

*District Conference Edition*

# District 7450 Rotary Leader



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**Join DG Dave Ellis and District 7450 Rotarians for the 2012-13 District Conference at Ace Conference Center, 800 Ridge Avenue, Lafayette Hill November 9 and 10.**



**Come and find out how Rotary is on the verge of changing the world by eliminating polio. Ramesh Ferris, a polio survivor, will share his personal story about how he hand-cycled across Canada to generate the funds to **END POLIO NOW**. Ramesh will speak at 2:20 p.m. on Saturday, November 10. You won't want to miss this presentation!**

Have you found your passion in the polio eradication effort? Come help with the effort by contributing to shaving off the year-long growth of the hair of Area 6 AG Dan McMonigle. Dan, a member of the Rotary Club of Great Valley (Exton-Frazer), promises that he will sit for the shave if we generate \$5,000 for the END POLIO NOW effort. Bring Club funds. Come cheer Dan as he has his hair shaved immediately after Ramesh Ferris speaks. Donation boxes will be available.



**When you get the choice to sit it out or Dance,**

**I HOPE YOU DANCE**

**To register for Conference: [Rotary7450.org/Conf](http://Rotary7450.org/Conf)**



## Message from District 7450 Governor Dave



As I write this Governor's report, I have had the pleasure to visit 52 of our 53 Clubs. It's been great to meet you, Mr. and Ms. Rotarian, and to learn of your involvement in your communities, to see how you are committed to men, women, boys and girls, not only here in our neighborhoods, but around the world.

Thank you for what you do. Without you, Rotary would just be one more lunch, dinner, or breakfast club. Continue to work hard to make sure that this does not happen. Remember that service where we can look the recipient in the eye and say "I'm here to help you," expecting nothing in return, gives us the greatest joy in life.

Your District leadership is spending a few days in Vancouver actively learning where Rotary is headed and how we can do our part. This is the annual Zone Institute with DGE Charles Streitwieser, DGN Doug Blazey, PDG Russ deFuria, AG Dawn deFuria PDG Hogie Hansen and Anne, PTID Lynmar Brock and Claudie, and District Foundation Chair iPDG Bonnie Korengel joining me in this learning process. You'll see the new material oozing from our ears when you next see us.

Every three years, Rotary convenes our Council on Legislation and this will occur next spring with PDG Russ deFuria our representative to the Council. This is the

occasion when a representative from each Rotary District gathers to see if there are appropriate changes to the way we do Rotary that should be effected. The agenda is full of those issues that have been suggested by Clubs around the world. If you would like to have an input to the process, please contact Russ at [dg0708@ocomfort.com](mailto:dg0708@ocomfort.com).

Our inbound GSE team arrived October 20<sup>th</sup> and while I am writing this prior to that date, I want to encourage you to introduce yourself to any and all of the team. The team consists of one Rotarian leader, Mr. Dong Yeol Kye, and four non-Rotarians, Jeong In Jeong, Su Yeun Jung, Jung-Nam Park, and Nam Hyang Woo. If you have not met them, please come to the District Conference and say hello.

At the same time, we continue to search for four outbound non-Rotarians (age 25-40) to spend four weeks in the suburban Seoul, Korea area next spring as our representatives to District 3600. Contact Kerry Leraris at [kerryleraris@yahoo.com](mailto:kerryleraris@yahoo.com) for details.

Lastly, I hope that each of you will join us November 9 and 10 at the ACE Conference Center where we will **Dance**. Each of you will have the choice to sit it out or dance, and

**I HOPE YOU DANCE.  
See you there!**

## District Conference offers exciting list of speakers

### Elias Thomas:



*RI President's Rep*  
Elias Thomas is a dynamic figure, often seen far from home, helping others in the name of Rotary. He has been seen scaling walls, or building

walls, or painting walls, and when all else fails, he has been known to successfully tear down walls. He speaks to thousands, negotiates on the phone between fundraisers, interprets foreign language dreams and sings in his choir. Elias worked to feed the homeless, helped shelter the homeless, and while he was District Governor, he became homeless.

