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Message from DG Doug

I am in "full swing" conducting and very much enjoying my Official Visit to each of our 51 wonderful Rotary Clubs. If I am not on your Club's schedule, please contact me, your Assistant Governor or Sharon Quick. Anyone of us will help find a suitable date for my visit to your Club.



I have to say that the greatest pleasure of being Governor is the opportunity to visit with so many District Rotarians on their "home turf". It really is a joy to me.

Second, starting mid-August, our District Conference Registration will open for our Friday/Saturday, November 14-15, 2014 District Conference. This conference is being designed to give each of you and your Club the tools and techniques to have a more visible and satisfying presence in your local community and in the wider world.

A special feature planned for this year's Conference is the opportunity to participate in a "Stop Hunger Now" meal packaging session. We need to guarantee a minimum of 10,000 meals at a cost of \$2,900 at this event. I plan to seek voluntary contributions from Rotarian, Rotaractors, and Interactors in support of this effort. If any individual Rotary clubs wish to make a contribution to this project, that would be great.

Finally, about 40 of District 7450 Rotarians met RI President Gary C.K. Huang August 7, prior to a dinner hosted by District 7640 in Cherry Hill, N. J. President Gary shared his goals, concerns, and insights into "Lighting Up Rotary" through service, family, and fun with the group. We then proceeded to a Multi-District Reception and Dinner which provided plenty of Rotary Fellowship and Fun!

While President Gary is a Rotarian, just like the rest of us, he is a Rotarian who is devoting years of full time effort to strengthening and developing our world-wide service organization. He is a great salesman for Rotary while simultaneously being a serious thinker about the substance of our Rotary mission and the practical techniques for implementing our worthy goals.

I hope we can arrange a similar meeting with President Gary if he visits our area again during this Rotary year or with our 2015-2016 RI President R.K. "Ravi" Ravindran. We really are all in this together!

I continue to make weekly visits to the District clubs, sometimes two a day, and I am enjoying every minute !

DG Doug Blazey

RI President Huang greets District 7450 Rotarians



About 40 of District 7450 Rotarians met RI President Gary C.K. Huang and Mrs. Huang in Cherry Hill, N.J. on August 7 at a private meeting where he shared his goals, concerns, and insights into "Lighting Up Rotary" through service, family, and fun. The District Rotarians also attended a multidistrict reception and dinner hosted by District 7640. Joining President Huang and his wife, Corinna, are (from left) Julianna and DG Doug Blazey and (right) Christopher Blazey.

<u>Register early:</u> <u>'Peace, Projects, Pfun' set for</u> Nov. 14-15 District Conference

Planning continues for the 2014 District Conference on November 14 and 15 at the Villanova Conference Center in Radnor. PDG Bob Lankin is chairing the Conference Committee whose vice-chair is AG Karen Mazzarella.

In addition to workshops and special speakers, this year's hands- on event will again be the "Stop Hunger Now" meal-packaging session. Each Club is asked to donate at least \$60 for supplies for the projected 10,000 meals.

For further information including registration details, go to <u>rotarydistrict7450.org/district conference</u>.



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<u>Gundaker Foundation Reports:</u> 10 outbound students leave; 10 arrive in District 7450



YEP Co-chair Ed Graves, YEP Chair Donna Henry, Outbound students Hanna Bailey, Kaitlyn MacLennan, and Emma Gardiner of Wayne, Co-Chair Francy Cross and DG Doug Blazey at the Gundaker meeting.

YEP chair Donna Henry (left), Cochair Rob Newman (in cap), host family members and Longwood Rotary Club members welcome the first Rotary Exchange student (second from left) from France.

When school begins in District 7450, 10 Rotarv Exchange Program students from 10 countries will be enrolled at 10 high schools in District 7450. There will be six voung women and four young



men. At the same time, 10 District 7450 outbound students will attend tend classes in eight countries. The group includes nine young women and one young man.

