

# News from the District

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#### A Message from the District Governor

Greetings and congratulations to all Rotarians in District 7410! We did it – our membership is now 1131! A special thank you to our Club Presidents, our Membership Chair, Karin Breitlauch, and all the Rotarians who helped us attract such talented new members. Now we have to keep up the momentum and reach 1200!

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One way to keep those new members engaged in your club and to celebrate what we've accomplished this year is to attend our Conference at Skytop on April 24-26. It is a beautiful resort with lots of amenities and, we have some wonderful speakers planned. Come for the weekend or come for a day. It's a chance to visit those Rotarians from other clubs that we don't see often enough...plus our youth exchange students will be joining us. Don't forget the golf tournament. It's a chance to just relax after this past winter. Can't wait to see you all there.

Have you read your Rotary Magazine lately? This month is Magazine Month. There is always lots of great information and new ideas in our magazine. After you read your copy, you might put it to work as a membership tool. Add information on whom to contact and place your older magazines somewhere they might be read by someone else. I take mine to my chiropractor who promised me he will join Rotary four years from now when his youngest is out of high school!

Again a special thank you to all of you who are working so hard on membership and all of our Rotary programs. Continue to Light up Rotary and enjoy the Spring!

DG Carol

#### **District Events**

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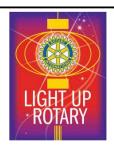
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The Smithfields, The Stroudsburgs,

West End.

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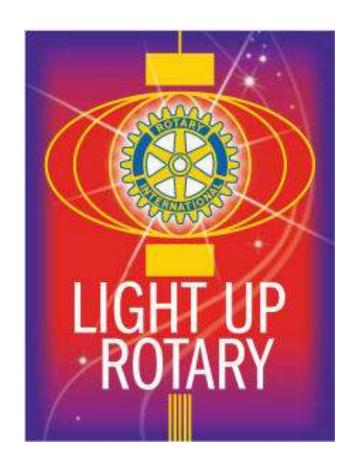
#### **PUBLIC IMAGE CORNER**

Although we may be living in challenging times and people may express concerns over money, it may be an excellent time to recruit new members. Why? Because we do live in rapidly changing times, and sometimes that leaves people feeling that nothing is under their control and they can't do anything about anything.

Becoming a Rotarian may be the answer for people who want to do something about something. Many baby boomers are retiring, and they are looking for a place to use their time where they can contribute to making this world a better place for their children and grandchildren. They are still young enough to be active, and old enough to bring wisdom and life experiences to our clubs.

So take a look around. Who do you know who has recently retired? Don't let them "rest on their laurels" as the saying goes, or don't wait until some other club or organization has scooped them up to be a part of their group. Invite them to join Rotary to help make a difference in your community and the world.

All the best, Sandy Peoples



# Skytop Lodge in the Poconos - April 24-26, 2015



#### District Conference - 2015

#### District Governor Carol Hemphill

invites everyone to return to the beautiful, elegant, yet affordable

#### Skytop Lodge

in the Pocono Mountains for another great District Conference on April 24, 25, and 26, 2015.

Weekend package – only \$736, double occupancy.
Only \$542.00, single occupancy.

Includes two night's lodging and a gourmet meal plan of five meals: Friday night's dinner,
Saturday's breakfast, lunch and dinner,
and a Sunday breakfast or brunch.

Watch for our mailer to your home and visit our District 7410 web site.

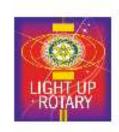
Two night, five meal guests must register with Skytop.

Visit Skytop at: <a href="https://www.skytop.com">www.skytop.com</a> or call 855-345-7759

Use our special code for Rotary: 270388.







### ROTARY DISTRICT 7410 CONFERENCE GOLF TOURNEY SKYTOP LODGE IN THE POCONOS FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015 - 9 A.M.

# CAPTAIN 'N CREW FORMAT -- SHOTGUN START COMPLIMENTARY GOLF -- CARTS \$24 per person

Staying @ Skytop-complimentary box lunch. (Not staying \$26.46 - if desired)

Don't have a foursome – we'll match you up with others.

