

Newsletter of Bob Lankin District Governor



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District 7450

October 2005

District Conference Set for October 28-30

The Rotary District Conference in Downtown Philadelphia is all set. The only thing we need is your registration! Hotel rooms may still be available at the Club Quarters. The cost of the meals rises by \$10 each after October 15, so register right away.

Last minute changes include Tim Lake, Channel 10 newscaster, who will speak on Friday Night. Brad Segall of KYW Newsradio will discuss his trip to New Orleans to take his son to Tulane University on Saturday after lunch. The Israel GSE Team has changed team leaders and he along with his team will conduct a panel discussion on the Middle East situation at a breakout session Saturday morning in addition to their General session presentation. The GSE team from Mexico will not be visiting until the spring.

Please come and bring the members from your club. The district conference is the highlight of the Rotary year and will spark up interest in Rotary service among all who attend. Conference applications can be found by visiting www.rotary7450.org and clicking on District Conference.

Katrina Fund is Nearly Half Way Towards our \$50,000 Goal

The Gundaker Foundation Katrina Disaster Fund has collected over \$21,500 from generous Rotarians in the district as of September 29, 2005 thanks in part to a very generous contribution of over \$4,000 from the Phoenixville club. Unlike disaster relief agencies, our fund will go to help Rotary Clubs and districts pay for projects to put their devastated communities back together. Long after the relief agencies are gone, Rotarians will be on the ground helping their communities recover. It is our responsibility to help our fellow Rotarians when they ask. With this fund, our district will be able to respond in a meaningful way. Projects will be proposed by our Community Service Committee to the Gundaker Board of Directors. Rotarians in our district have been active in disaster relief in other ways.

The Media Club sent four truckloads of supplies to Louisiana. (see article on page Other supplies were sent by the 9). Northeast Sunrisers, the Langhorne Club and other clubs. The Jenkintown club collected clothes and many other clubs assisted by sending funds to the Red Cross and collecting supplies. Immediately after Rotarian King Katrina, Jay of Swarthmore club, made two trips to Mississippi to deliver supplies to a local Rotary Club in Hattiesburg. When he was on his first trip, Swarthmore Rotarians, set up a Katrina Relief Depot in a vacant store close to Jay's Automotive Shop, collected water, canned good, and hygiene supplies and raised more than \$10,000 from members community of the and Rotarians.

"Philly, You Just Can't Do It in a Day" by Pat Eager AG, District Conference Chair

October has arrived and the time is drawing near for our annual District Conference. The committee is working hard to have both an informative and fun conference set in the heart of the City of Brotherly Love. Please remember that in order to get the lower meal prices you must register by OCTOBER 15th.

By now you have received your registration packet. Please note that we have included information about our bake contest that we will all enjoy in our Friendship Room on Saturday. We will also have our Gundaker Silent Auction between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm in the House of Friendship. Please contact Nancy Zindel from the Jenkintown Club at Nancy@Banner.webmail.com to participate in the bake contest and Gus Mbuy at kamuleta@aol.com or by fax at 610 873-2605 if you have anything to donate for the silent auction.

With the help of Joan Batory from the Philadelphia Club we have been able to get Tim Lake from NBC Channel 10 News as our Friday evening speaker. Dinner will be followed by a talented duo of performers regaling us with Broadway music and stories. If you can only do one day of the conference, make it Saturday. Along with 2 exciting speakers, a bake contest and silent auction, not to mention the wonderful evening of entertainment planned for Saturday at our "Masked Ball". We encourage all of you to come in costume and mask for our Saturday evening festivities.

As if this conference is not enough, you can really make it an unforgettable weekend by taking advantage of the wonderful things the city has to offer. We are planning a tour of Independence Hall, City Hall & The Masonic Temple on Friday morning. We are also planning a "Duck Tour" and "Penitentiary Tour". For information contact Jenny Armitage from the Kennett Square Club at jarmitag@vet.upenn.edu.

Please join us for a fabulous Rotary weekend. We are part of the best service organization in the world. This is the time to enjoy your fellow Rotarians by exchanging Rotary success stories, enjoying fellowship and having fun.

