

# News from the District

## 7410

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### [A Message from the District Governor](#)

Greetings to all Rotarians in District 7410! It is with great fondness and sadness that I write my last newsletter as your district governor. This year has been an incredible experience. I recommend that each of you get out and meet some of your fellow Rotarians and attend meetings of other clubs once in a while. You will be amazed. There are so many great people out there doing great things for their communities and for others, and they are having fun doing it.

I must thank you all for what you do individually and as a club, and for all you have done to support me and our District this year. I am so grateful for all we've accomplished as a team. I don't want to leave anyone out, but there are a few I must mention by name. PDG Art Peoples has done a great job as our District trainer. PDG Kerry Nix was amazing as our conference chair and she also helped in so many ways serving as the District Vice Chair. You don't often hear her name, but Brenda, the Administrative Assistant for our District and webmaster, is always there supporting us and is incredibly essential in the operation of our District.



Brenda and Rotarian Sandy Peoples put our newsletters to bed and it's no easy task getting everything together. Sandy has done so many jobs like Crisis Management and Public Relations. All of our Assistant Governors have lent their hands to the work of the District, but I want to mention a few in particular. They are George Gay of Tunkhannock and Cluster 2 for his efforts in helping start the Wyalusing Area Club; Nancy Brittain, in Cluster 1 for agreeing to stay on again and still exhibiting the energy and enthusiasm of assistant governor; and lastly, Jeff Gilbert for serving as our Assistant Governor at Large who provided advice and assistance both up and down the chain. Super efforts!

There are so many others: Karin Breitlach as our Membership Chair and Ed with his video and AV expertise. Also Paul Conforti, assisted by Jessica Peetz, for his expertise in the Finance Area as he served his fourth year as our District Finance Officer.

Many of our past District Governors have lent their help and support this past year: Tom Visgilio and Melanie Tek-Visgilio, Toni McAndrew, Bill Hiller and most often Paul Muczynski (who once even answered a query as to directions to an ice cream place!)

Lastly I want to acknowledge the support I received from President John Boos and my own North Pocono Club.

Thank you to so many more that I haven't even mentioned. I know you all will continue to Light up Rotary, our Communities and our lives as we continue to serve. Keep up our membership! Thank you and God bless.

*DG Carol*

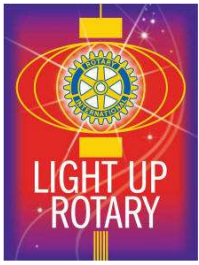
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**District ShelterBox Donation**

The district made a \$1,000 donation to ShelterBox from the District Designated Fund. We received the following note from ShelterBox.

Dear Rotarians

I am writing on behalf of ShelterBox USA to thank you for your recent gift of \$1,000 to send a shelter box to Nepal. With over 8.1 million people in need of help in Nepal, your shelter box will give one family as new start – shelter, warmth, and dignity.

Thank you again for your generous contribution.

Sincerely,

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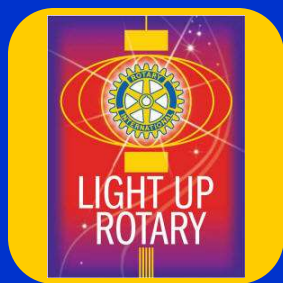
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# Our Clubs in Action

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### THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

**Deb Kennedy, President of Rotary Club of the Abingtons, recently presented Troop 160 Scoutmaster John D'Elia with a check for \$1,000 to support the Troop in their endeavors. Rotary is proud to support his active Troop.**



#### **Rotary Programs**

My husband, Bill Christian, was a member of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons for about forty-five years. He would dress with care and watch the clock throughout the morning on Thursdays. Never late and rarely absent for Rotary meetings, he approached each Thursday with eagerness. Since his death in 2011, I have become a member of this same club and I find myself looking forward to Thursdays, just as he did. About 11:00 or so, I begin wrapping up my work things, checking my watch, calculating my drive time so I will not be late either.

Why do we gather and enjoy our Thursdays at noon together? Rotary is fun and Rotary is informative. Each week a different program is offered to the group. Our Rotarian program director is Jim Pravlik. He sees to it that every Rotarian is given a week to bring in some kind of program for presentation to the group. The week you are assigned is published in our annual directory so you know when your turn is coming. The program you choose can be almost anything, and it is.

I don't know anything much about motorcycles, so when the program on Harleys and Hogs and riding in the wind was scheduled, I didn't expect to like it.

When I listened to the passion that the speaker had and how he explained the philanthropy given out by cyclists, I was stunned. Motorcyclists are just ordinary people who wear protective gear, ride together for fun and do good. I had not expected to learn that day but that program opened my eyes.

The Northeast Genealogical Society sent a member of their board for a recent Rotary program. He informed us that just a few miles away in a renovated church in Peckville, a massive amount of documentation on every person who has ever lived in northeastern Pennsylvania is being recorded. Stored on shelves and catalogued on software, census data, birth, marriage and death records are listed for easy search of other generations. So many Rotarians had never heard of this unique historical society until that program was presented.

Some programs are thought provoking and informative. Last week we heard from Michele Dempsey, who brought us data on the landfill expansion in Dunmore. Although this current topic is in the local news every day, she brought new insight into the environmental dangers that will affect everyone in northeastern Pennsylvania.

Pipeline information was brought to us by representatives from the Williams Company. They do not drill for natural gas but transport it through pipes to the ultimate destination. Rotarians asked many questions that day.

Although political candidates are not invited to come before election, we gladly welcome elected officials. Mayor Lawler of Clarks Summit told us about her plan for Clarks Summit. Representative Sid Kavulich showed us the complexities of having a bill go through the House of Representatives. Our local commissioners presented a program on what they have done for our county.

We have had entertainers, who juggled or sang, or played an instrument or even did magic tricks. We have had monologues of trips to faraway lands and have enjoyed slides and videos of other people in faraway countries.

