

# Valley Courier

Monthly Newsletter  
The Rotary Club of Geneseo, N.Y.  
Club 4780 of District 7120  
www.GeneseoRotary.com



November 2011

## Birthdays

PP Matt Gaynor— 11/12

Jan Montanye-Castillo—11/13

PP Steve Wiener — 11/14

Pam Widmer— 11/20



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## Wedding Anniversary



PP Matt Gaynor— 11/6

## Upcoming Programs

November 7th-Business Meeting

November 14th-Veterans Program

November 21st-Rotary Foundation  
Information

Please submit program suggestions to  
PP **Dave Parish**

## Rotary Archive

November 3, 1910



The first club from outside  
the United States was  
organized in Winnipeg,  
Canada.

The Club was chartered on  
April 13, 1912.

The National Association of Rotary Clubs  
became the International Association of  
Rotary Clubs. In June, 1922 the name was  
shortened to Rotary International.

## November is Rotary Foundation Month

The mission of the Rotary  
Foundation is to enable  
Rotarians to advance world  
understanding, goodwill, and  
peace through the improve-  
ment of health, the support of  
education and the alleviation  
of poverty.

(Source: Rotary International)



November 12, 2011



**Rotary Leadership Institute**

Inn on the Lake  
Canandaigua

<http://www.rlinea.com/Registration.htm>

Questions? E-Mail PDG Mark Wyse  
[mwyse@rochester.rr.com](mailto:mwyse@rochester.rr.com)



**District 7120 Conference**  
**May 18-20, 2012**  
**Hyatt Hotel, Rochester, NY**

**Election**

**Day**

Tuesday  
November 8th



**Perry Rotary Club Show**

November 7th and 8th  
“Space Oddity”  
Adults: \$8.00, Students \$4.00  
Perry High School



The Newsletter masthead photo is a flock of wild turkeys (*Meleagris gallpavo*).

**The deadline  
for the  
December  
Newsletter is  
November 23rd**



**The Rotary Foundation Moves Up in Survey of Top Nonprofit Organizations**

The Rotary Foundation has moved up 14 places in the *Chronicle of Philanthropy's* annual survey of top 400 fundraising charities in the United States.

In the survey, based on fiscal year 2010, the Foundation is now 61st on the list of charities that raise funds from private sources.

(Source: Rotary International News, October 2011)

**Rotaract Club**  
**Fund Raiser**

On October 20, 21 & 24, the Rotaract Club at SUNY Geneseo sold wristbands in the College Union.

The money raised will be donated to the American Red Cross.



**Charlie Tyo** has accepted an assignment to be a part-time priest at the Christ Church in Corning.



***Daylight Saving Time Ends***  
***Sunday, November 6th***

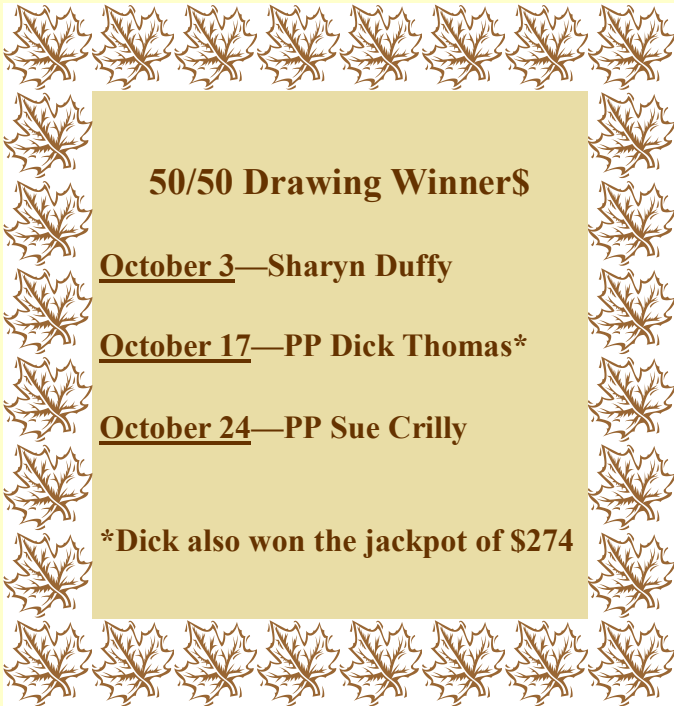
Remember to turn your clocks back one hour.



Board of Director's meetings will now be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

The next meeting will be on November 2nd.





