



CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD THROUGH DISTRICT 7360



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November is designated as Rotary Foundation month. However, we just finished October with a great deal of information and fundraising for the Rotary Foundation both at the District Foundation dinner and Conference so I thought I would recap on it. The Foundation dinner was a huge success with the raffle tickets, Silent Auction Items donated by both clubs and individuals, the 50/50 and not to mention donations, we raised over \$43,000! WOW!! This makes our total for 4 years, since Covid and the one year virtual, over \$145,000! **OUTSTANDING! I can't wait to see how we did with the World's Greatest Meal, please make sure you send in your check with the form.**

I would like to thank Dr. Geetha Jayaram for coming to our Foundation Dinner at the last moment. As she was our President Representative last year at our Conference, Curt and I were very fortunate to form a friendship with her and her husband Jay. When things went south with our original speaker due to a death in the family, I quickly called, and she was happy to do so. She not only came to speak during our dinner, but she delivered an incredible speech. She explained to us the importance of continuing financial support to The Rotary Foundation through her stories.

As we continue our Rotary journey, it is important to tell our stories of where we have been, what we have done, and who we have done it for. This makes for the biggest impact to whom we are telling the stories.

We are so very close to ending Polio that we can't stop. We heard at the District Conference that there are only 8 cases left. SO, I have a goal that I would like to see us raise from now till February 1st \$40,000 for Polio. I will be taking the plunge in a bikini at the Lewisburg, PA Ice Festival being held February 3rd at 2:30pm. Donate directly to The Rotary Foundation, designating it as Polio, and we will start monitoring the totals.

I am so proud of this District in all that you are doing and have done. District 7360 is an AWESOME, HARD WORKING and FUN group of Rotarians and I love you all!

Continue to Create Hope in the World,
DG Herb

CLUB CALENDAR

November 10-19-[RC of Chambersburg](#), Flags for Heroes

November 23—[Eleventh Annual Shamokin Rotary Club—Turkey Trot 5 K Run/ Walk Register 8 AM—Race 9 AM](#)

DISTRICT CALENDAR

January 24—Pre-PETS Training by Zoom, 7 PM

February 7—Pre PETS Training by Zoom, 7 PM

March 2,3—Tri-District PETS Training—Penn Stater Hotel, State College, PA

March 21—Joint Pre-PETS by Zoom with Districts 7305 and 7280, 7 PM

June 29—**DGE Pam Wagoner's Installation Luncheon**, Registration 11:30 AM, Lunch 12:30 PM

RLI Main Line Graduate Course
November 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM

RLI Main Line Part 1
January 22,25,29—6:30-8:30

RLI Main Line Part 2
February 20,22,26—6:30-8:30

RLI Main Line Part 3
March 25,28 & April 1st

All above RLI are virtual



MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

PDG Dana Orsini
District Membership Chair reporting:

Since 2015 Rotary International has officially recognized **membership growth** as our top internal priority. We are a **membership organization** that delivers amazing service. However, membership decline remains the biggest problem we have to solve.

The easiest way to ***Create Hope in the World*** is to realize the power of membership; having more members to share the load in your club, to bring fresh ideas and generate energy, to give you the resources to do more in your communities.

As a District, our attrition rate is below the average for North America, which is good. Unfortunately, our attraction rate is far below the average, which is really bad. Be intentional in developing a strategy for your club. Attrition is real and predictable. If you use the tools and suggestions available thru **MAP**, your club can greatly increase your ability to **Create Hope in the World**.

Currently, we have several clubs experiencing **real** growth. Your club can achieve this as well. Start by creating an atmosphere within your club that encourages existing members to feel comfortable inviting new members to join. Make your club **Irresistible!** The benefits will far outweigh the alternative. Join us on the **second Monday** of each month for the **Zone 33-34 Membership Action Plan Webinar**. Find the link by going to the calendar on DACdb.com. It is that easy. All the past ones that you may have missed are available as well. The Membership Committee is always here to help... Let's make this a great year by expanding our membership so that we may create lasting change across the globe in our communities and in ourselves!

NEW MEMBERS



Welcome!

