

District 7450 **Rotary Leader**



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Message from DG Bonnie



We are entering the wonderful winter holiday season after having just celebrated one of Rotary's "holidays" – District Conference! Such an incredible two days of inspiration, Rotary projects, "heroes" in our world, Rotarians young and not so young – networking, socializing, celebrating that great feeling of giving back to a

world that needs us so much.

I am so proud to be a Rotarian! Rotary sponsors Peace Fellowships, an opportunity to study Peace and Conflict Resolution, a great program of which we can all be proud .And we were proud and inspired by District 7450 Peace Fellow, Lt. D. F. Pace, as he shared his training and experiences at the Peace Center in Thailand this summer.

We wept with Jay Scott, father of a special little girl, Alex, who indeed did make lemonade with the lemons she endured in her short life. None of us on hand that day will ever drive by a lemonade stand again without stopping. We shared a laugh with 8- year- old Althea as she showed us her lemonade selling skills.

We met our International Exchange students, and a Rotary "alum," Karen Rogers, heard about impressive Rotary projects in our District, discovered energy solutions in Africa, learned more about Rotary Action Groups, Rotary Fellowships, and Rotary Friendship Exchange. All leaves me breathless!

But so energized, and even more dedicated to eradicating polio and making life better for someone, as Rotarians seem to know how to do best.

As we gave thanks for a full plate and a warm home last month, we look forward to pushing our Clubs to new heights. It is up to you – Invite someone to breakfast, lunch, dinner. Ask someone to join you at a club project work day. Volunteer a special talent you have to help your Club president. Continue reading to a child, cooking meals for seniors, gathering crutches for Africa.

FIND YOUR PASSION! Then share it with the world.

West Chester Rotaractors help fill 'Stockings for Soldiers'

The West Chester Rotaract Club raised \$1,000 which they delivered to Stockings for Soldiers in Wilmington, Delaware along with boxes of collected donations from their successful Veterans fundraiser. Helping stuff stockings for overseas troops are (front row) Dr. Jill Biden,



wife of Vice President Joe Biden, and Rotaract Club president Tamara Minnick; and (back row, from left) Stockings for Soldiers coordinator Judy Travis, Rotaract past president Carl Anderson, Rotaract advisor Matt Schwab, Stockings for Soldiers team member Lyn Gill, Rotaractor Em Anderson, and Chris Anderson.

District selects GSE team leader, four team members; seeks fifth

District 7450 GSE Committee has selected Philadelphia Rotarian Sandra Goldberg to lead the 2012 GSE team to Brazil from April 15 to May 25. Team Leader alternate is Jenee' Chizick, a North Philadelphia Madrugadores Rotarian.

Team members and sponsoring Rotary Club are: Tonia Adieta, West Grove-Avondale Rotary Club; Rotaractor Evan Black, Philadelphia Rotary Club; Rotaractor Anna Dennery, Glenside Rotary Club; and Lavell Kirby, Northeast Philadelphia Sunrisers Rotary Club. The committee is seeking a fifth team member. To apply or for more information, contact Kerry Costello-Leraris at kcostello@wordsworth.org



At District Conference 2011

Rotarians, Rotary programs, projects in spotlight

The theme for the 2011 District Conference, "Get in step with the rhythm of Rotary," was on display from the opening sessions Friday afternoon through the concluding dinner Saturday evening at Malvern's Desmond Center November 11 and 12.

More than 270 Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors and Rotary Youth Exchange students participated in information and fun-filled programs spotlighting how Rotary serves throughout the world thanks, for the most part, to the local Rotary Clubs including those in District 7450.

Friday's programs highlighted a 2010 Rotaplast mission to Vietnam, Pakistan school Rotary partnership with Wilmington Rotary Club, a multi-district Kenyan water project spearheaded by West Chester Rotary Club, and a teencentered Friends Forever world peace project, which sponsors team-building training programs for teens from cultures in conflict to develop trust, friendships and ability to live in peace.

The District's annual memorial service combined the recognition of Rotarians who died in the past year with a moving tribute to veterans in observance of Veterans' Day.



Rotarians at Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation plenary session Saturday were so moved by the message from Althea Hutchinson, a volunteer with Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation as she battles cancer, they began dropping money in the aisle at the end. A total of \$1477 was combined with \$1,000 raised earlier by Interact Clubs for a donation of \$2477 to the foundation.



