

Rotary

District 7305

The Connector - November 2021



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Zones 33-34



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One Year of Rotary Works

As we approach the one year mark of the launch of the Rotary Works initiative in December, I am pleased to share that we have funded 10 grants at 500 dollars each, mentored dozens of professionals, hosted nine educational webinars for thousands of participants, and developed an informative and useful website with a job board and access to countless tools and resources to assist Rotarians and Rotaractors through career transitions.

I thank our team of talented Rotarians and Rotaractors who have dedicated many hours of work to make this program the success it is today. From biweekly meetings, and rehearsals, to coach training sessions, and website design and updates, this last year has been one filled with ingenuity and results driven activity.

Even with all of the accomplishments this past year, we still have

many individuals in our Rotary family who could benefit from the Rotary Works program. Please help us spread the word, invite us to speak at your club, and connect us with those you know who could take advantage of what we have to offer.

By Stephanie Urchick, Immediate Past Rotary International Director

Rotary Works Testimonial

I first contacted Rotary Works after learning about the program at a virtual club meeting. I requested to meet with a coach, as I had maxed out my job and was looking for growth and upward mobility. However, I felt stuck and did not know where and how to look.

Less than a week after submitting my request for a coach, Rotary Works matched me with Scott Bellows. Shortly after, Scott and I met virtually. His professional background complemented mine nicely and he had a good grasp of my industry.

Scott was extremely patient, knowledgeable, and gave me great ideas on how to pivot in my field and pursue others all while keeping in mind my interests and expertise. After speaking for almost two hours, he graciously told me that he would be happy to meet with me again.

Since then, Scott and I have emailed about my progress and where I am at. I am so thankful that

I met Scott and have an objective person to guide me through this transition.

I encourage Rotarians to take advantage of this program to enhance their professional backgrounds and learn about other careers sectors that otherwise would be unknown.

By Arina Neustein, Rotarian & Rotary Works Mentee

Career Coaching

We have built a team of experienced career coaches to help Rotarians and Rotaractors who need guidance in their career path or in their organizations and businesses.

You must be an active Rotarian or Rotaractor in Zones 33 or 34 to benefit from the Rotary Works Coaching Program.

If you are an experienced mentor or coach, or if you have specific vocational skills or expertise which might help Rotarians or Rotaractors to progress in their career transitions or vocational paths, we would like to hear from you.

You can request a coach or sign up as one on the Rotary Works website: <https://rotary.works/career-coaching>

Quote of the Month:

"No one can tell us what rotary will be tomorrow, but one thing is certain: what Rotary will be tomorrow depends upon what Rotarians do today."

Arch Klump

STARTING A NEW BUSINESS

CAREER ADVANCEMENT

BEGINNING A NEW CAREER

CHANGING PROFESSIONS

INTERVIEW PREPARATION

November is Rotary Foundation Month

The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of our great organization. Each year, all Rotarians are asked to contribute to OUR Foundation.

Our Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) initiative is the goal that every Rotarian contributes at least \$25 to The Rotary Foundation. Sustaining Members donate a minimum of \$100, and Paul Harris Society Members pledge to contribute at least \$1,000.

So why should we contribute to The Rotary Foundation every year? Your donation supports ongoing Rotary projects here in our district and throughout the world. This year we received \$114,003 in a District Grant to be used by our District Clubs for projects requested by our qualified clubs. Thirty-six clubs applied for a district grant.

Last Rotary year, as a district, we contributed \$255,853 to the Annual Giving (EREY). That works out to be an average of \$128 in giving per member in our District. That amount was higher than the previous year. This is fantastic considering that we had twelve clubs where not a single member made a contribution to Our Rotary Foundation. This was also a COVID year where many clubs were still not meeting in person, carrying out projects, or having fundraisers.

Our district is blessed with Rotarians who graciously provided endowments to OUR Rotary Foundation. In all, we have 21



endowments worth just under \$13 million. A portion of the earnings comes back to our district as District Designated Funds that are used to support our clubs in local and global grants. Four of those endowments support Global Scholarships. Many other Rotary District Leaders are

envious of our past giving. Many of these districts will need to use their District Designated Funds to fund a global scholar thus reducing money available for local or international projects.

To keep the momentum going, and to have an even better year than the previous one, please mail your check, payable to The Rotary Foundation and with your Rotary Club name on the memo line, to me. I will process your donation. And any amount of \$100 or more will be matched by the district.

Thank you in advance for your participation in The Rotary Foundation Month.

