

District 7170 Newsletter



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Community Economic and Development Month

October 2023

Governor’s Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians,



Why is it that the fall is such a busy time in our Rotary world? Between service projects, fundraisers, welcoming our YE students and events such as World Mental Health Day and World Polio Day, it seems like we’re constantly on the go. Speaking of events, now is the time to get registered for our Foundation Luncheon on Sunday November 5th at the Foothills Performing Arts Center in Oneonta from 12:30 – 3:30pm. Zoe and the Foundation team have been hard at work to make this a fabulous event for all. To register click on the following link:

<https://rotarydistrict7170.org/event/foundation-brunch/>

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As October 10th approaches, I’m hoping each club can find a way to recognize World Mental Health Day. There are many things that we can do: share mental health support messages on social media, have a speaker at your club meeting, host a discussion group or simply reach out to someone you know who might be struggling. Let’s keep working towards stopping the stigma surrounding mental health.

Around the world, Rotarians recognize October 24th as World Polio Day. And for years, I’ve been donating to the Polio Plus campaign as a part of my contributions to the Rotary Foundation. But do you know what the “Plus” stands for? According to the RI website, “The ‘plus’ is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign. It might be a hand-operated tricycle or access to water. It might be additional medical treatment, bed nets, or soap. A 2010 study estimates that vitamin A drops given to children at the same time as the polio vaccine have prevented 1.25 million deaths by decreasing susceptibility to infectious diseases.”

Here's a little quiz to see what your Polio IQ is:

- What is the average cost to vaccinate a child?
- What Rotary Club started the Polio immunization campaign?
- What 2 countries continue to have wild polio virus cases?

I’ll donate \$1 to the Polio Plus campaign for each correct answer. Just send me an email and let me know how many you got correct. When you factor in the 2:1 match by the Gates Foundation, we can make progress towards eradicating Polio worldwide.

A reminder that Tuesday [October 3] is our monthly DG Chat from 4:30 – 5:30pm. Last month there were a lot of questions surrounding the District Grant process for CNY Rotary. I’ve invited PDG Don

CNY Rotary News

Leader for 2026-27

Could you be our CNY Rotary leader for 2026-27?

It is time once again for us to seek nominations for a President of CNY Rotary. Similar to how we found our President Nominee last spring, we'll open up nominations for one month and a candidate must be nominated by their club. But that doesn't mean you have to wait to see if your club asks you! If you are interested and qualified, you can approach your club's president to ask them to take your name to the board and help you complete the nomination form.

To qualify, you will have to have been in Rotary for seven years by the time you take office July 1, 2026. You also must have completed a year as a club president and be an active member in good standing. And you will want to be someone who thrives on meeting new people, enjoys sharing the inspiring word of Rotary, and likes traveling around our beautiful region.

Preparation for becoming President of CNY Rotary will start as soon as the candidate is confirmed with joining the leadership team and attending multiple trainings provided (and paid for) by Rotary International. There will be plenty of time to ramp up your Rotary IQ, work with the CNY Rotary team and hone your leadership skills.



[Click here](#) for details on the nominating process, including the nomination form and more details on the role. We will also ask you to submit a Rotary resume. **All nominations are due by October 31st** and interviews will be conducted in November via zoom.

Being a volunteer leader is a special role that requires more sacrifice but is richly rewarding. Whether it is you who is up for the challenge, or you know someone else who would be a great fit, now is the time to act. Thank you in advance to the candidates who come forward and to the nominating committee for their important work in this process!

Please follow [@CNYRotary on Facebook](#) (www.facebook.com/cnyrotary) and Instagram for the latest news and helpful tips. You can visit www.cnyrotary.org for more information and to connect with us!

- CNY Rotary Communications

(Please see a graphic at the end of this newsletter about upcoming meetings that are open for more participants.)

