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Message from DG Charles Prepare Today to improve Tomorrow

In sync with our Rotary Calendar, this is Vocational Service Month. It is a time to think about the possible opportunities for the applications of your vocation in service to others. The theme of our next District Conference is "Happiness is Helping Others" - so let your vocation bring you happiness in service to others!



If you have any strategic planning skills, now is a great time to get with your Club president and review your Club's strategic plan for 2013-14 (if you have one!).

We can all help Rotary International by updating our information on the new edition of Rotary.org. This major overhaul of our flagship website, requires "repopulation" of our data by all of us since the "migration" is not always smooth or "aligned." So far, all reviews by Rotarians are that the changes are very positive improvements. So look for the "My Rotary" tab and get re-connected!

Since vocational service is a broad topic, I will offer some of my favorite ways to become active in vocational service, remembering that the central goals are "to promote and advance Rotary's high ethical standards.

Two useful tools Rotarians have to assess these standards are "The Four-Way Test" and "The Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions."

Organize a mock job interview for Interactors or Rotaractors to inform them about your profession and how to present themselves in front of employers.

Encourage Club members to post their business on our District Yellow Pages.

Recognize a local business or "unsung hero" in your community for service to others.

Recognize at a Club meeting an outstanding vocational student from your local school or college and put an article about this in your local newspaper.

Finally, look into your Club and see if any other members can be encouraged to use their vocational talents in service to a committee or future service project. We are often "shy" or think that standing out is being too forthright.

We are all working for the good of Rotary and our community. Let's celebrate those skills in service to Rotary and enjoy the experience that "Real Happiness is Helping Others."

One Man Can Change The World

By PE Sean M. Teaford, Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Club

Since our Club's founding in 1926, we had never had such a distinguished guest speaker as we had Saturday, September 28, when Rotary International past-president Wilfred Wilkinson honored us with his presence. In attendance were fellow Rotarians from throughout the region comprising of hundreds, if not over a thousand years of service. It was not only an inspiring but a humbling experience. Seeing so many great men and women united in Rotary is an amazing experience to be a part of.

The afternoon flew by so quickly that it is hard to recall all of the details but there are a few clear moments and emotions that will forever resonate in my own



Past-president Wilf Wilkinson at Joint District Rotary Foundation Global Grant seminar September 28.

life. Past President Wilkinson's remarks were full of not only a passion for Rotary and service but a love for people and the impact that our work has had on this world. Having traveled around the world, he has seen the many faces that have benefited from the efforts of Rotarians and he has seen the diversity that is represented in Rotary Clubs around the globe.

No matter how different we all may seem, we are all connected to one another through Rotary and through a desire for peace.

In reading about past-president Wilkinson's achievements and his tenure at the helm of Rotary International there was one quote that I came across that summed up my impression of this great man as the embodiment of the Rotary motto "Service above self." During his address at the Rotary Convention in Los Angeles, California on June 15th, 2008 he said the following:

"One of the first questions I had from the staff when I was nominated was what I wanted as my RI theme. I was all ready with my answer. I said my theme would be 'Rotary Shares'. Because to me, these words captured all that was good about Rotary and Rotarians. Because to me, Rotary is about sharing. It's about sharing our time, every week in our meetings with our fellow members and with our communities and with people throughout the world.

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"It's about sharing our expertise, our talents, and our resources in countless ways. It's about sharing what we have, with our fellow Rotarians and with those in need. That's what I told my District Governors, when we began this Rotary year. But now I know better. Yes, 'Rotary Shares' means all that, but it means so much more. It means every one of you and every single Rotarian in every Rotary country working together. Working with dedication and working with love, working for a better, safer, healthier, and more peaceful world."

This is what it means to be a Rotarian. This is what we all strive to do each and every day of our lives. This is how we continue to improve our communities; this is how we touch the lives of people we have never met in places we have never been; this is how we change the world. One person, one Club, one community, one seemingly insignificant action, one small project, one life impacted can make all the difference in this world.

Let our work be enhanced through Rotary. Let us work together to serve our communities. Let our actions, through Rotary, be magnified 100-fold. It is in this spirit, with all of us together as one community, that we launched our raffle to benefit The Rotary Club of Bala Cynwyd-Narberth's Community Educational

Initiative which supports children from West Philadelphia schools through various programs and projects.

The Paul Harris Fellow Award Raffle is an idea that, to the knowledge of everyone I have spoken with, has never been done in the history of our great organization. By selling tickets for a prize that is unique to Rotary, every Rotarian and every Club is sharing in the support of those school children in need in our community. Each \$10 collected has a Rotarian's name and carries with it his or her passion for service and desire to improve the community. The success of this program will be shared with the holders of the 200 tickets while the credit goes to every Rotarian for supporting us in this endeavor and making it possible to accomplish such great work.

