



ScholarSips Success!

With 75 people dedicated to education filling Reitano's seats at the second annual ScholarSips event on February 19th, we raised all \$15,000 just through the paddle raise!! Kahle Magalis and Clint Pierpoint conducted the paddle raise in a live auction format, sharing stories of past scholarship recipients and asking for support. Cheryl Cullers was the winner of the diamond hunt! The organizers are still tallying the final total of funds raised from this popular event.

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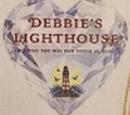
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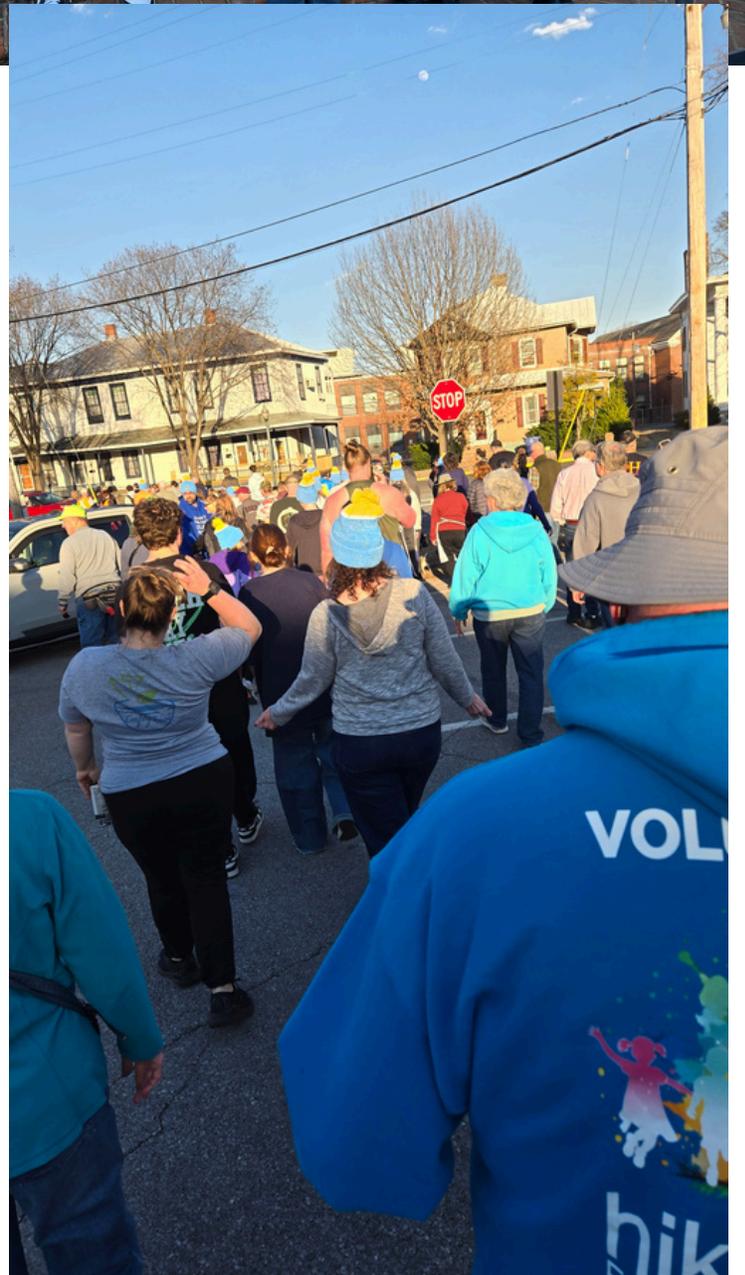
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Thank you to Jen Avery for taking photos!

Club Rallies for HARTS

An impressive number of Rotarians (and a few family members!) turned out for the Coldest Night of the Year Walk to benefit the Hope and Rest Temporary Shelter on February 28th. Despite the name of the event, the temperature was in the 60's, making some members VERY happy. The Club raised nearly \$2,300 towards HARTS' \$50,000 goal.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

CENTENNIAL GALA

CELEBRATING THE

Rotary Club of Front Royal

SATURDAY | 18 APRIL 2026 | 6:00 PM

SHENANDOAH VALLEY GOLF CLUB

FEATURING MUSIC BY

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SWING ORCHESTRA

Kindly RSVP and purchase tickets by March 31 at GiveButter.com/FRROTARY100 or via the QR Code.



Attire:
Black tie or formal evening wear inspired by any decade from 1926–2026. Tuxedos are welcome but not required—current dark suits, cocktail dresses, gowns, and elegant formalwear are perfectly appropriate.



