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Message from DG Joan



December is Rotary Family Month. What does the Family of Rotary mean to you? Does it mean the many friends you have made through Rotary? Does it mean the feeling that you get wher you walk into a Rotary meeting and are warmly greeted? Does it mean that we Rotarians span the generations from age eight through nonagenarians? Does it mean that we are all united in our desire to improve the world by helping others?

Does it mean that we feel equally at ease with younger Rotarians, Early Actors, Interactors, Rotaractors, as we work shoulder to shoulder with them in shared service projects?

Whatever the "Family of Rotary" means to you, what better month than the month of giving to share the gift of Rotary with others, starting with your own families.

Couples (yes, spouses and partners) Rotary Clubs are becoming more popular. So are Family Rotary Clubs where entire families (and an appointed baby sitter) hold less formal meetings and all family members participate in their Club's service projects. New Generations Rotary Clubs, comprised of Rotarians in their 20s and 30s, are thriving on our west coast. Why not have these Rotary Clubs in our district?

There's no better way to infuse our Clubs with even more energy than by bringing new faces to the table: Younger faces, older faces, faces of all colors, partners, children, those looking to improve their lives.

Rotary is a great organization. Rotarians have helped change the world for more than 105 years. The best is yet to come with our families and New Generations working with us.

January is Rotary Awareness month. Now is the time to begin planning your "Rotarians at Work Day" community service project for April 30, 2011 and to plan how your Club will broaden awareness of Rotary in your community.

Happy holidays to all of you and to your family as well.



What is this? Go to page 5 for info.

RYLA set for March 4-6

Registration is open for District 7450's 13th annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Conference from March 4-6, 2011 at the Freedoms Foundation in Valley Forge.

RYLA, which emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, is Rotary's leadership training program for young people, and aims to:

- * Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth;
- * Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders;
- * Encourage leadership of youth by youth, and
- * Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their

communities.

RYLA is designed for young adults with proven leadership ability and a commitment to



community service. RYLA is an opportunity to provide leadership training to deserving young people in your Cub's area. Participants must be high school juniors or seniors.

If your Club is hosting a Youth Exchange Student, send him/her! If your Club sponsors an Interact Club, reward members with a RYLA scholarship! Remember - this is one of the few programs that the children of Rotarians can attend!

RYLA will be "Bigger, Bolder and Better" with your help. Rotaractors are helping plan and conduct RYLA. Rotarians are needed to help facilitate sessions and activities. Visit www.rotary7450.org to download registration form, FAQs and sign up for service.



West Chester University Rotaractors induct members

West Chester University's **Rotaract Club conducted its** fall 2010 induction ceremony. The Rotaractor's are happy with this year's turnout, and excited for Rotaract's future at the university. This semester Rotaractors have done activities such as the Philly Aids Walk, and volunteered at the YMCA. They also attended UN Rotary Day with the Overbrook High School Interact Club, and have done various social activi-



ties. The Rotaractors are planning a Gala on February 19 at the university to raise awareness about global education and raise funds for a primary school in Liberia. The sponsoring West Chester Sunrise Rotary Club joined the Rotaractors at the induction. On hand were (standing from left) Dr. Frank Hoffman, Dr. Gus Mbuy, Dr.

Richard Voss, Alex Hibbs, Carlos Cartagena, Lauren Heagan, Tierny Ulmer president, Katie Gwynn, Erin Gallagher, Alexis Williams, Caitlyn Tumulty, Lela DeBaptiste, Angel Minor, and Alyssa Conaway, and (seated, from left) Julienne Mbuy, Dawn deFuria, Barbara DeBaptiste, and Joseph Kienle.

UD-Lansdowne Rotarians donate 120 new winter coats

Upper Darby-Lansdowne Rotary Club recently donated 120 new winter coats for children in Upper Darby and William Penn School Districts. Funds were raised at a Halloween Flapjack fundraiser at Applebee's in Manoa and from matching funds from the Gundaker Foundation. In addition, funds from the flapjack event will support club scholarships and special community projects.

District Database Answers:

How do I report Club attendance now?

If you have questions about reporting your Club's attendance, procedure has changed but it is easy and you have plenty of support to keep it quick and simple. Our District uses the Attendance Module in the District Database and the Clubs using it have consistently reported that once they get up and running, it is easy to use.

