



News from District 7410

November 2020

Joe Loughman
District Governor



Rotary Opens Opportunities

District 7410 Needs you NOW

As the deadline for nominations for the DG to serve 2022 ~ 2023 passed last week with none received, we are extending it to December 15th.

I'm sure I can speak for most of our Past District Governors when I say that this was one of the most rewarding experiences in a Rotary lifetime. I have friends from all over the Rotary world that I met

during the journey to become Governor last year. If you have been thinking about one day taking this step, perhaps this is the time for YOU!!! District 7410 Needs you NOW. It is a 2 and half year journey at this point to take office July 1st of 2022. Please reach out to me or any Past Governor if you have additional questions after reading through below.

The District Nominating committee is seeking candidates for District Governor for 2023-2024.

Past Presidents with 7 years of Rotarian service are invited to submit their nomination papers to the Nominating Committee.

Nomination Forms are available on the District Website. Candidate nomination paperwork needs to be signed

by their Club confirming that the candidate is a Rotarian in Good standing supported by his or her club.

Nominations close **DECEMBER 15th 2020 and interviews with the nominating Committee will be scheduled thereafter.**

Please send Nomination forms

c/o PDG Karen DeMatteo 232 Eagles Ct.

Stroudsburg, PA 18360

By email: karenandrotary@gmail.com

Interviews will be held in person if at all possible, via zoom if not. Please reach out to PDG Karen with any additional questions regarding the role of Governor or the process.

Rotary Club of Trail

Trail Rotary had some distinguished guests at their surprise Rotary anniversary party on Tuesday, Oct 27, 20 at Gin's Tavern, where we surprised Pat Lione (30 years) and Bill Speare (56 years with perfect attendance) with a Rotary Anniversary party.



L-R Pat Lione, Bill Speare & club President, Ellen Kanton



L-R Marcia & Joe Loughman, Gus Vlassis, Ellen Kanton, Bill Speare, Lisa Logan Clough and Pat Lione.

Rotary Club of Weatherly

Weatherly Rotary is having a Warm and Toasty raffle. Top prize is \$500 dollars in home heating (oil, propane, electric, whatever you use to heat your home) , a wheel barrow of cheer, a sleeping bag, an electric blanket, a. Specialty bottle of crown royal, or a case of winter ale . Tickets are 5 dollars each or 3/10 and are available until Dec1st. The raffle goes off Dec 2nd. Tickets can be sent in the mail and then money and stubs can be returned to me, Denise Stadnik, 1220 Packer Dr. Weatherly Pa. 18255

Weatherly is also holding its usual winter fundraiser, the 2021 Lottery Calendars. Each calendar is based off of the evening draw if the daily number (3 number.) You get to play the daily number for 6 cents a day for the whole year!! Prizes are printed in the calendars for each day. The calendars sell for 20 dollars and prize money is sent out at the end of every month. They can also be purchased by contacting Weatherly Rotary or myself thru Facebook, Messenger, email (denisestadnik@gmail.com) or through the mail Denise Stadnik, 1220 Packer Dr., Weatherly Pa. 18255. This fundraiser's proceeds benefit the Weatherly Rotary Scholarships for our areas graduating seniors.

Rotary Club of the Abingtons

On Thursday November 12th members of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons welcomed John R. Pullo, Sr., founder and CEO of Chartwell Strategies, LLC, a strategic advisory services consulting firm formed in July 2018. John brought his experience from 35 years at Gentex Corporation and 12 years at Sandvic AB where he held numerous senior management positions. These 47 years of management and leadership led him to found Chartwell and to offer his services to companies around the world. In his spare time John is a performing musician in the region's jazz community.

On Thursday November 5th at the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of the Abingtons Past District Governor and member Dr. Gus Vlassis, Chemistry Professor Emeritus at Keystone College, brought his experience to the speaker's podium at the Bedford Fire House, Clarks Summit. An expert on water, Dr. Vlassis has authored four chemistry text books and numerous articles. As the owner of a water testing company, Rotarians were schooled in the safety of our public water system and the disadvantages of bottled water. As a 52 year member of Rotary, Dr. Vlassis has shared many of his travel and chemistry experiences over the years.



