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## News from District 7410



#### Letter from the District Governor

#### Greetings from DG Karin Breitlauch:

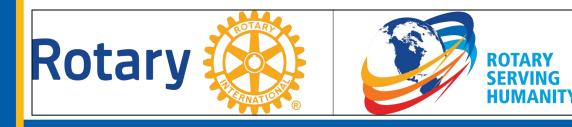
It is with great pleasure and high anticipation that I write this first letter for our newsletter. I thought that I would tell you a little about myself and then tell you a little bit about what we have planned for the year.

I have been a veterinarian since 1986, and started my business, Creature Comforts Veterinary Service, in Saylorsburg, in the same year. It is a 24/7 emergency and critical care facility with a daytime general practice, and caters to small animal and exotic species. We currently have 56 employees and specialize in integrative care, which includes traditional medicine and surgery, as well as non-traditional care including chiropractic, acupuncture, physical rehabilitation, and herbal medicine. I have been married to Ed Gallagher since 1988, and we have one daughter, Erin, who is a third-year photojournalism student at Rochester Institute of Technology. Ed is a computer network specialist and we own a karaoke/DJ business, K-SE Enterprises. I have a wide variety of interests, which include bowling, gardening, woodcrafts, and beekeeping.

My Rotary journey began 10 years ago, when I was inducted on July 1, 2007 by PDG Bill Speare. I have never regretted that decision. As a veterinarian, service has always been a part of my life. However, being a part of Rotary has expanded my vision, allowed me to use my talents in new ways, and has brought me a whole host of friends and acquaintances from around the world. Every time I take on a new role or responsibility, I am the one who really reaps the benefits. I have had the pleasure of serving as club president (for two years), assistant governor, district membership chair, RLI facilitator, events coordinator, curriculum developer, club liaison to a satellite and then a new club, and now I have the honor to serve the next year as District Governor. Technically, I am going to be serving as your Customer Service Representative from Rotary International. I am looking forward to a year of expanded member engagement, and enhanced public image promotion.

I plan to focus on three areas in the coming year. The first is the importance of involving the family in Rotary. It's hard to cement a relationship, if you don't involve the people who are closest to you. The second is the promotion of busi-

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#### DISTRICT GOVERNOR CONTINUES ....

was the core component for the issues that affect peace. evolution of Rotary. I see no probcess through your membership in of peace. I want to show that we Registration is OPEN on the dis-A child who goes to bed hungry ness and Rotary Workshop for does not give a whit about the - at Lackawanna College. The ideals of peace. Peace will only Rotary Essay contest will be be achieved when we can all rolled out on October 1, 2017. work together for a world where There is at least one World Polio people can have secure lives. Event on October 24, and I ex-20,000 people died today be- pect that others will be scheduled. cause they lacked adequate food There will be a Gala for Peace on (75% were children) 1.2 billion November 18, 2017. I am looking ter. The list is endless. However, Birthday Party in February. Also, with the necessary tools, through on February 24, 2018. Finally, the their Peace programs, in order to

lem with achieving economic suc- been planned. The first will be the please consider booking your va-Family Picnic at McDade Park in Rotary. The third is the promotion Scranton on July 23 at 1:00 p.m. can think globally and act locally. trict website. The next is the Busiand has no access to clean water Membership month on August 12 people lack access to clean wa- for a club to sponsor a Rotary Rotary has a plan to equip people Rotary Leadership Institute will be Our Membership numbers today District Conference will be held on

ness through Rotary. Business address conflict and non-conflict April 22-24, 2018, at the beautiful Kalahari Resort- Pocono. (Yes -To that end – events have a Sunday through Tuesday, cation days early) Let's not forget the Rotary International Convention in Toronto! (June 23-26, 2018)

> I have all of my district visits planned in the first quarter of the Rotary year. I plan to spend the second quarter working diligently on our marketing plans. Rotary is rolling out a new marketing plan called People of Action. We will be trying to implement this across the district. The second half of my year will include a second visit to all clubs (maybe at an event, etc).

> We have a lot of work to do.

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## **Celebrate Membership Month!**

Learn how to use Rotary to promote your business and how to use your business to promote Rotary!

#### **Bill Fishman - Rotary Means Business**

Bill is the Vice Chair of the "Rotary Means Business" Fellowship. He will guide participants through facilitated discussions. Participants will be encouraged to create a plan which will engage new members and themselves! Additional facilitators will be available.

\*\*\*\*\*BONUS SESSION\*\*\*\*

Erin Gallagher, a Junior Photojournalism Major at Rochester Institute of Technology, will teach a session on effective management of digital images for publications, websites and social media. She will also provide some tips for effective presentations, including Prezi, a skill which will serve Rotarians well, in their clubs and their professional lives.

