

NOVEMBER 2025



Greetings from our 2025-2026

DISTRICT GOVERNOR
Tim Genetti



The Remarkable Experience of Being District Governor of Rotary District 7410

Being the District Governor of Rotary District 7410 is not just a title; it is an extraordinary opportunity to meet wonderful people making positive impacts in their communities. I take immense pride in our district and the extraordinary projects undertaken by our clubs. While I cannot detail every club's projects, I am constantly moved by our shared commitment to "Service Above Self." This role allows me to witness the passion of 42 clubs dedicated to service, highlighting the essential role our clubs play in their communities. The friendships formed through this journey last a lifetime, creating a robust support system within our Rotary family—an honor I cherish deeply.

Being District Governor is not solely about leadership; it is also a profound journey of personal growth. The responsibilities attached to this role challenge me to enhance my skills in leadership, public speaking, conflict resolution, and strategic planning. Each interaction and event serves as a learning opportunity, shaping me into a more effective leader and, ultimately, a better individual.

This year, I have had the privilege of engaging in various fundraising events organized by our clubs. From reverse raffles to wine and beer festivals, golf tournaments, and unique events like the RailRiders game, Alzheimer's Walk, and Halloween festivities, each experience has been unforgettable. Recently, I spoke to 150 high school students about World Polio Day before participating in the "Pints for Polio" fundraiser in Scranton. I enjoyed a delightful weekend at a charming bed and breakfast in Milford, owned by a fellow Rotarian. Then I joined the Milford Rotary Club's new fundraiser and capped it off by distributing candy to over 1,000 children during a trick-or-treat event in Hazleton. It was a fantastic weekend!

Michelle and I have received warm welcomes from every club, and we are profoundly grateful for the hospitality shown to us. I treasure the opportunity to share my passion for Rotary and the deep connections we cultivate within our clubs. I eagerly look forward to my remaining visits.

District Governor is a role that embodies the spirit of Rotary, emphasizing the importance of service, fellowship and making a positive impact in the world. For those who are passionate about making such a difference, this position is not only an honor but a transformative experience. I encourage any Rotarian to consider going on this amazing journey.

Sincerely,
DG Tim

Please Join us to Support the

The
Rotary
Foundation



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH
THE HILTON, SCRANTON
1PM-3PM

\$40 per person

Cash bar, silent auction items from clubs,
and matched Foundation points for
donations

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Join us for our 7 District Multi District Conference and early bird registration

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Rotary 
Districts 7390, 7410, 7430,
7450, 7475, 7490, 7505

Regional Leadership Summit

**Rotary Regional
Leadership Summit for Peace**
In conjunction with the Lincoln Leadership Institute
April 17-19, 2026
Wyndham Gettysburg

Rotary District 7410 Polio Plus 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 and the Rotary International donor form. If made on-line, one can establish a recurring donation.

E-mail or mail the donation acknowledgement you receive from Rotary International and this form to me the District PolioPlus Society Coordinator 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.

Submit to the Newsletter!

**Thank you to everyone who contributes to the
monthly Newsletter!**

Instructions to submit your articles and photos to the newsletter:

Please send submissions to the email box:

RotaryDistrict7410Newsletter@gmail.com

Please remember to keep your content:

- Simple & Brief, Limiting all articles to a total of 2 pages.
- Connecting to trending topics or events if possible

Also, please submit your newsletter articles in **one Word Document with photos attached separately, not in the body of separate emails or in the document.** This helps assure that all of your articles are included in the newsletter and nothing gets lost.

Upcoming Events

Calendar

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29 Monthly Meeting (Blakeslee)	30	31 Rotary Leadership Institute Lehighon Holiday Craft Show	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Community Dinner (Blakeslee)	12	13	14	15 Rotary Foundation Lunch
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5 Christmas Cupcake Decorating (Blakeslee)	6 Copy of Christmas Cupcake Decorating (Blakeslee)

- ☐ - Board Meeting Event (Club)
- ☐ - Club Event (Club)
- ☐ - Club Meeting (Club)
- ☐ - Committee Meeting (Club)
- ☐ - Deadline (Club)
- ☐ - District Event (Club)
- ☐ - Fundraiser (Club)
- ☐ - General (Club)
- ☐ - Official DG Visit (Club)

[11/11/2025 - Blakeslee - Community Dinner](#)

[11/15/2025 - District 7410 - Foundation Lunch](#)

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Rotary
District 7410 

District Directory

**The 2024-2025 District Directory is available
to view on our website**

[Please click here to view a copy](#)

*The District Directory is housed under the
District Info drop down menu on our
website homepage.*



District Directory **2024-2025**

Serving 11 Counties in Northeastern Pennsylvania, USA

2025-2026 Directory Coming Soon

Public Image Committee

Don't forget!

