

Geneseo Rotary Club Newsletter

October 2010

Club 4780 of District 7120

www.GeneseoRotary.com

Birthdays

Scott Kamakaris	Oct 1
PP Dave Parish	Oct 3
Bill Derby	Oct. 26



Wedding Anniversaries

Stephanie Fadale	October 1
PP Paul Metzger	October 2
PP Susan Crilly	October 30



Upcoming Programs

October 4th	Business Meeting
October 18th	The Drug Scene-Geneseo Police Department
October 25th	Tim McMahon, Solar Oven Project, Nicaragua

Submit program suggestions to PP Dave Parish

ROTARY ARCHIVE

In 1919 the Rotary Foundation made its first grant of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children.

The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.

Source: R.G.H.F.

85th Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner

Thursday, October 7th

Riverside Convention Center

6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

With R.I. President

Ray Klingensmith



“A splendid citizen of Elyria, Ohio came into Rotary bringing his own propaganda with him. In fact, he made application for membership in the Rotary Club of Elyria for the express purpose of getting the backing of Rotarians for his enterprise; the care, cure and education of crippled children.” Paul Harris on referring to Edgar Allen. (Source: RGHF)

September Club Donation\$

\$100 to renew our BEA (Livingston County Business Education Alliance.)

\$230 to the Geneseo Foundation on behalf of DG Jeff Krans' "Give-Me-Five" campaign honoring PDG Don Alhart in his last year of heading the Foundation for the District.

Halloween Parade

October 31st

Main Street

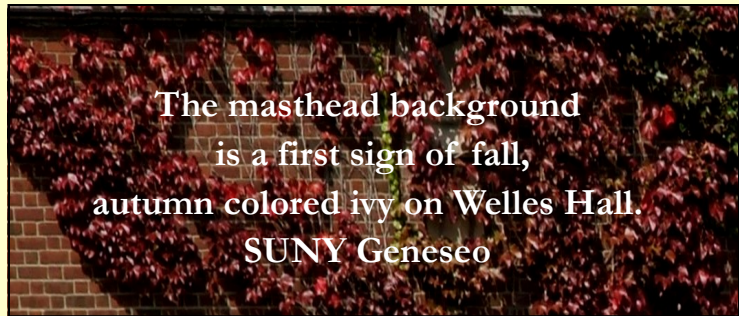
6:00 pm

Cider & Doughnuts!

Sponsored by:

Geneseo Rotary
and Kiwanis

Prizes will be Awarded



The masthead background
is a first sign of fall,
autumn colored ivy on Welles Hall.
SUNY Geneseo



Columbus Day

October 11th

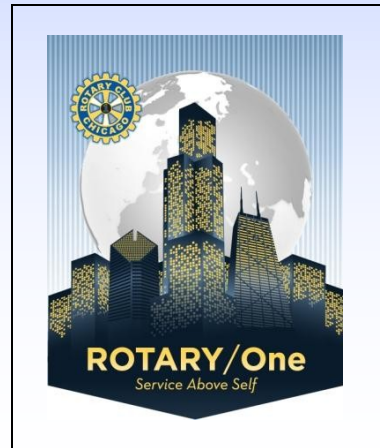
No Club Meeting

Rotary Global History Fellowship Conference

October 10-12th, 2010

Chicago, Illinois

Celebrating the
10th Anniversary of
R.G.H.F.
(2000-2010)



District Literacy Seminar

Saturday, October 9th

First Presbyterian Church

109 East Avenue, E. Rochester

9:00 am—11:00 am

**Ms. Patty Uttaro,
Director of Monroe
County Library System,
will be speaking on:**

*“Why Literacy is
Important and How
Rotary Can Help”*

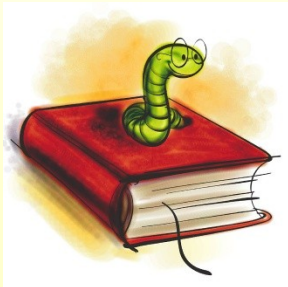
RSVP by October 1st

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Kudos



SUNY Geneseo has named **Kerisha Hawthorne** (a member of the Rotaract Club) one of fourteen Presidential Scholars for the 2010-11 academic year. A Presidential Scholar is a top-achieving member of the incoming senior class who exemplifies the College’s institutional values. To receive the honor, a student must receive a minimum GPA of 3.6 and demonstrate academic achievement across the curriculum affirming SUNY Geneseo’s values of excellence and innovation. The student must also demonstrate an active involvement in the community.

Kerisha was the recipient of a Rotaract Club Scholarship in 2009-10. She is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

(Source: SUNY Geneseo)

50/50 Drawing Winner\$

9/13—PP Margaret McCaughey
9/20—PP Margaret McCaughey
9/27—Bill Derby



Genesee Valley Hunt Races

Saturday, October 9th. Nations Road

10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Contact PP Steve Wiener to sign up. This event benefits Rotary and the Golisano Children’s Hospital at Strong.