Cheers,
PDG Richard Martin
1456 8th Ave
New Brighton, PA 15066

Editor's note: Read more about the Paul Harris Society on page 5 and about the Polio Plus Society on page 14

Rotary Foundation Facts

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

The Rotary Foundation helps Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.

\$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.

From rotary.org

Rotary
District 7305

IN MEMORY

PDG Andrew G. "Andy" Uram
1921 - 2021

Washington Rotary Club

District Governor 7330 1985-1986

Rotary
District 7305

IN MEMORY

PDG Robert A. "Bob" Hillberry
1939 - 2021

Washington Rotary Club

District Governor 7330 1994-1995

Looking For Our 2024-2025 District Governor

We are beginning the search for the Rotarian who will be our District Governor for the Rotary Year 2024-2025. This process ends with the announcement of the new District Governor Nominee Designate (DGND).

Rotary International requires that the person nominated will follow a two-year process of training and preparation before assuming the role of District Governor.

During the 2022-2023 Rotary year, the selected person will be the District Governor Nominee (DGN). This role includes observation and training, and participation at District events. It also includes participation at the Rotary Zone 33-34 Training Institute (dates to be determined) in 2022, as well as at the Presidents Elect Training Seminar in 2022, and participating as a non-voting member of key district committees.

During the 2023-2024 Rotary year, the selected person will be the District Governor-Elect (DGE). Training and observation activities continue, including participation at the Zone training institute in September or October 2023 and at the Rotary International Assembly (an assembly and training program for District Governors Elect from all Rotary Districts in the world) in Orlando, Florida in January 2024.

The DGE will also be the lead District participant for the Presidents Elect Training Seminar in March 2024. The elected individual will become District Governor on July 1, 2024.

Our district utilizes a Nominating Committee process. Interested applicants must submit their completed application to Past District



Are you interested in serving as the District 7305 Governor in 2024-2025? If so, this is your chance to join the group above as a distinguished leader of our Rotary District. Representing District 7305 at the recent Zone Summit in Naples Florida were (left to right): Dan Dougherty, Emerging Leader; Michelle Petrell, Emerging Leader; John Hartman, DG 2023-2024, Vince Costa, DG 2021-2022; Al DeLucia, DG 2020-2021; Mary Berge, D7330 DG 2008-2009, Tom Fallon, D7300 DG 2012-2013, Rick Martin, D7300 DG 2009-2010, and Marie Fallon, DG 2022-2023

Governor Jim Hahn, Chair of the Nominating Committee, no later than November 10, 2021.

As AG Pat Shaffer is coordinating the applications, please send your completed application to her at:

Pat Shaffer
4744 Nob Hill Drive
Murrysville, PA 15668
724 327-5601
Or email it to:
patshaffer@tpsold.com

The Chair must review the application to ensure that the required elements are included and that the applicant meets all of the requirements set forth by RI and our District.

Interviews of selected applicants, by the committee, will take place on a date to be determined and will be communicated at a later date.

Your help in identifying qualified applicants would be appreciated. Please look within your club and within your Rotary network to identify those Rotarians who meet the qualifications and have the desire to get involved at the District level. Feel free to contact me, your Assistant Governor, or any member of the District Nominating Committee and they will be glad to reach out and answer all your questions.

The work we do today will reap benefits for our District, clubs and Rotarians in the future.

Yours in Rotary,

Jim Hahn, DG 2019-2020
Nominating Committee Chairman



Qualifications needed for the post as District Governor:

- Be a member in good standing of a club in the district.
- Have served as club president for a full term.
- Completed seven years of Rotary membership prior to taking office as governor.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the qualifications, duties and responsibilities of governor.

The Paul Harris Society

My name is Denny Crawford, Past District Governor of 7300 during the Rotary year of 2007-2008. Although I know quite a few of you from the old district 7330, there are many of you who probably don't know me.

I've been asked by Jeff Klink, Chair of the District 7305 Committee for the Rotary Foundation to promote and chair the Paul Harris Society for District 7305.

For those of you who aren't familiar with the Paul Harris Society, you can become a member by pledging \$1,000 per year to The Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or to an approved global grant. You can pledge funds monthly, quarterly or annually.

The Paul Harris society currently has approximately 20,000 members globally and District 7305 currently has 95 members, a number I believe is far to low for a District of our size.

We all joined Rotary for various reasons, but our primary focus is



Members of The Paul Harris Society are committed to give at least \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation every year. At Rotary events they are easily identified by the PHS flag worn with their PHF or Major Donor pins.

doing Good in the World, and as we all know to sustain the projects of Rotary both locally and globally it takes funding. What better way is there to stand behind your commitment to Rotary than by becoming a member of the Paul Harris Society? A donation of \$1,000 per year equates to approximately \$2.74 per day. Most of us spend more than that every day on our favorite beverage.