Longwood Rotary Club is hosting two students, one from France and one from Japan. Other host Rotary Clubs and country of student are: Abington at Edge Hill, Italy; Ardmore,

Chile; Chestnut Hill, Brazil; Glenside, Taiwan; Great Valley, Korea; Media, Sweden; Swarthmore, Germany; Upper Main Line, Ecuador.

Outbound students will attend schools in Sweden, Spain, Taiwan and South Korea, Germany, Turkey, Germany, Chile, Denmark, Denmark, and Ecuador.

Gundaker Foundation and YEP provides \$9400, and the local host Clubs provide a monthly stipend for the student.



District Youth Exchange Program chair is Donna Henry (dmhphilly@aol.com) of Eastwick/Philadelphia International Airport Rotary Club. Co-chairs are Ed Graves of UML Club, Francy Cross of Chester Club, and Rob Newman of Longwood Rotary Club.

<u>At King of Prussia</u> Rotary Leadership Institute set for September

All District 7450 Rotarians are encouraged and welcome to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) at the Radisson Hotel in King of Prussia September 27.

Co-hosted by District 7450 and 7430, RLI is a grass roots, multi-district leadership development program whose mission is to strengthen Rotary Clubs through quality leadership education. RLI, presented in 345 Districts in the Rotary world, offers Rotarians the opportunity to participate in

leadership training in their own backyard. Parts I, II, II and Graduate level will be offered for \$95 which includes breakfast, snacks, lunch and course material in a notebook. The fellowship of being with like-minded dedicated Rotarians is free. The program is 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. with 50- minute sessions facilitated by a well- trained member of the RLI Faculty. Emphasis is on the interactive discussion of the group addressing the following topics: **Part I:** Insights into Leadership, My Rotary World, Engaging Members, Our Foundation, Ethics-Vocational Service and Service Projects.

Part II: Strategic Planning and Analysis, Targeted Services, Club Communications, Team Building and Attracting Members.

Part III: Effective Leadership Strategies, International Service, Public Image & Public Relations, Rotary Opportunities, Rotarians Vocational Service Expectations and Making a Difference.

Graduate: The Rotary Foundation, Membership, Ethics, Public Speaking, Diversity and Rotary History.

For additional information, contact District 7450 RLI Chair John F. Washington Jr. at (215) 576-7654 or johnfw@hotmail.com.

To register, go to www.rlinea.org

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'Rotary Night at Phillies' raises \$4932 for 'End Polio Now'



(Heddy Bergnab, Philly photographer) District 7450 Rotary Glee Club (led by Paul Welde of the Philadelphia Rotary Club, (above, left) performed the National Anthem prior to the start of the Phillies-Giants game at Citizens Bank Park July 23. All smiles after successfully tossing the baseball to the Phillie Phanatic prior to the game is DG Doug Blazey and his wife, Julianna. PDG Mark McGill, chair of "Rotary Night at the Phillies" for the past 25 years, has announced he is stepping aside.



(Heddy Bergsman, Phillies photographer)

DG Doug Blazey celebrates a successful ceremonial first pitch with the Phillie Phanatic. Rotarians sold 548 tickets to the game which raised \$4,932 for "End Polio Now" fund.



Philadelphia Rotarians celebrated prior to "Rotary Night at the Phillies" July 23 with a tailgate party. Among those on hand were (from left) Clifton Salas, Kelly and Joe Stroemel and Kelly's father, Kurt Stroemel, Adam Puff, David Gill (master chef of burgers and hot dogs), Katie Campbell and Bill Decker. The Rotarians dined on burgers and hot dogs, chips, wine pretzels, beer and soda before going into the ballpark for the Phillies game with San Francisco.



Six-month old Malcom Campbell attended his first Phillies game with his parents, Rotarians Iain and Katie Campbell. They are enjoying the Philadelphia Rotary Club Tailgate Party prior to "Rotary Night at the Phillies" on July 23.

