

Rotary

District 7280



District Governor's Note

Dear Rotarians of District 7280,

Welcome to a new Rotary year —
a year filled with opportunity, purpose, and the promise of meaningful change.

As I humbly and excitedly step into the role of your District Governor, I do so not with a list of tasks, but with a heart full of dreams — dreams for our clubs, our communities, and most importantly, our people. Together, we have the power to do something extraordinary.

Under the guidance of **Rotary International President Francesco Arezzo** and his powerful message, “Unite for Good”, we are reminded that the greatest strength of Rotary isn’t found in a single individual or a single act of service. It is found in our unity; in the collective power of people of action coming together for a shared purpose: to do good in the world.

This is more than a message. It's a call to action. A reminder that Rotary doesn't need more spectators — **it needs doers**. It needs Rotarians who are willing to listen, to lead, and to love deeply. Love their communities, their fellow members, and those who may never know their names but will feel the ripple effects of their service.

This year, I invite you to not only serve... but to **serve significantly, serve boldly**. To not only lead... but to inspire others to lead. To not only belong... but to build a Rotary that belongs to everyone.

Let's reignite the passion within our clubs. Let's invite fresh voices, embrace bold ideas, and celebrate the traditions that brought us here. Let's show our communities that Rotary isn't just relevant — it's revolutionary in how it brings people together to solve real problems.

You'll hear me talk a lot this year about significance over success — because while success may be measured in awards, numbers, or recognition, significance is measured in the lives we change and the love we leave behind. Let's choose significance. Let's choose impact.

IGNITE. INSPIRE. INSTILL.

And let's do it together.

To each of you — thank you. Thank you for your commitment to Rotary, for your unwavering service, and for being a part of this incredible family. I cannot wait to walk alongside you in the months ahead, witnessing the magic that happens when we truly Unite for Good. Here's to a year of purpose, passion, and profound impact.

Aaron Sines

District Governor 2025–2026

Rotary District 7280

Ignite Rotary. Inspire Impact. Instill Significance.

UNITE FOR GOOD



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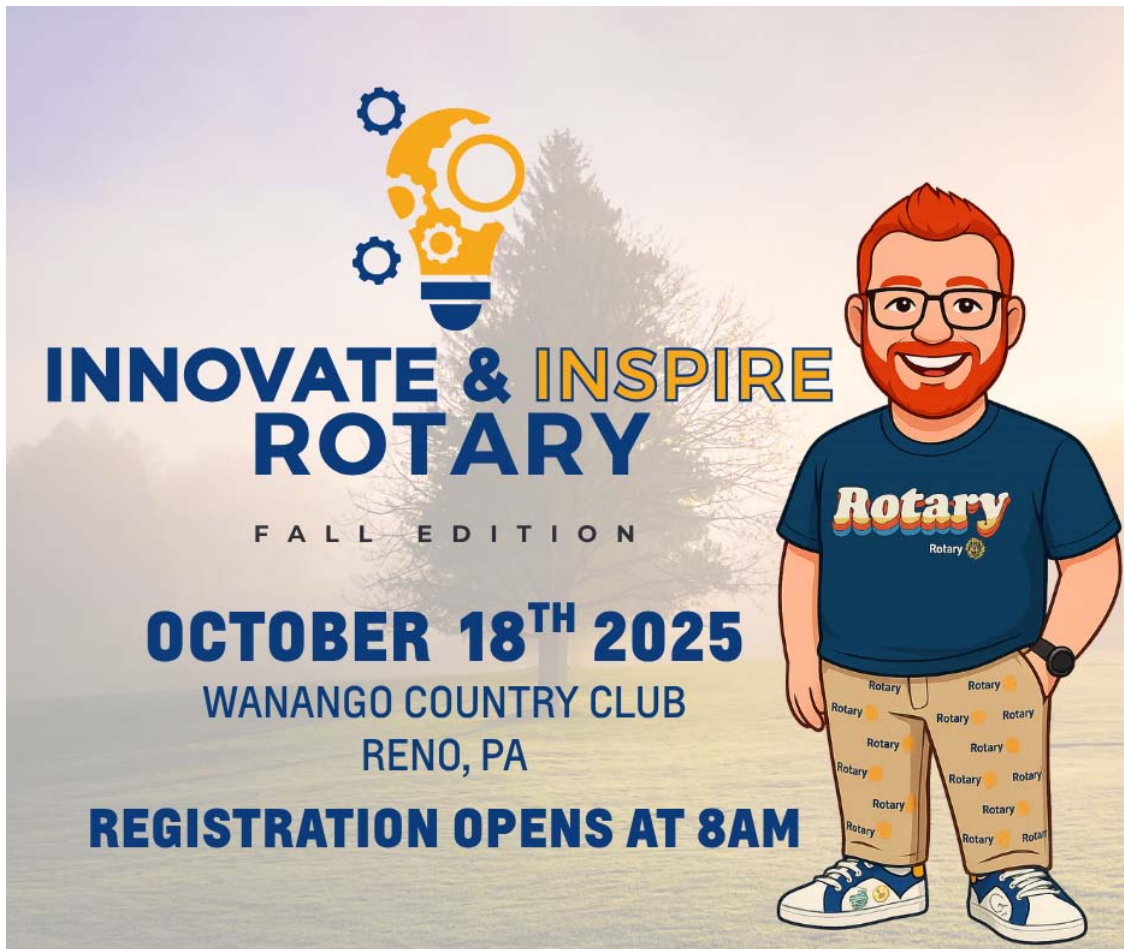
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July - Maternal and Child Health Month

