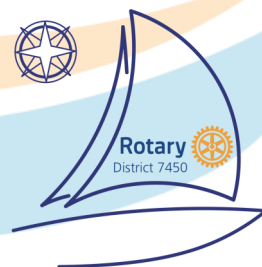
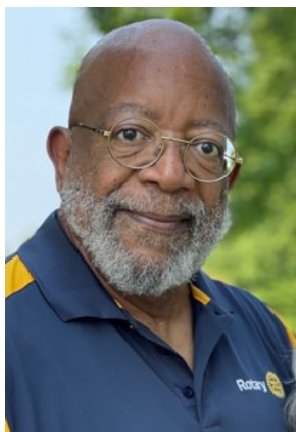


NEWSLETTER



Letter from District Governor Roger Taylor



We all have inherited the times that we live in. I don't think that anyone still alive has ever lived through times quite like these. Despite the challenges, Rotary district 7450 is making great strides in "Charting our Course" to the future. For this newsletter, we'll focus on the District Services Committee headed up by Lieutenant Governor Jay Pennie. He is a past club president of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, a past Assistant Governor and an expert in non-profit development.

Part of his responsibility is to help steer our Rotary messaging team. As you know, our goal this year is to grow Rotary by increasing our "footprint" in southeastern Pennsylvania. His team of talented volunteers are molding the image that we put forward to the community. For "outward" facing messages to non-Rotarians, they have honed a unique look for all to see when they search for all things Rotary in print and on the web. It is consistent with Rotary International's branding criteria. The messaging puts forth a positive view of our Rotary and tells the story of "Traditional Rotary" evolving into a contemporary organization that is diverse, equitable and inclusive. In short, Rotary is an attractive and welcoming group to all who wish to share our vision.

This is not one person's idea of how to execute this Rotary imaging plan, but a collaboration of a team that spans our district and encompasses the skill sets that we need, whether it is strategic use of resources, enhanced use of social media or impactful marketing. We are in this together and we should be proud and supportive of efforts made by dedicated and caring Rotary professionals.

CLUB MEETING UPDATE

Lt Governor Chris Potter conducted a survey of clubs in our district to learn which meeting formats are being used. Following are the results.

Live – 50%
Hybrid – 25%
Virtual – 25%

"Including a virtual option in your club's meeting schedule expands your footprint into the community by reaching those who couldn't otherwise attend" says Chris.

Charting Your Course

Newsroom Staff

Paul Quintavalla

Kristine Pongras

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

SWARTHMORE COLLABORATES WITH CHESTER FOR INSPIRING PROJECT

The City of Chester is plagued by high rates of poverty, unemployment, and a lack of opportunity for its residents. At the same time, there is a severe shortage in the skilled trades workforce, both in our region and across the nation. Rotarians are stepping up and partnering with local organizations to address both problems with an ambitious new initiative. Spearheaded by the Rotary Club of Swarthmore, the Chester Trades Education Project, or CTEP, will play a crucial role in improving access to education in the skilled trades, thereby offering Chester's residents a pathway to economic independence.



In addition to the Rotary Club of Swarthmore, four key partners make up the CTEP team:

- Through fundraising and grants, the Rotary Club of Chester made the first major commitment to support CTEP and successfully seeded the project with a significant donation of \$12,000. Individual Rotarians in the Swarthmore and Chester Clubs are lending their leadership skills and vision to establish the program and ensure its sustainability.
- Delaware County Community College (DCCC) provides skilled trades education and training through its certificate and degree programs. The skilled trades programs, like all programs at DCCC, are competency-based with embedded assessment and industry credentials that align with the skills needed by regional employers.
- Riverside Futures Regional Community Development Corporation is tasked with screening and selecting the Chester residents who will join the program. A Chester-based nonprofit, Riverside Futures will mentor students throughout their participation in CTEP.
- Chester Housing Authority (CHA) will provide meeting and classroom space at its various community centers so that training can be conducted right in the City of Chester. In fact, a carpentry class is already underway at one of the CHA locations. Additionally, these designated areas will serve as gathering spaces where students can study together, work with their mentors, and catch shuttle buses to the DCCC campus for in-person training when needed.

