 11th - Rich-Mar Rotary Clubs' Holiday Social Event  
6:00 - 9:00pm at Luciano's Restaurant on Rt. 228, Mars

Sun., Dec. 29th - Feeding the homeless with Harvest Street Mission  
11:30am - 1:00pm at Allegheny Commons Park on the NorthSide  
For more information contact:  
*Cindy Fleeson*  
724-452-7339 (h)  
724-355-1620 (c)  
[cfleeson@gmail.com](mailto:cfleeson@gmail.com)



## Rich-Mar Appalachian Impact Club



Rich-Mar's Appalachian Impact Club travels to Appalachia each year to do work projects, helping to make life better for those who live in rural Appalachian communities.

They are currently conducting a raffle for half a cow and a chest freezer to help fund the trip. The drawing will be held on December 1st.

If anyone is interested in taking part in our 2025 mission trip, applications open on September 15th.  
**Contact Billy at [william.ruhe@gmail.com](mailto:william.ruhe@gmail.com) for more information on all of the above.**

## 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

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## Other Items of Interest

Please continue to keep Past President Mary Lord in your prayers.  
Mary's address is 117 7th Avenue, Valencia, PA 16059.

**"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?

