



McMurray Rotarian



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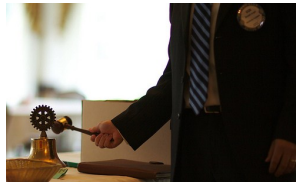
February / March 2012

The Four Way Test Of the Things We Think Say or Do...

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOOD-WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it Be **BENEFI-CIAL** to all concerned?

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Club Constitution and By Laws

Our club is going to have a very important Club Assembly at the upcoming meeting on March 15th. Parts of our constitution and by laws of the club have been lost over the years and the parts that we do have were outdated. Thanks to the hard work of Gary Rosensteel, both documents have been re-created using the standard Rotary International format and modified for our club. They have been reviewed and approved by the board. The next step is to have a quorum of the club vote on their adoption. Gary sent out the documents in an email for everyone to review ahead of time. They can also be found on the following links. Please take the time to review and come to the meeting to be part of this important process.

[McMurray Rotary Club Proposed Constitution](#)

[McMurray Rotary Club Proposed Bylaws](#)

Polio Update



The World Health Organization has officially removed India from the list of polio-endemic countries. Ghulam Nabi Azad, India's minister of Health and Family Welfare, made the announcement at the Polio Summit 2012 in New Delhi on 25 February. Azad said that he had been informed of WHO's action by its director-general, Dr. Margaret Chan.

"It is a matter of satisfaction that we have completed one year without any single new case of polio being reported from anywhere in the country," said Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh at the summit, which was organized by the government of India and Rotary International. "This gives us hope that we can finally eradicate polio not only from India but from the face of the entire mother earth. The success of our efforts shows that teamwork pays."

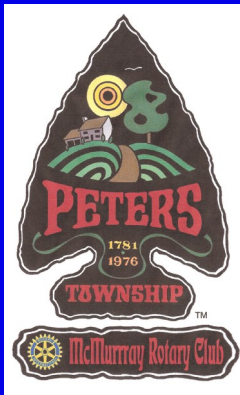
India's last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal State on 13 January 2011. Before polio eradication can be certified in India, it must go two more years without another case of the disease. Polio remains endemic in only three countries: Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan.

Club Calendar

March is
Literacy Month

The spirit of Rotary is not exclusive; it expands. It is not local, it is universal. And so the wish to understand and to be understood, the wish to see the virtues rather than the faults in others, the longing to find out what we have in common rather than what divides us — these can be widely shared.

— Gian Paolo Lang, 1956-57 RI president, address to 1957 convention



Upcoming Programs

- **March 1**—Amanda Pierce Manor Care / Pittsburgh Professionals Assisting Seniors. Program sponsor, Gary Rosensteel
- **March 8**—Dictionary Project update. Program Sponsor, Dave Kramer
- **March 15**—Club Assembly—Adoption of new Constitution and Bylaws
- **March 22**—Darenda Lease, Living Waters. Program Sponsor, Gary Rosensteel
- **March 29**—Recruitment Party 5:30-7 pm

Upcoming Events

- **March 9**—10th Annual Trivia Contest
- **March 14**—Paul Harris Luncheon
- **March 22**—World Water Day
- **April 21**—Clean Up Day
- **May 5**—Health Awareness Fair
- **May 6-9**—RI Convention Bangkok, Thailand
- **May 12**—District Assembly, Westmoreland College
- **May 23**—PT High School Scholarship Interviews
- **June 1-3**—District 7330 Conference

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 02/06 Romain Frieden
- 02/22 Susan Silvestri
- 02/28 Barry Barra
- 3/02 Kimberly Angel
- 03/02 Kristen Milowicki
- 03/04 Wendy Hardy
- 03/11 Jim Mortimer
- 03/30 Marcy Santel
- 03/30 Chris Winter

Wedding Anniversaries

- 02/01 Dan & Jennifer Gabriel
- 03/21 Dave & Barbara Wylie
- 03/01 Barry Barra
- 03/01 Sarah Kohl
- 03/01 Marcy Santel
- 03/01 Adam Provance
- 03/01 Mike Silvestri
- 03/09 Steve Morreale
- 03/21 Dave Wylie

Club Anniversaries

- 02/01 Don Angel
- 02/06 David Bayne
- 02/10 Romain Frieden

2011-2012 Club Officers & Directors

President—Don Angel

President Elect—Jamison Hardy

Vice President—Adam Provance

Treasurer—Michael Silvestri

Secretary—Ed Wisniewski

Sergeant at Arms—David Bayne

Past President—Antonio Zuloaga

Club Service—David Kramer

New Generations—Tim Pitschke

Vocational Service—Harry Funk

International Service—Jim Mortimer

Community Service—Al DeLucia

Director—Gary Rosensteel

District Governor—Jeanne Morrison

Club Happenings



The 2012 Philanthropy Committee, let by John Pikras, met to discuss and award the \$36,000 that was raised this year. Awardees will be notified and will also be invited to our evening recruitment meeting on March 29th to pick up their checks.

