



Around the District

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Dear Rotarians:

On February 23rd, Rotarians celebrate the anniversary of the founding of Rotary. For all of us, it is time to look at our clubs and assess our membership programs. The following article came from one of the RETENTION CENTRAL issues. Please read and give thoughtful consideration of what your club is doing to maintain and grow its membership. Club Presidents- how close are you to your stated goals for retention and growth this year?



RETENTION CENTRAL

What Makes Rotary Go 'Round?

"Let's remember that while charity has a mixed record of helping others, it has an almost perfect record of helping ourselves. Helping others may be as primal as food." Columnist Nicholas Kristof.

Any organization confused about who their customers are and what it takes to satisfy their needs to satisfy their needs is an organization in trouble, and many Rotary clubs are in trouble. Make no mistake about it - a Rotary's customers are present and potential members, and foundation's customers are its present and potential donors. Members and donors are generally motivated by enlightened self-interest.

In membership development and planning sessions, participants often confuse beneficiaries with members. Beneficiaries (recipients, receivers, donees) are those who receive humanitarian and/or educational benefit from projects and programs. It is important that attendees resolve this confusion because long-term growth must revolve around satisfying existing member's need and attracting new members - not beneficiaries - members.

Fishy Fantasies can cause havoc in organizations. One Fishy Fantasy that often invades the minds of leaders of successful organizations is, "An increasingly affluent society will ensure the organization's growth." This is a fantasy because in this type society, organizations' leaders often assume that they do not have to be innovative and concentrate on improving what they are already doing. What actually happens is that they get better at what they are doing rather than improving the value of what they are doing to their customer.

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In Rotary, it is important to get better at delivering deeds to beneficiaries, but regardless of whether the deed is administering a vaccine, building a local playground, or awarding a Peace or Ambassadorial scholarship, its lasting fundamental value, altruism, lies in how it improves members' enlightened self-interest. So how does the deed deliver this altruistic value? It engages their emotional connection to the organization; it makes them feel they are somebody not just another 'volunteer'; not just anybody. It gives members the warm fuzzy that they are contributing to someone else's well-being; it recognizes them as being a contributing member to their local and international communities; it gives them self-respect. It engages their self-esteem.

Please refer to the Building Community graphic. Engaged members participating in the Productive Zone Make it possible for Rotarians and clubs to Build Communities and Bridge Continents. Members will stay engaged if clubs continually present opportunities for them to exercise their altruism and frequently enlighten their self-interest by acknowledging their generosity. That is improving a deed's value to the member.

The differentiation between members and beneficiaries and recognizing the altruistic value of a deed is vitally important across the complete spectrum of Rotary operations. Consider public relations. R.I. and its member clubs should direct public information efforts toward its most important audience -its customer. A minimal Rotary public relations campaign must enlighten Rotarians' self-interest. An effective public relations campaign should also enlighten potential members' self-interest. A superb public relations campaign accomplishes both and informs the public about who Rotarians are and what they do.

Rotary essentials:

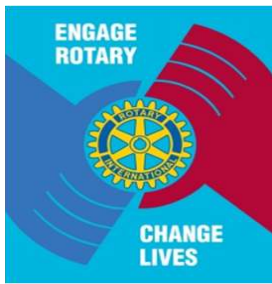
Its customers	Existing and Potential Rotarians
Its objective	Advance The Object of Rotary
Its Motto	Service above Self
Its creed	The Four Way Test

Critically examine the basic human behavioral principles of the objective, motto, and creed. It becomes easy to recognize that it is Rotarians.

Enlightened Self-Interest that makes Rotary go "Round. To improve membership development, R.I. and its clubs should recognize this behavioral reality, continue to search for innovative ways to engage members' desire to exercise Service above Self, then frequently recognize them for who they are individually and as a group, and thank them for their altruism and achievements.

That's "improving the deed's value to the customer."

Columnist Jim Henry



DGE Carol meets RIPE Garry C.K. Huang

DGE Carol Hemphill met with Rotary International President-elect (RIPE) at the International Assembly in San Diego. Each year, Rotary International brings all the incoming Governors from the 532 district to San Diego for an intensive week of training.