- 1 July - Deadline to Submit 2025-26 District Grant MOU
- 1 July - Beginning of the Rotary year

August - Membership and New Club Development Month

- 15 August — Interact Club Excellence Award nominations are due to RI

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We are overjoyed to announce that Dr. Feride Rushiti and The Kosova Rehabilitation Center for Torture Victims (KRCT) have been nominated for the prestigious 2025 Nobel Peace Prize. This remarkable recognition, proposed by Swedish Parliament member Magnus Jacobsson, celebrates their tireless efforts to empower and rehabilitate survivors of sexual violence from the Kosovo conflict. It is a powerful acknowledgment of their dedication to justice, healing, and fostering a more compassionate, unified society.

Dr. Rushiti, an esteemed member of the Rotary Club Prishtina Dardania since December 2022, has been a driving force in advancing mental health services and promoting peace in Kosovo. Her leadership has been instrumental in the Rotary Club Prishtina Dardania's collaboration with KRCT on the project "Minds for Peace: Advancing Mental Health Services in Primary Education to Foster Peace." This initiative focuses on enhancing mental health support for students in lower secondary schools (grades 6-9) across Kosovo, tackling critical challenges revealed in a recent needs' assessment.

The "Minds for Peace" project, initially supported by USAID and the Rotary Foundation through the "Hearts of Europe" Global Grant program, is a three-year endeavor designed to foster collaboration, networking, and friendship between Rotary clubs in Eastern Europe and the United States. With the host club of Prishtina Dardania, the international sponsor Keystone Rotary Club of District 7280, and KRCT as the implementing partner, Rotary is working to ensure that school psychologists are equipped with the necessary tools and training to address student trauma effectively.

The Nobel Peace Prize nomination shines a spotlight not only on the extraordinary impact of Dr. Rushiti and KRCT, but also on the resilience and courage of the survivors who inspire their mission. It serves as a beacon of hope and a call to action, reminding us of the importance of continuing this vital work.

Here is a link to her interview: [Nobel Peace Prize Dr. Feride Rushiti](#)

Peace Pole Installed in Smethport

Recently, at the Hamlin Memorial Library, a Peace Pole was erected on the front corner of the property by Smethport Rotary. The Peace Pole is an internationally-recognized symbol of the hopes and dreams of the entire human family, standing vigil in silent prayer for peace on earth.

The pole has the message "May Peace Prevail On Earth" in four different languages: English, French, Italian and Swedish, which relate to the local cultures within our area as well as internationally. May Peace Prevail on Earth.

District Leaders

Zachary S. Covington
District Governor
Aaron Matthew Sines
District Governor-Elect
Eva Palmer
District Secretary
Patricia J. Meehan
District Treasurer
Ken R Fleeson
District Membership Chair
John Marshall
District Rotary Foundation Chair
Rebekah E. Deal
District Public Image/PR Chair



New Castle Interactors Receive Graduation Pins

The senior class Interact members of the Lawrence County Career and Technical Center received their pins for graduation from Rotary Club of New Castle Past President Heather Armstrong.



Also pictured is Alyssa Corbin, senior Health Assistant student from Ellwood City, in front of her long term project honoring LCCTC family members who are vets.

Their advisor is Donna Pasterick (left).