CTEP is off and running with an ambitious schedule. Interested Chester residents and their families attended a kick-off meeting at CHA in July, and since then, additional prospective students have joined the pipeline. Fourteen students have already enrolled for fall 2021, and the cohort can accommodate up to 16 students. The Rotary Club of Swarthmore is actively soliciting donations and hosted a Block Party fundraiser in Swarthmore on September 25th to support the CTEP students. They have set a goal of \$30,000 to support this unique project.



For further information about CTEP, please contact Ken Wright at kjwmlw@aol.com; to schedule a CTEP presentation for your club, please contact Francy Cross at cross.francy@gmail.com, and to learn more about donating, please contact Betty Ann Flynn at flynnphoto@comcast.net.

MINGLEFEST SUCCESS

The Membership Committee's proactive approach to recruiting new members is already getting lots of attention and showing results. The Minglefest events are conducted by the District Membership Committee and held in local restaurants or lounges after work hours. Rotarians are encouraged to bring people who might join their club. The objective is to recruit new members by hosting a hospitality event where they can meet Rotarians and learn of the Rotary mission.



Chairman Gary Pawliczek has been scheduling events twice a month or so. The results are promising.

- West Goshen – 70 attendees from 9 clubs – 1 has joined
- West Chester - 70 attendees from 9 clubs - 4 guests are ready to join.
- Berwyn - 40 attendees from 8 clubs - 3 said they will join.
- King of Prussia - 35 attendees from 7 clubs – 2 have joined.
- Oxford – 40 attendees from 6 clubs – 1 has joined

RYLA IS BACK! FEBRUARY 11th –13th 2022

Although RYLA was canceled in 2020 and 2021 because of Covid-19, it is now back in full swing for 2022! Our popular three day event teaches leadership skills to high school students in an environment of fellowship and the spirit of service to others.

Under the new leadership of Chantal Eadeh of the Upper Main Line Rotary Club, RYLA will again be held at the Freedom Foundation at



Valley Forge from February 11 to 13, 2022. The program is primarily open to high school sophomores but may include committed freshman and juniors who love service. Clubs are encouraged to sponsor students from

their community for this three day event. Complete information for planning and reservations will soon be sent directly to club leadership.

Learn more: <https://www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org/>

New Members

Rosana Anchondo
Rotary Club of Philadelphia

Melody Fadako
Rotary Club of Bensalem

Sean Galusz
Rotary Club of Bala-Cynwyd-Narberth

Angela Geiger
Rotary Club of Philadelphia

Sarah Gibbons
Rotary Club of Media

Chris Hanlon
Rotary Club of Swarthmore

Bryan Hanratty
Rotary Club of Bensalem

Bright Judson
Rotary Club of Chestnut Hill

Susan Lathrop
Rotary Club of Swarthmore

Marjorie Miller
Rotary Club of Upper Main Line

Julie Millward
Rotary Club of Swarthmore

Brenda Moran
Rotary Club of Oxford

Susan Okun
Rotary Club of Bensalem

Bryan Perchick
Rotary Club of NE Philadelphia-Cheltenham Rockledge

William Rigby
Rotary Club of Chester

Christopher Smith
Rotary Club of Media

WHAT DO ROTARY CONTACTS AROUND THE WORLD MEAN?

A few years ago, the Great Valley Rotary Club began working with Project Cure to send a shipment of medical supplies to Sri Lanka. A club member developed a friendly relationship with a young medical doctor in Sri Lanka and kept in touch. Recently, the doctor said he was heading to Calgary, AB for advanced medical studies. He was alone and asked, "Do you know anyone in Calgary.?" A search in *Rotary Club Finder* revealed six clubs in the immediate Calgary area. The Rotarian contacted a club president and asked him to contact the doctor to answer any questions he may have and to invite him to a club meeting. As a result, the doctor now has several new friends in Calgary and has joined Rotary.