### Sasha Lezhnev



Sasha Lezhnev is policy consultant at Enough, where he focuses on peace and conflict minerals in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

He is also executive director and co-founder of the Grassroots Reconciliation Group, an organization that helps former child soldiers in Uganda. Sasha worked as policy adviser at Global Witness on U.S. conflict resources and energy policy. He worked in Uganda with the Northern Uganda Peace Initiative and the U.S. Institute of Peace.

### Paul DeJuliis



Paul is CEO of Expanko Inc., a manufacturer and international distributor of environmentally responsible commercial building products and founder of Isaiah '58 Foundation, which plans, hosts and under-writes 5 and 10k runs and bike races to raise money for non-profits focusing on homelessness, hunger, and other social needs. He is president of the Board for the Care Center for Christ Foundation, and a member of the West Chester YMCA Board. Paul will share what volunteerism means to him.

Conference information and Registration form available at <http://www.Rotary7450.org/> **click on District Conference**



On-line Registration form available at >>> <http://www.Rotary7450.org/Conf>





**Saturday afternoon speaker:**

**Ramesh Ferris: Does not let polio stop his ‘mission’**

Ramesh Ferris, Saturday afternoon speaker at the 2012 District Conference and a Rotarian with Whitehorse Rendezvous Rotary Club, in Canada, was born in 1979 in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India. He contracted polio at six months and his legs were left paralyzed for life.

With no means or access to rehabilitation for him, Rajesh's mother placed him in Families for Children, a Canadian-founded orphanage, a year later. Soon after, Ron Ferris, Anglican Bishop of Yukon in Canada, and his wife, Jan began the lengthy process to adopt Ramesh and take him to Canada. With the support of his new Canadian family and after several operations, Ramesh learned to walk with crutches and braces for the first time when three and one-half years old.

After graduating with his diploma in social work from Confederation College in Thunder Bay, Ontario, in



ground. As a result of what he saw, Ramesh made plans for “Cycle to Walk Canada” with a focus on “Polio Eradication, Education and Rehabilitation.”

In 2008, Ramesh hand-cycled 4400 miles across Canada, participated in 350 media interviews and made over 200 presentations at schools, Rotary Clubs, churches and various levels of government and raised thousands of dollars and increased the awareness of polio dramatically.

In April, 2010 Ramesh released his first book entitled, *Better Than a Cure, One Man's Journey to Free the World of Polio*, which covers the speaking circuit in India, United States,

Puerto Rico, Australia, and throughout his home country of Canada, talking about his experiences surviving the effects of polio and the need to end polio now.

Ramesh has had opportunities to share the “Message of Polio Eradication” to delegates of the Rotary International Convention 2010 in Montreal, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Secretary of Puerto Rico, former governor of Alaska Sarah Palin, and to delegates at the United Nations in New York City.

Ramesh looks forward to talking with Rotarians at the District 7450 Conference and sharing his personal journey of surviving polio and invites you to join in the efforts of making our global community polio free.

***The World Health Organization predicts that if the world fails to eradicate polio, an additional 10 million children will be paralyzed over the next 40 years***

2001, Ramesh has been active in his community working with at-risk youths, social welfare recipients and people of varying abilities. In recognition of his work with youth, Ramesh received a Paul Harris Fellowship in February, 2008 by the Whitehorse Rendezvous Rotary Club.

In 2002, Ramesh returned to India to meet his biological mother and to visit the orphanage where he once lived. Ramesh learned of polio survivors who, without the necessary medical attention and supports, were forced to pad their knees with cut-up pieces of tire and crawl on the

***Copies of Ramesh's book are available online at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), with proceeds benefitting Rotary's **End Polio Now** campaign.***



**AD Dan McGonigle issues \$5000 challenge for End Polio Now**

Dan McMonigle, a member of the Great Valley (Exton-Frazer) Rotary Club. home Club of DG Dave Ellis, issued a challenge to Conference attendees: He will allow his year-long growth of hair to be cut and his head shaved Saturday afternoon provided the haircut raises at least \$5000 for **End Polio Now**. The challenge will follow the appearance of Canadian Rotarian and polio survivor Ramesh Ferris.



