

Message from the District Governor

Mary Ellen Bentler

Each month Rotary has a different focus and the focus in August is Membership Month. This is a great time to think about RI President Shekhar Mehta challenge to all Rotarians of "Each One, Bring One". Just think about how strong our District and Clubs would be if everyone introduced one person to Rotary.

Imagine the change we, as Rotary members, can make when there are so many more of us! More people to care for others, more people to Serve to Change Lives, more members will enable us to embark on bigger and bolder service projects. When you bring in new members you gain fresh ideas and perspectives, energy, and passion.



On August 4, 2021 the Training team has set up a session on Membership for the Change Lives Series with Bill Skinner presenting a sales approach to attracting new members. It would be great to have someone from each club on the meeting right from the comfort of your own home. Another resource is our membership Chair, Samantha Maruzzelli, and her committee to come to your club meetings to talk about membership.

The Strike Out Polio Railriders game is on August 15th, with a tailgate at 11:30 AM with game time at 1:05PM. This event is opened to the Public, so invite your family and friends. Proceeds will benefit the Rotary Foundation to end Polio and the clubs will get credit for the number of tickets each club sells. Dave Palmer, our Polio Chair, has been working on making this a fun day at the ballpark and I hope to see you there.

We have the Power and the magic to Serve to Change Lives. Let's "Grow More to Do More"

In Service to Rotary, Mary Ellen

Membership Committee Update

Hello Rotarians,

We wanted to remind all of you about the free dues for new members still going on until the end of this Rotary year. When bringing in a new member they will not have to pay dues until July 1, 2022. We are striving to reach 1200 members this year and we need over 100 new members to get there. With all your hard work we did bring in over 100 new members last year, we can do it again! We also have to work hard on retention. Make sure all your members feel included in your club.

Each month we would like to Spotlight a new member. Please send a photo and a short bio of each new member to Jessica Pope at ipoperotary@gmail.com

The District is working on some District wide membership events. We will keep you posted on our progress. If you would like to join our membership team please contact samanthamaruzzelli@gmail.com.

Yours in Service,
District 7410 Membership Committee



New Member Spotlight



Jeffrey Tague is a new member of the Tunkhannock Rotary. He is a Penn State graduate and has been working in the Tool & Dye field for 27 years. Jeff also keeps his family farm running. He is married to Jill Tague who is also a new member.

Welcome to Rotary!





Play Ball!

To date, we have approximately 107 tickets sold for the game. Get yours quickly, before it is too late!

Come enjoy a day of Baseball with The Scranton Wilkes-Barre RailRiders on August 15th!

Purchase your tickets to the game with the link below and a portion of your ticket will be donated to the Rotary Foundation's "PolioPlus" effort, which includes all vaccine preventable diseases, now including COVID.

And Rotarians and clubs receive Paul Harris point credits!

Please spread the word that this event is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

You do not have to be a Rotary Member to purchase tickets or attend.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the game!

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS





August 15th
Game Time: 1:05 PM
Tickets:
General Admission - \$13
Seats - \$14
PNC Field

proceeds benefit the

Rotary Foundation to end Polio OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS



PolioPlus Society



The District Conference in June at the Deane Center in Wellsboro witnessed the kick-off of the PolioPlus Society for District 7410. As of this article, twenty-two (22) Rotarians have committed and donated \$3,100 to this District PolioPlus Committee initiative.

Four (4) others have requested information/applications and are in process. If you would like to join this society and manifest your passion for this child focused humanitarian effort, fill out the attached form and send to the point-of-contact noted on the form.





ROTARY DISTRICT 7410 POLIOPLUS SOCIETY APPLICATION







As a Rotarian and supporter of Polio Eradication, Rotary's #1 international priority, I wish to participate in this child focused humanitarian effort as a member of the PolioPlus Society of Rotary District 7410.

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus program of the Rotary Foundation as follows: (select one)

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\$100 per year to PolioPlus (this is the minimum amount to become a PolioPlus Society member A contribution of \$per year to PolioPlus (more than \$100)
A contribution of \$ only this year; unfortunately, I cannot do this every year
Society members will receive a PolioPlus Society membership pin and Paul Harris credit. Make your donation online at www.rotary.org/donate and select the Polio Fund, or through your Rotary Club. If made on-line, one can establish a recurring donation.
E-mail or mail this completed form to the District PolioPlus Chair at davesolopalmer@gmail.com or Dave Palmer, 443 Mateer Road, Hop Bottom, PA 18824. Contact Dave for questions at 570-498-6637.
Until the last child is immunized, and the world is certified polio-free, every child is at risk.
Name:
Signature:
Date:
Club Name:
Phone Number:

Your PolioPlus Society pin will be presented to you at your club meeting or other appropriate meeting you might desire, to insure you are recognized for your commitment to eradicating polio from this earth.



