

**2017 - 2018 DIRECTORY
ROTARY CLUB OF GENEVA, NEW YORK
ORGANIZED MAY 12, 1919
CHARTERED OCTOBER 15, 1919 AS ROTARY CLUB No. 546
NOW CLUB No. 4781 DISTRICT 7120
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Jim DeVaney
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**Ex officio member of Board in 2017 - 2018

DIRECTORS

(TERMS EXPIRE JUNE 30 OF)

2018

Phil Beckley*
Dave Cook
Paul Kirsch
Margaret Wiant*

2019

Jim DeVaney
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2020

Charlie Bartishevich
Jim Dickson
Karl Hagen
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SERVICE COORDINATORS

Club — Paul Kirsch
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Barry Rassin
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John Hewko
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ROTARY CLUB OF GENEVA

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

Miguel Haddad-Yunes	1985 - 1986	Mexico
Suzanne Kjar	1986 - 1987	Denmark
Adrianna deCosta Zaina	1987 - 1988	Brazil
Yasuda Kazuhiro	1988 - 1989	Japan
Alejandro Tintore	1989 - 1990	Spain
Naoto Matsumoto	1990 - 1991	Japan
David Nilsson	1991 - 1992	Sweden
Tanja Kahlenberg	1992 - 1993	Germany
Claudia Maria Kucera	1993 - 1994	Austria
Ilse Fürstenburg	1994 - 1995	South Africa
Yadira Grau	1995 - 1996	Spain
Ozlem Dincel	1996 - 1997	Turkey
Irina Alexandrovna Luchina	1997 - 1998	Russia
Elena Timofeeva	1999 - 2000	Russia
Otavio Soares	2000 - 2001	Brazil
Sunna Schulz	2002 - 2003	Germany
Annaick Bouteiller	2004 - 2005	Italy
Celine Toubier	2005 - 2006	France
Nils Roggendorff	2006 - 2007	Germany
Nopawan "Milk" Thananusak	2007 - 2008	Thailand
Adrienne Elkin	2008 - 2009	To Brazil
Rebecca Caster	2009 - 2010	To Australia
Taylor Racicot	2011 - 2012	To Hungary
Jesse Singleton	2013 - 2014	To Sweden
James Truley	2014 - 2015	To India
Conor Fillebrown	2014 - 2015	To Australia
James Williams	2017 - 2018	To Slovakia

INTERACT CLUB

Interact, Rotary's high school student organization, is dedicated to providing opportunities for young adults to work together in a worldwide fellowship devoted to service and world understanding. Chartered in 1995, the Geneva Interact Club is an independent organization operating under the sponsorship and guidance of the Geneva Rotary Club. Its membership is open to all students of Geneva High School. Its members are involved in a variety of community and international service activities.

ROTARACT CLUB

Geneva Rotary sponsors a Rotaract Club, which was chartered in 2012, at Hobart & William Smith Colleges. Rotaract, an official Rotary-sponsored service club, is a professional, leadership, and community-service organization for young men and women ages 18-34. Rotaract, both locally and internationally, focuses on the development of young adults as leaders in their communities and workplaces. Clubs around the world also take part in international service projects, in a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world.

EVOLUTION OF ROTARY DISTRICT 7120

From February 23, 1905, when Rotary was founded in Chicago, until 1915, there was only one Rotary district. In July of 1915, District 2, consisting of all of New York and New Jersey, was established. Both the Rochester and Elmira Rotary clubs were included in District 2.

With the growth of Rotary, new districts, including District 4, were designated in 1918-1919. District 4 included that portion of New York west of the 75th Meridian, that portion of Ontario east of the western line of Pennsylvania continuing due north, and that portion of Quebec west of the 68th Meridian. The Canandaigua, Corning, Geneva, Hornell, and Wellsville clubs were in District 4.

District 28, which was formed during 1922-1923, included portions of New York, Ontario, and Quebec. Included were, in New York, those portions east of the eastern boundaries of Orleans, Genesee, and Steuben Counties, west of the eastern boundaries of Broome, Chenango, Oswego, Herkimer, and Hamilton Counties, and north of the northern boundaries of Fulton and Warren Counties; in Ontario, that portion east of Meridian 77° 30"; and in Quebec, that portion between Meridian 77° 30" and the 69th Meridian.

District 28 included the following clubs: in New York: Auburn, Binghamton, Canandaigua, Corning, Cortland, Elmira, Endicott, Fulton, Geneva, Ithaca, Ogdensburg, Oneida, Oneonta, Owego, Penn Yan, Rochester, Rome, Seneca Falls, Syracuse, Utica, Watertown, Watkins-Montour, and Waverly; in Ontario: Brockville, Kingston, Ottawa, Renfrew, and Smith's Falls; and in Quebec: Hull, Montreal, Quebec, Sherbrooke, and Three Rivers.