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PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 1, 2015 - SPACE IS LIMITED

#### Start time has been changed for this event



#### District 7410 2015 Training Assembly

Lackawanna College, Scranton, PA Saturday May 9, 2015, 10:00 AM to 4 PM

## Want your 2015-16 Rotary year to be a success?

Then, register right now for this year's District Training Assembly. You'll get information that will help you plan and carry out an absolutely phenomenal year. Meet your colleagues and increase your Rotary network. Get hands-on training in both the RI and our District ClubRunner applications. Meet your District Officers - - great resources for club programs and sources of ideas and connections. Get resources to help identify potential members. Time to shake up your club so that you can be a gift to the world! This event has been designed especially for incoming club officers, but is open to all Rotary members in District 7410. Are you ready for the new 2015-16 Rotary year?

Register by May 4 at: http://district-training-assembly-7410.splashthat.com

This is a no-charge event. Gathering time with coffee/tea: 9:45 am. Lunch served at 12:30 pm. Off-street parking will be available.

Opening session and all main sessions will be held in the 3rd floor cafeteria.

Don't miss this event that will not only provide you with ideas, contacts, and knowledge regarding the year ahead, but also the hands-on skills to navigate Rotary's websites.

#### Your Action Items:

- Prior to this May 9<sup>th</sup> event, if you do not currently have a logon ID for <u>www.rotary.org</u>, then visit that webpage and create it. WRITE DOWN your userid and password since you will need it for the hands-on training.
- If you do not currently have a logon ID for our district website, then repeat Step 1 at the following: <a href="http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50202">http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50202</a>

Increase the chances of a successful Rotary year - - register now!



#### 2015-17 UNESCO-IHE scholarship applications available

The Rotary Foundation and UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, which are working together to tackle the world's water and sanitation crisis, this year will award a limited number of scholarships for graduate students at UNESCO-IHE's Delft campus in the Netherlands. The partnership aims to increase the number of trained professionals who can devise, plan, and implement water and sanitation solutions in developing areas. The scholarships also are designed to promote long-term productive relationships between Rotarians and skilled water and sanitation professionals in their communities.

Scholarship applications, for studies in 2015-17, can be submitted online at Rotarty.org. Please see the overview for more details. Additional information also is available in the application tool kit, the club/district application and scholarship terms and conditions. Applications are due by **15 June** (an extension from the original deadline of 15 May).

**PDG Paul F. Muczynski, Chair** District Foundation Committee Rotary District 7410

#### **New Rotary Foundation Resource Guide**

This Resource Guide for Zones 24 and 32 is not an official Rotary International publication but a regional resource compiled by your Annual Giving Officer to assist with accessing various Rotary tools. This Resource Guide supplements The Rotary Foundation Reference Guide (219) which is an official publication of Rotary International. The Reference Guide (219) is a booklet that provides a brief overview of Rotary Foundation programs including PolioPlus, Rotary Peace Fellowships, Grants, Rotary Foundation Alumni, Foundation Funding, Recognition, Foundation Recognition Points, Foundation Awards and General Resources. Note: all blue underlined text in this guide are hyperlinks to online resources

The resource guide can be found on the District website <a href="www.rotarydistrict7410.org">www.rotarydistrict7410.org</a> by clicking on the District Rotary Foundation Tab

**PDG Paul F. Muczynski, Chair** District Foundation Committee Rotary District 7410 Tel 570.825.4724





# REMINDER

Deadline for applications is Saturday April 25th!

You can deliver them to me at District Conference

or I should receive them in the mail by the 25th.

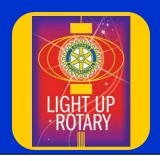
Late applications will only be accepted as space allows

and may be subject to a late fee.

If you have not yet reserved spots, please contact me right away.

Karen DeMatteo Registrar/ Chair karenandrotary@gmail.com 732.996.0403

Thank you for supporting our youth!