A NEW CLUB WITH A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Southeastern PA
Rotary
ECO



Last spring, under then-DG Kevin Katarynick's leadership, our District Membership Committee set out to launch a new district-wide cause-based club. The Eco Rotary Club of Southeastern PA currently holds founders meetings every Monday night on Zoom from 7:15-8:15 p.m. Recent events have included a cleanup of the French Creek and Schuylkill River Trail, as well as handing out pollinator seeds to "spread" the word about the club at the Green Earth Festival in Phoenixville. Once the club has enough members to officially charter, the plan is to have one business meeting a month on Zoom, followed by guest speakers and eco-based service projects throughout our district. If you know anyone who's passionate about the environment and wants to make new friends while helping to make our corner of the world a better place, the Eco Club would love to meet them! Anyone is welcome to attend a meeting anytime. For more info, email rotaryecoclubsepa@gmail.com and follow on Facebook at facebook.com/ecorotarysepa. Help us spread the word so this newly-forming club can charter soon!



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Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Doors Open at 4pm

Rotary Bartenders at 5pm



PROFILE: Joseph Batory

In each issue we talk about a Rotarian whose Rotary life and professional career are unique and inspiring. Please share your stories of fellow members. Contact: Rotarian.Paul@outlook.com



Joseph Batory of the Philadelphia Rotary Club grew up in the southwest area of the city and never moved far away. After graduating from LaSalle College, he began his career in education in Camden, New Jersey teaching middle school.

Joe returned to LaSalle as Director of Sports Information, promoting and traveling with the school's basketball team. "For six years I had a dream job promoting LaSalle's basketball teams and some great players." At that time, he earned his master's degree at Glassboro, now known as Rowan College, and his PhD in education at the University of Pennsylvania.

In 1980 he joined Upper Darby School District in administration and was elevated to Superintendent several years later. The district had twelve schools with over twelve-thousand students. Seventy foreign languages were spoken by students, many as their first language. Joe met the challenge by instituting several *English as the Second Language* classes informally known as Survival English.

When budget cuts impacted the music program, Joe took an unusual step to correct the problem. "I saw it just like the old Judy Garland and Andy Rooney movies. When they needed money, they said, "Let's put on a show". So we did too." He created the *Upper Darby Arts and Education Foundation* and put on musical galas. The first one garnered forty-thousand dollars. The shows continue to this day and have brought in over 2.5 million dollars.

In 2018 he was honored as the Father and Founder of the *Upper Darby Arts and Education Foundation* in recognition of his pioneering work. In 2019 he received the Inspire Award from Philadelphia's prestigious Musicopia organization in recognition of Joe's impacts on advocating and providing for music education. In 2000, the American Association of School Administrators presented him with the Lifetime Distinguished Service Award.

Joe retired in 1999 but continued to serve the community. He personally provided scholarships to thirty-eight Upper Darby High School graduates. "I have never forgotten growing up in poverty," says Joe. "Giving back is part of my legacy."

Following retirement, he and another educator formed a consulting company that worked with school districts across Pennsylvania, inspecting school districts on behalf of the federal government regarding compliance with Title One Grants.

Joe has been a Rotarian for over thirty years; sixteen in Upper Darby and fifteen in Philadelphia. Joe became the President of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia during its Centennial year, 2010-2011. Joe's wife, Joan, was the Governor of Rotary District 7450 that same year.

Joe chaired his club's *The Rotary Foundation of Philadelphia* which awarded about thirty thousand dollars annually. He also initiated and managed a project that distributes more than thirty thousand dictionaries, atlases, and thesauri to twenty-five Philadelphia city schools.

In 2013, the Rotary International Foundation presented him with its *Award for Meritorious Service* for his work with scholarships and humanitarian endeavors. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and member of the Bequest Society.

