

McMurray Rotarian

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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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Passing of the Gavel



June marks the end of one Rotary year and the beginning of another. On Thursday evening, June 21st club members and spouses met at Rolling Hills Country Club to celebrate the accomplishments of the past year under outgoing President Don Angel, and welcome incoming President Jamison Hardy. Don kicked off the evening reviewing some of the many highlights of the year including a net gain of 4 new members, a celebration honoring our founding fathers, and several fellowship events including happy hours and a family picnic. The club was active both close to

home and internationally awarding money to numerous philanthropies, purchasing an iPad for a local vision impaired 2nd grader, as well as contributing \$2600 to Polio Plus and raising enough money for 80 water filters for impoverished areas. Looking to the future, the club participated in the High School Career Fair, awarded two college scholarships, and joined the Interact Club in several joint projects such as the Wheelchair Games, Rally for America, and Christmas Caroling. Don presented several club members with awards and unveiled a special award that will be given to Lou Irwin who will be leaving the club as he accepts a promotion to Brigadier General in command of the 926th Engineer Brigade in Montgomery Alabama. Don let out an audible sigh of relief as he passed the gavel to incoming President Jamison Hardy who announced that the commitments to his church that could have prevented him from serving as president had worked out that he would in fact be able to accept the position and let Don off the hook. Jamison talked about some of his goals for the upcoming year such as adding new members and expanding the philanthropy program before introducing the 2012-2013 Officers and Board of Directors. The club took advantage of visiting PDG Walter Olshanski to induct the two newest (and both young!) members of the club, Ed Werner, and Sarah Perry.



2011-2012 Club Awards

Change Maker Club Award	Don Angel
Service Above Self	Marcy Santel
Rotarian of the Year	Sarah Kohl
Paul Harris Awards	Marcy Santel
	Jamison Hardy
	Paul Owens
Open Heart Awards	Gary Rosensteel
	Antonio Zuloaga

Club Calendar

Upcoming Programs

- **Aug 2**—The Giancolo Family
- **Aug 9**—District Governor Maria Fetock
- **Aug 16**—Nina Zetty, State of the Peters Township School District
- **Aug 23**—Julie Schuldt—CISV Peace Leadership
- **Aug 30**—Bill Stein, Family Ties
- **Sept 6**—Nancy Griffith, Skinny Jeans Forever
- **Sept 13**—Club Assembly, Charity Gala
- **Sept 20**—TBD
- **Sept 27**—TBD

Programs are still needed for upcoming meetings

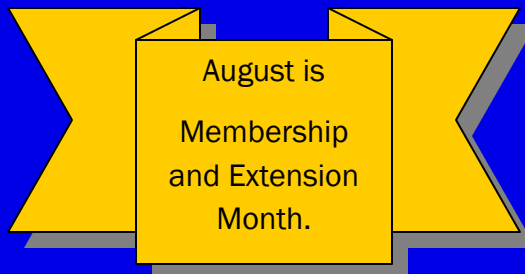
Upcoming Events

- **July 11**—Board Meeting
- **Aug 8**—Board Meeting
- **August 11**—Fishing Derby
- **Oct 6**—Rotary Leadership Institute*
- **Oct 20**—Membership and Foundation Seminar*
- **Oct 27**—Annual Charity Gala
- **Nov 17**—Annual Foundation Celebration*
- **May 31-June 2, 2013**—District Conference*
- **June 23-26, 2013**—104th RI Convention

*District Event

"The youth of every generation has stood in a critical position, for the scales have been tipped one way or the other by the training they received from their elders. This is particularly true today. Our boys and girls have greater freedom, exercise greater power, and have more opportunities for both good and evil, than ever before. How important it is, therefore, that youth's great possibilities for good be realized and developed!"

— **Angus S. Mitchell,**
1948-49 RI
president, address to
the 1949 convention
in New York City



2012-2013 Club Officers & Directors

President—Jamison Hardy
President Elect—Adam Provance
Vice President—TBD
Treasurer—Michael Silvestri
Secretary—Ed Wisniewski
Sergeant at Arms—David Bayne
Past President—Don Angel
District Governor—Maria Fetock

Club Service—David Kramer
New Generations—Don Angel
Vocational Service—Harry Funk
International Service—Jim Mortimer
Community Service—Sarah Kohl
Public Relations—Marcy Santel
Rotary Foundation—Antonio Zuloaga
Director—Gary Rosensteel

Club Happenings



Clean Up Day

On a rainy Saturday in April several members of the club, along

with members of various other community organizations met at the Community Center to don their neon vests, grab their Hefty bags, and head out to see what treasures they could find on the streets of Peters Township. Thanks to everyone for keeping our township beautiful!