Holly Bertone	Chambersburg
Nicole Brant	Cumberland
John Buskell	Cumberland
Michael Robert Moyer	Danville
Jessica Delle Moyer	Danville
Thomas C Thorsen	Hagerstown
Renai Foltz	Hancock
Sara Williams	Hollidaysburg
Michael A Satryan	Hollidaysburg
Jim Sharrock	Huntingdon
Becky McGrath	Huntingdon
Brian P Tucker	Keyser
Donna Helmick-Balenger	Martinsburg
Krista Hoffman	Martinsburg
Nadine Kennedy	Martinsburg
Cari Lefeber	Martinsburg
Pradeep Ramajl	Martinsburg
Prescilla Ramajl	Martinsburg
Lesly A Miller-Jacobs	Morrison Cove
Lu Ann Watson	Oakland
Anna T. Mason	Oakland
Charles A Bressl	Pottsville
John Wallace	Pottsville
William Wootton	Shepherdstown
James J. Broomall	Shepherdstown
Debra McLaughlin	Spring Mills Satellite
Mary Moore	Spring Mills Satellite
Jeffery J Bower	State College
Kyle Peck	State College/Downtown



DECEASED MEMBER
JAMES B. DIX
ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHERAN SCHUYLKILL



James B. Dix, 89, of Harrisburg, formerly of Schuylkill Haven, died peacefully on September 9, 2023, of natural causes. Born on October 28, 1933 in Alcoa, Tennessee, he was the son of the late John Raymond Dix & Adeline Patti Barth Dix.

Jim is survived by his daughter, Hilary Hayes, and her son, Nathan, both of Harrisburg, and by his daughter, Adrienne Shreiner, and her husband, James, of Landisville, and their son, Robert, of Philadelphia.

Jim was a long-standing member of St. James's Episcopal Church, Schuylkill Haven, and served on its vestry. He was a member of the board of the Marion C. Price Trust Fund, which exists to support the lives of elderly members of the Episcopal faith living in Schuylkill County, and he was a member of the local Rotary Club.

Jim was a graduate of Schuylkill Haven High School, Class of 1951, and the Pennsylvania State University, Class of 1955, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering. Following graduation, he entered the military as a Specialist 2nd Class with the 25th Infantry Division, 8th Artillery, stationed at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii, where he served until 1958.

Jim began his professional career with ALCOA in Cressona, Pennsylvania. He was transferred to Whittier, California in 1961, then later to Geelong, Australia and Vancouver, Washington. He returned to Pennsylvania in 1973 when he joined Allis-Chalmers. He finished his career with Dorr-Oliver.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF DISTRICT 7360

We will be having two (2) informal, informational meetings with those interested in the position of District Governor of 7360 now or in the future. These are scheduled for Tuesday, November 7th and Tuesday, November 14th both at 7 pm by zoom.

The zoom address is: - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84191100574?>

Presenting comments about the most frequently asked queries will be several past District Governors.

We need for each of you to understand the responsibilities, time commitment, and support structures inherent to being a District Governor.

The **best** questions will come from **you**. What do you want to know? How can we help you?

Welcome on the 7nd or 14th!

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Swan S. Stull, PDG 2019-20

Chair D7360 Nominating Committee 2023-24

October Official Visits Recap



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**ROTARY AWARDS
DISTRICT CONFERENCE
GETTYSBURG, PA**

**District Awards were given by
PDG Vicki Zimmerman, and DG Herb Smith for 2021-2022**

Two Couples were recognized for reaching **Major Donor +2** Status for Rotary Giving
Mr. & Mrs. Dave Ford and Mr.& Mrs. Mich Morgan

Carol Walsh and Colleen McCloskey were recognized as **Major Donors**.

Rotarian of the Year 2021-2022: Dana Orsini

District Membership Awards for new members:

1st: Shepherdstown, 2nd Martinsburg Sunrise, 3rd Huntingdon

John Jack Latermer Award was given to six Rotary clubs for a
Yearly Vocational Program for 10 Graders in Blair County.

Altoona, Altoona Sunrise, Claysburg, Hollidaysburg, Morrisons Cove, and Tyrone.

President Citations to Clubs that completed their Goals for 2021-2022

Altoona, Altoona Sunrise, Berkley Springs, Claysburg, Coudersport, Emporium, Martinsburg,
Muncy, Pottsville, Shepherdstown, Hanacock, Huntingdon, Johnsonburg, Keyser, Lewisburg Sun-
rise, Lewistown, Milton Northern Schuylkill County, St Mary's, State College Sunrise, State Col-
lege, and State College Downtown.