E-Mail:

Rotary Foundation Moment of the Week

WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL FUND?

The Annual Fund is the primary source of unrestricted support for the programs of The Rotary Foundation. From digging clean water wells for villages in Africa to teaching basic literacy skills to children in Latin America, during any given moment in a day, thousands of Rotarians volunteer their time and expertise to ensure that all contributions given to the Annual Fund are spent wisely on quality Rotary projects.

In the 2019-20 Rotary year, US\$123.6 million was donated to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund. The Annual Fund is comprised of donations from Rotarians, friends of Rotary, corporations, workplace giving vehicles and can be matched by corporate matching gifts to leverage your donation. There is even an online resource that allows you to see if your company has a charitable matching program...check it out at: www.rotary.org/matchinggifts.

Will you support the Annual Fund with a monthly gift this year? Rotary Direct is a great way for you to donate monthly - you can "set it and forget it."









39th Annual Dallas Rotary Fall Golf Classic - Steak and Clambake

IREM TEMPLE COUNTRY CLUB - Captain & Crew Format

MONDAY **SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 12:30 SHOTGUN**

JOIN US FOR A GREAT DAY OF GOLF AND FUN!

BACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT(S) DICTIONARY PROGRAM

LUZERNE COUNTY FALL FAIR

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMPS

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

BOOK SCHOLARSHIPS

ROTARY WINE FESTIVAL

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN

BACK MOUNTAIN FOOD PANTRY

Hole Sponsorship \$ 100.00

Please return this form with checks made payable to "DALLAS ROTARY CHARITIES". Indicate how you would like your sign imprinted and return by September 13, 2021 to allow time for proper printing. MAIL TO: **Kevin Smith**

16 Greycliff Drive **Dallas, PA 18612**

Telephone: (570) 696-5420

SPONSOR: ___ COPY FOR ADVERTISING SIGN:

DALLAS ROTARIAN WHO ARRANGED SPONSORSHIP:

Player Entry \$ 125.00 Per Player

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED AND PAID BY SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

CAPTAIN: TEL: _____ CREW: _____ TEL: TEL:













Hazelton Rotary to Sponsor Wine & Beer Festival

The returning event takes place on Saturday, August 28th, Louis Schiavo City View Park, 700 South Poplar Street, Hazleton, 12Noon-8:00PM.

There will be a variety of wine, beer, food, and craft vendors, as well as tricky trays and you are encouraged to visit them all. Ostrich Hat will entertain 12-3pm and Kartune, 4-7pm and two Latino DJS from 3-4pm. Beer Pretzel Necklaces, 50-50's, 2022 lottery tickets, Festival tee-shirts, Fantasy Football, chances on a Basket of Cheer and a Spin-the-Wheel Game will also be available. Kids can enjoy face painting 1PM-7PM.

Tickets are \$20.00 in advance, \$25.00 at the gate that day, \$5.00-Designated Driver and Ages 13-20. There is Free admission for children 12 and under. All children under age 18 must be accompanied by and attended to by an adult. Must be 21 to drink.

Tickets can be purchased from <u>hazletonrotary.ticketleap.com</u> or any Hazleton Rotary Club member.

For updated/new information visited the Hazleton Rotary <u>Facebook</u> Pages and www.hazletonrotary.org.



Neal A. DeAngelo (center, and a Rotarian) and The Pines Eatery & Spirits will be the 2021 Festival Sponsor of the returning Hazleton Rotary Wine & Beer Festival.

Others in photo are Rotarian Festival Co-Chairs, Michele Ustynoski and Scott Sacco, Rotary Immediate Past President, Donna Barna and Rotary President, Jason Brenner











Entertainment & Music by



TICKETS

Free admission for children 12 and under

(All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult)

Must be 21 to drink

\$20 in advance

\$25 at the door

\$5 Designated Driver
(Non-Drinking Admission)

\$5 Age 13 to 20

All Proceeds benefit Hazleton Rotary Club Service Projects

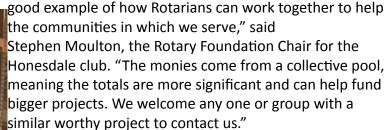


Honesdale Rotary Provides Shelves, Refrigerator to Food Pantry

Honesdale Rotary members visited the Wayne County Food Pantry's Honesdale branch on Tuesday, July 13th, to see how the club's donation of a refrigerator unit and new shelving will make a difference. Pantry Director, Clarissa Wimmers, said the items will be particularly helpful since the Pantry now has many more products and perishables to distribute. Thanks to emergency-relief fundraising, the Pantry was able to collaborate with local farmers for the first-time ever for fresh foods such as milk and eggs.

