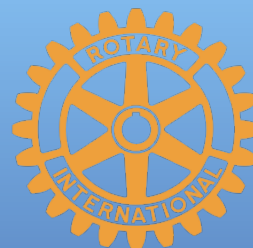




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# Rotary

## District 7280



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SEE PAGE 2!**

### *A Message from District Governor Scott Bayline*

Is it really June already? Since I will be in Hamburg for the Rotary International convention in June, I am preparing my address early. I hope those of you who attended the District Conference enjoyed the experience. I know it was very hectic for me and for our committee, but it was an enjoyable part of my Rotary journey I will never forget. I hope conference left you energized by some of the experiences and people who have inspired me. It was a pleasure to host our speakers and I hope you had a chance to mingle and converse with them. I commend Conference Chair Christa for her efforts that made our conference a success.

Aaron Blomme's performance at Walker Recital Hall was marvelous. If you didn't attend ask someone who was there what he or she thought. Plans are in the works to bring Aaron back to the States very soon. Contact me or Zach Covington, Franklin Club President for more details.

The statistics from our fundraising efforts and service project are on both the District web site and Facebook pages. We should be proud of our accomplishments not only at conference but also throughout the year. Each club, large or small, makes their community a better place that in turn makes the world a better place. Enjoy your success as you plan next year. Try to take on just one more project, support one more cause, or have one more fundraiser next year. The world is a better place than it was a year ago because of Rotarians applying their skills, time and money to do so.

Soon DGE Ken will be DG Ken to begin another leg of his Rotary Journey. I couldn't have done it all without his help this year. I owe him a big thank you and hope you will join me in wishing him the best. I know he is excited about the upcoming year and will provide great leadership for our District. *Continued on Page 3.*

**LOTS OF GREAT  
PHOTOS AND  
COVERAGE OF THE  
2019 DISTRICT  
CONFERENCE ON  
OUR DISTRICT  
FACEBOOK PAGE!  
CHECK IT OUT!**

### **Peace Fellow Applications Accepted through May 31**

We're coming down to the May 31 deadline to submit 2020-21 Peace Fellowship applications for District review. Application information is available here:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowship-application>. Please contact Peace Committee Chair Diane Chido for additional information and to submit applications:  
[dchido@dcanalytcis.net](mailto:dchido@dcanalytcis.net)

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**ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH**

# PEACE PIPELINE: RACE TO 43!

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Spring 2016

by Diane Chido, District Peace Committee Chair



It was so nice to see so many new and old friends at the District Conference this week! Those of you who attended will surely bring back my hope that every single one of our 43 District 7280 Clubs will declare their support of Rotary International's efforts to **Wage Peace** and become **Active Peacebuilder Clubs**.

Let's become the largest cluster of individual clubs anywhere in the world on the RI Peacebuilder map (below). Let's have a **Race to 43!**



**RI has made it SO EASY for Clubs to become Peacebuilders with only 3 easy steps:**

**Step 1. Obtain Club Board approval of the decision**

**Step 2. Conduct one project or outreach or education effort a year that builds peace.** Remember, ANYTHING related to *Rotary's Six Areas of Focus* are considered to be building peace, including: Promoting peace; Fighting disease; Providing clean water, sanitation, and hygiene; Saving mothers and children; Supporting education; and Growing local economies.

**Step 3. Download, complete and submit online the one-page application found here:**

<https://www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org/how-to-become-an-active-peacebuilder-club/>. When filling out the application, be sure to put my name and email address as the District Peace Committee Chair: **Diane Chido**  
[dchido@dcanalytics.net](mailto:dchido@dcanalytics.net)

Each Peacebuilder Club will nominate a member to be its representative on the District's Peace Committee. Then, we'll really be able to get things going!!

Last April in response to emergency relief, The Rotary Foundation established a new support fund to receive contributions for disasters that strike around the world. Entitled the Rotary Disaster Response Fund, Rotary staff in Programs and Grants are now able to reach out to the affected areas and their districts to assess the need and desire for funding. Upon a qualified response - much like a district grant - the affected district will be awarded funding in increments of up to \$25,000, consulting the TRF chair as needed. Only districts in the affected country may request a grant.

