

Fairport Rotary Club  
**THE LIFTBRIDGE**  
November 30, 2021  
Edition 50



# DECEMBER IS



## DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

"Diseases can rarely be eliminated through early diagnosis or good treatment, but prevention can eliminate disease."

Denis Parsons Burkitt

### Birthdays:

Brandon S – December 1  
Steve H – December 3  
Heinrich F – December 8  
Pieter S – December 27  
Paige W – December 22  
Bob L – December 31

### Anniversaries:

Warren & Pat K – December 19  
George & Holly W – December 27  
Doug & Jean W – December 28  
Heinrich & Alyx F – December 30

## December Calendar

- 6<sup>th</sup> - Pirate Toy Fund, Nicole Simonetti @ EagleVale  
Roast Pork Tenderloin
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Erie Canal Adventures, Allie Keenan & EagleVale  
Pasta Bolognese
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Stone Soup/Holiday Fellowship Event@ Georgetown Commons  
Dining on more than just soup - bring a dish to share!
- 27<sup>th</sup> - No Meeting

### Elsewhere

- 8<sup>th</sup> - Rochester Rotary Club Joint Luncheon @ Riverside Convention  
Speakers County Executive Adam Bello and Mayor-Elect Malik Evans

Tickets needed in advance at:

<https://www.rochesterrotary.org/event/rddc-joint-luncheon/>



President John Hall took a little fall while visiting his son, just days before Thanksgiving (tough way to get out of cooking the turkey!) Anyhow, he may have torn his quad tendon and patella ligaments. MRI tomorrow will determine the extent of his injuries. Looks like golf is out of the question for a while. Meanwhile, Maureen is to undergo elective surgery next week. Stay tuned for further updates and what we Rotarians can do to help them out. Keep both of them in your thoughts and prayers.



The two shelters are done and have been delivered to their permanent location at Peace Village in the City of Rochester. Mark recently shared with you all a link to the video he produced – nice job Mark – but below is another link through the eyes of a bystander witnessing this awe-inspiring endeavor. Thanks to all those Rotarians who showed Service Above Self, Serve to Change Lives, and made this possible. Big kudos to Tom VanBuskirk and Ed Johnston for their relentless commitment to seeing this project through. Job well done!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JHwvWYby9bc>

### Food Shelf Needs for Christmas Baskets

Items needed for Christmas food baskets are: canned broth, canned sweet potatoes, canned cranberry sauce, canned pumpkin, canned evaporated milk, canned gravy, canned olives, pickles, napkins, aluminum foil, or an aluminum roasting pan. These are the most needed items for the food baskets, but they will take any non-perishables. Feel free to purchase some holiday chocolate, holiday paper products or other fun stuff – they will gladly accept it!

Bring to Rotary on December 6<sup>th</sup> and look for Bob and Cindy's car to unload!

Cindy Hunt





# O LITTLE TOWN OF FAIRPORT



## Come Home for the Holidays Activities

### Saturday, December 4 - 11am-5pm

- Outdoor Christmas Market - Vendors will be set-up in 2 locations – Kennelly Park (Gazebo location in Fairport) and Fairport's new event space – Liftbridge Lane West. There will be entertainment and activities in both locations sprinkled throughout the day.

### Saturday, December 4 - 2-6pm

- Horse drawn wagon rides from 2-6pm - the loading and unloading will take place at Liftbridge Lane West - the wagon will travel route will be along Lift Bridge Lane West.
- Free cookies @ 3pm - for as long as they last at both Liftbridge Lane West and Kennelly Park locations.
- Santa will arrive by firetruck at 4pm, pausing to light the tree at Lift Bridge Lane West, then travel on to Kennelly Park where he will greet children. The tree at Kennelly Park will be lit at 5pm. Fairport Fire Dept Band will accompany Santa and lead us in song.

### Sunday, December 5 - Noon-5pm

- Outdoor Christmas Market - Vendors will be set-up in 2 locations – Kennelly Park (Gazebo location in Fairport) and Fairport's new event space – Liftbridge Lane West. There will be entertainment and activities in both locations sprinkled throughout the day.