Bradford President DJ's at

Rehabilitation Center Luncheon

Rotary rhythms at Futures



Era photo by
Daniella Langianese
Bradford Rotary
Club President
Ben Kirsch
served as the
DJ during
a Rotary-
sponsored
luncheon
at Future's
Rehabilitation
Center on
Wednesday
afternoon.
According
to member
Heidi Scrivo,
Bradford
Rotary spon-
sors an annual
luncheon at
Futures. This
year's event
included lunch,
live musical
entertainment,
craft kits and
health kits.

Scott Bayline - Keystone 2025 Rotarian of the Year



Scott Bayline

Keystone Rotary Club 2025 Rotarian of the Year



Scott Bayline embodies the true spirit of Rotary, demonstrating unwavering dedication, leadership, and service. A member of the Keystone Rotary International E-Club since 2020 and a committed Rotarian since 2001, Scott has been an influential force within the organization, he served the zone as an ARC and represented the district at the Council on Legislation. Past club president, past district governor, and an integral part of several committees, including the Club Foundation for 2024-2025, and other various committees. His friends of the Keystone International E- Club have recognized his outstanding contributions by selecting him as the Rotarian of the Year—a testament to his deep commitment and passion for all things Rotary.

Beyond his professional and community achievements, Scott's devotion to his family shines brightly. A loving husband to Paula and a dedicated father to Haley, Scott balances his Rotary service with his family life in Port Allegany, where he carries forward the legacy of his family's business as the third-generation leader of Bayline Insurance Agency. His integrity, leadership, and unwavering commitment to service make him a most deserving recipient of this honor.

KeystoneRotaryClub.org

Phil Smith Honored by Keystone E-Club

Service Above Self

**PEOPLE OF
ACTION**

HALL OF FAME

Award

**Join Us to Celebrate
Phil's Honorable
Example of
Community and
International Service**

PHIL SMITH

**35 Years of Service
in Rotary International**

Keystone
Rotary
International E-Club



District 7280 Mobility Collection Project

Can you imagine a child that is denied an education because they can't get to school or an elderly person that is home or bed bound because they can't be safely carried to visit family or attend events. These are just a few of the thousands of stories of people in need of assistance with mobility.

Easy steps to get started in your community

1 Pick a collection date or permanent drop off location



2 Advertise the project



3 Begin collecting



4 We are finalizing details to work with the Career Center helping store, pack & ship!



Reach out for further details about how you can help -

KeystoneRotaryConnects@gmail.com or text:

Darla Motta 724-458-8822 / Jim Thompson 724-355-0084

Barrett McGinnis 412-585-6822



How to Connect With Keystone E-Club

We are ... Keystone Rotary District 7280's International E-Club

Keystone
Rotary
International E-Club
District 7280



Allow us to be your international connection
[KeystoneRotaryClub.org](https://www.KeystoneRotaryClub.org)

Schedule us to provide a program on zoom or in person about our club and international projects! We also have programs about Rotary's 7 areas of focus.

Partner with us for your district grant project. We will provide assistance with all of the paperwork you will need!

Become an Associate Member with a donation of any amount or subscribe to our weekly newsletter full of project ideas, graphics and educational material you can cut & paste for your club social media, newsletter or website. Ask for more details.

Reach out to us at KeystoneRotaryConnects@gmail.com



Pictured above: Keystone Rotary Board of Directors

Saxonburg Hello Summer Bar Bingo Night

July 31, 2025

Bastion Distillery, 115 N Isabella St, Saxonburg, PA

Please join Saxonburg Area Rotary Club for a fun-filled evening at Bastion Distillery, 115 N Isabella St, Saxonburg, PA 16056. Bingo starts at 6pm. We play 10 games. The last game is a Cover-All. There's also a 50-50. Come hungry and thirsty - try Bastion's great food and drinks. The money we raise is going to our community project - a playground in Roebling Park.



Saxonburg Christmas in July Trolley Crawl



Christmas July

TROLLEY CRAWL!

THURSDAY, JULY 24th

4:15 Fieldhouse Group 1

5:00 Hardwood Café

4:30 Bastin Distillery

5:15 Fieldhouse Group 2

4:45 Saxonburg Heritage Winery

Choose your starting location when you buy your ticket and the trolley will take you through the crawl and back to your starting location!