Pictured: DGE Carol with RIPE Garry C.K. Huang and Corinna

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7. Sandra Drevenik (Kingston) Dallas, Kingston, Plymouth, Wilkes-Barre, The Greater Nanticoke Area, Pittston, Plains, Wyoming.

SAVE THE DATE and register now!

Rotary Club Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS)

March 21 and 22, 2014

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and Assistant Governors

Seven districts will come together
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The Rotary District 7410 Annual Membership Cup



*Your club name
could be here!*



Doing Good in the World

In an effort to promote membership and strong clubs, an annual award has been established to recognize the district club with the highest combined ranking in three different categories:

1. Highest percentage of member retention from July 1, 2013 to April 15, 2014.
2. Greatest net gain in members from July 1, 2013 to April 15, 2014.
3. Greatest % in club growth from July 1, 2013 to April 15, 2014.

Satellite club membership will be counted toward the parent club's numbers. In the event that a club sponsors a newly chartered club, those members will also count toward the sponsor club.

Each club will be ranked in each category. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by a vote by the following:

District Governor
Immediate Past District Governor
District Governor Elect
District Governor Nominee
District Membership Chair

Recognition will be given to the club with the highest ranking in each of the three categories. The Membership Cup winner, will have the club's name engraved on the trophy, which will remain with that club for the following Rotary year. The award will be presented at the District Conference.

In the next year, the cup will be returned to the District Membership Chair (two weeks before the next conference). This will allow for the next winner to have their club's name engraved on the trophy.

For more information, please contact Karin-Susan Breitlauch at 610-390-0351 or at ksbvnet@ptd.net

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Cost of meals detailed below:
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\$30 Saturday Lunch
\$40 Saturday Night Dinner

TO REGISTER

**Rotarians must contact The Shawnee Inn directly at
1-800-Shawnee & mention the RI District 7410 Conference.**

*Reservations must be made prior to April 1st, 2014 for guaranteed room & conference rate.
If canceled after April 1st, 2014 you will be charged a \$100 fee. If canceled 72 hours prior to your reservation
you will be charged \$287.50 for one night's stay. After April 1st, rate will increase by \$68 per night.*

Day Trippers register on the District website, details to follow.

All District 7410 Rotarians are encouraged to attend.

This year will feature lots of activities for the whole family including...

- Golf • Hayrides • Shopping Trips • Casino Trips • Good Food • Great Fellowship



Make your reservation today!





RYLAarians and staff came together on a snowy Sunday afternoon this past week and had a great time of getting reacquainted in the the RYLA way. Many from RYLA 2013 and a few from 2012 RYLA's wopped and wobbled while the Captain came and the wizards beat the little elves and they put 1 ear and 3 feet with a stomach and 1 hand all in the name of leadership, cooperation fun and RYLA!!!

Club Presidents be on the lookout for an email next week about RYLA 2014!

Our date for RYLA is earlier this year, June 22~26th so you will need to begin finding your candidates beginning in February as the deadline will also be earlier.

RYLA is a wonderful experience for our young people and exposes Rotary to them for life. ENGAGE these RYLarians you have already sponsored and CHANGE their lives.

Contact Karen De Matteo RYLA Chair with any questions. karenandrotary@gmail.com



THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE SMITHFIELDS

Rotary Club of the Smithfields to Hold Second Annual Beer Tasting Event at the Chateau at Camelback

The Rotary Club of the Smithfields is sponsoring a fun and entertaining night of Beer tasting/sampling at its Second Annual Beer Tasting fundraiser on Friday, February 7, 2014 from 7 pm to 10 pm at the Chateau Resort and Conference Center, 475 Camelback Road, Tannersville, Pennsylvania. Come and sample a variety of brews from premier local, regional and Pennsylvania breweries, including Shawnee Craft (Gem and Keystone), Barley Creek Brewery, Susquehanna Brewing Company, Yuengling, Yards Brewing Company, Straub Brewery, Lion Brewing (Stegmaier), Stoudt's Brewing Company, Widmer Brothers Brewing and Victory Brewing, together with Wood Chuck Cider. This is a great chance to sample and compare a variety of great beers in one place for one price for a good cause.