Spelling Bee

This year's 3rd Grade Spelling Bees were held on May 29th and 30th. 18 Pleasant Valley students and 26 Bower Hill students along with their teachers gathered to test the spelling skills that they have been practicing since they received their dictionaries in the Fall. Thanks to Dave Kramer for leading this project and Sandra, Mike and Kristen for being judges.



Fine Dining Fireworks

Congratulations to Colette Philips who was the winner of this year's Fine Dining Fireworks lottery with winning ticket #575 sold by Terry

Wiltout. Colette will enjoy \$100 gift certificates to four of our finest local restaurants—Atria's, Franco's, Jackson's and Juniper Grill. The club earned about \$1700 from this fun & easy fundraiser.

Good News!

Last year we were able to donate \$1700 to Polio Plus from the proceeds of our Good News jar. This year, all donations have been earmarked for ShelterBox. So don't be shy...we want to hear about all of the birthdays, anniversaries, family



happenings, vacations, and celebrations. And beware...if you show up in the local news, forget your pin, or your cell

phone "accidentally" goes off...we are going to get you too. All for a good cause of course!

Charity Gala

Plans are already underway for this year's Charity Gala to be held at Rolling Hills Country Club on Saturday October 27th. The first and biggest step is securing sponsorships for the event. Ticket sales help cover the cost of the event, but the sponsorships are where we raise the money to fund the many philanthropies that we support. This year the sponsorship levels have been expanded for more varied sponsorship opportunities. Gary Rosensteel has passed out a sponsor letter and a sign up sheet has been passed around at recent meetings for everyone to list the businesses that they will approach to seek a sponsorship. Gary has provided a list of [Peters Township Chamber Business](#) and contact names and Sarah Perry was able to provide a list of businesses in [Southpointe](#). Now all we have to do is get out there and get them signed up!

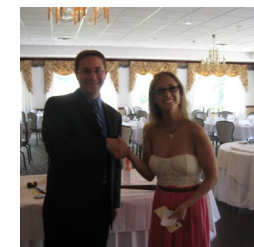
Interact News

School may be out, but the Interact Club has been busy over the summer months. Members lent a helping hand to Paul's team K's Angels at the Peters Township Relay for Life. They raised \$3500 by holding an Autism Awareness walk. They have also been involved in the planting and care of a garden at the new Peterswood Park expansion project.



High School Scholarships

One of our great local annual projects is to honor two Peters Township High School students with college scholarships. Every year the Scholarship Committee meets to interview the applicants, so not only are these students selected on the basis of their outstanding grades and community involvement, they also have the opportunity



to shine talking about their dreams and plans for their future. Don Angel awarded this year's winners, Austin Pitts (\$3000) and Brittany Andresky (\$2500) at the annual PTHS Awards night. Once the students successfully complete their first year of college, they are invited back to share their experience with the club and are presented their checks at that time. Last year's winners, Lizzie Fitzgerald (\$3000) and Christine Dee (\$2500) joined us at a recent lunch to tell us about their freshman year and receive their checks.





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The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Service Above Self

More Club Happenings

Peters Township Community Day



In typical spirit of the McMurray Rotary Club, one of our newest members Eddie Werner was inducted into the club at the President's Dinner on June 21, and was promptly volunteered to be in charge of

his first project, Community Day, on June 30th. With good humor, Eddie, along with his fellow volunteers Mike, Ed W and son, and Dave Kramer set up the Shelter Box tent and along with some other Rotary members promoted Rotary to the rest of the community throughout the day. Since he is new, the pictures of them actually putting the tent together will not be shown. Not to be left out, fellow inductee, Sarah Perry was promptly put in charge of the annual Family of Rotary picnic. Isn't it great to have these youthful, energetic new members!



Participate in the first-ever [Rotary Moment Tweet Day](#) on August 14th. Tweet about your favorite Rotary memory or event, talk about your club's activities, or share your community service project. Use hashtag **#RotaryMoment**.

District 7330 News

Congratulations to PDG Stephanie Urchick of the Canonsburg Houston Club who has been appointed to a two year term to The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees. Learn more about what is happening around the district on their fabulous new website at www.rotary7330.org and sign up for the electronic version of their newsletter, **The Monthly STAR**.