You will find the Paul Harris Society brochure in this month's issue of The Bulletin Board. Please take a moment to read it and become familiar with the society.

My contact information is below if you would like to get in touch with me to talk further about the Society.

Thank you - and thank you for all you do for Rotary.

Denny Crawford, PDG
Chair of The Paul Elder Chapter of Paul Harris Society
412-496-8897

Why Should You Attend the RI Convention?

You are able to relax in the House of Friendship with friends. We were relaxing at the Sidney Convention Registration Booth in Lisbon. It is time to make a decision to attend the convention in Houston and still receive a discount in price. So far only 10 people from our district has registered for the convention. The 2022 Rotary International Convention will be held June 4-8 in Houston. Be sure to register by December 15 to get the early bird registration savings.



Bottom row: Eunice Daniels, Harriett Sickles, and Mary Rowe. Top row: Brian Daniels, PDG Walt Sickles, and Bob Rowe.

REGISTER TODAY

AT CONVENTION.ROTARY.ORG

Houston, Texas, USA
4-8 June 2022



HOUSTON
2022

And, for those who are under 31, the registration fee is only \$125. Go to rotary.org to register for the Convention and to register for a hotel room.

It is fun to attend a convention with your friends. I am able to attend your club meeting to talk about the convention.

Text & picture by PDG Rick Martin

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	12-16 JUNE 2021	17 JUNE TO 15 DECEMBER 2021	16 DECEMBER 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2022	1 APRIL TO 8 JUNE 2022
Club member, Nonmember, or guest, age 31 or over	\$425	\$475	\$575	\$675
Club member, Nonmember or guest, age 30 or under	\$100	\$125	\$175	\$225
Guest age 5-18	\$20	\$20	\$30	\$40
Guest under age 5	Free	Free	Free	Free
Saturday, House of Friendship only	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$100

Rotary Councils

The Council on Resolutions meets online every year to vote on proposed resolutions and urgent enactments. Resolutions are requests to the Board or the Trustees to take an action that is outside the purview of the constitutional documents. Ideally, a resolution should affect the Rotary world, rather than address local or administrative issues. An urgent enactment is a change to the constitutional documents, proposed by the RI Board, that the Board has determined cannot wait until the next Council on Legislation, which is held every three years.

Representatives from all Rotary districts vote on items proposed by clubs, districts, the RI Board, and the general council or conference of RIBI. Adopted resolutions are then considered by the RI Board or The Rotary Foundation Trustees. Urgent enactments that have been adopted will amend the constitutional documents, and will take effect one month after the Council on Resolutions report has been sent.

Every three years, Rotarians meet at the Council on Legislation to review and vote on proposed changes to the legislation that governs Rotary. They consider enactments, which change Rotary's governing documents, and position statements by the RI Board.

Each Rotary district chooses a representative for a three-year term. These members represent their districts at all three meetings of the Council on Resolutions and at the Council on Legislation during their term.

District governors had until 30 June 2020 to report to Rotary their district representatives for the term covering 1 July 2020 through 30 June 2023. The current representative for our district is PDG Mary Berge.

The elected representatives will participate in the 2020, 2021, and 2022 Councils on Resolutions and the 2022 Council on Legislation.

Clubs, districts, the RI Board, and the RIBI (Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland) general council or conference may submit legislation and resolutions to the Councils. The deadline for submitting resolutions



Every three years, representatives from all Rotary districts convene at the Council of Legislation to discuss and vote on proposed changes to the legislation that governs Rotary.

for the Council on Resolutions is 30 June each year.

Clubs and district conferences may submit statements of support, opposition, or general comments regarding legislation. Club statements must be submitted or confirmed by the club's president and district statements must be submitted or confirmed by the governor.

Statements may be in support of, in opposition to, or as a comment on an item of legislation. You must explain why you are supporting, opposing, or wishing to make a general comment in the submission. Comments without substance, links to other materials, or comments that may be offensive will not be published at the discretion of the chair. For example, the statement "I support this item" does not include an explanation and would not be published.

The deadline for submitting statements is 10 January 2022

Council Documents

You may download the proposed legislation documents for the 2022 Council of Legislation here:

shorturl.at/zHOX7

If your club wants to submit a statement in support or opposition, or a general comment, you must do so by using the official online form that can be found here:

shorturl.at/jkxV0



and they may not exceed 2,000 characters. A separate form should be used for each statement. Please note that it is Rotary practice to merge substantially similar statements, with each submitter being listed on one statement.

