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From the Governor's Desk

It is certainly winter now here in the Northeast. The cold has finally reached us and I am ready for spring. And some great Rotary events are coming our way. Just take a look at our District 7190 Web page, <u>http://www.rotary7190.org/</u> and see what is happening. In addition, make sure your club is posting on the district calendar its major events month by month. Send your information to PDG Melissa Ward (melissa@rotary7190.org) or myself.

Just a few days ago, I attended the District Youth Assembly. I got to see and talk to a few of our Exchange students that are with us for this year. It is amazing to think of all the countries represented here: France, Argentina, Brazil, Spain, Croatia, Belgium, Japan, Germany, Denmark, Thailand and Colombia. If you haven't had an opportunity to meet them at UN Day or the District Foundation Dinner, please take the time to do so. Contact Susanna Bernd (Glens Falls), Youth Exchange Chairperson, for more information.



We also have the Rotary Birthday coming up on the 23rd of February at the Scotia Theater, the District Assembly, 9 April 2016, featuring a new idea called One Rotary Summit (it involves membership, public

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image and the foundation and how each can nurture the other). On that same day in the afternoon, we will have the Grant Seminar; a session that each club needs to send two representatives to, to be able to participate in receiving grants for the next Rotary year. In May, we have the District Conference in Lake Placid, 13 – 15 May 2016, featuring Rotary International Director, Jennifer Jones, a Photo Contest Saturday afternoon and a Mystery Theater on Saturday evening. In late May and early June we have the International Convention in Soule, Korea and the District Governor Change Over at the end of June at the <u>Hiland Park Country Club, Queensbury</u>.

What is your club doing in the coming months? I would like to hear about any of your functions that you are planning and give them wider dissemination. Contact me for more information on how you can give your events a bigger "push."

Finally, this is **PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION** / **RESOLUTION MONTH** on the Rotary International calendar. If you are interested in reading more about Rotary efforts throughout the world, just google the title and you will be amazed about what Rotary is doing to promote peace in the world.

DG Milan



DISTRICT EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- February 23: Rotary Birthday Party p 2
- April 9: District Assembly/Skidmore College
- May 13-15:District Conference/Lake Placid
- May 28-June 1: RI Convention/Seoul p 10

CLUB EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- February 5: Ziti Dinner Sponsored by Glenville Rotary *p* 2
- February 21: Chicken & Biscuit Dinner Sponsored by Shenendehowa Rotary *p* 2
- February 26-28: Home & Lifestyle Show Sponsored by Saratoga Rotary pp 2, 3
- March 10: Wine Pairing Event Sponsored by Colonie-Guilderlan Rotary pp 3, 9
- June 4: Winery & Brewery Tour Sponsored by Glenville Rotary *p* 3

Glenville Rotary Presents its 27th annual

Ziti Dinner Friday February 5th 4-7:30pm \$8 at the door \$7 advance sale* (Take out dinners available.)

Glenville Senior Citizen Center

Worden Rd, Glenville (next to Glen Worden School)

Entertainment, Prizes & More...

**Purchase Advance Tickets by 2/3/2016 At:* Charlie Palmer State Farm Insurance, Beth Kissinger CPA, or from any other Glenville Rotarian

To Benefit: Northeast Regional Food Bank, Scotia -Glenville Food Pantry and other Rotary Service Projects



Shenendehowa Rotary Presents its annual

Chicken & Biscuit Dinner Sunday February 21st 4pm to 6pm

(Take out is available.)

at the Vischer Ferry Fire Station

360 Riverview Road, Rexford For ticket and price information, please contact Alex Gutelius at 728-6613 or email <u>shenendehowa.rotary@gmail.com</u>. Dinners are provided by Giffy's Bar-B-Catering and Power's Inn & Pub and include homemade chicken, vegetables and gravy over buttermilk biscuits served with mashed potatoes, tossed salad, dessert and beverage.

Proceeds to benefit the Friends of the Mohawk Towpath Byway

Rotary's *Frozen* **Birthday Party** *Celebrating Rotary's* 111th *Birthday!*

Tuesday, February 23rd 6:30pm – doors open 7:00pm – movie starts

\$10 per person

\$25 per family of four Includes: movie, small popcorn, small soda, cake slice

Scotia Cinema

Mohawk Ave, Scotia

Family Movie FROZEN Proceeds to benefit POLIO Eradication.

Tickets MUST be bought in advance.

