



The Sulphur Smell

The newsletter of the Rotary Club of Clifton Springs-Phelps, NY

The Rotary Club of Clifton Springs-Phelps 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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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH IN THE ROTARY WORLD

- 1 One of our key community service partners, **FLACRA**, is hosting their **gala, Transformation Through Connection**, this Thursday, the 22nd at Club 86 in Geneva. See p. 2.
- 2 **November 3rd, the Boy Scouts** will share info about their activity for a **memorial for Mary Beers**.
- 3 The annual **Interact Roller Skating parties** at Midlakes elementary school will be on **November 16, 17, and 18** from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and we will **need volunteers** to sell tickets.
- 4 **Please bring a bag of candy** to the Tuesday meeting if you can for **Trunk or Treat** on 30 October from 6-8pm.

Checkout all our **October events** on our website: <https://csp-rotary.org/calendar-month.html?m=2026-10>

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE AT VICTOR JUNIOR HIGH - 17 OCTOBER



Melony attended RLI and had some great conversations on details for starting a Flag program for service and fundraising, supporting a District Mental Health Committee Interact art contest, and a medical service project in Guatemala! The six Level 1 learning sessions included:

- **My Rotary World** – you are the center and it's up to you to determine how big your world will be
- **The Rotary Foundation** – we learned about the Rotary Foundation contribution buckets and played a game with real money to see how the money flows between buckets and has impact
- **Ethics and Vocational Service** – we expanded on "Doing the right thing is always the right thing to do"
- **Creating Service Projects** – importance of ID'ing a need and developing elements of a business plan
- **Engaging Members** – getting to know your members and getting them involved in committees and projects
- **Leadership** – key leadership styles and "A leader knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way"

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS — PLEASE JOIN US

Date & Place	Activity / Presenter	Topic
Oct. 20 Rotary Room, CS Hospital · Noon	Darcy DiPane and Micah Sherman	The proprietors of the Yorkshire Inn will tell us about the inn and their plans.
Nov. 3 Rotary Room, CS Hospital · Noon	Kate Springer Boy Scouts	As the Wellness Coordinator at the PCC Fitness Center, Kate will tell us about the center and current programs.
Nov. 17 Rotary Room, CS Hospital · Noon	Ron Nieskes	TBD



Birthdays



Rotary Anniversary



Oct. Anniversary

- ◆ **10-1** Kristine Beniamino-Scherer
- ◆ **10-8** Kris Blair
- ◆ **10-11** Three Bollinger
- ◆ **10-23** Hugh Kane

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MEETING CALENDAR & RESPONSIBILITIES — ROTARY 2026–27

Subject to change

Date	Program Chair	Greeter	Pan Handler	Reflection
Oct 20	Kristine Beniamino-Scherer	Brandy Stephens	Ron Nieskes	Lori Reals
Nov 3	Janie Burgess	Stefanie Smaldone	Kris Blair	Three Bollinger
Nov 17	Ron Nieskes	Tracy Crosby	John McCarthy	Nick Ganster
Dec 1	Hugh Kane	Scott MacDonell	Jeff Criblear	Brandy Stephens
Dec 15	★ Holiday Celebration			

ACTION ITEMS

OTHER NEWS

MIDLAKES INTERACT CLUB - FOOD PANTRY

See the full article at www.gvpennysaver.com



Anthony Gleason, a 2026 Graduate, Collects a box of Goods from the High School Entrance



Anthony Gleason, Maggie Hultzapfle, and Kyle Bell were active with Interact and helping build momentum.

COMING UP

- ❑ **Camp ONSEYAWA Annual Fall Dinner**
Club 86, Geneva, 11/06, 5:30pm
- ❑ **Rotary Foundation Brunch**
Locust Hill Country Club, 11/08, 11am-1pm,
<https://rotary7120.org/event/district-7120-rotary-foundation-brunch/>

FLACRA
Finger Lakes Area
Counseling & Recovery Agency
Together, we will.

Transformation THROUGH CONNECTION

4TH ANNUAL GALA

*A celebration of hope, healing, and the
partnerships that transform lives.*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
MARCI HOPKINS
*Award-winning author and
morning talk show host.*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026
CLUB 86 • GENEVA, NEW YORK
5:30 PM • 8:30 PM

WELCOME RECEPTION | DINNER | INSPIRING STORIES | PADDLE RAISE

Formal Attire Encouraged

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH,
ADDICTION RECOVERY &
COMMUNITY WELLNESS

*Every life changed begins with a
connection. Every connection begins with
someone willing to make a difference.*

Scan to purchase tickets

*The **FLACRA Gala, Transformation Through Connection** is this Thursday, the 22nd, at 5:30 at Club 86 in Geneva. It promises to be an inspiring evening celebrating hope, recovery, and the power of connection, with a raffle, silent auction, and award-winning TV host and author, Marci Hopkins. You can purchase tickets at <https://go.rallyup.com/flacra-gala2026>.*