

Rotary



District 7305

The Beat - June 2024

CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

District Governor John Dale Hartman

A Rotary Year in Review

As I sit here to draft this final article for The Beat I hear the refrain of many Past District Governors when this year started, "The year will be done before you know it." On the front end I could not imagine how true this statement was. It seems like yesterday that I began the year and to my surprise, it is about to end. Sure enough, the year was complete before I knew it.

I had the extreme honor and privilege to have been asked by Rotary International President Elect Stephanie Urchick to serve as her Personal Sergeant at Arms at the International Rotary Convention in Singapore. Responsible for ensuring security to Stephanie during the event, I was assisted by Stephanie's Aide, PDG Tom Gump, Rotary International staff, Convention Sergeants at Arms and support personnel. The team did not stop there. I was assisted on any number of levels by First Lady Jenny and Rotarians from our District including PDG Al DeLucia, Brian Daniels and Rick Martin. This was an experience I will forever remember and one which means much to me both personally and professionally.

In looking back over our year a highlight was my official visits with our many clubs. It was through visiting our clubs that I learned so much about not only the clubs individually but also our District as a whole. I was able to see firsthand the wonderful work being done.

Quote of the Month:

"Although we try to control it in a million different ways, the only things you can ever really do to time are enjoy it, or waste it. That's it."

A.J. Compton



District Governor John Hartman reflects on his year in office. The success of the year wouldn't have been possible without the help of many Rotarians and, not least, his wife Jenny

The individual efforts in our District served as an inspiration to me not only as a District Governor but as a Rotarian. I saw the true tenants of our organization in action-and I was personally moved.

The District Governor's Focus Project I selected this year was an effort to assist military veterans in need. While the primary focus was to raise funds for the Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, Inc., an organization which provides dogs to veterans suffering from PTSD or other conditions, we likewise wanted to support other organizations of choice benefiting veterans and other military families. This effort met the request of Rotary International President R. Gordon R. McNally that we address the issue of Mental Health in the world. Further, it addressed an issue I felt was critical to us in this country, the health of our veterans. Injuries are not always visible and many of our veterans are in need of assistance. This program goes far in providing assistance to those military personnel who suffer from

mental health issues. I asked our District to assist in this effort and not surprisingly, our District championed the effort beyond any expectation I may have had. Our Rotarians and those who supported our project knocked the ball out of the park. And to be sure, this could not have been possible without the efforts of our Co-Chairs to the Veterans Initiative Committee spearheading this effort, PDG Bob Rupp and Johnny Mock. Veterans themselves, they went full on with the project, carving out support with Chair Stu Benson, Esq. and The Rotary District 7300 Foundation driving this effort to unimaginable levels.

We had an extremely successful year as a District, and I would like to thank those who worked so hard on the District level to make this possible. I would like to thank our Chair of The Rotary District 7305 Committee for The



District Governor John Hartman attended class mate, and District 7280 Governor, John Marshall's district conference. He is pictured above with 7280 Rotarian Aaron Sines.

Rotary Foundation Al DeLucia. His stewardship enabled us to achieve the goals of helping others locally and internationally. And with that, I would like to that the Committee itself in all that it has done to support those efforts.

I would like to thank PDG Al DeLucia for his untiring effort as our Innovative Club Advocate providing guidance on the various club platforms available including our successful Impact Club model. I would like to thank DGND Michelle Petrell for her continuing efforts in keeping membership front and center in all of our minds. I would like to thank AG Joe Orbovich, Chair of the Public Image Committee for the advancements he made in pushing the message of public image forward to our clubs. I would like to thank our District Treasurer Bill Blaney and the Finance Committee as a whole for all their hard work keeping the District on a true course. I would like to thank Wayne Skelley, Rick Martin and our entire Youth Services Committee for the great work they do for Rotary at large and the district in particular. I would like to thank the combined efforts of my Assistant Governor Advisors Dennis Piper and Veronica Buzzelli and all of the Assistant Governors in their efforts to support the needs of the clubs. And I would like to thank both AG Dennis Piper and DGE Dan Dougherty of the IT Committee for their assistance and support in making sure all of our technology platforms worked at optimal levels.

I would like to thank Chair Stu Benson of The Rotary District 7300 Foundation Committee and all of the committee members for their work in providing invaluable support to the many initiatives maintained in the District. And I would like to thank the Conference Committee Co-Chairs PDG Sue Kelly and AG Diane Parker Moore as well as the committee members at large for the hard work they have done on our upcoming District Conference.