District News

WASH Global Grant

[Editor's note: Lana Rouff forwarded the message below to me. "This grant took a great deal of work and at times I didn't think it would happen, but our friends in Nairobi persevered and I am so happy for them. Lana"]

Dear Russ, Lana, and Esteemed Members of the Rotary Club of Nimmonsburg,

I hope this email finds you all in good health and high spirits. On behalf of our club, I am writing to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the remarkable achievement of having the AIC Child Care WASH Global Grant

approved. Your dedication, technical expertise, and unwavering commitment to fundraising and advisory role have played an instrumental role in making this accomplishment possible.

The approval of this grant stands as a testament to the outstanding teamwork, passion, and perseverance that you and your club members have demonstrated throughout the process. Your collaborative efforts have not only secured vital resources for the project but have also exemplified the true spirit of Rotary service.

The impact of the AIC Child Care WASH Global Grant will undoubtedly be far-reaching, improving the lives of countless individuals and communities by addressing essential water, sanitation, and hygiene needs. Your tireless efforts to take part in this cause will leave a lasting legacy of positive change and better living conditions to the Kajiado fraternity.

It is not often that we witness such dedication and determination coming together to create meaningful change. Russ, Lana, and all members of the Rotary Club of Nimmonsburg, your contributions have not gone unnoticed. Your commitment to the Rotary values of service above self has truly shone through, and you are an inspiration to Rotarians around the world.

As we celebrate this significant achievement, **let us also reflect on the incredible potential that lies ahead.** Your club's ability to collaborate, innovate, and drive positive impact is a testament to what can be accomplished when like-minded individuals come together with a shared purpose.

Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved success. May this approval be the first step toward a series of transformative projects that will continue to do together to uplift communities and make the world a better place. Thank you for your outstanding service and dedication to the Rotary mission.

Warmest regards,
Mercy Akumu,
The Kajiado WASH project Contact person.

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Film Screening

In support of RI President Gordon McInally's focus on mental health, District 7170 is hosting a showing of "Ernie & Joe: Crisis Cops," a documentary by Jenifer McShane (ernieandjoethefilm.com).

Cinemapolis, Ithaca's member-supported independent movie theater at 120 East Green St, is hosting the event starting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10th.

This event is free and open to the public.

There will be representatives outside the screening room, before and afterward, to answer questions and hand out literature.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Sandra Sorensen
Mental Health Association (MHA), Jenny Miller
Rotary, Heidi Goldstein, Evan Kurtz

-Evan Kurtz

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Climate Action Notes

Reduce ... Reduce ... Reduce

To date, these articles have been about ways you, as an individual, can help minimize the coming climate disaster; reduce consumption, educate yourself, join with other Rotarians on projects large and small, but what might you do to have an additional impact? Let me tell you what I did on Sunday, Sep 17th...

The “March to End Fossil Fuels”

That day I arrived at the Wegmans in Ithaca a 6 a.m. to join others for a bus trip to New York City where we join other protestors from many cities in New York State, the eastern US, and around the world. At the end of the day over 70,000 had walked 1.5 miles across Manhattan to rally on 1st Ave between 50th and 55th Streets, near UN headquarters. There, entertainers and activist, including Representative AOC, thanked us for being there and encouraged us to keep up the work. **These 70,000 people took to the streets of New York City on Sunday** to tell President Joe Biden to stop approving fossil fuel projects, phase down oil and gas drilling, declare a climate emergency, and provide a just and equitable transition off fossil fuels.



Evan waiting for things to start.

Sunday's march was all about people power. The march was led by New York grassroots organizations; Black, Indigenous, other communities of color, and frontline communities living next to oil and gas facilities and infrastructure across the world; youth, elders, workers, people of faith, and people of all backgrounds impacted by fossil fuels and climate disaster across the United States. The majority of protestors from Ithaca were associated with the ‘Extinction Rebellion’ while some others (myself included) represented the ‘Sierra Club’, ‘Third Act’, and ‘Citizen Action’.



The rally area was fenced in to keep the sidewalk open on the marchers in the street.

