

Fairport Rotary's Award-Winning Newsletter

# The Liftbridge

August 15, 2025 Edition 139



#### **President's Message**

I would like to let you all know that I will be absent from Rotary beginning next week. I am having surgery August 15. The surgery may keep me away for a period of time, a few weeks or more. I am feeling well going into surgery. So, I am hopeful for a good recovery. I will keep you posted.

Back to business...I invite you to explore our website and learn more about the incredible work we do. The website has been updated for the public as well as for members viewing. Thank you again Becky!

Get the most out of your Rotary club experience;

- Attend the meetings, participate in service projects as they come along, enjoy the opportunities for fellowship.
- Identify a need in our community and suggest a hands-on project to address it. Your ideas help to run this club.
- Take advantage of the resources and activities available through the Club, District, and Rotary International to make your experience with Rotary both rewarding and fun.

#### Outings offered:

August 4<sup>th</sup>, Camp Haccamo; we had a great turnout of 18 Rotarians and a few spouses. We had dinner among the campers, watched them enjoy music and dancing as well as their first night of campfire and song. Our Distinct Gov. Jim Crane was there and was presented with a Haccamo award. The grounds are impressive. We will plan on going back in a month or two.

On Saturday Aug 9<sup>th</sup> a few of us supported the Fairport Rehab and Nursing Center residents and the annual car show. We will be invited back to support the residents for other opportunities in the fall, for a music night, among other things. Great opportunities for people who enjoy seeing others and putting smiles on their faces.

Also, coming up is the 'One Rotary Summit- Rotary's Action Plan' September 6, 2025 in Avon. No charge to you. I encourage our members and especially committee directors and chairs, PR Membership, new members, to take advantage of the District Learning Event. Check the Rotary District 7120 website for registration.

With appreciation for your club support. 'Unite For Good' Marybeth

# Rotary Calendar

August 18 - Ciaran Hanna, State of the Town; @ Eagle Vale 6:15 (lasagna for dinner)

August 23 – Fairport MusicFest – a great volunteer opportunity – sign-up this Monday or contact Tom Wolanski if you'd like to help out in this community-wide event

August 24 - Fairport Rotary Family Picnic - see below

August 25 – Offsite - R Community Bikes visit – see below

Coming up in September:

September 12 – District 7120 Golf Outing, Naples NY

September 13 – Strollin' for the Colon; our Club is a Platinum Sponsor – more info next page

September 15 - Fairport Rotary Golf Outing, see flyer attached



The annual Fairport Rotary Family Picnic is fast upon us. We will not be in the traditional pavilion location this year. Instead, we will be at the tented picnic area attached to the back of the Perinton Community Center. This site has the advantages of being adjacent to the building with exclusive access to rest rooms and an air-conditioned meeting room, gas grill and convenient parking. Best of all: it overlooks the performance center, and those wishing to stay for the last concert of the year will have an excellent view.

A signup list will be circulated at Monday's meeting, and a list of attendees and guests is essential in order to obtain sufficient supplies. Please list what dish(es) you will bring along. Donations will be accepted at the event.

Cheers,

Dr. Mike, President-Elect





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#### Re-cycling Bikes for Rochester

No meeting on 25 August: the Fairport Rotary Club in conjunction with the Brighton Rotary Club will be visiting "R Community Bikes". R Community Bikes accepts donations of used bikes, refurbishes them and distributes them to needy individuals. The visit will be at 5:30 pm 25 Aug at 226 Hudson Street in Rochester. Pizza will be provided to all attendees. Anyone who wishes to donate used bikes in any condition are welcome to bring them along.