*NOTE: When you arrive at your start time & venue, you will be served your first drink & snack. Our trolley will pick you up approximately 45 minutes after your start time to move you to the next venues

\$75 per person
ALL INCLUSIVE!
(additional gratuities are optional at your discretion)



FOR TICKETS: SCAN THE QR CODE
WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA OR
GO TO THE LINK BELOW!

<https://tinyurl.com/SARCEvents>

Tickets include:
Trolley Transportation, Snack & Drink at Locations

**Supporting local independent
restaurants and Saxonburg
Rotary community Projects!**

Saxonburg Area
Rotary
Club



Questions? call Rotarian in Charge at 412-527-0402



Rich-Mar Willing to Help Clubs Achieve 501c3 Status

Rich-Mar Rotary achieved a 501c(3) designation from the IRS within the last month. We see this as, for example, a big advantage in obtaining donations, using it as a prerequisite to a PA sales tax exemption, legitimizing some partnerships with other similar organizations in the community and affording us some free articles and publicity in various local magazines and media outlets. We are not the first club to achieve this designation in the district, but we are willing to provide some counsel to any other district club interested in pursuing this.

Contact club President Dave Hein for more information - dlhein94@gmail.com

Butler AM Updates



Our club president with the Platinum Award received at the District Conference.



Work day photo from Ellen's House project. Supplies were rearranged as we prepared the space for carpet installation. The project is nearing the end as the child enjoyment space will then be completed with cabinet installation and activity centers.

Welcome Charles



Butler AM Rotary

Induction of new member Charles!

A Note from Jack Miller, President Appalachia Mission Impact Club



Appalachia Mission Impact Club just completed a week-long mission trip to Mullens, WV. It

was a hot, humid but dry week of weather which we were thankful for. We worked on 7 different homes, not including some repairs completed at the United Methodist Church where we stayed. We had 65 missionaries split between 30 adults and 35 youth from 5 different school districts.

Work began on June 5th with an advance team of adults who get onsite early to check in with each jobsite to deliver any specialty items we had to purchase locally here in Pittsburgh and to make sure all the materials that we'd ordered had been delivered and were accurate. In addition, this year we loaded between 4 and 5 thousand dollars' worth of food and water which we delivered to a local food bank in Welch, WV that was devastated by flooding in March. We also finalized all of our food purchases in the area. We try to source as many things from the local area businesses as we can. This helps to build and strengthen their economy and provide additional jobs.

Our week of work began on June 8th as we greeted all the missionaries who caravanned in cars and trucks that drove in a convoy from Pittsburgh to Mullens. After settling into our new home away from home for the week, we enjoyed games, food, job site assignments, and fellowship. The week ahead was filled with jobs that involved: replacing a large roof, installing a handicap ramp with deck and roof, replacing a standard shower with a handicap walk-in shower, jacking up a house to replace rotted foundation, underpinning, rotted decks, steps, doors, windows, insulation, drywall, numerous electrical repairs, and paint which just begins to scratch the surface of the work that was completed.

The week went fast and on our last day, we hosted a dinner for the entire community. After 70 people came through the doors to be fed, we lost count. What an incredible blessing to be able to help all the people in and around the Mullens area. We are already looking forward to next year and the planning begins July 1st. If you would like to learn more, attend our monthly meetings, or would consider joining us, please feel free to join us at any of our monthly meetings. They are always the first Tuesday of the month and are held in the Willies' restaurant in Valencia at 6:30pm in the fishbowl.

Follow them on Facebook and Instagram (Mullens Appalachia Mission):

[https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=mullens%20appalachia%20mission) search/top?q=mullens% 20appalachia%20mission





It's Time to



Stock The Box - ShelterBox USA

When disasters strike without warning, access to shelter can mean the difference between life and death.

In the past year, ShelterBox supported over 325,000 people in 14 countries. With prepositioned aid, we swiftly responded to crises in Morocco, Malawi, Ukraine, Gaza, and beyond.

Even though we are no longer stocking boxes, we need your help to restock our **global warehouses** to preposition aid. Your donation of essential aid enables us to continue supporting people who are facing unimaginable challenges. Take the ShelterBox 25 in 25 Challenge by sharing this and other ShelterBox YouTube clips with 25 friends and family.

Prepositioned Aid Saves Lives **(YouTube)**

ShelterBoxUSA YouTube Channel

The ShelterBox YouTube clips are an easy yet poignant way to introduce ShelterBox to someone. Consider using a video during a meeting when you don't have a speaker scheduled or as a short focus during a meal.