"We're so thankful for what the Rotary is doing for us," said Wimmers, who noted that the two-door refrigerator will move with the Pantry when it relocates to a new "hub" site. The new location, still to be determined, will serve the Honesdale branch, along with the Food Pantry's other entities in Lakeville, Lakewood, Damascus and Newfoundland.

The Honesdale Rotary club raised \$3,000 from events to match \$3,000 in grant money from the Rotary Foundation, in conjunction with Rotary District 7410, to pay for the new items. "This grant and our efforts are a



The Wayne County Food Pantry serves 60 to 180 families at its five sites once a month. During the pandemic, the Pantry worked with area schools and groups like the Cooperage Project to help feed an additional 600 families.

The Rotary, a service club with more than a million members worldwide, welcomes newcomers. Visit Honesdale Rotary on Facebook for more information or email honesdale.rotary.president@gmail.com.

Photo, left to right: Dave Hartung, Wayne County System of Care, Honesdale Rotarians James Hamill, Rory McGhie and Andy Chapman. Not pictured: Stephen Moulton, Honesdale Rotary Foundation Chair.





Summer Recreation Program

This summer (2021), the members of the Jim Thorpe Rotary Club were thrilled to once again offer a Summer Recreation Program for 125 elementary students from the Jim Thorpe Area School District. This program, similar to a summer camp, provides a safe space during the day for children (grades 2 through 6) to participate in educational activities with a focus on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics), physical fitness, health and safety, crafts, games and just plain fun.

They also enjoy presentations from the community: the local fire and police departments and the Dimmick Library. The Jim Thorpe Rotary has been hosting the Summer Recreation Program for the community for the past 25 years, with the exception of 2020 due to Covid.

The Summer Recreation Program is free, runs 4 days a week for 8 weeks at the Jim Thorpe Memorial Park. Children who sign up for the program also receive a free breakfast and lunch. The Summer Recreation Program is a great option for families from all income levels, including those who might not have the resources to afford a more expensive summer camp experience. Additionally, the hands —on work experience for college students and teachers serving as counselors allows them to develop their skills engaging with youth for their current and future careers.

Students risk losing 2-3 months of math and reading skills during the summer months. This is known at the "Summer Slide," and can really affect younger students as well as low-income students, due to the lack of books, computers and family resources to afford summer programming. A goal of the summer program is to help decrease summer learning loss. The STEAM activities the counselors provide are fun, motivational, promote careers and reinforce academic skills taught during the school year.

The strength of the Rotary Summer Program is its community support and the partners who are invested in the program. They include: Jim Thorpe Borough, LCCC Carbon and Schuylkill SHINE Program (Schools and Homes in Education), Jim Thorpe School District, Mauch Chunk Trust Company, Jim Thorpe Community Bank, Penn Forest Township, Jim Thorpe Lions Club, Brandywine Transportation, Thrivant Financial, parents and community members.

Most recently, a collaborative effort between CSLWP (Carbon Schuylkill Luzerne Wayne Pike) STEM Ecosystem, the Jim Thorpe Dimmick Library, C/S SHINE and the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit resulted in children experiencing hands-on STEM activities with a focus on literacy that generated much enthusiasm with both children and parents. One activity was on fingerprinting. "It was cool we learned about loops, whorls, and arches and how each fingerprint is unique. We used cocoa powder, a mirror and tape to transfer our own print and had a magnifying glass to examine them. We made fun drawings of our own fingerprints," stated Hannah a sixth grader from the Jim Thorpe School District.

Over the past 25 years we estimate the Jim Thorpe Rotary Club has provided 3,750 children with a safe and motivating summer enrichment experience. The program has and will continue and evolve to meet the needs of the community





NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY WELCOMES CORPORATE MEMBERSHIPS



Early this year, the New Milford Area Rotary adopted a new membership category called Corporate Membership. This effort is reaping new memberships, including the first two Corporate Memberships in the past month.

