

District 7450 Rotary Leader



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Message from DG Charles *The Future of Rotary is Now*

Yes, the future of Rotary is in our hands - yours and mine - right now.

We are the premier, global, hands-on service organization on the planet. But we are also at the mercy of economics, citizen's lack of education about the need for community service, and people's sense that their lives are "too busy."

So, my message this month is to look ahead. Let's try to take our new theme for the year, "**Engage Rotary Change Lives,**" to heart.

Do we have the means to change lives? We do in the collective sense - when we work together as Rotarians. We absolutely do!

In fact, it has been estimated that Rotarians give back to the world \$4 BILLION DOLLARS worth of community service that changes lives. And that is on top of the \$125 million in grants that match Club and District funds.

What corporation or government does that - year after year, after year ... ?

July is the start of our Rotary Year. Bring your ideas to your club, to me, your new District Governor, and to your Assistant Governor. Together we can do it! But we need your input and willingness to "Engage Rotary."



Leadership change in District

District Governor for 2012-2013 Dave Ellis (right) pins the Rotary District Governor's pin on 2013-2014 District Governor Charles Streitwieser during the June 30 installation dinner in West Chester. More than 100 Rotarians and guests were on hand for the celebration of DG Dave Ellis' Rotary



year and the installation of DG Charles Streitwieser of the West Chester Rotary Club. DG Dave saluted a number of Rotary Clubs for membership growth, and special projects, and presented RI Presidential Citations to Ardmore, Bala Cynwyd-Narberth, Coatesville, Greater West Chester Sunrise, Kennett Square, Media, Philadelphia, Wayne, and West Chester Rotary Clubs and Manor College and Philadelphia Rotaract Clubs. A special Rotarian Spouse/Partner Service Award from the RI Board and president Sakuji Tanaka was presented to Joanne Gillespie, wife of Central Chester County Rotarian John Gillespie.

(More photos on pages 3 and 4)

PDG Dave says thanks for the privilege of serving as your DG

"A year-long privilege was afforded me
To serve as your DG for all to see.
I've been to visit each one of you
To offer my thanks for the service you do.
To hear your story and wish you well.
To record your projects - then tell and tell
The story of service both far and wide.
It's Rotary, you know, and we're side by side.
So I offer my thanks to you and you,
And bow in respect as I say adieu."

-- Dave Ellis iPDG

District Rotarians gather at RI Convention in Lisbon

District 7450 was represented by a large number Rotarians from a number of District Clubs at last month's Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal. They were among almost 20,000 Rotarians from 168 countries. During the plenary session, PDG Ron Burton of Norman, Oklahoma was elected president of Rotary International for 2013-2014. Burton is past RI director and Rotary Foundation trustee. During the convention, District 7450 Rotarians and spouses and friends gathered at the Vela Latina in Lisbon on the banks of the River Tagus for dinner arranged by PDG Bob Lankin.



(Monika Lozina)

RI President Ron Burton and his wife Jetta of Norman, Oklahoma at the RI Convention.

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Among those in attendance were PDG Bob and Holly Lankin, PDG

Russ and Dawn deFuria, IPDG Dave and Cheryl Ellis, DGE Doug and Julianna Blazey, and PDG Bonnie and Mike Korengel.



Rotary Night at the Union:

200 tickets on sale for soccer game Sept. 14 to benefit 'End Polio Now'

District 7450 End Polio Now Committee has 200 tickets to sell for the September 14 major league soccer game at PPL Stadium in Chester to raise funds for polio eradication. Tickets are \$30 per person and \$10 will be contributed to the "End Polio Now" Fund of the District. Rotarians who sell tickets will receive \$10 credit per ticket for their Club's "End Polio Now" Fund.

The festivities will begin at 5 p.m. with a complimentary tailgate party on the beautiful grassy knoll adjacent to the stadium and overlooking the magnificent Delaware River. Once again, the Rotary Club of Chester is hosting the tailgate party before the 7:30 p.m. game in which Philadelphia Union will play the Houston Dynamos.

It's the only Union home game during September, so bring your younger soccer players to see how they do it in the majors while they are playing fall soccer. They'll be blown away by the ball handling on the field and the enthusiasm of the Sons of Ben soccer fans in the stands.