On June 1, 1938, a new district, No. 171, was formed in New York to include that portion east of the eastern boundaries of the Counties of Orleans, Genesee, and Cattaraugus; south of the northern, east of the western, and north of the southern boundaries of Wyoming County; and west of the western boundaries of Tioga, Tompkins, and Cayuga Counties. Clubs in the newly designated district were Avon, Bath, Canandaigua, Canisteo, Clifton Springs, Clyde, Corning, Dansville, East Rochester, Elmira, Elmira Heights, Fairport, Geneseo, Geneva, Hammondsport, Honeoye Falls, Hornell, Horseheads, Livonia, Mt. Morris, Newark, Nunda, Penn Yan, Perry, Rochester, Seneca Falls, Sodus, Waterloo, Watkins-Montour, Wayland, Williamson, and Wolcott.

During 1949-1950, District 251 was renamed District 171, during 1957-1958, District 171 was renamed District 712, and in 1991, District 712 was renamed District 7120. District 7120 has 67 clubs in 11 New York counties: Allegany, Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates, and the township of Pavilion in Genesee County.

George G. Gould, Jr., 1978
Paul Kirsch, 2006

THE NINETY-EIGHT YEAR HISTORY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF GENEVA

Geneva Rotary, organized and chartered in 1919, was the first service club in Geneva. (Kiwanis was first organized here in 1921; Lions, in 1948.) Matt Black, an Evansville, Indiana, Rotarian, who was a frequent visitor here, spoke with Francis Whitwell on the possibility of initiating Rotary in Geneva. Eddie John Cook, a Geneva attorney, became interested and worked on details with Clay Holmes of Elmira Rotary, which became Geneva's sponsoring club. Twenty-five Genevans became charter members at the organizational meeting of May 12, 1919, which took place at the Hotel Seneca. Altogether, 92 Rotarians from Auburn, Elmira, and Canandaigua were present for the installation of the first officers: Edward Dean, President; John Farwell, Vice-President; William Gracey, Secretary. The charter of the Geneva Rotary Club was received from RI on October 15, 1919, listing Geneva as Club No. 546 (Club number now 4781) in District 2 (District number now 7120).

Over the years the club met Wednesdays at noon in several places, some for longer periods of time, some for shorter: the Hotel Seneca on Exchange St., the Home Dairy on Seneca Street, the Lafayette Inn on Bean's Hill, the Seneca Lake and Geneva Country Clubs, the American Legion, the Lionstone (later the Anastasi) Restaurant on Route 14, Pronti's Restaurant, the Belhurst Castle, and the Ramada Inn. Currently, its meetings are now held at the Geneva Country Club. Over the years club membership has been as high as 120; in recent years it has been about 70.

Following the lead of RI, the Geneva Rotary Club is committed to Service Above Self in five areas of service: Club, Vocational, Community, International, and Youth. Here is a synopsis of some of the club service projects over the years—many of which continue to this day:

1. CLUB SERVICE—"Development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service"

Geneva has sponsored five Rotary clubs: Penn Yan (1922), Newark (1926), Oswego (1926), Clyde (1937), and Lyons (1940). Four District Governors have been members of Geneva Rotary: Harry Hovey (1939), George Hucker (1948), Neil Marvin (1962), and Joseph Berta (1990). Harry Hovey held the first fireside information night (1927)...“Lauty” Lautenslager made the first of his newsletter cartoons (1939)...Some noteworthy fund raising projects: Rotary Review (1935); Public Lectures (1938); Travelogues (1958-1973); Pancake Suppers (1967); Radio Days (1969); Lobster Raffle (1989); Annual Community Dinner (1994); Annual Rotary (then Rotary/Kiwanis) Golf Day/Steak Roast to support DARE (1980); Poinsettia Sale (1989); Santa Train Express (2001); Fall Festival Express (2003); Radio Auction (2004)...First weekly newscast at club meetings by Curley Greene (1965)...Christmas Bags for Sampson Naval Training Station (1942)...Meeting with Governor Averill Harriman at Hobart Student Union (1957)...Rotary highway signs erected (1927)...Highest attendance was 99.38% (April, 1933)...First Ladies Night (1920)...First Rotary Club silk banner (1920)...First Geneva Rotarians to attend R.I. Convention: Harold Bartlett and Harry Hovey, Mexico City (1935); Hovey attended nine total, William Gracey four...First District Assembly hosted by Geneva Club (1947) at Hotel Syracuse, President George Hucker, presiding...Twenty-fifth anniversary (1944) at First Presbyterian Church; speaker was former Vice President Alben Barkley...Fiftieth anniversary (1969) at American Legion Hall, attendance 150 from 26 Rotary Clubs; program was a three projector historical slide show by George Hucker...Seventy-fifth anniversary (1994) at the Belhurst Castle, attendance 175; program consisted of a video history of the club and the naming

of 19 Paul Harris Fellows...Paul Harris, Rotary's Founder, visited the Geneva Club November 12, 1941...Last surviving charter member, Henry Roenke, Sr., died at age 83 (1969)...Harry Hovey served R.I. as chairman of Finance Committee (1943) and was proposed for President of RI in 1946...The first three women members were admitted to the Geneva Rotary Club in 1988 following the 1987 ruling by the U. S. Supreme Court banning a men-only policy in private clubs...Geneva Rotary awarded a Gold Presidential Achievement Citation from District 7120, the only District club to receive the award, 2016.