Thanks and Cheers, Dr. Mike





Longtime Fairport Rotary member and Past President **Ted Good** passed away suddenly in Jamestown, RI hospital from Acute Leukemia on August 6. From Indiana, Ted was in the Navy, Vietnam Veteran, met Sandy in Newport, have two daughters with families. A sharp dresser with his tweed jacket, brimmed hat and a great big smile, everyone loved having Ted around. With Dan Arbuckle's help, he built a men's lounge above the barn on West Avenue, which was the site of many get-togethers, especially after village events. He was charter member and the first President of the Potter Place Men's Club, along with Jim Brown and Lew Heisman. Ted's career as a Professional Boy Scouts led to many outings at Camp Massawepie of which Lew also enjoyed.

Sadly, **Bonnie Space**, Sam's wife, passed away a few weeks ago.

Of a more recent concern, our President **Marybeth Christensen**, has been battling colon cancer is undergoing surgery on this very day, probably as you're reading this. With your prayers and well wishes, she can overcome this disease and continue to be the leader we so enjoy and love. Your participation at the Strollin' for Colon Walk/run on September 15 (see below) is something little that you can do to support Marybeth in a big way. Fairport Rotary is a Platinum sponsor of this event, and we look forward to a good turnout on her behalf!



#### LET'S SUPPORT OUR PRESIDENT MARYBETH IN HER FIGHT AGAINST THIS CANCER!

According to the Colon Cancer Coalition, colon cancer is the 4th most common cancer in the U.S. and the 2nd leading cause of cancer deaths. Early detection can make all the difference!

Strollin' for the Colon is proud to hold Toni's Race for its 14th year. The event will be held again at Stewart Lodge in Mendon Ponds Park. As with past years there will be a USATF certified (NY23008KL) 5k race to be immediately followed by a 1-mile walk. Strollin' for the Colon is a non-profit organization with the mission to raise funds to support those who are fighting colorectal cancer. Proceeds from this event will go to patients and their families who have financial needs resulting from treatment, agencies that provide education about the importance of early screening for colon cancer, as well as offer seed funding for research to beat this disease.

Along with the race and walk there is a fun run and other activities for kids. There is fun, music, food and the opportunity to win great prizes! Also attending are physicians and vendors to provide information and answer any questions about colon cancer and any related topics.

#### Toni's Race 5k Walk/Run

**Saturday, September 13, 2025** | Stewart Lodge, Mendon Ponds Park 95 Douglas Rd. Pittsford, NY.

9:30am Race | Walk | Kids Fun Run to follow race

Food | Raffles | Live Music | Vendors

#### Register at

https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/HoneoyeFalls/ StrollinfortheColonTonisRace

## SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Once again, Perinton Food Shelf food drive was a huge success! I encourage you to send the list of requests to neighbors, coworkers, and book clubs in order to maximize our impact. If posting on social media, please use the tag #FairportRotary.

Andrea Jones

**TREASURER'S** 

Kudos to Fairport Rotary in their humanitarian effort of installing a soccer goal at Evergreen East. Check out this link with pics of so many happy faces!



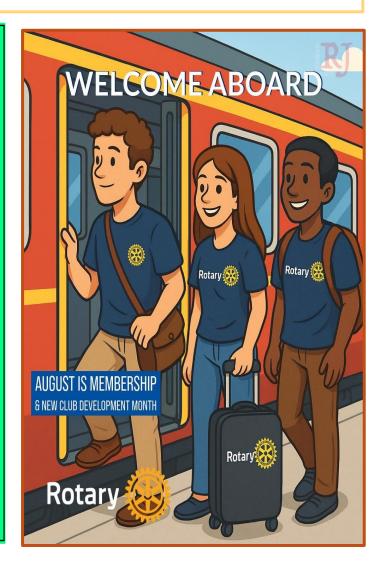
Vin Barone https://townofperinton.smugmug.com/Evergreen-East-Soccer-Goal-2025/n-B5Lpfj



