

**2010-2011 DIRECTORY
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ORGANIZED MAY 12, 1919
CLUB 4781 DISTRICT 7120
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2011

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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

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 community-based organization operating under the sponsorship and guidance of the Geneva Rotary Club. Its membership is open to all students of Geneva and DeSales high schools. Its members are involved in a variety of community and international service activities.

ROTARACT CLUB

Geneva Rotary sponsors a Rotaract club 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
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THE NINETY-ONE YEAR HISTORY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF GENEVA

Geneva Rotary, established in 1919, was the first service club in Geneva. (Kiwanis, now disbanded, was organized 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 (now 4781) in District 2 (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 held at the Belhurst Castle. Over the years club membership has been as high as 120; in recent years it has been about 75.

Following the lead of RI, the Geneva Rotary Club is committed to Service Above Self in four areas of service: Club, Vocational, Community, and International. What follows is a synopsis of some of the club's 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 Minstrel 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 per cent (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, George Hucker, President.

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.

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 idea 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 Free 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”

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 also contributed to PolioPlus Partners Program (1998)...Music for African community Mutare (2000)...shelter boxes provided for victims of Asian Tsunami (2005), Pakistan earthquake (2005), and Chad-Sudan genocide (2006)...Hurricane Katrina relief (2006).

John H. Stelter

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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, M.D. (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)

YEAR	PAST PRESIDENTS	PAST SECRETARIES
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	Jerry Serefine (D)
1990 - 1991	Michael Hanna	Jim Dickson
1991 - 1992	Pete Mairs	Jim Dickson
1992 - 1993	Martha Wilson	Jim Dickson
1993 - 1994	Keith Stockman	Jim Dickson
1994 - 1995	Beverly Penta	Jim Dickson
1995 - 1996	Robert Andersen	Jim Dickson
1996 - 1997	Joan Martin	Jim Dickson
1997 - 1998	Gus Pohlig	Jim Dickson
1998 - 1999	Joyce Keeney	Jim Dickson
1999 - 2000	Roscoe (Pat) Krauss	Jim Dickson
2000 - 2001	Terry Hammond	Paul Kirsch
2001 - 2002	Dan Hoffman	Paul Kirsch
7/02 - 8/02	Diane Ewing	Paul Kirsch
8/02 - 6/03	Joan Martin	Paul Kirsch
2003 - 2004	Deb Dorn	Paul Kirsch
2004 - 2005	Jack Fratangelo	Ford Weiskittel
7/05 -12/05	Deb Dorn	Ford Weiskittel
1/06 - 6/06	Joyce Keeney	Ford Weiskittel
7/06 -12/06	Michael Ferguson	Ford Weiskittel
1/07 - 6/08	Lisa Ventura-Stanton	Ford Weiskittel
2008 - 2009	Charlie Bartishevich	Ford Weiskittel
2009 - 2010	Phil Beckley	Ford Weiskittel

RALPH SPRINGSTEAD MEMORIAL AWARD
“Service Above Self”

2010 Carl Fribolin

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

GENEVA 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

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

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-Stanton
Anne Schühle
Jim Adams
Bill McGowan
Bob McFadden
Mickey Schultz
Molly Mahoney -
Thurston
William Buell
Harvey Reissig
Lisa Toole-Petronio
Phil Beckley

NON-ROTARIANS:

Pamela Berta
Michele L. Berta
Nancy M. Krauss
Eva M. Steadman
Nancy Brownell
Thelma Jones
Kelly Mettiga

Cathy Loudin
Vernon M. Marshal
Elizabeth White
Margaret Wyckoff
Eleanor Herrick
Victor Nelson
Joanne Wisor

Joseph H. Felice
Josephine Felice
Carl Fribolin
Mary Miller
Richard Heaton
Olaf U. Lieberg

COMMITTEE CHAIRS—2010-2011

Adopt-A-Highway—Jim Dickson
Attendance—Pat Krauss
Benevolent—Paul Kirsch
Blood Drive—Bob McFadden
Boys & Girls Clubs Lunch Program—Robin Glasgow
Budget/Finance—Mary Luckern, Bob McFadden, Mike Rusinko
Bulletin/Public Relations—Anne Schühle
Camp Onseyawa—Mike Dobbin
Chaplains—Jim Adams
Club Administration—Paul Kirsch
Club Service Projects—Phil Beckley
Directory—Pat Krauss, Paul Kirsch
Fall Festival Express—Harvey Reissig, Pat Krauss
Fellowship/Hospitality—Mary Luckern
Golf Tournament—Charlie Bartischevich
Health and Happiness—Jim Dickson
Historical—Charlie Bauder
Interact Club Advisor—Ford Weiskittel
International Club Project—Gus Pohlig
Library/Birthday Fund—Mickey Gilbert Shultz
Membership Development—Lisa Stanton
Membership Orientation/Induction Sub-Committee—Paul Kirsch, Pat Krauss
Memorial Fund—Mike Rusinko
Nominating—Charlie Bartischevich, Ron Telarico
Paul Harris Fellow/Rotary Foundation—Jim Dickson
Picnic—Chris Vitale
Programs—Bob McFadden
Property—Belhurst Castle staff
Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)—Bob Young
Rotaract—Phil Beckley
Santa Train Express—Lisa Toole-Petronio
Salvation Army Kettles—Charlie Bauder
Sergeant-at-Arms—Ken Shefsiek
Service Above Self Dinner/Auction—Mike Rusinko, Dave Cook
Student Annual Honor Award—Mike Hanna
Student Exchange—Lisa Stanton
Student Loan—Mike Hanna
Web Master—Ford Weiskittel
Youth Exchange—Ken Steadman

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. 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 fifteen (15) active members of the club, namely, twelve (12) directors elected in accordance with Article I, Section 1, of these bylaws, the president, the president-elect, and the vice president. The secretary and treasurer shall serve as non-voting members of the Board.

