



Newsletter / May 2022

Rotary
District 7410



Message from the District Governor Mary Ellen Bentler

May is “Youth Service” month and we have two very important positions regarding youth programs that we need a volunteer for. The district needs an Interact Chair and a Youth Protection Officer which are essential to the success of our youth programs. If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

RYLA is back! This year's schedule has been adjusted to a 3-day/2-night event, held Sunday, June 19th through Thursday, June 21st at Keystone College in LaPlume. Hopefully, next year we will be back at a full 5 day conference. Also, Youth Exchange will be back for the next Rotary Year and our district has two outgoing students and six incoming students. The outgoing students are going to Spain and S. Korea and incoming students are from France, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, and Switzerland. What a great opportunity for these students and our district. I enjoyed participating in the jacket ceremony for the outgoing students at the district dance.



The District Conference is next week in the Gorges Ithaca, NY and I look forward to seeing everyone who registered there. The committee has planned an informational event which will include a lot of fun and a lot of great speakers.

The District Online Auction/Flea Market was a success with a total of \$16,173.97 being donated to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund and Polio Fund. These funds will help Support Rotary Project and Ending Polio so thank you to all the clubs that were involved and to DRFC Marcia and her committee.

This month I had the opportunity to attend the District Dance at Shadowbrook which turned out to be a great event and raised funds to donate to the Disaster Relief fund to help Ukraine. I also had the opportunity to attend the North Pocono Club Cash Raffle, Wyoming Clubs Happy Hour and presenting a Paul Harris +1 at the Wyalusing club. I am looking forward to attending more club events now that the snow is finally over.

Brian Lione from the New Milford club will be working with Norm Kelly for the next 2 months on District Grants so as the sun shines and the weather gets warmer, let's get out there and continue to do service projects in our community and around the world.

In Service to Rotary,
Mary Ellen



District 7410 Conference

SERVE TO CHANGE CHILDREN'S LIVES

May 5th-7th
Ithaca, NY

REGISTER NOW!



DG1210 Jennifer Smith
District 7410 President
2021-2022



Jorge Aufranc
Rotary Foundation Trustee
2019-2023

See You in Ithaca!

Thursday, May 5th - "Welcome Fiesta" and an evening of Fellowship, taking advantage of "Cinco de Mayo". Get to know other Rotarians while getting in the spirit with Margaritas, Cerveza, Tequila, and authentic Mexican Hors d'oeuvres!

Friday, May 6th - A continental breakfast, before Rotary. Adjourning at noon, allowing ample free time. Concluding with, a Cocktail Reception & Semi Formal Dinner with an open bar, at the Tompkins County Community College Culinary Arts Center. Live entertainment, fellowship, and fun, will cap off the night.

May 7th - A breakfast buffet before we return to Rotary and adjourn at 12:30 PM.

Additional - May 7th - For those who wish to participate, a dinner and additional overnight stay are available. Jorge Aufranc, will join us as well!

Why attend the District Conference?

- Make meaningful connections with fellow Rotarians
- Engage with Powerful Speakers
- "Ithaca is GORGES!" - [Click here to see why!](#)

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[Reserve Your Room Here](#)

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District Conference Attendees:

[View a copy of the District Conference Program Here](#)

[Click here or scan the QR code below for a list of beneficial links & resources during your stay!](#)



New Member Spotlight

NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY INDUCTS NEW MEMBER

The New Milford Area Rotary inducted a new member during a regular school board meeting on April 11, 2022. Dr. Michael Elia, Superintendent of the Mountain View School District was formally inducted and represents the school district as the primary member. As the Primary Corporate Member, Dr. Elia will have full benefits afforded an active Rotary member, while representing the Mountain View School District Corporate Membership. The Club currently consists of 36 members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership.

Contact information can be found at [facebook.com/newmilfordrotary](https://www.facebook.com/newmilfordrotary). Or one can contact David Palmer, Membership Chair at davesolopalmer@gmail.com.



NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY INDUCTS NEW MEMBER

The New Milford Area Rotary inducted a new member during a regular club meeting at St Mark's Episcopal Parish Hall in New Milford on April 21, 2022. Paul Oliver, a full-time Educator at Blue Ridge School District comes to the club with a background in education and previous Rotary activities. Paul has a Bachelor of Science degree from Bloomsburg University and was a high school Rotary-Interact Club member at Tunkhannock Area Schools. Paul resides in the Factoryville area with his wife and child. The Club currently consists of 36 members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership.

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NEWFOUNDLAND ROTARY INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS



Sister Draru Mary Cecelia

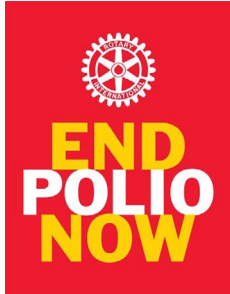


Paul Stehlik



Fiona Scott

ROTARY DISTRICT 7410 POLIOPLUS SOCIETY APPLICATION



As a Rotarian and supporter of Polio Eradication, Rotary's #1 international priority, I wish to participate in this child focused humanitarian effort as a member of the PolioPlus Society of Rotary District 7410.

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus program of the Rotary Foundation as follows: (select one)

- \$100 per year to PolioPlus (this is the minimum amount to become a PolioPlus Society member)
- A contribution of \$_____per year to PolioPlus (more than \$100)
- A contribution of \$_____ only this year; unfortunately, I cannot do this every year

Society members will receive a PolioPlus Society membership pin and Paul Harris credit. Make your donation online at www.rotary.org/donate and select the Polio Fund, or through your Rotary Club. If made on-line, one can establish a recurring donation.

E-mail or mail this completed form to the District PolioPlus Chair at davesolopalmer@gmail.com or Dave Palmer, 443 Mateer Road, Hop Bottom, PA 18824. Contact Dave for questions at 570-498-6637.

Until the last child is immunized, and the world is certified polio-free, every child is at risk.

Name:

Signature:

Date:

Club Name:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Your PolioPlus Society pin will be presented to you at your club meeting or other appropriate meeting you might desire, to insure you are recognized for your commitment to eradicating polio from this earth.

Passport Club

Looking to offer a flexible, accessible and affordable format to individuals who want to be Rotarians but find that traditional Rotary Clubs don't fit their lifestyle, the newly reinvigorated District Passport Club is looking for your help!

The unique elements of a Passport Club:

- Members are encouraged to participate in service projects organized by other Rotary clubs.

- Rotarians are invited to visit other Clubs and participate in their Club activities regularly.

- Relaxed attendance policy.

- Fewer in-person meetings.

- Innovative concept designed to give members a more flexible Club experience while supporting the mission of both local District Clubs and Rotary International.

Our Club members, currently small in number, want to help support District service projects wherever possible either in person or virtually which in turn may help us to grow our membership.

Please contact Club president, Chip Jaeger, at Rotary7410passportclub@gmail.com if you have an upcoming project or know of someone who may be interested in joining the Passport Club.

Thank you in advance for your support!

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Essay Winners

On March 29th, the Hamlin/Lake Ariel Rotary Club hosted the 1st place winner of our club's essay contest and her family. Elizabeth Wasylyk is a Junior at Western Wayne High School. She is a member of the National Honor's Society and Envirothon. At the meeting, Elizabeth recited her essay for the club and was awarded a \$100 prize + certificate. Elizabeth's essay has been sent on to compete in our district-wide competition for a chance to win \$1,000 from Rotary District 7410!

A special congratulations to the 2nd and 3rd place winners as well:

2nd Place: Gabrielle Ostolaza, WWHS Senior

3rd Place: Hunter Schmitt, WWHS Senior



2021/2022 Essay Contest
"How can you serve others to change lives?"



