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News from District 7410



Letter from the District Governor

May Governor's Letter

May 1st, the traditional May Day, started out with a "Breakfast with the Governor" at the Rotarian-owned Woodland's Inn, site of the lodging for the District Conference staff, youth exchange students, keynote speakers, and general hangers-on. This was the conference staff's opportunity to recap the two days of sessions, decide what we would have done differently, and record some suggestions to pass on to future governors and conference committees. We also had the chance to thank our absolutely wonderful group of exchange students for the assistance they gave our Saturday night keynote speaker, Nate Lombardi.

As to the conference, I can give you some highlights and show you some photos, but you really want to ask any of the 310 people who attended part or all of the conference for comments on what made the biggest impression on them.

Some factoids:

- **Friday's Golf Tourney** attracted 49 stalwarts, who played the last two holes in the rain. Governor Barbara carried on the tradition of hitting the first shot, with both regular golf ball and a second swing using a nerf ball. No one ran up to her for an autograph or an offer to play in their foursome!
- 40 of our 43 Rotary clubs were represented over the two-day conference. Great turnout!
- Attendance: Friday 153, Saturday AM Plenary and lunch 183,
 Saturday Gala 155. Again, very respectable numbers.
 - Awards:
 - Nine (9) Paul Harris Fellows were recognized on Friday night.
- Mary Ellen Bentler (Hamlin) received the Rotary Foundation
 Achievement Award
- Jim Davenport (Dunmore) received the Rotary International Vocational Service Award
 - o Carol Ziomek (Tunkhannock) received the Governor's Award
- o **Most Unwanted Art Contest** *ABSOLUTELY NO CONTEST!* Wyalusing walked away with \$219.70 sent into TRF Annual/Share fund, under their club's name. (Continues on Next Page.)





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DISTRICT GOVERNOR CONTINUES

- to Jeff Hathaway (Hamlin)
- Club Video another Hamlin win, with credit going to Tyler Marie Simmons for her creative work on behalf of the club.
- Best Costumes at the Elizabethan Feast: Sherry Robinson (Hazleton), whose mother made her the costume, and John Rocchio (The Stroudsburgs) who let his hair grow in order to fit the part. What a sacrifice!
- Membership Cup was earned by the Hamlin club. Great year, Hamlin!

Thanks to all who joined in the merriment, who gave their time preparing excellent presentations with plenty of visual content, and for the staff behind the scenes who brought it all together. In particular, I want to call out the Rotary Conference Choir, who with less than two hours of rehearsal not only sang grace in Latin, but brought the conference to a close with the traditional "Now, O Now I Needs Must Part". Additionally, the Rotary Club of Wyoming needs special recognition for going above and beyond with their costumes and special preparations to carry in the boar's head on Saturday night. I'm still humming "I Ain't Got No Body"... [poetic license takenl

But wait, we may have had a rockin' weekend, but the 2015-16 Rotary year isn't over yet. Still to come:

- Sunday, June 5th "Rotary Day at the Ballpark" - come join 100+ of your fellow Rotarians at the Kost pavilion for an afternoon to celebrate Rotary in northeast Pennsylvania. Look in this issue for the ticket order form.
- Sunday, June 26th Annual Banner Exchange - where the District Banner is passed to DGE Marcia Loughman, and DG Barbara prepares to fade into the sunset.
- Sunday, June 26th First day of RYLA at Keystone College, with final program scheduled for June 30th.

Thanks, Conference Creative Committee, attending Rotarians, spouses, guests, actors, choir, my fabulous AG team, and YEXers for making this year's District Conference absolutely one to remem-

Shakespeare Quote contest - honors went ber. It's in the history books now, and Rotary continues!



Unwanted, but a Winner Nonetheless

The Wyalusing Rotary Club's entry into the Most Unwanted Artwork contest ended up as our first-place winner. Ann Burgess, Wyalusing's President-Elect, saw this hanging on a wall while traveling and just had to have it. Her taste for the tasteless proved to be sublime.



Winner of Best Costume for the Elizabethan Feast among females was Hazleton's Sherry Robinson (left).



District Rotarians Vote for RI Zone Director

TO: Rotarians of District 7410

FROM: Barbara Belón, District Governor 2015-16

DATE: May 3, 2015

On Saturday, April 30th, 2016, Governor Belón opened a special session at 3:00 pm to conduct a roll-call vote for determining the candidate that would represent our district at the meeting to select the next RI Director from Zone 32. It was verified that a quorum of our 43 clubs (i.e. 22 + 1) was present since 25 clubs were represented, and the vote could continue.

At that point PDG Toni McAndrew raised the question whether the quorum was established using the RI rules of half the district's clubs plus 1, or if the quorum was further restricted by clubs present carrying valid ballots. No one present knew the answer to that, so Governor Barbara conducted the roll call and collected the ballots from the clubs present who had hand-carried their ballots to the session. Governor Belon told those gathered that the ballots would not be counted until such time as PDG McAndrew's question could be answered. If the simple quorum was sufficient, then the ballots would be counted and the results announced. However if the quorum had to be established by, in our district's case, 23 clubs bearing valid ballots, then the due to insufficient numbers, the quorum would not have been established, and the Governor would have to hand the ballots over to the District Nominating Committee for resolution.

From Sunday to early Tuesday, information and clarification was sought from the RI Manual of Procedure, RI Club Support personnel, the District Policies and Procedures document, and from three sitting governors from other districts, requesting information on what procedure was used to establish a quorum at their district conferences. All input verified that the simple method of establishing a quorum was appropriate, and our vote could proceed.