It all starts with an idea just like Rotary was started as an idea by one man, Paul Harris. Ideas come and go but those which are met with passion and supported by the community quickly take hold and begin to bring about change. One idea can certainly impact a community while some ideas can change the world. This world needs great ideas and this world needs great men. We need, especially during this time in history, passionate people dedicated to making this world a better, more peaceful place.

We need people like past-president Wilfred Wilkinson. **(Photos on page three)**

How To Get Started in Rotary Club Central

Rotary Central replaces Member Access in RI data base

1. Ask your club secretary to enter you in the RI database ASAP as your Club's president for Rotary year 14/15 (make sure they use your current e-mail address)
2. Go to www.Rotary.org, Then select MY Rotary on the top menu Bar, and create your own password and sign in, you will then receive an e mail from RI to activate your account before you can reach step 3
3. Your MY Rotary page will open up, then scroll down the left hand menu column in the section named MY Club Snapshot
4. At the bottom of this section (under Foundation Giving Goals) you will see in Blue, Visit Rotary Club Central, click on that please.
5. You should now have reached the CC main page! It will ask you to confirm your Club position first, then if you scroll down you will see three different year tabs and below them you should see little check boxes on the left that says edit, this is where you would enter and keep track of your goals for your 14-15 year and can also see data for your club from earlier years,
6. At the top of the CC main page, you will also notice three section tabs named: Your Club, Service and Foundation; you follow the same procedure as step five for each section.

Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club hosts lunch at Merion Cricket Club

District welcomes RI past-president Wilf Wilkinson



Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club president Dr. Sherman Leis welcomes past Rotary International president Wilf Wilkinson to the Merion Cricket Club in Haverford where he shared Rotary memories following lunch with District 7450 Rotarians.



RI past-president Wilf Wilkinson accepts a "Rotary Shares" (2007-2008 theme) quilt made and held by Diana Larisgoitia of Madrugadores Club as Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club president Sherman Leis watches.



Swarthmore Rotarians Betty Ann Flynn (left) and Ann Hansen (right) with Chester Rotarian Louise Burroughs.



Ardmore Rotarian Bill Walsh and RI past-president Wilf.

Listening to RI past president Wilf Wilkinson are Claudie and PDG Lynmar Brock and DGE Doug Blazey.



Past RI president Wilf joins multi-district Foundation seminar



District 7450 Rotarians at Foundation seminar in Lansdale include (from left) PDG Mark McGill, AG Rick Trivane, Dorothy McGill, and PDG Hogie Hansen.

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AG Rick Trivane of Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club uses phone to photograph PP Wilkerson.

Among the participants of the Foundation seminar are (from left) Cheltenham-Rockledge Rotarians PP Carol Chabberlain and secretary Martha Bowman.



Taking a break at the Rotary Foundation grants seminar are Frank Hollick of Chestnut Hill Rotary Club and PDG Dave Ellis of the Great Valley Rotary Club. Districts 7430 and 7450 hosted the seminar to train Club leaders on the new Global Grants procedures.



District 7450 DG Charles Streitwieser makes a point at September 28 TRF seminar.

11th Chili Cook-Off October 13 in West Chester

Passing out flyers about the 11th Annual Chili Cook-Off on Sunday, October 13 are (from left) Terri Ritchie, Cynthia and Winnie Stroup and Tricia Johnston, members of the Rotary Club of West Chester. The annual cook-off, attracts thousands to West Chester, and features 70 teams which will cook chili and vie for the title of "Best Darn Chili in Chester County." In addition, other food vendors will participate in the day. The event runs from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m., with the chili being available at noon. Wristbands, available at three for \$25 in advance or \$10 each the day of the event, will enable the purchaser to eat as much chili as he or she wants. In addition to the chili and other foods, there will be entertainment and special activities for children. All proceeds from the annual event benefit local and international charities and projects of the West



Chester Rotary Club. For additional information, go to the Rotary Club of West Chester website, westchesterrotary.org.

Register now at Rotary.org/UNday **Rotary UN Day November 2**

More than 1300 Rotarians including Rotary International directors, will gather at UN Headquarters in New York Saturday, November 2, for "Rotary UN Day." The program is designed to inspire and educate as well as provide insight into the relationship between Rotary and the United Nations.

The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and concludes by 4 p.m. Lunch in the UN cafeteria, will be at 1 p. m.