To date four such grants have been issued and the fund is now depleted. The Foundation encourages donations to the fund so that when disasters occur, Rotary will be able to help.

I am happy to say we continue to show Annual Program Fund giving growth in actual dollars and per Capita as of April year to date.

With two months of giving remaining the top per capita giving clubs are:

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|------------------|----------|
| 1. Sharon        | \$378.42 |
| 2. Port Allegany | \$275.83 |
| 3. Butler        | \$217.73 |
| 4. Zelienople    | \$209.55 |
| 5. Kane          | \$180.22 |
| 6. Rich-Mar      | \$179.74 |

## District 7280 giving as of April 2019 YTD compared to April 2018 YTD

	2019	2018
# of members	1,330	1,393
Goals Achieved	74.11%	63.33%
Annual program fund giving YTD	\$108,026.88	\$99,747.58
AF per Capita Giving	\$81.22	\$71.61
Clubs who have donated	34 of 43 (79.07%)	33 of 43 (74.42%)



## District Governor's Message from Page 1 Con't

Wear the peace pin you received at District Conference in support of the Peace and Conflict Resolution program with pride. Share your Conference experience with your club and hope to see you next year in Cranberry.

Thank you for making the world a better place.

*Scott*

# We Need Your Support for the 2019 PEACE JAM Conference in GHANA



From left: Lisa Graf, Rotary Club of Erie President, Wisdom Addo, Rotary Peace Fellow & Joyce Miller

Wisdom Addo, a Rotary Peace Fellow from the WEST AFRICA CENTRE FOR PEACE FOUNDATION (WACPF) in Accra, Ghana, attended a Rotary Club of Erie meeting to provide a report on the 2018 *PEACE JAM GHANA* conference, which was held June 28-July 1 2018. The Rotary Club of Erie was one of the sponsors for this conference, which supported the public lecture by Nobel Peace Laureate Jody Williams. Erie Rotarian, Joyce Miller, Ph.D\* hosted Wisdom during his stay in Erie. Wisdom thanked the Erie Club and all who provided a donation for this service project.

*\* Joyce Miller attended the 2017 PEACE JAM GHANA conference and saw firsthand the power of these conferences for youth in Ghana with respect to their acquiring leadership, as well as peace and conflict resolution skills. The WACPF, which hosts these conferences, was founded by Wisdom Addo, Wisdom served in the same 2012 cohort with Joyce at the Rotary Peace Center in Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand. Wisdom has visited Erie several times since 2012 and made presentations to the Rotary Club of Erie regarding his peace work in Ghana.*

**We Need Your Support for the 2019 Peace JAM GHANA,  
so that Wisdom can continue this important Peace and Conflict Resolution training  
and service project work with youth in Africa**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to support the 2019 Peace JAM GHANA conference, an International Service Project in Peace and Conflict Resolution supported by the Rotary Club of Erie and other Rotarians/Clubs in District 7280.

- ✓ Your support will assure the continuous success of the Peace JAM Ghana Conferences.
- ✓ Your support will be tax deductible for which you will receive a letter of confirmation for your tax files.
- ✓

**Please return this form with payment to the Rotary Club of Erie Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 1424, Erie, PA 16512 or indicate your support by emailing the Club's Treasurer Gary Flick: [agflick1@neo.rr.com](mailto:agflick1@neo.rr.com) and pay at a later date.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rotary Club in :** \_\_\_\_\_

**District Match for new PHF:** Details on the match can be found in prior newsletters and the offer continues throughout the year.

## **Service and Support Opportunities:**

The following are grants and other service projects looking for support.

Previously communicated items which can be found in prior newsletters:

- **HANWASH** or Haiti National Clean Water, Sanitation and Health Strategy. Go to [www.Hanwash.org](http://www.Hanwash.org) to learn more.
- **10 Million Meal Challenge** –Rotary Zones 33 and 34 have partnered with 40 Regional and Local food Banks from Florida to Pennsylvania. Please download the toolkit and [Join the 10 Million Meal Challenge](#) here. Once you sign up YOUR local food bank will be notified to help you begin planning activities.
- **Clean Water and Sanitation project in Guatemala:** Our own Assistant Governor, Mike McElhanney from Kittanning Rotary club is coordinating efforts to support this Global Grant. Details are on the webpage [here](#).