On Tuesday evening, immediately after the end of the Rotary Club of Lehighton's meeting, Rotarians Michael Heery (Past President) and Reverend Leon Morgan (Club Secretary) were asked to open and record the ballots under the supervision of Governor Belón. The results of the vote are as follows:

One (1) ballot was declared invalid because the name on the ballot was not one of the two candidates. Seven clubs present did not come with the requested letter from their clubs, recording their vote. Those were considered abstentions. Of the 17 clubs submitting valid ballots, vote totals were as follows:

PDG Paul Muczynski

23 votes

PDG Ted Silver

2 votes

Unless contested, the name of PDG Paul Muczynski will be submitted to RI Corporate Governance, with PDG Ted Silver being listed as our alternate to the Nominating Committee. Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Huffman de Belon District Governor 2015-16

Announcing the Rotary District 7410 Short Story Illustration Winners...

Congratulations are in order for the following students whose illustrations have been selected for inclusion on the 2015-16 Rotary District 7410 Short Story and Illustrations Booklet:

Rank	Winners	High School	Sponsoring Club
1	Jaelyn Rehm	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe
2	Malorie Gorman	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe
2	Meridian Garinger	Tunkhannock Area High School	Tunkhannock
4	Rachael Recica	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe
5	Kimberly Meckwood	Lackawanna Trail High School	Trail
6	Emily Burpo	Wallenpaupack Area H.S.	Hawley
7	Meridian Garinger	Tunkhannock Area High School	Tunkhannock
8	Aziza Bennyhoff	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe
9	Shaunalea Archer	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe
10	Emily Burpo	Wallenpaupack Area H.S.	Hawley
11	Randy Kuntz	Carbon County Technical Inst.	Jim Thorpe

Illustrator Jaelyn Rehm not only takes 1st place honors but will also have her illustration placed on the cover of the booklet.

All of the above students will receive a \$50 gift card and are invited to attend the April 30th awards ceremony, being held at the Mohegan Sun Conference Center, Wilkes-Barre, PA. Short Story and Illustration awards are scheduled for 11:30 am, followed by lunch, to which the students are invited.

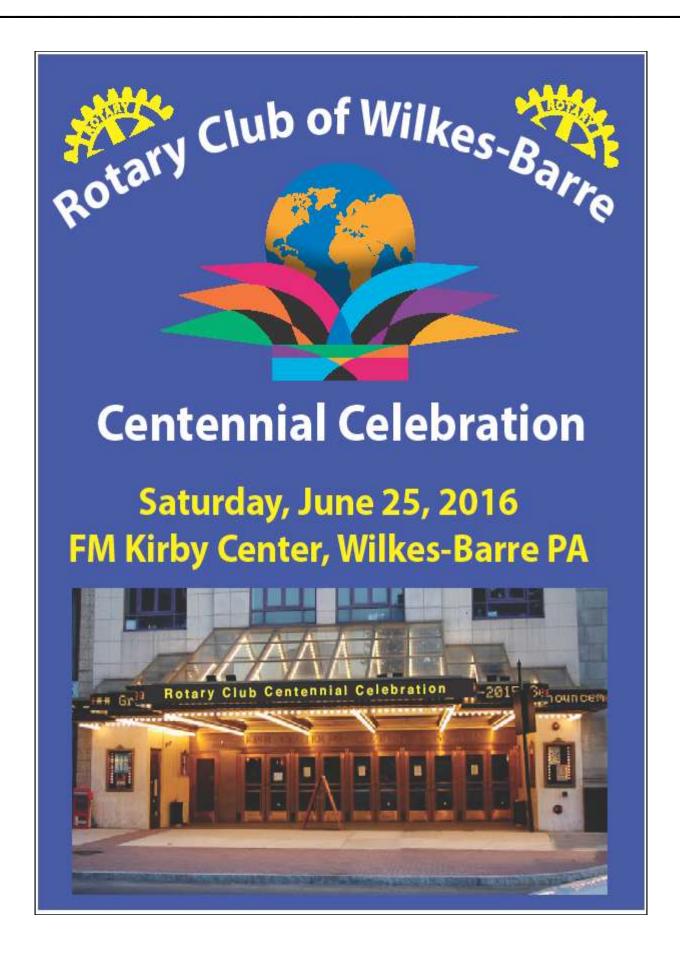
Winning students will receive an invitation letter in the mail. If their schedule does not permit them to attend, then the gift cards will be delivered to Rotarians from the sponsoring club.

Thanks to all of you who lent your encouragement for participating in this conference. Just FYI, four of the seven judges were either art instructors or artists in their own right, and I greatly appreciate the time they took in the judging. If you would like to see all the entries, please visit http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50202/PhotoAlbums/poster-contest-entries



Dallas Club Awards Young Story Tellers

The next great novel, in a few years of course, could very easily be written by a present day student in the Dallas School District. The Rotary Club of Dallas recently sponsored a short story contest, and three students emerged as winners: first place, Kira Pomrinke; second place, Caitlin Curran; third place, Anderson Leo. Each winner was given a certificate and a monetary award. From left: Dallas Rotary Club president Jason Jolley, Anderson Leo, Kira Pomrinke, Caitlin Curran, contest chairperson, Rotarian Melissa Saxon.



Thank You, Rotarians of District 7410

Dear Rotarians/Dear friends,

I learned on May 4, 2016 that, thanks to all of you, I have been awarded a Global Grant in the

amount of \$30,000 toward a Master's Fall. I cannot tell you how honored I program in Arabic, Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies at the University of Leeds, England beginning in the

am to be receiving such a substantial grant to pursue further education in the focus area of Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution.

Having served my country for two years as a Peace Corps Volunteer in West Africa and worked as an International Civil Servant with the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations in post and active conflict zones, including Kosovo, Afghanistan and Cote d'Ivoire, I have first-hand experience in the area of Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution and would endeavor to continue such work. Our government is in great need of trained professionals who also have critical language skills. Thus I would be open to positions where my skill set would be of most use to my own government and/or international organizations working toward the same goal upon completing my studies.

I am a proud graduate of College Misericordia, now Misericordia University, and have come back to give back by inspiring other students to study abroad and learn more about the world. There are amazing students at our local universities and we need them out in the world. One person can indeed change the world, the world around them, the one they encounter every day. You are indeed helping one such local graduate.