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Club of
Hamlin/Lake Ariel

9th Annual Golf Tournament

Monday June 13, 2022

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Captain & Crew Format
Registration begins at Noon

Golfers: \$100 per person
1pm Shotgun Start

**Special Contests, Buffet Dinner,
Awards and More**

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For more information and registration, please call:

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Easter Dinner Delivery

A Big “Thank You” to our Hazelton Rotary members who helped our fellow Rotarians, Pat Ward (United Way of Greater Hazelton) and Tony Colombo (We Are Hazelton) with the annual Easter dinner delivery on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. Your efforts, Eileen Perchak, The Genetti Family (Doug, Michele, Tim), Rossanna Gabriel, Michele Kushmeder (Sharon), Lisa Marie Halecky and Joe Cammisa made the day brighter for many Greater Hazelton community members!



Monthly Social Gatherings

Hazleton Rotarians enjoy an evening together at Booty's Place, 1087 N. Church Street, Hazleton on Wednesday, April 20th, 5:30PM. Monthly socials are now a part of the Rotary schedule to give members a chance to become better acquainted and to enjoy local restaurants. Regular weekly meetings are held at 12Noon at The Pines Eatery & Spirits, Hazleton which includes lunch and a guest speaker.

To see updated information on Rotary activities go the [Hazleton Rotary Facebook](#) page or the club website at hazletonrotary.org.



Dylan Fearon, Fox56 Reporter, speaks to Hazleton Rotary

Dylan Fearon, Fox56 reporter (center) was guest speaker at the Hazleton Rotary meeting on April 27, 2022 at The Pines Eatery and Spirits, Hazleton. His topic was "The news industry-how it has changed and what Dylan has discovered in his role".

President-Elect Lisa Marie Halecky is to the left and Rotary President Jason Brenner is to the right.





Youth Exchange News

Honesdale Rotarians gathered as outbound student Krystal Urgiles learned that she will travel to South Korea for the 2022/2023 school year. Celebrating with Krystal were her parents, District Youth Exchange Chair Anne Sehne, and club Co-Presidents Alycia and Bob Schwartz



Karaoke for Ukraine

Members of the Interact Club at Honesdale High School, and their moderators Courtney Krajkovich and Stacey Diehl, recently presented the proceeds of their Karaoke for Ukraine fundraiser for The Rotary Foundation's Disaster Relief Fund. Accepting the contribution are Honesdale Rotarians Warren Schlosser, Lisa Champeau, Interact Chair Brian Fulp, Wayne County Community Foundation President Ryanne Jennings, Honesdale Rotary co-President Alycia Schwartz, and Skier Family Foundation & AMSkier Insurance representative Sherry Breyer. The Skier Family Foundation matched \$5,000 for the Interact Club's fundraising efforts, to total \$10,500 for Ukraine.



Honesdale Fundraiser - Hoagies for Sale!

During the month of May, Honesdale Rotary will conduct a Hoagie Sale fundraiser to support Youth Exchange. Club and Interact members will sell certificates for a 10-inch hoagie of the buyer's choosing, to be redeemed through July 29th at the deli counter at Dave's Super Duper in Honesdale. Each certificate costs \$9.00 and Dave's has generously donated his services at cost.

You can order hoagies by contacting any Honesdale Rotarian, or by posting a message the events on our [Facebook page](#) at this link.

Dave's Super Duper





Rotary Report

The Jim Thorpe Rotary met three times during the month of April.

During the month the club made the following donations: Jim Thorpe Sportsman's Fishing Contest (\$50); Nepal Mushroom Farming Project (\$250); Victim's Resource Center (\$200).

Our prize submitted for the District Online Auction, "A Day in Historic Jim Thorpe", garnered a top bid of \$310.

We were informed that JTAHS students, Ella Farnell and Max Allahman were named the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Students of the Year. They raised over \$70,000 for the Society fund drive (our Club contributed \$100).

The Scholarship Committee will be interviewing the applicants for the five scholarships (\$750 each) that we will award this year. Also, the committee will review the applicants for the Susko Scholarship (\$1,500) and select the winner.

Childcare planning is progressing and we hope to be able to finalize the details sometime in mid-May. TV – 13 interviewed President Jeanne Miller on April 12 regarding the results of the 'Childcare Survey' we distributed.

The Summer Recreation Program will begin on June 20 and last 8 weeks. The staffing is complete. We are still working out details regarding the possibility of supplying free lunches for the campers. We have limited the number of campers to 125.