Cool Rotary Gear Available At Our District Conference

International Logos, a vendor of Rotary hats, shirts, jackets, buttons and other stuff will be at our District Conference at the Racquet Club on Saturday from 8 AM until 2 PM. If you were wondering how people get all that neat Rotary merchandise, here is your opportunity. I suspect that her four tables of goods will go fast since we have not had this type of vendor at a conference for a very long time. So be there early on Saturday, so you won't miss out!

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Great Rotarians: What Were They Thinking?! (And How Can We Do It Again?)

Featured on Sunday at the Rotary District Conference will Be Carol Metzger, a writer and consultant and is a member of the Rotary Club of West Chester, she has participated in two National Immunization Day trips to India and has written two articles for The Rotarian about polio eradication in India. Behind Rotary's Four-Way Test and polio eradication program the largest global health initiative in history - the most creative and successful Rotarians had a secret. They had an ability to reframe reality to reveal the hidden possibilities within even most apparently the unpromising situation—to, as the authors of a new book term it, "see the mighty oak in the acorn." In an interactive session, Carol Metzker will talk about "appreciative intelligence," the subject of an upcoming book co-authored by herself and Tojo Thatchenkery featuring the success story of Rotary's polio eradication project; how Rotarians have used this intelligence to change the world and how we can do it again.

We are fortunate to have Carol address a Plenary Session at the District Conference on Sunday Morning at 9:30 AM.

Group Study Exchange Team will arrive on October 15, 2005

Five visitors sent from the State of Israel will be arriving at the Philadelphia International Airport on Saturday night, October 15 on British Airways Flight 69 from London. After an overnight rest at a local hotel, the will have an orientation and will be picked up by members of the Rotary Clubs of North Philadelphia and Northeast Sunrisers.

The team will be at the District Conference to meet and greet Rotarians. In addition, you may meet them and hear their presentation at the following clubs:

October 18 North Philadelphia Sunrise
October 21 NE Philadelphia Sunrise
October 26 Exton Frazer -morning
October 27 Paoli Malvern Berwyn
November 3 Westtown Goshen
November 8 Kennett Square

There will be a farewell dinner on November 11 at the Kennett Square Hilton Garden Hotel.

We will be sending a team to Israel on May 6, 2006 and to Mexico on April 15, 2006. We will be receiving the Mexican team on April 22, 2006.

Glen Mills Celebrates its Charter as the District's 53rd Rotary Club

On Wednesday, September 28, 2005, the Glen Mills Club hosted a Charter Inauguration Celebration at the Concordville Inn. Master of Ceremonies Jack Holefelder PAG, of the sponsoring Glen Riddle Club presided over an enthusiastic crowd of local and district-wide guests. The charter was presented to President and Founder Tony DiLeva by PDG Andrew Pendleton. The Charter Members were then inducted followed by an award ceremony. Club projects were then presented. Governor Bob recognized Rotarians who worked hard on the establishment of the club, including Art Judson PDG, Extension Chair and Brad Stanton PDG, Governors Representative and of course founding President Tony DiLeva. Numerous clubs supported the Glen Mills clubs with financial gifts for supplies or by placing an advertisement in their program book.

District Conference Schedule Oct 28-30, 2005 Philadelphia Racquet Club — Downtown Philadelphia