Saturday, August 12, 2017 ~ 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Lackawanna College - 501 Vine St., Scranton, PA Event Registration Required - Non-Rotarian Guests Welcome - www.rotarydistrict7410.org



## Second Little Free Library Dedicated on Flag Day

On the afternoon of Flag Day, June 14, the door to the second Little Free Library was officially opened by Mayor Herman Johnson at the Veterans Park in Clarks Summit.

It was Mayor Johnson's vision some years ago, to take the triangular strip of land, just north of State Street, and make it into a tribute to our veterans. Step by step, the idea grew. Grass was cut. Rose bushes were planted. A monument was placed to honor veterans. Handicapped parking was put in for the disabled. A gazebo added a place of shelter and benches made the park inviting. The last thing to go in was a tiny library where books could be exchanged.

#### Give-and-Take Concept

The Little Free Library is each side, marking the to share with others. The tiny library is part of the literacy program of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. The Library was designed by Architect Ned Connell and built by master craftsman, Harry Mumford, both Rotarians. The tiny Library is part of a nonprofit organization of Little Free Libraries and it has been placed on a world map of pocket sized libraries. Our charter number is #53588. The galvanized roof is organization is to assist veterblue and has 25 white stars on ans who have served their coun-



based upon the idea of take a states. The library is made of of blue and 13 red and white book, return a book. It does not pine wood and painted white, have to be the same book, but with red vertical stripes on each first flag was made by a Philarather any book on any subject side. The Rotary logo, was delphia made and contributed by Steve Ross, who was an official flag Young.

> Commander Don Jones of Navy. the Abington VFW #7069, said the park pays tribute to our vet- union the flag grew in stars. erans and it is fitting that the door to the little free library where June 14 occurs is prowould be opened on Flag Day. claimed as National Flag Week. The local VFW has about 800 members and is part of a na- Abingtons opened the tiny door tional VFW with 1.7 million to the first little free library two members. The purpose of the years ago in June 2015.



try in war or peace.

On this Flag Day, we remembered that two hundred and forty years ago the Continental Congress replaced the British symbols of the Grand Union flag with a new design featuring 13 50 white stars in a circle on a field stripes, one for each state. This seamstress, Betsy maker for the Pennsylvania

> As new states entered the Stripes remain at 13. The week

> The Rotary Club of the

The first one stands outside

SEE, "LIBRARY," PAGE 6.



#### Calling all Businesses, Rotary Clubs, and Individuals!

Become a 2017 RYLA sponsor today and help instill leadership skills and foster a sense of community in our area youth!

#### Sponsorship Opportunities

\$1,500 Challenge Course Sponsor. The Challenge Course at Keystone College is a series of elements of cables and ropes. Each element, or obstacle, has a story line and requires teamwork to complete. Sponsorship includes:

- Name/Logo placed at Challenge Course.
- Name/Logo listed in RYLA Graduation Program.
- Name/Logo in Rotary District 7410 newsletter.
- Signage at Rotary display table during RYLA.
- Link from RYLA website.
- Social Media acknowledgement.

#### S500 T-Shirt Sponsor

Sponsorship includes:

- Name/Logo on sleeve of T-Shirt.
- Name/Logo listed in RYLA Graduation Program.
- Name/Logo in Rotary District 7410 newsletter.

#### \$350 Cinch Sack Backpack Sponsor

Sponsorship includes:

- Name/Logo on cinch sack backpack.
- Name/Logo listed in RYLA Graduation Program.
- Name/Logo in Rotary District 7410 newsletter.

S200 Friend of RYLA

Your donation will go where it's needed most.

Yes!! I want to help maintain the quality of the RYLA 7410 program by becoming a sponsor today!

Business Name (as you would like it listed):

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Street: \_\_\_\_\_\_Street: \_\_\_\_\_\_State: \_\_\_\_\_Zip: \_\_\_\_\_Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_State: \_\_\_\_Zip: \_\_\_\_\_Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_ For additional information or to participate in this sponsorship opportunity, please contact Karen at ryla7410@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!







#### The Rotary Club of Tunkhannock



Exchange students Andres (left), Donut and Stefano in front of the main Longwood fountain garden

#### Rain Abstains during Visit to Longwood Gardens

On Tuesday June 6, Tunk- their family and friends to hannock Rotary Fellowship Longwood Gardens in Kennett Chair, Tom Kukuchka organ- Square, PA. Although heavy ized a bus trip for Rotarians, rains were predicted for most

#### LIBRARY....

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the same Rotarians Ned Connell and Harry Mumford, this working with the VFW and the #17238.

the number 53588, that means get good things accomplished." that in the past two years, 36,350 tiny libraries sprung up here and there all simple request: "Bring a book."

the pocket park on Depot over the world for the ex-Street. Designed and built by change and reading of books.