# Our Clubs in Action 7410

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#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF SAYRE

The Sayre Rotary club recently presented Charlie Hammond with a certificate recognizing his 11 years of perfect attendance. Presenting the certificate to Charlie is Elizabeth Hibbard, President of the club. The Sayre Rotary Club meets every Tuesday at 12:10 pm at the Rail House Restaurant in Waverly, NY. Sayre Rotarians are always looking for new people who want to make a difference in our community and beyond. Anyone interested in more information could go to <a href="https://www.Rotary.org">www.Rotary.org</a> or contact any current member or simply come to one of the meetings.



#### Waverly Rotary Club Wins "The Battle for the Shoe"

The members of the Athens, Sayre and Waverly Rotary Clubs recently met for battle on the lanes of the Valley Bowling Center to vie for their cherished trophy: The Shoe. The trophy was in the possession of Waverly Rotarians as last years' winners of the annual contest and with their success this year it will remain in their possession. Each year the Valley Rotary Clubs meet for lunch at the Valley Bowling Center, after which they have their bowling match. A good time is always had by all attending: those who bowl and those who cheer. Rotary is one of the oldest service organizations in existence, having been formed in 1905. Rotary's motto, Service Above Self, exemplifies the humanitarian spirit of the organization's more than 1.2 million members. Anyone interested in more information, should contact any current member or visit www.rotary.org.



Shown are various members of the Athens, Sayre and Waverly Rotary Clubs, Waverly Junior Rotarians and guests with Chris Curry and Jessica Schillmoeller of the winning Waverly team holding the trophy at the Valley Bowling Center, Waverly, NY.

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF PLAINS

#### **Show Us Your Voice Event**

The Plains Rotary conducted a voice competition on March 7, 2015 at the center court of the Wyoming Valley Mall. Plains Rotarian Mitch Kornfeld came up with the idea of conducting a singing completion as a way of thanking all the supporters of the various Plains Rotary fundraisers. The competition was divided into four age groups, Ages 5 - 8, 9 - 12, 13 - 15, and over 16. The winner of each age group received a prize, with the overall winner receiving two tickets to the Maroon 5 concert. The event was sponsored by the Wyoming Valley Mall and radio station 98.5 KRZ. The Plains Rotary is looking forward to holding another competition.



#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

#### Rotary Club of Tunkhannock's Newest Member

Kristin Smith-Gary was inducted into Rotary by President Norm Kelly at the Feb 19 Tunkhannock Rotary club luncheon at Purkey's Pink Apple. Kristin was sponsored and pinned by Harry Sharpe. Kristin is the Director of the Tunkhannock Public Library. She has been a regular speaker at Tunkhannock Rotary Club meetings, where she provides an annual update on how the Club's donations to the Library are being utilized.



Sponsor Harry Sharpe with new member Kristin Smith-Gary

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

#### Three Rotary Day Events in the Wyalusing Area

The Rotary Club of Tunkhannock recently held 3 Rotary Day events to introduce people in the Wyalusing area to Rotary. The first event was held on Feb. 11 at the Grovedale Winery in Wyalusing. Two additional sessions were held on Wednesday, March 4 at Mark's Valley View Restaurant in Laceyville. DG Carol Hemphill, AG George Gay, Club President Norm Kelly and several Tunkhannock Rotarians were in attendance to greet and answer questions about Rotary from the attendees. As a result of these events and the recruiting efforts of several Tunkhannock Rotarians familiar with the Wyalusing/Laceyville/Meshoppen area, it was determined that there was sufficient interest to establish a Rotary Club in the Wyalusing area, sponsored by the Tunkhannock Rotary Club. If you have any family, friends or colleagues who live or work in the Wyalusing area, whom you think might be interested in joining Rotary, please have them contact Barbara Tourscher, Al Noble, AG George Gay or President Norm Kelly at the Tunkhannock Rotary Club.

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

#### \$5,000 Check to Dietrich Theater

Erica Rogler, Executive Director of the Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock presented an update on Dietrich Theater projects at the Feb 5 Tunkhannock Rotary Club Meeting. Several programs at the Dietrich are fully or partially funded by Tunkhannock Rotary Club donations. Erica related that many projects relate to many aspects of the Arts, not just film. Live stage plays, including the popular Shakespeare in the Park production, showcase the talents of area residents and have been well-received. Additionally, programs to promote health and wellness, including exercise are now being offered.