Your trust and confidence in granting me this award will go to good use. I hope to make you all very proud

SEE, "THANK YOU," PAGE SEVEN...



Plymouth Rocks at Rotary District Conference

The Rotary Club of Plymouth was well represented at this year's conference, posing with District Governor Barbara. Shown (from left) are Rotarians Joe Paglianite, David Yefko, Janet Franchella, DG Barbara and JK Karavis

District Conference Photos Available!

To View/Order Photos: (we suggest using Google). Go to: WWW.VIPSTUDIOSINC.COM

Click on Galleries and locate your favorite.

Digital Files are available by contacting the Studio

directly for press releases and social media.

To contact VIP STUDIOS. call 570-839-2020 or email at vipstudios@verizon.net.

We've shared some conference photos in this issue, and you can count on a few more in June.

May Newsletter Put on Hold

Because the District Rotary Conference fell during the final days of April, we put this newsletter on hold for a few days so we report some of the good stuff that took place in a timely manner. There will certainly be more conference follow-up coverage in the June newsletter, too.

Thanks to all who attended. It was you who made it a success. We'll be back to getting out the district news on the first of the month in June.

The Rotary Club of Honesdale

Everybody's a Winner at Annual 'Night at the Races'

...And they're off! If you love horse racing, Honesdale Rotary invites you to its Night at the Races on Friday, May 27th at the Beach Lake Fire Hall. A \$15 admission fee per person entitles you to a horse plus free snacks and beer—all you can consume. Name your horse and watch it compete. If your horse wins, you win \$50. Additional horses cost \$10 and bets are available throughout the night for \$2 each.

"This is a really fun night," says Maureen Beilman, committee chair, "People get very excited about their horses, standing up and rooting for them all night. It's a highlycharged atmosphere of goodnatured competition. one, come all! And support a good cause at the same time."

The cash-only event will

THANK YOU...

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that you were able to assist in promoting Peace and Conflict Resolution/Prevention wherever I find myself in the world following my studies.

Thank you all again and may God bless you for your generosity and the important work you do as Rotarians.

Sincerely, Marguerite Roy



Honesdale Rotary's Night at the Races Committee holding invitations, left to right: Maureen Beilman; Andy Chapman, club president; Jim Mould; Kay Revnolds, club secretary; John O'Reilly, event emcee.

also include an instant bingo building batting cages for the game and a 50/50 raffle. You Honesdale Little Baseball Assomust be 21 to participate and an ciation and providing art sup-ID will be required to enter.

Proceeds support Honesdale Rotary projects locally and inter- or by calling Andy at 570-470nationally. Recent efforts includi 9042.

plies for Treasure House.

Tickets available at the door

Saturday Presenter Just One Conference Highlight



LaDiva's words of thanks to our District Governor.



Pictured above is LaDiva Dietitian's trademark martini glass which she gave to DG Barbara. Wonder if you can make low-calorie martinis? Her cookie snacks were delicious, too.



NORTHEAST ROTARY 9TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Hosted by The Rotary Clubs of Trail, Forest City Area and Winola

Monday, June 6, 2016
Stone Hedge Golf Course
Check In – 8:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start: 9:00 a.m.
Entry Fee
\$90 per Player

Format: Captain & Crew. You may enter as a single entry or foursome.

<u>Includes</u>: Greens fees for 18 holes of golf, golf cart, sleeve of balls, turn around lunch, cash prizes, 1 lb steak dinner

Many Chances to Win Cash Prizes:

Hole in One Prize: \$10,000

1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Flight Winners (Cash and/or Gift Certificate for a Round of Golf) Raffle drawing for lots of prizes

50/50 - Paid \$750 & \$600 past years!

Pot of Gold (50/50)
Putting Contest (50/50)
Closest to the Pin on 7 (wins \$100)
Closest to the Pin on 10 (wins \$100)
Closest to the Pin on 14 (wins \$100)
Closest to the Pin on 16 (wins \$100)
Men's Long Drive (wins \$100)
Women's Long Drive (wins \$100)

After Golf... Keg of Beer, Cash Bar & Steak Dinner

Captain/Name:

Address

Phone:

Email:

Player 2:

Phone/Email:

Player 3:

Phone/Email:

Player 4:

Phone/Email:

Amount Enclosed: \$ \$90 per golfer

Please return this registration form with a check made payable to:
Rotary Club of Trail c/o Ray's Supermarkets Corp Office
720 S. Keyser Avenue
Taylor, PA 18517

—Contact Ray at 570-885-1073 if you'd like to donate money or a prize of just come for dinner at \$35 a person.—

21st Annual Community AVIATION DAY

Sunday, May 29, 2016

at Pocono Mountains Municipal Airport - MPO
188 Airport Drive, Tobyhanna, PA

Fly-In · Drive-In BREAKFAST

8 am - 2 pm Rain or Shine







and Smuggler's Cove

OPEN HOUSE

Public Welcome . . . Bring the Whole Family and Your Lawn Chairs!

Memorial Day Veterans Ceremony 12 noon and Parachute Demonstration 1:30pm

Static Displays • Antiques • Military • Experimental • Antique Cars & Motorcycles Pocono Raceway Pace Car • Refreshments Available

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The Rotary Club of Montrose

Van to Play Vital Role in Curbing Drug Addiction

In mid-April a press conference was held on the campus of Endless Mountains Health Systems, Montrose, to announce the delivery of a van designated in the fight against drug abuse in Susquehanna County.

Donated by the Hornbeck Auto Dealership in Forest City, painted by Molenko's Paint Shop & Signgraphics, Brooklyn, with financial contributions from Endless Mountains Health Systems, and the Rotary Club of Montrose, the van will be used in a new program promoted by Susquehanna County District Attorney Robert Klein to create awareness and reduce prescription drug abuse.