Massive rallies don’t happen often but there are regional and local events that you can join, support, and maybe even organize. The local Extinction Rebellion group has been protesting every Sat at 11:00 am on the Commons in downtown Ithaca across the street from Chase Bank to put pressure on Chase to stop financing the expansion of the fossil fuel industry.

The top four fossil fuel financing banks, JP Morgan Chase, Citi, Bank of America, and Wells Fargo all pay lip service to climate change initiatives but still finance fossil fuel expansion. When compared to the top 60 global banks, these four banks have contributed more than one quarter of the \$4.6 trillion in total financing for fossil fuels between 2016 and 2021. and educational meet up in Thompson Park, Ithaca. Consider taking your credit card banking elsewhere AND LET THEM KNOW WHY!

Everyone needs to take many actions as they can for years to come. Change your own life style, encourage friend and family to join you, pressure your elected officials to do what must be done, Currently humanity has all the technology and understanding of what needs to be done, yet we aren’t showing the...will to do it.

- Evan Kurtz

(See more links and information at the end of this newsletter.)

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My Rotary Story: Dryden Rotary, Cathy Wakeman

As firm believers in education, we routinely reminded our four boys of the many learning opportunities surrounding them. For high school, they could learn a trade through BOCES; earn their associate degree through College Now (concurrent enrollment at the local community college); have fun in high school, try all sorts of new things and save the serious academics for college; or travel the world.

Of course, with four boys, they took four different routes. When our third son, Bryan, announced in late August, just before his 15th birthday, that he'd like would like to study abroad for a year, I immediately thought of Rotary. I was not a Rotarian, but just knew from life experience that they offered an excellent youth exchange experience. A call to Dryden Rotary charter member Kim Schenck confirmed that the club indeed participated in youth exchange, hosting a student every year. The club had only sponsored one student 10 years prior, but they were willing to sponsor Bryan.

Through Bryan's decision, I met not only local Rotarians, but the amazing folks on the district youth exchange committee. Seeing their level of investment in training and supporting our young people on their exchange year prompted more involvement in our local club. We arranged for Bryan to Skype into a meeting from India so that club members could hear about his exchange firsthand. Back in 2013, that was still in the land of technological wonders.

Our former neighbor heard about Bryan's experience and wanted to apply for youth exchange. Her mom asked me all sorts of questions about youth exchange. What I didn't know, I found out, and before long, I was on our local youth exchange committee. Since then, Dryden still routinely hosts students from around the world, as well as sending students out. This year Ainsely will spend a year in Spain and Sabina will spend a year in Taiwan.

Staying connected with the school and getting to know families in our community has both broadened and deepened my relationships in the community, connecting with people I would not otherwise have a chance to know. As a club, we have invested in dozens of students and their families, promoting the values of Rotary, promoting peace, one student at a time.

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Club News

Bainbridge Rotary

The Rotary Club of Bainbridge hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive on September 23, 2023, in the Bainbridge Town Hall. Our goal was to register 20 donors, but we exceeded that number by three. Through the efforts of our Club, we received 23 products and helped to save 66 lives. We had seven first time donors, and there were three double red donations. Our next Red Cross Blood Drive will be in January 2024.

June White
Blood Drive Coordinator

- John Gliha

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Cortland Rotary

New Member

On September 20, the Cortland Breakfast Rotary inducted Corinne Hayes, sponsored by Conrad Janke.

Toys for Tots

On September 17, the Cortland Breakfast and Noon Rotary Clubs, along with two other Service Clubs, held a concert for Toys for Tots, and raise \$1500 for that organization.

- Conrad Janke

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Ithaca Sunrise Rotary

While we finished up our grant project at the Stewart Park children’s playground several months ago, Ithaca Sunrise Rotary still had some leftover stone dust to distribute. A load of wood fiber ground cover had also been purchased for the park and delivered near the playground.