How do you get Up and Running?

Brian Casey, DCO, (610-924-4564) and Sharon Quick, District secretary, (215-735-5984 begin_of_the_skype_highlighting) provide training in

person or over the phone. Typically 30 minutes is more than enough time to get you on your way. It really is that easy.

If you have questions about Attendance Reporting or the District Database in general, please feel free to call us. We are here to help and prefer that you take five minutes of our time than spin your wheels. We are here to help you.

For more tips on using the District Database, please visit www.SwarthmoreRotary.org/ddb

NID team participates in immunization day in India

District 7450 Polio Plus chairman Carol Metzker, past president of the West Chester Downtown "Fridays" Rotary Club. led an international team of 14 Rotarians to Punhana, India where they participated in the November 14 National Immunization Day.

The trip was from November 11 to 23 and team members had the opportunity to visit a shelter, supported in part by Rotary Clubs of West Chester Downtown and Exton-Frazer, as well as do some sightseeing while in India. Team members



Parade of local and international Rotarians announced Polio Immunization Day November 14.

pay their own expenses for the NID trips.

NID members from USA boys learn a n d marched in a parade to Ashram. with Rotarians Delhi Megapolis, a new local Interact club, and representatives of the Indian Government and the World Health Organization to spread the word of the immunization day. On 14 November, they administered oral polio vac-

roof of the shelter. Boys at the center are survivors of slavery, rescued from carpet, brick and plastic factories, and

Rotarians who donated to

a special "End Polio Now"

Vikas Ashram in India re-

ceived the soccer balls

("footballs" in India), the

excitement was uncontain-

able. Balls bounced across the courtyard, from child to

child, and even onto the

When boys at Bal

drive this year.

garbage recycling works. In addition to receiving medical treatment, education and vocational

training for fuselfture team sufficiency, Denmark play again at Bal

> The team visited Bal Vikas Ashram shelter to meet the boys and staff, and to deliver a vehicle for raid and rescue operations. transportation to medical appointments and

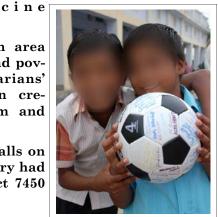
Boys at Bal Vikas Ashram celebrate the arrival of a vehicle donated by Rotary Clubs of West Chester Downtown, Exton-Frazer, Norwich St. Edmund Pratapgarh (England) and (India).

Carol Metzker gives two drops of polio vaccine to youngster in India.

and indicate immunization.

In Mewat, Haryana, an area struggling with illiteracy and poverty, international Rotarians' presence and participation created significant enthusiasm and attention to polio efforts.

The team took soccer balls on (right) which DG Joan Batory had sought signatures of District 7450



court cases, and restoration to families and home. The visit to Bal Vikas Ashram was one stop during an NID trip to India.

> PDG Torben Bech of Denmark delivers two drops of oral polio vaccine while next in line watches.



Chester Rotarians donate toys to Salvation Army



Members of Rotary Club of Chester donated over \$800 worth of new toys to the Salvation Army in Chester. The tree was trimmed, and the family gift baskets were packed by the local Interact club. Representing the Rotary Club are (from left) Joe Cirilli, secretary Alonvo Cavin, Club president Louise Burroughs, Bill Atlee, Jose Santiago, Edith Hilton, and Youth Exchange chair Francy Cross. Santiago is with the Salvation Army.

Honored for service



Rotary District 7450 Governor Joan Batory presents the Governor's Citation for Outstanding Public Service to PDG Jeffry Cadorette during DG's official visit to the Media Rotary Club Dec. 9. Club president Andy Hunt (left) was on hand for meeting.

Rotary District 7450 Scholarships in a Nutshell

scholarships must

be downloaded by

the RI Website. No

candidates from

applications are

available locally.

When to apply annually

April 1 to May 1: Applications due at the Rotary Club dad del Salvador in where the candidate resides; Rotary Club checks for completeness, interviews applicant, and endorses one applicant.

Applications for all

May 1 to June 15: District 7450 Scholarship Committee reviews applications from and selects winner (s) to be submitted to Rotary Foundation for final approval (usually by November). Study begins following fall semester.