The 2015 Dietrich Spring Film Festival will take place April 10-30 with twenty-five foreign, independent and

art films screened in twenty-one days.

President Norm Kelly presented a check for \$5,000 to Erica to fund special programs at the Dietrich Theater.



**Erica Rogler and President Norm Kelly** 

#### \$1,000 Donation to the Victims Resource Center

Janet MacKay, Executive Director of the Victims Resource Center (VRC), spoke at the Feb 26 Tunkhannock Rotary Club Luncheon at Purkey's Pink Apple. Janet began by thanking the Club for its generous donation of \$1,000 to help VCR continue its outstanding work. She reviewed the history of the VRC, which is celebrating its 40th Anniversary (in Luzerne County) helping all victims of abuse or criminal activities.

Janet then described a new initiative (Child Advocacy Center) of which VRC is a part to help children, who are victims of child abuse or are child witnesses to abuse or crime. The Child Advocacy Center will be funded by a grant through the Family Services Center for Wyoming and Susquehanna County and provide

centralized services and counseling for children and their families. The planning for the center is in process and it is hoped that the center will be running by the end of 2015.



Janet MacKay, Executive Director of VRC

#### **Tunkhannock Exchange Student Presentation**

Tunkhannock exchange student, Shiv Naik, from India spoke at the March 5 Tunkhannock Rotary Club Luncheon at Purkey's Pink Apple. Shiv's parents are dentists (his father is a member of the Rotary Club of Vapi India) and he has a twin brother Hari, who is an exchange student in Florida this year. Shiv talked about his sponsoring Rotary Club in India and the permanent projects that they have undertaken and about the incredible diversity in India with 4 major religions, 28 states and 25 major languages.

Shiv then spoke about his time in the US. He loves music and theater and acted in a play in the Fall. He did cross-country last Fall and is on the Tunkhannock Swim Team. He has experienced several firsts: his first METS game, first Homecoming (he was Homecoming King), first Thanksgiving and first snow. Although he loves our fast food, he does miss some of the foods of India. Along with the other 5 exchange students in Rotary District 7410, he went to New York City in December and attended a UN Conference.



Indian exchange student, Shiv

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF TUNKHANNOCK

#### **Tunkhannock Interact Club Project Updates**

At the February 19 Tunkhannock Rotary Club luncheon, the officers of the Tunkhannock High School Interact Club, accompanied by advisor Tommasina Fiorillo, presented a report about the various local and international projects in which they have been involved over the last year or are in the planning stage. In addition to helping the Tunkhannock Rotary Club collect donations at the Tunkhannock Rotary July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks and for Toys for Kids for Christmas on Black Friday Candy Cane Day, the club has contributed to the following projects:

- TOMS World Sight Day fundraiser to sponsor eye exams
- Stop Hunger Now volunteered their time for a day of preparing packages of food and vitamins
- Heifer International raised over \$2,500 including generous donations from local businesses and matched by the Tunkhannock Rotary Club to purchase a \$5,000 Gift Ark which includes two water buffalos, two cows, two sheep and two goats, along with bees, chicks, rabbits and more. Donating a Gift Ark helps a community by providing milk, eggs, honey and wool and helps sustain farming by providing livestock to work the land. A Gift Ark can improve the lives of families for generations.
- Raised money for the Rotary International Polio Plus fundraiser at the Homecoming Bon Fire and during Parent-Teacher Conference days.
- Pulsera Project for Nicaraguan citizens Interact Club members sold bracelets made by Nicaraguan citizens and returned the money earned to Nicaragua.
- TOMS One for One: One Day without Shoes The club is exploring the idea of adding the TOMS One for One: One Day without Shoes, perhaps in May.

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF TRAIL



The Rotary Club of Trail recently enjoyed a visit by Mary Ellen Bentler. Mary Ellen generously gave her time to answer questions regarding Rotary Grant do's and don'ts.

L-R: Nikki Stone, Lisa Logan Clough, Mary Ellen Bentler, club president, Martin Reynolds, Ray and Barbara Petty and PDG Bill Speare.

District Grant Money in conjunction with the Trail Rotary Club provided two new computers and a printer to the Factoryville Public Library. Patrons at this small local library now have computer access.