Evening Itinerary
6:00 PM – Raise a Glass: Bar Opens
6:30 PM – Dinner & Centennial Toasts
8:00 PM – An Evening of Swing & Dancing

<http://Yesterdayswing.com>

Location:
Shenandoah Valley Golf Club
134 Golf Club Circle, Front Royal, Virginia 22630



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Keeping Warren County Healthy

On February 11th, Nancy Rose came to speak at the Club. Nancy is the Community Outreach Coordinator for St. Luke Community Clinic in Front Royal. They provide medical, dental, and counseling services to 200 to 300 clients every year. Nancy noted that Medicaid is contracting and shared that people who have lost Medicaid or who don't have insurance are eligible for services at St. Luke.

The Clinic offers visits with a doctor four times per year for emergent issues, not

emergencies. They also provide women's programs and exams once a month, with referrals for mammograms and Pap smears. There is even a medical disposal box available at the Clinic.

St. Luke's is community funded. The major fundraiser is the Gala and Silent Auction is held the last Saturday in September. In addition to cash donations, they accept donations of medical equipment and unopened medications.

Paul Harris Fellows Honored



On February 18th, two additional Paul Harris Fellows were welcomed to the Society via recognition points. Hailey Chadwell (pictured on left in photo at left) was honored by Michael Williams for her work with Early Act. Katrina Meade (pictured on left in photo at lower left) was recognized by Kathy Napier for volunteering to be the treasurer of the Club.



RYLA Presentation

On February 11th, the four students we sent to RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Academy) in December had the opportunity to share their favorite parts of the weekend.

Fenna, our exchange student, enjoyed the RYLA Wars, learning about personalities and getting out of her comfort zone.

Abigail said she liked all of the speakers, and she appreciated being pushed out of her comfort zone as well.

Emma enjoyed the leadership lessons and gained a better understanding of how to listen, to have thoughtful conversations and compassion.

Kennedy shared that she learned that leaders come in all different forms, and they need to collaborate to have good end products.

Each student received a certificate acknowledging their attendance at the conference.

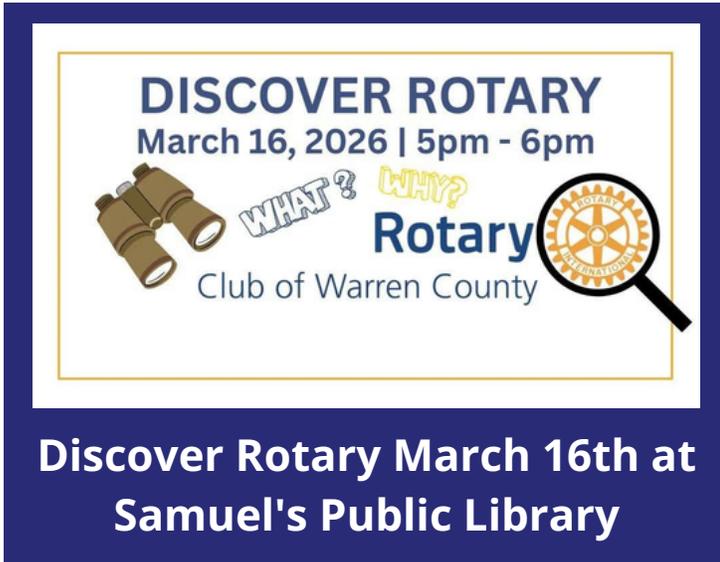
Michael Williams, who heads the Club's Youth Services programs, said, "When I go to RYLA, I come back knowing there is hope."

Are you registered for District Conference? You can find the full schedule, registration details, and hotel information at Rotary7570conference.com.

Committee Notes

Foundation Committee

Kathy Napier reported that we are at \$9,727 of our \$10,000 goal for the annual fund, and \$2,391 of our \$4,000 goal for the Polio Plus Fund.



DISCOVER ROTARY
March 16, 2026 | 5pm - 6pm

WHAT? WHY?
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Club of Warren County

Discover Rotary March 16th at Samuel's Public Library

Youth Notes

Michael Williams proved he likes to make the students a part of everything at Rotary, and once again called up the students to share what they enjoy in their clubs. Telulah reported that she enjoys the holiday cards and game days. Fenna said she likes Skyline High School because it looks like a big school, but it's not.

Hailey Chadwell shared that at RJES, they were collecting protein bars for the American Red Cross to send to Djibouti in March, and in April they would paint rocks and weed the gardens.

Michael reported that EWM is planting herbs and that the first Interact District Conference would be held the first week of April. They hope to have over 80 students.

Let's Play Favorites!

Our guest speaker on March 4th was fellow Rotarian Bret Bement of local toy store Play Favorites!

With an arcade/playroom where "the magic happens," the largest puzzle selection in the Valley, and the largest board game selection in the Valley, Play Favorites has become a popular destination for kids from 1 to 101. "I sell stuff nobody needs while providing a service everybody needs," Bret declared.

Well aware of the relational poverty that exists in today's society, he and his wife Hannah have worked to make Play Favorites a "third place" where people can meet up. To that end, they host game nights three times a week.