So, what are you doing Thursday from 12:10 to 1:10? Maybe you are doing nothing more than having lunch. On every Thursday at that same time, I know what members of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons are doing. Eating lunch? Yes, a great lunch at Nichols Village and much more than that. We will spend our time listening and learning. We will come away from that hour, informed and inspired.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

### *The Pocket Library #17238 Becomes a Reality*

In the March 2014 ROTARIAN, the official Rotary monthly, magazine, I found an article on a pocket library. A small box, mounted on a post, outside of just about anywhere, could hold books, any kind of books, to be given away. The Little Free Library is a homespun tribute turned international phenomenon. People in 55 countries have installed more than 17,000 Lilliputian lending libraries, run on the premise of “take a book, return a book.”

I thought about it for a while and then went to the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons in August 2014, and asked them to have our club sponsor such a library. They agreed and made available \$500 for the project.

The Little Free Library Association was easily found on line and after an exchange of less than \$40 of my money, our little library became #17238, even though it was merely a dream.

We have amazing, talented, people in Rotary and so many are very generous with their talents. Rotarian and Architect Ned Connell drew up the plans for the library, conferring with Mayor Lawler and Clarks Summit Council on its placement. All agreed that the new pocket park, now under construction, would be the perfect place for such a handy library.

The plans from Ned went to Rotarian Harry Mumford, a superb wooden craftsman, who brought cedar shelves salvaged from a library in Southampton, Long Island, and made those 100+ year old boards into a tiny cedar house to hold the books. With one shelf in the center, all kinds of books would make interesting reads.

Steve Young had been a member of our club, as his grandfather, Lawrence Young, had been. Although Steve is now not active, he volunteered to laser the Rotary logo into the wood. He freely gave his talent at no charge.

When Harry went to the Do-It-Center and talked to owner, Doug LaCoe, about the plexiglass needed for the door and window of the library, Doug contributed the cost. Doug LaCoe is not a Rotarian but has a big heart for a Rotary cause. Just last week with the library almost finished, we had our regular Rotary lunch at Nichols Village and pondered the problem of a roof for the tiny building. We talked about putting a copper roof on the building, only to realize that copper is a burglary incentive, so that idea was thrown away. Ned thought it would be fun if the pocket library had colors, Rotary colors of yellow and blue.

He approached James W. Cox & Son Sheet Metal Fabricators at 502 Moltke Avenue in Scranton. Ned met with the owner and explained that we were looking for a blue metal roof. Although James Cox is not a Rotarian, he developed a piece of blue metal about 36 inches or so by 36, formed it into a peaked roof and placed it on the top of the library, thus completing the construction. He charged nothing at all for his costs of materials and labor.

The cost of yellow paint to perk up the outside of the library and give it a whimsical look was given by Ned. The cost of buying a post, upon which the library will be topped, was born by Harry.

On June 10, a small Rotarian work crew will assemble at the Pocket Park on Depot Street. The borough will contribute the auger to drill the post hole. With some muscle power, the pole will be placed. The library will be set on top of the post and a large yellow ribbon will be tied around the door.

The next day, June 11, our regular Rotary meeting date, we will assemble, not at Nichols Village where we usually meet, but rather at the Pocket Park on Depot Street for a picnic. Our program that day will be the cutting of the ribbon on the tiny little library door and placing the first books inside. Even though the door is only ten inches tall, it will be a Grand Opening.

At the Rotary Board of Directors meeting in August, one year since I presented the idea to the board, I will go back and tell them that #17238 of the Little Libraries of the World has been completed and the tiny door is open for the exchange of reading materials. The \$500 stipend given just a year ago was never used, money ready for a new cause.

After June 11, the Pocket Library, placed at the door of the Pocket Park on Depot Street, will be ready for books. Put some in, take some out. Help yourself to diverse reading from the Pocket Library, made 100% by volunteers. Check it out. The door of # 17238 will open to inspire and delight.



## THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

Winners of the Rotary Club of the Abington's Dolbear Award were presented their checks, totaling \$4,238. Joe LaCoe, Rotary Chair of the award, introduced Rose Minniti, director of Math and Science for Abington Heights School District. She introduced Michelle Fangio, High School art teacher, who will be attending the University of the Arts Professional Institute for Educators for Fiber Arts. Ms. Minniti also introduced Corey Collins and Marilyn Pryle, High School English teachers, who will be attending the International Literacy Association's Annual Conference. We congratulate these excellent teachers on their awards and furthering their professional careers to benefit our students. The teachers will present at Rotary later this year on what they learned. All teachers are encouraged to apply for this annual financial Award, named after past AHHS superintendent Frank Dolbear.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSTON

The Rotary Club of Pittston inducted its two newest members during their weekly luncheon meeting on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at Perkins Restaurant and Bakery, Route 315, Pittston Township.



Pictured left to right is Marty Snyder, Past President and inducting officer, Nadine Howe and John J. John. Anyone interested in joining the club can call Marty Snyder at 570-825-8635.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF SCRANTON

Senator John Blake was the guest speaker at the Rotary Club of Scranton's Cocktail Mixer held Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson. Senator Blake spoke on the impact volunteering has on our community. The Rotary Club of Scranton is in its 101<sup>st</sup> year of serving the needs of the community.



Left to right: Senator John Blake, Mike Washo Incoming Club President, Tammy Jackson, Past President and David Price, who also spoke at the event.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

At our June 11 Rotary Luncheon, President Norm Kelly welcomed Interact Club Advisor Tommasina Fiorillo, as the newest honorary member of the Tunkhannock Rotary Club. Interact Club mentors Dave Wilson (who pinned Tommasina) and Marta Kovacs-Ruiz also welcomed her into membership for her outstanding work with the High School Interact Club.



