

#### September 2011

# Rotary Pride -Catch It!



## **Governor Bill's Thoughts**

Another month and another fantastic time meeting our fellow Rotarians! From Pottstown to Spring Township Centennial, Karen and I have been welcomed with wonderful energy and PRIDE! Great examples are the Warminster Club's Safety Town – the grand opening in September - the "Top of the Rock" collaborative networking event and the 20 acre baseball/softball complex of the Central Perkiomen Club. It appears "Rotary Pride – Catch It!" is well underway.

Just a few reminders – September 17<sup>th</sup> – Rotary Leadership Institute is a MUST for all our new Rotarians. Please encourage a club car pool. By the way, new member mentors might want to Show the Way and accompany their charges. On October 1<sup>st</sup> the Rotary Foundation Seminar will happen in Valley Forge. If you go to RLI you will know the way. If your club plans to apply for a District Simplified Grant someone needs to attend, just \$30 for the first club member and \$15 for each subsequent member. Let's get at least two from each of our clubs. New things are a-happening in the Foundation!

I am pleased to announce the District now has a part-time Administrative Assistant. Kathy Greiss, Fleetwood Rotary, was selected from a pool of 18 well qualified applicants for this paid position. Kathy starts September 1<sup>st</sup> and will spend 16 hours a week divided between District duties and supporting the District Youth Exchange Program. Welcome on board Kathy!

DGE Tony, DGN Geff and myself just returned from a great Rotary Zone Institute in Boston – now known as the earthquake/hurricane Zone meeting. Although our Rotary International Director Ken Grabeau wisely cut the meeting short by one day, it was an extremely well run activity. We learned a great deal and had wonderful motivational speeches by RI President Kalyan Banerjee and many others. It is so warming to know we are members of a world recognized SIGNIFICANT organization.

Finally, it is time now to get started with our Interact and Four-Way speech contest programs in our High Schools. From my perspective we can make no more significant impact on our community than influencing our community's teenagers to understand our Rotary Four Way Test.

Have a GREAT month – DG Bill

## **Club News**

#### Allentown

The Rotary Club of Allentown wants runners and walkers to participate in its second annual 5k Run/Walk

When: Sunday, October 2 -- Registration from 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and the Run/Walk begins at 9 a.m. Where: Trexler Nature Preserve, Schnecksville, PA Cost: \$25 per participant, which includes one long-sleeve, micro-mesh T-shirt.

Shirts are guaranteed to the first 200 participants, all others are subject to availability. Registration is non-refundable. Children under the age of 10 can register at no cost.

Monies raised from the event will support college scholarships for students from high schools in Allentown.

For more information or to register online visit: <u>www.allentownrotary.org/5k</u>

#### Easton

Talk about being SIGNIFICANT in our communities -Vic Palm, President of the Easton Rotary Club announced a \$100,000 pledge to the Miracle League of Northampton County (MLNC) to celebrate the club's 100 year anniversary in Rotary. Please go to the MLNC Website linked below.

The Statement on the MLNC Website (<u>http://</u> <u>www.miracleleagueofnc.org/</u>) "On August 4, 2011 the Miracle League of Northampton County moved a giant step toward its goal of providing a barrier free baseball field for children with disabilities. A majority of our





board members joined with a large group of Rotarians from the Easton Rotary Club to celebrate the partnership that has develop between our organizations. The Easton Rotary has pledged \$100,000 towards the facility. As a result the Board of the Miracle League of Northampton County proudly named the field "Easton Rotary Field".

Having Easton Rotary as a major sponsor of the MLNC brings tremendous benefits beyond the generous donation. Their support of providing this opportunity to these children with disabilities is huge and is much appreciated. The specially designed barrier free field for children with disabilities should be ready by the spring of 2012 and will be located in the Palmer Township section of Easton.

#### Club News Continued

#### Fleetwood

3rd Annual Gourmet Gala.

When: Thursday, October 6, 2011 from 6-9pm Where: Moselem Springs Golf Club, Fleetwood, PA Cost: \$75/ticket or 2 for \$125

Restaurants: Simmeria Cafe & Bistro, Landis Store Hotel, The American House Hotel, Savory Grille, Yellow House Hotel, Moselem Springs Golf Club, Christie's Memorable Cakes.

What is it? Chefs from local fine restaurants will be there to offer menu samples to guests. Graze from station to station, meet the chefs, sample all the food and enjoy music, cocktails. Silent & live auction. Business attire suggested. Proceeds will benefit the Fleetwood Rotary Foundation. For more info, visit <a href="https://www.fleetwoodparotary.org">www.fleetwoodparotary.org</a>. To order tickets, contact me (Kathy Greiss) @ <u>484-680-1517</u>.

#### Fleetwood - In Memory

Keith Broome had served Fleetwood in several capacities and presided over the Reading Club while a member there. He was a gentleman and a dedicated Rotarian.

#### Lehigh Valley East

A collaborative networking event of 10 Rotary Clubs in the Lehigh Valley is being held on October 6, 2011 at Coca-Cola Park from 5:30-7:30pm. First envisioned during PETS (President-Elect Training) in February 2011 by a group of in-coming 2011-12 Lehigh Valley Club Presidents, this first-ever event has four principal goals:

- Offer Rotarians an opportunity for fellowship with Rotarians of other Lehigh Valley clubs
- Allow Rotarians & Non-Rotarians the opportunity to meet through the power of networking
- Expose Non-Rotarians to the Rotary International
- Raise money for Shelter Box USA

District respresenatives will be present to share information about ShelterBox USA. \$20 plus your business card is the cost; which includes beer, wine & soda, a list of all attendees and a donation to ShelterBox USA. Reservations may be made through <a href="https://www.RotaryMeansBiz.com">www.RotaryMeansBiz.com</a>.

### Club News Continued

#### Morrisville-Yardley

#### **Snipes Farm and Education Center New Rotary Member**

The Snipes Farm and Education Center, represented by four members of the Snipes family, was inducted recently as a Corporate Member of the Morrisville-Yardley Area Rotary Club. (From the left) Past and present Membership Chairs Andy Thompson and Michele Fina, Samuel Snipes, Susan Snipes-Wells, Club President Denis Lanctot, Melanie Douty-Snipes and husband Jonathan Snipes. The club is one of about 200 clubs worldwide approved to bring in Corporate Members as part of a pilot program to increase membership and participation in Rotary.

#### Warminster

Chris Potter, Tony Jannetta, Greg Hucklebridge (President Elect), Chris Roehl (Past President), Claudia Eisenman-Quinn (Past President), Katie Farrell (President), Leo Quinn











Support The Rotary Foundation

# Rotary District 7430 Annual Golf Tournament Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Four Person Scramble – Shotgun Start @ Noon Silver Creek Country Club – Hellertown, PA

www.silvercreekcountryclub.com 700 Linden Avenue, Hellertown, PA 18055.....Phone: 610-838-7018

# Thanks to our Tournament Sponsor: Embassy Bank of the Lehigh Valley

# Fun

## Cost: \$150.00 / Golfer

Fellowship

Make checks payable to District 7430 Foundation should be sent to the contact(s) below

- Lunch at 11:00 AM
- Shot Gun Start 12:00 Noon / 18 holes of golf
- Prizes, Games and Special Contests.
- Dinner with Cash Bar after the Tournament
- District Golf Raffles to be Drawn at the dinner
  Fun & Fellowship...all supporting The Rotary Foundation.



Mail Registration and Payment Form to: Gerry Long P.O. Box 20366 Lehigh Valley, PA 18002 Phone: 610-597-4560 Email: longgolf@verizon.net

