

# What's Cooking?



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June 2016

#### **Cow Tales**



On Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> Mary and I returned from Seoul, Korea and the Rotary International

Convention. We've never been to a Convention and now I know I have missed a great deal. Let me share this experience with you and encourage you to plan to be in Atlanta next June for next year's International Convention. In Korea, Rotary attracted over 43,000 people for four days of inspiration, knowledge, celebration and fellowship.

The Republic of Korea is an amazing country. It is a country firmly based in a traditional culture that includes very different roles for men and women than we are used to. There is great

# Pope Welcomes Rotary to Jubilee Audience

Pope Francis greets Rotary International President K.R. Ravindran at a Jubilee audience at the Vatican on 30 April, where 9,000 Rotary members were special guests of the pontiff.



Thousands of Rotary members, motivated by a special invitation from Pope Francis, gathered at the Vatican in Rome on Saturday to celebrate a message of compassion, inclusiveness, and service to humanity.



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 respect paid to elders and it is a society that maintains a very high value on manners. It is also a country at the cutting edge of business growth and technological innovation. The amount of infrastructure and commercial construction is vast.
Korea is a home to LG, Samsung, Kia, Hyundai, Lotte and Hankook. If you are Korean you own products from most if not all these brands.

The Convention itself featured amazing speakers, some Rotary leaders and others products of our many programs. We heard from two Rotary scholars who are at the forefront of finding slavery and ending the need for orphanages. Slavery is currently effecting people in every continent in the world including the USA. There are more slaves today than at any time in history. Orphanages often house children whose parents are unable to care for them, not true orphans. The challenge is children in orphanages often experience very poor conditions, high rates of sickness and mortality, develop much slower than peers and are likely to end up homeless once they reach an age the state no longer has an obligation to care for them.

We learned that our fight against polio made several steps forward this past year. In Pakistan environmental testing found no wild polio virus for the first time in over 30 years. Earlier this year, type two polio was removed from the current vaccine. This is important because the few cases of vaccine caused virus were nearly all type 2 virus. Type 2 virus has been ended. The risk of vaccine caused infection has been significantly reduced.



Breakout sessions covered a wide gambit of topics including being a better story teller, the future of Rotary, how to bid on hosting a convention and how to

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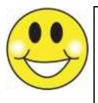
establish a farm based project to end hunger. These were led by passionate Rotarians from around the world.

Entertainment was everywhere. We had traditional Korean entertainers outside and inside the general sessions. On stage we experienced entertainers from Korea, Poland, Sri Lanka, and around the world. A group of young Koreans called The Little Angels stole the show. The highlight was Psy performing during the closing ceremony. Psy is a pop superstar in Korea famous for his hit song Gangham Style. Psy's father and grandfather are Rotarians.

We ran into many old friends including Gilbert and Linda Brown from Dallas who were our RI President's Representative at this year's Conference. I met many of my Governor class, club Presidents from around the world. Mary signed up for the Beer Fellowship and the health and wellness Rotary Action Group. I think we also became members for Traveling Rotarians Fellowship. These Fellowships are great ways to make new friends and build your network. These networks are critically important as we try to develop new projects around the world and in our neighborhood.

If you have never been to a Convention I would strongly encourage you to go to Atlanta in 2017 or Toronto in 2018. It will supercharge your Rotary experience and it will lead you to places and projects you never thought possible. You will travel to places you never thought you would go. Your perspective will change on many issues because you will be better for these experiences.

DG Doug Cook



Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but has to check when you say the paint is wet?





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Council on Legislation Summary

#### **Rotary Grants Clubs Greater Flexibility**

The 2016 Rotary International Council on Legislation granted clubs more freedom in determining their meeting schedule and membership:

- Clubs may decide to vary their meeting times, may meet online or in person, and may decide when to cancel a meeting, as long as they meet at least twice a month.
- Clubs have flexibility in choosing their membership rules and requirements.
- The six membership criteria was removed and replaced with a simple requirement that a member be a person of good character who has a good reputation in their business or community and is willing to serve the community.
- Clubs may offer additional membership types such as associate, corporate, family membership or others.