Tickets for the event can be ordered from Bronwyn Martin at: Disrict7450.bronwyn@gmail.com. Parking in section B is conveniently located adjacent to the tailgate area and the PPL stadium is easy to get to directly off I-95.

Invitation to sing Anthem

District Glee Club seeks Rotarians to sing National Anthem at Rotary Night at the Phillies July 31.

Call (C) (610) 733-6931

or (W) (267) 335-5229 before July 15 if interested.



Where to look

EarlyAct: rotary7450.org/earlyact

Rotary Foundation: rotary7450.org/foundation

Gundaker: rotary7450.org/gundaker

Interact: rotary7450.org/interact

Literacy: rotary7450.org/literacy

Rotaplast: rotary7450.org/rotoplast

Youth Exchange: d7450youthexchange.org/

RYLA: rotary7450.org/RYLA

Rotary International: rotary.org

District Calendar: www.DaCdb.com.; and

rotary7450.org/Calendar

DG Dave's year celebrated before DG Charles is installed



Shady Brook Rotary Club hosts dinner at Hope Lodge

The Rotary Club of Shady Brook hosted a dinner May 9 at the Hope Lodge located near the Fox Chase Cancer Center in Northwest Philadelphia. Hope Lodge provides free lodging for the families of anyone undergoing treatment at Philadelphia area hospitals. In addition, the Club obtained a piano donated by the Shady Brook community for use at the Lodge to provide entertainment for their guests. The Club hired a mover to transport the piano May 1 to the Lodge site and had a pro-



(Photo by past president Fred Edelman)

fessional tuner set it up so it could be used immediately. The piano was originally donated to the Shady Brook community by Dotti and Mel Gelenberg, charter Rotary members and community residents. Helping with the cleanup are (from left) Rotary Club president-elect Irv Perlstein, event chairman Alan Agree, Dolly and Maurice Sokol and Gary Bruno. Also on hand were Club president Henry Garcia and sergeant-at-arms Mel Gelenberg.

Swarthmore Rotary Club installs 2013-2014 president Pouncy



2013-2014 Swarthmore Rotary Club president Hillard Pouncy takes the ceremonial presidential drink as outgoing president Brian Craig looks on after Pouncy was installed by District Governor Charles Streitwieser at the installation dinner at the Springhaven Country Club. The drink is taken from a silver vessel which was given to the Club by the Strathaven Rotary Club in Scotland during an exchange visit between the two Rotary Clubs several years ago. It is only used once a year at the installation of the incoming president. The installation dinner was chaired by past president/AG George Whitfield.

Coatesville Rotary Club welcomes 2013-2014 leadership team



PDG and past president of Coatesville Rotary Club Mark McGill (right) inducts the Club's 2013-2014 officers and board of directors during a recent luncheon meeting at the Coatesville Country Club. Taking part are (from left) president-elect Bob Sparr, director Mike Jacoby, secretary Bud Adams, treasurer Mick Givler, directors Sam Slokom and Cathy Johnson and 2012-2013 president Steve Cunningham. At right 2013-2014 president Greg Hines (left) presents past president Steve Cunningham his president's plaque. At left, Dylan



Morgan received \$5000 Rotary Club

of Coatesville scholarship from PDG Mark McGill, chair of the Scholarship Committee.



**Rotarian Action Group
Against Child Slavery**

Greater West Chester Sunrise Rotary Club sponsors 14th 'Chester County Challenge 4 Cancer Bike Ride'

The 14th annual Greater West Chester Sunrise Rotary Club Chester County Challenge 4 cancer Bike Ride took place June 16. Greater West Chester Sunrise member Rick Stevenson founded the "Bike Ride in 1999 in memory of Elliott Vaughan, a much-loved Rotarian and an avid rider who had succumbed to colon cancer.

Proceeds from the registrations and sponsorships benefit the Care Center programs of Chester County Hospital and Neighborhood Visiting Nurse Association. Since 1999, the ride has raised over \$350,000 for the two programs.