L-R: Trail Rotary's Lisa Logan Clough, and from the FPL Paula Litwin, Sharon North, Eleanor Kane and Leslie Litwin



#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

#### Service Above Self

Birthdays! We all have them and mark them for ourselves and for others. We keep pictures as reminders of birthdays of our family. Kids with cake on their faces are pictured strapped into high chairs, while adults wearing funny hats, smile. If we are lucky enough to just *get old*, then the celebrations become, perhaps less rowdy but maybe more meaningful, as we rejoice on the successful living of another year. In January, Rotarians stood and clapped and sang for a special birthday. Howard Hyde, our oldest Rotarian, celebrated his birthday, his 96<sup>th</sup> at the Inn at Nichols Village at a Thursday, Rotary Club meeting.

Howard joined our club in 1970 and for each one of those years he has been a faithful member who has lent his many talents to Rotary projects. As a registered architect, working with local architectural firms, he tackled big projects on a national and international level but was never too busy to design and oversee plans to help our community.

Although Howard is the oldest member, we have others who joined in the 1960s and 1970s and come to almost every Rotary meeting. Rotarians Gus Vlassis joined in 1968, Warren Watkins in 1969. Both of them took their leadership skills beyond the local level and became Rotary District Governors, leading multiple clubs in the northeast. Steve Selige and Wayne Trivelpiece became members in 1973. Guy Cali joined in 1976, Harry Mumford in 1978, and Gene Little in 1981. These men came from all different career paths: teacher; electrical designer; real estate developer; photographer; industrial engineer; businessmen and more. Each joined Rotary to combine their talents and skills with others. Collectively these eight men have contributed almost three hundred *years* of service. If you just wander around our area you will see the results of the work they did in that time period.

When the playground at the Waverly Community House was re-constructed in the 1980s, these Rotarians were there. Not only did they bring their own tools but when they arrived, each had a kazoo in hand and walking toward the playground, they kazood, "Hi Ho, Hi Ho! It's off to work we go..." All the other volunteer workers just stopped and applauded as Rotarians marched up to sing and to work.

If you go to the Clarks Summit Senior Center, just stop outside that door and look around, the landscaping around the Center was put in place by the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. No work was too dirty or too backbreaking as bushes were planted, dirt was moved, grass was put in, and weeds were dug out. The same kind of landscaping was done at the Abington Community Library. If you stop on a summer day for a drink in the shade, perhaps you will sit in the pavilion at the South Abington Park, designed and constructed by some of these same Rotarians in our club. Do you throw trash in the receptacles along State Street in Clarks Summit? Planters and receptacles were designed and built by them. Planters continue to be maintained by one of them.

A road sign featuring the Rotary wheel advertises our club and stands on Summit Hill in Clarks Summit. Construction for it was completed years ago by these same Rotarians. A few weeks ago the sign showed its age and although all of these men also show their ages, they refurbished the sign and returned it to the road. They never said a word to anyone at our meeting about what they had done.

Why would anyone, busy with career development and family responsibilities, do the physical and mental labor that these men did in the 1970s and continue to do today? The answer is love.

Marvin Hamlish wrote these lyrics in the famous Broadway play, A Chorus Line.

Kiss today goodbye, And point me t'ward tomorrow We did what we had to do Won't forget, can't regret What I did for love.

Imagine that! Eight men have contributed three hundred years of all kinds of community service just for the love of doing good.

February is a month for remembering those we love. Valentine's Day is the one day of the year when love is especially exchanged through cards and candy and flowers. For Rotarians, love showing is not just for that one day but for any day where good can be done.

As Rotarians, we are pointed toward tomorrow. We don't forget, we can't regret what we did for love.

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE ABINGTONS

#### Recycling At Its Best

The Pocket Library of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania is in the making at a wood shop in the Abingtons. In late Spring or early Summer, you will be able to come to the Pocket Library, open a very small door, reach in, and be surprised at what might be inside. Perhaps the daily paper, or a magazine, a well-read book or a reading adventure for a teenager, will be in the pocket library ready for the taking. This soon-to-be available library is currently being constructed by Rotarian, Harry Mumford.