#### **Disaster Relief**

#### Helping earthquake victims in Ecuador, Japan

Rotary members are among the first to reach out and offer help in times of disaster, including in Ecuador and Japan, where earthquakes have killed hundreds of people, injured thousands, and caused billions of dollars in damage.

Rotary districts in both countries have established relief funds, and members are collaborating with governments and other agencies to direct assistance where it is needed most.



#### Did You Know?

#### Here are some facts about the 1500's:

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whisky. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of "Holding a Wake".

### Bullet proof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers were all invented by women.

#### **BEQUEST SOCIETY** -- STRANGE FACT:

For every SEVEN Rotarians that list the RI Foundation in their will, on average SIX never get around to telling Rotary that they did so. And they have missed the chance to direct those monies to a specific use. Please contact PDG Bill Palmer at <u>bill966@ptd.net</u> to have your bequest recognized by RI, or at least to be counted as part of our D7430 total commitment.

EREY = Every Rotarian Every Year; P & G = Procedures & Guidelines; and ROTARY ACRONYMS are listed with their meanings on the D7430 website at --- <u>http://rotarydistrict7430.org/SitePage/did-you-know</u>.

D7430 COUNCIL of GOVERNORS Meeting We have schedule the meeting for 5:30 pm at the Hotel Bethlehem on June 27th. This is in advance of the District Changeover and Awards Dinner.





#### **Club News**

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Souderton Telford: Rich Aichele, Executive Director of Keystone Opportunity Center, accepted our gift of \$5,000 to support an adult education class located in Souderton Mennonite Church. This is a career



and college readiness class for English is a second language students.

#### Reading:

The Reading Rotary Club held Mayfair on May 5 at Science Explorers in Mohnton which was an internal fundraiser. Rotary members and friends of Rotarians participated in the event and we raised \$2,900. The funds will be used towards our Student of the Month, Reading High Scholarships, and Essick Park activities, among others. Special shoutouts to Reading Rotary member Jen Moorehead for sponsoring the event and past Reading Rotary Club President Virgina Dodge for all of her donations.

#### **Bethlehem Morning Star:**

Work Party in Nazareth Special thanks to all the Morning Star Rotarians who assembled at the ranch in Nazareth Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> and executed a complete refresh on the outdoor riding ring. The group did a tidy job of stripping down the metal rails and applying a nice coat of brick red paint. Additional





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thanks to Megan and Caroline Hunter, daughters of MSR Bill Hunter, for contributing their time and efforts to help others. Thank you to everyone. Given the size and scope of the operation, there will be opportunities for more service projects at Equi~librium in the future.

#### **Doylestown:**

Third and Final Boro Dam Fishing Day by Pat Rider

Argentina Friendship Exchange to Dovlestown

Six couples from two Rotary Clubs in Argentina recently participated in a Friendship Exchange with the Rotary Club of Doylestown and two other local clubs, Emmaus Rotary and Central Bucks Rotary. This exchange was prompted by a Friendship Exchange in February 2015 when representatives from Doylestown, Emmaus, and Bethlehem visited clubs in Argentina.

The Rotary Friendship Exchange Program provides a means for Rotarians in one part of the world to experience life in another country or culture. Its goal is to advance international

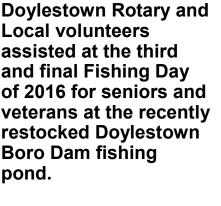
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understanding and goodwill through person-toperson connections across national boundaries.

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**2016 Four Way Test Award Winners** 



The Rotary Club of Doylestown honored the achievements of eight community leaders at the 2016 Four Way Test Awards Breakfast on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at the Doylestown Country Club.

Congratulations to the Four Way Test Award

Winners: Barbara P. Clark-Non-Profit, Linda A. Felt-Healthcare, Dr. Joseph Ohrt-Arts and Culture, Bob and Pam Byers-Business, Inge Karlberg-Stannik-Education Francesca Crimi-Student Essay Winner, William "Bill" Lieser-Community



#### Norristown:

CLUB 95th ANNIVERSARY DINNER The ROTARY CLUB OF NORRISTOWN celebrated its 95th anniversary with a dinner and awards ceremony at The Meadowood Retirement Community, Thursday April 29. 100 members, guests, and past presidents attended the event MC'd by Mark Call, president elect,

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organized by Ralph Kelley, Guido Martinelli, and Judy Bucko, and hosted by Paul Nordeman. Meadowood provided the perfect setting for reconnecting with many former members as several past presidents were present.