"It has been a pleasure first library is listed on the Clarks Summit Council and the world map of little libraries as Rotary Club of the Abingtons on this project, Mayor Johnson Since the new library has said. "Working together we can

The public was invited to have this community program with a of Pennsylvania, the club's prayers were answered for a beautiful day at the Gardens. There was heavy rain in both directions on the bus trip, but when the bus arrived at Longwood Gardens, it was dry. Not only that but the sun was shining and conditions stayed that way until the bus reached Allentown on the drive home.

It was great to see the new fiveacre main revitalized fountain gardens, the new grotto with the surprise circular water curtain and listen to the over 10,000 pipe organ concert.

The gardens were beautiful as were the flowers in the conservatory. A great time was had by all,

#### Three Students Share \$12,000 in Club Scholarships

The Rotary Club of Hazleton is proud to announce that Frank Seratch, Dario D'Amato and Ann Amentler, all attending Hazleton Area Academy of Sciences, have been selected as the recipients of the club's Annual Scholarship Award.

The scholarship awarded to each student will have a total value of four thousand (\$4,000.00) to be disbursed \$1,000 per year for a maximum of four years.

"The Hazleton Rotary Club is very happy that we are able to offer three scholarships." comments Rotary President Pat Ward. "The membership really looks forward to helping as many area young people as possible with this assistance".

Ann is the daughter of Kate and Ron Amentler and hopes to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Management at The University of Scranton.

The son of Marnie and Neil D'Amato, Dario will be studying Physics at Bloomsburg University.

Frank, son of Sarah and Frank Seratch intends to obtain a BFA in Musical Theatre at Point Park University, Pittsburgh.

Dario, Ann and Frank will be guest speakers at a Hazleton Rotary Club meeting sometime this summer.



And the winners are (from top left clockwise) Frank Seratch, Dario D'Amato and Ann Amentier.





The Rotary Foundation has a rich history of funding scholarships for undergraduate and graduate study in a wide range of academic fields. Clubs and districts can create their own scholarships and fund them with district grants for any level of studies or with global grants for graduate studies in an area of focus. Rotary

2017 Football Home Schedule 9-2 Alron 9-9 Pitaburg 9-16 GA State 9-30 Indiana 10-21 Michigan

11-11 Rutgers 11-18 Nebraeka

# Penn State SEASON TICKET RAFFLE

## **2017 SEASON TICKETS**

First Prize:

Two Penn State Season Tickets Seven Home Games Akon - Pitaburg - Georgia Bate - Indiana - Michigan - Rutgers - Nebraska

Second Prize: Two Penn State Season Tickets Four Home Games Akren - Georgia State - Michigan - Rutgere

Third Prize: Two Penn State Season Tickets Three Home Games Pittsburg - Indana - Netraska

> Each Game Prize is for two seats per game. Seating in East Side and Reserved Parking Pass.

Drawing Date: August 13, 2017 et the Pittston Tometo Feetivel \$20.00 per ticket

For information or to purchase tickets please contact:

Proceeds go to community service projects sponsored by the Rotary Club of Pitteton.

#### The Rotary Club of Tunkhannock Exchange Students Share Lives, Cultures



inbound exchange students (l to r) Andres Mendez Perez (Mexico), Sakulsap "Donut" Lakul (Thailand) & Stefano Sica (Italy)



Connor Helsel giving his presentation .



At the June 8 Rotary Luncheon, the club had the pleasure of hearing from two of our inbound exchange students, Sakulsap "Donut" Lakul from Thailand and Stefano Sica from Italy, as well as outbound short-term exchange student, Connor Helsel, who went to England last summer. The students told us a little about themselves, their countries and their experiences during their exchange times.

#### Donut - 2016-2017 Inbound Exchange Student from Thailand

Donut is 17 year old and from Thailand. Her favorite subjects are math and English. Her father is a policeman and her mother is a bank officer. She has a sister, who is studying at University.

Thailand is a constitutional monarchy with a hereditary monarch as head of state. The religion is Buddhism. Martial Arts and dancing are favorite activities in Thailand. Food favorites include papaya salad with shrimp and pad Thai. s eat a lot of chicken, pork, shrimp & fish.

She loves to see the ocean, but she cannot swim, so she watches her sister swim. Her hometown is in the northern section of Thailand, but she will go to study in the city. Her hometown is a tourist attraction with waterfalls and flower fields.