Almost one hundred and fifty years ago, in Bridgehampton, New York, two hundred miles from Clarks Summit, a library was opened to the public. A private home had been bequeathed to the Long Island town. At that time cedar trees grew in abundance and local people used those trees to accommodate the needs of the library. Doors, frames and book shelves were primarily made from the cedar wood, transforming the ordinary home into the Bridgehampton Library. It was a popular place back in the late nineteenth century, so popular that every few years the library had to expand until all of the original house was used from basement to attic.

In the present day the trustees of the Bridgehampton library felt that major renovation was necessary. In 2008 the trustees voted to meet the needs of library goers in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. While keeping the look of the original house, the inside changed to modern standards. The original wooden shelves needed to be replaced. People in the town were invited to come into the library and help themselves to the cedar wood shelves.

Rotarian Harry Mumford lives part of the year in the Abingtons and summers on Long Island. He and his wife, Julia, are regulars at the Bridgehampton Library. In 2008, he heard that the old Bridgehampton library shelves would be replaced and the old shelving would be given to anyone who wanted it. Harry salvaged some of the one hundred year old cedar. He had no idea when he stored the wood in his summer home where it would end. He just could not stand having those book shelves with time-worn quality sheen, go to waste.

In August of 2014, the idea of putting up a small library in Clarks Summit was discussed at a Rotary meeting at Nichols Village. The men who first had developed the planters and garbage bins, listened to the idea of making a tiny library. All those at the table said that a project like that would need a quality wood crafter, namely Harry Mumford. While at that meeting, a call was placed to Harry in his Long Island home. The Pocket Library was explained to him. Harry immediately jumped on the idea and said he would not only enjoy building the tiny library in his woodshop but he had cedar wood shelving from the old Bridgehampton library for the box. When he returned to northeastern Pennsylvania in the fall, he brought those wooden cedar pieces with him and took them to Rotary to ask the opinion of others. All agreed. The aged cedar would be a perfect home for the Pocket Library of Clarks Summit.

At Harry's home wood shop the Pocket Library takes shape. Harry had followed the drawing of Rotarian and Architect Ned Connell's design. The plan called for a box with one shelf, a triangular top with a peaked roof, a window and a glass door. The box, made entirely of the old cedar book shelves, is finished. Harry's next step would be the construction of the door and window. For supplies, he took a trip to the Do It Center in Dalton and spoke with owner Doug LaCoe. The two men were old friends, and had often talked about projects. Harry explained how the old cedar book shelves from Long Island were the basis of the Pocket Library for Clarks Summit. Harry said he was looking for some kind of glass to make the doors. Doug said he had just the thing and that if Harry was contributing his time and talent to make a community library, then the Dalton Do It Center could contribute the glass for the doors.

The architectural plan calls for a wooden triangle beneath a peaked roof. Upon completion, Steve Young will laser a colored Rotary logo into that triangle. At this moment there is no roof. We are still debating what the roof should be made of, shingles or perhaps a copper cover.

Our library is part of a world-wide movement called the Little Free Library, LTD. Each tiny library is merely a box of books where anyone can pick up a book or two and perhaps bring a different one back at another time. The sharing of books is part of the literacy program sponsored by Rotary International and on our local level, we share that ideal.

As spring comes after a long, white winter, our Pocket Park on Depot Street will again be under construction and when all is ready, the Pocket Library will be placed at the edge of the park so anyone can pick up a book, sit in the park and read. Just as people pulled a book from a cedar wooden shelf in the Bridgehampton library in 1860, so will we pick up something to read in a tiny library made from those old,cedar shelves. Recycling, for sure, at its best!

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

#### Dallas Rotary Club celebrates 88th anniversary

Members and friends of the Rotary Club of Dallas recently gathered at the Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate, Dallas to celebrate the 88th anniversary of the signing of the club's charter in March 1927. That historic event launched almost nine decades of "Service Above Self" by the club members in our Back Mountain community.

One of the highlights of this year's charter night celebration was the presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow Award for "Service Above Self" to one of its members, Past President Melissa Saxon, who is a second-time winner of this prestigious award. The award was in recognition of her hard work and accomplishments in our Rotary Youth Programs.