2011-2013 presidents of the 54 District 7450 Rotary Clubs received a puzzle piece for DG Bonnie's Polio Plus photo during Bonnie's Club visits with a request to return the piece to build the puzzle during the District Conference, as is being done late Friday afternoon (above). The completed puzzle (at right) was on display before the Saturday night dinner.



Conference co-chair Lynn Nathan thanks Alex's Lemonade Stand volunteer Althea Hutchinson during a Saturday morning session. Looking on is Althea's mother, Chris Hutchinson, who accompanied her daughter.



Rotary auctioneer PDG Jeffry Cadorette shared the stage at Saturday's dinner with a surprise auctioneer, Lt. D. F. Pace, District Rotary Peace Fellow, who is a licensed auctioneer and helped raise the bids for the RI president's signature theme tie and scarf.



Broomall Rotarian Paul Quintavalla gets a "purple pinkie" from Ardmore Rotarian Jane Williams Saturday morning.





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Memorial service remembers veterans and Rotarians

Rotarians remembered 47 fellow Rotarians who died in the past year during the combined Veterans Day and Interfaith Service of Remembrance in the late afternoon of November 11.

A presentation of the colors by William Fahey Post 491 set the stage for a video tracing America's sacrifices in past wars and a recognition of military service by Rotarians in attendance. During the observance, Brad Bruton of East Brandywine, a decorated helicopter pilot in Vietnam with 850 hours of combat starting in June, 1968, reported on Rotary's role in the Veterans Vietnam Restoration program.

After a video gave a glimpse of what transpired in Vietnam he focused on his nine trips back since 2002 to help build schools in areas devastated by the war. After hearing about the program in 2005, Coatesville Rotary Club, followed by West Chester Rotary Club, became initial sponsors of his trips. He said "Going back to Vietnam gave me peace,." explaining vets hadn't forgotten "kids suffered during the war. Veterans Vietnam Restoration allows vets to reconcile with the Vietnamese."

He pointed out that English is a second language and 60 percent of the population is under three in Vietnam where schools are needed throughout the country. Working with the Veterans Restoration project, Bruton had helped build six schools in six years, with a seventh underway by a team of nine vets who take two weeks to build a school. He said the average building costs \$30,000 to \$50,000 each and Rotary support is welcome. For more information about the project, Bruton referred Rotarians to VVRP.org.

During the Service of Remembrance, PDG Hogie Hansen read name of each Rotarian who died in past year as members of the home Club stood. At the same time, an assistant governor placed a carnation in a vase as remembrance. After the program, clubs were invited to accept a flower to take back to the club or family of the Rotarian.

Names read at the service are listed on page 7.



The moving Veterans' Day observance, chaired by Ardmore Rotarian PDG Hogie Hansen (right), included a special video remembering the fallen and the Presentation of Colors by members of the William Fahey Post 491 of Kennett Square, including Post Commander Tom Rupert, Mike Armstrong, Ken Carraway, Mike DeFazio, and Mario Lorenzut.

District Conference offered something for everyone

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The District's annual memorial service combined the recognition of Rotarians who died in the past year with a moving tribute to veterans in observance of Veterans Day. During the observance Brad Bruton of East Brandywine and a Vietnam veteran, reported on Rotary's role in Veterans Restoration program.

Friday's buffet dinner concluded with Rotaractors showing Rotarians a new twist to networking with an orchestrated seat exchange project which filled the ballroom with laughter.

Saturday kept pace starting with a rousing wake-up call by the beat of African Drums by Griota Umoja followed by presentations on Power Up Gambia and Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.

Jay Scott, whose daughter Alex, created Alex's Lemonade Stand to raise funds for cancer research as she fought her battle with cancer, spoke about his daughter's dream to find a cancer cure. He introduced a new fundraiser while battling cancer, Althea Hickerson. Her story and drive to finish Alex's dream brought many to tears and an outpouring of Happy Dollars for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. When added to the \$1,000 raised by the Interact Clubs, and funds from Eagles tickets, \$2477 was donated to the Foundation.,

Following lunch Saturday, TV traffic and weather personality Karen Rogers, Police Lt. D.F. Pace and RI presi-

dent's representative Ann Lee Hussey offered more reasons why Rotary serves so many in so many ways in the world.