Several volunteers from Ithaca Sunrise and the Friends of Stewart Park met to spread both materials underneath and around the perimeter of the playground.

Visit the [Rotary Club of Ithaca Sunrise](#) on Facebook for more pics!



Award!

On September 23, Ithaca Sunrise Rotary was presented with the Stewardship Award 2023 at the Party at the Park, hosted by Friends of Stewart Park. It reads, “Stewart Park’s Inclusive Playground has set a new standard for accessibility and play in Ithaca thanks to the generosity and energy of organizations like the Ithaca Sunrise Rotary. With the Sunrise Rotary’s financial support and volunteer participation a new pathway extension was constructed from the Carousel to the Park’s mail road, providing a new and accessible entry to the playground. FSP is grateful for this tremendous support of Stewart Park.”



It was a worthwhile and rewarding project and the club is grateful for the district’s support for the grant.

Mobile Pack

On Saturday, September 30, seven members of Ithaca Sunrise Rotary participated in the 2023 Ithaca Mobile Pack for Feed My Starving Children. During the two-hour session, we, along with five other individuals, packed 8 boxes containing 36 bags of dry food consisting of vitamins, dry veggies, dry soy, and uncooked rice. The whole assembly packed a total of 82 boxes, which translates into 17,712 meals that will feed 48 children per day for one year! Mobile Pack’s cost per meal is 29¢ and \$106 will pay for a year’s worth of meals for one child.



This is such a rewarding activity. And all the work is done, we just had to show up for a couple hours, receive some important instructions/reminders, and get to work! Visit <https://ithacamobilepack.org/> for more information about the meal formula, how to volunteer and how to donate so more meals can be purchased for packing.

-Christine Haase

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Nimmonsburg-Hillcrest Rotary

Rotary Bicycle Project

With the recent merger of the Hillcrest Club with Nimmonsburg Rotary, we started the year off with a Bicycle Project for the Wyoming Conference Childrens Home. The project was aimed at getting/repairing bikes, tricycles, and scooters for kids at the campus. The club teamed up with Chief Scot McDonald with [Port Dickinson Police](#) to make this project a reality. We have been given 13 bicycles. Repaired equipment will be used by students at the Home.



Thank you to the Public Works Department, Village of Port Dickinson, NY in your help with the delivery of the bicycles and to the [Nimmonsburg-Hillcrest Rotary](#) for making this project come to life. The combined effort of Chief Scot McDonald, and Rotarians Bob and Tiffany will put some smiles on many children's faces!



Thank you to all!!

District Grant



[During] our August 25 meeting, the Nimmonsburg-Hillcrest Rotary presented our District Community Grant of a Airtag WiFi Camera for intubation of critically ill patients to Chenago Ambulance Services in the Town of Chenango.

The grant was for approx. \$1,267.00. Present to receive the check for the clubs President, Russ Sanaeko are Sydnnet Tse, President of Chenango Ambulance and Michelle Elsmore, Captain.

- Alan Blythe

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Oneonta Rotary

Oneonta Rotary's Road Rally Scavenger Hunt, October 15

Clues, riddles, gorgeous scenery, and prizes that help other community organizations and the Oneonta Rotary Club—all on wheels! Form a team, pick a name, fill up your tanks, rev up your engines and join us on October 15 at Damaschke Field, Neahwa Park at 1 pm.

Winners will be judged on a combination of time, mileage, number of clues correctly answered, and group photos. Costumes and decorated cars are welcome! Winners will be announced at the club meeting on October 19, on the club Facebook Page and notified by email or phone. Winners will have a mini-grant donated in their honor to the local charitable organization of their choice from a selected list plus each winning team will chose an additional prize such as two tickets to the Classic Car Museum in Norwich, three months of free car washes at Hoffman's, gift certificates from Stewarts, a 20 piece rachet set and more. Proceeds benefit the Oneonta Rotary Club.