L to R: Marta Kovacs-Ruiz, Tommasina Fiorillo, Dave Wilson and President Norm Kelly

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

### **Club Honors Fran Turner for 65 Years in Rotary**

The Club celebrated Fran Turner's 65<sup>th</sup> Rotary Anniversary at a party in his honor on June 14, 2015. The party was an afternoon informal barbecue at the Tunkhannock Moose Lodge attended by PA State Rep. Karen Boback, District 7410 Governor Carol Hemphill, District Governor Elect Barbara Belon, Past District Governor Ray Wilmarth and his Rotarian wife Ruth, members of Fran's family and Club Rotarians. Also, in attendance were some of his regular golf buddies, Kukuchka Funeral Home staff and members of the Tunkhannock American Legion Dennis Strong Post 457.

Fran joined Rotary in 1950 and was a member of the Wellsboro Rotary Club for 10 years. He was President and Secretary of the Wellsboro Club.

He moved to Tunkhannock in 1960 and transferred to the Tunkhannock Rotary Club where he has been a member for the last 55 years. He was President of the Tunkhannock Club in 1973-1974 and Club Secretary for 25 years (1984-2009). Fran is a Paul Harris +3 Fellow.

Although Fran is 96 years young, most years he still has perfect attendance at our meetings and takes part in all our parties, fundraisers and other Club activities.

He still plays golf almost every week when the weather is good.

He is currently Post Commander of the Tunkhannock American Legion and a member of the American Legion Honor Guard that pays tribute to all veterans who have died in the Tunkhannock area.

A variety of tributes were showered on Fran at this celebration:



PA Representative and Dallas Rotarian Karen Boback presented Fran with a Citation from the PA State Legislature.



Tunkhannock Rotarian and Judge John Hovan paid tribute to Fran and asked everyone to sign a book that he had bought for Fran.



District Governor Carol Hemphill saluted Fran's years of Service and presented him with a "Light up Rotary" theme pin.



District Governor Elect Barbara Belon also noted Fran's exemplary years of Service Above Self and pinned Fran with the new 2015-2016 "Be a Gift to the World" theme pin. She said that this message was clearly something that Fran had "got" a long time ago.



Tunkhannock Rotarian Norm Werkheiser gave an Armed Services Veterans Rotary pin to Fran from the Club.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK**

**Club Honors Fran Turner for 65 Years in Rotary, *continued from page 6***

Several others told humorous stories about Fran including Tunkhannock Rotarians Tom Kukuchka, Jeannie Brady, George Gay, Al Noble and Ron Flatness, as well as, American Legion member Frank Geaus (who also gave the before-meal blessing).



**PDG Ray Wilmarth from Montrose remembered the time that he had to arrange a Golf Tournament for District Conference but he knew nothing about golf. Golfer Fran came to his rescue and took care of it all.**



**Fran and his Family. L to R: Nancy Denney, Susan Benninger, Fran Turner, Larry Benninger, Marianne Markunas and Rick Markunas**

All those who knew Fran in Rotary, the American Legion or his family remarked that he inspired them to do more and to do good, be it in Rotary, their lives or their families.

**Fran Turner...  
65 years of "Service Above Self"**

**Rotary**  
Club of Tunkhannock

**Poster highlighting Fran's 65 years of Service to Rotary for his party on June 14, 2015 (courtesy of Glenn Holcombe)**

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

### Club Bids Farewell to Shiv Naik

At a recent Rotary Luncheon, Indian exchange student Shiv Naik and Club President Norm Kelly exchanged Club banners. Shiv was also presented with some going away gifts which included a hamburger shaped USB drive with photos of Shiv from his year with us, a book on PA that was not only signed by the book's author but by many members of the Rotary Club of Tunkhannock and a polio coin with images of Jonas Salk and President Roosevelt. Club members bid a fond farewell to Shiv and wished him a safe journey home to India.



### 2015-2016 Outbound Exchange Students

At our May 21, 2015 Rotary Club Luncheon, our 2 outbound exchange students Stefan Sehne and Emily Dunning gave presentations.

Stefan Sehne, who is going to Brazil, gave a presentation to the Club that he will be using during his time in Brazil. His presentation gave a brief history of PA, currency, holidays and other differences between US and Brazil. Emily Dunning, who is going to Odenza Denmark, briefly summarized information about her host family and the area of Denmark where she will be residing. Her host father is in IT technology, her host mother does horse medicine and she will have a host brother.

For the first time, Tunkhannock will have 2 short-term exchange students for the summer of 2015. Mitchell Fowler and Anika Sehne will be our outbound short-term exchange students. Mitchell will be going to Spain and Anika to France.



L to R: Emily Dunning, Anika Sehne, Stefan Sehne and Mitchell Fowler



## THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAZLETON

### **New President To Be Installed for Rotary Club of Hazleton**



Ronald Avellino will be installed as the 95th President of the Rotary Club of Hazleton at the annual President's Party to be held at the Valley Country Club on June 24, 2015.

Ron has been a member of the Rotary Club of Hazleton since 1998 when he was sponsored for membership by Rotarian Paul Brenner. Avellino's Rotary activities have included service on several committees, the Rotary Club Board of Directors and officer duties of Vice President and President-Elect.

"One of the goals of Rotary International is the eradication of the disease polio throughout the world. That's one of the reasons I joined the Hazleton Rotary Club and Rotary International," says Ron. "I am a polio survivor. I've seen the horror of

the disease and through Rotary International the world can and will be polio free."

"Our Rotary Club has a long history of doing good in the Greater Hazleton Area. I am proud to serve as the Hazleton Rotary Club President and am looking forward to continuing our projects like providing new winter coats and a Holiday Shopping Spree for area children in need." Avellino explains. "I also want to help our club continue donating a dictionary to every third grade student in the area and continue awarding college scholarships to Area High School Seniors in addition to granting another Make-A-Wish. These are some of the projects the Club completed this year and I will strive to see them continue in the future. We will also continue to consider other community project options as they become available."