2. VOCATIONAL SERVICE—"Promoting the ideal service throughout the business and professional world"

Geneva High School Vocational Guidance Program (1940)...Rural-Urban Acquaintance Dinners (1946); Chester Anderson, Secretary of Agriculture, speaker...Rotary Foundation Fellowship Program for Advanced Study...Geneva High School Manual Arts Exhibit (1942) involved 400 students...Harry Hovey participated in symposium at R.I. Detroit Convention on "How to Put Vocational Service to Work" (1950)...Rotary Career Night (1994)...Shadowing and Career-Day programs (1980)...Chamber of Commerce leadership training support (2000).

3. COMMUNITY SERVICE—"Service by every Rotarian to his personal, business, and community life"

Salvation Army kettles first manned (1940)...Support of Geneva General Hospital (1929)...Student Loan Fund initiated (1923), formally adopted by club (1930)...Delinquent Back-to-School Movement (1927)...Learn to Swim Campaign (1929)...Sea-Scout Ship sponsored (1936)... Supported development of Boy Scout Camp Babcock-Hovey (1939) and its pool (1966)...Handicapped Children's Camp Onseyawa (1956)...Boy Scout Troop 9 at Prospect Avenue School (1966)...After-school basketball program at Prospect Avenue School (1975)...Rheumatic Fever Clinics (1946)...Orthopedic Children's Clinics (1929)...Established birthday fund to support Geneva Public Library (1962)...Minority Youth Support (1973)...Junior Rotarian Program (1973)...Handicapped Children's Olympics (1970)...Athenian Youth Movement (1947)...Hi-Y Delegate to New York Assembly (1939)...Community Chest/United Way (1935)...Student Honor Awards (1982)...Support of DARE (1980)...Annual Red Cross Blood Drive (1985)...Adopt-A-Highway Program (1997)...Community Dinner Program (1994)...Support of local Community Lunch and Food Pantry programs (1994)...Interact Club organized (1995)...providing school-recess lunches and suppers at the Boys and Girls Clubs (1997)...Poinsettia Sale (1989)...Santa Train Express (2001)...Fall Festival Express (2003)...Radio Days (1969)...Radio Auction (2004)...Rotaract Club organized at Hobart and William Smith Colleges (2004)...Contribution to Happiness House capital campaign (2006)...Establishment of an annual special-grant program to support local organizations and activities (2008)...Establishment of a club foundation so that contributions to club benevolent and philanthropic programs would be tax deductible (2009)...First Annual Service Above Self Dinner (2010).

4. INTERNATIONAL SERVICE—"Advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace"

Harold Bartlett and Harry Hovey first Geneva Rotarians to attend RI International Convention, Mexico City, 1935... Youth Exchange Program (Geneva High School, 1985)...Rotary Foundation Scholarship Program (College)...Paul Harris Fellow Program...Bundles For Britain (1941)...\$1,000 War Bond (1944)...Bethany Home Program, Philippine Islands (1968)...Save the

Children’s Federation Program (1961)...Relief for Chile Earthquake Victims (1939)...Shanghai Rotary Club Relief (1937)...Food for the Camberwell Rotary Club, England (1947)...Philippine Islands Relief (1964–1969)...Geneva Rotary Club members contributed \$13,000 to the RI PolioPlus Campaign to eradicate polio worldwide (1988) and contributed to PolioPlus Partners Program (1998)...Music for African community Mutare (2000)...shelter boxes provided for victims of Asian Tsunami (2005), Pakistan earthquake (2005), Chad-Sudan genocide (2006), Hurricane Katrina (2006), Japan earthquake/tsunami (2011), Philippine typhoon (2013).

5. **YOUTH SERVICE**—“Recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities...and [by] creating international understanding”

RI added this new Area of Service in 2010; Geneva Rotary’s activities with Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Exchange, and RYLA are featured elsewhere in this directory.