**Do Not Let Awards Set in Boxes and Closets,
Give Them to Club Member or Yearly Officers To
Display in Their Offices.**



Promote Rotary!



 CHIARA SALMO FROM ITALY	 SPONSORED BY THE CHARLESTOWN ROTARY CLUB	 PIN-YEN TUNG "CLAUDIA" FROM TAWAN	 SPONSORED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF DANVILLE	 LI HYNYNEN FROM FINLAND	 SPONSORED BY THE BEDFORD SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB
 NATTIDA CHUAYCHOO "MONDAY" FROM THAILAND	 SPONSORED BY THE BLOOMSBURG ROTARY CLUB	 JULIA BETTI ANDRADE FROM BRAZIL	 SPONSORED BY THE SHEPHERDSTOWN ROTARY CLUB	 KHUSH CHAUHAN FROM INDIA	 SPONSORED BY THE LEWSBURG SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB

INBOUNDS 23-24

Many of those who attended the conference in Gettysburg had an opportunity to meet these current Inbounds. There were so many positive comments about how intelligent and personable these students are. Those clubs and host families who host these students can attest to the positive experience they are having with them. We were also able to introduce one of our Rotex Students at the conference (Exchanges who were on exchange and have now returned to their country). Lara Pilgram, from Germany, was in Tyrone PA in 2017-2018, and returned to the US for a visit and share what she had been doing in the last 6 years. She reminded us again how special and smart these students are who spent a year with us.

We are still accepting applications for Outbound students for the 2024-2025 exchange year. Our numbers are down from last year. *This is not the direction we hoped to be taking!* If you are interested in sending a student out for the Long-Term Program, you still have some time. We are asking that Part One of the application be submitted no later than November 23, 2023, so there is still some time to get a student started. Students doing so will be interviewed by the district on December 2, 2023. Students can apply later than that, but will be interviewed at a later date, yet to be determined. Country assignments will begin on December 20, so the sooner the application is submitted, the better chance the student can be assigned to a country they select on their application.

Youth Exchange continued...

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If you aren't quite ready to take that leap into sponsoring a Long-Term Exchange student, don't forget about the Short-Term program. There are no host families required (the Outbound Student's family hosts) and there are no school requirements since it is over the summer.

This program offers two students (one from here and one from another country) a four to six-week exchange – half of which is spent in the US and the other half in the other country. The students are required to be the same gender and still need a passport and visa for the country to which they are visiting. The students must be at least 15 years of age and no older than 18.5 as of August 1. Applications for Short-Term candidates are accepted until January 1, 2024. A great way to get started in Youth Exchange!

Until you send an Outbound student and receive an Inbound student, you may not be able to understand the special bond and friendship that is built with them. As a person who has been involved for almost 20 years, I can sincerely tell you these benefits are immeasurable. There are MANY others who will confirm the positive and lasting relationships they have made throughout the years. You can only understand this bond by taking the time to experience this yourself.

PLEASE get out there and sponsor a local student and host an Inbound in 2024-25 for either the Long or Short Program. The District Committee is happy to work with any club, every step of the way, as they begin what will promise to be a great experience. Yes, there are some challenges securing host families and getting some club members vetted to host a student, but if you talk with families and clubs who have done so, you will find these challenges are worth every minute of your time.

Contact me or others who have participated to hear more about the experience. Talk with one of the Rotex students in your community who has experienced this and hear what a lasting impact it has had on them. Most importantly, SPONSOR a local student and INVITE one of these special Inbounds into your community for 10 months. You will not regret it!

Submitted by

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION MOMENTS



Each year between November 13 - 19, the week before Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20, transgender people and their allies take action to bring attention to the community by educating the public about who transgender people are, sharing stories and experiences, and advancing advocacy around issues of prejudice, discrimination, and violence that affects the transgendered community.

Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR), is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in act of anti-transgender violence that year.

A study published by a newly expanded Federal Health Survey estimates that nearly 1.64 million people over the age of 13 in the United States identify themselves as transgender.

Additionally, nearly 1 in 5 hate crimes are now motivated by anti-LGBTQ+ bias, and 2022 alone saw at least 38 transgender people killed because of fatal violence - the killed because of fatal violence - the majority of whom were Black transgender women.