The Dallas Rotary Club is part of Rotary International, the world's first all-volunteer service club founded in 1905 with more than 1.2 million members in more than 34,000 clubs in more than 200 countries around the world. The local members support our community and make it a better place to live.

Some of the signature projects founded by and/or participated in by the Dallas Rotary Club throughout the years include the founding of the Luzerne County Fair, the establishment of the Back Mountain Memorial Library and the annual auction, the annual children's Christmas shopping spree for 45 less fortunate children in the school districts of Dallas, Lake-Lehman and Northwest, book scholarships for college-bound high school seniors, dictionaries for third graders, assistance to the Back Mountain Food Pantry, the annual charity golf tournament, the annual Wine and Dine Festival, Christmas luncheon and gift bags for Dallas Senior Center members, and much more.

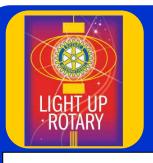
The Rotary Club of Dallas meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Irem Country Club in Dallas. Membership inquiries are always welcome. Visit<u>dallasrotaryclub.com</u> and <u>Rotary.org</u> for more information.



Caption: The Rotary Club of Dallas awarded a Paul Harris Fellow Award for "Service Above Self" to Past President Melissa Saxon who has been a Rotarian since 1992. From left: Assistant Governor Jerry Reisch, Past District Governor Art Peoples, President Randy Loyd, Past President Melissa Saxon, Past President Paul Saxon, District Governor Carol Hemphill.



Caption: At a recent meeting, the Rotary Club of Dallas welcomed returning member Jason Moran. From left: Past President Paul Saxon, Jason Moran, President Randy Loyd, AG Jerry Reisch.



# Future Club Events and Fundraisers

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#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF WYOMING



### "Happy Hour Fundraiser"

Friday April 10, 2015 Starting at 5:30 PM at







347 Vaughn Street in Luzerne

Complimentary Pizza and Wings Raffles Prizes and More!

#### **Admission Cost:**

A donation of any denomination is appreciated.



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# ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH POCONO

for the benefit of

# Youth and Community Projects

Drawing to be held:

Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 5:30 PM Elmhurst Country Club

Donation: \$85.00 per ticket

#### MAXIMUM OF 200 TICKETS TO BE SOLD.

Each ticket includes two (2) dinners and the chance to win a Television or many other exciting prizes at least every 10th ticket drawn.



For Tickets and Information Contact:

**CAROL DERRIG: (570) 815-7126** 

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## The Rotary Club of Plymouth's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament Sunday May 17, 2015 Rolling Pines Golf Course, Berwick

\$90.00 per player/\$360 per team
Complimentary Breakfast, Ice Cold Beverages served on the course,
Clean Motor Cart, post-golf dinner with plenty of food,
Prizes, Prizes, Prizes!!!!!!!!

Captain	Name	Phone
Crew		
Crew		
Crew		

Make checks payable to the Rotary Club of Plymouth. Tournament limited to the first 100 golfers. Deadline to register is May 10, 2015. Any questions, please contact PDG Budd O'Malia at 570-814-3918 or President JK Karavis at 570-574-4246.

Mail Checks to: Rotary Club of Plymouth P.O. Box 122 Plymouth, Pa. 18651





#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF PLYMOUTH

## Rotary Club of Plymouth 15th Annual Golf Tournament

Dear Friend,

The Rotary Club of Plymouth will be conducting it's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at Rolling Pines Golf Course in Berwick. Much of the proceeds from last year's tournament supported our holiday efforts throughout the local community. From Santa Claus coming to town, to our Kids @ Kristmas shopping spree, to our holiday food pantry, our community has certainly prospered from your generosity in supporting our efforts. Chaperones escorted the children through the aisles for their favorite prizes and put a little "magic" into their holiday season. This year we are asking for your support again. All we do is impossible without the support of the local community and YOU!! It is because of your contributions that our projects succeed. You can sponsor a hole or donate a gift certificate or prize. Either way, your donations help to make our tournament successful and keeps people coming back year after year. Thanks for making our tourney a success

