



Rotary Club of Martinsburg

Grapevine

Jun 05, 2025

District 7360 | Club 5296

MN8 Energy



Andrew House, Senior Manager of Development, spoke to our club about the new solar project coming to Falling Waters. “We’re currently working on five solar projects across the state, from Mingo and Kanawha counties in the south to Hardy, Jefferson, and Berkeley counties in the east, representing up to \$1 billion of investment to develop new resources. These sites could generate up to 650 megawatts (MW) of combined solar power—enough to power over 95,000 homes with clean energy, growing West Virginia’s self-sufficiency and role as an energy leader.

We’re also evaluating the addition of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) to these sites, which could bring even more local investment and benefits to West Virginia residents.”

Project	Proposed Capacity	Expected Construction Start Date	County
Old Fields Solar	250 MWac Solar	2029	Hardy
Twisted Gun Solar	140 MWac Solar	2027	Mingo
Mammoth Solar	90 MWac Solar	2027	Kanawha
Charles Town Solar	90 MWac Solar	2028	Jefferson
Falling Waters Solar	80 MWac Solar	2027	Berkeley
TOTAL	650 MWac Solar		

“When companies support the communities they operate in, everyone benefits. Working together can create positive ripple effects and a brighter future for us all.

“Being there” in West Virginia matters, not just physically but holistically. As we forge ahead, we’re excited about the job opportunities, economic growth, environmental outcomes, and community connections we’re bringing to the state.

We look forward to getting to know our West Virginia neighbors better and helping to unleash America’s energy potential as our clean energy projects get underway.”

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Member Birthdays

Jun 11 – Dana DeJarnett

Jun 13 – Hal VanMetre

Jun 15 – Mark Ingle

Wedding Anniversaries

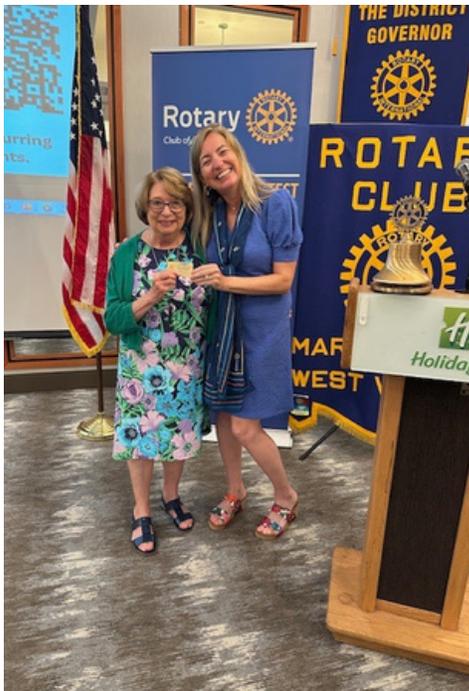
Jun 14 – Eric & Kerry Stenger, 28

Jun 16 – Maria & Michael Lorensen, 41

LET'S CELEBRATE!



The Blessings Closet in West Virginia provides gently used clothing for community members in need. Additionally, clothes for homeless, and our food pantries provide food boxes with meat, fresh fruits and vegetables. We provide backpacks to help with school readiness and educational classes for adults. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit, we serve Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan counties in the eastern panhandle of West Virginia. All clothing is donated, sorted, and checked for rips and stains. We ensure our clothing is like new before we distribute. Furthermore, The Blessings Closet does not accept money from anyone who needs our services. We rely strictly on donations. Those donations are returned to the community as a blessing. We allow participants to shop in a caring and welcoming environment supported by community members. We also partner with local schools to provide items for their clothing closets for children in need.



Top photo: Rhonda Holmes-Gales speaks to our club about the non-profit she founded, The Blessings Closet. Last year she was awarded with a grant from our club. Bottom left: new member, Dr. Cindy Bambara, receives name tag. Welcome to our club!! Bottom middle: Club President, Tracy Regalia, presents DG Pam Wagoner with a certificate of recognition for her year as District Governor. She represented our club amazingly! Bottom right: Pete Mulford is presented with a certificate of recognition for his 50 years as a Rotarian! Thanks for your service, Pete!!