PDG Ray Wilmarth stated, "Ruth and I have watched our son for more than thirty years as he has worked conscientiously helping people fight drug addiction, only to see the problem grow. I am proud to see our Rotary Club step up and become involved in this major effort to fight drug addiction".

Hazleton Rotary Club Kidz Coatz Tally: 2,500 and Climbing

Since the beginning of Kidz Coatz in 2007, The Hazleton Rotary Foundation felt a new winter coat would not only help warm a child when traveling to and from school, but also increase their self-esteem. For many of the students, this is the first new coat they have ever owned.

The teachers confidentially provide the student's name and coat size and HRF purchases the coats. With the help of Hazleton Rotary Club members they sort and deliver the coats to all Hazleton



Montrose Rotary members happily pose with the new van they helped procure for the Endless Mountains Health Systems near Montrose, Shown are $(from\ left)\ Rex\ Catlin$, Larry Souder, Steve Spero, and PDG Ray Wilmarth.

The Rotary Club of Wilkes-Barre



Wilkes-Barre Rotarians Tour Children's Center

Members of the Rotary Club of Wilkes-Barre are shown following their tour of the Wyoming Valley Children's Association, a nonprofit that was founded in part by the Club. The Rotary Club of Wilkes-Barre is celebrating 100 years in 2016. Standing (L-R) are Mark Chamberlain, Joe Broghamer, Charlie Davis, Bob Lawrence H. Merritt Hughes. Seated are Donna Sedor, Claudia Sharp and Amanda Salvo Cromer.



The Rotary Club of Hazleton recently donated \$5,000 to the Hazleton Rotary Foundation to continue their Kidz Coatz project. L to R: Rotary Club President Ron Avellino, Foundation President Lex

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Area Elementary Schools (except Freeland which is handled by the Freeland Rotary Club).

The project was funded over the years by grants from several other local foundations.

Club members also provided erously donated by some funds, but not the Hazleton Rotary Club itself.

"Over 2,500 new coats have been purchased and distributed to area students

since Kidz Coatz started. The numbers are not decreasing and the need continues. This past year we were also able to buy new coats for the boys at the United Charities Home." comments Lex Sloot Rotary Foundation Individual Hazleton Rotary President. "The money gen-Hazleton Rotary Club will allow us to purchase more new coats in the future and will be used for that purpose only."

Registration Form Checks must accompany each entry and may be personal or corporate checks. Name: Address: Number of Golfers: Names of Golfers: Our Participation will be: Tournament Sponsor w/ foursome \$1500 Cart Sponsor w/ foursome \$1000 Lunch Sponsor w/ foursome \$1000 Gold Sponsor w/ foursome \$520 Silver Sponsor w/ foursome \$450 Single(s) Golfer (each) \$95 Hole Sponsor Sponsorship Sign(s) are to read as follows: Total Amount Enclosed:

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Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains 1056 Rte 390, Cresco, PA 18326



The Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains **Annual Golf Tournament** Hosted @ Mount Airy Golf Club

Friday, July 15th, 2016

Registration & Breakfast • 8 am Shotgun Start • 9 am Lunch • 2 pm

Included with your golf registration there will be a continental breakfast served at the Course. Following golf, share in a lunch buffet.



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



We thank you in advance for supporting Rotary, which in turn supports your local community!



The Rotary Club of Hazleton

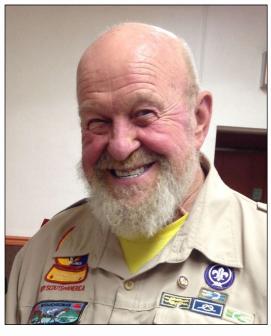
'Interim' Scout Leader Going Strong after 58 Years

The Rotary Club of Hazleton is proud to announce that C. Wayne Oberst has been selected as the Paul Harris Recognition Award winner from the Greater Hazleton Area.

Mr. Oberst and eight others selected by their respective Rotary Clubs, Rotary District 7410 (43 clubs serving 10 counties in NEPA) was honored on Friday, April 29, 2016 at the Mohegan Sun Conference Center. Nominees are honored for their "Service Above Self" volunteer work in their respective communities.

Wayne was named "interim" Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 207 at the United Church of Christ, Conyngham Valley in 1958 when he was 21 years old. Fifty-eight years later, at age 79, Wayne is still "Scouting Strong" as demonstrated by his work as Scoutmaster. He runs a weekly 90-minute meeting with the boys, conducts a monthly parents meeting, holds a monthly meeting with the youth leaders, goes on a monthly weekend camping trip, runs a week long canoe trip to the Adirondacks and attends district meetings. In addition, he meets with scouts and their parents for individual development and conference. He also leads his troop in numerous community service projects that do not benefit scouting, but rather benefit other community needs.

"He has made an impact on hundreds of young men, teaching them outdoor skills and camping, but also character, citizenship and leadership. He has taken them on trips to camps and historical sites all across the country and has dedicated his life to scouts and



C. Wayne Oberst: Paul Harris Recognition Award Winner.

the scouting program." explains Lew Dryfoos, III a fellow Scouting volunteer who has known Oberst for 40 years and nominated him for this award.

Eighty-three boys have reached the rank of Eagle Scout under Wayne's leadership, including two fathers, each of whom had a son who also earned the Eagle Scout award from Troop 207.

"I'm having too much fun to step down as Troop 207 Scoutmaster just yet. As long as the good Lord

lets me do it, as long as I can still go, I will." says Wayne with a huge smile. "I just love it."





Simulators Keep Driving Distractions Real

The Rotary Club of Hazleton provided a Distracted Driving Simulator experience for seniors at The Hazleton Area High School on Monday, May 2nd and the Hazleton Area Career Center on Tuesday, May 3rd. This annual Rotary service project was started in 2007 as a pre-Prom event to discourage students from drinking and driving which so often leads to tragedy.

