



McMurray Rotarian



President's Message

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Fellow Rotarians:

This year's Rotary Theme is "Building Communities / Bridging Continents" and our District's Theme is "Got Rotary?". Both themes address the essence of what Rotary is: "Service Above Self."

In the coming weeks and months we will be involved in various activities such as the Strike Out Hunger Event on August 15th, the Fishing Derby on August 14th, The Mylan Classic Sept 2-5, The Charity Gala in November, community service projects, etc. These events will benefit our local communities and the world in general.

For example, by attending the Strike Out Hunger event and bringing family and friends you are donating \$3.00 to our local food bank for each ticket you purchase, as well as enjoying a good baseball game and having fellowship with Rotarians from other clubs in our District. With the Mylan Classic Golf event held in South Pointe this year, part of the Nationwide Tour, the entire cost of each \$25.00 ticket you purchase is donated to The Rotary Foundation and credited to your Foundation account. These tickets would make excellent gifts for clients, friends, and family members. The Charity Gala is our largest fund raising event. The majority of the funds for our philanthropic contributions come from the proceeds from this event. The Gala Chairperson and the various subcommittee chairs are working very hard to make this an outstanding event. But they need our help. The major priorities at this stage are to solicit sponsorships and to get items for the live, silent and Chinese auctions. I encourage all of you to participate in as many of these events and projects as you can.

By the time you get this newsletter I will already have asked you to serve in at least



McMurray Club President Tony Zuloaga asks DG Walt, "Got Rotary?"

one of our six standing committees. I am confident that we will have 100% member participation.

On a different topic, the incidence of Polio continues to decrease. As of June 15th, Nigeria reported only 3 cases, compared to 312 cases for the same period in 2009. India reported 21 cases compared to 67 last year at this time. If you wonder what your contribution can do for Polio eradication here are some figures: \$60.00 will provide 100 doses or oral polio vaccine; \$100 will provide 200 posters promoting immunization; \$250.00 will provide 500 aprons to identify health workers, volunteers, and vaccinators; \$500 will provide 4,000 finger markers to identify children immunized; and \$1,000 will provide 700 vaccine carriers.

Working together using our strengths and abilities to build communities and bridge continents we can be what this year's Rotary slogan tells us, that is **Bigger, Better and Bolder.**

Yours in Rotary,

Tony

Club Happenings



"it is important to remember that Rotary is a "spirit of service" as well as an organization of Rotary clubs, and that we need to share our core values of service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership with other people and organizations. So what are the magical words that can capture the essence of Rotary? The words that I have selected to describe Rotary's current mission and to highlight our achievements are what we do best: Building Communities-Bridging Continents.

"RIP Ray Klingensmith

Tony returned from his recent trip to Chile with some very special cargo. He brought back some bottles of wine to raffle off at our meetings, with the proceeds to benefit the **Polio Plus Fund**. Some of the lucky winners who will get to enjoy the wine are David Bayne (who generously gave it to his guest speaker that day), Mike Silvestri, and Terry Wiltrout from the Canonsburg Club. Terry is considering moving to our McMurray Club. Who can blame him wanting to belong to a club that gives away wine!

Don Angel & Tony Zuloaga had a productive meeting with Peters Township Superintendent Nina Zetty. It has been a goal of the club to become more involved with youth and the commitment is renewed with our newest avenue of service, **New Generations**, and President Tony's goal of forming an Interact Club. Future meetings are planned.

Tod Wilcox is in charge of getting auction items for the **Charity Gala**. He has promised that if we don't start looking for auction items, he is going to start looking for us!



Our second **scholarship winner** from last year, Keith Quinn joined us at a meeting to have lunch, share his experiences, and pick up his check. Keith is a music major at Duquesne University. He did an incredible job achieving a 3.96 GPA his Freshman year.

Time to update your Rotary wardrobe. Gary Rosensteel is taking orders for items such as long sleeve shirts (\$30), short sleeve shirts(\$25), hats(\$7), and aprons(\$11). Don't be the only one on the block without the latest in Rotary attire.