Visit the [Public Image page](#) to:

- Download a printable/fillable [“Connect With Us” business card](#) to pass out to prospective Rotary members.
- Find a link to take you directly to [Rotary International's Brand Center](#). Here you can create and download videos, images, brochures, logos, business cards, flyers and much more.
- Download a copy of the [District Directory](#).
- Download your [club logo](#).

CLUBS IN ACTION

Rotary
Club of The Abingtons



Showing the Way...

...to the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. Member Ryan Stoa updated the Rotary sign on the Morgan Highway notating their current location for their Thursday noon weekly meetings.

Seen here with Ryan Stoa and his Dad Terry Stoa upon completion of updating the Rotary sign on South State Street. Mr and Mrs Terry Stoa travelled from Decatur Illinois where the both are Rotarians to help their son to refurbish the Abington signs.

If anyone is interested in visiting Rotary can call Gail Cicerini at 570-313-7788.



Become a Rotary Exchange Student

The Rotary Club of the Abingtons welcomed District #7410's Rotary Youth Exchange's Outbound Exchange Coordinator Anika Sehne, a member of the Tunkhannock Rotary.

The Rotary Youth Exchange is organized and administered by volunteer Rotarians and their families throughout the world within the local Rotary club, the district and regionally. Contact Anika at anikaandrotary@gmail.com for additional information.



Surprise Celebration for Dr. Gus Vlassis

We were recently treated to exciting and articulate reports from the 4 Abington Heights Interact students we sponsored at Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) in June. All 4 students expressed their gratitude to our club for the opportunity to participate in this life-changing experience and all came away more confident and ready to lead. We congratulate them and their parents and look forward to big things in the future from them all. Students and parents are pictured with Rotary President Christopher Loftus.





Hazleton Rotary Gathered at the “Trail of Treats”

Hazleton Rotary had a “spooktacular” afternoon handing out treats to all the ghosts and goblins at the Trail of Treats at City View Park on Sunday, October 26th.

This annual event has become a community favorite, offering children the chance to collect goodies from a variety of decorated stations set up along the park’s trail. Costumes are encouraged, making it a perfect opportunity for kids to dress up and celebrate Halloween in a safe and welcoming environment.



Hazleton Rotarian Honored at 12th Annual Latino Ball

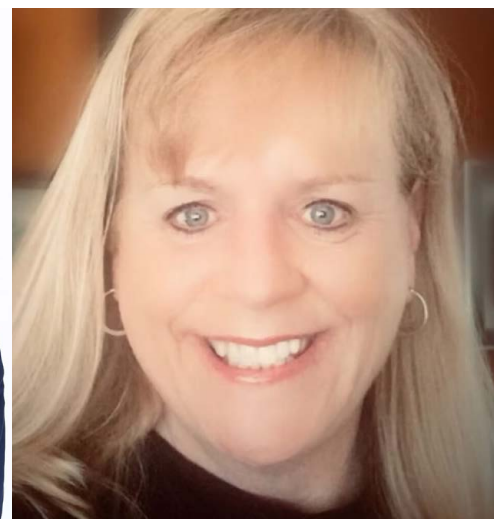
Congratulations to Hazleton Rotarian Rossanna Gabriel Olivares who was recognized as the Workforce Champion-"Lo Mejor de Lo Mejor" winner at the 12th Annual Latino Ball, Harrisburg. Rossanna is the Executive Director of the Hazleton Integration Project (HIP Center).



Hazleton Rotary Honorees

Congratulations to the following Hazleton Rotarians who will receive the 2025 Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce Business and Community Service Awards: Volunteer of the Year-Danielle Matarella; Small Business of the Year-Super Gomas-Vianney Castro, owner; Charitable Organization of the Year-Collaborative Autism Movement-Eileen Perchak.

The luncheon will take place on Thursday, October 30th at 11:45 am at Four Blooms Restaurant in Drums.



Young Rotarians Prepping for Trail of Treats

Young Rotarians Claudia Stroia, Jace Whitake, Marti Joines and Tamear Henegain filled up Halloween treat bags for Hazleton's Trail of Treats, an annual event hosted by the Parks n Recreation-City of Hazleton.

"Rotary—the Sweetest Club" will be at City View Park on Sunday, October 26th handing out some delicious treats to area children whom, we anticipate, will be decked out, as usual, in some wonderful Halloween costumes.





