

Club of Rich-Mar (Valencia)

February 28: No Meeting

Instead, do an act of "Service Above Self"

by making a donation to the Special Olympics in support of President-Elect Dave's Polar Plunge, or by arranging to donate blood. (See the article below.) We will meet again on Wednesday, March 6th, when our speaker will be Andy Fraley from Ingomar Living Waters. Andy will be updating us on the drilling two wells, for which Rich-Mar has provided the funds one in Vietnam and one in India.



Club Meeting Rich-Mar (Valencia) Meets at Treesdale Country Club

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One Arnold Palmer Drive Gibsonia, PA 15044 Time: Wednesday at 12:15 PM

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Birthdays

Mac E. Purvis Jr. February 27th Chris M. Abernethy March 3rd James R. Werkmeister March 6th

Club Officers



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<u>Thomas</u>



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From left: Mars Vice-Principal Douglas Skelley, Isabela Montes, Alex Schuman, Annalie Gustafson; Lauren Wood, Kate Hrystal, Andrew Forrester, Pine-Richland Vice Principal Mike Barlak On February 21st the students pictured above from Mars Area and Pine-Richland High Schools were honored by the Rich-Mar Rotary Club for their combination of academic accomplishment and service to their communities. In addition, each of the students was asked to choose a worthwhile charity (listed below). Rich-Mar has made a donation of \$50 to each of these charities in that student's honor. Zachary's Mission Humane Action Pittsburgh No Kid Hungry Chad Tough

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Harvest Street Mission

Rich-Mar Matches the Donations to North Hills Community Outreach

In 2017, Rich-Mar Rotary club member, Joe Schmitt, stopped in the NHCO Millvale office to inquire how the rotary club could help NHCO. Joe was the first Rich-Mar Rotary club member to volunteer for the Kettle Campaign and the club has participated every year since. On December 13, 2023, Rich-Mar Rotary club committed to a full day of bell ringing, covering both entrances at Walmart, from 10am to 8pm. Eighteen members collectively gave a total of 36-hours to raise \$1,649.85 in the kettles. On February 21st, President Tom Kvederis presented a matching check to NHCO (See below) making the total support from Rich-Mar \$3299.70.



From left: President-Elect Dave Hein, President Tom Kvederis, Jacqlyn Boggs Acting Executive Director NHCO, Harriet Klatte, Volunteer Coordinator NHCO

North Hills Community Outreach's (NHCO) partnership with the Salvation Army started in 2001 when we became the Allison Park service unit. We have since expanded to cover Northern Allegheny County outside the city of Pittsburgh. NHCO first participated in the Kettle Campaign by ringing bells at the kettle in front of Shopper's Choice in Duncan Manor Shopping Center. When Shopper's Choice closed, NHCO Kettle Campaign moved to Walmart in Gibsonia. In 2016, NHCO got approval from Kuhn's Market on Ferguson Road in Allison Park as an additional location.

The total amount of funds raised in the kettles at Walmart and Kuhn's totaled \$21,275.17. In addition, donations were sent directly to the Salvation Army for our service unit for a grand total of \$30,315.17. These funds are used to prevent families from having their utilities shut off or be evicted from their home. Households need to live within our service area and have gross income at or below 150% of poverty level (\$3,750/month for a family of four).

Help Upcoming Causes:



Polar Plunge Benefits the Special Olympics



Support Dave Hein as he plunges on February 24 with the Mars High School Interact Club Donations at: <u>https://give.specialolympicspa.org/fundraiser/5186138</u>

vitalant. Blood Donation

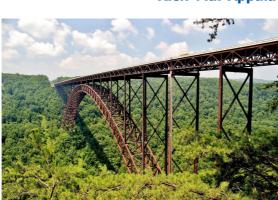
Blood Drive

Consider a Blood or Platelet/Plasma Donation

Ask Dave Hein about platelet/plasma donations and how they help cancer patients

Let's fill up Vitalant's schedule at their North Hills office (McKnight North Professional Center Suite 600) on Monday March 11 starting at noon.