One of our longstanding Philanthropies has been the Peters Township High School scholarships. Every year our club awards a \$3000 and a \$2500 scholarship to deserving Peters Township High School seniors. This year's applications are due to the school by April 16th. The scholarship com-

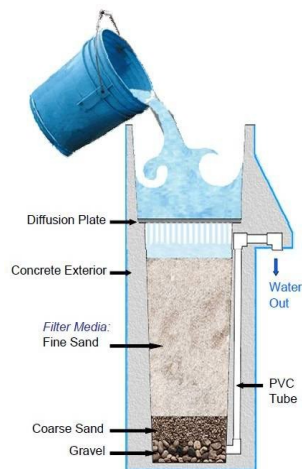
mittee will have a chance to review the top applications and will meet on May 23 to interview the applicants and choose the winners. The students will be notified at Awards Night at the end of the year. Once they successfully complete their Freshman year of college they will be invited back to a meeting to share their experiences with the club and be awarded their check.



Our February 23rd meeting

was a special joint meeting with members of the Canonsburg Houston Club. Each club had a winner in the district's annual Peace Art Contest. Alexi Nyiri from Canonsburg Middle School and Hannah Falcione from Peters Township displayed their artwork and told us what was the inspiration behind their drawings. PDG Walt Olshanski presented them with their award. Boxes of the notecards are available for purchase. Walt and PDG Stephanie Urchick were also on hand to induct the two newest members of our club, Joe Gil and Rick Enscoe. We also celebrated the 107th birthday of Rotary International.

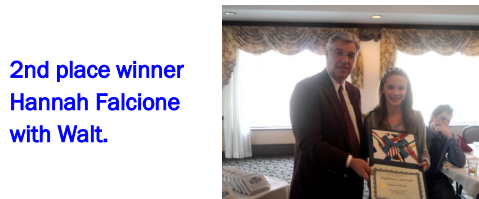
World Water Day



March 22nd is World Water Day. Join us at our regular weekly meeting to hear a special program presented by Darendia Lease of Living Waters of the World and what they are doing to bring clean water to Haiti. Our club has a matching dollars program where a \$75 donation by a club member to buy a water filter will be matched by the club. Don has also earmarked all proceeds from the club's share of this year's 50/50 to support the water filter project.



**1st place winner,
Alexi Nyiri with
Walt Olshanski**



**2nd place winner
Hannah Falcione
with Walt.**



**Congratulations
and welcome to
our two newest
official club
members!**

**President Don presents
Rotarian Tod Wilcock with
his Paul Harris +7 pin.
Keep it up Tod! What hap-
pens when he runs out of
fingers??**



One of the ongoing goals of a Rotary Club is to increase membership. To support this effort and help President Don meet his goal of a net of 5 new members this year, the club is having a special recruiting meeting on Thursday March 29th at 5:30 in place of our regular meeting that week. All members are requested to bring one (or more) potential members to the event to meet and mingle and as Don would say, "eat the finest meats and cheeses" while learning about all of the things that we do as a club. As a special incentive, everyone who brings a guest, and each guest, will receive a ticket to be entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire.



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Thursdays from 12:10-1:15
at Rolling Hills Country Club

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The Rotary Six Areas of Focus

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

Service Above Self

January & February Programs

January 5—Nancy Clarke, volunteer at the Washington Area Humane Society talked about her work with the non profit organization.



January 12—Daniel Jones, sponsored by Steve Morreale gave a presentation on his research regarding how charitable organizations fund-raise. As part of his presentation, he auctioned off two bottles of wine which went to the highest

bidder, David Bayne.



January 19—Don Franty CPA, husband of Rotarian Ellen Franty gave us an update on some of the new and ever changing tax laws.

January 26—Michelle Bruce of Cat Spay & Neuter talked about her work to bring low cost spay and neuter access to Washington County to help control the ever growing population of homeless cats.

February 2—State of the Township—our own Mike Silvestri gave us his annual update of what is going on around town.

February 9—Local businesswoman Georgiana Riley, President and CEO of TIGG Corporation talked about activated carbon and how her company uses it to purify water



February 16— Jack Ellsworth, colleague of Club President, Don Angel talked about steps small business owners need to take prior to leaving their business.

February 23—We celebrated the 107th Birthday of Rotary International with a joint meeting with the Canonsburg Houston Club. PDG Walt Olshanski presented Peace Art Card winners Alexi Nyiri and Hannah Falcione with their awards and Walt and PDG Stephanie Urchick formally inducted new members Joe Gil and Rick Enscoe into the club.