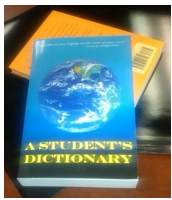
Press Release

September 22, 2010

From : Geneseo Rotary Club

For the seventh year in a row, the Geneseo Rotary Club is giving dictionaries to all the third grade students at the Geneseo Elementary School and at the York Elementary School. This year approximately 130 third graders are receiving new dictionaries from the Geneseo Rotary Club on September 28th.

The dictionaries not only have the comprehensive dictionary that one would expect, but also sections about weights & measures, The Declaration of Independence, The United States Constitution, maps of our world's seven continents, information about the 50 states in the United States of America, biographies of the U.S. Presidents, and facts about the eight planets in our solar system.



Promoting "literacy" is a yearly goal for Rotary Clubs around the world. This is a small, but vital part of that effort. So – if you need help with either word or a fact check, ask a local third grader! They will have the tool necessary to help.

The definition of "literacy" is found on page 189 in the dictionary: "the ability to listen, speak, read, write, view, represent, compute, and solve problems at levels of proficiency necessary to function in the family, in the community, and on the job."

A Geneseo Rotary Presentation/Name Plate is inside the front cover of each dictionary including Rotary's "The Four-way Test".

(Submitted by **President-Elect Howard Stewart**)

Perry Rotary Club's 79th Annual Rotary Show

November 8-9th, Perry High School

This year's theme:

"Perry Rotary Goes to the Fair"

Cost: \$8 adults; \$4 students

Rotaract Report

On Monday, September 13th I met with the Rotaract Club to talk about Rotary International's fifth Avenue of Service, New Generations and our Club's open invitation to have their members attend our meetings. I also asked what service projects they had planned to complete for the Fall 2010 semester.

Olga Varchtchouk, Rotaract President, said she will convene their first Club meeting on September 22nd. She explained they will probably do the same things as last fall (raising money for Teresa House, volunteering at the Haunted Hayrides, and gathering food for a Thanksgiving Basket for a needy family). She will mention at their first meeting our Club needs volunteers for the G. V. Hunt Races on October 9th. Even though the College is on Fall Break, Residence Halls remain open. In addition, she will speak to Club members about the scholarships available and that participation in Rotaract events is a requirement.

Vanessa Amaral, Rotaract Treasurer, will be attending the Student Organization Expo in the College Union (September 15th) in an effort to recruit new some new members.

Olga would like to team up with Interact Club members to work on a mentoring project at the Geneseo High School. She will get in touch with the Interact Advisor.

Marilyn Lyon, Rotaract Advisor

Fine\$

The following Rotarians paid fines at the Club meeting on September 20th:

Darcy Lynch for her son scoring 5 soccer goals at a game on September 18th.

PP Dick Gallivan for his son, Pat Gallivan, who won the Sept. 14 Republican Primary Election for New York State Senate (59th District).

PP Dave Parish for his son who is currently visiting Ireland.

PP Paul Metzger for his daughter who has just started a new job.



Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Upcoming December Events

Holiday Food
Basket
Distribution



Holiday
Dinner

Salvation Army
Bell Ringing



Holiday
Sing Along



Pantry Day

Monday
October 4th



“If we all have the fortitude to see this effort through to the end, then *we will* eradicate polio.”

—Bill Gates

World Polio Day, October 24th

Marks the 96th anniversary of the birth of Jonas Salk, developer of the first safe and effective polio vaccine.

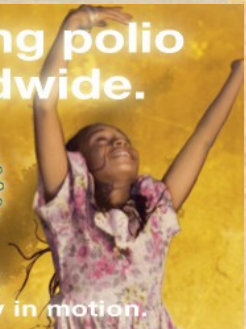
For more information, visit worldpolioday.com



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KUDOS

PP Kurt Fletcher was the recipient of the **Drs. Carol & Michael Harter Endowment for Faculty Mentoring Award** at S.U.N.Y. Geneseo

The award recognizes
“Commitment to teaching that goes beyond the classroom to the student’s intellectual and/or creative development.”
“Substantial work with students by encouraging research, facilitating scholarly work and/or creative activities.”

(Source: SUNY Geneseo)

ROTARY



THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

first
Is it the TRUTH?

second
Is it FAIR to all concerned?

third
Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

INTERNATIONAL



On Monday, November 8th our Club will be having its annual luncheon honoring Veterans.



Earn \$50 for our Club by applying online for the **Rotary International Platinum Plus MasterCard** credit card.