(l to r): Chris Calvey Jr., Rotary President 2020-2021 and John Pullo.



(l to r): Chris Calvey, Jr., Rotary President 2020-2021 and Dr. Vlassis.

Rotary Club of the Abingtons



Today Mark Spatz was the featured speaker at the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. He manages Hillside Park adjacent to the State Hospital. The park is located on a 100 acre plot owned by the 5 municipalities. It encompasses a beautiful and spacious shelter, walking path, memory garden and softball field. And the pond is stocked and includes a launching pad for small boats.

Seen here are Rotary President Chris Calvey Jr. presenting a donation to Mr. Spatz to support Hillside Park.

Left to Right: Chris Calvey, Jr. and Mark Spatz.

Hundreds of jars of peanut butter and jelly were collected Thursday at the weekly meeting of The Rotary Club of the Abingtons. The Dalton Food Pantry requested these two items for about 70 families in need. Rotarian Eileen Christian, assisted by Janice Bevaqua and Leah Rudolph, stepped to the plate and organized the two hour drive from 11-1PM. The response was very gratifying and many jars were delivered to the pantry. The Rotary thanks all those who responded with donations.

Pictured left to right:

Janice Bevaqua, Diane Calabro, Leah Rudolph, Jackie Mattes, Chris Calvey Jr, Eileen Christian, Chris Selige, Beth Caucci, Roger Mattes, John Hambrose, Mary Claire Kretsch-Green, Dave Griffin, Bruce Valentine, Gus Vlassis, Skip Nelson, Warren Watkins, Ned Connel, Steve Selige, Howard Hyde and Bill Angel.





SAVE THE DATE!

January 23rd, 2021

STAY-AT-HOME GALA

Live-streamed entertainment event on Saturday the 23rd

FUNDRAISER FOR

- 1) Rotary Annual Fund
- 2) Our fight to eradicate Polio
- 3) St. Joseph's Center, Scranton

This special evening will begin ramping-up with a silent auction ONLINE beginning in December 2020 and will conclude at the end of the Stay-At-Home Gala!

Tickets for the Gala will be available ONLINE. More details coming soon!

Access to the ONLINE SILENT AUCTION will be given to participants.

Restaurants will be solicited to provide delivery and take-out fixed price meals for Gala Participants.

Rotary Community Projects will be showcased in short interval videos or slide shows.

Funds raised from auction items and tickets sold by clubs on-line will split 3 ways for the organizations above.

All funds from silent auction items will be credited to the providing clubs: Paul Harris points will also go to the clubs for the portion of funds realized for the Annual fund and PolioPlus.

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Rotary Club of Hazleton

Hazleton Rotary may not have been able to host its annual Hazleton Rotary Wine and Beer Festival this year, but we are more than pleased that we can offer a Holiday Beer and Wine Fundraiser in time for the upcoming holiday season.

You are invited to stock up for yourself and/or purchase a great holiday gift by simply buying a ticket at hazletonrotary.org. Please make your purchase between now and Tuesday, December 8th.

The following Honey Hole wine varieties are available.

\$11.00 each – Black Cherry Pinot Noir, Raspberry Peach Sangria

\$14.00 each – Princess Pink Moscato

\$15.00 each – Pinot Grigio, Cabernet

\$16.00 each – Sangiovese

Six mixed bottles of wine can be purchased for \$75.00

A variety of local craft (Conyngham Brewing Company and Berwick Brewery) and holiday seasonal beers are available. One Beer variety pack is \$15.00 and four beer 6-packs are \$50.00.

Visit Hazleton Rotary on Facebook for details on the various beers and wines, chances to win FREE beer themed giveaways, and chances at FREE 6-packs!

You can also order a box of Frankie's Cold Cut Pizza for \$7.50. A perfect match for a cold beer or that fine glass of wine!

You must be 21 years of age or older to pick up the beverages. A valid, government-issued photo ID will be requested at the time of pickup.

In celebration of Hazleton Rotary's Centennial Year, look for the wine bottles sporting a wrap made up of club photos taken since its beginning in 1921. Memories we are glad to share!

Questions about the event can be directed to Event Chair Mike Cammisa, at 570-582-4143.