The K-8 Teacher's Grants (\$300 per school) for the LB Morris and Penn Kidder Elementary Schools' submission deadline is May 31. We have only two applicants at this time.

Our last meeting at the JTAHS will be on May 3. On May 10 we will meet at the Dimmick Memorial Library; at that time there will be a program on the 3-D printer. From May 24 until mid - September we will meet at Memorial Park. The location of future meetings is TBD.

During the month we had several interesting presentations:

- Rotarian, Atty jean Engler presented several interesting cases (murder and sexual assault) that she tried when she was the District Attorney.
- Tammy Burke, Prevention Manager for the Victim's Resource (Lehighton) presented information. The program works with victims of sexual assault and abuse but no services are available for victims of domestic violence in Carbon County due to the lack of a shelter. They could use help with volunteering, clothing and books. She will get back to us with further details.

In the upcoming months, we will be planning for future programs, discussing succession plans for our officers and committee chairs, and meeting times and locations.

Engaging the Community

Faith DeCarlo wrote a moving Essay and joined the Newfoundland Rotary with her family to share her perspective on service and leadership. The club awarded her \$250 to help with College Tuition at Temple University.

Boy Scout Troop 158 received \$500 of support from the club, keep up the great work with our youth.

Fish for Kids speaker Jim Lee received \$300 to help kids go to camp this summer and learn about the outdoors and fishing!



Blood Drive

Hemlock Grove United Methodist Church hosted the Newfoundland Rotary and welcomed the community in for another successful blood drive.

Please donate if you are able. The need is urgent!



Charter Night

Charter night brought numerous awards and recognitions for great work done by our Newfoundland Rotarians and Community.

Congratulations Rich Walton on his Paul Harris!

Bob Chavey and Amy Coldwell Paul Harris + 4 and Diana Lang Paul Harris + 7 amazing commitments to Rotary International.

Please join us in congratulating Kelly Cumiskey our newest Paul Harris recipient!





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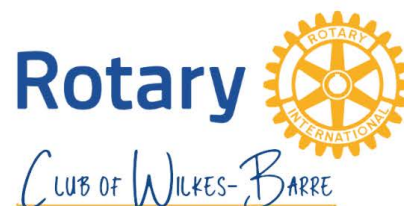
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#570Day Is Back... With Something New!

Northeast Pennsylvania packs a whole lot into one corner of the state. Last year's inaugural #570Day was proof as residents, businesses and organizations spent the day flooding social media with photos and videos of some of the best people and places in the region.



#570Day is back again this year! On Saturday, May 7, 2022, we're encouraging everyone across Northeast PA to celebrate local pride by using #570Day on social media to share what they love about the 570 area. Highlight your favorite park, shout out your Friday night pizza spot, thank a special teacher or show off a local product. #570Day, held yearly on May 7th (5/7/year...see what we did there), is a chance to let the good in our area shine.

Plus, in honor of the 2nd annual #570Day, we're taking it to the next level and going beyond the post. That means while everyone is sharing on social media, we're also asking businesses, organization and individuals to put the 570 love into action.

Here are some examples of how:

- Offer a #570Day deal or special offer to promote your business
- Organize a #570Day community cleanup
- Hop on a trail for a #570Day hike
- Grab dinner at your favorite 570 eatery
- Put a spin on your specialty... create #570Day treats, host a #570Day yoga class or sponsor a #570Day dinner.

The idea is to not only share what we love about the area, but to also get out and experience it.

#570Day started in 2021 as a campaign born through the combined, creative efforts of The Wilkes- Barre Rotary Club, The Wyoming Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visit Luzerne County. The day aims to spread positivity, local pride and celebrate the people and places within the 570 area code. With so much in Northeastern PA and so many stories to tell, we hope this movement will continue to grow as it's celebrated yearly on May 7th.

Follow us at [Facebook.com/570Day](https://www.facebook.com/570Day) for updates as the day gets closer and on May 7th watch #570Day on social media to see all the great things in Northeast Pennsylvania!



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