Gary Schwerzler, Don Roland, Claire Morris. Photo credit Michael Datch.



Rotarians, vendor wearing masks. Photo credit Donald E. Roland



"Clawdia" and friends: L to R: President Frank Andracchi, Carole Brown, Clawdia, Past President Sue Weber, Mary Felter. Photo credit Michael Datch.



Drone shot of Rotarians loading crabs and corn into customers's cars. Photo credit Donald E. Roland.

CRABS TO GO! RAISES \$35,000 FOR THE COMMUNITY

By Anne Myers, Annapolis Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Annapolis held a drive-through crab and corn fundraiser on August 7 at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, netting approximately \$35,000 for nonprofit organizations serving the community.

The drive-through event was developed when safety concerns around coronavirus prevented the Club from holding its traditional crab feast for 2,000 guests held annually on the first Friday in August. Rather than opt out of holding any event, the Club decided on a new format to provide crabs and corn safely, have a little fun, and raise needed funds in this difficult time.

Crab Feast Chair Leigh Rand reported, "We are thankful to the community for supporting Rotary Crabs To Go!

We received 478 orders for the equivalent of 220 bushels of crabs, and sold 1500 raffle tickets, far exceeding our expectations."

Support from sponsors Exelon Generation, Severn Bank, ProMD Health; and in-kind sponsors Fast Signs, Pinnacle Parking, Reliable Contracting, Southwest Airlines, and Chesapeake Seafood Catering, helped make the event possible. Numerous individuals

and families also gave contributions.

Media partners helped to publicize the event, including Capital Gazette, WNAV, What's Up Magazine, BayWeekly/ Chesapeake Bay Magazine, Visit Annapolis, and BeeprBuzz.

Funds will be promptly distributed to nonprofit organizations addressing critical needs of residents. See www.annapolisrotary.org for the online application.

The Rotary Club of Annapolis hopes to welcome the community back to the stadium on the first Friday in August

2021 for its traditional afternoon of fun and fellowship at its 75th Annual Crab Feast.

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE UPDATE

By District 7620 RLI Chair, Sean McAlister

Rotary Zone 33's Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) traditionally conducts multiple events each year throughout Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, DC, but presently this highly popular program is on a

temporary pause due to Covid19.



Due to an outcry of support from Rotarians to relaunch this program, the Mid-Atlantic RLI Board announced

this past August that it will begin offering in the spring of 2021 two, robust formats to meet the demand. The first will continue its traditional inclassroom options but will incorporate new local/state Covid mandated safety guidelines. The second will be offered through a new online format, via GoToTraining; the same company that hosts GoToMeetings. Both options will include RLI's same distinct proficiency levels (Part I, Part II, and Part III) which will lead towards an RLI Program Certification.

The Mid-Atlantic RLI's 2021 spring schedule will be released later this fall at www.rli33.org. If you have any questions about RLI, please contact District 7620 RLI Chair, Sean McAlister at SDMRotary7620@outlook.com.