Contact Anne Cargile at <u>annec@nycap.rr.com</u> or 877-5530.

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Saratoga Rotary presents its 9th annual

Home & Lifestyle Show

Special events at show include cooking demonstrations & art show Friday – Sunday February 26-28 Friday: 5-9 pm Saturday: 9am-7 pm Sunday: 10 am-4 pm Free of Charge For details see article on next page.

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Save the Date!!!

Colonie-Guilderland Club Presents its Wine Paring Event

Thursday, March 10th

6pm

\$50 per person Faddegon's Nursery Greenhouse

1140 Troy Schenectady Rd Latham See pg 8 for flyer.

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Save the Date!!!

Glenville Rotary Presents its 8th annual Winery & Brewery Tour Saturday June 4th Stay tuned for exciting details...

GoL Child Update

Anahi came to us through Samaritan's Purse in 2015. She had no future before her surgery at Albany Medical Center Hospital. Her future is now bright and she can look forward to a full life. She is growing and thriving in Honduras. Anahi's family is eternally grateful to all of us and we are in their prayers.



Saratoga Rotary Home & Lifestyle Show Runs February 26-28, 2016

Special events at show include cooking demonstrations & art show

The Saratoga Home & Lifestyle Show, the Saratoga Springs Rotary Club's largest annual fundraiser since 1973, will take place February 26-28, 2016, at the Saratoga Springs City Center. Thanks to the show's major sponsor, The Adirondack Trust Company, show admission this year is free of charge.

The event features 120 regional exhibitors showcasing a wide range of home improvement services, décor and furnishings, energy-saving products, outdoor living and landscaping, family recreation, and lifestyle products and services, as well as great prizes.

Local businesses are important supporters of the event. In addition to the Adirondack Trust Company as the major sponsor, other sponsors include Allerdice ACE Building Supply (door prizes), Granite & Marble Works (supporting sponsor), *The Saratogian* (advertising), *Saratoga Today* (magazine), and Edward Jones (hospitality).

The show will be open Friday, February 26, 5-9 p.m.; Saturday, February 27, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Sunday, February 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to exhibits, the show will feature special events including the Saratoga Art Show, featuring area artists with artwork and high-end crafts for sale; in addition, there will be an exhibit of art by students from Saratoga Springs High School, and local wine and spirits producers. On Saturday afternoon at 12, 1, and 2 p.m., Chef Alysha Perez of Forno Bistro will conduct cooking demonstrations.

For more information and a complete schedule of events, including pet adoption and activities for children, see <u>www.rotaryhomeshow.com</u>.

Rotary Club of Cohoes Teaches Members About Rotary Software

The Rotary Club of Cohoes has begun a program to provide instruction to club members on how to use software that District 7190 and Rotary International has provided for Rotary Clubs. The objective of this program is to make club members more aware of what information District 7190 and RI is making available to them, and encourage them to logon to these resources so they can become more informed Rotarians. This program will include guidance on using:

- ClubRunner, provided by District 7190 to clubs as a place to store contact information for club members.
- My Rotary, provided by Rotary International to obtain information about all aspects of Rotary.
- Rotary Club Central, a part of My Rotary, to view goals your club has set and how the club is doing to accomplishing them.

On January 6th, 2016, Jack Madden, Technology Assistance Coordinator for the Cohoes club, opened this program with an introductory presentation to club members. He provided an overview of the relationship between ClubRunner, and My Rotary and Rotary Club Central.



Jack explained to club members their membership profile, the place in Club Runner where their contact information is. He showed them how to update their own contact information, and encouraged them to do so when anything changes (e.g. e-mail), and why it is important to keep it up to date. He also showed them how to use ClubRunner to look up the contact information (address, phone number, etc) for a Rotarian in another club.

He showed club members how to create a My Rotary Account, a required prerequisite for logging on to My Rotary, followed by a brief overview of what learning and reference information they can find there. Finally he provided a brief introduction to Rotary Club Central by reviewing membership trends for the Rotary Club of Cohoes.

Bob Van Alstine, Leader of the district 7190 IT Assistance Group, explained to Cub members that in the comming weeks additional instruction will be provided on additional aspects of ClubRunner, My Rotary and Rotary Club Central.