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- 420 Dues		15,20		
- 430 Happy D	Oollars	80		
- 440 50-50 In	come	80		
- 450 Misc. Inc	come	10		
- 460 Golf Out	ing	4,10		
- 470 Initiation	Fee	6		
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- 510 Auction	Income	10,00		
- 530 Pasta Di	nner	7,70		
- 540 Savor Ti	cket Sales	21,00		
- 541 Sponsor	ships	9,00		
- 580 Misc Inc	ome	50		
- 590 District 0	Grant	2,00		
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- 801 Account	ing	35		
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- 810 Dist Cor	ference	1,25		
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- 820 Meal Ex	pense	29,10		
- 825 Meal VIF	Guest	50		
- 830 Meal Un	funded	60		
- 840 PETS Tr	aining	32		
- 842 Supplies	Officer	45		
- 844 Program	Expense	90		
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- 862 Golf Out		4,10		
- 850 R I Dues		6,30		
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- 870 Online/V				
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Fund Raising Expense	54,050
Community	
903 Fairport Foundation	1,000
906 Golf Cart Rental	450
909 Fairport Museum	250
910 Charitable Giving	10,000
911 Perinton food Shelf	500
920 Haccamo	5,700
921 Literacy	1,800
922 Learning Links	1,000
923 Halloween Parade	400
924 Scarecrow	200
925 Challenger BB	1,000
926 Troop 26 BSA	500
928 Scholarship	3,150
931 District Grant	5,000
Event Ex	
970 Savor Expense	14,000
975 Pasta Dinner Expense	2,800
976 Misc Expense	1,000
International	
940 Books for the World	500
941 Malawi Village	1,000
942 Paul Harris Award	2,000
945 Polio Plus	500
New Generations	
951 RYLA	750
954 Little League	550





Sargent of Arms member Hunter Fuerbacher called the **August 11, 2025** meeting of the Fairport Rotary Club at 6:15. Treasurer Terry collected the dinner charge with Becky encouraging all to purchase the winning 50/50 tickets from her! Brad led us in the pledge with Bob Cantwell speaking from his heart delivered an inspirational message around his father who was a music teacher in the Utica school district who passed this April at the age of 100. Bob heard from so many of his father's student how his father had inspired them and their musical careers. One is a trombone professor at Eastman.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MaryBeth announced that she and Becky reviewed our website and updated it. Some new areas to check out so please visit soon! FairportRotary.com. Also included is a new Member Rooster.

District 7120 Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, Sept 17 at Reservoir Creek in Naples. Registrati9n at 11:00, tee off at noon. Please see the Grapevine and District 7120 website for more information.

Enhanced Knowledge Workshop will be held Sept 6, 8:00to 12:30 in Avon High School, 245 Clinton St, please let MaryBeth know if you are attending for a head count. Great opportunity for learning, especially for newer members.

Birthday recognition for Bill Stevens, Andrew, Kareen, John Baynes. Anniversary's: Tom Wolanski 44 years, Bob Linder 64 years, Becky 45 years.

Strolling for Colon which we are sponsors of is Sept 13. Mendon Ponds Park. Looking for volunteers to stroll and help during the event. <a href="www.strollinforthecolan.org">www.strollinforthecolan.org</a>

Camp Haccamo visit last week was well attended with us enjoying dinner with the 72 campers, 19 to 30 years old who enjoyed music, dancing and singing, campfire and zip line activities..

August 29: District Governor Jim Crane will address the club on Rotary International's theme and goals for 25-26 year.

#### Rotary Anniversaries:

Tom Povlock. 2 years, Brandon 8 years, Lyons National Bank - Mark DeBacco- 5 years

Ed Johnston shared flyers and information on the 4th annual Pete Lovier Memorial Golf Scramble, Monday, Sept 15 at Sycamore Golf Club, 1148 Wayneport Rd., Macedon. Come for golf and dinner or join for dinner. Members from Cobblestone will join us also. Sign up by Sept 4. Tee times begin at noon. \$50 for golf and \$45 for dinner. Please make checks to Fairport Rotary Club. Contact Ed and Mark with questions.

Heinrich reminded us that the annual Pasta Dinner will be held October. There will be a planning meeting on Aug18 at 5:25. all are invited to attend! Eagle Vale. Tom Weldgen has tickets printed. We will need all hands-on deck with preparation and the day of the event to fill in the time slots.