Rotary Day at the United Nations also includes a special program for youth interested in humanitarian service. Youth will hear about a model UN program, the Shelter Box project, some projects that Interact Clubs are working on, and an overview of the UN and more. The program begins at 9:30 a.m. and concludes at 12:30 p.m. followed by lunch. Participants are welcome to join the adult program after lunch.

Rotary's relationship with the United Nations dates back to 1945 when 49 Rotarians acted as delegates, advisors and consultants at the United Nations Charter Conference.

Today, Rotary holds the highest consultative status possible with the United Nations as a non-governmental organization which oversees many specialized UN agencies.

Rotary maintains and furthers its relationship with a number of UN bodies, programs, commissions, and agencies through RI representatives to the United Nations and other organizations.



Glen Mills-Thornbury Rotarians supported the Arc of Chester County at the September 23 golf outing at the Penn Oaks Golf Club. The money raised from the outing and silent auction will help fund the many programs of the Arc of Chester County. Many of the players were from the Club and the Glen Mills-Thornbury Rotary sponsored the Happy Hour. Club members who participated are (from left) Dave Barrett, Dave Rakow, Rich Harvitz, president Deena Jones, Allen Rogers, AG Bronwyn Martin from Kennett Square Rotary Club, and AG Karen Mazzarella, past-president of Glen Mills-Thornbury Club.

Thanks to Glen Riddle, Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotarians:

Delco Fair raises over \$12,000 for community groups



Putting finishing touches on 2013 Delco Fair before opening night at Granite Run Mall are Glen Riddle Rotarians Harry Hill, PP Peter Frigiola, Jack Holefelder and Pat Natale.

When the totals are announced, it is expected that the 2013 Delco Fair will take the total amount raised since 1996 over the \$1 million mark. The fair, co-sponsored by Glen Riddle and Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Clubs, will benefit CADES (Children and Adult Disability Education Services), Elwyn Institute, Operation Warm, Don Guanella School and scholarships.



Delco Fair Majestic Midway



One of the many family groups who enjoyed the 2013 Delco Fair.

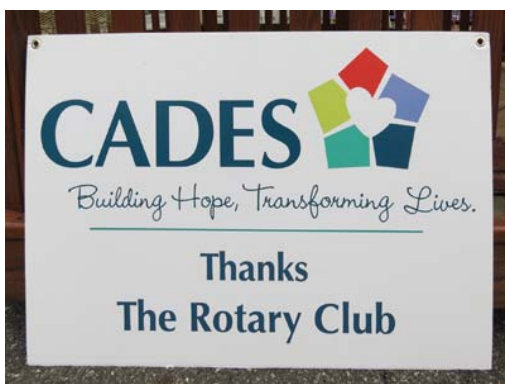


Young lady tries to win a prize by ringing the bell.



Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotarian Carol Swerdon kept the wheel on the midway busy dispensing toys for kids.

Glen Riddle Rotarian Daniela Redpath handles the cooking duties at the gas grille on opening night of the Delco Fair.



Madrugadores Rotarian Diane Larisgoitia visits with Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotarian David Lafferty, who is delivering toys to midway game



PDG Brad Stanton of Concordville-Chadds Ford, PP Sue Linvil Jochum, Glen Riddle Rotarians and Ruth Hill take a break.

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Rotarians help 'Kick Polio Off The Planet'

By Cathy Palmquist, West Chester Rotary Club

Among the sell-out crowd of soccer fans attending the Philadelphia Union-Houston Dynamo soccer game at PPL Park last month, were Rotarians, their families and friends from Rotary Clubs throughout District 7450.

All 200 Rotary tickets were sold, and adding in members who have Union season tickets, over 240 stopped by the tailgate party tables for food, fun and fellowship before the game!

Francy Cross and her Chester Rotary Club, assisted by the Ardmore Rotary Club, set out an array of snack foods and beverages that topped the offerings at previous tailgate gatherings. Molly Coulter of Fado's Irish Pub in Philly brought a busload of soccer fans to join in the tailgate party and donate more tasty sandwiches and beer.

Among the large turnout of Rotarians, Jane Williams, Polio Committee Chair, was easy to spot in her bright red shirt with "End Polio Now" emblazoned on it. Her granddaughter Lila walked through the crowd painting pinkies purple and collected a bucketful of donations for the cause.

Kennett Square Rotarian and AG Bronwyn Martin, who arranges the annual event, was busy directing Clubs where to post banners, and selling purple Crocus lapel flowers – a new donor item.

