



Rotary Club of Martinsburg Grapevine

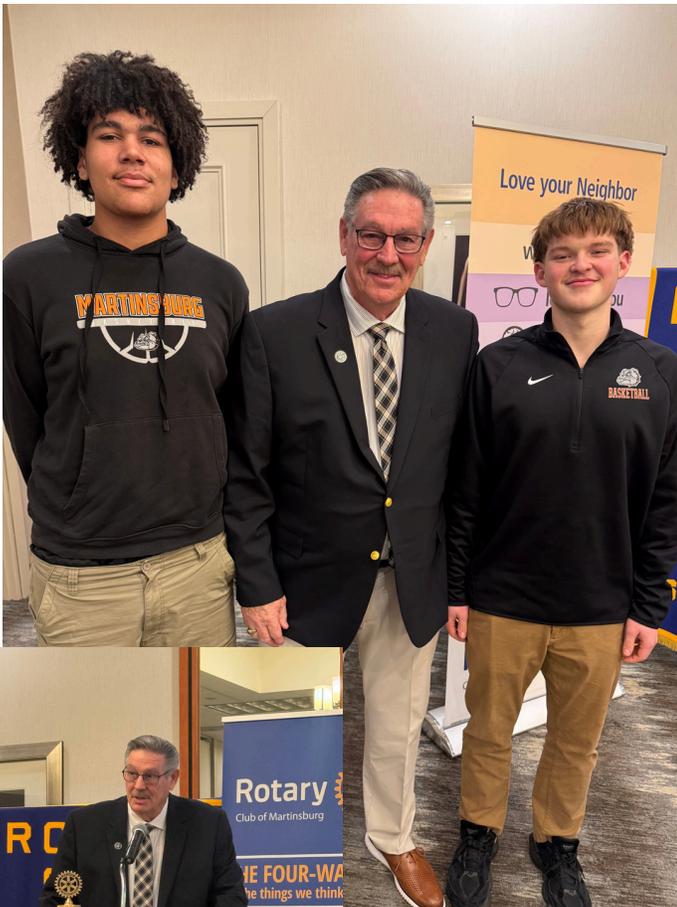
Jan 22, 2026

District 7360 | Club 5296



BASKETBALL

High School



Thanks to our local High School Basketball Teams for showing up to tell us about their season and what's most important when it comes to High School sports. Spoiler alert: it's not winning.



Rotary Club of Martinsburg Calendar

- Jan 29 – Lunch Meeting at Holiday Inn
- Feb 5 – Lunch meeting at Holiday Inn
- Feb 19 – 4-Way Speech Contest
- Mar 14–15 – Pickleball Tournament – Save the Date
- Apr 23 – Spring Family Picnic – Save the Date
- Jun 3 – Golf Tournament – Save the Date
- Sep 12 – Hope Gala – Save the Date

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FOR
GOOD**

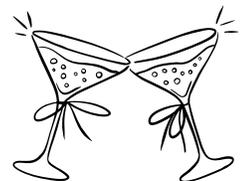
Member Birthdays

- Jan 1 – Nate Arndt
- Jan 7 – Bernice Collis
- Jan 14 – Kimberly Gilbert – Toelle
- Jan 15 – Charles Preston
- Jan 15 – Scott Slick
- Jan 16 – Lynette Scallion
- Jan 17 – Joe Brookreson
- Jan 23 – Carolyn Snyder

Happy Birthday

Member Anniversaries

- Jan 1 – Fred Parsons, 36
- Jan 6 – Diane Smith, 4
- Jan 12 – Steve Truax, 9
- Jan 12 – Butch Cazin, 20
- Jan 13 – Kimberly Gilbert – Toelle, 4
- Jan 14 – Chris Johnson, 16
- Jan 18 – Benice Collis, 25
- Jan 21 – Vicki Jenkins, 27
- Jan 23 – Nate Arndt, 1
- Jan 23 – Dottie Yost, 1



MEMBERSHIP CORNER/Membership Committee 2026

A strong year begins with shared purpose and renewed invitation. January sets the tone for the club’s experience throughout the year. Every interaction, whether greeting guests, engaging members, or discussing Rotary, shapes how curious, welcomed, and inspired people feel. Let’s be intentional about inviting others into our work and culture.

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’”

Invitation to Action

Invite a prospective member to a meeting and offer a complimentary lunch card.



Ways to Engage This Month

- ☐ Upcoming meeting: 4th Thursday at 11:00 AM (prior to club meeting)
- ☐ Volunteer Opportunities: Club meeting greeter, 50/50 table support, mentor to new members, and community projects.