Saturday's dinner and auction and dance brought down the curtain on an energetic and exciting District Conference but not before Rotarian Sharon Parker offered both an entertaining and inspiring message about growing up in Delaware County, and her education in parochial schools. She said she learned early the importance of taking time "to wonder and dream" a lesson she passed along to staff and students at the schools where she taught.

Traveling through 32 years in education which ran the gamut from classroom teacher, supervisor, principal and eventually superintendent at Wallingford-Swarthmore and Unionville-Chards Ford School District, she turned her wonder about the fate of children in the rubble in Samoa into the Waterbridge Children's Initiative. Her goal was to improve teaching and learning in U.S. territory schools.

Although recently retired, she is on the go, and answered a call to help schools in Brazil, confessing, "I'm a dreamer. Maybe I can be a builder in Brazil." As she sees it, "Dreams can ignite others," and asked her fellow Rotarians, "If the sky is the limit, what would you dream?"

She concluded with "May tonight be a glorious beginning to be a spark, to make differences; you are spunky; you are Rotarians; you will be successful.

(Watch next Rotary Leader for more Conference news.)

Dinner, auction and dancing conclude 2011 District Conference

Waiting to enter the Desmond Hotel ball-room for Saturday night's closing dinner on the arms of Michael Nazemetz, DVM, are DG Bonnie Korengel (left), RI President's Representative Ann Lee Hussey (right). Nazemetz is husband of Ann Lee Hussey.





DG-elect David Ellis of Exton-Frazer Rotary Club and his wife, Cheryl, enter the ballroom at Saturday night's dinner and auction.

Past District Governors enjoy pre-conference luncheon



PDG Mark Z. McGill (1991-92), Coatesville Rotarian.

 PDG Lynmar Brock Jr. (1978-79), Philadelphia Rotarian and past RI director.



PDG Bob Lankin (2005-06) Northeast Philadelphia Sunrisers Rotarian, and his wife, Holly.



PDG William Walsh (1984-1985), Ardmore Rotarian, and his wife, Barbara.

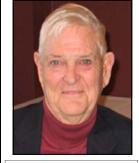




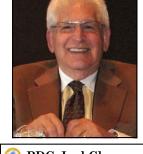
PDG Arthur Judson II (1992-93) , Philadelphia Rotarian, and his wife, Bright.



PDG Richard Knauff (1997-98), Wayne Rotarian, and his wife, Betty.



PDG Jack Grant (2003-04), Newtown Square Rotarian.



PDG Joel Chesney (2008-09), Longwood Rotarian.

PDG Joan Batory (2010-2011), Philadelphia Rotarian, and her husband, Joe.





PDG Paul Osimo (2001-02), Haverford Rotarian, and his wife, Pat.



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Rotaractor reports on a day at District Conference

— By Cara Cugley, Rotaract Club of Philadelphia

This year's Rotary District Conference was held in West Chester on November 11th and 12th. Once we arrived at the conference, we were welcomed by Anna Dennery District 7450 Rotaract representative, and a few of my old Rotary acquaintances from when I was in Interact. After breakfast, we went into the hall where we were woken up by the African rhythms of Griot Wa Umoja that had us up on our



Friday night's interacting dining experience, chaired by Rotaractors, brought smiles and much conversation to Rotarians including Philadelphia Rotarian Joe Batory and Glen Riddle Rotary Club president, Susan Linvilla-Jochum.

sylvania working towards a Pre-Med track when she went to help out in Gambia. While working over in Gambia at a hospital, Kathryn was shocked at the lack of electricity available to run the lights and machines in the hospital.

When Kathryn asked the head of the hospital how she could continue to help once back home, he told her about his idea of getting solar power panels installed at the hospital. Unfortunately, he lacked the funds to make this dream a reality. So when Kathryn came back from Gambia, she had a mission of raising \$300,000 in order to make that hospital's dream of solar power into a reality. Between her efforts and Rotary's contributions, the money was raised and Kathryn traveled back to Gambia to see the panels installed.

This project had a chainreaction. Power Up Gambia is now raising money to install solar power panels into its third hospital in Gambia. This project is just one example of how the dream of one can become the mission of many.