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'Rotary Night at the Phillies'



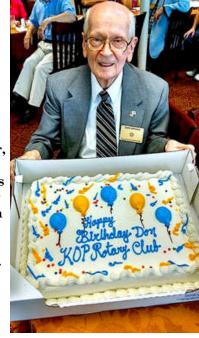
(Heddy Bergman, Phillies photographer)



(Dave Haradon photo) DG Doug Blazey (left) follows through after letting go of baseball during pre-game toss to the Phillie Phanatic. Above is photo of message board as Rotary Glee Club sings "The Star Spangled Banner before the Phillies game.

Don Brown celebrated and celebrates 90th!

The King of Prussia **Rotary Club** recognized Don Brown, long-time member and official Club photographer, as he celebrated his 90th birthday August 4. Don has been a **Rotarian for** over 30 years. The members were able to turn the camera on him to



capture this important milestone.

Philadelphia Rotarians receive International Toast from Rotarian Mike Rand of Jerusalem Rotary Club

The USA Declaration of Independence was adopted by The Continental Congress in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on July 4, 1776. Independence Day in the USA was therefore celebrated this past Friday, just two days after the Jerusalem Rotary changeover dinner. I was born in Philadelphia and it is with great pleasure that I propose this toast to this outstanding Rotary Club in that great historic city of my birth.

The Philadelphia Rotary Club is Club Number 19 in District 7450. It was organized on 30 November 1910 and proudly boasts of 100+ years of "Service above Self".

Of the 34,000 Rotary Clubs in the world, they were the 19th to be chartered. It has been the home of two Rotary International Presidents – Glen C. Mead (1912 - 13), the first RI president following the founder, Paul Harris, and also Guy Gundaker (1923 - 24). Over the many years since its foundation, many of the club members, over a dozen –

have served as District Governors and RI Directors. Literacy improvement efforts have been a key target of The Rotary Club of Philadelphia. Its distributions of thesauruses, dictionaries and atlases in recent years have touched the lives of thousands of Philadelphia school children.

The Philadelphia Rotary Club has also funded a computer-assisted learning initiative at a Philadelphia school, has supplied books for several organizations' libraries, and has underwritten a summer writing camp as well.

> Opportunities to participate in community work projects, chaperone physically and mentally challenged citizens, and interaction with young

people are regular activities for its club members. It is not unusual for Philadelphia Rotary members to be engaged in 10 - 15 different "hands on" service initiatives annually in the Philadelphia area.

The Philadelphia Rotary President for 2014 - 15 is Sandra Goldberg. They meet on Thursday at noon for lunch at the prestigious Union League located at Broad and Samson Streets in down-town Philadelphia, a very short walk from the well known Philadelphia City Hall.

We in the Jerusalem Rotary (Club) raise our glasses today in a toast to the Philadelphia Rotary Club and wish them another 100 years of "Service above Self."



<u>Glen Riddle, Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Clubs:</u> 38th Delaware County Fair set for September 11 to 14

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Glen Riddle and Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Clubs will host the 38th annual Delaware County Fair Thursday, September 11th thru Sunday, September 14th, at the Granite Run Mall on Route 1 in Lima.

The fair will be from 6 p. m. to 10 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, 4

to 10 p.m on Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The Special Kids' Night will be Thursday, September 11, from 6 to 10 p.m. Through corporate sponsorship, students of special needs schools can enjoy an evening of rides and games at no cost. For information, contact Lisa Flora Grech of Glen Riddle Rotary Club at (610) 358-9933 or **lisaglenriddle@aol.com**.

Since the Fair began in 1976, the Delaware County Fair Board has exceeded the one million dollar mark in raising funds for a number of local organizations. Proceeds from the 2014 Fair will support the following organizations: CADES (Children and



Fair volunteer PDG Brad Stanton, Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club.