Statements will be distributed electronically to all representatives before the Council. *Source: rotary.org*



At the 2016 Council on Legislation, Rotary introduced new technology to the proceedings. Rotary developed an app which delegates are using on smartphones and tablets to view proposed legislation and other documents. This makes the handling of a vast amount of information much easier.

Successful Retention Matters

Keeping current members is a sign of a club's stability and overall wellbeing. Many clubs don't recognize retention problems if the number of members continues somewhat steadily. Still, clubs that consistently lose members and compensate by inducting new members, are not always managing their growth and retention well. Any organization is a living system, where the quality of people in it will project the image and effectiveness of the unit. Rotary is a social and a humanitarian organization; Rotary's members are our greatest assets and hence our priority within the organization.

The Rotary Club of Crafton feels this is one of their greatest areas of strength. Assessing and meeting the needs of its current members, retention is of utmost importance to the club and to its membership. Speaking to Dennis Piper, Assistant Governor and member of the Crafton Ingram Club, Dennis stated, "We feel one of our best resources is our retention. We have added new members, and we try hard to keep our current members active and involved." Dennis explained that the club tries to have everyone involved in at least one of their outreach projects or fundraisers, and that this helps provide ownership in the club's mission.

One of the club's most effective skills is communication. When visiting the Crafton-Ingram Facebook site, you will witness this communication in action, to club members, to their community, to the district, and to everyone to see. Looking back at the site, you'll see updates almost weekly, from new babies to community laurels like Eagle Scout projects and local events. At the top of it all is their



Assistant Governor Dennis Piper at a recent Crafton-Ingram meeting.

continued fundraiser to promote club welfare as well, selling ribs in the local community from summer to Labor Day and on.

Club Retention is important to all our clubs if we are to remain colorful and functional, but it is also something we can and should strive for. Membership support provides the following tools to help keep clubs active, growing, and vibrant. Here are a few of those for our district to use:

First: review your club's historical and existing member retention percentages. Go to Rotary Club Central's Reports page and, under Club Reports, choose the Member Viability and Growth report to see your club's current retention rates for existing members. (Note: Each of the steps can take a week or longer. When planning your assessment, be sure to allow enough time.) Use the RETENTION ASSESSMENT AND ANALYSIS 4.2 To run the Member Viability and Growth report without following a link to the reports page:

1. Sign into My Rotary
2. From the Take Action menu, choose Rotary Club Central
3. Choose Reports from the options on the left
4. Under Club Reports, choose Member Viability and Growth

Second: determine when members leave your club. Run the Membership Termination Profile report to see when people are most likely to terminate their club

membership and the reasons given for doing so. Knowing at what point in their Rotary tenure members are most likely to leave can help you recognize the club's retention strengths and weaknesses and focus your efforts accordingly. Go to Rotary Club Central's Reports page and, under Club Reports, choose Membership Termination Profile.

To run the Membership Termination Profile without following a link to the Reports page:

1. Sign into My Rotary
2. From the Take Action menu, choose Rotary Club Central
3. Choose Reports from the options on the left
4. Under Club Reports, choose Membership Termination Profile

Third: generate strategies for keeping members!! Once you've reviewed the Member Viability and Growth and Membership Termination Profile reports, discuss the results within the membership committee. Consider these questions: Who is leaving your club? Are they veteran members? Are they new members? Are both leaving? Most importantly, why are members leaving? What can we do to change this outcome?

Fourth: develop an action plan. Report the membership committee's findings to the club. Facilitate a discussion about how you might address areas of weakness and build on what you're doing well.

Understanding why members leave is crucial to strengthening your club. The Exit Survey in "Understanding Why Members Leave" is designed to gather this information. Rotary International has conducted extensive research on the reasons members leave their clubs worldwide. To learn more about the research Rotary International has conducted, read the article "IMPROVING YOUR MEMBER RETENTION", available on-line and through myRotary.org.

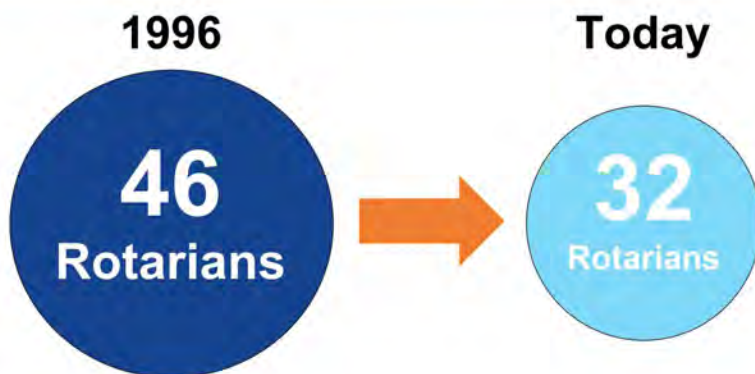
There are lots of reasons we choose to be Rotarians, and as many reasons to stay active.