Successful January 1st Polio Fundraisers

On January 1, 2016, District 7190 had two great events. The Polio Plunge and Bowl over Polio. The Polio Plunge brought over 40 Rotarians in Red Shirts (End Polio Now) including two families, into the cold waters of Lake George. The first family was DG Milan, his wife Shelia, their son Milan and their granddaughter, Elizabeth. The second family was Rotarian Antoinette, her husband Jack and their children, Taylor and Sara. In addition, the District Governor Elect, John Mucha and the District Governor Nominee, Fred Daniels joined the "plunge." At least 120 supporters watched the red shirted Rotarians brave the cold water of Lake George from the beach. It ended with our Bowl over Polio which was at five different bowling alleys in our District - Boulevard Bowl, Clifton Park Bowl, Lake George Lanes, Latham Bowl and Town and Country Lanes. These two events, under the guidance of our PDG Anne Cargile, raised more than \$11,000.00 for Polio Plus.

What a great day. Anne Cargile



Glens Falls Rotary First in District 7190 to Receive a Global Grant Award as an International Partner

On July 1, 2013 Rotary International launched a new humanitarian funding model to service its wide ranging projects. The model is intended to streamline grant applications, help individual Rotary clubs make a more sustainable impact and encourage international cooperation among clubs throughout the world. As a result of this new model The Rotary Foundation expects an increase from 20% to up to 80% of its budget for large scale, high-impact and sustainable projects and thus become a leader in global development and humanitarian service.

The primary focus of the new grant model is sustainability and accountability. At the urging of a major contributor to Rotary's Polio Plus Project to eradicate polio world-wide, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, The Rotary Foundation rewrote the rules for awarding humanitarian grants. For global grants at least two clubs must cooperate, one an international club and the other a host club in the country for which the grant is aimed. Assuring and proving sustainability and accountability are integral and important prerequisites for a successful global grant award. The project must fall in at least one of seven areas of focus, one of which is water and sanitation.

Members of the Glens Falls Rotary club undertook applying for a global grant to extend a water and hygiene project begun in the hill town of Trianon, Haiti. Rotary clubs in Michigan had independently funded some projects in Haiti in cooperation with Pure Water for the World, a non-profit organization based in Rutland, Vermont and one that the Glens Falls Rotary club has had a working relationship for over 10 years. The club has donated though its annual "Water Walk" over \$50,000 for pure water projects throughout Central America.

The Rotary Foundation matches district contributions 1:1; contributions from clubs and individuals are matched 1:2. Working with four districts and eighteen clubs the Grant totals\$151,486 including The Rotary Foundation matches.

The water project will provide bio-sand water filters and hygiene training for 930 families in Trianon. Glens Falls (international partner) is working with the Rotary club of Petion-ville, Haiti (host partner) using contacts suggested by the Elk Ridge Rotary club and by Pure Water for the World. Clubs and districts in the US from as far as Phoenix, Arizona and Houston Texas, as well as from Michigan, New York and New Jersey have contributed funds for this grant. The funds will be administered by the Petion-ville club which in addition to administering the funds, is responsible for overseeing the entire project as carried out by the cooperating partner, Pure Water for the World. Interim and final reports to The Rotary Foundation will be written cooperatively by the Rotary clubs of Glens Falls and Petion-ville.

Due to the policy and application changes, as well as their implementation, the grant writing process extended over a year and a half. Telephone and e-mail conversations between Petion-ville club member Raphael Izmery and Glens Falls member Robert Rosoff were instrumental in finalizing the grant. Similar conversations with representatives of The Rotary Foundation further helped in the writing. There were also sustained conversations with members of the Elk Ridge Rotary club and Carolyn Meub, executive director of Pure Water for the World.

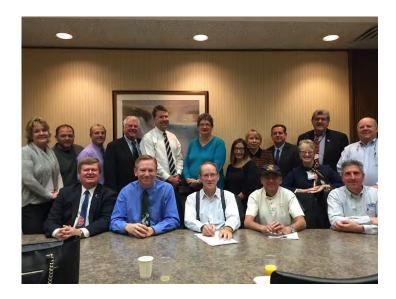
The project in Trianon is expected to begin in the spring.

For additional information, contact The Rotary Club of Glens Falls Attention: Robert Rosoff Phone: 792-1023 e-mail: bob.rosoff@gmail.com



Little girl learning to wash her hands

Amsterdam Rotary Club's 2016-17 Board



Family's First Lake George Plunge... all for Polio! Thank you!









Adirondack Tri-County Nursing and Rehab Center Announces Matching Grant

Adirondack Tri-County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has received a very generous matching grant of \$30,000.00 from the "Cloudsplitter Foundation". The grant is earmarked for the purchase of a new 12passenger bus with a wheelchair lift. Such a bus is sorely needed by the center. As such, this grant will be the start of a major campaign to raise the remaining funds for the bus purchase.