ShelterBox District 7305 and 7280 Ambassadors
Dave & Melanie Sturrock

7954 Franklin Rd, Evans City, PA 724-991-4750

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New Port Allegany Geocache Trail Combines Student Innovation, Outdoor Exploration, and Community Svc



Port Allegany, PA – June 2025 – The Port Allegany Rotary Club, in collaboration with Seneca Highlands Career and Technical Center (SHCTC), proudly announces the completion of the *Port Allegany Geocache Trail*—a 1.6-mile public trail experience that blends hands-on learning, historical education, and outdoor recreation.

Launched in spring 2025, this innovative project features 12 interactive geocache locations designed and placed by SHCTC students, highlighting both local history and the diverse career and technical programs offered at the CTC. The trail winds through scenic woodland and park areas, now enhanced with newly constructed footbridges, a large trailhead kiosk, and updated signage—all built by SHCTC's Building Construction students.

"This project exemplifies what Career and Technical Education is all about—real-world skills, collaboration across disciplines, and giving back to the community," said Brent Bryant, Networking and Telecommunications instructor at SHCTC. "Students didn't just build

something—they created an experience for the entire town.”

The digital geocaching component, developed by students in the Networking and Design programs, allows visitors to navigate the trail using GPS-enabled mobile devices. Each cache includes a logbook, small take-home items (“swag”), and content about CTC programs or local landmarks—including a tribute to the historic Hogan structure that once stood nearby.

The Port Allegany Recreation Association granted access to the trail area and supported environmental improvements, while McKean County GIS provided professional mapping software to guide the project’s layout. Funding for the trailhead signage, materials, and geocaching components was made possible by a **Rotary District 7280 Grant**, sponsored by the Port Allegany Rotary Club.

Residents and visitors are invited to bring their curiosity, hiking shoes, and mobile devices to explore the trail. It’s a new way to discover the natural beauty, history, and talent that make Port Allegany a special place to live and learn.

Rich-Mar Completion of Project at Mars History and Landmarks Society Facility

Rich-Mar completed their District Grant Project.

A lot of exterior painting, bathroom improvements, fire extinguisher improvements and more.

The District will provide us with about \$1300 towards this \$3000 project. And via the club’s prompting, Mars Area History and Landmarks Society, on their own, is planning some parking improvements and purchased an AED for the facility.

Thanks to the 12 Rotarians that helped over three work days.





Rich-Mar Watermelon and Pie-Eating Contests

Youngsters and adults joined in eating both watermelon and cream pies at the Pine Community Day celebration on Saturday, June 21st. The contests were sponsored by the Rich-Mar Rotary Club, with Chuck Berry being the announcer and Jim and Jan Long, Lou Sigmund and Gary Weston doing the judging. Sowmya Ramesh and her daughter helped cut and prepare the watermelons. Competition was intense, especially for those trying to eat the pies with their hands behind their backs, but it was all in good fun.

Thanks to everyone who made the events possible.





Rich-Mar 2024-2025 Silver Hero Award



Shelter Box was started by a Rotarian and is now a separate organization supported by Rotary to provide shelter and provisions to people displaced from their homes due to natural disasters or conflict.

Melanie and Dave Sturrock in our club satellite are ambassadors who help marshal us all together in District 7280 to support this worthy cause, which we will certainly continue to support in years to come.

2025 Rotary Club of Ellwood City Annual Scholarships

The Rotary Club of Ellwood City held its scholarship dinner on May 15th. Seniors from Ellwood City and Riverside and their families celebrated with the Rotarians. This year, the Club awarded 6 educational scholarships totaling \$6000. In the past, the scholarships were directed at 4-year and 2- year academics. Recognizing a change in student career choices, the Rotary Scholarship Committee added another scholarship to support those who are going into the trades. In addition, the current scholarships have been renamed and criteria updated to reflect changes in academic standards and testing. Funds for these scholarships are made possible through the fundraising efforts of the Club, which include: the Tamburitians Show, Ellwood City Festival in the Park, and Octoberfest.