Amount of Award and Number of Scholarships: Determined annually by District 7450. Current policy is a flat grant of \$26,000 for one scholarship for study abroad.

Requirements: Humanitarian focus for the future. At least two years of college; record of academic achievement and leadership prowess; willingness to act as an ambassador of good will and visit Rotary Clubs in the country of study. Many past winners have had three years of college when they applied and used the Ambassador Scholarship for the first year of master's degree study.

Peace Fellowships Master's Degree When to apply annually

<u>May 1 to June 15:</u> District 7450 Scholarship Committee reviews recommended candidates from local Rotary Clubs and selects and submits application to the Rotary Foundation which determines the winners usually by December. Study begins in the next fall semester.

Amount of Award: Fully-funded tuition, boarding, transportation and miscellaneous expenses at one of four designated universities abroad for two years. The four university choices available to United States applicants are the Inter-

national Christian University in Tokyo, Japan; the Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina; the University

of Bradford in West Yorkshire, UK; and, the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia.

Requirements: Undergraduate degree; proficiency in a second language; three years of full-time work experience; academic prowess; commitment to a career in peace and conflict resolution.

Peace Fellowship Certificate

Three months for study at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok. Employers of candidates asked to contribute

but all candidates are considered for a fully-paid fellowship (tuition, boarding and transportation) for the three months of study.

When to apply:

April 1 to May 1: Applications due at the Rotary Club where the candidate resides; Rotary Club checks for completeness, interviews applicant, and if approved, endorses candidate...unlimited recommendations per club are allowed.

May 1 to June 1: District 7450 Scholarship Committee reviews applications and selects and recommends candidate to the Rotary Foundation which selects the winners for three months of study in either January or July of the next year. Requirements: Currently employed full time; Undergraduate degree; five years of work experience; demonstrated commitment to working toward peace and conflict resolution.

Four billboards tell the message of Rotary

Four billboards are proclaiming the message of Rotary to the passing motorists on Vine Street in Philadelphia. Route 252 in Paoli, 1-95 in Bensalem and Garrett Road in Upper Darby thanks to the combined efforts of District 7450 PR Committee, Clear Channel Outdoor, Rotary District Rotary District 7450 and Rotary International 2010 PR grant.

The billboards will move around the region for the next year depending on available space. According to the projections, 84,000 cars pass daily the Vine Street billboard location, 17,000 cars pass the Paoli location, 54,000 cars pass the Bensalem location, and 10,000 cars pass the Upper Darby location.

. Clear Channel, the vendor that operates the billboards, is donating all of the billboard space and only charged for graphic production of the ads. Clear Channel also worked closely with the Rotary District 7450 Public Relations Com-

mittee in the design of the publicity campaign which is valued at \$200,000. The actual cost for the billboards

is \$5000 that will be supplemented by a \$3300 Rotary International Public Relations grant.

"This promises to be perhaps the most powerful Rotary public relations efforts ever seen in our area," said Rotary District 7450 Public Relations chairperson Joe Batory. "We will have four 48 foot-long billboards on display at all times although the locations will often change along primary roadways in the five-county Greater Philadelphia areas according to space available.

"Our District 7450 project involves the use of colorful but simple billboard ads using Rotary International Humanity in



Rotary billboard faces north on Route 252 south in Paoli.



Motion graphics and themes, which were given preference by the judges in the PR grant competition. These materials are

targeted at trying to create more general awareness of what Rotary is all about and perhaps inviting more serious inquiries. "Rotary District 7450 Public Relations Committee members Jav Childress, Joan Toenniessen, Paul Quintavalla and RickBerger had input



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into developing the grant which was written by committee chairperson Joe Batory. District Governor Joan

Batory, District Governor-Elect Bonnie Korengel and District Governor Nominee Dave Ellis also participated in planning while PDG Jeffry Cadorette was a key factor in suggesting the vendor, Clear Channel Outdoor. Clear Channel's Jeff Jones met with the committee several times to finalize the design.