Mike asked the Literacy committee members please plan to sit together for dinner discussion on Aug 18. Aug 25 will be off site at R Bikes with pizza for the meal. Please bring \$15. cash for dinner. Sign up for the family picnic which is Sunday August 24 3:30 PM on the top level behind the Perinton Fitness Center. All are asked to bring a dish to pass. It is the last concert of the season. RFE is going to Nova Scotia this October. Interested persons should contact Mike.

Mark F. Bonnie Space passed last month

Cindy: Children's books are needed for the bookshelves along the canal.

Lew: Remarks around the life of Ted Good

DINNER: Garden salad and dressing, rolls, Sliced ham, scalloped potatoes, seasonal vegetables, water, coffee

#### PROGRAM:

MaryBeth introduced Just Solutions team of Paula Bruno and Ann Greenfield. Ann's father was a Fairport Rotary member and local physician. They presented on "Emergency Individual & Family Preparedness Plan." In cases of a disaster, accident, weather related event, fire/flood or death, this information will be critical and invaluable to have all together in a place where you can grab it on your way out of the door of your home. Also please designate a spot at least 100 yards outside your home for all family members to go in case of fire/emergency. Ann recommends that the contents of the container are updated annually.. Insurance policies, tax returns, list of medications. Container contents should include, Will's, Power of Attorney, Living Will, Medical directives, copy of driver's license, passport, Deeds, titles. Insurance policies (Health, Life, Car, Homeowners, Motorcycle, Boat, RV, Jewelry) including policy numbers, contact information and phone numbers. Copy of front and back of insurance cards. Pictures of collections, vehicles, rooms in your home. Thumb drive or hard copy. Military Discharge information, cemetery plot information, list of firearms with them locked in a gun safe. Licenses, Permits for Firearms. Drs and Dentist contact info, Bank account numbers, investment contact info, attorney contact info, accountant contact info, list of all credit cards with info on each Social Security card. Stocks, bonds, Mutual funds. Computer thumb drive back up updating the 1st day of the month. Password information, list of all contacts, social media account information. Past seven years income tax copy. Separate zippered pouch for valuable jewelry that can be quickly added to large travel bag, list of subscriptions, coins, medals, Copies of family favorite recipes, family photo's Veterinary contact information. Keys identified.

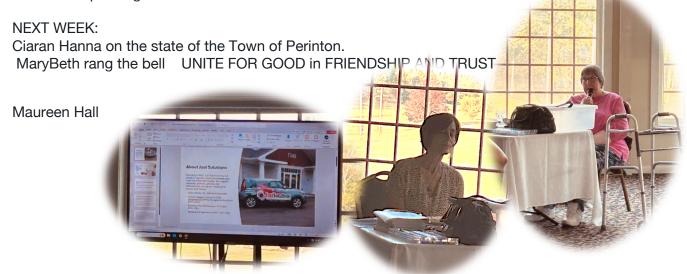
#### **HAPPY DOLLARS:**

Hunter passed around the collection box and received bits of happiness for MaryBeth who is happy her surgery date has arrived, Friday the 15th

Tom Wolanski on his 44-anniversary spent with family at Keuka Lake and to his delight Leah delivered her first child, a boy, Vincent on that day! Mike had a getaway to Niagara on the Lake with his bride.

#### 50-50

With \$10 in the small pot and \$162 in the large, Dave Scheirer had the correct number, took the \$10 and left the pot to grow.



#### **HACCAMO**

### Dinner and Tour August 4, 2025

The auto ride from Fairport to Camp Haccamo (Handicapped Children's Camp of Monroe County), located on Rochester Rotary's Sunshine Camp in Rush, NY, has many variants, most of which are sufficiently winding and rural as to put the passenger in the mood for a near other-worldly experience.

Nineteen Fairport Rotarians and companions forgathered outside Sunshine Camp's entrance courtyard to catch up with one another and meet other guests for the evening.

