



Rotary Club of Martinsburg

Grapevine

June 27, 2024

District 7360 | Club 5296

New Year New Presidential Theme



On January 8, 2024, at the Rotary International Assembly, Stephanie Urchick (2024–25 Rotary International President) told incoming District Governors, “Don’t misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words...It’s up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member” as she announced the new presidential theme. Staphanie Urchick urged members to champion Rotary’s Action Plan, find a balance between continuity and change, and work for peace. She plans to host a presidential peace conference in 2025 with the theme “Healing in a Divided World.” In addition to emphasizing peacebuilding, Urchick reiterated Rotary’s commitment to eradicating polio. She urged the incoming governors to join or initiate PolioPlus Societies in their districts and do all they can to help end the disease. She asked the governors to do whatever is needed to make the club experience irresistible to members. One way to make positive change, she said, is to embrace the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion within clubs. More on this can be found at

<https://www.rotary.org/en/stephanie-urchick-celebrates-magic-rotary>

New Year – New District Governor



Let's congratulate our very own club member, Pam Wagoner, on becoming the District Governor (DG) of District 7360. Her Installation Luncheon was on Saturday, June 29th at the Purple Iris in Martinsburg. Pam had her family, friends, and fellow Rotarians there to support her. Pam was supported by many of her home club's members to include: Darrell Shull, Chris Johnson, Tim Merceruio, Vickie Elliott, Marilyn Schoon, Bill Wortley, and Tracy Regalia. During the ceremony Pam awarded her 2 sons with Paul Harris pins. Before the gavel was passed to her by last year's DG, Herb Smith, each of the past DG's in attendance offered words of wisdom. Pam told great stories about each of her family members, to include the "Mighty Ben". She will bring the hand-made magicians' hat with her during her DG tour this Summer.



New Year – New President



Let's congratulate Tracy Regalia as she becomes the new President of our Rotary Club. She has been a member for 4 years and during that time has been on the Board of Directors, Vice President, President-Elect, Social Image Chair and Grapevine Editor. In the photo above, DG Pam Wagoner is installing the Board Officers for the new year.

Right Photo: Michelle Sadat is receiving the President's Award during the Installation dinner. Incoming President Tracy Regalia awarded Michelle after expressing gratitude for all she has accomplished and given to our club and community over the past year. Michelle has been a club member for 6 years. During this time she has been on the Board of Directors, President-Elect, President, Membership Committee member, Grants Committee member and volunteer for many club events. Michelle is responsible for the great success of the first ever Hope Gala during her Presidency. This fundraising event raised \$25k, which was given back to the community in full. Michelle was instrumental in developing the way our club awards grants in the community annually by establishing a grants committee. Her contributions to our club will be long-lasting and we are grateful!





**Rotarian of The Year
Rob Lowe II**

**Rising Star Award
Diane Smith**



**Presidential Award
Darrell Shull**

Paul Harris Awards

As part of her awards presentation, Michelle Sadat gifted 4 Paul Harris awards as a way to recognize outstanding achievement, contribution, and support to her and our club during her year as President. She first awarded her husband, Kaveh Sadat, with his first Paul Harris for supporting her and keeping her family and business strong while she was busy with Rotary. In addition, she awarded Tim Merceruio, Kim Gilbert-Toelle and Tracy Regalia.





Rotary Foundation – \$500K

Current DG, Herb Smith and incoming DG, Pam Wagoner commended our club for total donations exceeding \$500,000 to the Rotary Foundation. This is a huge milestone in giving and shows how generous our club members are. After this recognition, Paul Harris Awards were given to everyone who reached the \$1k milestone for a Paul Harris award during the last 2 months.

Member Birthdays

July 3 – Butch Cazin

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July 5 – Thomas Belfield

July 5 – Pete Mulford

July 8 – Mike Hite

July 9 – Omaima Mohamed



Wedding Anniversaries

July 11 – Krystle & Brandon Burkhart, 15

Rotary Club of Martinsburg Calendar & Programs

- July 2 – Veterans Picnic at Poor House Farm, 12–2
- July 4 – No lunch meeting this day
- July 9 – Board Meeting at Hub Suites, Noon
- July 11 – Family Renewal Initiative Presentation
- Aug 3 – Berkeley County Youth Fair
Concession from 6:30–8:30PM and 8:30–close
- Sep 28 – Hope Gala, Hilton Garden Inn at 6PM
- Oct 12 – SMSC Color Run, details TBA
- Oct 19 & 20 – Apple Harvest Pancake Breakfast



Please contact Berniece Collis at bcollis@minghinis.com if interested in volunteering on Saturday, August 3rd at the Berkeley County Youth Fair Concession Stand. The times are 6:30–8:30PM and 8:30–Close. All are welcome!