## GSE team arrives for month; will attend District Confer-

The Inbound GSE team from District 3600 in South Korea arrived Saturday evening, October 20, at Philadelphia International Airport Terminal D.

Representatives of Rotary Clubs, who will host the team for one of the four weeks the team will be in the District, greeted the five members. The GSE team spent the night at the Airport Hilton and attended a welcome orientation Sunday morning before heading to the Ardmore area where they will be hosted by the Ardmore Rotary Club for the first week.

Great Valley and Central Chester Country Rotary Clubs provides homestays for week two; Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club will host the team week three and take them to the District Conference November 9 and 10. The Area 2 Rotary Clubs Abington at Edge Hill, Cheltenham-Rockledge, Conshohocken-Plymouth-Whitemarsh, Elkins Park, Glenside and Jenkintown) will be hosts for the final week. The farewell dinner will be Friday, November 16, at the Wyndham Garden Exton Valley Forge starting at 6:30 p.m..

The GSE Team is lead by Dong Yeol Kye, who served as an AG for 2010-11 and is a retired public official but now owns his own company; member Jeong Jeong-In, a math teacher at Anseong Technical HS where he serves as the advisor to the Interact Club;



**District 7450 welcomed members of South Korean GSE team when they arrived Saturday night for a month-long visit to the District. The team will attend and participate in the District Conference November 9 and 10 at the Ace Center in Lafayette Hill.**

member NamHyung Woo, a public official overseeing land-use planning in Nam YangJu City; member Jung-Nam (Samantha) Park, who works at the Gates English Library as an instructor, is a trained classic pianist and enjoys baseball; and member Su-yeun Jung, a public health nurse in Gyeongg-do Yeosu with previous experience as a surgical and psychiatric nurse.

The GSE team will attend the District Conference and will participate in the 4:30 p.m. breakout session Saturday afternoon.



**Helping Lionville Senior Center are Vincent O'Connell, Connie Templar, Ted Gacomis, Darren Patton, Theresa Tarquinio, Paul Fairchild, Boy Scout Jason, John Gillespie and Boy Scout Lee.**

### Central Chester County Rotarians, Scouts answer call for help with repairs at Lionville Senior Center

When The Central Chester County Rotary Club heard that The Senior Center in Lionville needed a new dumpster enclosure and repairs to the steps leading from the Center to the church next door, they were more than glad to lend a hand.

Sunday, September 30, Central Chester County Rotarians, with help from two Boy Scouts from Troop 98 in Blue Bell, dismantled the old wooden dumpster enclosure and a new enclosure was erected in its place. Steps that are used to transport patients to the church were also repaired.

**Over \$2500 raised**

**End Polio Now, Union winners at Rotary Night**



**End Polio Now** chair Jane Williams and DG Dave Ellis (upper left photo) are introduced before Union game. Earlier, DG Dave cued the cameraperson to focus on “End Polio Now” on Jane’s jacket. AG Dan McMonigle (left) is demonstrating “This close!” sign and polio eradication banner in the stands of the soccer game. See page three for details of Dan’s challenge for End Polio Now.

Taking part in presentation of game ball at the pre-game tailgate party October 6 are (from left) West Chester Downtown Rotarian Carol Metzker; Greg Iming, representative of the Philadelphia Union soccer team; Rotary District 7450 Governor Dave Ellis; and Ardmore Rotarian Jane Williams, chair of the District 7450 End Polio Now Sub-Committee.

**Chester Rotary Club kicks off fund-raiser with tailgate party**

The clouds that hung in the skies for the entire day Saturday, October 6, cleared just in time to provide beautiful weather for a spectacular evening of fun festivities and successful soccer at D7450’s Second Annual “Kick Polio Off the Planet” fund-raiser at the Major League Philadelphia Union game vs. the New England Revolution. Score: Union 1, Revolution 0; Funds raised for Polio: Over \$2500.