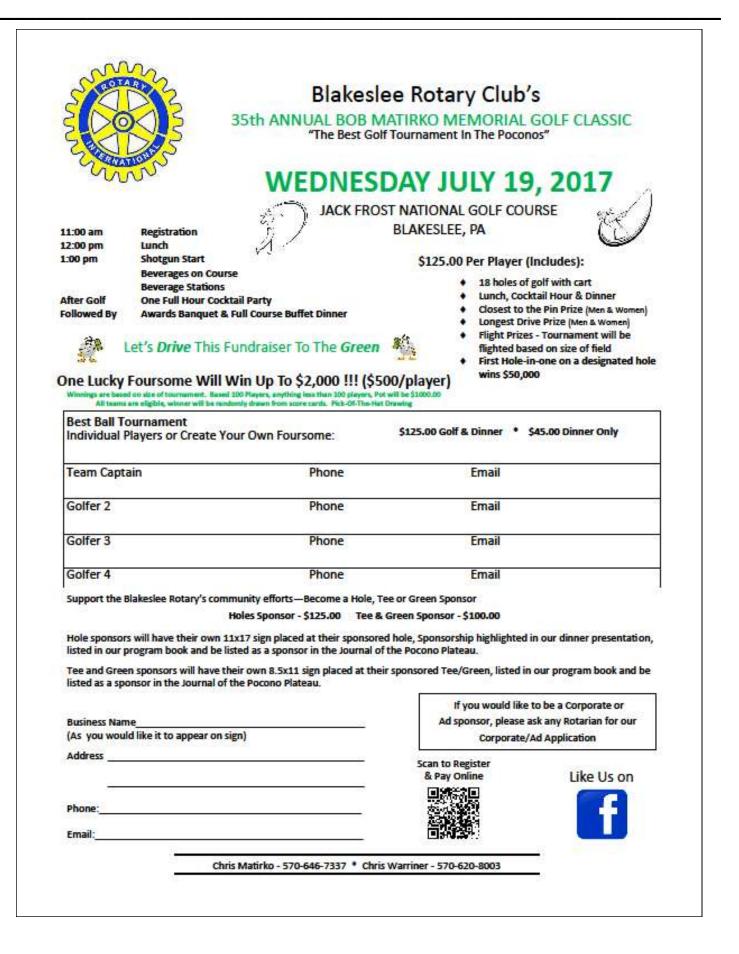
While here, she was excited when she saw snow and enjoyed dying Easter eggs. She played lacrosse and tennis at Tunkhannock Area High School (TAHS).

Donut offered a big Thank You to the club for a wonderful experience and presented Pres. Ann Way with a Rotary Club Banner from her home club.

#### Stefano Sica – 2016-2017 Inbound Exchange Student from Italy

Stefano is 17 yrearsold and from Naples, Italy. Italy has lots of history, great food and tourist places. Rome, Milan and Venice are major

Stefano Sica giving his presentation.





## Educating Parents of Teens about Drug Issues

Pathway to Recovery recently received \$750 from The Rotary Club of Hazleton's Community Grants Program. This money will be used for the "Mock Teen Bedroom" started by Pathway to Recovery to be used as a tool to educate parents and other concerned adults on ways teens can hide drugs in plain sight.

Items will be purchased to create a Mock Teen Bedroom that would demonstrate ways in which people hide their drug use.

The mock bedroom is a traveling display that can be taken to PTA meetings, service club meetings, community health fairs, etc. Parents will be given an opportunity to search and find the hidden compartments.

A trained Prevention Specialist will be on hand during the demonstration to answer any questions that may come up and to inform parents on where counseling and rehab help is available.



Rotary President Pat Ward presents a "Service Above Self" check for \$750.00 to Eileen Panzarella, Director Prevention, Pathway to Recovery.

## Rotarians Join in Community Founder's Day Celebration

On Saturday June 24, club members manned the Tunkhannock Rotary Booth at the annual Founder's Day Celebration.

The downtown area of Tunkhannock was shut down to vehicular traffic and was home to over 150 specialty vendors, entertainment, demonstrations and great regional foods.

The Rotary booth provided information on Rotary, the Club's Projects and sold the first tickets for the Oct Harvest & Wine Festival. In addition, this year, the Club hosted a bucket to collect donations (to be administered by the Wyoming County United Way) for the families of the victims of the Tunkhannock Weiss Market shootings.

The Club Board of Directors voted to match any funds collected in the bucket on Founder's Day and at our June 22 Club meeting.



Tunkhannock Rotarians (from left) Jodi Crimmel, Marta Kovacs-Ruiz and Ruth Gorski at the Founder's Day Rotary Booth, joining a host of venders and organizations taking part in the event.