For more information, visit the Rotary International website:

www.rotary.org

PP Chris Rider, Howard Stewart and **Pres. Matt Gaynor** have met with Kate Kingsley and Carol Cook of Teresa House to discuss the prospect of a joint fund-raiser to support our raffle and replace the Pancake Supper (pasta will replace pancakes, for this time around). The dinner will still be held on Shrove Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at Geneseo Central School. More details to follow.

(submitted by Pres. Matt Gaynor)

District Dinners



October 9th

Ontario-Walworth Charities Dinner

Brookwood Country Club, 6:30 pm

October 16th

Lima Rotary Spaghetti Dinner

Lima Diner, 5:00-7:00 pm



October 23rd

Fairport Rotary 3rd Annual Pasta Dinner

Perinton VFW, 4:00-7:00 pm

(More info. about these dinners is available on the District Calendar website: www.rotary7120.org)

PP Dick Thomas has been granted a transition to “**Honorary Member**” status.

He joined our Club in 1970-71 and was President in 1978.

Rotaract Service Project 2010-11

The **Rotaract Club** will again be knitting and crocheting caps for chemotherapy patients at Strong Hospital. If anyone in our Club (or their family) would also be interested in making chemo caps, please let me know. I will pass the information on to the Rotaract President. Thanks. *Marilyn Lyon*



Livingston County Corporate Spelling Bee

2nd Annual Spelling Competition

(Hosted by Catholic Charities)

On Thursday, September 9th, 2010 our Club participated in the Livingston County Corporate Spelling Bee. Noted Rotarian **Don Alhart** served as the MC. We finished a respectable 4th in a field of 16.

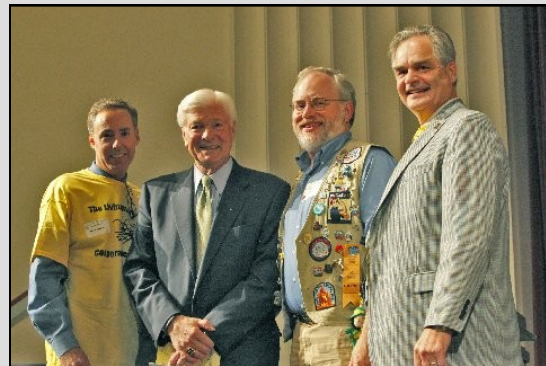
What word did we in? Antimacassar. It is defined as “the cover to protect the back or arms of furniture.” Who knew?

PP Kurt Fletcher was our Team Captain with **PP John Lanpher** and **Pres. Matt Gaynor** rounding out the team. This is a copy of our ad for participation in the Spelling Bee.

Geneseo Rotary has proudly served the community since 1925. We welcome new members. Visit our web site, geneseorotary.com, for more information.



It was a fun event and helped to benefit a great cause. Nunda Rotary also fielded a team and Dansville Rotary paid for a team but was the only no-show.



Pres. Matt Gaynor, PDG Don Alhart, PP Kurt Fletcher, PP John Lanpher

(Story and photo submitted by **Pres. Matt Gaynor**)
An additional photo is on our Club’s website.

Historic Rotary Happening

Could it be 51 years ago when our Club sponsored four Rotary couples from Balham, England, an experience treasured for years thereafter. A highlight was a gathering around the Bear Fountain when the keys to the Village were presented by Mayor Vince Ryan.

(submitted by PP Dave Parish)

Exchange Student Addresses Club

Lisbeth DeBramo visited our Club on September 13th and spoke briefly about her experiences as a Rotary Exchange Student. She regaled us with her travels in Spain and was very thankful to the Club for a good time had by both she and her compatriot from Spain.

(submitted by Pres. Matt Gaynor)

The Following Thank You Letters Were Received During the Month of September

From United Way for our Leadership Gift.

From Jeff Clough for our support of Keyboard/Guitar Kamp.

From Rev. Dr. Deborah Roof, Livingston County Coalition of Churches and Teresa House for our support of their Family Wellness Day.

From Chances & Changes for our support of their golf tournament.

The Next Meeting of the Board of Directors will take place on October 7th.

KUDOS: Tim Brinduse was one of the musicians performing at the *Beat back the Blues music festival* on September 17th at St. Peter's Church, 3825 E. Henrietta Road, Henrietta.



School Superintendent Speaks About Proposed Capital Project



Genseo Central School Superintendent, **Tim Hayes**, spoke at our Club meeting on September 20th to discuss the GCS District Capital Improvement Project vote on October 7th. The base proposition cost is \$11.4 million; the total project cost is \$11,790,200 (inclusive of Propositions 2 and 3). Mr. Hayes used a PowerPoint presentation to illustrate most of the needed repairs and upgrades to the school which are included in the Capital Improvement Project. He also distributed a brochure and information sheet to the Club members which contained details about the entire project.