Ron graduated from Our Lady of Lourdes Regional High School in Coal Township, PA. He trained and became a certified X Ray Technician at Shamokin State Hospital and also served at Evangelical Hospital, Lewisburg, PA. He was in the U.S. Army, is a Viet Nam veteran and served in the Army Security Agency. He is also a life member of the American Legion.

He enlisted in the Pennsylvania State Police and became an airplane pilot obtaining several pilot ratings. He transitioned into helicopters and eventually moved to Hazleton to fly for the PA State Police for 14 years. He retired from PSP after 25 years of service.

Ron became an entrepreneur and established laundromat, convenience store and tanning salon businesses in downtown Hazleton. He retired from business after 27 years, but is still actively involved in overseeing several apartment buildings he purchased throughout the years.

Mr. Avellino also served on the Board of Directors of Helping Hands and Serento Gardens.

Avellino officially takes over the reins of the club on July 1, 2015. Other officers and Board members will be: Pat Ward, President-Elect; Toni Frumkin, Vice President; Bernie Rudegear, Secretary; Lani Drobnock, Recording Secretary; Pat Owens, Jr., Treasurer; Eugenio Sosa, Sergeant at Arms; and Tim Genetti, Immediate Past President. Members of the Board will be Fred Attick, Donna Barna, Rev. Thomas Cvammen, Sharon Farver, Gary Lagana, Katherine Oh, Jim Reinmiller, Kenneth Trippett and Alan Whitaker.

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAZLETON

### **Maria Trivelpiece, Emily Seratch and Luke Olander are the 2015 Rotary Club of Hazleton Scholarship winners**

The Rotary Club of Hazleton is proud to announce that Luke Olander and Maria Trivelpiece, Hazleton Area High School and Emily Seratch, MMI Preparatory School 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 \$1,000.00 per year for a maximum of four years. "The Hazleton Rotary Club is very happy that this year we are able to offer three scholarships for the very first time." comments Rotary President Tim Genetti. "The membership really looks forward to helping as many area young people as possible with this assistance".



Following a very active high school career, Emily intends to study International Business at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania.

"This scholarship makes it easier for me to attend college, and it will help ease the burden for my family and myself." Seratch explains. "My parents have always encouraged me to be the best I can be and I always believed in the quote "Shoot for the moon, even if you miss you'll land among the stars." This quote has led me to believe I should always set high goals and keep working to do better because even if I fail I still have something to fall back on".

Luke will major in Economics at the University of Pittsburgh in the fall and intends to go for a Law Degree in the future.

When asked who/what has inspired and encouraged him, Luke replied, "I was inspired by the work ethic of my family growing up. My ancestors were coal miners and my grandparents were all hard workers. I want to make the most of the opportunities their hard work opened up for me. I owe my current position in life to my family."



"Coaching Stripes and Strikes Softball taught me there is no greatness without the passion to be great and revealed how one small act of volunteer work can spiral into a full-blown project helping people across the country and even the world." says Maria.

"This scholarship is extremely meaningful to both myself and my family. It's the greatest feeling to have your hard work recognized. The money will help me to defray the cost of my schooling that is relatively expensive." Marie explains. "This will help me reach the great academic goals that I have set for myself. It will help my family greatly, because it will help reduce the cost of my schooling."

Luke, Emily and Maria and their families will be special guests of the Hazleton Rotary Club at a weekly Wednesday meeting in the near future.

The Rotary Club of Hazleton's Annual Scholarship Award is available in the spring to applicants who are seniors in a public or private high school located within the geographic boundaries of the Hazleton Area.

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF LEIGHTON



## Interact Club of Leighton Does Good In Connecticut

While participating in one of the Rotary meetings, members of the Leighton Area High School Interact Club, learned that an elementary school in Connecticut was unable to provide school supplies to their students due to budget cuts. The school had requested that parents be responsible for their children schools supplies. However, only few of the parents were in a position to comply leaving many students without needed items as basic as pencils and erasers.



Mrs. Lopez and DGE Barbara

In the days following the meeting, the Interact Club members organized and conducted a volleyball tournament which was held in the LAHS gymnasium. School Principal Craig Reichl, commented that the tournament was a success at multiple levels. It highlighted the leadership attributes of the Interact group, it brought the students and faculty together and it showed that our youth understands service. The tournament netted over two hundred and fifty dollars all of which was used to purchase the need supplies. Interact Club Advisor Mrs. Marchetti indicated that the students themselves went to the store and made the purchase of the needed items.



Because of logistic issues and concerns, Interact Club representatives were unable to bring the supplies to Connecticut. Instead, Governor Elect Barbara Huffman de Belón, made the trip and delivered all items to a very appreciative school Language teacher, Ursula Lopez. On behalf of the school principal, Mrs. Lopez expressed her gratitude and commended the efforts not only of the young men and women of the Interact Club but also of students in the High school.



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONSDALE**

**Honesdale Club Installs New Officers — Honors Three with Paul Harris Awards**

The Honesdale Rotary Club has a new president, Andy Lane Chapman, and a new vice president, Zach Jennings, Esq. The two were officially installed during a dinner at Woodloch Springs in Hawley on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Secretary Kay Reynolds and Treasurer Larry Caruth retained their positions, along with Sergeant-at-Arms Margaret Allen.

Chapman, whose late father Frank Lane was a longtime Rotary club member, took over the reins from Jordan Ubertini. Chapman was pinned by Newfoundland club member and District 7410 Director Robert Chavey.

The Honesdale club also honored three members with Paul Harris awards: Richelle Stephens, who launched the Rotary’s successful Beer Garden fundraiser at Honesdale’s Roots & Rhythm festival; Laurie Harrington, who helped the club secure Foundation funds to build batting cages for Honesdale Little Baseball; and Tom Moore, who received his second Paul Harris Award—and lots of kisses from admiring fellow Rotarians.