Club Information

Club Officers

President—Antonio Zuloaga

President Elect—Don Angel

Vice President—Jamison Hardy

Secretary—Ed Wisniewski

Treasurer—Mike Silvestri

Past President—Tod Wilcock

Director—Gary Rosensteel

Upcoming Programs

8/5 Michelle Tipton-Smith
Angel's Place

8/12 Our Club's Website

8/19 Mike Silvestri Peter's
Twp Parks and Recreation

8/26 TBA

Upcoming Events

8/14 Fishing Derby
Peterslake Park

8/15 Strike Out Hunger
with the Washington Wild-
things at Consol Energy
Park

9/2-9/5 Mylan Classic

District Governor Walt Olshanski Visits the McMurray Rotary Club

On July 26th District Governor Walt Olshanski made the traditional annual governor's visit to our club with ADG Kathy Sabol. Those in attendance had the opportunity to hear his vision for the district as well as enjoy an extra special delicious lunch that many thought would be worthy of another Silver Spoon award.



District Governor Walt Olshanski addresses the club.

Walt congratulated us on the high level of achievement of our club. He encouraged us to embrace the Rotary International Goals such as the eradication of polio and the new fifth avenue of service—New Generations. Some of Walt's district goals include increasing membership and leadership development. He also asked for our support and participation in district events such as the sandfilter project, buying tickets to the Mylan Classic and naming Rotary District 7330 as your selected charity, and attending the Strike Out Hunger event at the Washington Wildthings game on August 15th to benefit local food banks.

President Tony Zuloaga presented Walt with a \$500 donation to the Foundation that our club is making in his name.

Learn more about our new District Governor by reading his bio below, or visiting the District 7330 website at www.rotary7330.org and reading the district newsletter, "Faces of Rotary."

Meet the Governor

District Governor Walter Olshanski has been active at both the club level and district level since he joined Rotary in 1995. Just four years after becoming a Rotarian he served as President of his Canonsburg-Houston Club. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and served several terms as Assistant Governor and on the district leadership development committee.

Walt is a graduate of Geneva College. He served in the US Army and is a veteran of the Vietnam conflict.

Currently, Walt is the owner of a multi-line insurance and financial products agency located in Imperial. He served as President and as National Leadership Institute Chairperson for the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, and received their "2008 Keystone Award" for his years of service to the Association and profession.

He and his wife of 38 years, Paula, live in Canonsburg and have three grown children and two grandchildren.

Walt joined Rotary because he was asked by PDG Bob Hillberry to join a club that needed to be revitalized. Walt believes that leadership is where it starts; where there is Leadership there is Life!

Four Way Test

Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

*Will it build Goodwill and
Better Friendships?*

*Will it be Beneficial to all
concerned?*

Welcome Newest Members

District Governor Walt Olshanski was on hand to welcome and officially induct the newest members of the McMurray Rotary Club. Welcome to Adam Provance, David Blazek, and Polly Capot. One of Walt's goals for the district is to increase membership by a net of 100 members and the McMurray Rotary Club continues to do their part.



Adam Provance, DG Walt Olshanski, David Blazek, Club President Tony Zuloaga and Polly Capots



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July Programs

Pregnancy Resource Center—Patty Becker gave an eye opening talk about the work that her group does right here in our neighborhood.

David Bayne introduced us to an associate of his, Jenn Carr. Jenn runs a company named Credit Justice Services that helps people rebuild their credit. She shared some interesting facts that many may not have known about credit scoring, and also told us about the non-profit group that she is involved with called Community Auto. They are a local organization that accepts donated vehicles,



does the necessary repairs and then sells them below fair market value to low income people who need reliable transportation to get to school, work, and day-care.



Sarah Thomas from Big Brothers/Big Sisters brought a “big” with her to talk about the wonderful experiences that he has had by spending time with a “little” who is also benefiting immensely from the relationship that they have formed.