After enjoying the rhythms

Irish Step Dancers, we heard the riveting story behind the Alex's Stand feet dancing to the music. Bon-Korengel, District Governor, gave welcome speech that laid out our schedule for the day. first

thea Hutchinson, a top fundraiser for Alex's Lemonade Stand with her own story of her battle against childhood cancer. After hearing these inspirational stories, a basket went around collecting money for the foundation and, along with money from auctioned off Eagles tickets and money raised by local Interact clubs, the Rotary donated over two thousand dollars to the foundation.

In our first Breakout Session, we attended the New Generations of Rotarians session run by Anna. During this session, Rotarians got to learn more about the structure and projects of our District EarlyAct, Interact, and Rotaract clubs. Many Rotarians asked questions regarding how to either start their own new generation clubs in their areas or how to get involved with their local clubs. The interest in these clubs was refreshing. It was nice to hear how much the Rotarians value our work and are how interested they are in

> investing in and shaping the future generations to take

> During lunch, Isaac and I got to eat incredible food while talking to and getting to know local Rotarians. After lunch, the Parade of Flags took place where we were introduced to all the District's International Exchange Students. Next, we got to hear from Karen Rogers, a popular local TV personality who previously received the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. She recounted her personal journey and how Rotary became a part of it. She thanked the Rotary for their faith in her and for the amazing experience she received as a Rotary Scholar in Wales.

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Lemonade Foundation from Alex's father, Jay Scott. He told us about Alex's struggle with childhood cancer and her ambitious goals of raising money for childhood cancer stand. We also heard from 8-year-old Al-

of the talented young



DG Bonnie Korengel, Rotaract District representative Anna through a lemonade Dennery and RI president's representative Ann Lee Hussey.

On hand for Saturday's New Generations breakout are (from left) Natalie Conners of Bayard Rustin High School Interact Club, Glen Mills-Thornbury Rotary Club president Karen Mazzarella, and Jennica LeClerc of Bayard Rustin High School Interact Club. Both Interactors attended 2011 RYLA and presented information on the program.

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Madrugadores Rotary Club hosts 'Concert for Peace' fundraiser



Brothers in Harmony, led by director Jack Pinto, performed A Concert for Peace, on September 20 at the Friends Center original Philadelphia Meetinghouse. This event raised funds for the peace, health, and education programs of the Madrugadores Rotary Club. Music by the chorus from Hamilton Square, N.J. included "When I Lift Up My Head," "With A Little Help from My Friends," "Imagine" and "God Bless the USA," as well as some spirited selections by four physicians, the Docapella Quartet. Organizations collaborating and contributing to the Rotary Club's first "Concert for Peace" included the United Nations Association of Greater Philadelphia, the Society of Ibero Latin American Medical Professionals, and Partners of the Americas' Citizen Effect Sustainable Network. A reception following the concert was catered by Gavin's Cafe and coordinated by Diana Larisgoitia.

Rotaractor reports on her day at District Conference

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Following Karen Rogers's speech, Philadelphia Police Lt. D.F. Pace shared his experience with the Rotary in Thailand where he studied violence prevention, mediation, and compromise building for three months on a Rotary Peace Fellowship. He said he now uses his new knowledge in his everyday experiences and conflicts as a police officer in Philadelphia.

The last speaker of the afternoon was Rotary International President's Representative Ann Lee Hussey who shared her personal struggle with polio as a young child and as a polio survivor, as well as the ongoing efforts of Rotary to eradicate polio around the world. Rotary's continued efforts and overwhelming success are inspiring and motivating all of us to continue efforts through, among other programs, the Purple Pinkie projects.

Following Ann Lee's speech, we attended the final Breakout Sessions. and the District Rotaract meeting. Each Rotaract Club described its projects this year and future project plans. It was a nice chance to meet fellow Rotaractors and share ideas.

Overall, the day was an incredible experience. It was nice to catch up with my old Rotary acquaintances and to meet new Rotarians. It was also really interesting to share project ideas and experiences that Rotary Clubs and New Generation Clubs (EarlyAct, Interact, and Rotaract) have been working on and plan to work on. I recommend that everyone who has the chance to go, do it next year! It's a great experience that you'll never forget and it will inspire you to be more involved with all Rotary's incredible projects and partnered foundations.