Registration Fee is \$25, 19 and older, \$10, 12-18; and under 12, free. Minimum of two responsible individuals/car. To pre-register and/or learn more, visit <https://forms.gle/UZuVfHmxfuMHShrE9>, scan the QR code or email info@oneontarotary.org Same day registration available. Hope to see you there!

- Lynne Sessions

(See poster with QR code at the back of this newsletter for more information.)

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Trumansburg Rotary

PDG Tom Overbaugh hasn't aged in decades, might it be the chicken fat from our BBQs? He is shown here "bobbing" for marinated chicken halves. He and Zoren Bullock are our masters of the grill.

Trumansburg Rotary's tried-and-true fundraiser happens once a month from April through October. We introduced a drive-through during the Covid years and it has worked so well we continue to do so. There is usually a steady stream of cars and [we] sellout within an hour.

If you hunger for "finger-lickin' good" chicken, look for us at the Atlas Bowling parking lot in Tburg [on] Saturday, October 14 around 11am for our last BBQ of the year - and don't be late!

- Frank Zgola



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Unadilla Rotary

The Rotary Club in Unadilla is pleased to be hosting a 15-year-old student from Uganda named Noble. He comes to us from Buddo, Uganda. He has 2 sisters, 1 brother and a foster sibling. Noble's father, Aloysious, is currently president of the Rotary Club of Rubaga in Kampala, Uganda.

[Nobel] has many different interests including music, swimming, volleyball, cycling and computers. He is taking English, US History, PIG, Economics, Teen Leadership, Guitar, and Robotics at Unatego Jr.-Sr. High School. With just 2 weeks into the school year, Noble has already become involved with the fall musical to be presented in November.

Barbara Lennon, our current club president, is pictured with Noble in one picture. The second picture [is of] several members of the Unadilla Rotary Club with Noble.

The Unadilla Rotary Club is pleased to be hosting the second African student in District 7170 after the resumption of youth exchange with select African countries.

- Christie Connor



The Last Page . . . for reference

Chat with the DG Track



Chat with the DG Track on the **1st Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm beginning in August—this month, October 3rd**. This is an opportunity for any Rotarian in District 7170 to ask questions and talk with members of our District leadership.

Visit the D7170 Events Calendar for the Zoom link: [Events | Rotary District 7170](#)



Is your Club Growing?

Let us know! Send new member(s) name, club joined, and sponsor to 7170newsletter@gmail.com.

Getting club events on our District Calendar is easy!



If your club uses ClubRunner: While creating the event post for your club's calendar, look toward the bottom of the page and you will see a radio button labeled 'Show Event in District Calendar?'. Select 'Yes' to make your event visible on the District calendar! **If your club does not use ClubRunner:** Send an email with all the pertinent information to 7170Calendar@gmail.com. Include title, date, times, location, costs, event description, and a point of contact. If a point of contact is not provided, the default will be the club president. It may be several days before this gets seen and posted, so please allow time.

And remember Social Media!

Do you have a large collection of photos to share? Send an email to Wendy Deis at wendygirl201@gmail.com to get them posted to the [D7170 website](#) and the [D7170 Facebook page](#) along with your story!

MONTH	ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES
Oct 2023	Community Economic and Development Month
Nov 2023	Rotary Foundation Month
Dec 2023	Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

Source: <https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/calendar>

Submission and publication schedule for this newsletter

Soft Deadline – Send content to 7170newsletter@gmail.com by the 15 th of the month if possible.	Hard deadline – By noon on the 3 rd to last day of the month to allow time for final editing.	Publication!
Sunday, October 15	Sunday, October 29	Wednesday, November 1, 2023
Wednesday, November 15	Tuesday, November 28	Friday, December 1, 2023
Friday, December 15	Friday, December 29	Monday, January 1, 2023



Published newsletters can be found on the D7170 website on this path after being posted online: <https://rotarydistrict7170.org/> → District 7170 ▼ → District Newsletters ▼

Are you a writer?