The first Corporate Membership welcomed to the club was that of Tall Pines Farm Stoves and Fireplaces of Kingsley Pennsylvania . Owner, George Conner represents the business as Primary Corporate Member, with any of his numerous employees eligible as Alternate Corporate Members.

George Conner Corporate Membership induction and welcome by Marcia Loughman, District 7410 Foundation Chair

The most recent Corporate Membership is that of NBT Bank and its New Milford Branch. Branch Manager Marissa Greene represents the NBT Branch as Primary Corporate Member. Kimberly Smith, Vice President for Retail Market Management, NBT Bank serves as the Alternate Corporate Member.

For more information on this membership category, contact David Palmer, Membership Chair, New Milford Area Rotary at newmilfordparotary@gmail.com or 570-498-6637.



Marissa Greene, Branch Manager, NBT Bank, New Milford receiving new Corporate Membership welcome packet







September 25, 2021
5:30 PM - 11:00 PM
635 S Main St, Pittston, PA 18640
\$70 for single ticket,
\$120 for couple!
Sign up at rotary100_1.eventbrite.com

Or scan here!



BBQ Buffet
Open Bar
Music
Yard Games
Brewery Tours







Plains Rotary 36th Annual Golf Tournament

The Plains Rotary will hold its 36th annual Memorial Golf Tournament at the Mountain Laurel Golf course on August 21st. All proceeds from the tournament will be used to purchase new winter coats for needy children, Christmas dinner for special needs children and their families with each child receiving a gift from Santa Claus, distribute dictionaries to 3rd grade students in the Bear Creek Charter school and Plains Solomon Elementary school. In addition, the Plains Rotary sponsors a student at the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program each year and recognizes an 8th grade student form Plains Solomon Junior High school for their community service. It should be noted, none of this would be possible without the support of our Golf Tournament sponsors and golfers. To become a sponsor of this event or be a golfer in the tournament, call Plains Rotarian Joe Gelli on 570-881-4367.



Paul Muczynski, Joe Gelli Tournament Chair, and Ben Berrini





Stroudsburgs Rotary Partners to Help Children Living in Poverty

This is a story of partnership that has benefited young children and their families. In the early spring of 2020 members of the Stroudsburgs Rotary Foundation became aware of the availability of grant funding from Rotary International that could be used exclusively in the United States. The reason for this exception was the COVID-19 pandemic. Dave Super from the Foundation contacted Tim Lee, the Executive Director of Pocono Services for Families and Children, which runs the Monroe County Head Start program. Tim wanted us to purchase computers that would enable children in the Pre-Kindergarten program to learn from home, and successfully meet the criteria for entrance into Kindergarten. The children enrolled in the Pre-K program all live in poverty and would normally be attending the program in person on a year-long basis with no break for summer with one goal in mind – meet the entrance requirements for Kindergarten. The program also included purchase and use at home of various type of Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) STEM kits.

In addition to ensuring that children meet the Kindergarten readiness standard, there were two other key program objectives. The first was improving adult literacy. Head Start is providing on-line programming in health literacy, as well as two other programs, Parenting in the 21st Century and Bridges Out of Poverty. The final program objective was professional development of their Pre-K teachers, specifically in skills development for on-line training.

One element of the special grant program that was not changed was the need for an international partner. Two of our Stroudsburgs club members, Frank and Barbara Herting, spent every summer for the last 40 years in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada where they owned a second home. They regularly attended meetings of the Gananoque Rotary Club and established many friendships. Bruce Hobbs from the Gananoque club immediately agreed to sign on to the grant as a partner after talking with Dave.

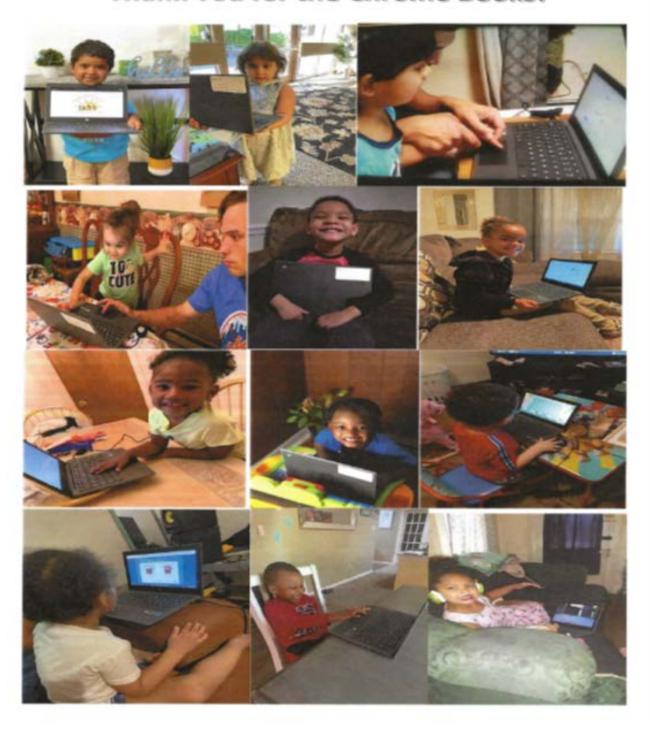
Because the Head Start program has children from all four Monroe County school districts, Dave Super from the Stroudsburg club reached out to the other Rotary Clubs from Monroe County. Four clubs, Blakeslee, Mt. Pocono, Pocono Mountain, and West End agreed to provide funding. The exceptional support provided from the other county Rotary Clubs demonstrated the seriousness of the issue, and we believe it was the difference maker in receiving the grant.