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Rotary Pair Combines for 180 Years

Paul and Jean Rodda celebrated their mutual 90th birthdays on April 14th with their friends and fellow Rotarians at the Appletree Terrace in Dallas. It is noteworthy that they were born one year before the chartering of the Dallas Rotary Club on March 19, 1927. Paul has been a Rotarian for more than 40 years, and Jean has been a Rotarian for five years having previously served for many years as a member of the Rotary Anns.

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The new experience also in- become a big safety issue for volved discouraging other distractions, such as texting, while driving.

have been able to provide four simulators instead of the previous one which means more students were able to have the opportunity for a "hands on" experience". explains Rotary Club Project Chair Jason Brenner.

"The simulator not only had the ability to induce intoxication effects into the user's driving but also appreciate the assistance also in the cars that are driving around that driver. It forces the student driver to not only worry about how they are driving on the road, but also to be careful and aware of how other motorists are driving.

texting while driving which has assistance."

teen drivers. In addition, if they break the law or cause an accident during the simulation, they "This is the second year we are "arrested" and experience a sentencing hearing for their crime"

We are very thankful to Lehigh Valley Health Network and Bill McQuilken, Trauma Prevention Coordinator, who provided the four simulators, free of charge", comments Rotary President Ron Avellino. provided to us from Amanda Rogan and Lori Herman, Hazleton Area School District and Mary Ann Feno, Pathways to Recovery, a Hazleton substance abuse treatment and education center. Thanks also to our Ro-It also tackled the problem of tary Club members who offered

Abingtons Rotary Moving Meetings

The Rotary Club of the Abingtons, effective immediately, is moving its meeting location to:

Ramada Inn. 820 Northern Blvd. Clarks Summit. 18411.

Meeting time will remain the same, 12:10 Thursdays.

We also offer a meeting at Blu Wasabi, 223 Northern Blvd, Clarks Summit, 18411 Tuesdays at 6 PM. The Blu Wasabi meeting is, at this time, an informal make-up gathering. It is hoped these changes will cater to younger professionals and others who may find a noon meeting does not work for their schedule.



Grant for Scout Council

A Hazleton Rotary Club "Service Above Self" Community Service Grant of \$2,000 has been donated to Minsi Trails Council, Boy Scouts of America. These funds are to be used to support Urban Scouting programs in Hazleton, West Hazleton, and Weatherly. From left are Hazleton Rotary Club President Ron Avellino, District Executive Joshua Tosi and Senior Development Director Lisa Finkelstein-Minsi Trails Council, Boy Scouts of America.



CONCERT - PARADISE CONCERT - PARADISE CONCERT - PARADISE

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JUNE 28, 2016 - 4PM - 8PM

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WINE & DINE FESTIVAL

WHEN:

TIME:

JUNE 25TH, 2016

12 - 6:00PM

WHERE:

LUZERNE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS







TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE OR AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS BELOW

Website, Dallas Rotary Wine and Dine.com Nimble Hill Vineyard & Winery, Tunkhannock Hilbert's, The Tractor Store, Dallas

J&JDeli, Dallas

Pierce Drugs, Kingston

Valentine's Fine Jewelry, Dallas

Amelia's Diner, Shavertown

Gerrity's Supermarkets

Hanover, Luzerne, West Pittston, Wyoming



For More Info & Ticket Purchasing Visit:

DallasRotaryWineandDine.com

The Rotary Club of Slate Belt

Slate Belt Rotary Club Hosting Charter Night

* Note RSVP Deadline

The Rotary Club of Slate Belt (Northampton County) celebrates their chartering as our 43rd district club. The Charter Dinner will be held at The Score Card, 130 Wind Gap, PA, Broadway, on Sunday 15th .Festivities begin with a cocktail hour at 4 PM, followed by dinner at approximately 5 PM, and concluding with Chartering Festivities.

Our tradition across the entire Rotary world is that our existing clubs either bring to the Charter Night or send to the chartering club a "Welcome to the Rotary Family" monetary gift to help build up their treasury. The sponsoring club and main Rotarian sponsor will be presenting the Slate Belt club with their bell and banner. Please seriously consider attending this event -- our only new club to charter in the 2015-16 Rotary year.

Donations and your congratulatory letter to the chartering Slate Belt Rotarians can be mailed to club president William Skinner at 130 Turkey Hill Court, Stroudsburg, PA 18360.

Rotary of the Slate Belt Rotary 130 N Broadway Wind Gap, PA 18091 Rotary of the Slate Belt Chartering Dinner **RSVP Form** State ZIP Number of total attendees x \$25 = Please indicate which dinner each attendee would like below Total dinners should equal "number or total attendees" above Sirloin Steak Chicken Parmigiana Broiled Salmon Pasta Primavera

Payable by check or cash (do not enclose cash in the mail). Please RSVP by May 2, 2016.

The Rotary Club of Mt. Pocono

Community Aviation Day Returning for 21st Year at Mt. Pocono

The Mt. Pocono Rotary will sponsor its 21st Annual Community Aviation Day Fly-In Drive-In Breakfast on Sunday, May 29 from 8:00 am to 2 pm with this year's major proceeds benefitting the Make A Wish Foundation.

For the past 21 years the event has been held rain or shine at Pocono Mountains Airport on Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend

breakfast are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. The day's activities include free airplane rides for children ages 8-17 donated by the Young Eagles EAA program, the presenting of the colors and American flag parachute demonstration, aircraft, an- funds raised will also go to other tique cars and military equipment Rotary displays, a raffle, the Pocono Raceway pace car, children's activities and a Memorial Day Ceremony. Admission and parking are free.

The event was created over 20 years ago, in part, to get youth involved in aviation.

"It has grown to be one of the Tickets for the all you can eat Mt. Pocono Rotary's largest annual fundraisers with over \$120,000 raised that was distributed to non-profit and deserving causes throughout the community," according to Vern Meyer, event co-chair.

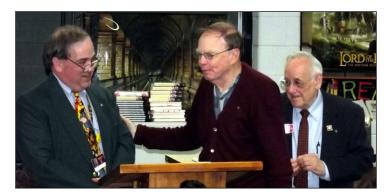
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local and worldwide causes.

