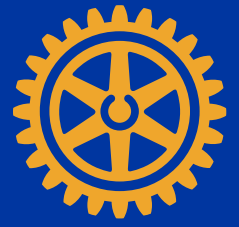


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## Judith Hughes

*District Governor*  
*Rotary Club of Slippery Rock*



Judy was born in Chicago, Illinois and raised in Skokie, Illinois. She attended Northwestern University Preparatory Music Conservatory and Niles Township High School. After graduation she attended Northwestern University in Music and the University of Kansas where she received a BM Ed. And a Masters in Music Performance.

The Pittsburgh Opera, the San Francisco Opera and the Santa Fe Opera are among Judy's opera credits along with the Pittsburgh Symphony Chamber Orchestra, the Erie Philharmonic, the Youngstown and Butler Symphony orchestras.

Her most memorable concert was at Carnegie Hall, NYC. She has been managed by Bobbi Tillander, in NYC. Judy has taught at Clarion University, Grove City College, Westminster College and Geneva College.

In Rotary, Judy and her husband are Major Donors. Judy has served the District as Assistant Governor for 6 years, Rotaract Chairperson, and ROVA Committee leader. Judy is a member of WASRAG (Water and Sanitation Action Group) of Rotary International. In the Slippery Rock Rotary Club Judy has served as President, Vice President and Membership Chairperson.

The leadership roles that Judy has had outside of Rotary include Executive Director of the Miss Butler Pageants for Miss America, President of the Local Directors for Miss Pennsylvania and co-Chairperson of the Grove City United Way. Judy has been Chairperson of the Slippery Rock University Gala Auction Committee and is with her husband a Major Donor to the University.

Judy and Jim have a daughter Laura Quinn, married to Erik Kei Hoopingarner of Playa Vista, California. The Hughes have one grandson, Alexander James.

### Supporting Cast:

President: *Dennis Lagan*

Greeter: *Bradley Keiper*

Invocation: *Zac Wild*

Pianist: *Bruce Gingrich*

Song Leader: *Lisa Graff*

Sgt at Arms: *James Hynes*

Speaker Intro: *Dennis Lagan*

### Program Schedule

**12:00 p.m. Lunch Meeting  
at the Sheraton Bayfront**

*Free Parking in the Garage!*

#### SEPTEMBER 20:

**Judith Hughes**

District Governor

*Noon Lunch Meeting @ The Sheraton*

#### SEPTEMBER 27:

**Charlotte Rerko**

Achievement Center

*Noon Lunch Meeting @ The Sheraton*

#### OCTOBER 4:

**Captain James Basinger**

Pennsylvania State Police

*Breakfast Meeting @ The MBA*



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DISTRICT SITE: [ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG](http://ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG)



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# ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENT



**An update from our Rotary Exchange Student, Andy Hedderman, who is currently in Finland. This email is his first report to our club. He is the son of Rotarian, Kevin Hedderman.**

Hei! It has been an unbelievable first month here in Finland. I am glad I can share some of my experience with people back at home. Here is the first of my monthly updates.

I attended a language/orientation week right after I arrived. It was really rigorous which helped take my mind off of the jetlag. I feel that it prepared me well for my first month considering it is a completely new language. When my host mother and sister came to pick me up from the camp, I was able to introduce myself in Finnish and have a short conversation. Also, meeting the 100 or so new exchange students was a lot of fun. There were so many cultures being represented at the camp and I am very grateful I am now able to understand them just a little bit better.

The first day with my host family was very eventful. On the day I arrived to their house, they were throwing a going-away party for my host sister Kira. The house was full of family and friends who I got to know a little. Some of Kira's friends were at the party, so I was able to practice my language skills with some people my age too.

The rest of the month was just as exciting and the bulk of it was me settling into the Finnish rhythm. I feel that my host family and I get along really well. My host parents and sisters have been so helpful showing me around and teaching me Finnish. Kira left about a week after I arrived and it was interesting to see the departure of an exchange student without being the one leaving :).

My school has also been welcoming. All of my teachers speak excellent English, but they are trying very hard to include me and ask me simple questions in class. This term, which lasts from mid-August to the end of September, I am taking two English courses, a history course, a biology course, one art course and a music course. I am also beginning Finnish courses mid-September at the University of Helsinki to jump-start my language skills. In my school, I was placed with the second year students (out of three years), but I have friends from all the classes. I will also dance a very traditional dance called "vanhat" with one of my friends from school. The school will give dance lessons for two to three months before the dance and I will be very glad to learn a new skill. **(CONTINUED ON THE NEXT COLUMN...)**

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Overall, I would say that the culture-shock I have experienced has been very pleasant. I have tried some new foods like gravlax (raw salmon) and this past weekend, I was at a crayfish party. The second was enough of an experience that I will dedicate an entire blog post to it. So you will hear more details. The language is different, but manageable. The social customs are similar to the ones I am used to enough so that I haven't been surprised too much yet.

Last Monday, I went to my first Rotary meeting in the Espoo Rotary Club. It was nice to be able to say hello and thank them for hosting me. I also had the chance to introduce myself at the end of the meeting. I did it in Finnish and I think the people in the club appreciated it.

My month was very busy and I have already started to feel at home here. I have seen and experienced so much already. And I am excited for all the adventures that I don't know about yet.

Kiitos paljon or Thank you so much,

Andy Hedderman



# HURRICANE HARVEY DONATIONS

Texas Rotary District 5930 has partnered with the nonprofit McAllen North Rotary Fund to set up an emergency relief fund. They will collect contributions to help people in Texas affected by Hurricane Harvey. To help please send checks or gift cards to:



**Rotary District 5930  
McAllen North Rotary Fund  
501 W. Nolana Ave.  
McAllen, Texas 78504**



We should probably anticipate additional requests for help from Florida, once they get better organized and know the extent of their damage.

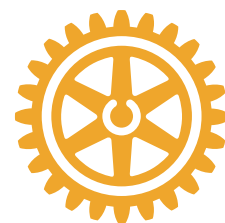
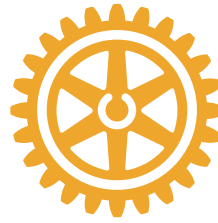
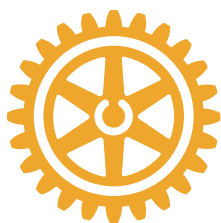
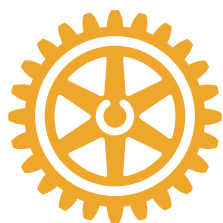
## ROTARY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

**FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR  
THOMAS CHELGREN • 2017**

Please take a few minutes to look through the most recent District newsletter - it has a lot of information. Thank You!

*To access the most recent issue of the District's newsletter, please go to:*

<http://www.rotarydistrict7280.org/documents/newsletters/2017/NL-September-2017.pdf>



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY to you!

We want to send birthday wishes to

**Gary Flick and Chris Scott (9/16),**

**Michael Malthaner (9/17), Penny Mechley-Porter (9/18)**

**Jake Rouch (9/18) -and- Bruce Kern II (9/20)**

*We hope you enjoy your day!*