## The Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains

GOLF

#### **Friday, July 28th, 2017** @ Mount Airy Golf Club

#### \$95 a person • 4 person Scramble

Mount Kiry

#### price includes

- Golf Green Fees and cart
  Luncheon Buffet Hamburgers, hot dogs, BBQ brisket, BBQ chicken breast, baked beans, corn on the cob, potato salad, broccoli salad, garden green salad, cookies and fresh fruit.
  Water and Soft Drinks
- 7 am Registration
  & Breakfast
  8 am Shotgun Start
- I pm Lunch

#### Hole in One Prizes

For more information or to sponsor a hole contact: Blake Martin at 570.977.3146



All proceed from the Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains fundraisers stay in our community. The Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains is a not-for-profit civic organization supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians, friends, and event participants like you who share our vision of a better world. Support is provided for, but not limited to, the following community organizations: The Barrett Paradise Friendly Library, Boy Scouts of America and Cub Scouts Troop 89, CAME (food shelter), American Cancer Society, Pocono Mountain Student of the Month, Women's Resources, the Barrett Fire Company.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available. Call I-800-GAMBLER or e-mail problemgambling@state.pa.us



## 5th Annual Golf Tournament

New Date: July 24, 2017

Paupack Hills Country Club



4 Person Capt And Crew

\$99 per Player includes Hot Dog Bar Putting Contest Greens Fees w Cart Refreshments on course Dinner and Awards Door Prizes, 50/50 Registration at 11:30, 1pm Shotgun

For information or to register, please contact any club member or stop by Re/MAX Best, Lake Ariel, Century 21 Select Group, Hamlin, NBT Bank, Hamlin.

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Italian cities. Venice is pedestrian except for gondolas on the canals. Florence is known for literature and arts (Leonardo da Vinci). He is from Naples which is in the south near Mt Vesuvius and close to Capri, Sorrento and Positano and Pompeii. Food favorites include lots of pasta dishes (Bolognese and Iasagna most popular) and great desserts like cannoli and gelato. Fashion is a big industry in Italy and they are one of the leading fashion capitals.

The Sica's are a family of four. His mother and father are lawyers and his father is the past president of their Rotary Club. His brother is Vittorio, who was a short-term exchange student in Brazil. After Vittoria saw how much Stefano was enjoying Tunkhannock, he will now be coming to Tunkhannock as a full-term exchange student for 2017-2018,

Soccer is Stefano's favorite sport and the TAHS team won the division title this year with Stefano's help. He also likes to follow American football, which he had never seen before, but he does not play. Stefano joined the basketball team in the winter and although he was not great, the team really supported him.

While at TAHS, he took classes including Crime scene investigation. He was part of the mock presidential debates and he was on the Trump team.

He visited Philly for the first time in the Fall and he liked Philly so much he took his family there later when they visited. He enjoyed all the trips they took as part of the exchange program including trips to Maryland, New York and Washington DC.

Stefano then thanked the Club for his wonderful experience as an exchange student in Tunkhannock.

#### Connor Helsel – 2016 short term exchange student to England

Connor did an exchange with Alex Blades last summer in England. Frank, our inbound



"Donut" Lakul (left) presenting President Ann Way with her Club's banner.

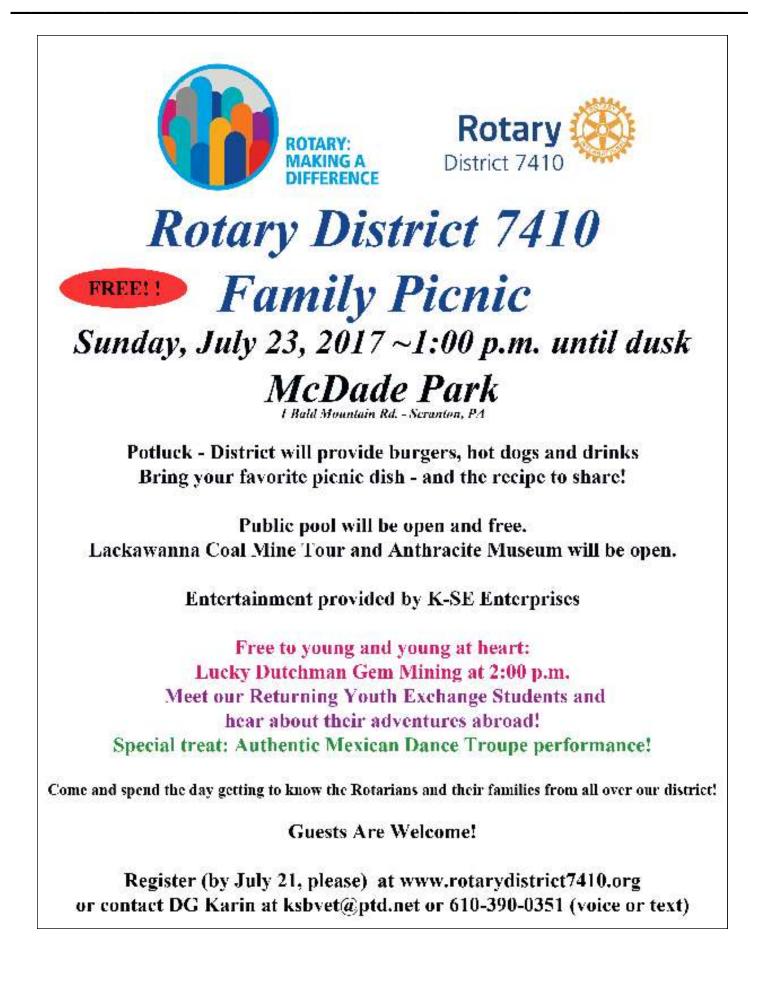
exchange student from Taiwan, was still here and helped to entertain Alex.