More than 250 Rotarians and family and friends enjoyed a lively tailgate party on the grassy knoll overlooking the Delaware River just beside the beautiful new stadium. The tailgate was sponsored by the Chester Rotary Club and Francy and Dave Cross arrived very early to set up and manage the pre-game festivities. Thank you Francy and Dave!

Kids kicked soccer balls on the field beside the stadium and Rotarians and friends mingled and chatted before everyone headed into the stadium to cheer on the Union and enjoy the antics of the Sons of

Ben, the Union’s fan base who make other Philadelphia sports fans seem comatose.

Before the game, DG Dave Ellis presented Union representative Greg Imming with a fair trade soccer ball, donated by the Rotary Club of Media.

Ten dollars of each \$30 ticket will be donated to End Polio Now.

Great Valley Rotarian Dan McMonigle attended the game with his beautiful pony tail intact (see picture). But hopefully, it’s not going to be intact for long. He has pledged to cut it off at the District Conference in a bidding game to raise money for End Polio Now. So let’s see just how much it’s worth! What’s your guess???

If you have never been to PPL Stadium for a soccer game, try to make it next year. It’s a lot of fun and camaraderie in a beautiful setting, for a beautiful cause. Thanks to Kennett Square Rotarian Bronwyn Martin for making this all happen!



— Jane Williams, “End Polio Now” chair



## Rotary to light up Peco sign again

A Rotary District 7450 message is tentatively scheduled to be up and running literally hundreds of times on the PECO Building LED Crown Lights Display for three consecutive days on November 20-22. PECO's electronic display, which towers over the Philadelphia skyline, will convey a message about Rotary to the general public.



## DG Dave presents citations to 4 Philadelphia Rotarians



DG Dave Ellis (right) presented citations for service to Philadelphia Rotarians (from left) Jeff Cabot, Rotaplast fundraising; Clifton Salas and Qun Zhao, who are among newest members; and Kirsty Halliday membership, during DG Dave's official visit October 11.

## Does your Club Website Need Attention?

Each Rotary Club should have assigned a web master to update its Club's website. In the event a Club does not have a person that knows how to do this, there is help available from either Jay Childress or Gene Mitchell. We can teach you how. There is no cost for the web page or help.

Your web page should have listed your current officers, your programs, and your projects.

Your web page is important to the health and growth of your Club. Besides letting members know what is going on, it is important to tell our story to the world. Only about 60% of the District Clubs are up to date as of a recent check. We are business leaders and professionals. Let's show it.

## Membership starter: Review classifications

Classifications help us to identify individuals who may be future Rotarians.

Here's a few classification of individuals who might be good Rotarians:

- Advertising, Direct Mail
- Auto-Sales New Cemeteries
- Day Care
- Law-Estate Planning
- Motorcycle-Retail
- Printing Services
- Transportation-Air
- Vending Supplies

Call and invite one or more to your weekly Rotary Club meeting. After the visits, ask them to join your Club.

— DG Dave

## Rotary Foundation Month reminder: Time to give to Rotary Foundation EREY

November is Rotary Foundation month, the time your Club Foundation chair will be stressing the importance for every Rotarian to make some financial commitment to the RI Foundation through the Annual Fund program known as **EREY** (Every Rotary Every Year).

Please understand that EREY does not mean that anyone is asking for a specific donation amount.

Rotarians can become EREY members for a donation as small as \$10. Our goal is that every Rotarian invest some amount of money to the Annual Fund so the RI Foundation can continue to help those who cannot help themselves.

For more information, contact Frank Hollick at [fahollick@yahoo.com](mailto:fahollick@yahoo.com), or visit Rotary Foundation websites including District 7450 site (<http://www.rotary7450.org/foundation/>) or goto Rotary International website at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and search on foundation





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### Chili Cook-Off provides funding for local charities

Over \$33,000 was donated to 13 Chester County charitable organizations at the 10th Annual Chili Cook-off hosted by the Rotary Club of West Chester. At the kick-off October 14, the organizations which received some of the proceeds from last year's event were introduced to the community.