The biggest excitement of the evening was for the Trade School awardees, as this is the first year for the club to give out the scholarship. These students were very appreciative of the award, as there are few opportunities for financial assistance. Each student gave a short speech about their activities, their college of choice and academic studies. The Rotary Club of Ellwood City proudly announces their scholarship winners for the Class of 2025:

Lincoln High School:

Kailyn Hamilton awarded the Baccalaureate Scholarship
Attending: PennWest in California PA. Area of Study: Mechatronics Engineering

Arionna Wawrzynski awarded the Community College Scholarship,
Attending: Butler Community College. Area of Study: Nursing

Justin Spangler awarded the Trade School Scholarship
Attending: New Castle School of Trades. Area of Study HVAC

Riverside High School:

Landon Ritter awarded the Baccalaureate Scholarship
Attending: Duquesne University. Area of Study: Physical Therapy

DeLana Fox awarded the Community College Scholarship
Attending: Community College of Beaver County. Area of Study: Early Childhood Ed

Madelyn Czar awarded the Trade School Scholarship
Attending: UPMC Shadyside School of Nursing Area of Study: Nursing



Scholarship Chairman, Mark Smith with the 2025 Rotary Club of Ellwood City Scholarship Award Winners.

Left to Right: Lincoln HS-Justin Spangler, Arionna Wawrzynski, Kailyn Hamilton; Riverside HS-Landon Ritter, DeLana Fox, Madelyn Czar.

Ellwood City 2025 Rotary District Grant Kids Created Kingdom Playground

In preparation for the summer season, members of the Ellwood City Rotary Club weeded, repaired broken boards and re- mulched the popular Kids Created Kingdom Playground in Ewing Park, Ellwood City.

During the third week of May, Rotarians were on hand to weed and rake leaves around the entire structure along with around benches and in the large sandboxes in preparation for spreading new mulch. Three dump truck loads of mulch were delivered and on Saturday, May 24th, the Rotarians, four city workers, one backhoe and one bobcat spent the day spreading wheelbarrows full of new mulch in and around benches, below the swings, sliding tubes and around the castle.

Although exhausting, it was a wonderful and rewarding experience!





Presque Isle Annual Pancake Breakfast



Butler PM Dale Pinkerton Memorial Golf Tournament

We would love to have Rotarians throughout the district join us for a great day of golf, fun and fellowship at

The Dale Pinkerton Memorial Golf Outing on August 8th at Slippery Rock Golf Club.

Since we have a new and bigger location at the SRGC this year, and we're more central to the district, we are really hoping district Rotarians will join us. For all Rotarians that join us, we will give \$25 to the project of their choice or to the Rotary Foundation. Additionally, we will be happy to donate \$250 to the project of choice for the club that brings in the most golfers!

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Solving real problems takes real effort, commitment and vision. Rotarians work to protect communities from preventable disease, keep women and children healthy, improve education and economic outcomes, create safe water and sanitation infrastructure, and make our community and the world a more peaceful place.

Our clubs projects include:

- Turkey RoundUP - Raising \$15 K per year for community meals and food programs.
- Election Day Pancake Festival for Lifesteps helping children and families.
- Luncheon for Literacy - Raising \$20K biannually for BC3's Adult Literacy program.
- Providing dictionaries to 3rd Graders and scholarships for graduating seniors
- Butler's Welcome Signs • Building city parks & playgrounds.
- Ending polio — Providing vaccines to end polio, once and for all.

2025 PROJECT

BUTLER CULTURAL DISTRICT

Our current project is advancing Butler's arts and cultural organizations by creating a "Cultural District" in the City of Butler. For more information visit butlerculturaldistrict.org



PEOPLE OF ACTION

Our club is a proud part of this community and of Rotary International. Rotary is a global network of more than 1.2 million members who believe that great things happen when dedicated minds come together. We are community and business leaders representing different professions, experiences, and perspectives but with a shared desire to connect with others to address the challenges affecting our community and communities around the world.

Our club offers opportunities for our members and those interested in making a difference to get involved. Through meetings, social events, and volunteer projects, our members learn about the issues facing our community and communities all over the world, partnering with local, national, and global experts to exchange ideas about potential solutions and to draw up action plans to respond. Along with these opportunities to serve, members also are able to regularly network, resulting in lifelong friendships and business connections.