Do you like expressing yourself with the written word? *Did you attend or participate in a club or district event, face-to-face or virtually?* **TELL US ALL ABOUT IT!** Write up a report about it and send it to: 7170newsletter@gmail.com!

Here's what to include for a good story: **Who** is involved/invited? **What** is the event/activity? **When** did/will it happen? **Where** did/will the event/activity take place? **Why** did/will it happen? **How** did it happen? Other details? Other people to contact?

Remember to include **your name** and **your club** in the subject line! And attach **photos** if you got 'em! 😊

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Supplement: Flyers, Forms, Reports, etc.

Become a Charter Member of the District 7170 Polio Plus Society

Rotary International continues its commitment to keep its promise to see a world free from the polio virus and preventing all cases of paralysis caused by polio. Reaching that goal requires the continued dedication of all Rotarians and the necessary funds to keep up the difficult work. District 7170's Polio Plus Committee has set an "aspirational" goal of each club donating an amount equal to or greater than \$50/member to the Polio Plus campaign. **BUT WAIT – We have a great opportunity for you to do good in the world by becoming a charter member of the DISTRICT 7170 POLIO PLUS SOCIETY.** It's easy to become a member. All you need to do is complete the Polio Plus pledge form and send it to David Bensley our Polio Plus Chair as directed on the form. As a member of the Society, you pledge to donate a minimum of \$100 each year until the world is certified polio-free by the World Health Organization. Rotarians and their friends who join the Society will be honored with a special pin and certificate.

POLIO PLUS SOCIETY – BECOME A MEMBER NOW!



The PolioPlus Society

As a Rotarian and supporter of Polio Eradication, **Rotary's Number One Humanitarian Priority**, I wish to participate in the Countdown to History as a member of the

PolioPlus Society of District 7170

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus Fund of The Rotary Foundation as follows (select one):

_____ I have contributed \$100 to Polio Plus during the current Rotary year and pledge to contribute \$100 per year (minimum amount to become a society member)

_____ I have contributed \$100 to Polio Plus during the current Rotary year and pledge to contribute \$_____ per year to PolioPlus (more than \$100)

I pledge to help Rotary make history by continuing to contribute the above amount each year until the World Health Organization certifies that polio has been fully eradicated because ...

Until the world is polio-free, every child is at risk.

Society members will receive a PolioPlus Society membership pin, and certificate...and your contribution qualifies for Paul Harris Recognition Points credit.

To make your tax-deductible donation go to my.rotary.org/donate and click on "Polio Fund". You can choose a one-time donation of \$100 or more, or a recurring donation in the amount and frequency of your choice (We suggest \$10/month as the "easy way" to become a PolioPlus Society member.)

Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Email Address _____ Club Name _____

Please email form to **David Bensley your District PolioPlus Chair at yep7170@gmail.com** or mail to: 465 Earlville Road, Earlville, NY 13332. The Children of the world thank you for your commitment to the eradication of Polio. **Sign up today!**

You will receive a pin like the image above.



NORWICH ROTARY CLUB

38th Annual Blood Screening and Wellness Program

Saturday October 14th, 2023 6:30 – 10:00 AM
Norwich **YMCA** Community Room

COST = \$52.00 plus any optional tests listed below:

Please bring cash and 1 check or 2 checks, 1 for AMBA lab (\$42.00 + any optional test fees - they do not take cash) Norwich Rotary Club (\$10.00)

This screening is not covered by Medicare and most other insurance companies.

INCLUDED TESTS		
CORONARY DISEASE	KIDNEY DISEASE	DIABETES
Cholesterol	Blood Urea Nitrogen	Glucose
HDL Cholesterol	Creatinine	
Cholesterol/HDL ratio	Estimated GFR	
Triglycerides		
LDL Cholesterol	LIVER DISEASE	OTHER TESTS
ANEMIA	Albumin	Calcium
Red blood indices	Globulin	Chloride
(MCV, MCH, MCHC, RDW)	Albumin/Globulin ratio	Potassium
Hemoglobin	AST	Sodium
Hematocrit	ALT	Carbon Dioxide
Red Blood Cell Count	Total Bilirubin	
White Blood Cell Count	Total protein	
	Alkaline Phosphatase	

OPTIONAL TESTS

These Optional Tests require a separate script from your physician.