Making the introductions and presenting certificates of appreciation for their work was Club President Jeannie McGinn (photo right, center, blue shirt) to representatives from The Arc of Chester County, Care Center Foundation, Chester County Children, Inc., Crime Victims Center of Chester County, Inc., Domestic Violence Center of Chester County Inc., Friends Association for the Care and Protection of Children, Handi-Crafters, Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Maternal and Child Health Consortium, Safe Harbor of Greater West Chester, Inc., West Chester Food Cupboard, West Chester Public Library, and Wings for Success.

The agency grants will provide music therapy for children, after-school and summer camps for at-risk children, training for professionals working with crime victims, reduce homelessness among families, provide housing assistance to persons with disabilities, quality legal aid to low income individuals, support to mothers and babies, housing for homeless men and women in the winter, food to supplement groceries for needy families, providing programs and materials for children, and clothing items for needy women seeking employment.

Each year in the fall, several thousand individuals, couples



and families converge on downtown West Chester to enjoy samples of chili prepared by over 70 teams of non-profit organizations, businesses, restaurants and others.

The public picks their favorite chili and the most decorative booth and enjoy the offerings of local vendors, the children's fun zone, and more.

While most of the proceeds from the chili cook-off support local charities, some goes to providing clean water to families in Kenya, and a medical clinic in Honduras both started by West Chester Rotarians. The club also recently contributed funds to assist the West Chester Rotaract Club with rebuilding a school in Liberia.

### Langhorne Rotary Club welcomes DG Dave; presents sign update

District Governor Dave Ellis made his official visit to the Langhorne Rotary Club September 17, and presented an inspiring message about the future of Rotary. He also presented a certificate to the Club's newest member, Joe Santi III, and to his sponsor, Chris Blaydon. Club president Dave Carson also provided information about the progress of the Rotary project that has been approved by Middletown Township, at the intersection of Route 213 and Maple Ave south exit to Route 1 on the border of Langhorne Borough. This very prominent site has been cleared and made ready for the electronic sign. The Club's fundraising effort



which has been reported to have reached the half-way mark. The Club is hoping construction will begin early next year. President Carson (left) took DG Dave Ellis to the site to show the smaller sign that presently marks the site. The new sign is an exciting project that

will enable the club to promote Rotary, provide an opportunity for local non-profits and the Rotary Clubs in the area to advertise events, and publicize public information by emergency service organizations. Further information can be obtained by visiting [www.Rotarysign.org](http://www.Rotarysign.org)

— DG Dave Ellis



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### Second Annual event

## Longwood Rotary Club Relay for Life raises \$66,568.70

Longwood Rotarian Kim Wienches of the American Cancer Society announced the 2012 Relay for Life raised a total of \$66,568.70, well over the \$60,000 goal set by Mike Zieg and almost 1.5 times the usual goal for a second year "Relay for Life" event.

The top fund-raising team was the Chadds Ford Elementary School team. Longwood Rotary dropped from first to third place in fundraising.

With the great success of the Unionville School District teams, one of the focuses for the 2013 effort is to get active involvement from the Kennett School District.

The funds used locally support the following patient and family care.

- The **Look Good Feel Good** effort which helps



**Dave McKeon presents Mike Zieg with a Paul Harris Fellow award for leading the revival of the Kennett - Unionville Relay for Life, which raised \$66,000 this year.**

women fighting cancer learn how to use makeup to look and feel better.

- **Road to Recovery** provides transportation to those who need it to get to their treatment sessions.
- **Homemaker Grants** provide \$500 grants to families so they can get respite from the daily grind of maintaining their home and assisting their loved one fighting cancer. For the past three years, Hope Lodge has provided housing for patients and their families who have to travel long distances to receive care in the Philadelphia area hospitals. In the past year

alone this saved over \$14 million in hotel and related costs for these families.

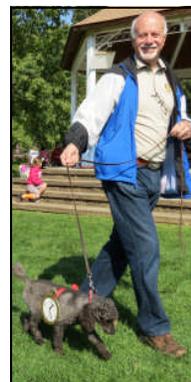
The 2013 Relay for Life is scheduled for June 7 and 8 at the Unionville High School.