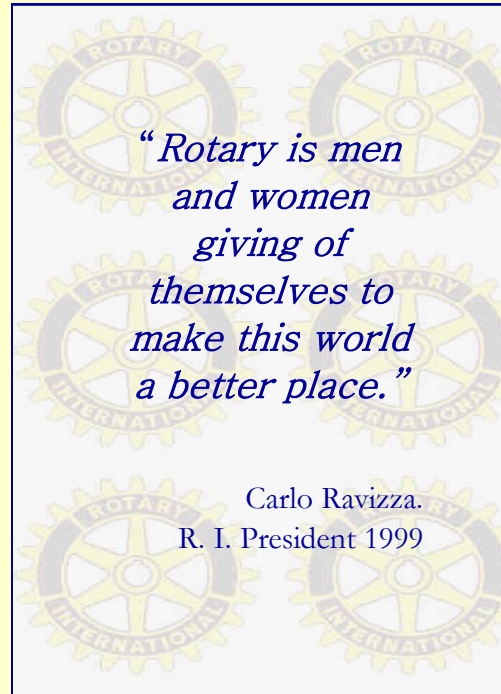
**50/50 Drawing Winner\$**

**October 3—Sharyn Duffy**

**October 17—PP Dick Thomas\***

**October 24—PP Sue Crilly**

**\*Dick also won the jackpot of \$274**



*“Rotary is men  
and women  
giving of  
themselves to  
make this world  
a better place.”*

Carlo Ravizza,  
R. I. President 1999

**Rotary-United Nations Day**  
**Saturday, November 5, 2011**  
 U.N. Headquarters, NYC  
 9:30 am—4:00 pm

**Registration fee: \$37.50**

[http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/un\\_day\\_registration\\_form\\_en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/un_day_registration_form_en.pdf)

**Veterans Day**  
**Thursday, November 11th**



**Remembrance Day (Canada)**



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity



**Pantry Day**  
**Nov. 7th**

The Geneseo-Groveland Food Pantry is in need of additional items to distribute for Thanksgiving.



Geneseo Rotary/Kiwanis Clubs  
Halloween Parade, October 31st



Bruce Godsava, Sally Gallivan  
and PP Dick Gallivan



PP David Parish

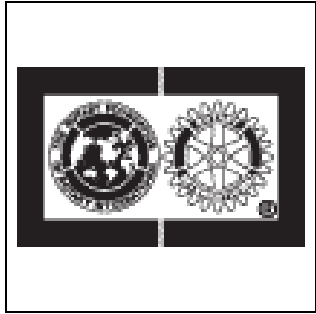


Sharyn Duffy



PP Margaret McCaughey

*Photos by Mary  
Kay Yanik*



*The Rotary Foundation*  
*at Work in District 7120*

Sixth Annual District  
7120 Foundation Brunch  
Belhurst Castle, Geneva

Sunday, November 13

Program begins at  
12:30pm

Cost: \$28 per person

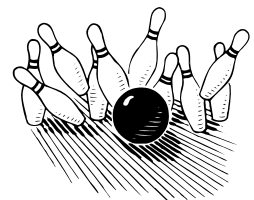
Keynote Speaker will be  
PDG Don Alhart

“Lesson From an  
Old Memory”

**Winter Family Fun Event**

December 28, 2011  
(tentative date)

Livingston Lanes



(Source: Good Neighbor  
Committee Minutes)





### October Board

#### Donation\$

**\$180** to the Geneseo Central School Drama Club

**\$500** to the Rotary Club of Vestal to assist in the Southern Tier disaster relief efforts.

### Rotary e-Club

To make-up a club meeting on the internet, visit the following website:

<http://www.rotaryclubny1.com/home-pg.html>

**Olga Varchtchouk**, President of the SUNY



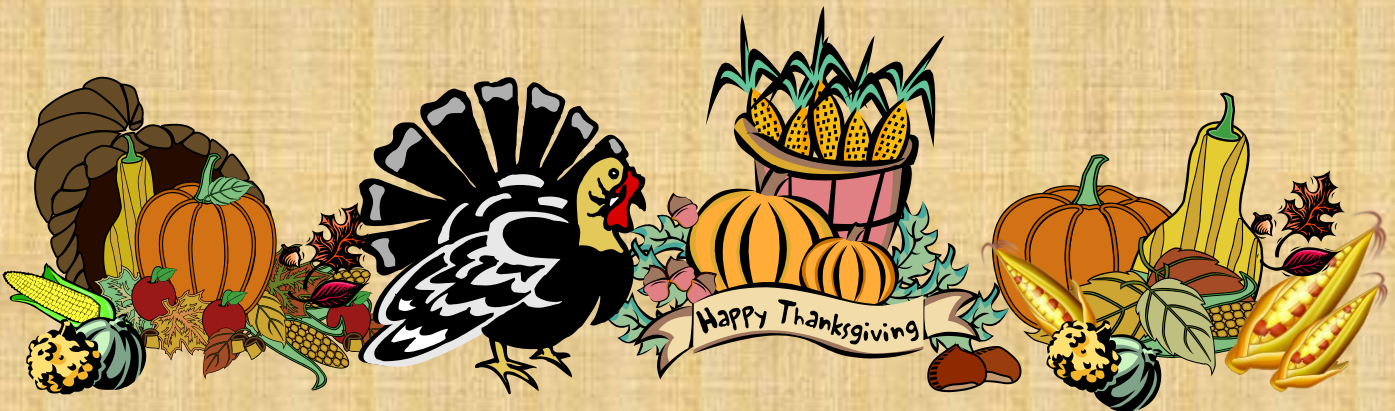
Geneseo Rotaract Club, has been accepted into the School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at the