Bret's bestselling item, however, isn't a toy. It's Hannah's earrings, Salamanderings!



Barbara shared that we would donate the book *Some Dinosaurs are Small*, by Charlotte Voake, to the Phoenix Project in Bret's honor.

Learn more about all Play Favorites offers:
<https://www.playfavorites.com/>

A New Foundation in Town

Krista Beahm and Bob Battini of the Warren County VA Foundation were our guest speakers on March 11th. Bob and Krista both work for the Warren County Virginia Sheriff's Office, serving in wonderful roles related to connecting the deputies to the community. Krista works with the youth, including the 14-20 yr olds Police Explorers (focusing on scenarios, paperwork, and criminal justice career stepping stones), and the 5-12 yr olds Police Athletics League (PAL), which is less structured, and includes play with deputies, and community service projects. Bob works with TRIAD and seniors, and is also the advisor for the Warren County VA Sheriff's Office Foundation.

The Foundation is a new non-profit serving Warren County! The goal is to help fund the community-based programs that the normal Sheriff's Office budget is not able to include, including programs that enhance community relations; provide financial assistance to purchase equipment/technology, training to enhance WCSO operations; and promote public safety. For more information, visit <https://warrencountysheriff.org/>



Barbara Ecton presented *The Little Rabbit* by Nicola Killen, which will be donated to Therese C. Nethers Little Angels in honor of Krista and Bob.



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NORTHERN VIRGINIA 4-H
EDUCATIONAL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

Saturday March 14th at 10am
600 4H CENTER DRIVE,
FRONT ROYAL 22630

DISTRICT GRANT SWEAT EQUITY DAY

Fairfax Shelter is on the left through the metal gates. There are a few parking spots there and overflow parking is at the pool parking lot.

Projects Include: roof clean-up, drainage work, painting, and a few cleaning/organization jobs.

Wear long sleeves and old clothes/shoes. PPE will be provided.

Bring a water bottle. Lunch will be provided :)

Questions? Text/call Katie at (614) 804-6540 or email rotarytenant@gmail.com



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Member Birthdays	Birthday
Barbour, Brian Christopher (BRIAN)	16 March
Cline, Crystal M (CRYSTAL)	09 March
Ecton, Henry G. (HANK)	11 March
Karnes, George Lee II (GEORGE)	01 March
Williams, Michael Sean (MICHAEL)	08 March

Partner Birthdays	Member Name	Birthday
Cochran, Tim (TIM COCHRAN)	Cochran, Mari Jo	30 March
Tennant, Mark	Tennant, Katie	25 March

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Years(P)	Total
Barber, Melanie Crouch (MELANIE)	03/21/07	19	0	19
Cline, Crystal M (CRYSTAL)	03/16/22	4	0	4
Fischetti, Deborah (DEBI FISCHETTI)	03/15/23	3	0	3
Hartman, Gail C (GAIL)	03/13/19	7	0	7
Petty, Hope (HOPE)	03/08/23	3	0	3
Tennant, Katie (KATIE)	03/08/23	3	0	3
Weichmann, Patricia A. (TISH WEICHMANN)	03/01/22	4	0	4

Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary	Years
Mabry, Ronald L. (RON)	Sandi (SANDI)	03/15	46
Wood, Glenn E. (GLENN)	Amy (AMY)	03/25	48

2025-26 Officers

President: Kahle Magalis

Immediate Past President:

Ellen Aders

President Elect: Katie Tennant

Vice President: Debbie Grove

Treasurer: Katrina Meade

Secretary: Sally Kilpatrick

2025-26 Chairs

Foundation: Kathy Napier

Service: Carol Hardy

Fundraising: Jean Plauger

Grants: George Karnes

Social: Hope Petty

Membership: Sally Kilpatrick

Program: Debbie Grove

Public Image: Jen Avery

Bulletin: Celeste Brooks

Administrative: Dave Hardy

Youth Services: Michael Williams



Enroll in Rotary Direct to support any of the Rotary Foundation programs:
<https://my.rotary.org/en/rotary-direct>

Upcoming Service and Fundraising Projects

4-H Fairfax Shelter "Sweat Equity" Day--March 14th at 10 am.

Professional roofers will handle the installation; we will assist with clean-up, laying of a drainage pipe, painting, and other miscellaneous tasks as needed.

Dinner Together--March 31st

Ride with Rotary—April 18th

Rotary Club of Warren County

PO Box 702

Front Royal, VA 22630

warrencountyrotary.org

dacdb.com/Login

Meetings:

Wednesdays at 7am

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

14 W 1st St., Front Royal

(Virtual option available)





Organizations that would like to request volunteer and/or financial support from the Club must complete the Project Request Form located on the Club website.

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There are great past interviews and lots of club resources provided!



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Our Club has a storage shed! If you need to pick up or drop off something, contact Kahle Magalis.

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Find the donation links on our website!

<https://www.warrencountyrotary.org/project-donations>