Hole Sponsorship: Platinum \$250 Gold \$100 Silver \$50

	Sponsor should read:		
Gift Certificate			
Prize			

Thanks for making our tourney a success

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF DALLAS

# Third Annual Wine and Dine Festival will benefit Rotary charities Saturday, June 27th from noon until 6:00 p.m.

The Dallas Rotary Club, in association with the Dallas Area Fall Fair, Inc., will be sponsoring another special event on Saturday, June 27 from noon until 6:00 p.m. at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Rt. 118, Dallas, PA. The Dallas Rotary Wine & Dine Festival will feature tastings of the finest wines and specialty foods from the Back Mountain and Endless Mountains area. A variety of goods will be for sale by local craftsmen, and popular area bands will supply musical entertainment all day long.

Tickets will be \$15.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. Designated drivers will be admitted for a reduced fee of \$5.00 and be given special identification.

Tickets may be purchased after April 15th at several local restaurants and merchants: J&J Deli, Dallas; Valentine's Fine Jewelry, Dallas; Gerrity's Supermarkets, Hanover, Luzerne, West Pittston and Wyoming; Hilbert's Tractor Store, Dallas; Pierce Drugs, Kingston; Marianacci's Restaurant, Wyoming; Amelia's Diner, Shavertown; Gay's True Value Hardware, Tunkhannock; Rodano's, Wilkes-Barre.

You may visit the Wine & Dine web site at <a href="www.DallasRotaryWineandDine.com">www.DallasRotaryWineandDine.com</a> or look for them on Facebook for more ticket information at local retailers or on line.



Some of the members of the Dallas Rotary Wine and Dine Festival Committee from the Rotary Club of Dallas and the Dallas Area Fall Fair, Inc., recently gathered to work out some of the details for the event on Saturday, June 27 from noon until 6:00 PM at the fair grounds on Rt. 118, Dallas. Seated from left: Ed Gray, Melissa Saxon, Paul Saxon, Brenda Pugh. Standing from left: Joe Stager, Kim Reisch, Jason Jolley, Sandy Peoples, Ken Chapple.

### **New Rotarians**

Abingtons Paul Keeler

Kenny Price

Noreen Thomas

Dallas Jason Moran

Hamlin Maria Zengion

Hazleton Donna Delehanty

Stroudsburgs Rick Saldan

Troy Amberleigh Packard

Tunkhannock Kristin Smith-Gary

Wellsboro Rachel Bowers

Craig Devenport Joseph Rodriguez

Gary Wolfe

West End Ronald DeCesare



#### District 7410 February, 2015 Club Attendance

Club	Total Mem.	New Mem.	Feb. Attend
Abingtons	62	3	0.00%
Athens	15		0.00%
Blakeslee	13		63.46%
Dallas	41	1	55.00%
Dunmore	16	•	0.00%
Forest City Area	11		72.70%
Freeland	6		0.00%
Greater Nanticoke	10		0.00%
Hamlin	24	1	65.00%
Hawley	19		62.00%
Hazleton	86	1	40.82%
Honesdale	36	•	50.00%
Jim Thorpe	22		0.00%
Kingston	25		68.00%
Lehighton	11		80.00%
Mid-Valley	6		50.00%
Milford-Matamoras	28		0.00%
Montrose	25		74.00%
Mountaintop	15		70.00%
Mt. Pocono	14		0.00%
New Milford	11		0.00%
Newfoundland	40		41.86%
North Pocono	18		0.00%
North Scranton	26		78.00%
Pittston	10		0.00%
Plains	24		0.00%
Plymouth	18		62.00%
Pocono Mountains	21		40.00%
Sayre	13		73.00%
Scranton	36		0.00%
Smithfields	20		52.00%
Stroudsburgs	102	1	68.71%
Towanda	18		65.00%
Trail	12		68.00%
Troy	25	1	75.00%
Tunkhannock	87	1	0.00%
Weatherly	11		75.00%
Wellsboro	51	4	0.00%
West End	32	1	0.00%
Wilkes-Barre	28		0.00%
Winola	17		0.00%
Wyoming	17		0.00%