PAST PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

YEAR	PAST PRESIDENTS	PAST SECRETARIES
1919	Edward Dean (D)	William Gracey (D)
1920	John Farwell (D)	William Gracey (D)
1920 - 1921	C. C. Lyttle (D)	C. C. Davidson (D)
1921 - 1922	Edward John Cook (D)	C. C. Davidson (D)
1922 - 1923	Fred S. Brownlee (D)	C. C. Davidson (D)
1923 - 1924	William C. Ware (D)	A. R. Page (D)
1924 - 1925	Charles R. Bradley (D)	A. R. Page (D)
1925 - 1926	Murray Bartlett (D)	C. R. Schermerhorn (D)
1926 - 1927	H. O. Palmer (D)	C. R. Schermerhorn (D)
1927 - 1928	James G. Kettle (D)	A. Nelson (D)
1928 - 1929	Clair H. Pierce (D)	Lewis Springstead (D)
1929 - 1930	George S. Trant (D)	Louis Collins (D)
1930 - 1931	Milton M. Harman (D)	Lee Taylor (D)
1931 - 1932	Harold B. Tukey (D)	Charles A. Mitchell (D)
1932 - 1933	Fred Silsby (D)	Hallett J. Burrall (D)
1933 - 1934	Charles A. Mitchell (D)	Paul E. Vogt (D)
1934 - 1935	Charles B. Sayre (D)	William G. Warr (D)
1935 - 1936	Richard W. Morris (D)	William G. Warr (D)
1936 - 1937	Harry E. Hovey (D)	William G. Warr (D)
1937 - 1938	Henry F. Bolin (D)	L. A. Taylor (D)
1938 - 1939	Alex Thompson (D)	R. S. Thorne (D)
1939 - 1940	James F. Hobbins (D)	William G. Warr (D)
1940 - 1941	A. C. Dahlberg (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1941 - 1942	Vernon Darling (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1942 - 1943	Clive O. Dusenbery (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1943 - 9/43	Thomas J. Fahy (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
9/43 - 6/44	Nathan D. Lapham (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1944 - 1945	James M. Ryan (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1945 - 1946	Gordon Bennett (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)
1946 - 1947	George J. Hucker (D)	Lawrence Gracey (D)

YEAR	PAST PRESIDENTS	PAST SECRETARIES
1947 - 1948	Lawrence Gracey (D)	Donald Burgan (D)
1948 - 3/49	George Freeman (D)	Donald Burgan (D)
4/49 - 6/49	Winthrop W. Atchison (D)	Donald Burgan (D)
1949 - 1950	Robert E. Doran (D)	Donald Burgan (D)
1950 - 1951	Lullus D. Bell (D)	John Toole (D)
1951 - 1952	Phillip Skinner (D)	Charles R. Bradley (D)
1952 - 1953	Lyman Lewis (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1953 - 1954	Francis W. Corwin (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1954 - 1955	Paul Vogt (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1955 - 1956	W. Neil Marvin (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1956 - 1957	James S. Fitzgerald (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1957 - 1958	Lansing S. Hoskins (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1958 - 1959	Lloyd A. Bosworth Jr. (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1959 - 1960	Robert. D. Brennan (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1960 - 1961	Paul J. Chapman (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1961 - 1962	Robert Johnson (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1962 - 1963	William Wade Carty (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1963 - 1964	Edmond T. Hesser (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1964 - 1965	Frederick W. Shepard (D)	C. Ross Bigelow (D)
1965 - 1966	John F. O'Malley (D)	George J. Abraham (D)
1966 - 1967	William Stiles (D)	George J. Abraham (D)
1967 - 1968	David Brind	George J. Abraham (D)
1968 - 4/69	Jerold Foland (D)	George J. Abraham (D)
4/69 - 1970	Edward L. Jenner (D)	George J. Abraham (D)
1970 - 1971	William E. Achilles (D)	Frederick C. Lewis (D)
1971 - 1972	James Albert (D)	Frederick C. Lewis (D)
1972 - 1973	Thomas A. McCormick (D)	Frederick C. Lewis (D)
1973 - 1974	George Abraham (D)	Frederick C. Lewis (D)
1974 - 1975	Ralph E. Springstead (D)	Edward L. Clark
1975 - 1976	Carlton K. Brownell (M)	Edward L. Clark
1976 - 1977	John S. Witte (D)	Benjamin J. Karol (D)
1977 - 1978	Edward L. Clark	Benjamin J. Karol (D)
1978 - 1979	Kenneth Steadman	Richard A. Norris (D)
1979 - 1980	J. Richard Hart (D)	Richard A. Norris (D)
1980 - 1981	Daniel P. Quigley	Richard A. Norris (D)
1981 - 1982	E. Charles (Bud) Smith (D)	Frank Gilmore (D)
1982 - 1983	Paul E. Kirsch	Jerry Serefine (D)
1983 - 1984	Richard A. Norris (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1984 - 1985	Joseph Berta (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1985 - 1986	Chester A. Suppes, Jr. (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1986 - 1987	Frank Gilmore (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1987 - 1988	Jerry White (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1988 - 1989	James E. Dickson	Jerry Serefine (D)
1989 - 1990	Roscoe (Pat) Krauss (D)	Jerry Serefine (D)
1990 - 1991	Michael Hanna	Jim Dickson