Beer tasting is designed to be a fun event with one simple rule: have fun sampling some really great beers and discovering new tastes and styles. Light food will be available to help compare flavors. More substantial fare will be available through the Chateau Resort.

The band Identified Flying Objects will be on hand to provide live music and round out the evening. Sample beer, dance, and listen to great music, this is what the evening is all about.

The cost is \$25 a person and you must be at least 21 years of age to participate. This is a fund raiser by the Rotary Club to help support its local charities and programs that provide service and aid in our community.

The Chateau Resort and Conference Center is located on Camelback Road, just off the Tannersville Exit (Exit 299) of Interstate 80 in Tannersville, Pennsylvania.

Tickets will be available at the door or in advance. For information or tickets please contact Scott Amori at (570) 350-9246, (570) 629-5900, www.rotaryofthesmithfields.org, www.chateaursort.com, www.facebook.com/rotaryclubofthesmithfields or www.facebook.com/rotarybeertasting for details.

Service Above Self

Doris Wehe
President 2013/2014

THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUNMORE

Operation Honduras led by James Davenport from the Dunmore Club, will be leading another team of Rotary and other volunteers to Honduras in February. The projects on which this team will be working include a dental clinic, work at a local orphanage and the construction of a small school that teaches around 100 students. Some of the team will also work on the hearing aid project that is a large part of this ongoing effort with Starkey Int. The Rotary Club of the Stroudsburgs is a recent addition to this project with a donation of \$4000 and a member to join the team in Honduras. James Davenport was one of the first recipients of the Robert Hemphill Humanitarian Awards given by our District in 2012. Please keep this team in your thoughts and prayers as they enter this country, currently in turmoil, from February 12 through the 20. Look for photo's on our District facebook page.



Rotary Club of the Smithfields presents
The 2nd Annual

Beer Tasting Evening

Light Food and Snacks

Entertainment by Identified Flying Objects

Friday, February 7th 7PM—10PM
Chateau Resort & Conference Center
Tannersville, PA, 18372

Tickets: \$25 per person

21 and older only

All proceeds benefit local charities

Call now for tickets:

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[Facebook.com/RotaryBeerTasting](https://www.facebook.com/RotaryBeerTasting)

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

Dallas Rotary, McDonald's and the Bon Ton partner to help children

The Rotary Club of Dallas recently hosted its 49th annual Christmas shopping spree for 45 Back Mountain children from the school districts of Dallas, Lake Lehman and Northwest.

McDonald's in Shavertown provided a complimentary breakfast for the children. Then they were off to the Bon Ton at the Midway Shopping Center where they were treated to coats, boots, hats, mittens and outfits for school.

The children were paired with a chaperone, appointed by the Dallas Rotary Club, to help them with their selections on their wishes-come-true shopping day. And each child had his or her picture taken with the Rotary Santa. Students from Misericordia University and Dallas High School also assisted the Rotarians with the event.

The Dallas Rotary Club provided a generous shopping allowance for each child, and a discount coupon from the Bon Ton stretched their shopping dollars even further. The Rotarians raised the money through their annual fall charity golf tournament, their wine festival last summer, and generous donations from foundations at a local church.

At the end of the day the children boarded the big yellow school bus provided by Davis Bus Company and headed back to Dallas to rejoin their families. A good time was had by all.



Pictured with Santa (Richard Burkhardt) are Rotarians Paul and Melissa Saxon who chaired the event.

Rotary Club of Dallas donates dictionaries to students

All third grade students in the Back Mountain schools were recently given their own copy of a dictionary. The Dallas Rotary Club dictionary project committee, chaired by Rotarian Bill Nafus, distributed more than 400 books to Dallas and Lake-Lehman School District students. The third grade teachers welcomed the Rotarians and thanked them for their dedication to literacy and education.



Rotary Dictionary Project Chairman Bill Nafus presented a dictionary to Max Gingo, a third grader at Dallas Elementary.