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	Friday	•
3:00	Business Meeting – Call to order –	11:40 Break out session #2
3.00	Opening Ceremonies	"How to Grow Your Small
	Resolutions	club to 25 Active members in
	• Elections	6 months ."
4:25-5		Technology to Help Your
4.23-3	Greetings from Nancy Gilbert	Rotary Club
	PDG Nova Scotia,	
	President's Representative	 Working With Partners in
	Membership Development	Service - Rotoract/Interact
6:00	Cocktails and Dinner	Club Project Spotlight
0.00	Recognition of Club Presidents	- Cido i roject spettight
	in Attendance	12:30 Luncheon
	Welcome from District	Recognition of District
	Governor Bob Lankin	Committees
		Brad Segall, KYW radio
	Address from President's Parragentative Nancy Gilbert	personality
	Representative Nancy Gilbert • Address from Tim Lake	• Jeffrey Cadorette – Trip to the
8:00	Entertainment –" A Broadway Musical	Gulf Coast
8.00	Experience"	Katrina/Rita Fund – Russ
	Experience	DeFuria DGN
	Catunday	2:00 Free Time to enjoy the city
0.00 A	Saturday	6:00-11 Cocktails and Dinner
8.00 P	AM Plenary Session 2	 Recognition of Past Governors
	Youth Exchange Program (Programation of Floor)	and Assistant Governors
	Program/Presentation of Flags	 President Representative
	World Community Service – Week lights of old projects	presentation
9:15	Highlights of club projects	 Comments from GSE team
9.13	Plenary Session 3	leader
	Rotary Foundation – GSE trip to Various Ambagga devial	• Entertainment- 17 piece Jazz
	to Korea, Ambassadorial Scholars and more	Orchestra for listening and
		dancing pleasure
	• GSE team from Israel	Sunday
10:45	Break out session #1	9:00 Memorial Service
10.43		9:30 Plenary Session 4
	Nancy Gilbert "Your Rotary Broad"	"Great Rotarians, What were they
	Brand" • Literacy Project Presentations	thinking and how can we do it again."
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	 Is peace possible in the Middle East? with GSE team from 	10:00 Brunch
	East? with GSE team from Israel	Recognition Of Sponsor Club members
		in attendance
	 Open Forum with the Governor 	 Next Years Conference
	COVELLIOI	Strategic Planning
		• Extension
		Gundaker
		Community Service
		12:00 Closing Ceremonies and Adjournment
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October is Vocational Service month. by Brian Craig, District Vocational Service Chair

It's an opportunity for each club in District 7450 to reflect on the values of Rotary and how they are applied at the local level. District Governor Bob Lankin has identified an organization that can use the assistance of Rotary and will benefit many people who need a vocation.

Joseph's People is an organization of volunteers who help unemployed and underemployed people find a job. Many of their clients are people with proven job skills and established work habits who were laid off or who had their jobs eliminated by corporate reorganizations. The organization helps people regardless of their race, creed, color, or any other attribute. Their goal is to assist those who want to continue to be productive members of our society but may need assistance with networking, preparing resumes, interview skills, or any of the many various complications in today's job market.

Joseph's People has seven chapters, six of which are located within the District 7450 boundaries. We are in the process of matching the Joseph's People chapters with local Rotary clubs who may be able to offer help and support. In the near future your club may be contacted by a Joseph's People representative to request time to present a program at your club. Once you understand the mission and goals of Joseph's People it is hoped your club will find a way to support them.

There are a number of ways you can support Joseph's People. While financial

assistance is always welcome they are also in need of other types of support. You can supply Joseph's People with leads regarding available jobs. Experts in various fields can speak at one of their meetings. They are also looking for people who can conduct mock job interviews to better prepare job seekers to deal with this sometimes overwhelming aspect of the employment process.

There are Joseph's People chapters in Downingtown, Springfield (Delaware County), Wallingford, Wayne, Media, Phoenixville, and Berks County. You can learn more about Joseph's People by viewing their web site at www.josephspeople.org, or calling their hotline at 610-873-7117.

Rotary provides an opportunity for all of us to provide service internationally, nationally, and locally. Giving support to Joseph's People will benefit a deserving organization that supports people seeking a job.. We can accomplish Rotary goals in the vocational service area through this endeavor. These job seekers have the potential of becoming leaders in their new vocation and future members of Rotary.

If you need any additional information please contact District 7450 Vocational Service chair Brian Craig at swarthpd1@aol.com, at work at 610-543-0123, or at home at 215-483-5861.

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Interact is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young people age 10-18.

Interact Clubs can either be school or community based and are required to carry out at least two service projects annually - one that serves their school or community and another that furthers international understanding. Although a local Rotary club whose members offer guidance sponsors each club, Interact clubs are responsible for planning, financing, organizing, and executing their own projects. The first Interact club was formed at Melbourne High School in Florida, USA on 28 October 1962. The club had 23 members. Today, there are 10,160 Interact clubs in 118 countries and an estimated 233,680 Interactors worldwide.

How does an Interact club operate? The following are the basic policies. More detailed information about program can be found in the Interact Handbook (654-EN) and the Standard Interact Club Constitution and Standard Interact Club By-laws.