### **Auction of oil painting to aid anti-slave effort**

"Fox Fire Waterlily at Longwood," an oil painting by Monique Kendikian-Sarkessian, will be auctioned off at the District Conference. Saturday morning November 10, The auction will take place after the presentation on "Child Slavery at Home and Abroad" by West Chester Downtown Rotarian Carol Metzker. Proceeds will go to Rescue Mission for Children in northern Thailand where children are rehabilitated after being rescued from slavery. DG Dave Ellis, his wife, Cheryl, PDG Bonnie Korengel and her husband, Rotarian Mike Korengel, visited the mission in May.

### **Broomall Rotarians host Doggie Show**

Broomall Rotary Club hosted its third annual Doggie Show October 7 in Veterans Memorial Park, Broomall. About 200 people and almost as many dogs showed up for the "just for fun" event. Contests include Waggiest Tail, Best Costume, Best Kisser, Best Trick, Best Behaved Big Lap Dog and Cutest Puppy. Next year they're adding an Owner & Pooch Look Alike Contest. The three judges were Lou Spano, Dan Leefson and Jim Bradley. MC Tom



Barnes, kept the audience in stitches with his play -by-play of the proceedings. To keep things silly, the Club awarded a \$1,000,000 prize for the Best Costume. Helen Ann Meehan took home the gold with her poodle Princess dressed as a ballerina. "Of course," said chair Paul Quintavalla (with his entry "Watch Dog,") "the prize is paid as an annuity of \$1 per year or a lump sum in the year 2,002,012. Helen took the dollar and a blue ribbon.



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### **End Polio by 2015**

## **RI commits \$75 million additional funds for 'End Polio Now'**

September 27 was another significant milestone in Rotary's nearly 25-year battle to eradicate polio.

On that day at the 67th Session of the UN General Assembly in New York City, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon convened a special high-level event highlighting progress and challenges in the effort to eradicate polio.

Secretary-General Ban, who has made polio eradication a top priority of his second term, issued a strong call to UN member states to ramp up their support for the polio eradication initiative. Other speakers included Wilfrid J. Wilkinson of The Rotary Foundation, Bill Gates of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and presidents of Afghanistan, Nigeria, Pakistan, Australian Prime Minister, and representatives of U.S. Health and Human Services, World Health Organization, UNICEF. Wilf Wilkinson said, "We are at a true tipping point, with success never closer than it is right now. We must seize the advantage by acting immediately, or risk breaking our pledge to the world's children."

With only Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Nigeria as countries where the wild polio virus is endemic, and only 145 infections this year-to-date, we are ever so close. But



the \$790 million shortfall this year has already affected several scheduled immunization activities in polio-affected countries. So we must bridge the gap so as not to derail the entire program. If eradication fails and polio rebounds, up to 200,000 children a year could be paralyzed.

For that reason, Rotary has pledged to contribute \$75 million over three years.

Rotarians, we must answer the call. We can't stop now. The stakes are too high. As Rotarians, we made a promise to the children of the world that we MUST keep on. One way you can help is to visit <http://www.endpolio.org/> and sign the petition calling on world leaders to commit additional resources to close the funding gap. The initial 6,000 signatures were presented to Secretary-General Ban in New York September 27.

Thank you for your commitment!

*Jane Williams*

*cjwilliams@jpwilliamsco.com*

**Check out the Speaker's Bureau on** <http://rotary7450.org/foundation/resources>

### **Looking for interesting speakers for your Rotary Club?**

Rotary Clubs often search for speakers or programs for their meetings. Rotary has a number of appropriate programs for meetings. Some are in person such as our GSE team members (listed below). Others are videos or PowerPoint's that detail something special about Rotary.

Rick Berger of the Twin Valley Rotary Club has pulled many of these together for your use.