The rides feature distances of 5, 10, 30, 50, and 65 miles. In-kind donations include Bike Line, which has contributed tech support to the riders since the inception; Thomas Chevrolet, which provides three vehicles to help support the ride; and Chester County Amateur Radio Emergency Services, which monitors the race route to aid riders who may need assistance. This year, be-



Riders in the Greater West Chester Sunrise Rotary Club's 2013 "Chester County Challenge 4 Cancer Bike Ride" pause for a photograph prior to the start of the ride June 16 in West Chester.

cause the Rotary Club was not involved in Chester County Hospital's MayFest, about one-half of the Club's 40 members assisted in a variety of tasks to support of the ride. Following the completion of the ride, riders and volunteers enjoyed a barbecue lunch.

At Bensalem Rotary Club: New member welcomed

Bensalem Rotary Club continues to grow as Diane Ramsey is inducted as its newest member. Joining Diane following her induction are Club president Stanley Dwight and membership chair Marc Cohen. Diane started attending meetings a couple of months ago and has been volunteering on projects and has made a difference. She joins the Community Service Committee as an already contributing member.



Philadelphia Rotary leadership set



The Rotary Club of Philadelphia conducted the installation ceremony for its future leaders at its June 20 meeting presided over by Past Rotary International Director/PDG Lynmar Brock. Installed as president for 2013-2014 was Jeb Brookman with president-elect Sandy Goldberg (left) and vice-president Lisa Leonard, who will become president in 2015-2016.

Recognized as Gundaker Fellow**King of Prussia Rotary Club honors Arthur Powell**

Arthur Powell, the founder and developer of the King of Prussia Mall (seated) was honored by the King of Prussia Rotary Club June 12 with a Gundaker Fellow citation for his ongoing support of the Gundaker Foundation. The Gundaker Foundation is the District 7450 Charitable Foundation which is supported by the 52 Rotary Clubs in the District. Powell, a past president of the King of Prussia Rotary Club, is an honorary member of the Club. Participating in the presentation are (from left) King of Prussia Rotarian Paul Gaffney, Arthur Powell's daughter Carol Heller; past Gundaker Foundation president Ernest Zotolow, Kravco director Dick Powell, 2012-2013 King of Prussia Rotary Club president Carl Pinto, and 2013-2014 Club president Thomas Hough.

**Langhorne Rotary Club dedicates electronic sign**

Two years ago when he was president of the Langhorne Rotary Club, David Carson had a vision and began the planning for an electronic sign in the Langhorne area. Woods Services, a residential, educational and vocational facility that supports children and adults with exceptional needs, provided a location on its campus overlooking Route 213 and the southbound entrance lane of US Route 1 in Middletown Township, outside the borough of Langhorne. A fundraising and planning effort was launched. A number of corporations and small businesses in the area contributed the funds for the sign. Local Middletown Township officials, local police, surveyors, landscapers, and other professionals in the community donated their time and services to make the sign a reality. Major donors who provided the economic support, local government officials, along with other individuals and



business owners who provided goods and services, as well as District Governor David Ellis, were invited to a ribbon—cutting at the sign and luncheon with the Rotarians at the Langhorne Rotary meeting place, The Bella Tori in Langhorne. A brief power point illustrated the development of the project and Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the participants. The sign will be available for announcements by Rotary and community non-profit organizations. It also will be available for public service announcements and emergency information when needed. David

Carson, who has continued as the president of the Club throughout the project, pointed out the sign was possible because of the involvement and support of many people as well as the members of the Langhorne Rotary. "It was a team effort."

(Picture) District Governor Dave Ellis and members of Langhorne Rotary

Philadelphia Rotarians fund Taggart School choral trip

Thanks to a Philadelphia Rotary Foundation Grant of \$1788.00, the Taggart Middle School Chorus from South Philadelphia was able to attend *The High Note Choral Music Competition* at Dorney Park in early May. Without this Philadelphia Rotary Assistance, due to the extreme financial hardship of many of these city students and the lack of funds available from the School District of Philadelphia, this exciting opportunity would have been out of their reach.



Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotarians host 3rd Twisted Vintner

Karen Rivera, chair of the Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club's third annual Twisted Vintner presents a check for \$10,000, which was donated by Brad and Eric Hendrixson and Garnet Ford and Garnet Volkswagen, to Don McNeal, Club president. NBC10 reporter Harry



Hairston (left) joins Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotarian Carol Swerdon, winemaker Mark Petrillo, and Rotarian / emcee Joe Susco celebrate Mark's first place win for best white wine at the 3rd Annual Twisted Vintner, the Club's biggest fundraiser, June 6.