Each Interact club must carry out at least two service projects a year- one that benefits the school or community and one that furthers international understanding.

Each Interact club must have a Rotarian advisor who is a member of the sponsoring Rotary club. This resource person must attend Interact club and board meetings and provide advice on organizing service projects, fund-raising, and club administration. The Rotarian advisor also acts as a liaison person between the Interact club and the sponsoring Rotary club.

Rotary Club of Media has submitted the first application this year for a new Interact Club, The Interact Club of Pencrest High School. Listed below are the Rotary Clubs who are working to form new Interact Clubs:

- Coatesville
- Elkins Park
- Glen Riddle
- North Philadelphia
- Oxford
- Twin Valley

- Upper Darby
- Ardmore
- Chesterbrook
- Eastwick
- Frankford-NE
- Glenside

- Kennett @ LW
- Phoenixville
- Wayne
- West Chester Sunrisers
- Northeast Sunrisers

Administrative Notes

- 1. A number of clubs still need to pay their district dues which were due 7/1/2005. Please check with your treasurer to make sure that this matter is taken care of.
- 2. Please arrange to have club secretaries send your club attendance figure to Robert Gerhard III by the 15th of each month for inclusion in the Governor's newsletter.
- 3. Please take a moment to review the requirements for the Presidential Citation. Your club will have needed to complete the required items by April 2006.
- 4. Please alert club members that we will soon be interviewing for GSE team leaders. Shortly thereafter we will be interviewing for team members who are not Rotarians, and are between the ages of 25 and 40 yrs with two years experience in their business or profession. We will be sending one team to Mexico in April, and one team to go to Israel in May.

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Is your club searching for an International Service Project?

If so, you can follow the path that the Rotary Club of Bristol began during its 2000-2001 Rotary Year. With little effort and no out of pocket cost, the Bristol Club has collected over 250 used and refurbished hearing aids that have benefited Help the Children Hear Inc., a Rotary International Foundation project established, designed, and created by Rotarians. This humanitarian effort is a result of relationships bonded from the Rotary Youth Exchange to make a difference. The Rotary Clubs of Tucuman Sur. Argentina, Blairstown. NJ Caldwells, NJ have initiated this joint project benefiting the low income hearing impaired children of Tucuman Province. The program is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3)corporation. For more information about the program and how your club can Help the Children Hear, please visit their website at www.helpthechildrenhear.org. Rotarian Michael Buchheit of the Bristol PA Rotary Club can also share his club's experiences. 215-788-0448 Contact or email mibuchheit@fidelitysavingsonline.com.

Prayers and Diversity: A Rotary Dilemma

At our meetings and Rotary events, it is the custom of Rotary Clubs and districts to start off with a prayer. At Rotary, we pride ourselves at being open to people of different races, religions and nationalities. I doubt that any Rotarian would deliberately hurt someone's feelings, certainly not when praying. Unfortunately, that is exactly what after happens when a lovely inspirational prayer, the name of the Trinity is invoked at the conclusion of the prayer, excluding some members and guests of our district. I am not just speaking about club meetings. It has happened at the last two district events in a row.

Rotary is trying to recruit members from all groups in our district. It is estimated that 10% to 15% of the business and professional community in our district is composed of people who are not Christian.

It is my hope that at all Rotary events going forward, club and district, prayers will be made which will inspire and uplift the listeners, without causing division and hurt. And it is my wish, to that we can all say "Amen."

Registration Necessary for Rotary Leadership Institute

Thank you to all the clubs for overwhelming support of the Rotary Leadership Institute session at the Doubletree Hotel in Plymouth Meeting on Saturday morning October 15. Wherever I go in the district, clubs are reporting two to four members each who will attend. The problem is that people have, for the most part, not registered yet.

This session is not just for our district. At least three other districts are encouraging members to attend and there are only 120 places available. It is likely that those who wait until the last week will be closed out. They will be able to attend other sessions this fall, 100 miles away or more.

Please ensure the people who think they are attending visit www.Rotaryleadershipinstitute.org click on home division, pull out their credit card and register. On that subject, *please do not send unregistered people to the session as they will likely be disappointed.*

Don't Miss Downtown Philly -- so much to do!