They took Alex to as many statues and museums as they could during his stay since he loved museums. They even went to the PGA Golf Championship. They also went to Philly for a cheese steak and to an obscure Native American Museum, which Alex loved.

Connor then went home to England with Alex to Deeping St. James. The Deeping Rotary meetings are in a pub so he got to experience a pub lunch. While in England, they went to a soccer game and went to Peterborough Union games.

They took trains, which are the main intercity transports, everywhere including to London. They went to an English beach, which was a little cool compared to our beaches. They also punted by boat on the River Cam around Cambridge University sites in Cambridge, England.

President Ann Way then presented books on Pennsylvania, signed by many club members, to all three of our inbound students as a memento of their time in Pennsylvania and with our Club





Shown in front from left are the Hazleton Club's new members Joanna Santiago and Michele Ustynoski. Standing (from left) are President-Elect Toni Christman (formerly Kelpsh), Sponsors John Beltrami and Donna Barna and President Pat Ward.

#### Christman Taking Over Club Helm At Hazleton

Antonia "Toni" Christman was installed as the 97th President of the Rotary Club of Hazleton at the annual President's Party held at the Valley Country Club on June 28, 2017. We are honored to say that Toni will be the second female to hold this office.

Toni officially takes over the reins of the club on July 1, 2017. Other officers and Board members will be: Vice President, Alan Whitaker; Secretary, Bernie Rudegeair, Recording Secretary; Lani Drobnock; Treasurer, Pat Owens; Sergeant-at-Arms, John Schwear and Immediate Past President, Pat Ward. President Ward adds that members of the Board will be: Gene Dougherty, Jim Kelshaw, Tom Lagana, Jason Brenner, Mark Imbriaco, Jim Reinmiller, Gary Lagana, Ken Trippet and Kathie Oh. Pat Korb will continue as Publicity **Coordinator.** 

### **New Members Welcomed**

The Rotary Club held a "New Member Induction" at the weekly June 21st meeting. President Pat Ward conducted the induction ceremony which welcomed new members Michele Ustynoski, sponsored by Donna Barna and Joanna Santiago sponsored by John Beltrami.

Mark Ondishin with sponsor Paul Brenner (right), was inducted on May 10<sup>th</sup>.



The main objective of Rotary is service in the community, in the workplace and throughout the world. Rotary volunteers build goodwill and peace, provide humanitarian service and encourage high ethical standards in all vocations.

Rotary members are professional men and women who work as volunteers to improve the quality of life in their home and work community. Club membership represents a cross-section





Food Festival with a taste from the restaurants of Barrett & Paradise



# JULY 11, 2017 - 4PM - 8PM

Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains

Rain Date: July 12th







#### **Tokens of Appreciation for Their Dedication**

Rotary President Pat Ward presented certificates of appreciation to Rotary members for their hard work and dedication over the past year while he served as President. Recipients present were: from left: first row, Lani Drobnock, Donna Barna, Toni Christman, Pat Korb, Sharon Farver and Dorothy Anderson. From left, second row: Ward, Jason Brenner, John Beltrami Bernie Rudegeair, Pat Owens, Paul Brenner, Mark Imbriaco, John Schwear and Tim Genetti.

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of local business and professional leaders. Rotary International is one of the of world's largest service organizations with some 30,000 autonomous clubs in more than 160 countries.