Sincere thanks to Resort Beverage, Berwick Brewing Company, Conyngham Brewing Company, Honey Hole Winery, T. Verrastro, The Beer Stop, Party Beverage and Citizens Publishing for their donations. Also kudos to Rotarians Tim Genetti, Jason Brenner, Pat Korb and Lisa Marie Halecky for their assistance.

Proceeds will benefit Hazleton Rotary "Service Above Self" community projects.

Be sure to mark Saturday, August 28, 2021 on your calendars! That's when we hope to return to the Hazleton Rotary Wine & Beer Festival!!!!

For more further and/or update information, go www.hazletonrotary.org and/or the Rotary Club of Hazleton



Photo Caption: Marc Elbe, Owner, gives a tour of the Conyngham Brewing Company to Mike Cammisa, Chair of the Hazleton Rotary Beer and Wine Fundraiser

Rotary Club of Hazleton

The proceeds from the dinner will help fund various Hazleton Rotary Service Projects. The Club is always pleased when it can raise enough funds to help the community meet some of its needs. Club members work very hard to serve the community and fundraisers, such as the annual spaghetti dinner, are instrumental in their success in “Serving Others Above Self.”

“We were very pleased with the public’s support of this annual project. We give sincere appreciation and thanks to Craig Hockman and Neal DeAngelo of Pines Eatery & Spirits, for allowing Rotary to take over their kitchen for this event.” said Club President Donna Barna. “We are happy to say that we were be able to provide meals for The Domestic Violence Center, Catholic Social Services and the PSP with whatever was left over.”



Hazleton Rotary held a Drive By/Take Out spaghetti dinner on Wednesday, November 11 at The Pines Eatery & Spirits, 8 West Broad Street, Hazleton. In celebration of Veterans Day, veterans were able to purchase meals at half price.

Rotary Club of Tunkhannock

Wyoming County District Attorney Thanks Rotary

Wyoming County District Attorney (DA) Jeff Mitchell announced on Tuesday Oct 27, that the Oct 24 Drug Take Back event resulted in 293.6 lbs of drugs collected. He offered his thanks to Tunkhannock Rotary, the DEA and all the pharmacies that took part in this event.

Although there was no Drug Take Back Event this Spring due to the lockdown with the COVID-19 pandemic, the Fall Drug Take Back happened on Oct 24 at CVS and Rite Aid Pharmacies in Tunkhannock and Lech’s Pharmacy in Nicholson and Laceyville.

Rotary provides the community outreach and advertising for the event. Rotary produced posters and digital flyers that were posted around Wyoming County and online, as well as, distributed through the Wyoming County HOPE Coalition of which Tunkhannock Rotary is a member. Since 2017, the coalition has brought together medical and social service providers, elected officials, law enforcement, community organizations and those in recovery from substance use disorder to enact change.

Drug Take Back Poundage for Wyoming County, PA

	Spring	Fall	Total
2010-2012			209
2013	119	78	197
2014	131	162.5	293.5
2015	300	134.45	434.45
2016	347	288	635
2017	273	157	430
2018	297	238	535
2019	263	158	421
2020	0	293.6	293.6
	Grand Total		3,448.55

Rotary got involved in Spring 2014

Apr 25, canceled due to Covid-19

Rotary Club of Tunkhannock

Tunkhannock Rotary Celebrates Halloween on Oct 29

On Thursday Oct 29, the noontime luncheon at Shadowbrook gave members and family the opportunity to dress up in their favorite costumes. There were 4 winners in the costume contest: Kaitlyn Markovitz – 1st place, Patty Ehrenzeller – 2nd place, Mary Tempest – 3rd place and John Hovan – 4th place. Congratulations to all the costume contest winners!



Tunkhannock Helps With PopUp Pantry at Lazybrook Park

This event was coordinated by Membership Chair Mary Tempest to have a Rotary event on what would have been the Tunkhannock Rotary Harvest & Wine Festival date (Saturday Oct 10, 2020) at Lazybrook Park. So, instead of hosting a crowd of wine drinkers, Rotary helped Child Hunger Outreach Partners of Wyoming & Susquehanna Counties (CHOP) with their first Wyoming County Pop-Up Pantry to feed families in need.