Since I was small, as young as eight years old, Saturdays involved getting on public transportation and going downtown to see the sights. Our favorite thing to do was to go to the Franklin Institute. That was before the IMAX theater and entire building of new modern exhibits. Since I have grown up, I still love to visit the city, but the theater and the restaurants hold more appeal to me, now.

Here are a number of things to do in Center city other than going to the Liberty Bell and the Constitution center which is what everyone talks about.

- Taking a walk along the River drives is the nicest walk in the area. One time, when Holly was away, I hiked the entire circle eight miles from the Art Museum to the Falls River bridge and back down the other side. We have hiked 3-5 miles many times. It's the first place we take the GSE team members after they drop their stuff off at the hotel.
- Art lovers know all about the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where you cannot go enough. How many people have seen the Rodin Museum, a short walk down the Parkway? Now that's something to "Think" about. Another great Art museum is the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts...on the west side of Broad near Cherry.
- The most beautiful building bar none in the city is the Masonic Temple, on Broad Street just north of City Hall. The locals think it is a secret place but actually, there are three or four public one hour tours most every day. You will see the museum and all seven amazing lodge rooms. The tour guides are amazingly forthcoming when you ask questions about the "Craft."
- Have you visited City Hall and taken the tour? My favorite part is going up the tower and looking out over the city.
- As I said, the Franklin Institute is the favorite among the younger set. For the smallest kids, the Please Touch Museum is very popular. Kids of all ages will love the Academy of Natural Sciences on Logan Circle.
- I still have a great time at the Philadelphia Zoo on Girard Avenue. There are newer exhibits and displays that have been added over the years. But my favorites are the Primate Exhibit and the Children's Zoo.

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Report from Jeff Cadorette PDG regarding the Media Club Trip to Deliver Supplies to the Gulf

We spent Wednesday offloading our 3 tractor trailers in a warehouse with members the RC of Golden Meadow, LA. The supplies we brought will be used for the families living on Grand Isle, an island community just south of Golden Meadow that was devastated. Although much had been promised, ours were the first supplies that had arrived. They will be put to immediate use. I met with Assistant Governor Dan Doiron, the President of the Golden Meadow Club and a member of the Golden Meadow Borough Council to discuss future needs. We spent the afternoon touring the island in order to bring back to our club a plan for the future. Our club plans to have an ongoing relationship with Golden Meadow. We witnessed first hand their Cajun heritage and hospitality.

Thursday, the trucks headed north and we headed to Bay St. Louis, MS in District 6480. We went to the PowerHouse Church which is being rebuilt by City Team Ministries out of San Jose, CA and Chester, PA. My company had sent a truck down last week with the initial materials to replace the roof and get the building watertight again. I had put City Team in touch with the RC of Bay St. Louis so that they had Rotary help on the ground. My company has sent down two, 15 passenger vans from our ambulance company to help with transporting workers and hurricane victims to food sites and shelters. The other van onsite at PowerHouse prominently displays the Rotary logo and the name of the Rotary Club of Glen Riddle, PA. Glen Riddle had donated the van to City Team Chester for use in their daycare program up here.

All of the workers were living in Rotary temporary shelters donated to them by District 6200 next door. Clearly District 6480 being on the eastern side of the storm has more extensive devastation than 6200 which endured the western side. The eye of Katrina tracked directly over Bay St. Louis. It is difficult though to draw distinctions between devastation and more devastation.

Jeff and three other Media Rotarians will tell their full story with photos at the District Conference Saturday at lunch.- Don't miss this exciting first hand report!

Funds are still being collected for the Gundaker Foundation Katrina Relief Fund

Please send your checks payable to the Gundaker Foundation-Katrina Relief fund to Harry Hill, 67 Hidden Valley Road, Aston, Pa 19014. Please include your name and the name of your Rotary Club. It is our hope that clubs will donate at least \$25.00 per member. These funds will be used to help Rotary Clubs and Districts in the affected areas with projects designed to aid in the recovery effort.