Take a look at this webpage - <http://rotary7450.org/foundation/resources> - to find professionally prepared programs. In-person presenters that have been suggested by various Clubs include:

Rotarian **Claudio Carlo**: Antbullying, [info@drclaudiocerullo.com](mailto:info@drclaudiocerullo.com)  
(610) 597-8101

Rotarian **Tim Birch**: Membership, [tjbirch@verizon.net](mailto:tjbirch@verizon.net)

(215) 949-4018

**Tonia Adleta**: GSE member to Brazil, [tadleta@gmail.com](mailto:tadleta@gmail.com)

(484) 886-6295

**Anna Denny**: GSE member to Brazil, [annadenny@gmail.com](mailto:annadenny@gmail.com)

(267) 679-7731

**Max Lovitz-Wolfson**: GSE member to Brazil, [maxlov@gmail.com](mailto:maxlov@gmail.com)

(215) 439-2379

**Evan Black**: GSE member to Brazil; [evaleigh@gmail.com](mailto:evaleigh@gmail.com)

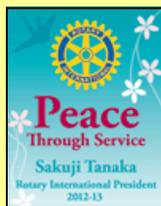
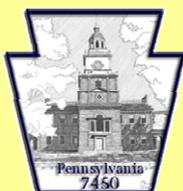
(405) 612-6161

**Lavell Kirby**: GSE member to Brazil; [gmsworld1@gmail.com](mailto:gmsworld1@gmail.com)

(215) 787-4410

— DG Dave Ellis

**DEADLINE for the December District 7450 Rotary Leader is November 15. Please identify all people in photos. send photos/news to [info@Rotary7450.com](mailto:info@Rotary7450.com) and [mombugjoan@msn.com](mailto:mombugjoan@msn.com). — Thank you**



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## District 7450 Calendar

For additional information on Rotary events, go to [www.Rotary7450.org](http://www.Rotary7450.org).

### October 25, 26 and 27

Rotary Club of Concordville Chadds Ford and Chadds Ford Historical Society Great Pumpkin Carve - 5 to 9 p.m.  
Location: Chadds Ford Historical Society grounds, Chadds Ford.

### November 2

Levittown-Fairless Hills Rotary Club Bags Bangles and Beads  
Bingo Dr. Gina Genin, (267) 250-7878

### November 2

Rotary Club of Media Auction at The Drexelbrook in Drexel Hill.

### November 3

RI Day at the United Nations.

### November 3

Bensalem Pancake Breakfast - information on Bensalem Rotary Club website.

### November 9 and 10

District Conference at the ACE Conference Center, 800 Ridge Ave. Lafayette Hill. Friday afternoon to 10 p.m.  
Meet South Korean GSE Team - 12 Youth Exchange Students and Elias Thomas (Maine Rotarian) the RI President's representative.  
See page 4 for tentative Conference Schedule.

### November 14

Upper Main Line Rotary Club and Power up Gambia and Independence LED "First Light" 6 to 8 p.m. RSVP by November 7 - no charge [www.powerupgambia.eventbrite.com](http://www.powerupgambia.eventbrite.com).

### January 5, 2013 [Saturday] 2:00 pm

"End Polio Now" district-wide fundraiser (and Rotary social event): attend the La Salle University Men's Basketball game vs. the University of Pennsylvania. Location: La Salle University's Hayman Center. Contact: Jim Moore Rotary Club of Abington at Edge Hill (H) (215) 758-2955 - (C) (215) 341-7476

### February 28 - March 1 - 2, 2013

Mid-Atlantic Presidents-Elect Training (PETS) in King of Prussia. February 28 to March 1st & 2nd goto [www.Rotary7450.org](http://www.Rotary7450.org)

### March 15 - 17, 2013

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), Valley Forge's Freedom's Foundation - March 15th—17th goto [www.Rotary7450.org](http://www.Rotary7450.org)

### June 23 - 26, 2013

Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal.

### Share your successful fundraising ideas

If your Club has a successful fundraiser or service project, please share the details of the event or project with other Clubs. Send to [mombugjoan@msn.com](mailto:mombugjoan@msn.com) for listing in *District 7450 Rotary Leader*.