The celebration highlighted the service of many log-time club participants and remembered two who passed away during the past year.

The keynote speaker for the night was ROTARY District Governor, Doug Cook. Doug noted the longevity of our club and congratulated it on its continuing support for the community through its many programs.

#### Pottstown:



Pavilion CleanUp Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> several Rotarians took time from their Memorial Day Weekend to attend to our Pavilion at Riverfront Park. A thorough cleanup, new flowers, new shrubbery and mulch really improved the look of this community area. Many people who use the park thanked us

for our work as they passed by. It is a great advertisement for Rotary and the work we do.







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#### **Rotary Friendship Exchange**

TEAM FROM ARGENTINA - APRIL 28, 2016 At the April 28 meeting of Emmaus Rotary Club, members were privileged to meet the twelve members of the incoming Rotary Friendship Exchange team from Argentina. In front of a packed house, we learned about the country of Argentina, the Buenos Aires province and Rotary District 4895.

In addition to four days of activities led by our club, the RFE team was hosted by Doylestown RC for three days and will end the exchange after three days with the Central Bucks RC. The team has enjoyed numerous dinners, an All-American barbecue and outings to many area sites including the Mercer



Museum, Pearl S. Buck House, Moravian Tile Works, Old Town Bethlehem, Lancaster, Longwood Gardens and the Historical District in Philadelphia to name a few.

Eight members of the team hail from the city of Escobar which is 50 kilometers northwest of Buenos Aires. Escobar is known for its National Flower Festival and is home to the Temaikèn Biosphere, a 178-acre zoo specializing in Argentine wildlife and

exotic and threatened species. The Escobar RFE contingent consisted of:

- Susana Traverso and her husband, Rodolfo Rauscher. Susana has served as President of Escobar RC for two years. Susana and Rodolfo operate a nursery specializing in cactuses and other succulent plants.
- Miguel Erenu is a lawyer who has also served as President of Escobar RC. His wife, Cristina, is a psychologist specializing in children and family violence.



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- Monica Rodriques Mosquera is a retired agronomic Engineer. She is currently the President of the Projects and Services Committee of Escobar RC. Her husband, Tetsuya Hirose, is an ornamental plant grower specializing in ferns. Tetsuya is also the chairman of the National Flower Festival.
- Carlos Benzaquen is an architect. He has served as President of Escobar RC and was District Governor in 1986-87. His wife Marta is a travel agent. She served as President of Escobar RC in 2001-02.

The other four members of the team are from América, a town of 12,000 people located 500 kilometers west of Buenos Aires in the Pampas region. The América RC has just fourteen members, but its work in the community – especially for disabled and mentally handicapped persons – has been tremendous. The América RFE group is comprised of:

- Luis Busso is an agricultural engineer. He served as District Governor in 2009-10. His wife, Paula Obiglio, is a lawyer. She has served as President América RC three times and is currently Vice President of the club.
- Susana Genjo is an orthodontist. She was Director of the Hospital of for 4 years. Susana served as President of América RC and also coordinated the Interact Club. Her husband Guillermo Ameijeiras is a veterinarian.

It was a privilege to host the team in support of the goal of all Rotary Friendship Exchanges – to advance international understanding and goodwill by building person-toperson connections across national boundaries.







#### Million Dollar Celebration

#### \$2,529,000 RAISED for THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> PARTY A HIT

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District 7430 Rotarians truly responded to the two year journey to raise a million dollars for the Rotary Endowment Fund. At Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>'s Celebration party at the Valley Forge Sheraton, District Governor Doug Cook and Committee Chair, PDG Roger Baumann announce the final amount as \$2,529,000 --WOW.

We had a great dinner and fellowship with RI President

"Ravi" Ravindran and 280 other Rotarians and friends from District 7430 and D7450. Ravi gave an inspirational address and praised us for this great accomplishment.