District hosts president's rep, spouse at pre-conference dinner



(Rick Trivane Photo)

District Governor Bonnie Korengel (top left) and District Conference chair Lyn Nathan, (top right) hosted a welcome dinner for Ann Lee Hussey, RI president Kalyan Bannerjee's personal representative to District 7450, and her Rotarian husband Michael Nazemetz, DVM of South Brunswick, Maine at Margaret Kuo's gourmet Chinese restaurant in Wayne. Also on hand were the District's nine assistant governors and their significant others. Ann Lee Hussey is a veterinary technician who, with her husband, owns a veterinary clinic in Rollinsford New Hampshire. She joined Rotary in 2002 and she and her husband are members of Casco Bay Rotary Club in Portland Maine. She has traveled twice to Venezuela on Rotaplast trips and has participated in 18 National Immunization Day campaigns as a Rotary volunteer. A polio survivor, she organized and led five NID teams in the past five years and will make her 19th trip before the end of year. She has served as president of her Rotary Club, District Governor, District Conference chair, District PolioPlus and World Community Service chairs and is chair of Polio Survivors and Associates Rotarian Action Group She received Rotary "Service Above Self Award" in 2005 and RI Foundation "Service Award for Polio Free World" in 2006. She gave the president's message at the conference and addressed Saturday's Plenary Session following lunch. (For more on Ann Lee's message, check next month's Rotary Leader.)

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It's great time to make gift to Rotary Foundation

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EVERY

By PDG Bob Lankin DRFC Chair

Rotarians all over the world are stepping up to donate to our Rotary Foundation. In the USA, members are getting their contributions in to get their charitable contribution tax deduction.

Our Rotary Foundation is in the process of making changes to make our work even more effective and benefit even more people.

Through the Future Vision initiative, we are in the process of focusing on our six primary areas of service.

Beginning July 1, 2013, all of our grant proposals will need to involve one of these areas: Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, Economic and Community Development, Water and Sanitation, Disease Eradication and Prevention, and Peace and Conflict Resolution.

Charity Navigator gives Rotary its highest recognition because we get a higher percentage of our contributions to our beneficiaries than most other international charities. We are therefore worthy of the generous contributions of "Every Rotarian, Every Year."

Our District is asking each and every member to make a contribution that is a capability contribution. Each

member must decide for him/herself how much to contribute. It is our hope that each member will be considering his/her affinity for our Foundation in considering how much you can afford.

Giving to the Rotary Foundation is easier than ever. Just pull out your credit card and visit

www.Rotary.org and click on "How to contribute". Of course, you can contribute the 20th century way

by writing a check and giving it to your Rotary Club chair.

Over 30 members in our District are members of the Paul Harris Society, which means they contribute \$1,000 or more per year. We are asking you to consider the amount by increasing your usual contribution.

We remember these Rotarians

ARDMORE: Joseph E. Centofanti, Stanton H. Fried-

man, David S. Kelso BENSALEM: Howard Soffer

CHELTENHAM-ROCKLEDGE: James F. Gannon

CHESTER: Alonzo Cavin

CHESTNUT HILL: Kazuhiko Arai

COATESVILLE: Daniel Lee

CONSHOHOCKEN-PLYMOUTH-WHITEMARSH: John S. Ondik, III,

JENKINTOWN: John E. Rice, John J. Shields, Harry

Silver, Albert W. Spitz, Charles P. Zerbe

KING OF PRUSSIA: John W. Miles LANGHORNE: William E. Macht

LEVITTOWN-FAIRLESS HILLS: Terry Hill

MEDIA: Dongkyu Bak, Ted D. Hadley, Jr., Walton B.

LONGWOOD: Norbert Auberchon

NEWTOWN SQUARE: Josephine J. Battisti, William J.

Shaffer, Frank Spiro, Frank Videon

OXFORD: Edward Farber

PAOLI-BERWYN-MALVERN: Mark Rubinstein

PHILADELPHIA: William A. Breisacher, Col. William

H. Cowper, Eugene C. Hosmer, Jr., Walter R.

Livingston, Jr., Alan H. Martin, Donald D. Meisel

SPRINGFIELD: Thomas F. Owens, PDG

UPPER DARBY-LANSDOWNE: David E. Brossart,

Frank Lombardo, Irving S. Moser, Roger E. Rossi

WAYNE: Graham S. Thompson

WEST CHESTER: Amos E. Bassett, Jr., J.

Dellavecchia, Jr., Harold F. Green, Frank Q Helms,

W. Edward Lewis, Thomas Spackman

WESTTOWN-GOSHEN: Milton Michener, Tom

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Exchange students at Conference



Twelve District 7450 Rotary Exchange students participated in the traditional Parade of Flags at the Saturday evening dinner. The students also participated in the New Generations breakout session Saturday.