Members are expected to maintain an acceptable attendance, pay annual dues to their club and participate in the club's fundraising and other projects. New members are introduced at a weekly club meeting and presented with their Rotary lapel pin by their club sponsor. Members must wear their name badges at every weekly meeting. In order for a new Rotarian to graduate from a red "new" member to a blue "full member" badge, he or she must complete four requirements from a list of seven.

Although the weekly meetings and fellowships events are part of a Rotarian's life, the main component of membership is honoring its commitment to the club motto, "Service Above Self". This is done through developing and presenting community service projects, sponsorship of various community improvement activities and taking part in the club's fundraising opportunities that provide and maintain these projects. Dear Club Leaders,

We're excited to announce that a new and improved Rotary Club Central will debut in July. In response to your feedback, the updated platform will feature a fresh, modern interface and faster, easier navigation. Plus, you can access the new Rotary Club Central from a desktop or mobile device.

Rotary Club Central will continue to be an essential tool for planning and tracking membership initiatives, service activities, and Foundation giving, as well as completing Rotary Citation goals

. New features include:

Inputting Rotary Foundation goals in local currency — no more conversions needed

Easy-to-read charts and graphs to show past and current club data — great for succession planning and setting goals for the year

A simpler way to track service activities — to measure your club's local and global impact

Your club won't lose past or current data.

In mid-July, we'll notify you when Rotary Club Central becomes temporarily unavailable ... and again when it is back online.

Sincerely,

Joe Roth, Rotary International



#### **The Rotary Club of North Scranton**

#### Family Fun Day Provides Free Fun

On June 24th, the North Scranton Rotary Club teamed up with the North Scranton Neighborhood Association to put on our annual Alyn Scheatzle Family Fun Day at Weston Park. We provide a free day for the residents of North Scranton. It was opening day at the pool and the sun was shining. The club handed out hot dogs, cheeseburgers, birch beer, and water. The Scranton Police Department did a demonstration with their K-9 unit. There was also a bouncy house, pizza, games, face painting, and more!



#### **Tunkhannock Welcomes New Member**

At the June 1 Tunkhannock Rotary Club Meeting, Barbara Grimaud was inducted into Rotary by President Ann Way. Barbara's membership was sponsored by John Hovan. Barbara will be mentored by Rod Azar and will serve on the Rotary Relays Committee. She is a former Marine and an attorney in Wyoming County. Grimaud is flanked by Hovan and Club President Ann Way.

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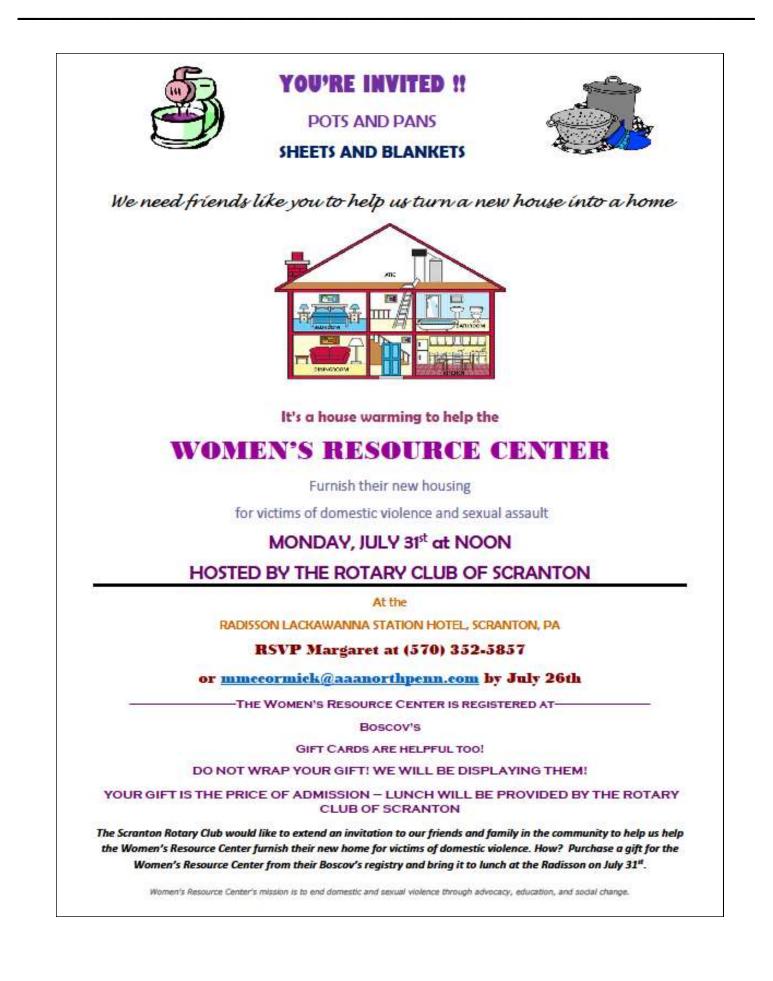
are 1,098. Our Foundation donations were only about \$88,000 during 2016-17. I am reaching out to all of you today to consider that we need to make some real changes this year. I need volunteers to work on membership issues. I will need volunteers to reach out to Alumni. I need volunteers to seek out corporate sponsors. I need you to remain involved. Member engagement is at an all-time low.