Rotarian and former educator, John Doerfler, presented a dictionary to Emily James, a third grader at Wycallis Elementary.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

Dallas Rotary Sponsors Luncheon for Senior Center Members

On Friday, December 27th, several members of the Rotary Club of Dallas welcomed about 40 members of the Dallas Senior Center to the Appletree Terrace at Newberry Estate. The Christmas Luncheon planned for their guests, which was delayed by the snow storm on December 17th, featured a feast of traditional holiday foods with all the trimmings and a fabulous assortment of desserts, all made and served by Rotarian Fred DiMaria, owner of the Appletree Terrace and his staff.

The event was made possible by the support of the members of our community who faithfully participate in Dallas Rotary's fundraisers such as the annual charity golf tournament and the wine and dine festival.

Rich Burkhardt, who played Santa, and Tom Pickett entertained the group with several Christmas songs, and invited everyone to sing along. The Senior Center members enjoyed the meal and the music and each left with a happy heart and a bag full of gifts and treats.



Joe and Susie Malak chatted with Rotarian and event chairperson Sandy Peoples at the luncheon.



Lillian Sayre had a great time visiting with Santa at the Senior Center Luncheon sponsored by the Rotary Club of Dallas.



Charlotte Marchakitus, a member of the Dallas Senior Center, sang a Christmas carol with Tom Pickett, left, and Santa, Rich Burkhardt.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

Dallas Rotary Club and J&J Deli help the Salvation Army

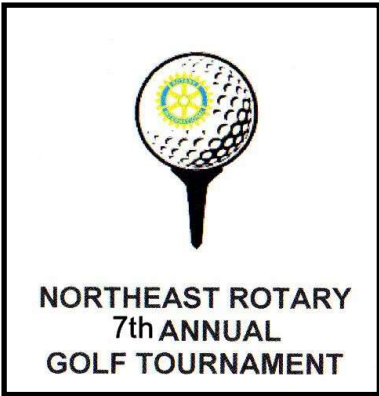
Members, spouses and friends of the Rotary Club of Dallas volunteered for two days in December to help the Salvation Army assist others during the holiday season.

The members of the Rotary Club of Dallas have rung the bells for the Salvation Army for many years. This year their kettle drive on Rt. 309 in Dallas brought in several hundred dollars, thanks in part, to a very generous donation of \$400 from J&J Deli, Rt. 415 in Dallas. The funds came from their management, employees and tips from their customers.



From left: John Wertman (owner) and Bill Cuff from J&J Deli, and Dallas Rotary Club Past President and Salvation Army Kettle Drive Chairperson Ken Chapple.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF TRAIL



**7th Annual NE Rotary Golf Tournament
Monday, June 2, 2014
at the Stone Hedge Golf Course**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MONTROSE

For more than 30 years the Rotary Club of Montrose has partnered with the Montrose Lions and Kiwanis Clubs to offer a spectacular 4th of July Celebration. Throughout the day there are races, a parade, arts & crafts, vendors galore, and plenty of food. All three service clubs (KLR) work together to provide a fabulous Chicken B-B-Q. At dusk, a fireworks display ends the day.



Pictured are PDG Ray Wilmarth receiving Rotary's share of the profits from Edward DeWitt, Chair of the event.

SHELTERBOXES ~ PHILIPPINES

Ruth Wilmarth, Rotary Club of Montrose

Officially, I spoke with personnel at ShelterBoxUSA and the recorded donation amount for the Philippines Disaster given from District 7410 is \$8,660.00. Unofficially, by my calculations, we have given near \$15,000.00. I can confidently say this because not all donations were designated to the district.

The desire to send aid to the Philippines was always a club effort. When I first contacted clubs two months ago I wrote of the personal connection Montrose Rotary has had over the years with Rotarians in the Philippines. Thank you for responding so generously.

My philosophy in life has always been grassroots. I do believe any one of us can make a difference. Although other levels, whether it is district, international, county, state or federal do have a function, - somewhere, someone, had an idea, and it grew.

Thank you, thank you! The clubs here and in any area truly are what it is all about.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONESDALE

Honesdale Rotary Helps Little Baseball Association

Thanks to Honesdale Rotary, the Honesdale Little Baseball Association (HLBA) will have two new batting cage pavilions. Rotary members took advantage of a Rotary International matching-grant program to donate \$12,000 to the Association for these much-needed pavilions.