Glen Riddle Rotary Club gives scholarship to Corey Crews-

Dr. Claudio V. Cerullo, vice-president of Glen Riddle Rotary Club and founder of "Teach Anti Bullying" together with the Rotary Club, presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Corey Crews-Williams as the first recipient of the Bailey O'Neill Scholarship Fund. The award is for a student with a 3.25 GPA or higher who wrote an essay on what a hero means to him along with how he will give back to his community and society as a whole.

On hand are (from left) 2012-2013 president Peter Frigiola. Crews-Williams, past president Sue Linvill Jochum, Club secretary Lisa Grech and Cerullo.



**Adopt LUCAS machine project begun by Downingtown Rotary Club:
Thorndale Rotarians fund Minquas Fire Company project**

The Thorndale Rotary Club presented a check for a LUCAS machine to Minquas Fire Company Number 2 at a ceremony June 5. Members of the fire company and its EMS crew attended the program and following the presentation, the EMS crew demonstrated how the machine can save lives using a demonstration dummy (at right). Thorndale Rotary Club president announced a video explaining the machine is available. Contact Autumn (C) (484) 885-6643. Four days following the presentation, the EMS staff joined the Rotary Club at its large fundraiser "The Chester County Mac & Cheese Cook-off" and set up the LUCAS machine at the Rotary Club booth. An estimated 850 people had the opportunity to watch the demonstration of the machine. President Autumn observed, "It was a great way to show our partnership." Thorndale Rotary Club took over the LUCAS machine project when Downingtown



Rotary Club decided not to continue due to declining membership. For additional information, contact Autumn Katzenmoyer at 484-885-6643 mobile.

Oxford Rotary Club presents \$300 to SILO



Oxford Rotary Club president Charles "Chip" Lewis Jr. hands a check for \$300 to Melissa Pacella, from SILO (Serving, Inspiring, Loving Others). The funds were generated from the Club's third quarter weekly 50/50 drawing.

Disaster Relief Trip to Alabama

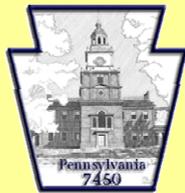
Longwood Rotarian Bob Curran will lead a Disaster Relief trip to Tuscaloosa, Alabama October 27 to November 2. The April 2011 tornados damaged over 5,000 structures in the Tuscaloosa area and the group will work with Habitat for Humanity Tuscaloosa. Construction skills are not required; you will learn skills while on-site. For more information contact Bob at 610-316-3109 or curranbob@verizon.net.

DEADLINE for the August ***District 7450 Rotary Leader*** is July 15. Please **identify** all people in photos. Send photos/news to info@Rotary7450.com and mombugjoan@msn.com. Thank you.

Can you name the men in photo, what they have in common and when/why photo was taken?



Send answers to info@Rotary7450.org



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District Glee Club

Do you want to help sing the National Anthem at a Rotary event on July 31?



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Upcoming events

July 31

Rotary Night at the Phillies to benefit End Polio Now. Phillies vs. the San Francisco Giants, 7:05 p.m. For details, go to www.Rotary7450.org/Calendar



August 7th

to support our Rotaplast Mission to Cumana, Venezuela. Drawing is August 7. Go to www.Rotary7450.org/rotaplast.

September 12 thru 15th

37th annual Delaware County Fair, sponsored by Glen Riddle Rotary Club. For details, go to www.Rotary7450.org/Calendar.

September 14

Contact Bronwyn Martin for tickets for the Union soccer game and Third Annual District 7450 End Polio Now Fund-Raiser. Go to www.Rotary7450.org/Calendar to download order form. For tickets, contact Bronwyn Martin at district7450.bronwyn@gmail.com.

October 5 (Saturday)

RLI Sessions Parts I, II, III and Graduate: Saturday, October 5, Raddison Hotel, King of Prussia, PA.- Fee \$95. Go to www.rlinea.com to register. For more information, go to RLI website.

Oct. 12

RLI at Radisson King of Prussia will offer Level I, II, III and graduate at a cost of \$95. Register at www.rlinea.com

November 2nd

Rotary Day at the United Nations. Check www.riunday.org soon for additional info.

November 22nd and 23rd

District Conference at the Desmond Hotel. Go to www.Rotary7450.org/.