YEAR	PAST PRESIDENTS	PAST SECRETARIES
1991 - 1992	Pete Mairs (M)	Jim Dickson
1992 - 1993	Martha Wilson (M)	Jim Dickson
1993 - 1994	Keith Stockman (M)	Jim Dickson
1994 - 1995	Beverly Penta	Jim Dickson
1995 - 1996	Robert Andersen (M)	Jim Dickson
1996 - 1997	Joan Martin (D)	Jim Dickson
1997 - 1998	Gus Pohlig (D)	Jim Dickson
1998 - 1999	Joyce Keeney	Jim Dickson
1999 - 2000	Roscoe (Pat) Krauss (D)	Jim Dickson
2000 - 2001	Terry Hammond (M)	Paul Kirsch
2001 - 2002	Dan Hoffman (M)	Paul Kirsch
7/02 - 8/02	Diane Ewing (M)	Paul Kirsch
8/02 - 6/03	Joan Martin (D)	Paul Kirsch
2003 - 2004	Deb Dorn	Paul Kirsch
2004 - 2005	Jack Fratangelo (M)	Ford Weiskittel
7/05 -12/05	Deb Dorn	Ford Weiskittel
1/06 - 6/06	Joyce Keeney	Ford Weiskittel
7/06 -12/06	Michael Ferguson (M)	Ford Weiskittel
1/07 - 06/08	Lisa Ventura	Ford Weiskittel
2008 - 2009	Charlie Bartishevich	Ford Weiskittel
2009 - 2010	Phil Beckley	Ford Weiskittel
2010 - 2011	Mary Luckern	Ford Weiskittel
2011 - 2012	Bob McFadden	Ford Weiskittel
2012 - 2013	James DeVaney	Ford Weiskittel
2013 - 2014	Mike Rusinko	Ford Weiskittel
2014 - 2015	Kelly LaVoie (M)	Ford Weiskittel
2015 - 2016	John Watson	Ford Weiskittel
2016 - 2017	Richard Austin II	Ford Weiskittel

[D: Deceased; M: Moved, Lost Contact]

RALPH SPRINGSTEAD MEMORIAL AWARD
“Service Above Self”

This award, established in 2010 and named in memory of Ralph Springstead, an exemplar Rotarian and Genevan, is presented at the Club’s annual dinner to deserving Genevans whose lives and deeds embody the ideal of the Rotary Motto, Service Above Self.

2010	Carl Fribolin	2014	Mark & Mary Gearan
2011	Rev. James Gerling	2015	Hon. Walter Gage
2012	Rosa Blue	2016	Dr. Kenneth & Eva Steadman
2013	David & Brenda Rickey	2017	Nozomi Williams

GENEVA'S PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

ROTARIANS:

Harry Hovey
Lawrence Gracey
George Hucker
Neil Marvin
George Abraham
Joseph Berta
John Stelter
Paul Chapman
Gus Mulcahy
Chester Suppes
James Fitzgerald
Pat Krauss
Ken Steadman
Richard Norris
Jim Dickson
Joan Martin
Charles Bauder
Gordon Bennett
Gustav Pohlig
Tom McCormick
Tom Martin
Haruo Tashiro
Ralph Springstead
Carolyn Antinelli
Dave Cook
James DeVaney
Carrie Fiorilla
Mary Gearan
John Watson

Brian Dunster
Bob Johnson
Gordon Jones
Paul Kirsch
Martin Miller
Daniel Quigley
Tom Truslow
Martha Wilson
Fred Lewis
Mort Orlov
Bob Andersen
Regis Augusty
Kearns Brownell
Ed Glass
Mike Hanna
Jerry White
Merrill Roenke
Ned Clark
Mike Dobbin
Lindsay Ruth
Richard Hart
Keith Stockman
George Farren
Frank Gilmore
Charlie Bartishevich
Tara Rago
Ted Baker
Margaret Wiant

Michael Mattson
Dale Hansen
Mary Luckern
Joyce Keeney
Daniel Hoffman
James Gerling
David Brind
Walter Gage
Debra Dorn
Jack Fratangelo
Mary Hosking
Ford Weiskittel
Lisa Ventura
Anne Schühle
Jim Adams
Bill McGowan
Bob McFadden
Mickey Schultz
Molly Mahoney-
Thurston
William Buell
Harvey Reissig
Lisa Toole-Petronio
Phil Beckley
Mike Rusinko
Richard Austin II
Karl Hagen
Shad Cook

NON-ROTARIANS:

Pamela Berta
Michele Berta
Nancy Krauss
Eva Steadman
Nancy Brownell
Thelma Jones
Kelly Mittiga
Nozomi Williams
Jane Gerling
Mike Nozzolio

Cathy Loudin
Vernon Marshal
Elizabeth White
Margaret Wyckoff
Eleanor Herrick
Victor Nelson
Joanne Wisor
Robert Schick
Tom Kime
Bill Schickel

Joseph Felice
Josephine Felice
Carl Fribolin
Mary Miller
Richard Heaton
Olaf Lieberg
Mark Venuti
John Blume
Sue Adams

COMMITTEE CHAIRS—2017-18

Adopt-A-Highway—Jim Dickson
Attendance—Now Participation, see below
Benevolent—Paul Kirsch
Blood Drive—Mike Rusinko
Bulletin—Susie Flick/Carol Chester/Ruth Leo
Camp Onseyawa—Ted Baker
Chaplains—Jim Adams
Club Administration—Paul Kirsch
Directory—Paul Kirsch/Ford Weiskittel
Fellowship/Hospitality—Mary Luckern
Finance/Audit—Tara Rago/Harley Roberson
Golf Tournament—Charlie Bartischevich
Greeter Table—Bill Buell/Paul Kirsch/Mary Lawthers
Health and Happiness—Jim Dickson
Historical—Charlie Bauder
Interact Club Advisors—John Oughterson/Susie Flick/Ford Weiskittel
International Club Projects—Charlie Bartischevich
Library/Birthday Fund—Mickey Gilbert-Shultz
Literacy—Susie Flick
Membership Development—John Oughterson
Membership Orientation/Induction Sub-Committee—Paul Kirsch
Memorial Fund—Mickey Gilbert-Schultz
Nominating—Phil Beckley/Charlie Bartischevich
Participation—Ford Weiskittel/Shad Cook/Paul Kirsch
Paul Harris Fellow/Rotary Foundation—Jim Dickson
Picnic—Phil Beckley/Dave Cook/Jim DeVaney
Programs—Shad Cook
Property—Geneva Country Club staff
Public Relations/Website—Phil Beckley
Rotaract Club Advisor—Brandi Ferrara
Rotary Youth Exchange—Ken Steadman/Lisa Ventura
Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)—Susie Flick
Salvation Army Kettles—Charlie Bauder
Santa Train—Dave Cook/Lisa Toole
Sergeant-at-Arms—John Oughterson
Service Above Self, Dinner/Auction—Richard Austin/Lisa Ventura
Student Annual Honor Award—Charlie Bauder
Student Loan—Charlie Bauder
Web Master—Penny Hankins
Website—See Public Relations
Website Liaison for Content & Management—Ford Weiskittel

BYLAWS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF GENEVA, NEW YORK

Article I Election of Directors and Officers

Section 1 — At a regular meeting at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting for election of officers, the presiding officer shall ask for nominations by members of the club for vice president, secretary, treasurer, and four (4) members of the board of directors [hereafter, “the Board”]. The nominations may be presented by a nominating committee or by members from the floor, by either or by both as the club may determine. [Note: The nominating committee process has been in effect since the adoption of these bylaws.] If it is determined to have a nominating committee, such committee shall be appointed as the club may determine. The nominations duly made shall be placed on a ballot in alphabetical order under each office and shall be voted for at the annual meeting. If by nominating committee or from the floor and the number of persons nominated equals the number of offices to be filled, no ballots shall be necessary and by proper motion, the club secretary may be authorized to cast one ballot for the slate so offered. The candidates for vice president, secretary, and treasurer receiving a plurality of the votes shall be declared elected to their respective offices. The four (4) candidates for director receiving the largest number of the votes shall be declared elected as directors. The vice president elected in such balloting shall serve as vice president and member of the Board for the year commencing on the first day of July next following the election; shall serve as president-elect and member of the Board on the first day of July next following that year; and shall serve as president and member of the Board on the first day of July in the year next following that year.

Section 2 — The vice president shall, upon commencing his or her term, serve as vice president for a period of one (1) year, as president-elect for a period of one (1) year, and as president for a period of one (1) year. The secretary and treasurer shall each serve for a period of one year and may succeed themselves on a year-to-year basis. Each director elected under the provisions of Article I, Section 1, of these bylaws shall serve for a period of three (3) years and may be reelected to the Board only if a period of one (1) year or more has passed since their last service on the Board. However, any director appointed under the provisions of Article I, Section 3, of these bylaws may be elected to a three (3) year term without waiting for a period of one (1) year to pass. The directors so elected, together with the directors currently serving as president, president-elect, and vice president shall constitute the Board.

Section 3 — A vacancy on the Board or any office shall be filled by action of the remaining members of the Board.

Section 4 — A vacancy in the position of any officer-elect or director-elect shall be filled by action of the Board.