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Crafton Ingram on their steps to keep members involved and successful. May we all be as effective in our retention efforts!

By Michelle Petrell, District Membership Committee Engagement Subcommittee Chair



Rotary's Average Club Size . . .



How Do We Grow Rotary?

Rotary International, in terms of membership, has basically been the same size for the last 25 years - approximately 1.2 million wonderful members (not including Rotaractors, which brings us to 1.4 million members). However, during this time, the average number of members in our clubs has decreased from 46 Rotarians to 32 Rotarians. Why then have we been able to stay the same size overall as an

organization when our clubs are shrinking in terms of membership size? It's because we added new clubs during that same time period.

Let's together attract more new members to our current clubs, engage and retain the members we already have; but also, LET'S FORM NEW, INNOVATIVE AND DIFFERENT TYPES OF CLUBS.

It is time to share the gift of Rotary with those who want a different type of club structure.

By D5950 PDG Tom Gump

Are You Looking for an Epic Adventure?



Have you ever wanted to go on an adventure? A true, once in a lifetime experience to become one with nature, while also making the world a better place? Consider becoming

a hiking partner on the Appalachian Trail!

Rotarian Owen P. Standley from District 7305 is planning to complete a thru-hike of the AT, starting in the

Warm Coats for Winter

Each fall the East End Cooperative Ministry (EECM) conducts a coat drive for the community it serves. They collect coats of all sizes for all ages.

New coats are taken to the EECM while gently used coats are taken to a local area dry cleaner. The dry cleaners do not charge for the service and then returns the coats to EECM. Our church has been participating in this program for years and Churchill-Wilkins Rotarians were interested in helping.

Ellen Allston (left) Matk Allston (right) at the EECM dropoff box.



spring of 2022, but he is missing one thing: YOU!

Based on last year's experience, he has learned the significance of having a partner along for the experience.

Applicants do not need prior hiking experience, just an open calendar, enthusiasm, and an open mind. The hike will take approximately six months and will go from Northern Georgia to Northern Maine.

This venture is to continue the mission of Owen's Odyssey to raise funds and awareness for polio eradication through Rotary International's PolioPlus Fund.

Priority will be given to minstrels.

If you, or someone you know, might be interested in joining Owen on this hike, please contact him at:

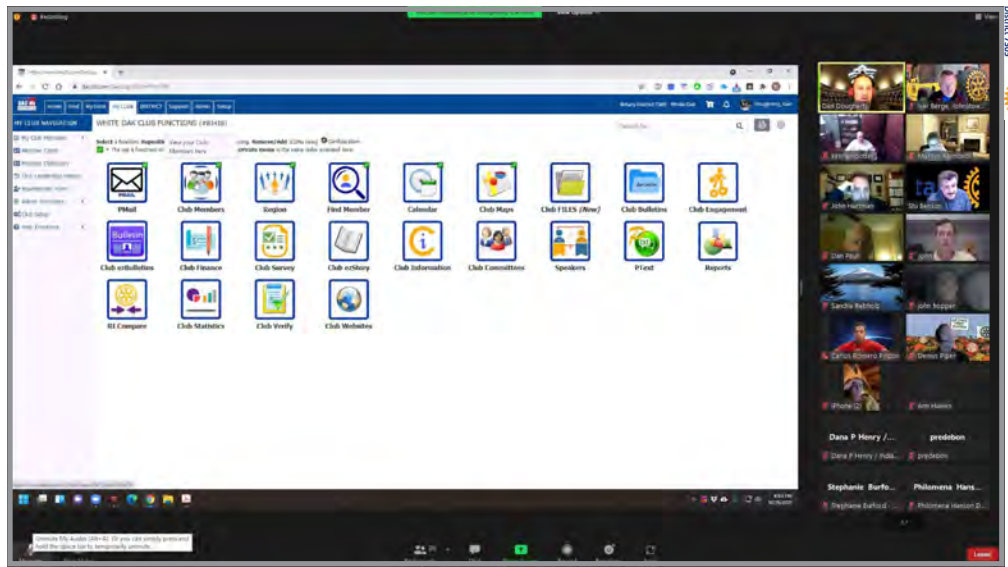
owenpstandley@hikeforpolio.org

Get Familiar with DACdb

As our district became part of Rotary Zones 33 & 34, we were also asked to merge into these two zones' system to handle membership data, mailings, and much more. That system is DACdb; District And Club data base.