I would like to thank the efforts of my most capable District Governor's Aide PDG Sue Kelly. Her continued support, understanding and advice assisted me every step of the way in performing my duties. I found her guidance invaluable in my

performing the duties of District Governor. And I would like to recognize the efforts of District Secretariat Sandra Rebholz. Her work in setting club visit schedules, research on any number of issues that came up during my year, serving as liaison on any number of efforts and performing the many administrative tasks necessary to run a District enabled me to perform my duties in a far more informed manner. And I would like to thank Ivar Berge for his efforts in producing what I feel is a newsletter and bulletin board second to none.

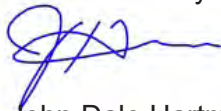
On a personal level, I would like to thank my wife, First Lady Jenny. I cannot say enough about her. She accompanied me to many of my club visits providing support and advice. Her efforts behind the scenes from getting materials together for each club visit to keeping my somewhat harrowing schedule straight kept my course true. I could not have done all that was required without her full and unwavering support.

And finally, I would like to thank all of you who have supported me this past year. It has been my honor and privilege to serve District 7305 as your District Governor. The support I received was unimaginable.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the best for DGE Dan Dougherty, DGN Felicia Mycyk, and DGND Michelle Petrell as they each move District 7305 forward in the coming years. I appreciate their support and will stand to support them in their successive years.

Thank you all for all you have done in our Service Above Self to Create Hope in the World.

Yours in Rotary Service



John Dale Hartman
District Governor

Rotary Fellowship

As we welcome the month of June, we celebrate a theme that lies at the very core of Rotary's mission: Fellowship. This theme is not just a reminder of our social gatherings and shared activities, but a testament to the enduring relationships and connections that we, as Rotarians, build through our collective commitment to service and community.

It is during this month that we:

- recognize the importance of fellowship and goodwill among Rotarians with similar recreational and vocational interests,
- promote increased participation in fellowships, and
- increase understanding of this program.

The Essence of Rotary Fellowship

Rotary Fellowships are international groups whose members share a common interest. Being part of a fellowship is one way to make friends locally and around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary Experience.

Rotary Fellowship goes beyond simply working together on projects. It encompasses the friendships we form, the mutual support we provide, and the global network of like-minded individuals to which we belong. These connections are the lifeblood of our organization, fostering a sense of unity and purpose that drives our efforts to make the world a better place.

The strength and impact of our fellowship is reflected in the incredible projects we undertake. It is through our connections and friendships that we find the motivation and resources to tackle local and global challenges.

Looking Forward

As we celebrate Rotary Fellowship this month, let's take the opportunity

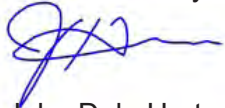


to reflect on the relationships that have enriched our lives. Reach out to fellow Rotarians, participate in fellowship events, and embrace the spirit of unity that defines our organization. Through fellowship, we find not only companionship but also the strength to make a lasting impact on our communities.

Membership in a fellowship is open to any interested individual. A listing of Rotary Fellowships can be found at rotary.org/fellowships.

Thank you for your dedication to Rotary and for being a vital part of our fellowship.

Yours in Rotary Service,



John Dale Hartman
District Governor

District Assembly

On Saturday, May 18th, the 2024 District Assembly was held, marking the final event in preparation for the 2024-2025 Rotary Year. The event was a significant success, with nearly 100 Rotarians from across our District participating in a day filled with Rotary learning and fellowship.

Our district's fellow Rotarians delivered informative and engaging presentations to equip clubs with the knowledge and tools needed to make the upcoming year the best it can be.

Key topics covered were:

District Initiatives and Programs

District Governor John D. Hartman provided an update on the initiatives and programs conducted throughout the year and previewed what is to come before June 30th.

Membership Strategies

District Membership Chair & DGND Michelle Petrell led an interactive session on effective membership strategies and the tools available to clubs.

Public Image Best Practices

District Public Image Chair Joe Orbovich discussed best practices for enhancing the visibility of clubs' work within their communities and ensuring adherence to Rotary's suggested guidelines.

Grants and Giving

Chairman of the Rotary District 7305 Committee for the Rotary Foundation Al DeLucia & Grants

Chair Jeff Klink provided updates on grants conducted this year, current figures on Annual Giving and Polio Plus, and the local and global impacts achieved with the assistance of The Rotary Foundation.