State University of New York at Buffalo.

### facebook

PP **Sue Crilly** has created a **facebook** page for our Club and has agreed to be the Administrator.

There is a link to it on our website.







# Geneseo Rotarians & Volunteers at the Geneseo Valley Hunt Races October 8, 2011



Amy Wiener &  
PP Steve Wiener



PP Kurt Fletcher



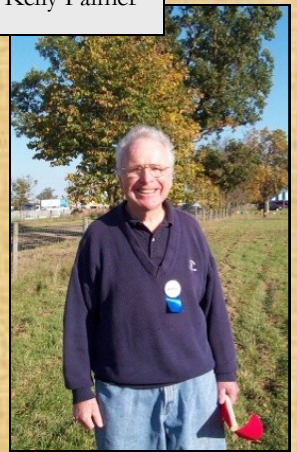
PP Bonnie Swanson & Kelly Palmer



Kennedy Abbott, Pres. Howard Stewart  
and Morgan Bailey



Bruce Godsave & Dee Johnson's  
daughter, Karen.



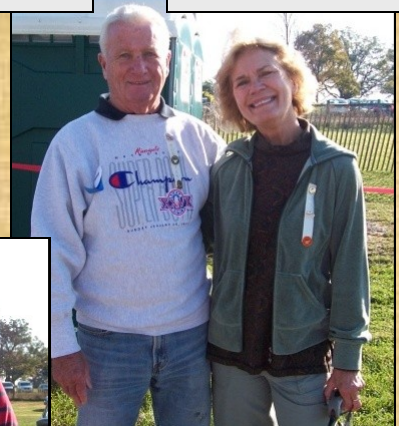
John Brill



Pat Call & Sherry Ruliffson



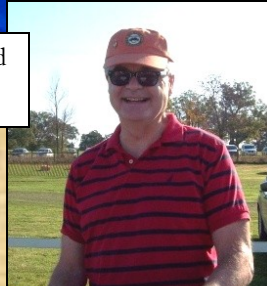
Pam Widmer and  
Ryan Bailey



PP Dick and Sally Gallivan



PP Art Hatton



PP John Lanpher

*Photos by  
Mary Kay  
Yanik*



**World Interact Week**

World Interact Week will be celebrated during the week of **30 October - 5 November** to commemorate the founding of the first Interact Club in 1962.

Kudos to **Dorothy Welch** for her culinary expertise at the Genesee Country Village & Museum Agricultural Society Fair which was held on October 1st & 2nd in Mumford.



Dorothy won First Place ribbons for her 1-2-3-4 Cake, Pickled Sickle Pears and Apple Pie.

She also won a Third Place ribbon for her Apple Cookies.



**Rotaract**  
**Service Project**



**A** windy, rainy morning on Saturday, October 15th did not deter **Devin Grau, Rachel Bardun and Meghan Gosline**, members of the Rotaract Club, from participating in the annual Genesee CARES Day. They were among the S.U.N.Y. Genesee students who assisted senior citizens in the Village of Genesee with jobs such as putting up storm windows, raking leaves, putting away patio furniture, washing windows, etc.



**Rachel Bardun**



**Devin Grau**



**Devin Grau**

After the event the College students enjoyed lunch at the Interfaith Center on Franklin Street.

Photos by  **Meghan Gosline**

*The Genesee CARES Day was organized by the College's Student Volunteer & Service Learning Center.*



PROGRAM REPORT

Curator of Collections Speaks at Club Meeting



Peter Wisbey and Dorothy Welch

Mr. Peter Wisbey, Curator of Collections at the Genesee Country Village and Museum in Mumford, was our program speaker on October 24th. He was invited to our meeting by Dorothy Welch.