Rotary International selected the program to be funded on August 24, 2020, agreeing to award \$15,000. This amount, when combined with \$11,250 in District Designated Funds (DDF) contributions and \$7,500 in total club funding, gave us a grant of \$33,750. This amount enabled the purchase of 75 student Chromebooks and 2 teacher Chromebooks and multiple STEM kits; in addition to the parental and teacher training. Funding for the program was not received until October 2020. Unfortunately, because of the high demand from other school districts around the country, the program ran into delays getting Chromebooks, which were the primary cost element of the grant program. The computers finally arrived in March. Other elements of the program, including teacher training and the purchase of STEM Kits for the children, had already been funded.



Despite the delay in delivery of computers we and the Head Start program remain confident that the 75 children in the Pre-K program using the Chromebooks will be assessed positively for entry into Kindergarten. We received results of the three quarterly assessments that have been completed to date. In each of the six areas, including cognitive/science, mathematics and literacy, the scores in the "Meets" and "Exceeds" categories has increased. This grant has brought technology into homes of people who in some cases never before owned a computer. It has also demonstrated what we already know - that teamwork among Rotary Clubs and Rotarians can accomplish a great deal.

Thank You for the Chrome Books!





Area 2 Assistant Governor - Ann Way

Absent from the June 27 District Banner Exchange was Tunkhannock's Ann Way, who is taking over from Assistant Governor (AG) Dave Palmer as AG for Cluster 2, which includes: Forest City, New Milford, Trail, Tunkhannock, Winola and Wyalusing. AG Dave Palmer had previously given Ann all the info she needed to act as AG at one of the Club's meetings.



AG Dave Palmer with incoming AG Ann Way

2021 End of Year Awards and Officer Installations

A Tunkhannock Rotary Year End Celebration and 2021-2022 Officer Installation was held at the Moose Club Pavilion on Sunday Jun 27.

Pres. Terri Detrick announced several End of Year Awards. Each recipient received an award certificate and a personal gift from Terri.

7410 Assistant Governor Dave Palmer installed the Officers and Directors for 2021-2022. After the installation, outgoing Pres. Terri Detrick summarized her year as President including the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Celebration ended with President Mary Tempest giving her first Presidential address, in which she talked about this year's Rotary International theme "to do more and grow more" and briefly summarized her local goals for the Club, including some fun new events and demonstrations to which the community will be invited.











L to R Back Row: Directors Dave Wilson, John Proctor, President-Elect Mike Markovitz, Vice President Samantha Maruzzelli, Immediate Past President Terri Detrick. L to R Front Row: Directors Norm Kelly, Francine Kanyok and Laura Charles, Treasurer Elaine Walker, Secretary Sandy Lane and President Mary Tempest with AG Dave Palmer.

Tunkhannock Welcomes 2 New Members

Membership Chair Ron Furman inducted 2 new members at the July 15 Club Meeting. Leslie Bullock was sponsored and pinned by Mary Tempest and Kenda Peck by David Wilson.



L to R: Leslie Bullock, Ron Furman, Mary Tempest, Kenda Peck & Dave Wilson









Joint Installation Exercises

The Rotary Clubs of Wyoming, Kingston and Plymouth recently conducted their installation exercises in a joint meeting that was held at Keeley's, Pringle. Installing officer was none other than District Governor Mary Ellen Bentler. Pictured from left are Attorney Thomas P Hogan, Plymouth, Attorney Daniel Mulhern, Wyoming, Governor Bentler and Debra Cwalina, Dallas.