**Chapman with Chavey and past District Governor Kerry Nix.**



**Bob Chavey, district 7410 officer, officially installs Andy Lane Chapman as president of the Honesdale Rotary club.**



**New Honesdale Rotary VP Zach Jennings, far left, with Paul Harris Awardee Laurie Harrington, club Secretary Kay Reynolds, Club Treasurer Larry Caruth and club Sergeant-at-Arms Margaret Allen.**



**Chapman replaces Jordan Ubertini, who wished her the best of luck as he posed for a photo with her.**



**Moore gets big congratulatory kiss from Stephens and Reynolds.**



**Two-time Paul Harris Awardee Tom Moore flanked by Richelle Stephens, left, who received an award this year, and Kay Reynolds.**

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONSDALE

### Honesdale Rotary Hosts Beer Garden

A toast to Honesdale Rotarians for their second successful Beer ( & Wine) Garden during Honesdale Roots & Rhythm Music & Arts Festival on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. This popular fundraiser will help the club of about 37 members fund local community projects and contribute to Rotary International's worldwide efforts.



Honesdale Rotarians Jim Mould, Richelle Stephens and Jordan Uber-tini man the beer post.



Steve Moulton, Honesdale Rotarian, checks id for entry into the club's Beer Garden.



Wine for sale! Honesdale Rotarians Maureen Beilman and Betty de-Maye Caruth at the wine table.

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAMLIN

Monday June 9 was the date of The Rotary Club of Hamlin's 3rd Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by Century 21 Select Group and RMS Mortgage at Paupack Hills Country Club . Despite forecasted thunderstorms, the day went off without a hitch. The day's events featured a putting contest sponsored by Pocono Construction Management with a chance to win \$2500. A gourmet "Hot Dog Bar" luncheon was served prior to the start. After completing 18 holes of golf loaded with special contests, the day wrapped up with a dinner and an awards ceremony.

The Club is very grateful to all its sponsors.

Hole in one Sponsors included Modern Hearing Solutions, Comfort Inn, Re/MAX Best.

Other contest sponsors included D&D Development, Pocono Vacation Rentals.

Special contests were sponsored by Besko Media, NBT Bank.

Hole sponsors included Edward Jones Investments, House all Veterinary, Attorney Mike Walker, Hamlin Distributors, BTM Flooring, Company Woods Builders, Place One Realty Group, Trio's, Bennocos, Doug Black's Garage, RJ Barillo Contracting, Rays Supermarket, Hotel Belvedere, Statefarm Insurance, EZ Body Auto, HNB Bank, John's Italian Restaurant, Nationwide Insurance, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Rooney Electric.



## THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

### **Rotary Club of Dallas installs new officers and board members**

The Dallas Rotary Club officers and board members for the 2015-2016 service year were recently installed at a dinner meeting held at the Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate, Dallas.

They are, first row from left: Board Member Sandy Peoples, President Elect Kim Reisch, President Jason Jolley, Vice President Paul Rodda, Treasurer Jerry Reisch. Second row: Board member Paul Saxon, Board Member Nick Stredny, Past President Randy Loyd, Board Member Kerry Freeman, Board Member Fred DiMaria. Club Secretary John Doerfler was not available for the photo.

The Dallas Rotary Club, chartered in 1927, is always looking for new members to join in the activities and community service projects available year round. They sponsor more than two-dozen charitable projects in the Back Mountain, such as the annual Christmas shopping spree for 45 children, and they are part of Rotary International's campaign to eradicate polio around the world. Their major fundraisers are an annual charity golf tournament at the Irem Country Club in September and an annual Wine and Dine Festival at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds on the last Saturday in June.



## THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE STROUDSBURGS

### **2015 Service Above Self Scholarship Recipients**

At the end of May, we recognized some bright students for their service to the community and the work that they have done throughout their school with some scholarships. Rotarian Amy Leiser is the chair for the clubs Service Above Self scholarship. Each year, our Rotary Club is pleased to honor 4 college-bound students for their volunteer work and community service during their high school years by granting each of them a \$750.00 scholarship. The candidates were nominated by their guidance counselors and principals from Stroudsburg High School, East Stroudsburg High School – South and Notre Dame High School.



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE STROUDSBURGS**

**Paul Harris Fellows**

This month the club recognized a few new Paul Harris Fellows. William Rinehart (bottom picture), Jessica C. Peetz, and Ruth Ann Rocchio.



**Karen & the Karenettes at the Spring Fling**

The Rotary Club of the Stroudsburgs held their Annual Spring Fling where they Roast the outgoing President. Skits were performed by the Karenette's poking fun at the different personalities of President Karen DeMatteo. "RYLA Karen" was played by Amy Leiser, "Silpada Karen" by Michelle Baehr, "Cat Lady Karen" by Ruth Ann Rocchio, "Selfie Karen" by Jessica C. Peetz, and "Arts & Crafts Karen" by Holley Kearns. A great time was had by all!



**2015 and 2014 College Scholarship Recipients**

Rotarian Jeff Gilbert is the chair for the clubs College Scholarship committee. The College Scholarship recipient is Jessica Ng who is an Interactor at Stroudsburg High School. The College Scholarship is awarded to a senior where they receive \$500 a year for 4 years

**Lucy Piggot-Prawl induction**

The Rotary Club of the Stroudsburgs also inducted new member Lucille Piggot-Prawl.



**Pictured from L to R are Youth Service Chair Jessica C. Peetz, 2015 College Scholarship Recipient Jessica Ng, 2014 College Scholarship Recipient Emilia Chamberlain, President Karen DeMatteo and College Scholarship Chair Jeff Gilbert.**

# North Scranton Rotary

This month, our club beautified the traffic circle. We planted new flowers and cleaned up the circle.