Getting ready to volunteer again for the Delaware County Fair September 11 through 14 are Concordville-Chadds Ford



Rotarians Sue Mard-inly and David Lafferty, who are among many Rotarians who help with the Fair each year.

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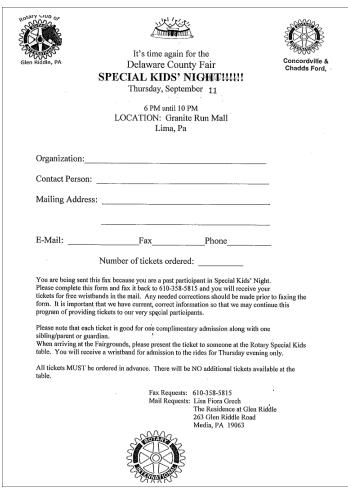
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Delaware County Emergency Services and Operation Warm.

For more information about the Fair, contact board chairman Pete Frigiola at <u>dcfrig@hotmail.com</u>.



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Newtown Square Rotarians give \$5,000 to Veterans Memorial

Newtown Square Rotary Club presented a check for \$5,000 to the Delaware County Veterans Memorial for a block which will read: "We Salute You Our Heroes – Rotary Club of Newtown Square." On hand for the presentation at the memorial are (front row, from left) Chief, Linda Houldin, Guy Fizzano, Bob Hoffman, Rotarian Tony Galiffa (holding the check), President, Sam Coco, Joe Bullen: (second row, from left) Bruce Cumby, Steve Kraynik, Cyndie Martin, Fran Franchi, Marie Richards, Jonathan Bentley; and Al Conan (at top).



Newtown Square Rotary Club float wins 2nd in July 4th parade



The Newtown Square Rotary Club won second place for small float category in the Marple-Newtown Fourth of July parade. The parade starts in Newtown Square at St Alban's Circle and travels down West Chester Pike to the Broomall Fire House. Holding the trophy (upper left) are Marie Richards and Fran Franchi, who are joined by Steve Kraynik (left) and Bill Richards, (Marie's husband and ิล volunteer). The Rotary Club is celebrating its 65th anniversary, and the float reflects that fact (bottom left). Marie's white convertible is leading the float.

DG Doug Blazey inducts King of Prussia Rotary Club president

District 7450 District Governor Doug Blazey congratulates Barbara McMullan following her induction as 2014-2015 president of the King of Prussia Rotary Club by DG Doug last month as President-Elect Kevin Kataryneck (left) prepares to present the President's Pin to Barbara, who succeeded Thomas C. Hough, who served as 2013-2014 president.



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DG Doug shares mission during 'official visit' to Bensalem Club

DG Doug Blazey discussed the 2014-2015 Rotary Club theme, which is "Light Up Rotary," and what it means to him during his official visit to the Bensalem Club August 19 luncheon meeting. He believes that Rotarians are the ones who bring the "light" to everything they do in their

communities and that it is imperative to every club's success that Rotarians find a way to share this "light" with other members of the community. By doing this, it will inspire other community members to join Rotary and help continue to spread the "light." Doug summed up his method for "spreading the light" with three words: "Serving, sharing and shining." Doug said he hopes that Rotarians continue to enjoy the fellowship Rotary provides while having fun and encouraging family and friends to become



fellow Rotarians. He would like to create a family fun day to be held next summer at a local park to boost fellowship between local Rotary clubs and to introduce other community members to all that Rotary has to offer.

<u>WC Rotary Club:</u> Neilon named 'Rotarian of Year'



Outgoing club president, John Schwab (left), presents the Rotarian of the Year plaque to Mac Neilon at a recent meeting. Mac quietly goes about helping at every meeting and event, said John, in explaining his choice of Mac for the honor.