Article II Board of Directors

The governing body of this club shall be a board of directors consisting of eighteen (18) active members of the club, namely, twelve (12) directors elected in accordance with Article I, Section 1, 2, or 3, of these bylaws, the president, the president-elect, the vice president, the immediate past president, the secretary, and the treasurer, each of whom shall have voting rights.

Article III Duties of Officers

Section 1 — *President*. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at meetings of the club and Board and perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to the office of president.

Section 2 — *President-elect*. It shall be the duty of the president-elect to serve as a member of the Board, the program committee, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the president or the Board.

Section 3 — *Vice president*. It shall be the duty of the vice president to serve as a member of the Board, to serve as a member of the program, finance, and finance-review committees, to attend district assemblies, and perform other duties as may be directed by the president or the Board.

Section 4 — *Secretary*. It shall be the duty of the secretary to serve as a member of the Board; to keep the records of membership; to send out notices of meetings of the club, Board, and committees; to record and preserve the minutes of such meetings; to make required reports to District 7120 and to RI, including the semiannual reports of membership, which shall be made to the general secretary of RI no later than January 31 and July 31 of each year; to report membership, classification, and directory information changes as they occur to District 7120 and to RI; and to perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of secretary.

Section 5 — *Treasurer*. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to serve as member of the Board; to have custody of all funds, accounting for same to the club annually and at any other time upon demand by the Board; and to perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of treasurer. Upon retirement from office, the treasurer shall turn over to the incoming treasurer or to the president all funds, books of accounts, or any other club property.

Article IV Meetings

Section 1 — *Annual Meeting.* An annual meeting of this club shall be held prior to the month of June during any regular meeting, as designated by the president, in each year, at which time the election of officers and directors to serve for the ensuing year shall take place.

Section 2 — The regular weekly meetings of this club shall be held on Wednesday at 12:05 p.m. Due notice of any changes in or canceling of the regular meeting shall be given to all members of the club. All members, excepting an honorary member or a member granted freedom of attendance pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2(b), of the standard Rotary club constitution, in good standing in this club on the day of the regular meeting, must be counted as present or absent, and attendance must be evidenced by the member's being present for at least sixty (60) percent of the time devoted to the regular meeting, either at this club, at any other Rotary club, or as may otherwise be permitted by the rules of RI or by policy duly adopted by the Board.

Section 3 — One-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum at the annual and regular meetings of this club.

Section 4 — Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the second Monday of each month, except that the Board shall have discretion to change the date in any month. Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the president, whenever deemed necessary, or upon the request of two (2) members of the Board, due notice having been given.

Section 5 — A majority of its members shall constitute a quorum of the Board.

Article V Fees and Dues

Section 1 — The initiation fee shall be \$40.00 to be paid before the applicant can qualify as a club member.

Section 2 — Effective January 1, 2015 dues shall be One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per annum, payable annually either by July 1 or January 1, or if semiannually due on July 1 and January 1, with the understanding that Six Dollars (\$6.00) of each semiannual payment shall be applied to each member's subscription to *The Rotarian* magazine. The board of directors may change the initiation fee, annual dues, or institute or renew a special assessment from time to time upon one month's notice to the membership.

Section 3 — Failure to pay dues within four (4) months after the due date will lead to automatic termination of membership.

Article VI Method of Voting

The business of this club shall be transacted by voice vote except the election of officers and directors, which shall be by ballot or as otherwise permitted under Article I, Section 1 of these bylaws.

Article VII Committees

Section 1 —

(a) The president shall, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint the following standing committees to be known as Areas of Service Committees [ASC(s)]:

- **Club Service Committee**
- **Vocational Service Committee**
- **Community Service Committee**
- **International Service Committee**
- **Youth Service Committee**

(b) The president shall, subject to the approval of the Board, also appoint such additional sub-committees in each ASC as deemed necessary for the functioning of the club.

(c) Each ASC shall each consist of a chair, who shall be named by the president either from the membership of the Board or as otherwise determined by the Board, and no fewer than two (2) other members unless otherwise determined by the Board. Each ASC chair shall be responsible to the Board for the functioning of the sub-committees appointed in the particular Area of Service.

(d) The president shall be an ex officio member of all committees and, as such, shall have all the privileges of membership thereon.

(e) Each committee shall transact such business as is delegated to it as the president shall determine from time to time with approval of the Board.

Article VIII Leaves of Absence

Detailed in Board policy, upon written application, or verbal application in the case of an “emergency,” as defined by the member so applying, to the Board or the chair of the Attendance Committee setting forth good and sufficient cause, a leave of absence may be granted excusing a member from attending the meetings of the club for a specified

beyond the club's service area or have extenuating circumstances preventing their attendance at meetings and who wish to maintain a connection to the club.