On Tuesday, October 26, District 7305 IT co-chairs Dan Dougherty and Dennis Piper had an on-line workshop to show what this system can do.

If your club hasn't already transitioned to DACdb, it's time to do so. To get some help to get started, just email Dan and Dennis at: it@rotarydistrict7305.org



As DACdb is now the standard platform for membership management and more for our district, as well as for the clubs in our district, it is important that club officers become acquainted with this powerful tool.



On October 25, the Rotary Club of Latrobe was awarded the Nonprofit of the Year at the Greater Latrobe-Laurel Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner. This award is presented to an organization that bolsters development of culture or service to the community. The club is humbled and honored to have received this award.



On Wednesday, October 27, the Greater Johnstown High School Interact Club headed over to the Elementary School for some Halloween fun with the kindergarten students! Everyone was dressed up for Trick or Treat and handed out goodies for the treat bags. The Interact students also read stories and lead the students in singing some spooky Halloween songs.. And some even found their Halloween twins... As one Interact student put it: "We loved seeing these kiddos spooky singing, doing freak-tacular art, and flashing their awesome smiles!"



The Parkway West Rotary Club hosts an annual golf event fundraiser; The Gerry Dulac Charity Golf Classic. Proceeds from the event are used to support local charities.

The Club recently donated \$3,000 to the Robinson Township Library. As a result of this donation being made during "love your library" month, the library will receive an additional \$3,000 matching grant.

Rotary Octoberfest

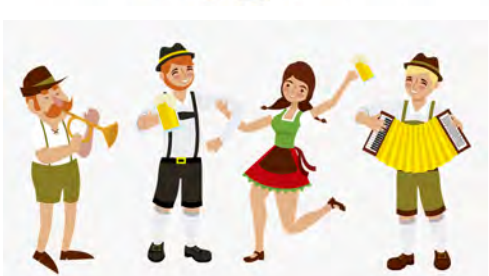
Penn Hills Rotary celebrated its annual Octoberfest on Saturday, October 9 at Green Oaks Country Club, located in the Rosedale neighborhood of Penn Hills.

About 100 people attended and enjoyed authentic German food from Maxs Allegheny Tavern, music from Up the River Band, German beer, and more.

Text & pictures by Tyler Tomasino



Present when the Robinson Township Library received a \$3,000 donation from the Parkway West Rotary Club were: Robinson Commissioner Dr. James Mancini, State Representative Anita Astorino Kulik, Library Board President Maria Henry, Library Director Sharon Helfrich, Gerry Dulac, Rotary Golf Chairman Sam Duerr III, Rotary Club President Tom Myl, and Library Board Member Denise Mancini.



New Members - Rotary Grows

Another outstanding new member, Staci Jones, was officially inducted into the Belle Vernon Rotary Club on the last day of September. Staci is seen above being pinned by the club's acting President John Habel. Staci is the owner of Chloe & Me Candles in Monongahela. WELCOME Staci!!



Interact Buddy Day

Bethel Park Interact Club + good friends + service projects = BUDDY DAY! 12 trays of Horse treats, 180 teacher survival kits & 30 Breast Cancer Awareness Posters

On Wednesday, September 29, the Interactors welcomed some buddies to come join their meeting to learn more about the purpose of the club. It was a packed house!

Together they made 180 survival kits for the teachers of Independence Middle School and the Bethel park High School, 12 large pans of horse treats for Horses with Hope Equestrian Farm, and lots of advertisements for their Pink Gear Sale which took place Thursday, September 30 and Friday, October 1, during lunch at the High School to raise awareness of Breast Cancer (the IMS sale will occur at a later date).



Interactors Assisting Rotary

The Interact Club lent some helping hands at the Rotary Club of Bethel Park's Annual Spaghetti Dinner in early October. Hundreds of meals delivered to companies around the community, hundreds of drive through orders, and hundreds of dine in meals. The dinner was, in fact, sold out!

The students worked hard to make everyone's meals enjoyable, and their efforts were not unnoticed! Patrons extended many compliments, recognizing their hard work and dedication to helping others!

Then, on October 9, the Interact club assisted the Rotary Club of Upper St. Clair-Bethel Park



(Breakfast) with their chicken BBQ. Throughout the day, some 74 Interactors assisted.