Mr. Wisbey gave a PowerPoint presentation about the Village which was founded in 1966 by John (Jack) L. Wehle who wanted to preserve the craftsmanship of carpenters and home builders of the 19th Century. Mr. Wehle arranged to dismantle & transport buildings from around western New York to a site in Mumford where the buildings were

rebuilt, restored and furnished. There are currently 68 buildings at the Village ranging from a simple, one-room log cabin to a grand mansion, the Livingston-Backus house. In addition, there are many 19th Century businesses as well as public and religious buildings.

Mr. Wisbey related that Mr. Wehle was a collector of wildlife and sporting art. The John L. Wehle Art Gallery at the Village houses many fine paintings, prints and bronze sculptures that he accumulated over his lifetime. The Art Gallery was closed in 2011 for a \$2 million dollar renovation and is scheduled to reopen in 2012 totally redesigned as a modern, energy-efficient building.

Throughout the year, there are many special events scheduled at the Genesee Country Village and Museum. Beginning in March there are maple syrup making demonstrations; in summer there is a Civil War re-enactment and Fiddler's Fair; in fall there is an Agricultural Society Fair and Spirits of the Past tours and in December there is a Yuletide in the Country celebration, just to name a few.

The Genesee Country Nature Center, featuring woodlands, fields & wetlands, is adjacent to the Village and is open year-round with trails for hiking and snowshoeing.

Mr. Wisbey concluded his presentation by reading passages from a couple of 19th Century letters written by a teenage girl visiting the Genesee area.

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*Mr. Wisbey has a B.A. in History from St. Lawrence University, a M.A. in History Museum Studies at SUNY Oneonta and a M.A. In Early American Culture from the University of Delaware. (Source: Genesee Country Village & Museum)*

*Photo by M. Lyon*



### From the ABC's of Rotary...

In 1955 Rotary International President **A.Z. Baker** announced a theme "Develop Our Resources" to serve as Rotary's program of emphasis. Since that time every President has issued a theme for his year.

#### **Interact Club Service Project**

Members of the Interact Club at Geneseo Central School will be putting labels inside copies of *A Student's Dictionary* which arrived on October 27th. They will be distributed to the Third graders at Geneseo & York Central and Genesee Country Christian schools on November 2nd.



This Dictionary  
presented to:

by the  
Geneseo Rotary Club



#### **THE FOUR-WAY TEST:**

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?

#### Clyde Rotary Club Presents **Bill Gormont's Magic Show**

November 5th

7:00 pm

Clyde-Savannah  
High School  
Auditorium

Adults: \$8.00

Children: \$4.00



**Wes Kennison** attended our  
meeting on October 24th.

He is a prospective  
new member.



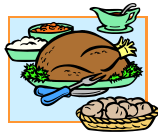


Hear ye, Hear ye!  
Upcoming December  
Club Events

**Food Basket  
Distribution**



**Holiday  
Dinner  
Dec. 12**



**Salvation  
Army Bell  
Ringing**



**Holiday Sing  
Friday 12/2, 6:00 pm**



PP David Parish has written an account of our Club's 86 year history which can be found on our website.

**Thank You Letter  
Received in October**

From the **Livingston-Wyoming Arc** for our support of the Ramon Rocha 5K Run/Walk.



**Chemung Rotary Club**

**"Holly Days"**

November 26, 2011

Noon to 5:00 pm

At the Historic Hanover Square, Horseheads

Craft vendors, great food, entertainment and Santa Claus!



**Upcoming Luncheon  
Honoring Veterans To  
Include W. W. I Songs**

According to PP **David Parish**, the Veterans luncheon on November 14th will feature songs, including K-K-K-Katy, from World War I.

Irondequoit Rotary Club

**27th Annual Pasta Dinner**

November 13th

1:00 pm—7:00 pm

Bishop Kearney High School

Adults: \$8.00,

Children under 10 are free



Interact Club International  
Service Project



Members of the Interact Club at Geneseo Central School are collecting used shoes for the Republic of Haiti. The collection box is in the front lobby at the High School.



**44th Annual Avon Rotary Auction**

November 5, 2011

9:00 am—2:00 pm

Avon Primary School Gym,  
Clinton Street



Over 300 items at bargain prices!!!  
Get an early start on your holiday shopping.

Rotarians & Bill Gates in Washington, D.C.

On World Polio Day, October 24, 2011, Rotarians and Bill Gates were on Capital Hill to affirm the joint commitment of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Rotary to make history by eradicating polio.

(Source: Rotary International News, October 2011).



(From left: Rotary Foundation Trustee Anne Matthews, General Secretary John Hewko, International PolioPlus Committee Member John Sever, Bill Gates and International PolioPlus Committee Member Jim Lacy. (Photo courtesy of Gates Foundation).