2000 books on way to 2000 kids for holidays



According to an anonymous source, Santa Claus will help distribute 2000 children's early readers donated by Wilbooks this month. Thanks to donors, Wilbooks employees and president Bruce Larkin, who is a new member of We-Go Rotary Club, elves from West Chester Downtown, Longwood, Oxford, Avon Grove and Central Chester County Rotary Clubs and Santa will distribute the 2000 books. The result will be 2000 smiles this holiday season. Among the recipients will be children of Chester County Prison inmates, Chester County Food Bank's Backpack Project for Graystone Academy, Coatesville Area School District, Tick Tock Early Learning Center in Kennett Square, West Chester Area Day Care Center, and Daniel Eletary School in Philadelphia.

Thanksgiving Tradition

Ambassadorial Scholar Caroline Borgers from Belgium (left) and her friend, Garbriela Klasa



from Poland, helped to prepare Thanksgiving dinner at the Center City Philadelphia home of District Governor Joan Batory and her husband, Joe, who is president of Philadelphia Rotary Club. The Batory's hosted students from four nations at their Thanksgiving dinner.

DEADLINE FOR January

District 7450 Rotary

Leader is December 20.

Please include names and information about all photos which are submitted.

For Sunday, April 10, 2011

Philadelphia Rotary Club planning Centennial Dinner

A gala "Centennial Dinner" will celebrate and commemorate the Rotary Club of Philadelphia for its 100 years of humanitarian outreach into the Philadelphia community and beyond Sunday, April 10, 2011 in the

"Ballroom at the Ben" at 834 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, adjacent to the historic district in the city.

Special guest will be Rotary International president Ray Klinginsmith.
Sponsorship packages and individual ticket sales will be available on or about December 20, at www.philarotary.org

The Rotary Club of Philadelphia is the 19th oldest among 33,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide. Philadelphia Rotary Club has been the home to two Rotary International presidents: Glenn Mead (1912-13) and Guy Gundaker (1923-24). Lynmar Brock, past president of Philadelphia Rotary Club and a past Dis-

trict 7450 governor, also is a past director of Rotary International.

A number of Rotary Clubs in the Greater Philadelphia area can trace their roots to the Rotary Club of

Philadelphia as their sponsoring club.

One of the Philadelphia Rotary Club's unique affiliations of the past was its "twin relationship" with the Rotary Club of Nottingham (UK) which began in 1921. For many years, the two clubs created friendship activities which allowed members to periodically visit back and forth across the Atlantic. An effort is now un-

derway to rekindle that "twin relationship."

Serving as president of the Philadelphia Rotary Club for 2010-2011 is Joseph Batory. Joan Batory, also a member of Philadelphia Rotary Club, is District 7450 district governor for 2010-2011.



Rotarians join gardeners at restored Sensory Garden

Ardmore Rotarians were among the more than 50 volunteers from the community to help plant over 2500 plant in the restored Wynnewood Valley Park Sensory Garden in November.

The planting day was the final step in Ardmore Rotary Club's \$200,000 project of restoring the quarter acre garden which had been given to the community in 1970s by the Rotary Club.

Through the years, the garden was maintained by a local garden club which gave up the project because of lack of members several years ago.

A group of Ardmore Rotarians, headed by PP Dr. Doug Klepfer rallied the community and Lower Merion Township to support a plan of restoration of the Garden for the Blind and Handicapped. In the process the name was changed to Sensory Garden and plans were developed to make the site fully handicapped-accessible.

Ardmore Rotary Club secured 75 percent of the funding (including a federal grant of \$110,000.00) and the remaining 25 percent was covered by the Lower Merion Township. Among the major contributors was Kistler-Tiffany Foundation with a \$20,000 donation.

Rotary Club of Tokyo Japan sent a \$10,000 gift for the restoration. The two clubs which has partnered in an exchange of trees when the garden was established in 1970s. Ardmore Rotary sent dogwood trees to the Rotary Club to replace dogwood trees which died in



Some of the more than 50 volunteers who planted over 2500 plants work in the gardens along one of the restored walkways at the Wynnewood Valley Sensory Garden. Restoration was spearheaded by Ardmore Rotary Club.

the Imperial Gardens and the Tokyo Club sent 25 cherry trees which were planted in the garden in 1977.

Last year, 12 new cherry trees were planted in the garden as a gift from the Tokyo Club. In addition trees were planted in several Lower Merion parks, Haverford College, Merion Cricket Club and Loomis School in Broomall.