The grassy knoll adjacent to the stadium, overlooking the Delaware River, was bustling with many Rotarians who brought their families, including PDG Bonnie Korengel, PDG Jeff Cadorette, the Chad Rosenberg family and their Swedish exchange student, and Annalie Lorgus and her two sons. Youngest attendee was four-month-old Charlee Swope, who was with her parents, Betsy and Chuck Swope. District Governor Charles Streitwieser was on hand with his wife, Leslie, and youngest son, Henry.



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Union soccer player Roger Torres joins (from left) Rotarians AG/PP Kennett Rotary Club Bronwyn Martin, DG Charles Streitwieser of the West Chester Rotary Club, Past AG/PP Ardmore Rotarian Jane Williams, Rotary Exchange student Johanna Kastonsson and DG nominee Chad Rosenberg, all of whom represented District 7450 and "End Polio Now" before the start of the Union-Houston Soccer game.

DG Charles was named Honorary Union Team captain in a brief ceremony on the field just prior to kick-off.

Bryn Mawr Rotary Club participates in Community Days

Bryn Mawr Rotary Club took part in Bryn Mawr Community Days in September as part of its efforts to promote Rotary and as part of its membership drive. The Club banner was hung on the fence (photo at bottom) where it would be seen by the parents and kids who took the free rides on the

Bryn Mawr Fire truck. Among those taking part in promoting Rotary were Club secretary/PP Dick Cuff, president Andy Avellino and PDG Dave Ellis of the Great Valley Rotary Club.



King of Prussia Rotarians do chores at VF National Park



King of Prussia Rotarian Guy Homer places Rotary banner at the House of 1000 Windows at Valley Forge Park.



A group of King of Prussia Rotarians planned to whitewash a small house at Valley Forge National Park during National Public Lands Day but when the park's whitewash mix turned out yellow, the group was assigned to wash windows at the Knox Mansion, on the west side of the covered bridge over Valley Forge Creek. The new job was to spray a bleach solution on the black mold (above) and then clean off the mold and wash the windows which is what Tom Phillips (left) is doing.



King of Prussia Rotarians Tom Hough, Frank Nolan, Guy Homer and project manager Tom Phillips are all smiles after cleaning the first floor windows of the Knox Mansion in Valley Forge National Historic Park on National Public Lands Day September 28, 2013.



Vocational Service Month

The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Objective of Rotary.

This objective calls on Rotarians to "encourage and foster":

- High ethical standards in business and professions.
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations.
- The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action?

- Talk about your vocation in your Club, and take time to learn about fellow members' vocations.
- Use your professional skills to serve your community.
- Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your own words and actions.
- Help a young person achieve his or her career aspirations.
- Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

Vocational service is the very essence of Rotary.

It is what sets Rotary apart from other service organizations.

Longwood Rotarians make sandwiches for Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation



On September 14, over 20 Longwood Rotarians and friends made 400 sandwiches for the bag lunches provided to the motorcycle riders participating in a day-long ride to raise funds for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. Over \$63,000 was raised this year, making the total raised over the past five years more than \$500,000. In addition to Rotarians, this annual volunteer event was supported by members of The Garage in Kennett Square.

Rotary Global Grant Scholar

Dr. Yuko Shiim, a visiting Rotary Global Grant Scholar from Japan, has begun a research fellowship at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Simulation Center. Her medical specialty is pediatric intensive care medicine. Dr. Shiim also is studying for a Master of Science degree in clinical epidemiology at the University of Pennsylvania. Her ultimate goal is to thwart children's preventable death, and work in the field of child health and preventative education.



Philadelphia Rotary Club inducts three



John Eckman (University of Pennsylvania administrator), Kurt Stroemel (CPA), and Derrick Montecarlo (Loew's Hotel management) were inducted into the Rotary Club of Philadelphia at the September 26 weekly meeting of the Club at the Union League in Philadelphia.

Where to look

EarlyAct: rotary7450.org/earlyact
 Rotary Foundation: rotary7450.org/foundation
 Gundaker: rotary7450.org/gundaker
 Interact: rotary7450.org/interact
 Literacy: rotary7450.org/literacy
 Rotaplast: rotary7450.org/rotoplast
 Youth Exchange: d7450youthexchange.org/
 RYLA: rotary7450.org/RYLA
 Rotary International: rotary.org
 District Calendar: www.DaCdb.com; and
rotary7450.org/Calendar

West Chester Rotary Club:

Schwab lists 2013-14 goals; Judi Bell is Rotarian of Year

Jeannie McGinn, 2012-2013 president of the Rotary Club of West Chester and 2013-2014 president John Schwab display the RI banner with the theme, "Engage Rotary, Change Lives" during the Club's installation night at West Chester Golf and Country Club. With the new theme in mind, John's vision is to continue leading a



vibrant, active club, with specific goals to improve board governance, formalize and advance the Scholarship Foundation, and develop grant writing expertise within the Club. During the program, Judi Bell was presented Rotarian of Year



award from past president Jeannie McGinn (right). Judi is Club webmaster and upgraded the website and links to make it easier for members and visitors to find the information they seek. She also emails the weekly newsletter with

speaker information and upcoming activities. Judi participates in many Club projects and activities, such as the West Chester Christmas Parade. She also serves on board of the Chester County Fund for Women and Girls, as an advisor to the Fund's

Widener U Rotaract Officers

The 2013-2014 officers for the Widener University Rotaract Club are (from left) vice-pres-ident Ka'Shawn E. Garnes, past president Stephenie L. Smith, advisor Edith W. Hilton and president Martin Turner.



September 14:**Oxford Rotarians join Good Neighbors to complete weekend home improvement project in Oxford**

Oxford Rotarians and friends volunteered September 14 to help Good Neighbors complete a home improvement project on Locust Street in Oxford. Oxford Rotary Club members spent the morning painting the steps, top and bottom, on a two-story outside staircase. Good Neighbors volunteers work to make homes warmer, safer, drier and healthier for qualified homeowners, with a vision of eliminating substandard housing in southern Chester County. Among the volunteers are (back on steps) Oxford Area High School student volunteers Stephanie Norris and Kasey Busko, who are organizing an Interact Club at their school, and (front from left) Rotarian Marilyn Knaub, homeowner Pearl Teel, volunteer Andrew Knaub, Rotarians Phil Sacks, president Chip Lewis, Good Neighbors project coordinator Phil Smith and Rotarian Charles Vickery.

**RI PP helps dedicate Peace Pole in Rotary Sensory Garden**

RI past-president/past Rotary Foundation chair Wilf Wilkenson (left in left photo) joined Rotarians from District 7450 for the dedication of the Peace Pole in the Wynnewood Valley Park's Rotary Sensory Garden in Wynnewood September 25. PP Wilf waits as Lower Merion Township president Elizabeth Rogan cuts the yellow ribbon after which he cut the blue ribbon at the Braille inscription "May Peace Prevail on Earth." Watching is Ardmore Rotarian PDG Hogie Hansen. Following the ribbon-cutting, all present took one of strands of ribbons and said the "Litany of Peace" from words of Mother Teresa and Moshe Dayan. The Peace Pole contains the peace inscription in nine languages. Earlier PP Wilf spoke at a District luncheon at Merion Cricket Club in Haverford, hosted by Bala Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club.

DEADLINE for the November District 7450 Rotary Leader is October 19. Please identify all people in photos. Send photos/news to info@Rotary7450.com and mombugjoan@msn.com. Thank you.



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⚙️ *Submit club attendance or changes to contact information through District Database at www.DaCdb.com For help, call Sharon Quick at 215-735-5984 or Brian Casey at 484-483-8423.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 13th

11th Annual Chili Cook Off, West Chester, 11:30 to 2 p.m.
Go to westchesterrotary.org.

October 27

The Upper Darby-Lansdowne Rotary Club hosts Karate Tournament at the Prendergast/Bonner High School, Lansdowne Avenue, Drexel Hill.

October 30

Octoberfest, sponsored by Upper Main Line Rotary Club. Waynesborough Country Club, Route 252, Paoli, 5:30 p.m. German food; souvenir UMLRotary beer stein.

November 2

Rotary at the UN Day. Go to www.riunday.org

November 9

Upper Darby-Lansdowne Rotary Club Flapjack Breakfast at Applebee's in the Manoa Shopping Center, West Chester Pike, Manoa.

November 22 and 23

District Conference at the Desmond Hotel. Go to <http://www.rotary7450.org/Conf>

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Save The Dates

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 22ND & 23RD
DESMOND HOTEL

Come and join your fellow Rotarians at the 2013 District Conference that focuses on the new generation of Rotary.

This year's conference is filled with new opportunities for learning and engagement. Get inspired by great speakers and educational sessions; hear from young aspiring Rotarians; learn how to start a multi-club International project; participate in a service project with fellow Rotarians; and much, much more.

Help package 10,000 meals to STOP HUNGER NOW. Be inspired by the next generation of Rotary leaders' stories of service, happiness, and success. Get energized, engage Rotary, change lives...including yours.



Join District Governor Charles Streitwieser at the 2013 District Conference.