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- Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) \$26.00
- Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH) \$12.75
- Vitamin D-25 \$25.50
- Hemoglobin A1C \$12.50
- Insure Colon Rectal Kit \$21.00

To make an appt. Call **1-800-234-8888** Mon-Fri 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
(Please provide your Physician name and address at the time of the call)
Personal physician authorization is required

The Guardian

[Tens of thousands in NYC march against fossil fuels as AOC hails powerful](#)

Organizers estimated that between 50,000 and 75,000 people attended the march in Manhattan and had anticipated it would be the biggest climate march in the US in the past five years. The NYPD said it did not comment on crowd numbers.



NPR

[Thousands march in New York to demand that Biden ‘end fossil fuels’](#)

This time, protesters are marching with a specific message for President Biden: it’s time for the U.S. to move away from oil and gas.



AP News

[Tens of thousands march to kick off climate summit, demanding end to warming-](#)

That’s because leaders don’t want to acknowledge “the elephant in the room,” said Ugandan climate activist Vanessa Nakate. “The elephant is that fossil fuels are responsible for the crisis. We can’t eat coal. We can’t drink oil, and we can’t have any new fossil fuel investments.”



Axios

[Photos: Climate protesters in New York, across U.S., demand fossil fuels end](#)



Oneonta
Rotary
Club



Road Rally Scavenger Hunt

October 15, 2023 1:00-4:30 PM Rain or Shine

Damaschke Field Parking Lot Neahwa Park Oneonta, NY



Costumes and Decorated Cars Welcomed!

**Win a Mini-Grant for One of These
Community Organizations + Other Prizes!**

- CANO
- Family Services Association
- Friends of Recovery
- Huntingdon Library Youth Program
- Oneonta Concert Association
- Saturday's Bread
- Super Heroes With Ripped Jeans SPCA

*Mini-grants made possible with the support of the
Oneonta Rotary Fund*

Registration Fee

19 & over \$25
12-18 \$10
Under 12 free

*Minimum 2
responsible
individuals/car*

**Pre-register or
register same day
between 1-2 PM**

All cars must be on
the road by 2 PM and
cross the finish line
by 4:30 PM to be
eligible for prizes.

*Cash or
check payments only*

**Proceeds support
the work of the
Oneonta
Rotary Club**



**To pre-register: scan the QR code,
go to facebook.com/oneontarotary, or email info@oneontarotary.org**

Special thanks to Gary and Karen Laing and the Oneonta Outlaws

WANT TO HELP?

The first meetings of these planning groups are coming up!

We are starting the process of creating two new committees that none of the current districts have. We are building them from scratch, which requires people and imagination! Do you have talents to share?

Helping in the creative phase does not obligate you to serve on the committee.

EVENTS

Tues, Oct 10 @ 6pm

SERVICE

Friday, Oct 20 @ 9am

The first zoom meeting will be your chance to meet fellow committee members and map out a timeline for completing this important work.

To get the zoom link and join these working groups, reach out to President Elect Lizzy at rotarylizzy@gmail.com.



Multi-District PETS

Training for President Elects, Assistant Governors and members of Rotary Districts 7120, 7150, 7170 and 7190

SAVE THE DATES

Pre-PETS Virtual Sessions will be held on zoom at 7pm on these four dates:

Monday, Feb 5

Tues, Feb 13

Wed, Feb 21

Thurs, Feb 29

IN PERSON TRAINING WEEKEND

March 15-17, 2024

NEW LOCATION:
DOUBLETREE CARRIER CIRCLE, SYRACUSE



Find us on



Empire Multi-District PETS

www.rotaryempiremdpets.org

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100080243694482>