WC Rotary Club names two Honorary Rotarians



Shauna Yeldell (right), chair of the Honorary **Rotarians Committee of the Rotary Club of West** Chester, presents plaques to newly named Honorary Rotarians Carla Messikomer and Father Al Concha. Messikomer was selected for volunteering over 20 years as a literary tutor in West Chester at the Chester County Family Academy (CCFA) and West Chester Friends School. She also developed the "Christmas in a Shoebox " program for CCFA children who need school supplies. In accepting the award, she did so on behalf of "the armies of good people who just meet a need...to make life better...please honor them all." Father Concha was born in Ecuador and was selected because of his commitment to the health, safety and welfare of West Chester's most vulnerable residents. He is the priest for St. Agnes Parish in West Chester and serves Polish, Ukrainian, Korean and Japanese immigrants, in addition to his regular congregants. He also offers services in Spanish due to the rapid growth of Hispanic congregants. He has helped his parish begin a five-year strategic plan called "St. Agnes ALUVE."

Hill Named to Gundaker President's Circle

Glen Riddle Rotarian Harry Hill, Gundaker Foundation past president and past treasurer and chair of venues, received the Gundaker's President's Circle Award for his financial support to the Foundation.



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<u>Net revenue: Over \$29,000</u> PMB, UML Rotarians sponsor annual golf tournament

For 17 years the Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn Rotary Club has sponsored a golf tournament to raise funds for Club charities. This year, the newest Club in the District, Upper Main Line Rotary Club, joined PMB Rotarians June 5 at Paxon Hollow Golf Club in Marple Township. Net revenues will exceed \$29,000 which will be distributed to each Clubs' charities.

This year's tournament, chaired by Rich Scott of PMB Rotary



Co-chair Steve Smith (arms raised) is going over ground rules for the tournament.

Club and co-chaired by Steve Smith of UML Rotary Club, honored long-time Rotarian Bill Fritz. Following early morning showers, the day stayed dry with blue skies and temperatures



PMB's Rich Scott, chair of the tournament, helps with registration of golfers.

in the mid-80s. Golfers played under a scramble, best ball format. They competed for various on-course prizes, a putting contest, several raffle prizes and sports memorabilia silent auction items. Although there were no winners of the hole-in-one prizes, there was a low score of 17 below par, -3 lower than last year's low score.

UD-Lansdowne Rotary Club presents checks to four local organizations

The Upper Darby-Lansdowne Rotary Club presented checks to representatives of seven community groups in June. The organizations, amount, and representatives who

accepted the check are: (front row, from left) Darby Salvation Army, \$250, Cynthia McQueen; Upper Darby Sellers Library, \$250, Nancy Hallowell; Community YMCA, \$500, Nancy Drees; Upper Darby Community Outreach Program, \$250, Carolyn Felker; and (back row, from left) End Polio Now, \$250, PDG Russ DeFuria;



Boy Scouts of America, \$250, Matt Fernandes; Community YMCA, Mary Jane Armour; and Life Center of Eastern Delaware County, \$500, Jim Shelton.

Newtown Square Rotary Club greets visitor from German Rotary Club

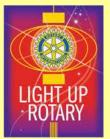
The Newtown Square Rotary Club welcomed a fellow Rotarian, Clemens Siegfanz (left) from Germany, at the July 17 Club meeting. Siegfanz, an



employee of SAP, thanked the Club for the warm welcome and exchanged flags with President Tony Galiffa (right). Joining them were AG Karen Mazzarella and DG Doug Blazey.

DEADLINE for the September <u>District 7450</u> <u>Rotary Leader</u> is August 30. Send photos/news to <u>info@Rotary7450.com</u> and <u>mombugjoan@msn.com</u>, Please identify all people in photos. Thank you.





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Submit club attendance or changes to contact information through District Database at <u>www.DaCdb.com</u> For help, call Sharon Quick at (215) 735-5984 or Brian Casey at (484) 483-8423.