<u>Of historic sites in Philadelphia</u>

Rotaractors host Rotary Exchange Students for tour

The Rotaract Club of Philadelphia hosted the Rotary Youth Exchange students of District 7450 November 21 for a historic tour of the City of Brotherly Love.

The Rotary group met at Love Park and headed to Old City to tour Independence Hall and see the iconic symbol of American Independence,, the liberty bell. The international group then walked two blocks away to visit the interactive Constitution Center.

The Rotaract members served as unofficial

ambassadors of the city providing insight as they passed through Washington Square and Society Hill. The day wrapped up on South Street

with an afternoon of shopping. Before heading back to the suburbs everyone tried a staple in Philadelphia cuisine, a cheese steak.

A special thanks to Rob Newman, Rotary Youth Exchange chair, for supporting the Rotaract Club of Philadelphia's effort to have a day of international exchange and fellowship.



DG Joan's visit schedule

12/15/2010 - GREATER WEST CHESTER SUNRISE 12/22/2010 - BALA CYNWYD NAR-BERTH 12/16/2010 - CHELTENHAM-ROCKLEDGE 12/21/2010 - SHADY BROOK 12/22/2010 - CENTRAL DELAWARE COUNTY



12/23/2010 - COATESVILLE



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- Send photos (with names and information) to info@rotary7450.org Please identify people in photos.
- Please submit club attendance or changes to personal contact information through the District Database at www.DaCdb.com For assistance, please call Sharon Quick at 215-735-5984 or Brian Casey at 484-483-8423.

Philadelphia Rotarians honor Rotary Peace Fellowship Winner

Lieutenant D. F. Pace, a distinguished member of the Philadelphia Police Department, was acknowledged as a winner of a Rotary International Peace Fellowship at the Philadelphia Rotary Club, December 2, at the Union League in Philadelphia.

A packed room of attendees included the commissioner of police for Philadelphia, the fourth largest in the USA, and four other high-ranking Philadelphia police officers, Rotary District 7450 District Governor Joan Batory, District Governor-Elect Bonnie Korengel, District Governor Nominee Dave Ellis and Past District 7450 Governors Tom McCarthy, Lynmar Brock, and Hogie Hansen.

Three Philadelphia TV stations covered the event. The Rotary scholar-

ship is for three months of study at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. Lieutenant Pace will attend the session that begins in June of 2011. The curriculum focuses on violence prevention, mediation, compromise building and the philosophy of building peace.

Rotary Club president Joe Batory pointed out, "I cannot emphasize strongly enough that this is a world class competition and that winning a Peace Fellowship is a monumental accomplishment. Lieutenant Pace is now among a distinguished group of Rotary Peace Fellows which has representatives from 44 countries with an average age of 32 and with an average of seven years of experience."



Philadelphia Rotary President Joe Batory; Philadelphia Police Lieutenant D F Pace, Peace Fellowship Winner; and Philadelphia Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey.

Rotary International has termed this year's winners as "a very promising array of peace builders ever from all across the globe."

Batory added, "We in the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, and in Rotary District 7450, and now in Rotary International firmly believe that Lieutenant Pace is clearly in the perfect position to have a major impact on the next generation of Philadelphia police officers using the skills and knowledge and international perspectives he will obtain from study at Chulalongkorn University. There could not be a better use for this type of Rotary Peace Fellowship.

"It is wonderful indeed for our local Rotary Clubs to have a winner from this international competition for the Peace Fellowships. But much more importantly, we in Rotary are convinced that Lieutenant Pace is a superb representative of the Philadelphia Police Department with the intellectual commitment, the philosophical base and the professional ability to use this Rotary Peace Fellowship."

Born in Italy and raised in the humble surroundings of an immigrant family, Lieutenant Pace is one of only five lawyers among Philadelphia's 6600 police officers. Lieutenant Pace has extensive patrol experience in the field and was an instructor in the Philadelphia Police Academy. At the presentation, Commissioner Ramsey praised Rotary for its Peace Fellowship initiatives and promised that Lieutenant Pace would fully use this fellowship to influence other police officers upon his return from Bangkok.

Lieutenant Pace expressed his deepest gratitude to Rotary and emphasized his full commitment to maximizing the learning experiences he will obtain at Chulalongkorn University.