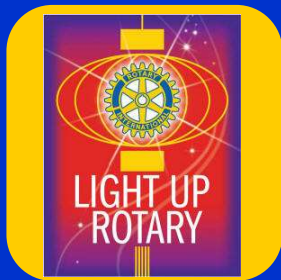




# North Scranton Rotary

We had our annual Al Scheatzle Family Fun Day at Weston Park on June 20<sup>th</sup>. We collaborate with the North Scranton Neighborhood Association to provide a free family day for residents of North Scranton. There were burgers, ice cream, games, a bouncy house, and even some swimming!





# Future Club Events and Fundraisers

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### THE ROTARY CLUB OF FOREST CITY



**The Forest City Area Rotary Club cordially invites you to  
our Annual Installation Dinner on:**

**Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**Best Western Pioneer Plaza**

25 South Main Street

Carbondale, PA 18407

Cash bar starts at 6:00 PM with dinner to follow.

**Buffet Style Dinner Includes:**

- \*Salad
- \*Sliced Roast Beef
- \* Chicken Franchise
- \* Penne with Vodka Sauce
- \* Mashed Potatoes
- \* Glazed Carrots
- \* Chef's choice of dessert

**Please feel free to bring your Spouse or a guest. The cost of the dinner is \$20.00 per person. There is free parking in the back of the hotel. All checks should be payable to the Forest City Area Rotary Club.**

**Please RSVP and send in checks no later than Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to:**

Stephanie Collier  
Att: Rotary Installation Dinner  
115 Grouse Hill Road  
Greenfield TWP PA 18407

Contact Email: [kat01granville@gmail.com](mailto:kat01granville@gmail.com)  
(We are unable to take payments at the door.)

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK****July 3rd Fireworks Display**

Please join us on Friday evening for the Tunkhannock Rotary Club's July 3rd Fireworks at the Tunkhannock High School Athletic Field. Gates open at 6 PM.



Am Radio will play from 7:00 PM until the Fireworks. One of the highlights of the evening will be the Color Guard comprised of former members of the Armed Services.

The Tunkhannock Senior Class will operate the food stand, selling hamburgers, hotdogs, sodas and more. Glow wands will be sold by the Rotary Club. A generous sponsorship has been received from BP Wind Energy to help support this event. Admission is free, but donations to help defray costs for next year's fireworks will be gratefully accepted. Parking is \$3 in the surrounding lots.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAZLETON****SAVE THE DATE!**

**Hazleton Rotary Club  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine and Craft Beer Festival**

**Saturday, August 15, 2015  
4:00 PM—8:00 P M**

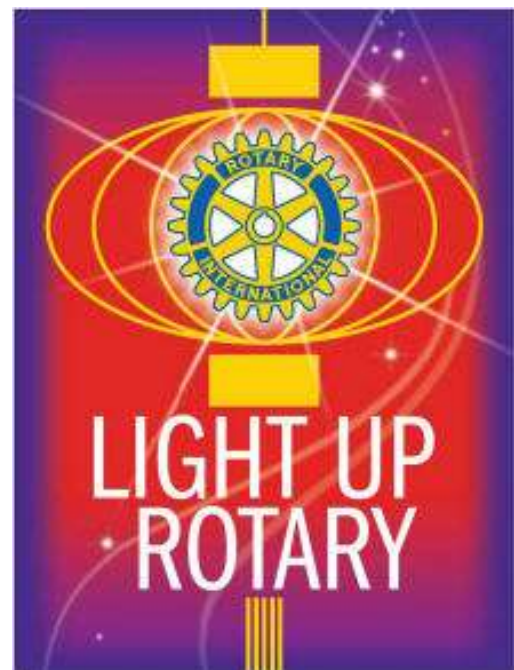
**Genetti's  
1341 North Church Street  
Hazleton, PA 18201**

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF WYALUSING****Wyalusing Rotary  
Charter Night**

Charter Night for the Wyalusing Area Rotary Club will be held on Friday, July 10, in the Tuscarora Wayne Room of the Wyalusing Community Corps Building on Main Street in Wyalusing.

Social time at 6:15 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. There will be a cash bar. Entertainment and program to follow.

Come welcome the newest Rotary Club in this District and meet its Charter Members and officers. Tickets are \$35. RSVP by July 6 to Secretary Mary Skillings at [570-746-1798](tel:570-746-1798) if you plan to attend.



## THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

The Rotary Club of the Abingtons is promising to light up more than the night sky on July 3 as it puts the finishing touches on its annual Independence Day event at the Abington Heights Middle School. Live entertainment, great food, children's amusements and a great night to be with your neighbors, family and friends are the main attractions being assembled by a large team of Rotarians.

The show grounds will open at 5 p.m. on Friday, July 3 and the live entertainment will begin at 6:30. The fireworks show will begin at nightfall and the event will be moved to July 4 in the event of bad weather on July 3. Parking is \$5 per vehicle.

The show's live entertainment is being supported by the Abington Area Joint Recreation Board and the Overlook Foundation. The headline act will be The Quietmen, a Scranton-based group that mixes Rock with Celtic music. The group will be the third of three acts and will help rev up the show crowd for the community's annual fireworks display. Members of the Quietmen are Jamie Ratchford, guitar, vocals, harmonica, kazoo; Paddy Ratchford, keyboard, vocals, bodhrain; Danny Ratchford, vocals, guitar; Mollie "Quietgirl" Malone, tin whistle, fiddle; Paul Hurst, drums; Marty Nazar, guest vocals, guitar; and Teddy Bryan, guest vocals. The Quietmen have built a following throughout the Northeast and will be playing July 2 in North Wildwood before making the run up the turnpike to be with us for the Rotary fireworks show.

Expect the Phyllis Hopkins Electric Trio to put its signature on cover songs while mixing in original songs for the Rotary Fireworks Show crowd. Phyllis is a veteran of the local music scene and leads the group with strong, blues-based vocals and fiery guitar solos. Backing Phyllis are drummer Julio Caprari, guitarist Ray DelPriore and bassist Nolan Ayers. The group released an independent CD late last year.

"We've been playing a lot of the material at our live shows and the reaction has been very positive. We're really looking forward to sharing our music with everybody," Phyllis said.