In addition to free airplane rides for children ages 8-17 donated by volunteers for the Young Eagles EAA Program, airplane and helicopter rides can be purchased with income benefitting the charities. Those rides are donated by event sponsors Moyer Aviation, Hi -Tech Helicopters and Papillon Moyer Excavation.

Pocono Mountains Municipal Airport is located on Rt. 611 north of Mt. Pocono. The event is held rain or shine. Go to RotaryFlyIn-Breakfast.com or call 570-839-

Meet Some of Our New Rotary Members in District 7410



Trail Rotary Club

A new member was inducted into the Trail Rotary Club in April by Gus Vlassis. Bill Speare takes the opportunity to welcome him into the club. Tony is a social studies teacher at Lackawanna Trail High School. He is new this year as the Interact Club Advisor. A little trivia – Tony appeared on the game show Jeopardy over 20 years ago. When you meet him, ask how he did.



Pittston Rotary Club

The club welcomed three new members recently. Shown from left are Marty Snyder, Inducting Officer, new members Jean Gelatka, Marion Ciampi and James Ciampi. Second RowKen Darby, club president and Dr. Robert "Doc" Bishop, Director. The new members also received "Enthusiasm" plaques. Doctor Bishop presented the Enthusiasm plaques after the induction ceremony.

Troy Rotary Club

At right, Kathy Watkins is welcomed to the club by Troy Rotary Club. President Preston.





Sayre Rotary Club

The Sayre Rotary Club is pleased to welcome their newest member, Kevin Jordan. Kevin is a graduate of Athens High School. After graduation he served 24 years in the Air Force and lived in Kansas, Japan, Ohio, Germany, Nebraska and Arizona. He is a former Rotarian with Green Valley Arizona club. While living in Arizona he served as President of the Green Valley Chamber of Commerce and volunteered as an advisory member for the Salvation Army. He returned to the Valley to spend time with family and friends. Currently, he is a Sales Representative for Williams Toyota in Sayre. Shown with Kevin is the club's current president, Nancy Brittain.



Sayre Rotary Club

The Sayre Rotary Club welcomes new member, Sandy Crawford (right). Sandy is the Community Office Manager and Business Development Office for Tioga State Bank at the Waverly bank. A graduate of Cornell University, Sandy owned and operated a dairy farm and worked as a commercial lender for AgChoice Farm Credit. She is on the board of the Tioga County Agricultural Society, Tioga County Agricultural Resource Group, NOFA-NY LLC Management Committee, Troy Fair Dairy Show Committee, and the Bradford County Holstein Club. Sandy recently completed the NY-PENN Leadership Program. Club president Nancy Brittain is at left.



Mid-Valley Rotary Club

Vietnam Vets Honored By Mid-Valley Rotarians

Mid Valley Rotary hosted a Vietnam Veterans Night at the Valley Community Library, 739 River Street, Peckville, PA. on Tuesday April 5 at 5:30 PM.,in honor of Veterans of the Vietnam War.

All Armed Service Veterans were welcome.

Committee members are (from left) Don Booth, Toni McAndrew,Gene DeAngelis and Stan Kennedy



ROTARY CLUB OF WYALUSING AREA CLAY BIRD SHOOT!

- May 15th 2015
- 12 4 P.M.
- Pay at event: \$20
- Registration @ 11
- Tri-County Sportsman Club Silvara.
- Snacks Available.



- Shells Available: 12 & 20 Ga., \$6.00/box.
- Trophy Awards Include: Adult Male, Adult Female, and Youth.

For more information contact: Ken Wahlers at (570) 575-4977 or kwahlers@arrowunited.com



District 7410 June 5, 2016

"Rotary Day at the Ballpark"

When: Sunday afternoon, June 5th, 2016. Game time: 1:00 pm Where: RailRider's Stadium, 235 Montage Mountain Road, Moosic, PA

Open Letter to all Clubs

Several months ago, your District leadership team submitted a grant application to RI Zone 32 representatives, competing for funds to support a district event to introduce prospective members to our service projects and fellowship events. Specifically targeted were female prospects and those under 40 years old. In a nutshell, the grant asked for funds to support the purchase of tickets to our June 5th Rotary Day at the Ballpark. The plan was to offer these grant-funded tickets to any of our clubs that purchased tickets and/or committed to participate in the pre-game food collection service project that benefits our community food pantries.

The good news is that *our District was awarded the grant*! Currently, six clubs have pre-purchased tickets, and another two have committed to staffing the food collection tables. They all now qualify for receiving these free grant-funded tickets. But, your club can, too! Read on.

Time to step up! It is not too late for your club to participate in the June 5th service and fellowship event, allowing you to request free ballpark tickets for prospective members.

STEP #1: Using the order form in this issue, send your club's check to our District Treasurer.

STEP #2: Email DG Barbara with your request for grant-funded tickets.

Ticket Allotment eligibility:

# of Full-price Tickets Purchased	Your Choice of Grant-funded Tickets
1 - 9 tickets	Either 1 \$30 or 3 \$10 tickets
10 - 19 tickets	Either 2 \$30 or 6 \$10 tickets
20 - 29 tickets	Either 3 \$30 or 9 \$10 tickets
30 or more tickets	Fither 5 \$30 or 15 \$10 tickets

Total available for ticket purchases: \$1,000 First come, first served!

Your club's commitment: The grant stipulates that we must submit a final report to RI by June 30th. For all participating clubs receiving grant-funded tickets, you will be asked to submit a short paragraph, describing the ticket recipient (e.g. gender, age category), how you intend to follow up with them, whether or not they are interested in or have already become a new member, plus any other meaningful observations and/or

For the ticket order form, find it in this issue, or go online to our district website at http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50202/ and click on District Files, or request the form from DG Barbara at bibelon@gmail.com.

NOTE: Tickets will be distributed at the ballpark at 11:30 am on game day.