Volunteers from Tunkhannock Rotary and CHOP were at Lazybrook Park unpacking and distributing food to families as they drove-by the Rotary sponsored and newly installed inclusive swing set. The distribution was on a first-come, first served basis until all the food boxes were gone. The drive-by began at 1 PM and continued until almost 4 PM. Thanks to all the Rotarians and family members who helped with this event.



Fall Roadside Cleanup on Oct 31

For at least the last 23 years, twice a year, usually in the Spring and Fall, Tunkhannock Rotarians clean-up both sides of the roadside along 2 miles of Route 6 from the Fireplace Restaurant to beyond Route 87 towards Meshoppen.

So, on Sat Oct 31, Rotarians, family and friends gathered at the Fireplace Restaurant parking lot to begin the Fall cleanup. Although it was a cold day, Rotarians are "People of Action" and were determined to get the cleanup done.

Chairman Mike Markovitz commented "THANK YOU! We had 20 people show up to get the project completed in rapid time. We started at 9:00 am and were wrapped up by 10:15 am and headed home by 10:30 am! GREAT JOB TO ALL!"



Rotary Club of Tunkhannock

Tunkhannock Rotary Holiday Calendar Raffle

We missed everyone so much at Harvest & Wine Festival time this year that we can't wait to see everyone in 2021. In the meantime, you can support Tunkhannock Rotary and possibly win a great prize or give a great gift - a Holiday Calendar Raffle!

Each calendar costs \$20, so feel free to buy multiple copies to increase your chances of winning. Winners can select prize or cash value. Calendars can be purchased from any member of the Tunkhannock Rotary.

You must be 21 or over to purchase a calendar. One prize per calendar purchase, except all entries will be eligible for the Christmas Grand Prize Drawing. Daily winners will be posted on our Website and Festival and Club Facebook pages. Good Luck!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Todd + Rachel's \$25	2 Mercantile 22 \$25	3 Yearbook Diner \$25	4 JR's Hallmark \$75 <small>Donated by Ann Waly</small>	5 Antonio's Pizzeria & Restaurant \$75
6 Chocolates by Leopold \$50	7 Nimble Hill Vineyard & Winery \$50	8 Pompei's Restaurant & Pizza \$25	9 Monzie's Floral Design \$25	10 Tioga Bistro \$25	11 Antonio's Pizzeria & Restaurant \$75	12 North Slope Brewing \$50
13 Ebb's Candy Jar \$25	14 Antler Ridge Winery \$50	15 Samarior's Pizzeria \$25	16 Downtown Sundry \$25	17 Twig's Cafe \$25	18 Deep Roots Hard Cider \$50	19 Antonio's Pizzeria & Restaurant \$75
20 Antonio's Pizzeria & Restaurant \$75	21 Maiolatesi Wine Cellars \$50	22 Peso's Pizza & Southwest Grill \$25	23 Pre-Hempt \$25	24 Fireplace Restaurant \$25	25 Merry Christmas from Rotary \$2,500 CASH	26 Wallenpaupack Brewing Co. \$50
27 Capra Collina Winery \$50	28 Grovedale Vineyard & Winery \$50	29 T&C Grille \$25	30 Mayflower Florist \$25	31 The Dietrich Theater \$25	Happy New Year	

Tunkhannock Rotarians Help at WCCC FallFest Mixer

On Thursday evening, Sept 24, the Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce (WCCC), of which Tunkhannock Rotary is a member, held its FallFest Mixer outside from 5-8 PM at Shadowbrook Inn and Resort. Gina Suydam, the Executive Director of the WCCC, is a Tunkhannock Rotarian. Several Rotarian businesses were represented, and several Rotarians volunteered to help at the event, manning the basket raffle table.



Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season from Tunkhannock Rotary!

Each Calendar is \$20. Purchase a calendar for you and a friend. Follow Tunkhannock Rotary on Facebook or check TunkhannockRotary.org each day in December for winner announcements.

Winners can select prize or cash value. Must be 21 years or older to purchase calendar. One prize per calendar purchase except, all entries will be eligible for the Christmas drawing.