Dinner, served on an industrial scale – but with table service, was surprisingly tasty: mac and cheese, chicken with sweet and sour sauce, salad followed by husky cookies. Fairport's table was perched on a raised section along a wall of a very large space that served – serially or simultaneously, as dining room, auditorium and dance floor. Dolly was our primary server.

Several tables were reserved for other guest groups, but most were filled with campers and staff.

As plates were cleared away pounding strains of music could be heard. More captivating was what we saw – clusters of campers swaying and stretching in sync with the tune -- no tight twists or fancy footwork for large muscle control reigned supreme. Tying together the disparate and disjointed movements, however, was the spontaneous joy of the participants.

Both walking and riding tours of the 157-acre preserve were on order. Your correspondent rode with Dolly while hikers traipsed after Neal. Riders followed curving wooded trails; major points included two climbing walls, a zip line and The Treehouse – complete with crooked windows!

The hikers ended up at the train – moved from Haccamo's prior home tucked behind Panorama Plaza. (Dolly informed us that whereas the train functioned, the last car always seemed to derail when traversing a curve.) Information is that the hikers spent a LOT of time at the train.

For some the evening was an introduction to the suburban Rotary-sponsored camp for handicapped children; for others it was refresher. For everyone, it was wonderful!

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There was no 50-50.

George Wolf







September 15



#### **GOLFERS**

First Tee Time – Noon at Sycamore Golf Club Staggered tee times until all have teed off!



#### **NON-GOLFERS**

Join everyone for dinner at 6:00 pm at Sycamore Golf Club, 1148 Wayneport Rd. Macedon

\$50 golf, \$45 dinner = \$95 for both

\$45 if attending dinner only

RSVP by **September 4** to Mark DeBacco <u>mdebacco@bankwithlnb.com</u> or Ed Johnston <u>ejohnstonjr@rochester.rr.com</u>. Form below and money should be handed to or mailed to **Mark DeBacco**, 1307 Nature Trail Circle, Webster, NY 14580. Look for 50-50 raffle tickets - proceeds to be donated to Rotary Foundation in memory of Pete Lovier.

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Name Phone	
□ I plan to play in this entertaining golf event on Monday, September 15 at Sycamore G	olf Club.
☐ I do not have a foursome. Please choose my foursome for me.	
☐ I already have a foursome with	
, and	\$50.00
☐ I plan to attend the dinner and would like ONE of the following:	
□ Chicken □ Steak	\$45.00
TOTAL ENCLOSED (to be mailed or given to Mark DeBacco) \$_	
Checks make payable to Fairport Rotary Club. You MUST order dinner in advance, but for dinner can be done at the event. No shows will be charged for dinners ordered. RSVP	



FRIDAY
AUG 22, 2025
Festival Friday
Starts at 5:00pm

SATURDAY AUG 23, 2025 60 Bands Across Fairport Starts at 12:00pm

Fairport Rotarians have been asked to help with traffic on Liftbridge Lane East, allowing only bands and pizza deliveries through. Contact Tom Wolanski if you'd like to help out our community, and he'll give you an assignment!



## DON'T FORGET TO BRING SOME SOCKS TO OUR NEXT MEETING!

### **Socks for Veterans**

Rotary District 7120 Diversity, Equity & Inclusion are collecting socks to donate to the American Red Cross. Every Year the American Red Cross Services to Armed Forces Team donates socks to veterans at the veteran Stand Down.

2025 STAND DOWN & JOB FAIR
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
11 A.M. - 2 P.M.
CITY OF ROCHESTER PUBLIC MARKET
280 UNION STREET N.
ROCHESTER, NY 14609

Last Day to pick socks from Rotary Clubs:
August 22, 2025.

Long Black Socks and short colorful socks are needed.

To schedule for me to pick up socks from your club.

Please text: 585-414-9164 /

Email: wmartinezjohncox@gmail.com