Rotary Day at the Ballpark – Ticket Order Form Send this form and your club's check to: District Treasurer, John Regula. 327 Baker Lane, Clarks Summit, PA 18411 The Rotary Club of _______ requests the following: We request advance purchase of _______ Kost Pavilion tickets at \$30 each We request advance purchase of _______ stadium seat tickets at \$10 each OPTIONAL (<): ______ Our club also commits to staffing a table prior to the ballgame on June 5th, 2015 *** NOTE: Tickets will be distributed at the ballpark at 11:30am on game day. ***

Rotary Club of Tunkhannock

Bicycles to Empower School Girls in Rural India

The Rotary Club of Tunkhannock recently donated \$2,500 to buy 50 bicycles for students at the Pardada Pardadi School for girls in rural India. Pardada Pardadi Educational Society is a non-profit organization based in Anoopshahr, Bulandshahr district, Uttar Pradesh, India, dedicated to the academic, economic and social empowerment of girls and women in this poor area of the country. Unfortunately, in rural areas over 85% of the village girls have never been to school. Pardada Pardadi is trying to change that. Some girls have to travel significant distances to the school, which is where the bicycles will make a difference. The girls have to pay a percentage of the cost of the bikes, allowing them to have ownership and care for them.

Mary Cairns, a US advocate for Pardada Pardadi who recently spoke to the Tunkhannock Rotary about the school and its needs, noted that "Centuries of not educating girls is in the process of being changed at Pardada Pardadi. The school is now educating parents about the value of higher education for their daughters, in hopes that before long, graduates will all go on for higher education."





Left photo: Mary Cairns addressing the Tunkhannock Rotary Club. Right Photo: Some of the girls at the Pardada Pardadi School in India.

T-shirts and Essay Prize for D.A.R.E. Students

On Apr 8, a contingent of Tunkhannock Rotarians attended the graduation ceremony at the Tunkhannock Middle School to honor the 210 5th graders who completed the 10 week D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) course. Also in attendance was Dallas Rotarian and State Representative Karen Boback who congratulated all the students on their hard work and for completing the course.

Rich Seaberg, Director of Security for the Tunkhannock Area School District, oversees the course, in which participants are taught how to make good decisions, and how to get out of bad situations. Rich utilizes 4 student mentors to help teach the students about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and abuse of prescription drugs, as well as, good decision making, defining problems, responsible choices, responding to pressures, communication styles, the five W's of reporting events, and avoiding risky situations.

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Rotary Club of Tunkhannock

Spring Road Side Clean-up

On Saturday, Apr 16, Tunkhannock Rotarians braved the great weather to clean up a 2-mile stretch of Route 6 from the Fireplace Restaurant to Russell Hill. As usual, the trash habits of drivers continued to astound with bags of trash found along the side of the road along with a syringe, biting deer ticks and a \$20 bill (which enriched the club).

Sprucing Up Local Senior Center

On Friday evening Apr 22 and Saturday Apr 23, Tunkhannock Rotarians descended on the Wyoming County Senior Center to spruce up its interior. The Club purchased the paint and supplies and provided the painters. Friday evening was preparation evening for the big paint day on Saturday.

An energetic and fun-loving group of Rotarians reported for duty on Saturday morning and painted the main meeting room of the Center.

Plans are underway for some additional painting and improvements to the Senior Center in the near future.

Stay tuned for further updates from the Tunkhan-



Wyoming County Examiner Photo

Fifth grader Emma Elias, center, displays her essay which won first place among the 210 written by the D.A.R.E. class. With Elias is, from left, D.A.R.E. mentors Mike Taylor, Kady Hodge, Lindsay Heck, and Brian Muckin.

nock Rotary Painters Par Excellence!

The Senior Center serves a large number of residents providing a place for gatherings, lunches, various talks, exercise classes, health events and as resource for a variety of services for the senior community.





Tukhannock Rotarians make work seem suspiciously like play at the Wyoming County Senior Center, In the photo at left it's dueling paintbrushes at close quarters between Patty Ehrenzeller and John Hovan. At right lies the proof that painting can be "fun" with Rotary. That's Jeannie Brady, John Hovan, Patty Ehrenzeller, Karen Andrews (Senior Center Director), John Proctor, Samantha Maruzzelli and Jon Buxton.

The North Scranton Rotary's 4th Annual Wine and Cigar Tasting Sunday May 22 12:30-3:30

Held at



Cigars provided by Altadis U.S.A. Inc.

Tickets: \$30.00 in advance, \$35.00 at the door

Includes two glasses of wine, two cigars, appetizers, and a chance for a great door prize!

For tickets, please call 570-346-4695 and ask for Terry or email northscrantonrotary@gmail.com

A portion of the proceeds will benefit our annual dictionary project. Each year, we distribute a dictionary to every third grader in Scranton! Come out and help to support a great cause!



The Rotary Club of Trail

Trail Interact Club Gets to Know In-Bound Students

The Rotary Club of Trail rotates its meeting location once a quarter so they can bring lunch to the Interact Club at the Lackawanna Trail High School.

Tony Dalasio is the new advisor to this long standing Interact Club, founded in 1998. Tony handed in an application to join Trail Rotary during this visit.

Having a regularly scheduled meeting at the high school makes it convenient for Tony to attend. There are hopes other educators and administrators may also consider joining the club.

This Interact Club has a tradition of raising money for Polio's Purple Pinkie Project. The students set up a table in the cafeteria to collect donations of spare change.

The high school junior and senior Students of the Month are also invited to this pizza lunch where he or she is recognized with a certificate of congratulation on their accomplishment.

Anne Sehne, Tunkhannock Rotary, in-bound youth exchange student coordinator, was kind enough to bring the international students back to the Lackawanna Trail High School for a second visit. This time they in turn gave a presentation about their home country.