District Governor Visit

The Lehighton Rotary welcomed District 7410 Governor Tim Genetti during his official visit to the club. Officers and members left to right are: Renee Biechy, Athena Remiszewski, Manny Dacosta, Dawn Remiszewski, DG Tim Genetti, Sue Lovejoy and Pat Ward, Assistant Governor. New members are welcome and can contact the club at LehightonRotary@yahoo.com for additional information.





ROTARY CLUB OF JIM THORPE



GHOST WALKS

#walkwithghosts

A beautiful guided walking tour through the Victorian village of Jim Thorpe. Hear the chilling stories and legends of the town's history as you walk down the sidewalks and meet the previous residents of the Little Switzerland of America.

They loved it so much, they never left!



Weekends | September – November

*100% of
proceeds benefit
the Jim Thorpe
community!*



**Space is
Limited**

Scan the QR Code
to reserve
your spot now!



www.JimThorpeRotary.org



Meeting at GAIT

On Wednesday, September 24th, the Milford Matamoras Rotary Club held their weekly meeting at GAIT Equine Assisted Services of Milford. GAIT's mission is to improve the quality of life of children and adults with special needs through equine activities and therapies resulting in a more independent life in society.

Eva Warner, Executive Director of GAIT was a gracious host and gave all the members in attendance a tour of the most outstanding facility in Pike County. A great time was had by all!

Members in attendance were Jamie Dykstra, President, Candace Mahala, Vice President, Mary Olsen, Secretary, Ernie Olsen, Sargent at Arms, John Marino, Member, Dan and Flora Connelly, Members, John Messer, Member his wife Linda Messer, Shaun Burger, Member (Picture Taker), Kevin Mann, Member, Eva Warner, GAIT Director and Rotary Member, Teresa Oleary, Member and Christine Kerstetter, Executive Secretary. Milford-Matamoras Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 12:15PM at the Dimmick Inn.

Anyone interested in becoming a member, contact Jamie at 201-388-7107 or come visit us at a meeting.



Donation to Milford Lions Club to Support Tree Lighting

On Wednesday, October 22nd, the Milford Matamoras Rotary Club donated \$500.00 to the Milford Lions Club to help support their annual, ongoing Tree Lighting Project.

Milford Lions Club members and volunteers string lights in the trees along Broad & Harford Streets in Milford Boro every Autumn and the lights are lit from December 1st to January 15th every year. This project makes Milford shine brightly during the holiday season, a picture of beauty for all to enjoy.

Pictured left to right are Marie Farrell, Lions Club member and Jamie Dykstra, Rotary President. Milford-Matamoras Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 12:15PM at the Dimmick Inn.

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Steam Train Fun for the Whole Family!

In September, our club sponsored our Steam Train trip from Mountain Top to Jim Thorpe. The weather was great and we had about 400 passengers! We heard so much great feedback about how people enjoyed this ride! So we decided to have it again in 2026! We love this event because it slows everyone's life down and is basically some old time fun! So much gratitude to Michelle Reilly, the chairperson of this event!

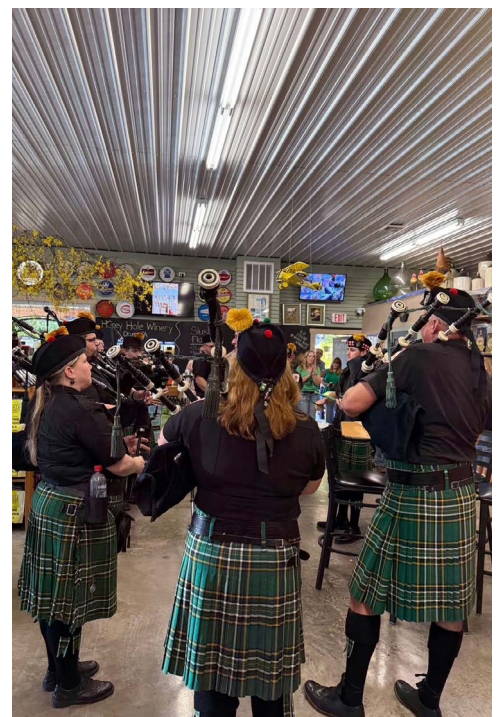
The photos include members and families enjoying one of the many restaurants.



Social Meeting at Local Winery

Each month, we have a social meeting/get together for our members. Recently it was held at the Honey Hole Winery in Drums. What a great way to meet and have fellowship! While we were there, bagpipers playing music stopped in and were a nice surprise!

Pictured left to right are: standing: Tee, Royce, Colleen, Claudia, and Joe. Kneeling: Joanne and Kathryn. Absent from photo is John.