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District 7450 Attendance Report

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Club Name	Members	July	Aug.
Ardmore	93	75	59
Bala-Cynwyd-			
Narberth	11	64	0
Bensalem	30	65	65
Bristol	55	68	64
Broomall	0	0	0
Bryn Mawr	26	73	66
Central Chester			
City Lionville	0	0	0
Cheltenham	26	66	50
Chester	29	59	0
Chester Pike	29	68	0
Chesterbrook	20	89	84
Chestnut Hill	0	0	0
Chichester	0	77	0
Coatesville	52	67	57
Concordville	0	0	0
Conshohocken-			
Plymouth			
Whitemarsh	0	0	0
Downingtown	27	64	73
Eastwick	13	8	0
Edge Hill	13	53	56
Elkins Park	0	0	0
Exton-Frazer	0	0	0
Feasterville	0	0	0
Frankford-			
Northeast	0	46	0
Glen Riddle	0	0	0
Glenside	0	56	0
Greater W.			
Chester Sunrise	46	65	68
Haverford	0	0	0

Township			
Jenkintown	78	0	47
Kennett at			
Longwood	0	74	71
Kennett Square	0	0	0
King of Prussia	43	68	0
Langhorne	0	44	53
Levitown-Fairless	25	60	0
Media	0	0	0
Media Sunrise	0	0	0
Newtown Square	0	0	0
Northeast			
Sunrisers	0	0	0
Octorara	13	62	0
Oxford	12	46	37
Paoli-Malvern-			
Berwyn	31	40	45
Philadelphia	107	44	0
Phoenixville	41	59	60
Springfield	24	54	47
Swarthmore	39	75	68
Thorndale	10	85	83
Twin Valley	15	65	62
Upper Darby-			
Lansdowne	38	66	0
Wayne	25	92	90
West Chester	146	66	0
West Grove-			
Avondale	22	75	0
Westtown-			
Goshen	44	90	82

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Governors Schedule October and November

October 1	Link Inbound Ambassadorial Scholars Training	Lunch
October 3-5	Rosh Hashana - Jewish New Year	D.
October 10	Gundaker Foundation	Dinner
October 11	Chester official visit	Lunch
October 11	Mid-Atlantic PETS Meeting	Dinner
October 12	Eastwick Official Visit	Breakfast
October 12-13	Yom Kippur- Day of Atonement	
October 14	Conshohocken P/W Wine Tasting	Dinner
October 15	Rotary Leadership Institute Plymouth Meeting	AM
October 15	Welcome GSE Team from Israel	PM
October 16	GSE Orientation	AM
October 16	Hosting Team Member	PM
October 17-21	Hosting GSE Team member	Evenings
October 21	GSE Program at NE Sunrisers	Breakfast
October 21	GSE Party	Evening
October 22	GSE handoff	AM
October 25	Levittown Official Visit	Breakfast
October 27	Governors Dinner	Dinner
October 28-30	District Conference	
October 31	Bob and Holly's 29 th Anniversary	
November 1	Octorara official visit	Dinner
November 2	Greater West Chester Sunrise	Breakfast
November 4	Thorndale official visit	Breakfast
November 7	Gundaker Foundation	Dinner
November 8	Central Chester County official visit	Breakfast
November 8	Springfield official visit	Dinner
November 9	Bristol official visit	Lunch
November 10	Elkins Park official visit	Lunch
November 11	GSE Good-By Party	Dinner
November 12	Spaghetti Dinner NE Sunrisers	Dinner
November 15	Broomall official visit	Dinner
November 16	Central Delaware county official visit	Breakfast
November 17	Edge Hill official visit	Breakfast
November 22	Frankford NE official visit	Lunch
November 23	Chesterbrook official visit	Lunch
November 28	World Community service Committee	Dinner
November 30	Chestnut Hill official visit	Breakfast

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Schedule of Events Rotary District 7450

October 15, 2005..... Rotary Leadership Institute; Doubletree Hotel –
Plymouth Meeting PA; 8 AM breakfast until 3:30 PM;
\$90 per person Register by visiting
www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org and click on home
division

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It's Not Too Late to Register for the District Conference!

Registration forms are available at www.rotary7450.org click on district conference

Enjoy Downtown Philadelphia with your fellow Rotarians!

Don't Miss the Fun!