## Fairport Pop-Up Indoor Christmas Market

In the lower level of Fairport Village Landing! The market will be open these dates and times:

- Thursday, December 9 - 4-8pm
- Friday-Sunday, December 10, 11 & 12 - 11am-5pm
- Thursday, December 16 - 4-8pm
- Friday-Sunday, December 17, 18 & 19 - 11am-5pm
- Wednesday & Thursday, December 22-23 - 4-8pm

## Going on Elsewhere

Take a 20-minute, mile-long drive through the Rochester Rotary's Sunshine Campus, featuring hundreds of holiday lights synchronized to a radio station, and support the Sunshine Campus. More info and prior ticket purchase available at

<https://boldmedia.ticketspice.com/rochester-holiday-light-show?registrants.actionTrigger=SunshineCamp>



## LiftBridge for Nov. 22, 2021

In President John's absence, Past President Mark gaveled the meeting to order. Pat George led the pledge and Becky Wilson offered the invocation.

President Mark announced that the shelter boxes we've been building for The House of Mercy are complete and about to be delivered. A huge thank you and round of applause went to all those who worked on the project, but most especially to the long hours and ingenuity of Tom Van Buskirk and Ed Johnston.

Heinrich Fischer announced that the final net income on our Pasta Dinner was just a tad under \$5,000.

Happy Dollars were contributed by:

Dom Cecconi - new job at Wahl Media; Mark DeBacco - daughter now a practical nurse; Andrew Spreter - now engaged!; Pat George - new granddaughter; Heinrich Fischer - daughter's Bones Dog Bakery featured in 585 Magazine; Ron Roberts - Braves win World Series; Brandon Scribner - fishing trip with son in the ADK.

Cindy Hunt introduced Vicki Profitt, president of the Perinton Historical Society and Director of the Fairport Museum.

Vicki told us that the Historical Society began in 1935 when ten women, including first Perinton Town Historian Charlotte Clapp, decided something should be done to save local history. They recruited other volunteers and began collecting information on the town. The first physical location for the Museum and the Society didn't come until 1961 when a room was made available in the Crosman Community Center in the Village.

In 1978, the Fairport Public Library, which had been in a building at 18 Perrin Street since 1938, moved to its current location in the Village Landing. A year later, the Perinton Historical Society moved into the Perrin Street spot and, in 2019, the site was named a National Landmark.

In her presentation, Vicki showed us the impressive Carl Peters mural that is a centerpiece of the interior and told us how the Greenbrier Garden Club has maintained the backyard gardens for some 40 years.

People visit the museum to research family history, their homes, and often to look at the array of Fairport High School yearbooks dating back to 1926.



The museum is used for school visits -- some 500 fourth graders attend every spring -- as well as scout programs, a meeting place, community events. The Society also runs an annual homes tour and cemetery tours, although the latter is no longer an on-site event.

Other than Vicki, the Society and Museum is run entirely by volunteers. Funding comes from the dues of the 440 members, plus gift shop sales, donations, grants, estate benefits, etc. The annual Yuletide Traditions Silent Auction of baskets is underway now.

For more information, access [www.PerintonHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.PerintonHistoricalSociety.org).

The 50-50 pot of \$11 went to Cindy Hunt, who left \$111 in the big pot for another day.

Ron C. Roberts

## Fairport Rotary Club Celebrated!

# 95

YEARS

ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION





November 15, 2021

## HAPPY 95<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY—FAIRPORT ROTARY

Thanks to Past President Mark and Nancy Ragus, a celebration at Casa Larga was enjoyed by Fairport Rotarians and guests, including our District Governor, Janet Tenreiro.

The evening opened with a cocktail hour followed by a Fuebacher production of an oral history of Fairport Rotary—so very well done. Thank you Mark for setting the mood.

President John then rang us in for announcements, the Pledge to the Flag, and an invocation.

We then witnessed the installation of our new member, Brad Allen, a Brighton High School physics teacher. Welcome Brad.

The announcements concluded with Tom Weldgen being recognized as a Rotary Foundation Major Donation. Tom certainly practices what he preaches as our Club's Foundation Director.

The dinner buffet then opened and it was delicious with fresh fruit, pasta salad, chicken French, and carved roast beef. Dessert was a mousse tort.

Following dinner, we were treated with the magical and comical talents of Sky Sands. Sky wowed the crowd with his magic tricks and had us laughing out loud at his very clean material.

What a wonderful evening.

President John sent us home and we thanked Mark and Nancy.

Lew Heisman.