Joe and Joan have been married for fifty-three years. "It was an arranged marriage," Says Joe. "Our grandmothers were friends and agreed we should meet and they set us up. Frankly, they were right. It was love at first sight."

YOUTH EXCHANGE REMAINS ACTIVE

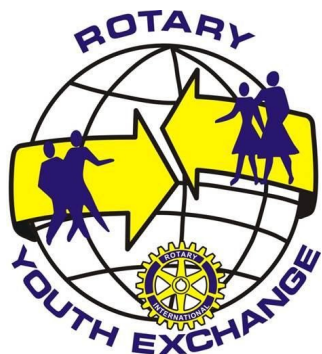
"The Covid-19 pandemic certainly set things back for Youth Exchange and initially caused us to react quickly." Reported Chair Donna Henry. "We had a child in France and another in Chile who needed to get home quickly. In addition, there were four students visiting with us for whom getting back into their own countries was not always easy. As hectic as we were last spring we have been just as quiet for much of last year. Frankly, we needed a break."



Our Student Exchange Committee continues working with ESSEX, (Eastern States Student Exchange), to plan for the future. They are now making arrangements for short term visits in June and full school year visits in August 2022.

2021-2022 Timeline:

- Long Term (School Year) - Application deadline is ideally November 1 for the first 10 students. If we don't get to 10 students, we'll accept applications until January 15.
- Summer Exchanges - application deadline is March 15.
- Students, Clubs and Host Families should go to www.d7450youthexchange.org



As Youth Exchange continues to work with schools in the district, they are also in need of families to host students from overseas. Rotarians who are interested in doing so may learn more on the District Website.

<http://www.d7450youthexchange.org/> At a Gundaker meeting, a returning student is quoted as saying, "Being an exchange student is one of the best years of your life."

Rotarians are also encouraged to turn to their schools, houses of worship and social organizations to find likely candidates. Anyone who has hosted a student will tell you it's a great experience for the whole family.

FULL SCHOLARSHIP FOR ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SEMINARS

This year RLI seminars are provided on the Internet and at **no cost** to all Rotarian in District 7450

Register for District 7450 RLI seminars at this link:

<https://www.dacdb.com/Calendar/Event.cfm?EventID=77558312&CalClubID=0>



Supporting The Environment

Speakers Bureau

Finding speakers can be a difficult but rewarding task. The District Supporting the Environment Committee recommends these three organizations and a Rotaian for authoritative sources.



Environmental Protection Agency

The EPA will provide speakers on an exceptionally wide variety of topics. Due to Covid-19 conditions, all speakers will be virtual. Click on this link for complete information and to schedule a presentation.

<https://www.epa.gov/rtp-speakers-bureau/epa-rtp-speakers-presentations>

Master Gardeners

Master Gardeners is a Penn State Extension program with public services offices in every county. Its mission is to provide residents with advice on best practices in growing plants and trees in an ecologically sound manner. This educational service includes an understanding of natural conditions in the local environment. Master Gardeners will provide a speaker to address a wide variety of environmental subjects. Among the topics most asked for are the following.



PennState Extension

The Effects of Climate Change on Plants, Trees, Insects and Birds in our area, Spotted Lantern Fly, Invasive Plants, Pollination and Bee Gardens, Beneficial and Harmful Trees, Composting, Good and Bad Bugs, Landscaping with Native Plants.

Request a speaker through these websites.

Bucks County

<https://extension.psu.edu/programs/master-gardener/counties/bucks>

Montgomery County

<https://extension.psu.edu/programs/master-gardener/counties/montgomery>

Philadelphia

<https://extension.psu.edu/programs/master-gardener/counties/philadelphia>

Chester County

<https://extension.psu.edu/programs/master-gardener/counties/chester>

Delaware County

<https://extension.psu.edu/programs/mastergardener/counties/delaware>

Reminder - Grant Money is Available Today

The District's *Supporting the Environment Committee* provides matching grants of up to \$500, which will be paid in thirty days throughout 2021-2022.