Louis Mertens explained what it is like living in his home town in Belgium. Louis is on the Tunkhannock Swim Team. In is tradition to die your hair – Louis did so to match the flag of Belgium.

Julia Alonso de Souza answered questions about living in Brazil.

Each presentation from the international students included a photo of their family pets. All have dogs they are missing at home.

Rotary Reads - Your Club's last chance ...

Attention all clubs! **May** 31st is your deadline for submitting a photo or news article, accompanied by the invoice for the book you purchased in support of this year's District project, "**Rotary Reads**". Lost the flyer describing the project? Email DG Barbara and she'll send you another one, or visit the District website, under Newsletters, and look at page 4 of the August, 2015 issue for the complete write-up.



Tony Dalasio (standing), Interact Club advisor, and seated from the Trail Rotary Club to his left are Martin Reynolds, Bill Speare, Ray and Barbara Petty



Officers of the Interact Club (L-R) ,Lily Martin Grace Gallagher, Ruth Anna Danowski, Austin Pringle and club advisor, Tony Dalasio present a check for \$200 toTrail Rotary's Martin Reynolds



Teng Lu "Frank" Yu spoke about what it is like to live in Taiwan. He had photos of his home town

The Rotary Club of Trail



Exchange Students Guests at Trail

The Rotary Youth Exchange students were visitors at the Lackawanna Trail Interact Club's annual induction ceremony in April. L-R: Principal Mark Murphy, Rotary Youth Exchange's Anne Sehne, the three exchange students attending Tunkhannock High School: Louis from Belgium, Julia from Brazil, Frank from Taiwan and Interact Advisor, Tony Dalasio.



Short Story Prize Earns Invite

Maggie Martin received an honorable mention for inclusion in the Short Story Contest. Trail Rotary gave Maggie a certificate and invitation to lunch at the weekly Rotary meeting. Maggie's older sister, Lili, will be attending RYLA this summer. Lili is also considering the short-term Rotary youth exchange.

Rotarian Bill Speare (left) is shown with Kelly, Maggie and Andrew Martin and Lisa Logan Clough. Serving Our Schools





Dictionaries for Third Graders

Mrs. Ambrose's 3rd grade class at Lackawanna Trail Elementary Center. Every third grade student at LTEC was given a Dictionary from the Trail Rotary Club. Presenting the dictionaries was Bill Speare, club president (left)



Happy 111th Birthday Rotary!

On Feb. 23rd we had this cake at a pizza lunch with at the Lackawanna Trail High School. Trail Rotary Club's own Alicia Alvarez baked and decorated this cake.

Sponsorships Available

Event Sponsors: \$1000 Your sponsorship includes registration for 4 golfers and will be admoviledged with a signs at registration and dinner plus prime location fell page ad in the program

Grand Prize Hole In One Sponsor: \$500 Your appropriately will be acknowledged with a sign on the course and a following ad in the program. Grand Prize is

Awards Sponsor: 5500

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Beverage Sponsor: \$300 each or 2 for \$500 2 beverage stations will be sold in with body water and solds. Your approximate will be acknowledged with a sign of the peverage stations and 1/2 page as in the profitant. (Hill page If taking both)

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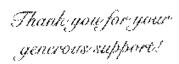
Please remit payment and ad if applicable by May 23 for inclusion in the program. Door prize and gift bag donations are gratefully accepted.



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Club of Hamlin

4th Annual Golf Tournament Monday June 6, 2016



Paupack Hills Country Club



Schedule of events

11:30 am Registration opens 12:00 pm Putting contest elimination round at the practice green 12:00 pm Gourmet Hot Dog Bar on the deck 1:00 pm Shotgun start Captain and Crew format 5:00 pm Buffet dinner and awards 6:00 pm Door Prizes, 50/50 Drawing



4th Annual Rotary Club of Hamlin Golf Tournament Monday June 6, 2016

\$99 per player Registration fee includes:

'Hot dog bar Luncheon

·Entry into putting contest

'Greens fees and cart

'Beverages on course

·Special contests during play

·Dinner

'Singles are welcome, we will pair

Dinner only-\$49

Golfer Registration Team Contact #

Dinner only guests_

New Rotarians

Hazleton	Joan	Buffington
	Kimberly	Mazin
	Joseph	Meiss
	Betsy	Urzillo
Montrose	Katrina	Colvin-Stilts
Mountaintop	Christophei	Smith
New Milford	William	Townsend
Plains	Michael	Prushinski
Towanda	Aime	O'Connor
	Brad	Vasey



We'll be back to getting out the newsletter on the first day of the month in June. We gave ourselves a few extra days this month to share some coverage of the District Conference.

District 7410 — 2016 Club Data

	Total	New	
Club	Mem	Mem.	Attend.
Abingtons	64		
Athens	15		
Blakeslee	10		30.77%
Dallas	43		
Dunmore	16		94.00%
Forest City Area	12		58.30%
Freeland	8		
Hamlin	30		65.67%
Hawley	19		61.00%
Hazleton	86	4	57.56%
Honesdale	38		52.00%
Jim Thorpe	23		
Kingston	20		80.00%
Lehighton	10		73.00%
Mid-Valley	6		42.00%
Milford-Matamoras	23		
Montrose	22	1	67.00%
Mountaintop	16	1	64.00%
Mt. Pocono	16		
New Milford	13	1	
Newfoundland	39		62.88%
North Pocono	19		
North Scranton	26		75.00%
Pittston	13		
Plains	20	1	70.00%
Plymouth	22		70.00%
Pocono Mountains	21		
Sayre	15		89.00%
Scranton	38		0.00%
Smithfield	21		48.00%
Stroudsburgs, The	98		67.64%
Towanda	14	2	64.00%
Trail	13		62.00%
Troy	24		80.00%
Tunkhannock	66		48.08%
Weatherly	9		100.00%
Wellsboro	44		0.00%
West End	29		
Wilkes-Barre	30		
Winola	16		
Wyalusing Area	27		56.00%
Wyoming	18		48.60%



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