“The pavilions will enable players to utilize the facilities even during inclement weather,” said Scott Kinzinger, HLBA secretary and project chairman. The pavilions are expected to be constructed this spring at the sports complex on Grove Street. Kinzinger estimates that about 350 youngsters annually use the fields to play competitive baseball.

Honesdale Rotarian Laurie Harrington shepherded the application through the grant process, aided by Rotary Vice President Jordan Ubertini and President Ken Doolittle.

“Honesdale Rotary has a vested interest in the youth of our community,” said Doolittle. “We sponsor a Honesdale Little Baseball team and we are very pleased that we can help the League do even more to foster youth athletics. Play ball!”

The Honesdale Rotary club is part of Rotary International, a service organization of more than 1.2 million members worldwide. Dedicated to helping the communities in which they live and work, as well as promoting international goodwill, the Honesdale Rotary club has invested time and money in projects as diverse as helping the local Friendship House and Little Baseball Association to global polio eradication.

For more information about Rotary, visit www.honesdalerotary.com or on Facebook; for details about the baseball association, visit



Photo left to right: Mike Flederbach HLBA Senior Vice President; Scott Kinzinger HLBA Secretary and Project Chairman; Ken Doolittle, Honesdale Rotary President; Charlie Rollison, HLBA President; Jeff Abbott, HLBA Vice President.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF SCRANTON

SAVE THE DATE
 The Rotary Club of Scranton Centennial Celebration
 will be held
 April 26th, at 6:00 PM at the
 Scranton Cultural Center
 Rooms are on hold at the Radisson at Lackawanna Station for
 those who would like to spend the weekend in Scranton!!

THE ROTARY CLUB OF SCRANTON



SPONSORSHIP FORM ROTARY CLUB OF SCRANTON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION Saturday, April 26, 2014

Check one:

- \$5,000 Premier Corporate Sponsor:** Recognition in Rotary Club of Scranton Centennial Celebration literature as a corporate sponsor, reserved table of 8, full page color ad in program book listed as Premier Corporate Sponsor.
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- \$500 Patron:** Receive 2 tickets Centennial Celebration, quarter page ad in program book
- For Rotarians only, \$100 Paul Harris:** Receive a half-page ad in the program book. Your donation will be sent to the Rotary Foundation in your name. **Required information:**
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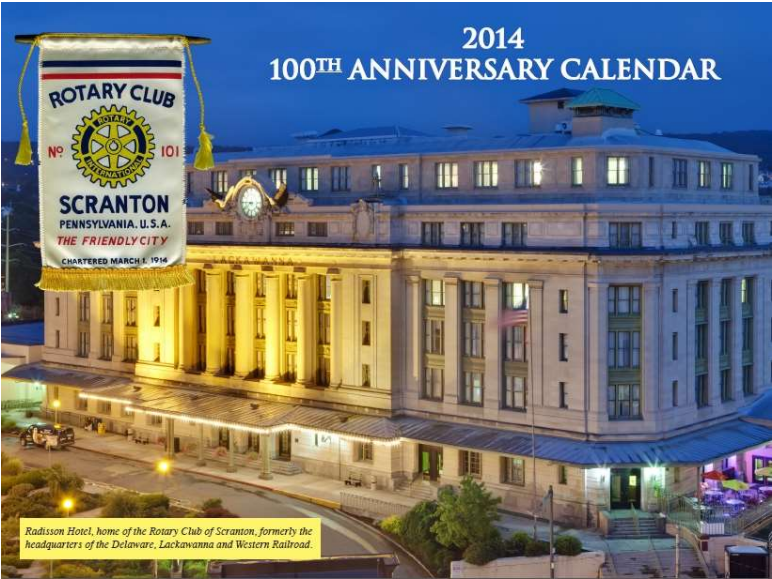
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THE ROTARY CLUB OF SCRANTON



Rotary Club of Scranton Centennial Calendar

All profits will be donated to the Rotary Foundation

Price each \$ 10

Ship calendar(s) to:

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Phone # _____

of Calendars _____ x \$10 ea. + shipping (see below) _____ = _____

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Phone (570) 587-2153

email: rrlw0145@aol.com

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAZLETON

Hazleton Rotary Club to Hold “A Night at the Races”

The Hazleton Rotary Club is pleased to announce that the track is back! Once again you can join the club at the starting gate for an evening of fun at “A Night At the Races”, Friday February 28, 2014. You can purchase a horse or place a bet at the J.J. Ferrara Performing Arts Center, 212 West Broad Street, Hazleton. The doors to this Hazleton Rotary Club fundraiser, will open at 6:00PM, with festivities scheduled to begin at 6:30PM.