For full information:

<https://rotarydistrict7450.org/environmental-sustainability-committee/>

File a Grant Application:

<https://rotarydistrict7450.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Grant-Application-and-Final-Report-1-1.pdf>



PECO Energy Company

PECO is the municipal provider of gas and electricity to all five counties in our district. It will provide speakers on the subject on energy conservation and efficiency in home, business, and community. Speakers will also address matters of environmental concern now and in the future.

Book speakers here: <https://secure.peco.com/WaysToSave/LearnMore/Pages/PECOTalks.aspx>

History and Future of Environmental Law

Past district governor Doug Blazey and his colleague Jack Embrick discuss their firsthand knowledge of the environmental movement encompassing the physical, political, economic, ethical and legislative issues that evolved. They are uniquely well positioned to talk about the history and future of our environment laws and practices.



Contact Doug Blazey at: drb@elliottgreenleaf.com

Toastmasters International

Toastmasters Intl. and Rotary Intl. formed an alliance in 2019 for a mutually beneficial relationship of its members. We are encouraged to invite them to our meetings to address us and find areas of common interest.



Toastmasters trains people in public speaking and has clubs throughout the country that meet periodically. Most meet weekly. Among their members are people with expertise in areas of environmental concern. These people may be available to

address your club on a number of topics.

Contact them and ask for referrals to its members. <https://www.toastmasters.org/find-a-club> Our initial experience with this organization has proven successful and is recommended to all clubs.

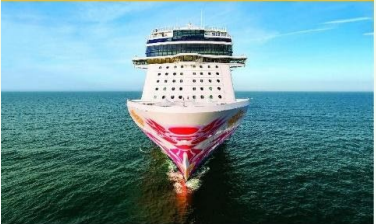
Life Below Water

In support of Rotary's new Area of Service, *Supporting the Environment*, Rotary Zones 28 and 32 are offering a five day educational symposium aboard a cruise from NYC to Bermuda. The subject matter will include the ecology and challenges of all things in the earth's water environments. This is a unique chance to learn from and talk with some of the country's leading experts in the field. There is also the chance to meet with like minded Rotarians to exchange ideas and make plans. It is open to all Rotarians from Pennsylvania, New England, Canada, and Alaska.


See this website for more information and registration.

<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/sitepage/cruise-to-bermuda-september-1-6-2022-celebrat>

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Memoriam



Lewis B. Beatty Jr.

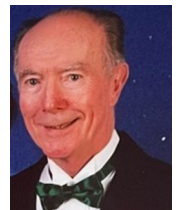
After serving in the US Navy, Lewis earned his Law Degree and practiced for 68 years in Media. He was president of the Delaware County Bar Association in 1974 and was a 39 year member of the American College of Trust and Estates Counsel. He was president of the Board of Directors of Sunnycrest Farm for orphaned boys for ten years. A loving husband, father, and Great Grandfather he was also a cherished member of the Rotary Club of Media for 24 years.

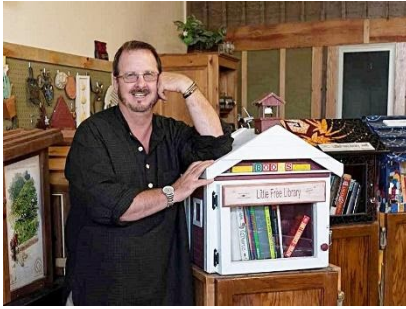
Victor A. Menghetti, Sr.

Victor was a dedicated member of the Rotary Club of Media for 75 years! A respected veterinarian, Victor owned and operated the Media Veterinary Hospital from 1947-1990. He was the beloved husband of Jeanne and proud father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. "Doc" Menghetti was a true lifelong learner having taken classes for twenty years through the age of ninety-six at Villanova University. His favorite subjects were physics, astrophysics, and astronomy. He enjoyed golf and watercolor painting.

James P. Waters Jr.