Please Plan to Attend: Gift Card and Designer Purse Bingo

This annual event will be held on Sunday, March 1, 2026 at the Crestwood High School in Mountain Top. It partly benefits our food insecurity initiatives. This year we added "gift cards" as big prizes. Doors open at noon.....fun starts at 1pm. See attached photo of flyer.

THE MOUNTAIN TOP ROTARY CLUB

GIFT CARD AND DESIGNER PURSE BINGO



Join us for an afternoon of excitement, camaraderie, and the thrill of the win at Bingo! Get your daubers ready and mark your calendars for a fun-filled time to benefit programs in our community!

\$25

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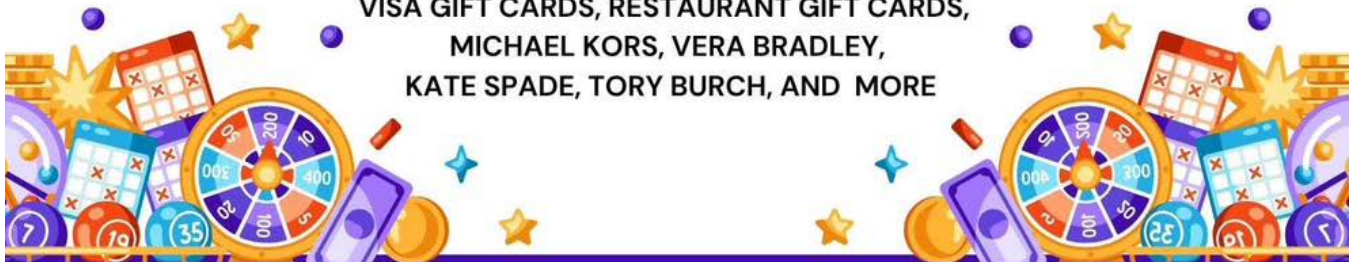
LIMITED TO 200 PLAYERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2026 1:00 PM
DOORS OPEN AT NOON

**Crestwood
High School
Cafeteria**

FEATURED PRIZES INCLUDE

VISA GIFT CARDS, RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS,
MICHAEL KORS, VERA BRADLEY,
KATE SPADE, TORY BURCH, AND MORE



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR
CALL CLAUDIA VITIELLO, EVENT CHAIR 570-466-9528

TICKETS MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED AT M&T BANK OFFICE IN MOUNTAIN TOP

District Governor Tim Genetti Visits!

We welcomed Tim to a recent meeting. Tim is always an inspiring speaker! Tim talked about district goals and membership. Tim, thank you for the chocolate bars! Pictured are Tim and club president, Joanne Joseph.



Informative Talk on Alzheimer's Association

Katie Kearney, Director of the local Alzheimer's Association, gave an interesting, informal talk about the Association. She also talked about healthy habits for brain health. Katie said she's available to present at any of our clubs.



NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM

New Milford Area Rotary and friends conducted its annual service program with Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Adopt-A-Highway Litter Pick-Up Program on October 26, 2025. The effort continues a service activity begun in 2021. Fourteen members and friends collected over fifty bags of litter, and miscellaneous debris on a three-mile stretch of U.S. Route 11 south of New Milford. This effort aligns with Rotary International's focus area- The Environment. If you would like to join in such efforts, contact the club at newmilfordparotary@gmail.com



NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY AND MENS CLUB PARTNER FOR TRUE FRIENDS

The New Milford Area Rotary Club (NMARC) and the New Milford Community Men's Club (NMCMC) teamed up to provide the four-legged residents of the True Friends Animal Welfare Center in Montrose with a better environment to stretch those legs.

Hearing that there was a need for new fencing around the exercise yard and improvements to internal enclosures that would cost around \$4000, the Rotary Club kicked off the process by applying for a Rotary District Grant, which supplied half of the necessary funds. The grant was conditioned on raising matching funds for the other half. The Men's Club stepped up with the other \$2000 from fundraising and member donations.

A meeting of representatives from the three organizations was held at Green Gables where the matching funds were awarded to finalize the grant process. The New Milford Area Rotary currently consists of thirty-seven members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership. Contact information can be found at newmilfordparotary@gmail.com





Rotary Club of Plymouth Welcomes LCCC President and Donates to Foundation

The Rotary Club of Plymouth welcomed Luzerne County Community College President John Yudichak to a recent meeting. President Yudichak discussed the current status of the school and future endeavors as well. Yudichak has been a long time friend of the Club. The Club donated to the Luzerne County Community College Foundation for future endeavors.

Pictured are Rotary Club President JK Karavis, Rotarians Pat Motyka, Kerry Boney, Tina Griffin, Yudichak, Janet Franchella and Brian Vnuk, Rotary District 7410 Assistant Governor