District Conference testimonial

"What a great, inspiring conference! Each speaker made me either laugh, cry, or more often, both. I was online this morning and came across an article on neuroblastoma research. When I saw that Alex's Lemonade Foundation funded the research, I thought the timing of my finding this on a general news site on this particular morning was a bit more than coincidental. Thanks again for instilling those of us lucky enough to have attended with even more boundless energy to take back to our clubs." Westtown Goshen Rotarian Jeff-Penfil email to DG Bonnie Korengel.

What's happening in Rotary District 7450



Shady Brook Rotary Club donates 54 coats to 'Operation Warm'



The Rotary Club of Shady Brook donated 54 new winter coats thru "Operation Warm" to the Bucks County Salvation Army for distribution to needy children October 25. Assisting in the distribution . are (from left) Area 6 Assistant Governor Bob Morris, Club president Mark Nath, Salvation Army coordinator Denice Graham and past president Fred Edelman. The second photo shows families lined up outside the Salvation Army awaiting distribution.



84 Rotarians from District 7450 attend multi-district Rotary Foundation seminar





On hand for the Multi-District Rotary Foundation workshop in November at Radisson Hotel in Valley Forge, are (left photo) District 7430 DG William Jahn, District 7450 DG Bonnie Korengel, District 7450 DG-Nominee Charles Streitwieser and District 7430 PDG Ron Smith. Going over the Day's program (right photo) are District 7450 Foundation chair Bob Lankin and DG-nominee Charles Streitwieser. Lankin reports 84 Rotarians from District 7450 attended the one-day conference. which was open to Club Foundation chairs as well as all interested Rotarians.

Chichester Rotarians clean roadway



Chichester Rotary Club, along with residents of Creekside Village, completed the semi-annual cleanup of two miles of Meetinghouse Road in Upper Chichester Township November 5. This is the third time the two groups have combined their efforts for the benefit of the community. Participating were (from left) Janice Lion, Pete Pagano, Mark Gibbons, Rich Araskewitz, Walt Milke, Bob Wesolowski, John Iannotti, Tom Brazill, Betty Taylor, Jean Iannotti, Jayne Milke, Sharron Hannum, Tony Kaczenski, Chuck Mitcheli, Rich Yanuzzi, and Frank Sill. Also helping but not in photo were Dave Houtz, Bill Taylor and George Matuszewski.

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What's happening in District 7450 Rotary Clubs

Media Rotarians salute students | Bala Cynwyd-Narberth



Bryan Messick, president of the Media Rotary Club, (center) presented Student of Month Awards to (from left) Nico Mesyngier and Violet Brown from Strath Haven High School and Andrew Creighton and Suzanne Hamilton from Penncrest High School last month. The students were selected for their extraordinary academic, extra-curricular and community service endeavors

Rick Trivane Photo

Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotarians distribute dictionaries to third grade School



Three third grades from Harrington Elementary School in S.W. Philadelphia, where PDG Joan Batory attended, are patiently waiting to receive their free dictionaries from the Rotary Club of Bala Cynwyd-Narberth November 15. Distributing the dictionaries were Club president, Lava Charlestein, past president Rick Trivane, and school remedial reading specialists Barbara Schiff and Normajean Ross. This is the second year the Club provided the dictionaries for the school conjunction with www.dictionaryproject.org. The Dictionary Project's goal is to get sponsoring organizations and individuals to provide free dictionaries to every

third grade student every year in the United

(Rick Trivane Photo)

DG Bonnie installs two new members of Glen Riddle Club



During DG Bonnie Korengel's visit to Glen Riddle Rotary Club last month, two new members (from left) Karen Clinton and Dr. Claudio Cerullo, were installed by the DG as Club president Sue Linvill Jochum assisted.

Ardmore Rotarians share honor for restoration of Sensory Garden



Ardmore Rotary Club shared in the Community Greening Award presented by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at ceremonies November 6 in Philadelphia for the Club 's leadership in the restoration of the Sensory Garden in Wynnewood Valley Park in Wynnewood. Project chairman Dr. Douglas Klepfer, past president of Ardmore Rotary Club, (left) accepted the award along with Patty Thompson, conservation director of the Lower Merion Conservancy which partners with the Rotary Club to maintain the gardens. Philadelphia Horticulture Society president Drew Becher presented the award. Ardmore Rotary Club presented the garden, initially called the Garden for the Blind, to Lower Merion Township in the 1970s. Four years ago, Ardmore Rotary Club embarked on a restoration project in partnership with the township, Conservancy, and community.