The Rotary club of Jenkintown mourns the passing of James Waters. In his 36 years with the Jenkintown Club, James was considered a mentor to new and older members alike. James began his career in the Air Force which spanned over two decades. It had the family criss-crossing the US with even a stint in Iran. In 1981 he began working as the controller for Abington School District and retired 29 years later. He was a cherished husband, father, and grandfather.



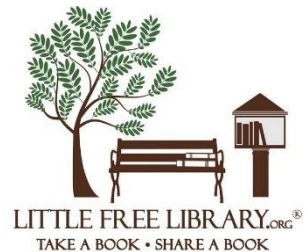


IT TOOK A ROTARIAN

Just about everyone knows about Little Free Libraries. They seem to be everywhere. At last count there were over 100,000 located in 108 countries transacting about 42,000,000 books each year. Yes, forty-two million. Libraries can be found in rural areas, the suburbs and in apartment house lobbies. The libraries create a very positive sense of community wherever they are.

The creator was Todd H. Bol, a Rotarian from Hudson, Wisconsin. He made the first one in 2009 with scrap lumber from an old garage door. It was designed to resemble a schoolhouse as a tribute to his mother, a schoolteacher. Todd was also a former schoolteacher who believed in small kindnesses. He modestly called his invention *a library on a stick*.

Many Rotary clubs around the world have Little Free Libraries in their neighborhoods. It's a good project for a club and is in keeping with Rotary's Area of Service, Literacy. A LFL generates excellent publicity for a club and enhances Rotary's image. It's an act of kindness that is characteristic of Rotarians. Consider building one for your club.



Do you need children's books for your club's Literacy Program? Contact Literacy Committee Chair, Kathe Sobczak, at 267-307-7550 or kathe.sobczak@gmail.com

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2023-24



Gordon R. McNally, a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Lothian, Scotland, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2023-24. He will be declared the president-nominee on October 1st if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

McNally says that senior leaders' ability to communicate directly with club members online will be one positive legacy of the changes Rotary has had to make. But, he adds, "face-to-face meetings remain important, as they encourage greater interaction."

The best way to increase membership is engagement, according to McNally. To better support clubs, he says, Rotary International, regional leaders, and district teams all need to engage with them. Engagement through social media will reinforce Rotary's brand and showcase the opportunities that come with it. And, he says, engagement with governments, corporations, and other organizations will lead to meaningful partnerships. "With better engagement," McNally says, "we will grow Rotary both by way of membership and in our ability to provide meaningful service."

A Rotary member since 1984, McNally has been president and vice president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. He has also served Rotary International as a director and as member or chair of several committees. He is currently an adviser to the 2022 Houston Convention Committee and chair of the Operations Review Committee.

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[Feasterville Rotary Club FB Page](#)



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For questions, please contact Dennis Wallace at: dennis.wallace@lpl.com

Please visit <https://outwardboundphiladelphia.rallybound.org/building-adventure-2021/Team/View/150625/Team-Rotary>

Together, we can make a difference!

Community Bulletin Board



**American
Red Cross**

Rotary
Passport Club
of West Chester



We Want Your Blood!

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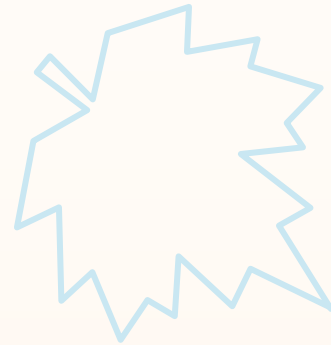
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Wednesday, Oct 13, 5-8pm

Barnaby's

1901 Old Baltimore Pike Havertown PA

Thursday, Oct 14, 5:30-8pm

Pizzeria Uno

3910 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square PA

Thursday, Oct 21, 5-8pm

Trios Tomato Pie Restaurant

402 N Easton Rd, Glenside PA

Thursday, Oct 28, 5-8pm

Pyramid Club

1735 Market St Floor 52, Phila PA

RSVP gpawliczek@yahoo.com