Members need to see the value in this service organization and if they are deeply enamored, they will share the information with their friends.

The theme for my year is Rotary Making A Difference. I hope that you will join me in making this a successful year for Rotary in Northeast Pennsylvania!

> All my best, DG Karin







#### **The Rotary Club of Newfoundland**



Newfoundland Rotarians gather at the French Manor in South Sterling to say good-bye to say good-bye to President Amy Colwell and welcome new President (starting in July) Robert Chavey. District Governor Karin Breitlauch (as of July 1) is shown at the microphone.

#### Making Rotary Year Transition in Newfoundland

With another year coming to an end, Newfoundland Rotary Club said goodbye to President Amy Colwell. Robert Chavey is now taking on the important role of president.

On Monday June 26<sup>th</sup>, Newfoundland Rotary had their installation dinner at "The French Manor" in South Sterling. Also taking on very important roles as officers this year are Charlie Lang as President Elect, Nicole Wolff as Vice President, Christina Lang as Secretary, Ann O'Reilly as Treasurer, and Rebecca Dawson as Sergeant at Arms.

The remainder of the board members are Amy Colwell as Past President, Laurie Hazzard, Rich Otway, Wes Hearn, and Ed Schaffner.

Part of the evening was dedicated to awarding several Rotarians with pins celebrating their years of "Service Above Self:" Sam Alecci and Steve Drake -- five years of service; Barbara Feder and Richard Walton—25 years of service; Roger Altemier and Kerry Nix --25 years of service. Diana Lang and family were presented with a pin for 30 years of service in honor of the late Chick Lang, who passed away earlier this year.

Three Rotarians received Paul Harris Fellows: They were Laurie Hazzard --Paul Harris +3; Robert Chavey--Paul Harris +4. Additionally, Christina Lang received a Paul Harris that was given by her mother-in-law, Diana Lang.



#### **Supporting Summer Reading**

On Monday June 5<sup>th</sup>, the Newfoundland Rotary Club had the honor of presenting a \$1,600 check to support the summer reading program at Wallenpaupack South Elementary School. Teachers, Lizabeth Conklin and Holly Wycoff, were present to accept the donation that would fund their program. Kindergarten and First grade students created "Thank You" cards to show appreciation for our support.



#### **New Rotarians**

Abingtons	Kim Gabaldoni	
Hazleton	Joanna Santiago	
Mt. Pocono	Bernie Kozen	
	Nereida Santiago	
Slate Belt Rotary	Christin Pettinari	
Stroudsburgs	Audrey Bailey-Hocker	
	Dale Fuller	
	Barbara Hertig	
	Jaquelyn Leonard	
Tunkhannock	Barbara Grimaud	

District 7410 — 2017 Club Data			
Club	Total Members	New Members	Attend %
Abingtons	52	1	40.45%
Athens	17		
Blakeslee	11		54.55%
Dallas	42		51.00%
Dunmore	13		70.00%
Forest City Area	13		61.50%
Freeland	10		
Hamlin	32		40.63%
Hawley	22		48.00%
Hazleton	79	1	29.11%
Honesdale	39		38.00%
Jim Thorpe	24		
Kingston	19		62.00%
Lehighton	9		70.00%
Mid-Valley	2		83.00%
Milford-Matamoras	25		60.00%
Montrose	22		00.0070
Mountaintop	22		
Mt. Pocono	18	2	
New Milford	35	2	
Newfoundland	37		62.86%
North Pocono	18		02.0070
North Scranton	22		82.00%
Pittston	17		41.00%
Plains	19		65.00%
Plymouth	19		05.0078
Pocono Mountains	21		
	17		71.00%
Sayre Scranton			
	38	1	0.00%
Slate Belt Rotary	19		80.00%
Smithfields	22	4	07.070/
Stroudsburgs	104	4	67.37%
Towanda	14		
Trail (Factoryville)	18		00.000/
Troy	23	4	66.00%
Tunkhannock	67	1	
Weatherly	10		0.000/
Wellsboro	44		0.00%
West End	16		68.75%
Wilkes-Barre	22		
Winola	15		00.000
Wyalusing Area	26		38.00%
Wyoming Rotary	19		41.00%





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