The earnings from this huge donation from our district over time will eventually bring about \$65,000 EACH YEAR directly back to our district for projects we control. The District 7430 journey originally was to raise \$1 million for The Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund. The journey began as a vision of District Governor Doug Cook in 2014. With the leadership of Million Dollar Journey Chairman PDG Roger Baumann, the generous bequests and gifts of many Rotarians and the extraordinary support of a matching donor, DG Doug's \$1 million goal was dramatically surpassed.

The donors were treated to a special reception to meet RI President K. R. "Ravi" Ravindran. And Zone Director Julia Phelps spoke to us, as did Past Director, Mike McGovern who currently leads the world-wide Polio Eradication effort for Rotary and our partners.

#### Million Dollar Celebration continued PRIP Ravi; DGE Linda Young and PDG Bill Palmer





One special highlight of the

evening was the presentation of membership into the Arch Klumph Society for Barbara and Phil Albright of the Ambler Rotary Club. Thank you.

It was a grand time recognizing all those whose contributions helped make this historic achievement happen.







#### **Other Articles of Interest**

#### AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT ROTARY

Be a gift to the work District 7430 will be running the Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> sessions This is at Bucks County CC. Go to <u>rlinea.org</u> for the complete schedule and to register.



#### **Other Articles of Interest**

D7430 *Leaders and* **Committee Chairs** for 2015-16 are detailed on the D7430 website. <u>http://rotarydistrict7430.org/</u> <u>districtorganizationchart/2015/</u>

D7430 Committee Chairs and their contact information is available in the on-line *District Directory*. <u>http://rotarydistrict7430.org/</u> <u>districtorganizationchart/2015/</u>

#### **Membership Tip**

What does a Rotary club designed by young members look like?

A team of young professionals gathered in Savannah, Georgia, a few years ago with a challenging task, structuring a club that would be attractive to young people. The Metro Savannah Club received its charter in 2012 and continues



strong with more than 60 members, most under the age of 40. See what has made the club successful. Check out their website:

http://www.metropolitansavannahrotary.org/.



Share your passion for Rotary! REFER A MEMBER!



#### "Cooking" to Feed the Hungry

D7430 Rotarians for many years have supported Food Pantries and Food Banks all over our five county district. Here is what's happening:

Relieving hunger has been a core Rotary value for many years, and the **Bethlehem Rotary Club** takes it seriously. On Wednesday, May 25th, Bennie Khamneh, Food Pantry Coordinator for the Hispanic Center of the Lehigh Valley, reminded us again about the ongoing reality of hunger in our community. Her food pantry, which serves the South Side and Bethlehem Township, feeds a minimum 60 families per month and is adding 26 families per month in recent years.

They distribute over 7000 pounds of food per year to our neighbors and friends. The pantry receives its food from Second Harvest Food Bank, and Bennie thanked the Bethlehem Rotarians for naming Second Harvest as the beneficiary of our 2016 Tastes and Tunes. The refrigerated truck provided by Rotary should make it easier to deliver fresh milk, along with other dairy products and perishable foods.

Bennie noted that the Rotary truck will be a great addition to alleviating hunger in our area. Thanks to Lorna Velazquez, who introduced Bennie.

#### It's Arch Klumph's Birthday, Celebrate with us in Atlanta!

At the 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, President Arch Klumph announced his dream of creating a Rotary endowment fund. In 2017, we will celebrate the good work Rotarians have done over the past 100 years -- because one man dared to dream.

Join us in Atlanta, Georgia! Mark your calendar for June 10 to 14, 2017. It's going to be great.





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#### Information

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS in D7430 -- PLEASE READ

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Please avoid conflicts when setting dates for district -wide events. Two events on the same time reduces your potential audience for both.

The monthly DG Newsletter includes an expanded and long range list of planned events for our district. It's there for your guidance and for planning.

#### <u>RC Secretaries</u> – Request for INTERACT Club Info:

When she calls or e-mails, please provide D7430 Administrative Assistant, Sharon Rittenhouse, with your details of any Interact Clubs that you support. The answers will be added to the District Directory for you.

Please make a special effort to have a **valid E-mail** address posted in the D7430 database for each member of your Rotary Club.

