

## 2025 Genesee Rapids – Sponsorships & Program Team:



Michael Burgett – Rapids fan since 2016, Business Sponsor 2023-present

Tamara Peet – Rapids fan since 2021, Player Host Home 2022 season, 2023-present business sponsor

Terry Sweet – Rapids fan since 2017, Player Host Home 2017-2024

The Sponsorship & Program Volunteer Team is primarily responsible for 'communicating to' and 'following up with' preexisting Rapids Sponsors, seeking additional new supporters and updating the annual program 'through to print' in cooperation with CTE Center at Belmont's Graphic Arts department (design) and Houghton University (printing).

Each team member has enjoyed collaborating in their designated role. As a result, they have brought some amazing ideas to life for the 2025 program, including but not limited to the:

- "Find Us" page showcasing the many ways to stay connected to the Rapids throughout the season at both Home and Away games
- "Lodging Directory" to provide out-of-town Rapids fans a comprehensive list of awesome and local places to stay
- "Play Ball!" page spotlighting the many ways Rapids fans can support and engage with their team during home games

Prior to the Rapids opening day, this team will also ensure distribution of the 2025 program and corresponding perks to all our supporting sponsors. Thereafter, Michael, Tamara and Terry get to enjoy relaxing while rooting for our Genesee Rapids!



Vicky and Earl White and Eric and Mindie Elwell and family

These volunteers demonstrate a true servant's heart by serving delicious food to 40 very hungry players, coaches, and one starving general manager and his assistant. This very important job does not go unnoticed or unappreciated.





Today, we want to highlight super volunteer Natalie Rivera. Natalie is super organized, super energetic, and super capable of handling herself among the 40 male players, coaches, and fans. Natalie is from the Bronx and has a black belt in judo. Need we say more?? Natalie is pictured with General Manager Thom Kettelkamp. Thank you both for all that you do to help the Rapids be successful!

### SUNDAY BRUNCHES: HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

There were four HWC Sunday brunch volunteer groups. Each group was responsible for paying for the brunch with their own funds, buying the food, drinks, and supplies, setting up for the brunches, preparing and serving the food and drinks, and washing dishes and cleaning up afterwards. They also donated any leftovers to the team for use at a later time. The Mayhle's group had two watermelons leftover. Two of the volunteers took the watermelons to the K-PAC a few days later, cut them up, and then took them to the dugout for the team to enjoy during a game.



### SUNDAY BRUNCH GROUPS

The Mayhle's Group: Ken and Barb Bates, Elizabeth Probert Cesaretti, Karen Daugherty, Doug, Judi, and Bitsy Mayhle, Tom and Jane Miner, Bill and Jayne Swanson, and Mark and Terry Sweet

The HWC Men's Group: Evan Babbit, Bryan Davidson, Nate Jacoby, Don Little, Peter Torraca, and Warren Torraca

The HWC Youth Group: Jon Cole and Youth Group

The Edward's Group: Cindy-Lu, Ed, and Tracy Taylor

## PRESS BOX VOLUNTEERS

The dedicated crew members in the press box work hard to make the game a great experience for our fans at the Kerr Pegula park and for those joining remotely. The stalwarts on the team include Doyin Adenuga on video streaming, Justin Thaine on play-by-play, Bruce Campbell on the scoreboard and music, and Ben Campbell on Stats. This summer a number of talented subs filled in to help keep things going: Mike Cox, Jeremy Bialek, Bel Lipscomb, Andy Yanda, Gabby Yanda, Alexander Burgett, Ben Havens and Dick Harter. With talented people in the box, every Rapids fan, no matter where they live, can enjoy a great evening at the ballpark.



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