<u>*Operation Warm' chairman:</u> E-Club Rotarians donate \$500 in honor of West Chester Rotarian Joe Polito



On behalf of the E-Club Rotarians, Jane Anthony (standing) donated a \$500 check to the "Operation Warm" project of the Rotary Club of West Chester in honor of West Chester Rotarian Joe Polito who has chaired the project for the West Chester Club for many years. "Operation Warm" has provided winter coats to thousands of Chester County youngsters under Polito's leadership.

Westtown-Goshen Rotarians send supplies to five schools in Guyana

Westtown- Goshen Rotarians Dixie Peters, Ed Olsavicky and Jeff Penfil, join with Guyana America Faith Partners President Cicely Peters in preparing boxes of supplies for five schools located in West Coast Berbice, Guyana. The supplies will be shipped in barrels and large



wardrobe boxes. A backpack with supplies will be presented to each child from grade one through four. The program was started in 2005 by Cicely Peters, president of GAFP, a 501 (c)(3) corporation, who was presented with a check for \$1500 from Past President David Moldoff. The gift will help 100 children. In the Spring of 2015, several WE - GO members will travel to Guyana to join with members of the Rotary Club of Central Georgetown to install playground equipment at No 29 Village Primary School.

You can now donate to your local Gundaker Foundation using PayPal. Goto <u>www.Rotay7450.org/gundaker</u>





FOURTH ANNUAL End Polio Now Fun(d) Raiser September 20, 2014



\$30 tickets-\$10 to district 7460 End Polio Now campaign.

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4th annual **'Kick Polio Off the Planet'** September 20, PPL Park, Chester **Benefits END POLIO NOW**



Come see Amobi Okuga, born in Nigeria where polio is still endemic, help score goals against the Houston Dynamo and polio. Tickets are \$30 with \$10 being returned to our Polio efforts along with the match by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The standard pre-game Tailgate Party will be back again, thanks to the Chester Rotary Club starting at 4:30 p.m. followed by the 7 p.m. Philadelphia Union– Houston Dynamo game. Goal is to raise enough to vaccinate 65,000 children. Thus far, END POLIO NOW fund has received almost \$7,000 from three previous games. For tickets and more information, contact AG Bronwyn Martin, 610-453-7215 or district7450.bronwyn@gmail.com.

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Districts 7450 and 7430 will partner for a Rotaplast Mission to Pereira, Columbia, hosted by the Rotary Club de Perla Otum. This will be the seventh visit to the area and will concentrate on more complex surgeries or follow-ups from previous procedures. Conshohocken-Plymouth-Whitemarsh Rotarian Don Heebner will be the designated team photographer.

Glen Mills-Thornbury Rotary presents...



Jay Black has performed at nearly 500 colleges nationwide. In 2013 APCA named him both the College Comedian of the Year and the prestigious College Performer of

Jay has worked extensively as a club comedian, as well as, appearing everywhere from Atlantic City (The Tropicana) and Las Vegas (The Tropicana, MGM Grand) to Los Angeles (The Improv, The Laugh Factory).

Jay has opened for several celebrites, including Christopher Titus, Greg Fitzsimm Bobcat Goldthwait, Emo Phillips, Pete Holmes, and Sinbad. In the Spring of 2014, Jay will be joining Kevin Nealon on his east coast tour, appearing with him at sev

Jay has met with equal success as a writer. The TV show he co-created with Brian Herzlinger ("Paulie" starring Paul Sorvino, Janeane Garofalo, and Michael Madser was filmed in February of 2013. His first produced screenplay, "How Sweet It Is" be released into theaters in Spring of 2014.

Also performing:





Friday September 5, 2014 @ Penn Oaks Golf Club Penn Oaks Golf Club is located at 150 Penn Oaks Drive, West Chester, PA 19382

Event Schedule

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Tickets will be available through Eventbrite For a reserved table of 10, contact Tony DiLeva at 610-656-2543 Proceeds benefit Local Charities

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