

## 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**

February 7th Rich-Mar (Valencia) Board Meeting February 7th Rich-Mar (Valencia) Weekly Club Meeting February 14th Rich-Mar (Valencia) Club Assembly February 21st Rich-Mar (Valencia) Weekly Club Meeting February 28th No Meeting

**Birthdays** 

#### February 7: World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh



On February 7, Youth Programming Manager Alicia Cagle with the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh will join Rich-Mar Rotary Club to share a brief presentation of the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh and its Youth Programming and Public Programming opportunities that are open to students, educators, and community members throughout Southwestern Pennsylvania. Rotary is a proud partner with the Council on its Youth Programming and will be sending a number of local students to its March Youth Conference. Join your Rotary friends for this very timely meeting at noon at the Treesdale Country Club.

Alicia Cagle joined the Council in June 2023 as the Youth Programming Manager. Alicia holds a BA in Communication with a concentration in Journalism from Mercyhurst University and an MA in Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies from George Mason University, through which she also studied the Arabic language in Amman, Jordan. Alicia holds an accreditation as a Certified Nonprofit Professional through the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance. Prior to joining the Council, Alicia worked in a variety of nonprofit, education, and project management roles serving diverse populations. Alicia served as a full time AmeriCorps VISTA for Scholar and Volunteer Services at Higher Achievement Richmond, where she worked with under-resourced and immigrant communities within Richmond Public Schools. After her term of service with

AmeriCorps, Alicia transitioned to a role as a project coordinator with the Arab Studies Institute (ASI) based in Washington, DC and Beirut, Lebanon. At ASI, Alicia was responsible for planning international conferences and managing research related to the representation of the Middle East and North Africa in cyberspace.



#### Helpers Needed for Night at the Races on February 8 and 9

Volunteers are needed on Thursday, February 8 (night before NATR) to help set up the Richland Fire Hall for Friday's event. Dan is asking for 6-8 volunteers to assist in setup. Meet at the fire hall at 5 pm. The address is: 5857 Meridian Rd. Gibsonia, PA 15044 Volunteers are also needed for Friday evening to help register, take bets, etc. If you can help, contact Dan Goss at dangoss11@gmail.com.

Thanks!





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February 6th Alfonso Marsico February 10th Edward L. Vogel February 10th Dan Goss February 18th Thomas Kvederis February 18th Larry J. Bracco February 23rd Mac E. Purvis Jr. February 27th Chris M. Abernethy March 3rd

#### **Club Officers**

<u>Thomas</u>



<u>Joe Schmitt</u> Membership Chair



Community Service Chair Roger Barna Club

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<u>Seth David</u> <u>Prentice</u> Club Service Chair



Charles Matthew Schellhaas Youth Services





As a Donation Center Volunteer, you will have the opportunity to sort and organize donated items Light of Life receives throughout the week. Bring friends and family â€" we have committed to 10 volunteers and can also expand this to other Saturdays if volunteer levels warrant! Minimum volunteer age: 16.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 17 FROM 10-12

Light of Life Ridge Avenue facility â€" North Side of Pittsburgh â€" near Allegheny Community College North Side campus

Contact Brandon Barg <u>brandonbarg@hotmail.com</u> to sign up.

**Need Four More** Volunteers!

Light of Life receives many types of donations (clothes, home goods, etc.) that are distributed to individuals in Light of Life recovery programs and to other organizations that serve the needy.

### **Help Upcoming Causes:**





Polar Plunge Benefitting 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!

#### February 9: Night at the Races





Get your gambling shoes on, and be prepared to lay down your bets at the annual Rich-Mar Rotary Club's Night at the Races on Friday evening, February 9th, at the Richland Fire hall on Meridian Road in Richland Township. For more information, contact Dan Goss at dangoss11@gmail.com.

#### **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. February 9, 2024 Rich-Mar Rotary Night at the Races. Richland Twp Fire Hall. February 13, 2024 Monthly Satellite Club meeting. Willees Tavern, 6:30pm 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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#### **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 <u>william.ruhe@gmail.com</u>.

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

If anyone is interested in taking part in our mission trip (June 9 â€" 14, 2024), contact Billy at <u>william.ruhe@gmail.com</u>.

#### **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. You will not want to miss our program presented by the Rotary Club of Kyiv in Ukraine. They will not only give us an update of the current situation in their community, but they will also share ideas of how we can help make a difference.

We hope you will join us and bring a guest!

Click below to join via Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89457260709 Meeting ID: 894 5726 0709 Passcode: 7280

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#### **Rotary Stands With Ukraine**



#### March 5: World Affairs Institute

On March 5 the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh, in cooperation with Rotary International and Sustainable Pittsburgh, will host the "53rd Annual World Affairs Institute: Navigating Climate Intersections.†There will be two tracks - one for adults and one for youths. Our club has contacted the local high schools about Rich-Mar paying for several students/teachers to attend the "Youth Changemakers" track. This will be the subject of our February 7 program.

Some of our Rich-Mar members might like to take part in the  $\hat{a}\in \mathbb{C}$ -Changemakers Across Sectors $\hat{a}\in$  program for adults. (See below). Roger Barna plans on attending, and has offered to drive any other members who would like to attend.





Registration is open for the 53rd Annual World Affairs Institute!

It's time to reserve your spot for one of our largest convenings of the year, in partnership with **Rotary** International and Sustainable Pittsburgh!

Join us on **March 5, 2024, 8AM-3PM at the University of Pittsburgh** as we navigate our new climate reality and chart a path to a more secure and sustainable future for all. Whether you're interested in topics like fast fashion and the circular economy, climate migration havens, clean transportation, or green space access, the Institute will allow you to dive deeper into local and global climate intersections.

This year's Institute will have two tracks.

# Changemakers Across Sectors

We define *changemakers across sectors* as people at all stages of their careers across the nonprofit, public, and private sectors who want to make Pittsburgh a more globally minded and globally connected city.

The private, public, and nonprofit sectors must act in alignment to address climate change and its impacts. Whether you are an artist or entrepreneur, a college student or retiree, an emerging professional or a senior executive  $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{V}$  you are invited to connect and learn more about the impact of climate change on Pittsburgh and how to build more sustainable spaces and institutions.

REGISTER

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# Youth Changemakers

Designed by and created for youth, the World Affairs Institute for Youth Changemakers engages students in discussions of key issues in international affairs so that they can understand and think critically about their world. **All high school students (grades 9-12)** are eligible to attend.

**Educators and Rotary chaperones** should **register for this track**along with their student groups. However, during the day, educators and chaperones will attend the Changemakers Across Sectors track.

Note: **Registration is now open for Rotary-sponsored and school-sponsored groups.** Full scholarships are provided by local Rotary Clubs. Interested in having your school attend the Institute but unsure if scholarships are available? Contact your local Rotary Club, Interact Club, or school district: <u>Rotary</u> <u>District 7305 (Southwestern PA)</u>, <u>Rotary District 7280 (Northwestern PA)</u>, <u>Rotary District 6650</u> (<u>Eastern Ohio</u>)

REGISTER

We hope to see you there!



#### **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.

Please see the following note from Chris Abernethy: After a couple of false starts and an issue with our mover, we are now safe and sound in Charlottesville. Our new PERMANENT address is 1220 Dunlora Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22901.

> "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?