(b) *Rules, Rights, and Privileges.* Honorary Life Members shall not be reported as club members to RI or District 7120. Otherwise, they shall have the same rights and privileges due Honorary Members as provided in Section 2 (b), above.

Article XI Resolutions

No resolution or motion to commit this club on any matter shall be considered by the club until it has been considered by the Board. Such resolutions or motions, if offered at a club meeting, shall be referred to the Board without discussion.

Article XII Order of Business

Introduction of visiting Rotarians and guests.
Correspondence and announcements.
Committee reports if any.
Any unfinished business.
Any new business.
Address or other program features.
Adjournment

Article XIII Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting, a quorum being present, by a two-thirds vote of all members present, provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been mailed [or emailed] to each member at least ten (10) days before such meeting. No amendment or addition to these bylaws can be made which is not in harmony with the club constitution and with the constitution and bylaws of RI.

Notes

- 1. July 1, 2000:** Pursuant to adoption by the club, these bylaws became effective on this date.
- 2. April 17, 2002:** Appropriate sections of these bylaws were amended (1) pursuant to constitutional and other changes mandated by RI; (2) to acknowledge the validity of certain continuing club practices; and (3) to make minor editorial revisions.
- 3. April 28, 2005:** Appropriate sections of these bylaws were amended (1) to create and define the duties of the office of club vice president; (2) to correct the dues amount; and (3) to make editorial improvements to make the bylaws easier to read (e.g., substituting "the Board" for "board of directors").
- 4. September 28, 2005:** Article V was amended to add Section 3.
- 5. September 20, 2006:** Article X was amended (1) to formalize the criteria for Honorary Membership in accordance with Rotary International Policy; and (2) to specify criteria for the local category of Honorary Life Membership.
- 6. March 30, 2011:** Article I was amended to add Section 5.
- 7. July 1, 2011:** Pursuant to RI's 2010 adoption of a fifth Area of Service, the New Generations Service Committee was added to Article VII, Section 1.
- 8. July 1 & August 5, 2013:** The bylaws were amended pursuant to required 2013 RI Council on Legislation Enactments involving (1) changes to board membership; (2) the renaming of the New Generations Service Committee as the Youth S.C.; and (3) to excused absences.
- 9. August 18, effective July 1, 2015:** Article V, Section 2, was amended to reflect the new Board-authorized dues amount.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PARTICIPATION TO GENEVA ROTARY AND TO YOU

To enhance the fellowship and “Service Above Self” ethic that Rotarians share worldwide, Rotary International (RI) adopted a rule that calls for members to attend at least 50 percent of a club’s meetings. Although Geneva Rotary is necessarily bound to honor the rule, the club’s Board has adopted a policy recognizing that the pace of modern life and commitments to work and family may make it difficult for some active or prospective members to meet it.

The policy broadens our club’s focus from attendance to participation, a change that provides members with many more opportunities for service, fellowship, and personal fulfillment. Not that the club is abandoning the RI rule but that members unable to attend 50 percent of club meetings can easily gain attendance credit in other ways, like participating in club activities and projects, as explained below. In other words, if one wants to be a member of Geneva Rotary, the RI attendance rule does not present an insurmountable problem.

In brief, as defined in the club’s bylaws and policies, being a Geneva Rotarian requires (1) paying dues and fees promptly and (2) making a reasonable effort to participate in club activities, projects, events, and meetings. [Please note that if members do not pay their dues or make a reasonable effort to participate, the club’s Board may terminate their membership.]

Here are the particulars you need to know about the Geneva Rotary Policy On Participation:

1. Gain credit for attending meetings by: (1) attending meetings of our or any Rotary club worldwide; (2) attending the Rotary eClub online at <rotaryclubone.org>; (3) participating in designated club activities, projects, events, and committee meetings; or (4) requesting a limited exemption [See 3., below].
2. Under a different RI attendance rule members whose age plus at least 20 years as a Rotarian (not just in our club) equals 85 or more may request and be granted freedom of attendance.
3. Members who cannot attend one or a series of meetings because of illness, injury, or special circumstance may apply by mail, email, telephone, or in person, to the Participation Committee chair, and if the reason given meets the intent of the Board policy, the member will be granted a temporary leave of absence not to exceed six months; such member is not excused from the payment of dues.
4. If something unforeseen or unexpected occurs of long-term consequence, e.g., a changed work schedule, that prevents members in good standing from participating in club activities for a period longer than one year, they have the option of submitting a resignation that will entitle them to return to club membership when their schedule permits them to participate, subject only to a vote of the Board.
5. If attendance ever becomes a concern, the most important thing a member can do is to contact any member of the Participation Committee to work out options.
6. With the approval of the board each active member, except those having freedom of attendance, who is also a member of an organization, business, or a place of employment may name one non-member from that group to serve as a proxy for attendance and participation credit.