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 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 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 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.

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 — The membership dues shall be One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00) per annum, payable 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**

(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 ex-officio a 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

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 length of time.

Section 3 — Honorary Life Members.

(a) *Eligibility for Honorary Life Membership.* This local membership classification enables and authorizes the Board to recognize active members with a minimum of 25 years of club membership who either have retired to a location 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 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 action by the club, these bylaws became effective on this date.
- 2. January 14, 2002:** Pursuant to constitutional and other changes mandated by RI, to acknowledge the validity of certain continuing club practices, and to make minor editorial revisions, by resolution duly made and adopted at its regular meeting held on this date, the Board authorized the club secretary to make the appropriate and necessary changes in the bylaws subject to ratification by the club.
- 3. April 17, 2002:** Pursuant to the procedure detailed in Article XII of these bylaws, the amendments referred to in Note 2, above, were ratified at the regular club meeting held on this date.
- 4. April 28, 2005:** (1) Appropriate sections of these bylaws were revised pursuant to an amendment ratified at a regular club meeting creating and effecting the position of club vice president; (2) in some sections clarifications and corrections not affecting substance were made (e.g., listing the correct dues amount); (3) in other sections miscellaneous improvements not affecting substance were made to make the bylaws easier to read (e.g., substituting "the Board" for "board of directors.")
- 5. September 20, 2006:** Article X was amended to formalize the criteria for Honorary Membership in accordance with Rotary International Policy and to specify the criteria for the local category of Honorary Life Membership.

THE IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE TO ROTARY AND TO YOU

The attendance rule of Rotary International (RI) makes Rotary different from other service clubs. Your attendance at Rotary meetings is important, but not just because there is a rule. It is important because attendance creates a bond of fellowship among our members, and your absence makes our fellowship incomplete. We value your attendance for you, not for the record.

There is a lot of talk in Rotary about 100 percent attendance, and too often this talk makes new members edgy because their business, family, and other commitments makes perfect attendance at meetings impossible. So please be assured that the Geneva club does not stress perfect attendance. While we want to see you at as many meetings as possible, we recognize that RI has only a minimum attendance requirement that is not difficult to maintain.

1. RI is not seeking perfect attendance, just no less than 50 percent at meetings. If you miss a meeting you can make it up during a four-week period, two weeks before and after the missed meeting. You can make up any number of missed meetings by attending the meeting of any other Rotary club worldwide, or you can make up eight of the missed meetings by attending an RI eClub meeting in this manner:

1.1 Go to the eClub site at <www.rotaryeclubone.org>. Do not sign up to become an eClub member. The first time you make-up, click on the yellow box on the right side of the page, the one that says **FIRST TIME MAKEUP?** Then just follow the directions.

1.2. Each subsequent time you use the eClub to make up a meeting, you click on the blue MAKE-UP INFO box on the menu bar. Then just follow the directions.

1.3. To get credit for an eClub make-up submit the make-up form you receive to Pat Krauss, our attendance chair. You can do this in either of two ways: (1) print out the make-up form you receive by email and give or send it to Pat; or (2) when your make-up form appears on your computer screen, click on <File, Send> and email a copy to Pat at <rek3@nysaes.cornell.edu>.

2. It is easy to keep track of attendance. There are 26 meetings in each six-month calendar period, and you only have to attend 13 of those meetings to meet the RI minimum attendance requirement. If you have missed a number of meetings early on, you can make them up right away and not find your attendance in arrears at the end of the attendance period.

3. RI authorizes Rotary boards of directors to designate certain of their service projects to be the equivalent of attendance at a meeting, so if you participate in these projects you are given credit for attendance for the make-up period discussed in Paragraph 1, above. Our attendance committee chair can inform you which projects qualify in any particular year.

4. If you cannot attend or make up some meetings because of illness, accident, or special circumstances, you may apply in writing, in advance in possible, to the secretary, and if the reasons are allowable, the board will grant you a temporary leave of absence for up to six months. Emergency situations can be easily handled by telephoning the attendance committee chair or the secretary.

5. If it turns out that in a particular six-month period you were not able to meet the RI minimum attendance requirement, our club policy permits you to retain your membership by meeting the attendance requirement during the next six-month attendance period. However, this provision does not apply to newly inducted members, who will be terminated if they fail to meet the RI minimum attendance requirement during the first six calendar months (not attendance period) after induction; after that time, the regular provision will apply.

6. Although we hope it will not come to this, if something happens, e.g., a long-term change in your work schedule, that you already know will prevent you from attending meetings for an period longer than a year, club policy permits you to submit a resignation knowing that you are entitled to return to club membership in the future when your schedule will permit you to meet the minimum attendance requirement.

7. If meeting the attendance requirement becomes a concern for you, the most important thing you can do is contact the attendance chair so that he/she can discuss your situation and work out options.