2025 Installation Dinner



Please join us for our
Annual Installation Dinner

Rotary Club of Martinsburg

Thursday, June 12, 2025

5:30PM Happy Hour

6:00PM Dinner

The Holiday Inn, Martinsburg



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Rotary Club of Martinsburg Calendar

- June 12 – Installation Dinner, No lunch meeting
- June 12–14 – RYLA, Sharpsburg MD
- June 18 – Annual Rotary Golf Tournament
- June 26 – Build Beds, Sleep In Heavenly Peace, 9AM
- Sep 06 – Hope Gala

PRIDE MONTH



What is LGBTQ Prime Month?

LGBTQ Pride Month is the positive stance against discrimination and violence toward lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) people.

The month is dedicated to promote self-affirmation, dignity and equality rights, as well as aims to increase the LGBTQ visibility as a social group while celebrating sexual diversity and gender variance

Why is it Called "Pride"

Pride, as opposed to shame and social stigma, is the outlook that bolsters most LGBTQ rights groups and movements around the world.

Pride has lent its name to LGBTQ-themed events, organizations, institutes, book titles, foundations, a cable TV station, and the Pride Library.

Why is Pride Month in June?

Early on the morning of Saturday, June 28, 1969, police raided a gay bar in New York City, known as the Stonewall Inn.

The event brought on a series of riots by LGBTQ persons, constituting as the most important event leading to the gay liberation movement and modern fight for LGBTQ rights in the US.

The month of June was chosen to honor and commemorate those Stonewall riots.

Who is the "Mother of Pride"?

Brenda Howard is known as the "Mother of Pride", for her work in the coordinating the first LGBTQ Pride march to commemorate the first anniversary of the Stonewall riots.

Howard also originated the idea of a week-long series of events around Pride Day which became the genesis of the annual LGBTQ Pride festive celebrations that are now held around the world every June.

How is it Celebrated?

LGBTQ Pride Month events draw millions of participants from around the world each year.

Today, the month-long celebrations include pride parades, marches, parties, concerts/shows, workshops, symposiums and rallies across the entire nation.

GOLF TOURNAMENT



**Wednesday
June 18th, 2025**



The Woods Golf Course, Hedgesville, WV

\$2,000 - Tournament Sponsor

- Event Recognition
- Marketing & Advertising
- Golf for 8

\$500 - Team Sponsor

- Event Recognition
- Tee sign
- Golf for 4

\$250 - Prize Sponsor

- Event Recognition, Tee sign

\$100 - Tee Sign Sponsor

\$100 - Individual Golfer

\$20 - Extras Package

- Per golfer - 2 Mulligans, Pro Drive, Gold Tee Shot



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Supporting the Environment

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**REGISTRATION: 8AM
SHOTGUN START: 10AM
LUNCH PROVIDED**



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Tax Exempt number: 55-6023366

*Proceeds will support the Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus in our local community.

JUNETEENTH

FREEDOM DAY

Juneteenth commemorates the day when enslaved Black people in Galveston, Texas, learned they were free 2½ years after the passing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

SUMNER RAMER HERITAGE, INC SPONSORS COMMUNITY JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION 2025 JUNE 22 1:00 TO 5:00PM

We are excited to announce that the 2025 Juneteenth Celebration will be held in downtown Martinsburg! This annual event is a time for our community to come together in joy, reflection, and unity—celebrating the rich contributions of African Americans to our nation's history and the enduring journey toward freedom.

In the past, we gathered with hundreds of community members for a day filled with music, culture, education, and fellowship. Thanks to the generosity of sponsors, donors, and volunteers, we were able to create an unforgettable experience for families, friends, and neighbors. As we prepare for 2025, we invite you to be a part of this powerful celebration by supporting our efforts. Your sponsorship or donation will help us provide:

- Live entertainment and performances showcasing African American culture and heritage
- Educational programming and materials that honors the significance of Juneteenth
- Food trucks, activities, and family-friendly entertainment for all to enjoy
- Opportunities for community engagement and unity-building conversations

Your support ensures that we make this a free and accessible event for everyone in our community. Whether through sponsorship, every gift makes a difference. Please join us in making the 2025 Juneteenth Celebration an incredible success? We would love to discuss ways you or your organization can get involved. Please find our sponsorship and donation details below. **Together, we can honor the past, celebrate the present, and build a future rooted in UNITY AND PROGRESS.**

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