Opening the show's live entertainment will be up-and-coming local band Nothing Yet featuring Justin Kucharski, rhythm guitar and backup vocals; Nicolo Manzo, lead vocals; Marty Monahan, drums and backup vocals; Evan Collins, bass; and Brandon Rodriguez, lead guitar. Nothing Yet performs rock hits from past to present including music by the Beatles, the Turtles, and Bachman Turner Overdrive up to the Black Keys and the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Don't be surprised to hear Nothing Yet play daring, cross-genre selections from the catalogs of Pharrell Williams and Luke Bryan.

This year's food vendors will offer a wide menu range that reaches from local favorites, to holiday staples, to the ethnic dishes that give Northeast Pennsylvania its one-of-a-kind flavor. Already lined up to serve the show's hungry guests are:

Manning's Mobile: hard ice cream, milk shakes and chocolate milk.

Abington Lions Club: funnel cakes, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot-dogs, potato pancakes and soft drinks.

Mike Yogi's Ethnic Foods: potato pancakes, halushki, pierogies, lemonade, soft drinks.

Pizza by Fire: wood-oven baked pizza.

Tony Thomas Catering: French fries, sausage and peppers, chicken fingers, lemonade, root beer floats.

Webby's Concessions: funnel cakes, fried Oreos, and soft drinks.

Rotary Club of the Abingtons: soft drinks.

Event organizers report that they expect additional food vendors to reserve spots at the show as the event approaches.

Families will be able to keep their children entertained on amusements provided by Sir Bounce-a-Lot who will have a bouncy house, children's slide and obstacle course for young visitors. Water Wars, a water-balloon game for children, is returning to this year's show.

The Joseph W. Hall Memorial Auxiliary to the Clarks Summit Fire Co. Inc. will be staffing a fundraising and membership booth to support the company's protection of people and property in the Abingtons.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW MILFORD



Sponsored by New Milford Area Rotary Club & New Milford Men's Club

 **HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT** 10AM • \$20

Entry fee includes Chicken BBQ Dinner  
Contact: Peter Conigliaro (570) 465-3830


 **CHICKEN BBQ** 11AM until gone • \$9.50

Pre-sales must be picked up by 12:30pm.

 **CAR CRUISE-IN** All day

Bring your classic/custom car or street rod!

Trophies awarded for Peoples Choice & Top 3 Vote-Getters at 3PM  
Contacts: Ken Bondurant (570) 465-7527 & Jack Beaudry (570) 465-7528

 **CRAFT FAIR & FLEA MARKET** 8AM

Vendors and Yard Sellers wanted!  
Contact: Eleanor Lempke (570) 465-3505

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF MID VALLEY

# WINE FESTIVAL



**Sunday, July 12, 2015**  
**Watkins Glen**

Sponsored by Mid Valley Rotary Club

**Ticket Price - \$75.00 per person**

**Complementary Snacks**

Bus leaves from Sears at the Viewmont Mall  
at 8:00AM

For Reservations Call:

Don 570-347-4665 or Bill 570-383-1301

Stan 570-489-3451 or Gene 570-383-0751

Toni 570-448-2992 or 570-470-7028

80 Wineries, 25 Food Vendors, 75 Vendors including Jewelry, Art, Souvenirs and Wine  
Accessories. Entertainment all day.

Bloody Marys, Mimosas and snacks served on the way to the festival.

Proceeds to benefit Mid Valley Rotary Service Projects

THE ROTARY CLUB OF POCONO MOUNTAIN



Be a gift to the world

The Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains

# GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015

@ Mount Airy Golf Club

**\$95 a person • 4 person Scramble**



*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
- **8 am - Registration & Breakfast**
- **9 am - Shotgun Start**
- **2 pm - Lunch**

Hole in One Prizes

*For more information or to sponsor a hole contact:  
Amanda Kuhn at  
570.807.6810*




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 1-800-GAMBLER or e-mail [problemgambling@state.pa.us](mailto:problemgambling@state.pa.us)*



THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

**Rotary**   
Club of Tunkhannock  
**90th Anniversary**



Sunday, Aug 30, 2015

Shadowbrook Inn & Resort

201 Resort Lane, Tunkhannock, PA

Cash Bar at 5 PM

Dinner at 5:30 PM

Program at 6:45 PM

\$30.00 per person



Music by the Jimmy Welch Band  
and Dancing at 7:30 PM



Mark your calendars & shine those dancing shoes!