The admission price is \$8.00 for advanced tickets or \$10.00 at the door that evening.

It promises to be a fun filled evening with 12 races (sets of 10 horses running each race). Horses and admission tickets can be purchased prior to Race Night from any Rotary Club member. Don't know a Rotary Club member? Call 570-578-1003 or 570-454-5000 for more information.

Enjoy the magic of naming and racing your own horse—you can buy as many horses as you want at a cost of \$10.00 each. Horses may also be purchased on the night of the race and will be announced in a race that has an open slot. Owners of the winning horses don't have to be present to claim their prize.

Just like at the track, windows will also be available for betting prior to each race. Each ticket will cost \$2.00. So, not only can you own a winning horse, but you can possibly collect a winning bet on another horse. Even if you don't buy a horse, you can still bet on other races.

FREE food and refreshments will be available throughout the night. You must be 21 years old in order to attend.

You can also purchase a strip of tickets and take a chance on winning any of the wonderful array of Tricky Trays that will be available. Drawings will be held throughout the evening and you must be present to win.

“Master Sponsor” for the event is DBi Services.

Committee members are Rotarians Donna Barna-Chairperson, Mary Malone, Mark Imbriaco, Bill Waschko, Pat Korb, Gene Acri, Jerry Panisak, Tim Genetti, Lisa Finklestein, John Beltrami, Gene Dougherty, Dorothy Anderson, De Ann Miller and Gary Lagana.



Proceeds from this fund raising project will be used to support the various local community needs that The Hazleton Rotary Club consistently provides. Examples of these needs include an annual Kidz Coatz giveaway, 3rd grade dictionary giveaway, children's Christmas shopping spree, scholarship awards and periodic funding to local charitable and non-profit organizations.

The Hazleton Rotary Club is making plans for their annual “Night at the Races” to be held on Friday, February 28 at the J.J. Ferrara Performing Arts Center. Seated L to R: Donna Barna, Chairperson and Dorothy Anderson. Standing L to Right: Tim Genetti, Gene Dougherty, Gary Lagana, De Ann Miller, Lisa Finkelstein, Mary Malone, John Beltrami, Jerry Panisak and Pat Korb. Absent from Photo Mark Imbriaco and Bill Washcko

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAWLEY

Ten Going on Eleven?

PDG Melanie Tek-Visgilio reached her 10th gallon milestone of Red Cross blood donation on December 13.

During Rotary Year 2005-2006, then District Governor Melanie Tek asked Rotarians to donate blood while blood supplies were low—in the first part of the New Year. Her chair for the project, Kingston Rotarian Bob Kopec, set the goal at “2006 pints in 2006”. While the goal was not quite reached in 2006, the Red Cross was very pleased with the boost District 7410 gave to their blood supply in the region. As a result of the project, many clubs that did not have a blood drive, held one as part of the District project and maintained it as an annual club project. One such club was her own, Hawley, which has been responsible for over 250 pints since 2006.



Pictured Hawley Rotarian Bill Samford, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Hawley where the blood drive was held and PDG Melanie Tek-Visgilio.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

At the Rotary Club of the Abingtons’ meeting held right before Christmas, our members brought in the gift each one had selected for the children from the North Scranton Headstart. Each item was wrapped with colorful Christmas paper and tied with bows and ribbons.

Rotarian John Hambrose, chairman, had his clip board in hand, listing the name of each child. He checked his list twice to be certain that every one of the 70+ children in the program would find a wish come true inside each box.