Go to: https://www.vitalant.org/ to schedule!



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 conducting a gun raffle fund raiser for their trip. Tickets are \$20. It is a "March every other day raffle" based on the PA Lottery Pick 3. If interested, contact Billy Ruhe at william.ruhe@gmail.com.

They will also be having a Night at the Races fundraiser on March 9, 2024. If anyone is interested, contact Billy at william.ruhe@gmail.com.

If anyone is interested in taking part in our mission trip (June 9 $\hat{a} \in$ 14, 2024), contact Billy at william.ruhe@gmail.com.



Rotary Appalachia Impact – Mullens WV Trip Night at the Races



Rich-Mar Rotary Appalachia Impact Saturday, March 9, 2024 Richland Fire Hall Doors Open 5pm, Dinner 6pm, Races Begin 7pm

Have a Good Time With Us – Bring a Group and Bet to Win, Place or Show on Ten Races!

Dinner is included as well as beer, mixers and soft drinks. BYOB encouraged.

Many of the families in the Appalachia region around Mullens, WV are in desperate need of repairs to their homes.

We will install new roofs and windows to provide leak-free and warm conditions before the next winter.

The Night at the Races is a major fundraiser to support our mission.

Contact Bill Ruhe at 412-576-5770 or <u>william.ruhe@gmail.com</u> for tickets. Thank You!

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. and/or to help out at one of their service projects or fundraising events. Volunteers are always needed to help. March 9, 2024

Appalachia Impact Rotary Night at the Races. Richland Twp Fire Hall.

March 12, 2024

Monthly Satellite Club meeting. Willees Tavern, 6:30pm

March 22, 2024

Camp Spencer Work Day, Camp Kon-O-Kwee, Fombell

April 20, 2024

PA Resource Council Recycling Event, Location in Butler County

May 4, 2024

Shred-it Day Fundraising Event. 8:30 - 11:30am. Mars High School parking lot.

May 11, 2024

Lighthouse Food Pantry cleaning. 8:30 - 11:00am.

June 30, 2024

Feeding the homeless on the Northside with Harvest Street Mission. 11:30am - 1:30pm."

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District 7280 Keystone Rotary International Eclub

Keystone Rotary International E-Club



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



District 7280 DACdb Office Hours OFFICE HOURS Rotary District 7280 Have a question on adding new members? Want to know how to edit members' information? Can't find a menu? Whether you have one quick question or need some hands on instruction, Office Hours aims to provide Rotarians with as much DACdb information as possible. Please email any questions you have in advance to KeystoneRotaryConnects@gmail.com Tuesday, February 20th, Friday, March 1st, 6:00-7:00pm ET 9:00-10:00am ET 6:00-7:00pm ET Tuesday, March 19th,
6:00-7:00pm ETFriday, April 5th,
9:00-10:00am ET 6:00-7:00pm ET Tuesday, April 16th,Friday, May 3rd,6:00-7:00pm ET9:00-10:00am ET 6:00-7:00pm ET https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89457260709 ID: 894 5726 0709 Passcode:7280

Rotary Stands With Ukraine



Other Items of Interest

See Jim Roddey's comments below regarding his rehab:

At age 91 I don't expect to heal quite as fast as in past years and I now have lots of time to reflect on my illness, recovery and things I miss. High on that list are Rotary meetings and activities and sharing time with good friends like you. Please let everyone know that I look forward to my triumphal return and the opportunity to share my stories, many of which are actually true.

Please keep Jim Roddey and his wife in your prayers. They both had surgery. His wife is at home but Jim is still in Saint Barnabas Nursing Home for rehab. Jim's home address is 1002 Curran Court, Valencia, PA 16059. Saint Barnabas' address is 5827 Meridian Road, Gibsonia, PA 15044.

> "Happy Dollar" items? Health concerns or hospitalizations? Other Announcements? Please email any items to Gary Weston <u>glweston65@gmail.com</u>

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?