Text & pictures by Pamela Tiano



Monongahela River Cleanup

The Young Rotarians of District 7305 partnered with Allegheny Cleanways for a Rubbish Roundup event on October 3rd. The Rotarians hopped aboard Allegheny Cleanways' boat, the Rachel Carson, to clean up the shoreline around Duck Hollow and the Monongahela River!



The Young Rotarians of District 7305 spent an early October day cleaning up the Monongahela River with Allegheny Cleanways. Participating Rotarians included: Luke Sciulli, Logan Kustra, Alexis England, Dave Stephens, Luke Stephens, Matt Burnett, and Jim Woodhull. Text & pictures courtesy of Alaina Burnett

Rotary Club of Pittsburgh East Getting Serious in the Kitchen

Another great meal cooked and served at the East End Cooperative Ministry. Sloppy Joe's, French fries, salad, and brownies were on the menu!

PDG Tom Fallon made sure that the French fries came out perfect while another club member chopped cherry tomatoes for the salad bowls.

The crew forgot to take a group shot (which was a bummer because they had two guest chefs - hopefully new members!). In addition, they had two adorable toddlers passing out brownies.



It's Chicken BBQ Time!

For more than three decades, the Rotary Club of Upper St. Clair-Bethel Park (Breakfast) held its annual Chicken BBQ at Westminster Presbyterian Church. In returning for the first time since 2019, the event had a new venue.

From 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 9, dinners were be available for pickup at Bethel Park High School, 309 Church Road. Everything was on a drive-through basis, compared with the opportunities to eat in that were offered in the past.

"When we started planning the barbecue in early spring, we thought we'd better just eliminate that," Sally Morrison, club president, said. "I love the dining-in part of it. But with the unknown, you just have to roll with the punches."

Pamela Tiano, who is chairing the event, cited the element of convenience. "You never know," she said. "This could end up being our best year ever."

Tickets were \$15 and included half a barbecued chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, roll and dessert, plus possibly another benefit.

"Instead of selling strip tickets for raffle baskets with donated items, we attached a raffle ticket to the meal ticket," Tiano, vice president of the club, said. "So everybody who comes in with a ticket gets an opportunity to win."

More than a dozen baskets were assembled as prizes, and for those who wanted to take a further chance, 50/50 tickets were sold in conjunction with the drive-through process.

"Another nice thing about changing the venue was that we got an influx of different customers, people who don't necessarily travel on Route 19," Tiano said about Westminster's location in Upper St. Clair.

Regarding Bethel Park, she and



Clockwise from the top: Interact Club volunteers; Sally Morrison, Club President and BBQ co-chair and Pam Tiano, BBQ chair; Dennis Harkreader and Jennifer Headley; Mary Kirk, Beth Zelt, Cindy Lopez Albert, and Elaine Shedd; Keith Apelgren, Pete Muck, and Mark Casciola.

Morrison praised municipal and school district officials for their help in organizing the Chicken BBQ, including the district offering the high school facilities free of charge.

"The school is the hub of the community, so it's good that they work with us and are willing to help us," Morrison said.

Helping on the day of the event were members of Bethel Park Interact Club, a Rotary International-sponsored student organization focusing on community service, with students from both the high school and Independence Middle School involved.

Other volunteers were participating from organizations including Boy



Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Upper St. Clair High School girls' volleyball team.

To help promote the event, many of the Rotary and Interact members attended the recent Bethel Park Community Day festivities wearing chicken hats as conversation starters, resulting in plenty of ticket sales.

Proceeds from the event go toward the club's awarding of grants to community organizations.

Text & pictures courtesy of Sally Morrison

Free Medical Equipment

Ambridge Rotary Club's Free Medical Equipment Loan Program, just received a couple of power wheelchairs that are in good working order. They are available immediately for delivery.

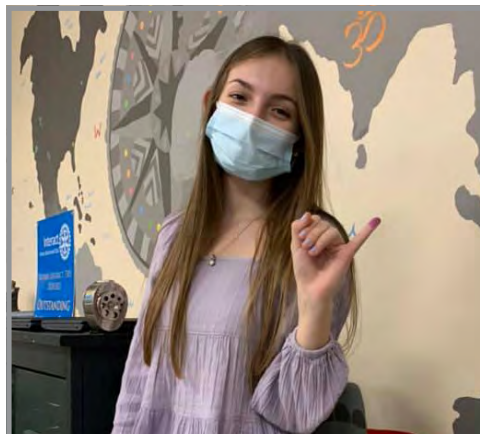


There is no charge of any kind, and there is no time limit on how long a person may keep them.

