

CORTLAND BREAKFAST ROTARY NEWS

Together We Serve, Together We Make a Difference

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President Terry Cahill

Front Desk:

Jim Anderson
Conrad Janke

Thought for the Day:

Sophie Welburn

Raffle Winner: Chrissie Allen

Attendance: 24

Zoom: N/A

Guests:

Kevin Whitney
Courtney Metcalf
Dustin Contri
Sophia Lin

"It took a community to get where we are" *Field trip to the Cortland County Regional Training Center*



Members of the Cortland Breakfast Rotary Club gathered at the Cortland County Regional Training Center to learn about this important asset to the community.

Deputy Fire Coordinator Kevin Whitney first presented on the history of the center, which started as an idea in 1999 and came to fruition in 2008 with the completion of Phase I. Whitney explained that they are constantly making additions and improvements, and that with support coming from the State Senate and Assembly, the town of Cortlandville (especially the highway department), various businesses, and a whole lot of volunteers, "it took a whole community to get where we are."

Training services at the center include the ability to accommodate remote instruction and virtual meetings, use of the simulation house, maze, and car fire pad for extrication practice. It also has a massive water tank underground- a drafting prop, to train how to draw up water in a situation where a fire hydrant is not available.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

River Clean-Up

✳ September 26, 2026

Alzheimer's Walk

✳ October 24- Ithaca
November 8- Syracuse

Area 13 Meeting- Hopshire

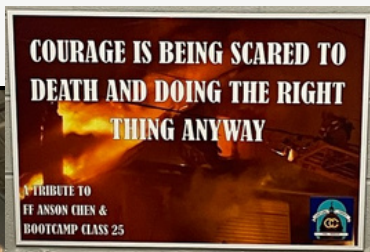
✳ November 14, 2026

Training Center continued...

One of their more recent acquisitions is a telehandler which allows them to receive and move large equipment without needing to rely on the highway dept. It was later explained that such purchases are made possible by donations and grants, the Training Center acting as a 501(c)(3) organization.

In 2025, there were 5,349 that participated in training programs at the training center- one of the often overlooked benefits is how many individuals it brings in from around the state (and even Canada) who contribute to the local economy through hotel stays, eating at local restaurants, and even sometimes making a return visit with their families.

Projects on the horizon include updating electrical in the center, obtaining a gear washer and dryer, and getting an exterior forcible entry prop.



Matt Banazek- 9/13

Anniversaries

Jim Anderson (9/9/2020)

NEXT WEEK'S
THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:
KURT BEHRENFELD



FINAL APPEAL
NEW EXCHANGE CHAIR
NEEDED
BEFORE OCTOBER!

Help us keep this important
program going in our club!

Contact Karen DeWitt

Happy Dollars

Sophie Welburn: Had a positive health outcome recently; for a fun Labor Day weekend with brother-in-law's family, camping, hiking, good food; for my Rotary family that has been so supportive during continued recovery from house fire.

Glenn Reisweber: Great to be back at the Cortlandville Fire Dept., appreciate all they do.

Doug Withey: For his "gift" from Taiwan- make sure to meet Sophia Lin, she's a sweetheart and makes good apple pies; she survived her first day of school.

Conrad Janke: For our speakers.

Don Richards: Thank you to our hosts at the Cortland County Regional Training Center.

Chrissie Allen: For Complete Construction Concepts making Groton look nice, work on the police dept. has made such a difference.



**Past Secretary
Diane Higgins presents
Secretary Chrissie Allen
with an officer's pin**



2026 RIVER CLEAN UP!

Keep Cortland County's lakes, rivers, and streams free of trash!

WHEN: Saturday, September 26, at 8:30 a.m.

WHERE: Riverside Plaza, near Ollie's.



Plus!

ROTARY CLUB OF CORTLAND
PRESENTS:

ROTARY
RADIO
DAY



You could win an overnight stay for 2 at a Hilton in NYC, 2 tickets to the 67th Cortaca Jug at Yankee Stadium and Cortland swag!

The swag alone is worth over \$100, so even if you can't attend the game, cheer for Cortland at home in style!

If you don't want to attend the game, you can still support our missions by making a donation to your favorite charity group, Kiwanis of Cortland!

All money raised by Kiwanis is used for children in Cortland County. We are 100% non-profit. Thanks to your purchase, or donation, we can send children to summer camp, provide scholarships & school supplies, stock food pantries, build beds and even playgrounds!

Follow the link below to enter!

ENTER TO WIN!!

CONRAD JANKE IS PLANNING TO FORM A TEAM FOR THE NOVEMBER 8TH WALK IN SYRACUSE- LET HIM KNOW IF YOU'D LIKE TO JOIN!

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Together, WE CAN END ALZHEIMER'S.

Rotary

ADRAG

ADRAG FELLOWSHIP EVENT

TEAM CAPTAIN

Name:

Email:

FALL WALK SCHEDULE

SELECT A WALK DATE / LOCATION

☐ SEPTEMBER 26 – Binghamton Walk
Mirabito Stadium!

☐ OCTOBER 3 – Schenectady Walk
Mohawk Harbor!

☐ OCTOBER 4 – Cooperstown Walk
Clark Sports Center

☐ OCTOBER 17 – Utica/Rome Walk
MVCC Utica Campus

☐ OCTOBER 17 – Queensbury Walk
SUNY Adirondack

☐ OCTOBER 18 – Troy Walk
Joseph Bruno Stadium

☐ OCTOBER 24 – Albany Walk
Siena University!

☐ OCTOBER 24 – Ithaca/Cortland Walk
Ithaca College!

☐ NOVEMBER 8 – Syracuse Walk
SRC Arena at OCC!

REGISTER YOUR CLUB TEAM

National Partnership Teams
Register Here:

TEAM NAME FORMAT:
CNY Rotary – (Club Name)

https://act.alz.org/site/TR?company_id=187133&pg=national_company&pw_id=15048

EVERY CNY ROTARY TEAM WILL RECEIVE:

PRE-WALK FELLOWSHIP TAILGATE

TEAM T-SHIRTS

WALK BANNER / CLUB FLAG

SUPPORT ROTARY'S COMMITMENT TO BRAIN & MENTAL HEALTH

Walk together.
End Alzheimer's.

Let's make a difference
in our communities
and create lasting impact.

Current Team Members

Conrad

Rosie

Sophie

Chrissie