We invite you to visit our club and find out more about us and the opportunities we offer to get involved. Our members

OUR MEETINGS

2nd and 4th Mondays at 5:30 p.m.
YWCA

120 West Cunningham Street Butler, PA
Contact President Barb Gade to schedule your visit: 724-355-2952



Join us for the 2025

Fantastic Dale Pinkerton Memorial



**Friday, August 8, 2025
Slippery Rock Golf Club
160 Ralston Road
Slippery Rock, PA**

12:00 pm Registration & Lunch
1:00 pm Shotgun Start
Scramble Format
5:30 pm Reception, Dinner
& Prizes

REGISTER ONLINE



Scan or visit
butlerrotary.org



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

\$2500 Corporate Sponsorship

- Recognized as main sponsor in future print material, on website, signage, and social media
- Includes greens fees for 4 golfers
- Lunch & Dinner

\$1500 Gold Sponsorship

- Recognized in promotions and signage
- Includes Greens fees for 4 golfers
- Lunch & Dinner

\$1000 Silver Sponsorship

- Recognized in promotions and signage
- Includes Greens fees for 2 golfers
- Lunch & Dinner

\$500 Lunch Sponsor

- Recognized on Luncheon Tables & Signage

\$400 Drink Sponsor

- Recognized on Water Bottles and Snack Bags

\$300 Cart Sponsor

- Recognized on Cart Signs

\$150 Tee Sign Sponsor

- Includes lunch and dinner

\$125 Individual Golfer

- Includes lunch and dinner

\$500 Golf Foursome

- Includes lunch and dinner

REGISTRATION

I would like the following sponsorship:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate | <input type="checkbox"/> Gold |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Silver | <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drink | <input type="checkbox"/> Cart <input type="checkbox"/> Tee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Golfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Foursome |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provide Golfer Prize or Door Prize | |

Golfer names in my foursome:

Name: _____
Name: _____
Name: _____
Name: _____

My information:

Name: _____
Company Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone Number: _____
Contact email: _____

Mail form and check payable to:

Rotary Club of Butler
PO Box 1081
Butler, PA 16003
Questions email: david.white@jsp.com

Portersville/Prospect Changing of the Guard

Portersville/Prospect Rotary just finished a fundraiser where we did 5 guns in 5 days. We also started getting involved with the Cub Scout troop to do work projects together with them and, last but not least, our Changing of the Guard. President Jim Butler, stepped

down after 7 years and Frank McCowin became the new President. The club thanked Mr. Butler with a gift for A Job more than Well Done!! And Frank says he has some big shoes to fill!!!!



Celebrating Mary Lord

"Nothing great in the world has ever been accomplished without passion."

Georg W Hegel

Mary Lord has been passionate about Rotary Youth Exchange since she spent a year in France as a Youth Exchange outbound student in 2004. She joined Rotary in 2016 and became the Inbound Coordinator of the District's Youth Exchange Program in



2018. She has mentored a total of 23 students from 14 countries. Mary has also served as President of the Rich-Mar Rotary, and she aspired to become District Governor. She was elected to be the District Governor for 2026-27, but, unfortunately, cancer had other plans.

Mary has been fighting colon cancer for the past four years and is currently being made comfortable through hospice. On display at the District Conference was a Rotary Youth Exchange Quilt featuring the club banners and student first names of many of the students Mary has mentored, along with featuring Mary's banner as an exchange student, too. It will be given to Mary's mom, Pat Lord, in honor of Mary's love and passion for Rotary Youth Exchange.



Questions? Please contact Kathy Corcoran at 724-513-3856 or email her at corcoran7667@gmail.com.

PS. Mary would also want you to know she is passionate about baseball, specifically the Atlanta Braves!





Help us celebrate Mary with a donation in her name to The Rotary Foundation. Please follow the instructions below.

Making an Online Donation to The Rotary Foundation In Honor of Mary Lord

1. Type myrotary.org in your browser's address bar and click on this link
2. You should now be on the Rotary International Home Page.
3. A. On your computer: Click on blue box "Donate" on the upper right
- B. On your phone: Click on Menu upper left and then blue box "Donate"
1. Click on which of the five donation categories you would like to support
2. Check 'I would like to make this donation in honor or in memory of someone'
3. Click on "In Honor of"
4. Type "Mary Lord" as Name of Honoree
5. Check "Yes, I would like to notify someone of this dedication."
6. Click Email for "Notification"
7. Type michellebailey110@gmail.com as recipient's email address. Michelle will share the list of donors and any messages with Mary and her Mom.
8. Type your name as you want it to appear on the notification
9. Choose a design for the notification
10. Feel free to add a personal message to the notification

11. Move on to Donation Section
12. Select your country
13. Select your currency
14. Select an amount
15. Choose "Sign In" if you are a Rotarian or Previous Donor and follow the prompts
16. Choose "Continue as a Guest" if you are a first-time donor and follow the prompts
17. Complete payment information and click on "Submit"
18. Thank You!