Please contact Ambridge Rotarian, Walt Sickles at 724-462-6929 or at walt.rotarydg1314@yahoo.com



Congratulations to the Ambridge Rotary Club that celebrated a century of service this year. And, what better way to celebrate than to participate in the community's annual Halloween Parade?



The Rotary Club of Belle Vernon members were treated to a fun candle making lesson by Rotarian Staci Jones, owner of Chloe & Me Candles, Monongahela. Everyone had the opportunity to choose a "flavor" and take home their creation. Staci sources her supplies locally for her business so please support her when shopping this holiday season. Visit her FB page to check out location and hours.



Get Your Purple Pinky On!

On October 25 (as the 24th wasn't a school day), the Greater Johnstown High School Interact Club celebrated World Polio Day.

The students raised awareness about the deadly disease and Rotary's Polio Plus program by painting their pinkies purple.

Interact Advisor Devin Carosi (lower right) also participated in the activity.



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POLIO IN NUMBERS

Wild virus confirmed cases in 2021
Global Total: 2 (129)

Wild virus detected from other sources in 2021

Global Total: 63 (401)

As of October 19, 2021. Numbers in brackets represent data as of the same date 2020.



District 7305 Polio Plus Society

Reprinted from the October issue in honor of October 24 being World Polio Day.

In an effort to increase sustainable giving, the PolioPlus Society (PPS) was formed to encourage Rotarians to commit a minimum of \$100 per year to the PolioPlus Fund until polio is eradicated from the face of the earth. Society members receive a special PPS pin and Paul Harris credit. As an extra bonus, for a minimum \$100 donation, District 7305 Rotarians will receive matching points from our district towards their next Paul Harris Fellow!

Eradication of polio is Rotary's #1 priority.

- Polio remains a crippling and potentially fatal disease, most often striking children under the age of 5.
- There is no cure for polio; prevention by immunization is the only solution.

We're "This Close", but Rotary's work must continue.

- After the last case of paralysis,

450,000,000 children annually, worldwide, under the age of five years, must be immunized for an additional three years, to assure total eradication of the polio virus.

If you want to be a part of the Society, please fill out the form on page 3 in this month's issue of *The Bulletin Board* and send it to Pat Shaffer, D7305 Polio Plus Chair.

Any questions? Please feel free to call Pat at 724-327-5601

Join the District 7305 Polio Plus Society today!

Rotary's Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

Six Facts About Polio

1. Polio is an infection caused by a virus that affects the entire body.
2. Up to 95% of polio cases show no symptoms.
3. 1 in 200 infections leads to irreversible paralysis. Among those paralyzed, 5 to 10% of patients die when breathing muscles become immobilized.
4. The virus is found in saliva and feces of sick people. It can be spread by direct contact with sick persons or through the air when a sick person talks, coughs, or sneezes.
5. Polio can infect a person of any age, but children five and under are especially vulnerable.
6. Polio cases have decreased more than 99% since 1988 when the World Health Assembly launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) with the support of Rotary and key health organizations.

From dosomething.org



The Rotary Club of Murrysville-Export recently inducted nine members from the Club into the Rotary District 7305 Polio Plus Society. Recipients were: Gene Ciafre, Latisha Perry, Camille Kovach, Theresa Gutierrez, Christa Rankenhohn, John Hartman, Ann Pauly, Lane Neff, and Pat Shaffer. These Rotarians have all pledged to make an annual donation of no less than \$100 to Rotary's Polio Plus program until the world is polio free.

If you want to become a member of the Polio Plus Society, and further assist in the eradication of Polio, please use the form on page 3 in this month's issue of *The Bulletin Board*.

SAVE THE DATE

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CANCELATION OR RESCHEDULE
DUE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC



CANCEL THE DATE – NOVEMBER 27, 2021

WPXI HOLIDAY PARADE - **CANCELED FOR 2021**
DISTRICT 7305 FLOAT IN PARADE



SAVE THE DATE – JANUARY 30, 2022

MID-YEAR REVIEW
DENUNZIO'S RESTAURANT – ARNOLD PALMER AIRPORT



SAVE THE DATE – MARCH 4-6, 2022

PETS PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR
PENN STATER



SAVE THE DATE – MARCH 27

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION LUNCHEON
RIVERS CASINO



SAVE THE DATE – TBD

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 23-26

2022 DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SEVEN SPRINGS MOUNTAIN RESORT



SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 4-8, 2022

2022 RI CONVENTION
HOUSTON