Right now, the center uses a 2006 model bus with 185,000 miles! Since the Center uses this vehicle on a daily basis to transport residents for medical appointments and activities, a new, reliable replacement is essential.

Administrator Hal G. Payne said, "The new vehicle is desperately needed so we can provide safe comfortable, transportation for our residents. Since this is a matching grant, we are making an appeal to the community at large to help us reach the goal of attaining this new vehicle for our residents".

Contributions can be mailed to Adirondack Tri-County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 112 Ski Bowl Rd., North Creek NY 12853.

Adirondack Tri-County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has been providing quality care to its residents since 1974. We are a skilled nursing facility and our services also include Outpatient Rehab and on-site Adult Day Care. Our Mission Statement is to "Provide compassionate, high quality long-term care and rehabilitation services to the frail and aging members of our surrounding Adirondack communities and beyond."

Our vision is to "be known as a regional leader in the development of innovative solutions that enrich the lives of our elders. Residents experience the security and comfort of being cared for by compassionate staff that continue the Adirondack tradition of supporting neighbors in need. We envision expanding opportunities to foster independence through assisted living and community involvement."

Submitted by William Quinlivan

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Bowling for Polio 2016



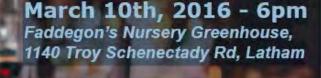


Presented by the Colonie-Guilderland Rotary Club

Come and learn all about wines and have fun with wine expert Brian Gwynn "The Wine Guy" Owner of Specialty Wines & More Inc.



Proceeds To Benefit College Scholarships For Local High School Students



Tickets: \$50 per person and can be purchased at cgrotary.org

Chef: Ben Kozlosksi, The Factory Eatery & Spirits, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Entertainment by: The Saratoga Soundtrack Chorus, Magic by Omer Black, Silent Auction and more...

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Connect with Korea: Touch the World

Attend the Rotary International Convention in Seoul, Korea May 28-June 1, 2016



After a very successful Rotary Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Rotary turns its attention to the next Convention in Seoul, Korea, May 28-June 1, 2016. **District Governor Elect John Mucha**, from the Glens Falls Rotary Club, is organizing our District trip to Seoul. Now is the time to plan for the Seoul Convention. If you have never been to a Rotary International Convention, you owe it to yourself to make the trip. It's a great way to experience what it truly means to be part of Rotary. You will be inspired by world class speakers and enjoy fellowship with Rotarians from around the world. For more information, please check out <u>www.riconvention.org</u>. Seoul is a fascinating city with great food, shopping, and museums. And no VISA is required for US citizens to travel to Korea!

We will be planning District activities in Seoul and hopefully staying in the same hotel, so please let us know if you are interested in hearing more about our plans. Please email DGE John at <u>jmucha@roadrunner.com</u> to be put on the email list.

Travel Discount to the RI Convention in Seoul

Save up to 20% on travel with the Star Alliance Network

RI Convention attendees can save up to 20% on airfare by booking through Asiana Airlines and airlines in the Star Alliance Network, the official airline network for the Rotary International Convention in Seoul, 28 May - 1 June, 2016.

Convention attendees qualify for discounts of up to 20% on business class tickets and up to 15% on economy class tickets, depending on fare and class of travel booked. The discount can be used for a registered participant and one travel companion.

Book your travel

The participating airlines for this event are: ANA, Adria Airways, Aegean Airlines, Air Canada, Air China, Air India, Air New Zealand, Asiana Airlines, Austrian Airlines, Avianca, Brussels Airlines, Copa Airlines, Croatia Airlines, EVA Airways, EgyptAir, Ethiopian Airlines, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, SWISS, Scandinavian Airlines, Shenzhen Airlines, Singapore Airlines, South African Airways, TAP Portugal, THAI, Turkish Airlines, and United.

Discounts are offered on most published business and economy class fares, excluding website/internet fares, senior and youth fares, group fares and Star Alliance Round the World fares.

Special note for travelers from Japan

The following Star Alliance airlines are offering special discounts for travel to/from Japan: Air India, Turkish Airlines, Austrian Airlines.

Contact the respective Star Alliance member airlines' booking office for these special discounts. Find a booking office on the Star Alliance website under "Conventions Plus Booking Contacts." Please use the following event code: OZ01S16

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