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DEADLINE for the December *District*7450 Rotary Leader is December 19. Please identify people in photos.





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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.

DG continues Club visits

12/1 Thursday 12:15 p.m.:West Chester Rotary Club,West Chester Country Club.12/1 Thursday 6 p.m.:Westtown-Goshen RotaryClub, West Chester HolidayInn.

12/6 Tuesday 7:30 a.m.: Levittown-Fairless Hills Club, Garden of Eatin Restaurant.

12/7 Wednesday 7 a.m.: Exton-Frazer Rotary Club, Whitehorse Restaurant at Sheraton Great Valley.

12/7 Thursday 6:15 p.m.: Newtown Square Rotary Club, Christmas party at Corinthian's Yacht Club. 12/8 Thursday 11:45 a.m.: Philadelphia Rotary Club, Union League, Philadelphia.

12/13 Tuesday 6:15 p.m: Springfield Rotary Club, Anthony's in Drexel Line Shopping Center.

12/14 Wednesday 12:15 p.m.: Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club, Maris Grove.

12/15 Thursday 12:10 p.m.: Swarthmore Rotary Club, The Springhaven Club.

12/21 Wednesday 7:15 a.m.: Twin Valley Rotary Club, Holiday Inn.

12/29 Thursday 6:45 a.m.: Longwood Rotary Club, Terrace Restaurant, Longwood Gardens.

Rotarians host 'fireside' dinners



Philadelphia Rotary Club is hosting a number of "fireside" social events in November and December including an authentic Korean dinner at a Philadelphia



restaurant November 19 where Da Seul Yoon (photo at left), a Rotary exchange student from South Korea, and Aly Campbell, her host family "sister" from Media, enjoy dinner as special guests of the Rotary Club. Also enjoying the dinner are Nancy Magagna, secretary for Gundaker Foundation and a Philadelphia Rotarian, and her husband, John.

RI Convention registration open

DG –Elect Dave Ellis invites
District Rotarians to join him for the
103rd annual RI Convention, May 6 to
9, 2012, in Bangkok, Thailand. Because
of Thai government support, RI will
offer the lowest registration fee in years
at \$160 for Rotarians and guests. Register and reserve hotel online through
"Member Access" or by submitting
forms by fax or mail.

Save the Date
Pre-PETS Dinner Meeting

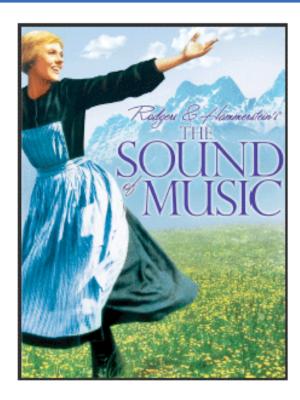
January 30, 2012
Desmond Hotel and Conference Center Malvern

Mid-Atlantic PETS
Optional Enrichment Sessions
March 1, 2012



PETS
March 2-3, 2012
Radisson Hotel
King of Prussia







A Great Evening's Entertainment For a Great Cause

Thursday January 12th Media Theatre

104 E. State St., Media 6:00PM— Reception open 7:30PM - Curtain goes up



Noted Broadway and international actor Brad Little, has appeared as The Phantom over 2,000 times in The Phantom of the Opera. Brad will play Capt. Von Trapp.

Singer actress Elisa Matthews has played Eliza Doolittle in My Fair Lady and Magnolia in Show Boat. She will play the staring role of Maria.



You are invited to a theatre party to raise funding for Rotary District 7450 mission to Guatemala, March 2012

It's a fun night out with other Rotarians and it's for a good cause!

\$40 ticket price includes

- -Preferred orchestra seating
- -Pre theatre food service
- Dessert during intermission
- -cash bar

Sponsorships Available \$200

- Four tickets
- -Recognition in event promotion
- -Recognition at the event

For ticket information: Don Heebner 484-904-6234 e-mail: heebnerathome@comcast.net Faith Holefelder 610-724-1845 Jack Holefelder 610-420-7664