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The newsletter of the Rotary Club of Clifton Springs, NY

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The Rotary Club of Clifton Springs is a dynamic service organization reflecting the growing diversity of our community while engaging in local and international initiatives for the betterment of people's lives.

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Clifton Springs Rotary Club
Chartered June 29, 1933

Officers 2025-2026

President: Mary dePorter
President Elect:
Don Shaw
Vice President:
Stefanie Smaldone
Secretary: Theresa Dorgan
Treasurer: Hugh Kane
Past President: Mary dePorter

Directors 2024-2026

Doris Hunter, Nick Ganster

Directors 2025-2027

Kris Blair, Stefanie Smaldone

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District 7120

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) **Paul Harris Nomination Forms** have been distributed. We are able to present up to three Paul Harris' at our changeover event in June. All club members can nominate a worthy citizen for Paul Harris recognition. The submission deadline for nominations is Mar. 17.
- 2) The following **club officer positions** are open for 2026-2027: Vice-president (to serve as club president in 2028-2029); Director for a one year term—2026-2027; Director for a two year term - 2026-2028. If interested, or if you would like to know more about the duties and responsibilities of these positions, please contact President Mary, or any current club officer. Rotary leadership is extraordinarily rewarding and well worth your investment of time and energy.
- 3) The **Easter Bunny** will be delivering baskets for Rotary again this year. More details to come.
- 4) The board of directors has decided to go back to a basic **50/50** drawing at our meetings. Since we currently have a \$56 balance in the "Big Pot" we will be doing a special "**Pot of Gold**" drawing for these funds during our meeting on St. Patrick's day, March 17.



RECAP OF MEETING OF 17 FEBRUARY

ATTENDANCE: 7 + Kris Blair online. **GUEST:** Paula Goodell-Laursan, our speaker. **50/50:** Paula. "Back to Club". Thank you Paula!

PROGRAM: Paula told us about the Rochester based "Cornerstone Group" which owns and rents both the Spa Apartments and the Foster Block in Clifton Springs. Since 1990 the Cornerstone Group has created or preserved more than 3,000 units of affordable housing throughout upstate New York. These projects serve a wide range of people, including families, the elderly, individuals with mobility impairments or people with developmental disabilities. In Clifton Springs the Spa Apartments has 109 units for individuals over age 62. The Foster Block has 44 units which are designated to facilitate the housing needs of moderate to low income individuals and families. Thanks to Paula for a very informative program.



UPCOMING ROTARY PROGRAMS AND EVENTS. PLEASE JOIN US.

DATE & PLACE	ACTIVITY/PRESENTER	TOPIC
Mar. 3 Rotary Room CS Hospital - Noon	Phelps Community Center (PCC)	We will learn about the programs, activities, and events offered by the PCC
Mar. 17 Rotary Room CS Hospital - Noon	President elect Don Shaw	A report on the recent President elect Learning Seminar. We will also do a Q/A about how we can kick things up a notch to get those active member numbers up.
Mar. 31 TBA	Fifth Tuesday	TBA

FEB. ANNIVERSARY

2-22 Mary dePorter

FEB. BIRTHDAYS

2-4 Karl DuBash

2-22 Mary dePorter



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CLIFTON SPRINGS ROTARY CALENDAR AND MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES THROUGH JUNE 2026

(Subject to Change)



Rotary 2025-26				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event or Program Chair</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Pan Handler</u>	<u>Reflection</u>
03-03-2026	Janie Burgess/PCC	Theresa Dorgan	Don Shaw	Linda Frank
03-10-2026	Board Meeting			
03-17-2026	Don Shaw	Nick Ganster	Danielle Tilden	Janie Burgess/PCC
03-31-2026	5th Tuesday			
04-07-2026	Club Assembly	Vivian Ryan	Nub Allen	Tony Bianchi
04-14-2026	Board Meeting			
04-21-2026	Interact Visit	Don Shaw	Scott MacDonell	Jeff Criblear
05-05-2026	Nick Ganster	Hugh Kane	Tony Bianchi	Theresa Dorgan
05-12-2026	Board Meeting			
05-19-2026	Kris Blair	Danielle Tilden	Janie Burgess/PCC	Stefanie Smaldone
06-02-2026	Tony Bianchi	Theresa Dorgan	Kristine Beniamino-Scherer	Doris Hunter
06-09-2026	Board Meeting			
06-16-2026	Stefanie Smaldone	Jeff Criblear	Hugh Kane	Scott MacDonell
06-30-2026	Changeover Event			

WHAT'S GOING ON IN OUR DISTRICT!



Rotary District 7120
Second Annual

Polar Bear Plunge
Fundraiser

Hosted by rotary youth exchange | Rotaract District 7120

April 12, 2026
@ Noon
at the Beachcomber Conesus Lake

rotariyyouthexchange7120@gmail.com

REGISTER TODAY!

SCAN ME

SAVE-THE-DATE

WHAT: District Learning Assembly

WHEN: Saturday, April 11, 2026, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Waterloo High School
Waterloo, NY

WHY: To help prepare your club for increased impact, greater attraction and more enhanced member experience

Not too early to mark your calendars

All are invited:
Club Officers/Leaders, Club Board of Directors,
Club Committee Chairs & members,
new and current members. Also, prospective members.

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District 7120 Conference
May 1-3, 2026

Holiday Valley

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