Also, please add your **2016-17 officers and directors** info to the D7430 database. **REMEMBER** that the 2015-2016 <u>District Directory</u> IS ON-LINE

#### Rotary's online tools:

Take advantage and go to rotary.org at "My Rotary" to find time-saving resources for all your club needs:

- Rotary Club Central: Check your progress on club activities and plans and add accomplishments!
- Brand Center: Create promotional materials with our latest branding tools
- Rotary Ideas: Find donors, partners, and volunteers for your projects



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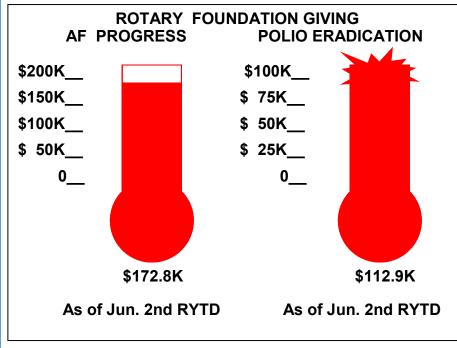
#### Foundation Update



The following information is provided to keep you informed about Our Rotary Foundation.







The Rotary Foundation is turning 100, and that's definitely something worth celebrating. Visit **RI's Centennial** website to see what's being planned, pick up ideas for your own celebration. and brush up on your Foundation history in our interactive timeline. There are also a few other

#### surprises.

Visit the website and join the excitement.

#### PURPLE PINKIE DAY is OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup>

The D7430 6<sup>th</sup> annual Yvette M. Palmer Purple Pinkie 5K run and fun walk is the one big district-wide fundraiser with all proceeds going to Polio eradication. This year it is scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) in Schnecksville.



# polio news

NEW Type 1 POLIO CASES as of June 1, 2016

	2016 YTD	2015 YTD		
Pakistan	11	24		
Afghanistan	5	2		
We are closer than ever to the target of a world free of polio, with just two				
remaining polio ender	mic countries- Afg	hanistan and	d Pakistan.	

## Canada contributes \$40 million to ending polio in Pakistan

The government of Canada is providing C\$40 million over three years in support of Pakistan's polio eradication program. The funds will help the World Health Organization and UNICEF interrupt transmission of the wild poliovirus in Pakistan. Canada is the fifth-highest per capita donor to polio eradication, with over C\$500 million committed to date. It coordinates its efforts closely with Rotary, matching Rotarians' contributions during fundraising campaigns.

Tell Us What You Are Doing DG Doug's 2015-16 monthly newsletters will tell your stories. Just send them — with pertinent photos — by the 20th of each month to:

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#### **DISTRICT CALENDAR**



#### 2016

Jun 17 to 20 -- Camp Neidig (RYLA) at Camp Manatawny

Jun 27 -- D7430 <u>Council of Governors</u> annual meeting at 5:00 pm at the Hotel Bethlehem

Jun 27 -- D7430 Changeover and Awards Dinner at the Hotel Bethlehem

Aug 16 -- Strike Out Hunger at the Phillies

Oct 22nd -- D7430 PolioPlus Purple Pinkie 5K Race at LCCC

Oct TBA -- D7430 Foundation Seminar

Nov 12th --Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) at Bucks Cty CC, Newtown

#### 2017

Feb 23 to 25 -- Mid-Atlantic PETS at the Radisson Valley Forge, KOP

Mar TBA -- D7430 annual Foundation Recognition Dinner

Apr TBA -- District Training Assembly

May 5 to 7 -- D7430 Annual Conference at Eden Resorts, Lancaster

Jun 10 to 14 -- RI annual Convention in Atlanta, GA

Jun TBA -- D7430 Changeover and Awards Dinner





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#### **Rotary Club Events**

June 18 <u>-- Reading</u> RC have a multi-partner project to improve Essick Park and ask you to come and join them at the Playground on Church and Oley St in Reading, PA; volunteer signups can be made here: <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/</u> go/20f0a44afa922abf49-essick

July 16, 2016, Saturday, <u>Doylestown</u> at Dusk Car Show

Why does the sun lighten our hair, but darkens our skin?