When you are the buyer of the gift, you ponder who the child is and you wonder if this will be the only present he or she will open. Knowing that, teachers from the Headstart came to that lunch to receive the gifts and they brought with them a large Thank You card made by the children. Inside the card was the individual picture of each child, at last identified by first name and first initial of the last name. I searched the card for the picture of the little girl who wished for the Dora the Explorer microphone. Tears came to eyes as I connected to this bright shining face, smiling from the picture at me. Giving is good for everyone.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

Tunkhannock Rotary Presents Checks for Toys for Children in Need



On “Black Friday”, the Rotary Club of Tunkhannock held its annual Candy Cane Day. Led by Chairman Matt Pompey, the Rotarians, their families, friends and members of the Tunkhannock High School Interact Club were stationed at several shopping centers in Tunkhannock to collect money to buy Christmas gifts for Wyoming County children in need. Shoppers were offered candy canes as a thank you for their donations.

L to R: Rotarians, Matt Pompey and Pat Ehrenzeller



Due to the generosity of the shoppers, Rotary President Karen Fuller presented checks for \$1,000 each to Elaine Lee for Interfaith Friends (left) and Pat Skrynski for Wyoming County Children & Youth (right). Both organizations will use these funds to make Christmas a little brighter for local children.



Tunkhannock Rotary Presents Dictionaries to Third Graders

On December 10, and December 11, 2013, Tunkhannock Rotarians led by Chairperson Sandra Lane presented brand new dictionaries to third graders in the Tunkhannock Area School District at Mehoopany, Mill City, Roslund, and Evans Falls Elementary schools. This is an annual event for Rotary as part of a world-wide literacy project. The event is made special through the fun activities the students have with word scavenger hunts, and also, learning sign language from the chart in the dictionaries. The bright, smiling faces of the children tell of their excitement of receiving their new dictionaries.



New Rotarians

District 7410 December, 2013 Club Attendance

Tunkhannock Bruce Rathbun
 Wilkes-Barre Daniel Mulhern

THE ROTARY CLUB OF TRAIL

Holiday Party with some of the members of
 Trail Rotary



Barbara & Ray Petty, Pat Lione, Bill Speare, Ellen Kanton,
 Martin Reynolds, Lisa Logan Clough and Don Demarest

Club	Total Mem.	New Mem.	Dec. Attend.
Abingtons	55	0	63.18%
Athens	19	0	0.00%
Blakeslee	13	0	0.00%
Dallas	42	0	68.00%
Dunmore	16	0	94.00%
Forest City Area	10	0	76.70%
Freeland	6	0	0.00%
Greater Nanticoke Area	6	0	75.00%
Hamlin	23	0	0.00%
Hawley	18	0	60.00%
Hazleton	86	0	59.75%
Honesdale	35	0	63.00%
Jim Thorpe	24	0	0.00%
Kingston	26	0	68.00%
Lehighton	8	0	100.00%
Lords Valley	6	0	0.00%
Mid-Valley	11	0	0.00%
Milford-Matamoras	24	0	85.00%
Montrose	22	0	67.00%
Mountaintop	15	0	0.00%
Mt. Pocono	13	0	74.00%
New Milford	13	0	0.00%
Newfoundland	41	0	69.00%
North Pocono	18	0	0.00%
North Scranton	23	0	83.00%
Pittston	10	0	0.00%
Plains	23	0	0.00%
Plymouth	19	0	38.00%
Pocono Mountains	20	0	76.00%
Sayre	15	0	47.00%
Scranton	37	0	0.00%
Smithfields	18	0	70.00%
Stroudsburgs, The	104	0	62.55%
Towanda	18	0	61.00%
Trail	14	0	50.00%
Troy	24	0	0.00%
Tunkhannock	59	1	46.63%
Weatherly	10	0	0.00%
Wellsboro	47	0	0.00%
West End	28	0	77.38%
Wilkes-Barre	26	1	63.00%
Winola	22	0	0.00%
Wyoming	16	0	0.00%

“SAVE THE DATE”

Dollars for Scholars --Sat, March 29, 2014



**Bowling Fundraiser at Idle Hour Lane
 2008 Scranton Carbondale Highway
 Raising Funds for College Scholarships.**