Club Fundraisers and events that have been brought to our attention:

- June 14, Greenville Charitable Golf outing – register at <http://www.greenvilleparatory.com/golf>
- June 23, Slippery Rock and Kittanning Pirate Game
- September 21, Punxsutawney Purse Bingo



*Editor's Note:*

*Need an idea to  
celebrate a milestone  
anniversary as a  
Rotarian?*

*This creative person had  
the Rotary wheel  
tattooed on his arm.*

*Now that's dedication!*



## District 7280 Calendar

JUNE 2019

June 2019	Rotary Fellowships Month
June 1-6, 2019	110th International Convention, Hamburg, Germany
June 9-14, 2019	RYLA, Westminster College
June 23, 2019	Pirates game, Sponsored by Slippery Rock and Kittanning
June 28-29, 2019	Zone 33 Leadership Training, Greensboro, NC
July, 2019	Rotary Connects The World
July 2019	District Governor Ken Fleeson's official visits begin
August 31, 2019	Last day to submit District Grant Applications
September 2019	District 7280 Scholarship applications due
September 28, 2019	RLI, Clarion, PA
October 5, 2019	Nominating Committee (DG 2022-2023), Location TBD
October 5, 2019	RLI, First Lutheran Church, Greensburg – deadline 9/21
October 19, 2019	Fall Workshop
November 2, 2019	RLI, Washington County Public Schools, Hagerstown, MD
November 19-22, 2019	Zone 33-34 Leadership Summit, Atlanta, GA
January 19-25, 2020	International Assembly – DGE Beth Marshall, San Diego
March 6-8, 2020	PETS & AG Training, Penn State, State College, PA
May 15-17, 2020	District Conference, Doubletree, Cranberry Twp. PA
June 6-10, 2020	111th international Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii

### EARLY REGISTRATION OPPORTUNITY



#### 111<sup>th</sup> Rotary International Convention

**June 6 – 10, 2020**

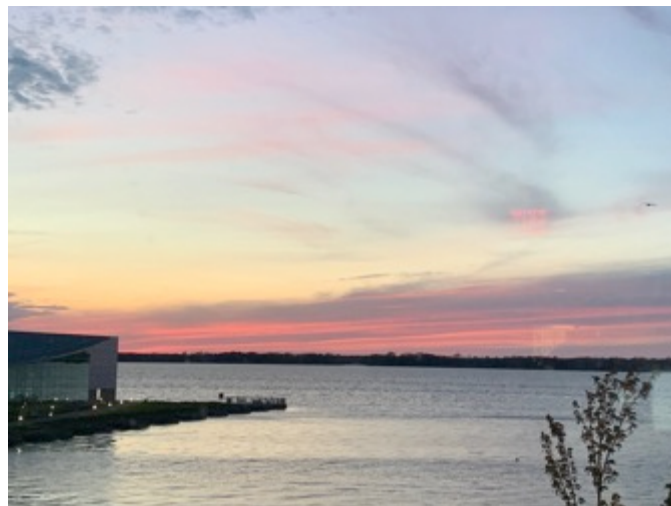
**Honolulu, HI**

While it seems premature to be speaking about the Honolulu Convention before we have the opportunity to enjoy the Hamburg Convention, we would like to let you know of the opportunity to registration for next year's convention at a substantial savings.

Between June 1 and June 6, 2019, if you register in person in Hamburg or online through My Rotary for next year's convention, the price is \$350.00. After June 6<sup>th</sup>, the rate escalates periodically, rising eventually to \$650.00.

### RLI COURSE DAY SCHEDULED

The RLI Course Day for September 28, 2019 will be held at the Ramada Inn in Clarion. Registration is now open for that Course Day at [www.rlimainline.org](http://www.rlimainline.org).



*Thank you, Erie, for a most delightful visit!*

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