Metric	This Month	Last Month	YTD
Total Members	137	135	137
Net Change	+2	—	+2
New Members Added	+2	—	8
Member Terminations	0	—	-6
Membership Goal	—	—	141
New Member Progress	—	—	29 %

Interpretation: Membership growth remains below the pace needed to offset historical attrition. While modest net gains have been achieved year-to-date, attraction must accelerate to reach the annual goal and ensure future sustainability.

Helping Our Local Community.



GRANTS PROCESS

- Applicant must be a non-profit charitable organization, government agency, Rotary Foundation, or other Rotary Club.
- Must demonstrate need for a specific project, pilot program, or program (not to include operating and/or administrative expenses such as salaries and operating expenses or ongoing operations—i.e., we will not provide a grant to a Food Pantry to buy food).
- Must be able to demonstrate long-term sustainability and impact of the grant.
- Funding must provide services to Berkeley County residents (exceptions can be made for other Rotary Clubs)
- Funding must be for future projects or programs. (Grants may not be used to reimburse organizations for activities or expenses already completed or in progress.)



Non-profits in the community are encouraged to apply for the grants Dec. 1, 2025 through Jan. 31, 2026 by using the QR code or visiting our website at martinsburgrotary.com



Grants up to \$20,000.00 are available and must relate to Rotary International's Seven Areas of Focus.



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ROTARY CLUB OF MARTINSBURG

Presents:

FOUR-WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST



Each contestant should choose the topic of his/her speech which will last between 5-7 minutes. The purpose of the speech is to address an ethical issue using the principles of the 4-Way Test. The issue to be addressed should be something from the speaker's personal experience or general knowledge.



**Club
Contest**



**Regional
Contest**



**District
Contest**

Date: Thursday, February 19th, 6PM
Location: BC Judicial Center, Courtroom 3C
380 W. South St. Martinsburg, WV
Prizes: 1st-\$500 & Regional Contest, 2nd-\$300, 3rd-\$150

Date: TBD
Location: TBD
Prizes: TBD
1st- District Contest

Date: March 28, 2026
Location: Bellefonte, PA
Prizes: 1st- \$2,000, 2nd- \$1,000,
2 runners-up- \$500 ea



For information about the Club
contest, rules & entry form visit:

rotary7360.org

PICKLEBALL



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TOURNAMENT

Sponsorship Form

Rotary Club of Martinsburg, WV
5th Fundraiser Event

Event Details:

March 14-15, 2026 (Saturday & Sunday)
2 One-day Tournaments

Location:

W. Randy Smith Center
40 Excellence Way, Inwood, WV 25428



Diamond

\$5,000

✓ Recognition on
Advertising &
Marketing Material

✓ 8 Players

Platinum

\$2,500

✓ Recognition on
Advertising &
Marketing Material

✓ 4 Players

Gold

\$1,000

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✓ 2 Players

Silver

\$500

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✓ 1 Player

Bronze

\$250

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Company/Sponsor Name & Level: _____

Contact Information/Phone & Email: _____

Sponsorship Submission: Opens Jan. 9, 2026 & Closes Mar. 6, 2026. Cancellation Deadline: Mar. 6, 2026.

Payment Option(s): To pay by credit card, please provide your email address: _____
The Rotary Club will email an invoice and link for you to pay online. Online payment via either PayPal/Stripe platform is available and both allow credit card payments. Optional payment by Personal Check to the Rotary Club of Martinsburg, P.O. Box 2073, Martinsburg, WV 25402 and reference Pickleball Tournament 2026 in Memo of check. Any funding issue may be addressed to the Rotary Club Treasurer, Rotarymartinsburg@gmail.com.

The Sponsor is required to contact/email the Tournament Director to provide the identify of each eligible player covered by the level of sponsorship to waive the registration cost. Any unfilled position will be forfeited/vacated after the deadline of 03/06/26.

Although the sponsor's player registration cost is waived, each player is mandated to register online via www.Pickleball.com. Search by keyword "ROTARY".

Note: When registering online, online "Waiver Signature" is mandatory. Note: Registration covers only 1st Event at no charge for either day; Payment of \$50 is required for additional events on either day. Rotary Letterhead referencing Nonprofit Status with Federal Tax ID (EIN) & W-9 will be provided upon request by the sponsor.

Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus:



Basic Education
and Literacy



Maternal and
Child Health



Peace and Conflict
Prevention/Resolution



Disease
Prevention and
Treatment



Water and
Sanitation



Economic and
Community
Development



Supporting the
Environment

Contact: Robert "Rob" L. Lowe, II; Director: Rotary Pickleball Tournament
Phone: (304) 261-1110 Email: RLLowe2atRES1@aol.com

Thanks!