

Rotary



Club of Rich-Mar (Valencia)



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

December 11th

No Meeting

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**Rich-Mar Christmas
Party**

December 18th

**Rich-Mar (Valencia)
Weekly Club
Meeting**

December 25th

No meeting on December 11

There will be no in-person luncheon meeting on December 11th (since it's the second Wednesday of the month), but please plan to attend the meeting at Treesdale on December 18th at 12:15pm when our program will be the annual concert performed for us by the Mars High School Chorale and Orchestra ensemble. This is always one of most inspiring programs of the year, so please invite your significant others and friends as well.



... to create and sustain an educational environment that enables all students the opportunity to realize their maximum learning potential.

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.



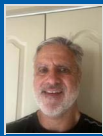
No Meeting

January 1st
No Meeting

Birthdays

David Hein
December 10th
Timothy M Heim
January 3rd

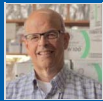
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Club Programs Chair



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Club Service Chair



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Community Liaison



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President's Message - Service for All Seasons



Each time I donate blood platelets and I sit still in a chair for at least 90 minutes, I think of two things: 1) it is good that I am sitting still for this long and 2) what might the face look like of the cancer patient on chemotherapy that needs these platelets.

Along these lines this is what recent Rich-Mar Rotary Service across the main club, satellite and Appalachia group looks like:

- When we are collectively standing in the bitter cold from 10am to 8pm collecting money for Salvation Army/North Hills Community Outreach, we also think about the senior citizen NHCO clients who need help getting through the day, or the faces that will come through the NHCO food pantry.
 - When we collect food for North Hills Cares, we also think about the faces of the kids who will receive lunch when otherwise they'd have to wait for the next meal.
 - When we provide an AED to the Mars Police Force, we think about the face of the person who could have their life saved in an emergency situation when seconds count.
- When we help Isaiah 117 get a transitional house ready, we think about the faces of the people who will be grateful for the comfort of a roof over their head at a challenging time

- in their life.
- When we and others collaborate to get clean water to people for perhaps the first time in their life, we look at the faces of the 400 villagers in Ghana celebrating receipt of a necessary part of a healthy life.

Whether your contribution to the club is donations, participation in service or general support of our efforts, think about not only the project we perform but also the faces we help all year round. And find some stillness in your life that will help guide your future help of others!

Dave Hein

2024 Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign

In partnership with North Hills Community Outreach, Rich Mar Rotary continued its long tradition of ringing bells for an entire day outside the Gibsonia Walmart. Overall, fifteen volunteers (including Rich Mar Rotarians, Rich Mar Rotary Satellite Club, as well as friends and family of Rotary) rang the bells in two-hour shifts from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm. Although the real feel like temperature likely never made it past 20 degrees, you could feel the warmth of the Gibsonia community as they filled five kettles supporting those in need within the North Hills. For those of you who volunteered, thank you! For those who couldn't make it this year, we hope you will consider helping next year!



Charles D. Berry
New
Generations



Thomas Kvederis
iPast
President





Rich-Mar satellite Club Collects Food for North Hills Cares



Satellite Club members collected food in several neighborhoods as well as with Wabtec Corporation and Mike's Beer Bar/North Shore Tavern. The food is for [North Hills Cares](#) and was delivered on Friday December 6th for their [Community of Music fundraiser](#). It was be arrayed around Santa's Sleigh at The Block at Northway, hopefully to encourage others to donate food for their cause as well.







Thank you Rich-Mar Rotary

Hello dear friends and board members of the Rich-Mar Rotary Club,
I wanted to take a few minutes of your time to share my heartfelt thank you from our Keystone International ROTARACT Club for your generous support of one of their projects this year. After spending a lot of time teaching our young Rotaract Club Members about using Rotary to connect the communities that they live and work in, I couldn't be more excited to share this powerpoint overview below that walks you through Paschal's efforts to make a difference for young students in his community. The powerpoint includes photos and videos of the Math and Science event that have personalized for your club.

Please share this information with all of your club members, and reach out if you would like any additional information.
Thank you for your kindness and support of the Keystone Rotary Club, our ROTARACT Club, and our many international projects.

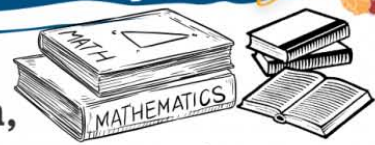
Kindest regards,

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RICH-MAR ROTARY SPONSORS SCIENCE & MATH QUIZ COMPETITION IN UPPER EAST REGION OF GHANA

Preparing students for next level testing



Without additional preparation, many students may not get the opportunity to attain high school education from their desired institutions

Bawku West District

Data pertaining to Pupils' performance in the past 3 years in Mathematics and Integrated Science clearly showed that not up to an average of the pupils are able to pass in these two core subjects as compared to other subjects.

Funding

Under the direction of Keystone Rotaract Member, Paschal Akotia, a proposal was prepared and shared through District 7280 Keystone Rotary Club. As true **PEOPLE OF ACTION**, the Rich-Mar Rotary Club generously sponsored this important event to help prepare students for required testing, leading to better opportunities now and in the future.



Rotary

With more than 1.4 million Rotarians all around the world, Basic Education and Literacy is just one of Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus. Take time to learn more today and join our efforts to make a difference.



🌐 Rotary.org / Rich-Mar.org



January 9: A.W. Beattie Luncheon

Club Presidents and Rotarians,

The Rotary Club of Hampton Township invites you to a luncheon meeting at the A.W. Beattie Career Center, January 9th, 2025 from 12-1 pm. A buffet lunch will be prepared by Beattie Cullinary students and Executive Director Eric Heasley will speak about the center's goals and accomplishments. Cost is \$15 per person payable by cash or check to "Rotary Club of Hampton Township"

This is a great chance to visit the Beattie center and enjoy a gathering of fellow Rotarians.

Attached please find a summary of the A.W. Beattie Rotary Regional Scholarship program. I will speak about the scholarship program at the luncheon and would be available to visit your club meeting to make a presentation as well.

Please share this information with your club's appropriate program chair.

Location: A. W. Beattie Career Center, 9600 Babcock Blvd., Allison Park, PA 15101. Enter the dining area on the right side of the building.

Please RSVP to Roger Eichner, 412-977-3957, Roger.Eichner@Gmail.com, by January 2, 2025, so we have an accurate count for lunch.

Yours in Service,

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Roger B. Eichner,
Hampton Rotary Foundation President

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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:
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724-355-1620 (c)
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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 for more information on all of the above.

District 7280 Keystone Rotary International Eclub

Keystone Rotary International E-Club



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

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

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?