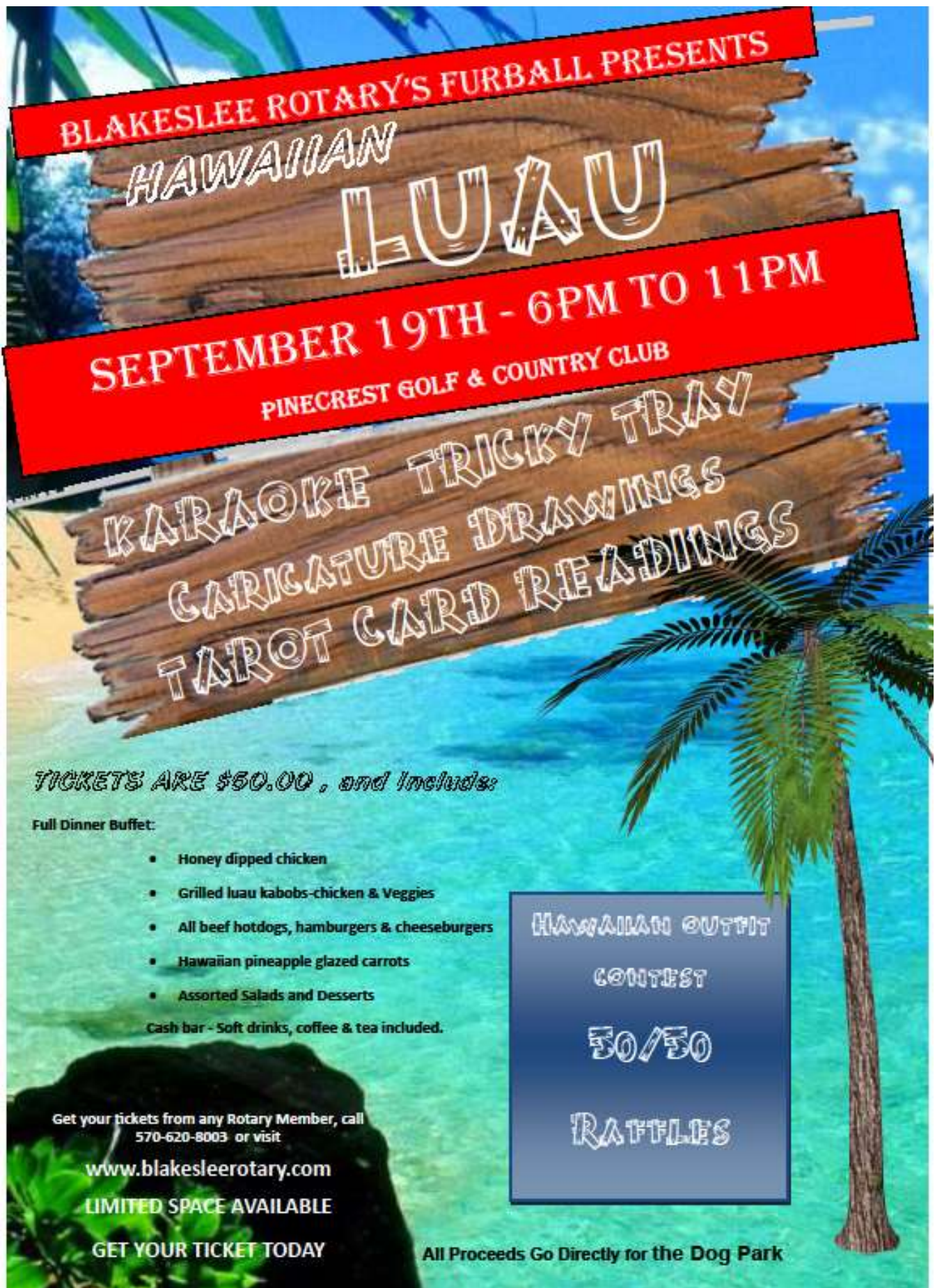
Please join us for a Party!!!

Please RSVP By August 19 to: Sandy Lane at [smlane16@gmail.com](mailto:smlane16@gmail.com) or  
Rotary Club of Tunkhannock, P.O. Box 325, Tunkhannock, PA 18657

Make checks payable to: Rotary Club of Tunkhannock



THE ROTARY CLUB OF BLAKESLEE



BLAKESLEE ROTARY'S FURBALL PRESENTS

HAWAIIAN  
LUAU

SEPTEMBER 19TH - 6PM TO 11PM  
PINECREST GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

KARAOKE TRICKY TRAY  
CARICATURE DRAWINGS  
TAROT CARD READINGS

*TICKETS ARE \$50.00 , and include:*

Full Dinner Buffet:

- Honey dipped chicken
- Grilled luau kabobs-chicken & Veggies
- All beef hotdogs, hamburgers & cheeseburgers
- Hawaiian pineapple glazed carrots
- Assorted Salads and Desserts

Cash bar - Soft drinks, coffee & tea included.

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50/50  
RAFFLES

Get your tickets from any Rotary Member, call  
570-620-8003 or visit

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New Rotarians

<b>Athens</b>	<b>Larry Canfield William Clark Mary Costick</b>
<b>Hamlin</b>	<b>Derek Belinger</b>
<b>Mountaintop</b>	<b>Kim Sarna</b>
<b>Newfoundland</b>	<b>John Fetsock Charlie Lang Christina Lang</b>
<b>North Scranton</b>	<b>Mike Barrows</b>
<b>The Stroudsburgs</b>	<b>Lucille Piggott-Prawl John Rocchio</b>
<b>Winola</b>	<b>Linda Brown</b>

**District 7410 May, 2015 Club Attendance**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Total Mem.</b>	<b>New Mem.</b>	<b>May Attend.</b>
Abingtons, The	0	0	0.00%
Athens	0	3	0.00%
Blakeslee	13	0	55.77%
Dallas	43	0	50.00%
Dunmore	16	0	94.00%
Athens	11	0	75.70%
Freeland	0	0	0.00%
Hamlin	26	1	98.85%
Hawley	19	0	57.00%
Hazleton	93	0	40.94%
Honesdale	37	0	49.00%
Jim Thorpe	0	0	0.00%
Kingston	22	0	62.00%
Lehighton	11	0	73.00%
Mid-Valley	6	0	58.00%
		0	
Milford-Matamoras	30		0.00%
Montrose	25	0	74.00%
Mountaintop	0	1	0.00%
Mt. Pocono	0	0	0.00%
New Milford	0	0	0.00%
Newfoundland	48	3	77.71%
North Pocono	0	0	0.00%
North Scranton	25	1	84.00%
Pittston	0	0	0.00%
Plains	20	0	60.00%
Plymouth	0	0	0.00%
Pocono Mountains	20	0	0.00%
Sayre	15	0	68.00%
Scranton	0	0	0.00%
Smithfields	0	0	0.00%
Stroudsburgs	104	2	72.26%
Towanda	0	0	0.00%
Trail	0	0	0.00%
Troy	23	0	52.00%
Tunkhannock	72	0	39.88%
Weatherly	0	0	0.00%
Wellsboro	0	0	0.00%
West End	32	0	69.53%
Wilkes-Barre	0	0	0.00%
Winola	0	0	0.00%
Wyalusing	0	1	0.00%
Wyoming	0	0	0.00%