Technology in Rotary

District IT Co-Chairs Dennis Piper and Dan Dougherty highlighted how technology such as Rotary.org, DACdb, and The Learning Center can streamline the daily operations of clubs and enhance productivity.

District Conference Preview

District Conference Chair Sue Kelly previewed the upcoming District Conference at Seven Springs, encouraging members to register and participate in the event across all three days.

Annual Business Meeting and District 7300 Foundation

Stu Benson, wearing two hats as a presenter, first spoke as District Parliamentarian about the importance of the Annual Business Meeting on June 29th at District Conference and the significance of club representatives shaping our district's future. His second presentation focused on the Rotary District 7300 Foundation, which he serves as Chairmain, its function, and how it can support clubs in achieving greater success with various projects.

Looking Ahead

DGE Dan Dougherty provided a lunchtime overview of the upcoming year's initiatives, projects, and events, encouraging participants to stay informed via email and the district website.

After lunch, there were three breakout sessions to choose from to help members prepare for the Rotary year ahead:

Grant Management Training

This gave clubs the required sessions to participate in District and Global Grants for 2024-25.

Club Enhancement and Engagement

Allowed Rotarians to share and discuss successful projects and fundraisers, offering new ideas for other clubs. And ways to enhance the club experience

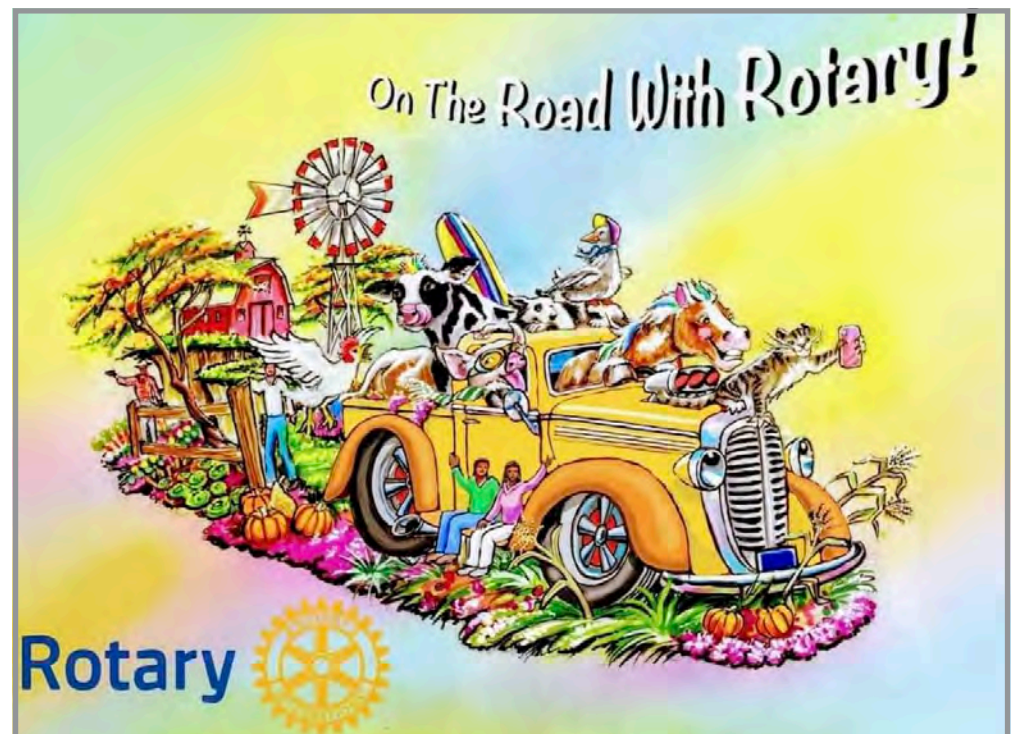
Public Image Workshop

The workshop provided an overview of new tools, such as Canva for creating promotional materials and ChatGPT AI for writing Facebook posts, emails, and press releases.

Overall, the 2024 District Assembly was a highly impactful day. A sincere thank you to all the Rotarians who contributed to making this event a success.

Let's go forward and spread The Magic of Rotary together!

Dan Dougherty, DGE



The Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee has released this photo design for the Rotary International float that will be part of the 2025 Rose Parade. For more information on Rotary's participation in the parade, and to sign up to help decorating the float, visit rotaryfloat.org

Supporting Local Libraries

Belle Vernon Rotary showed its support for three local libraries at their May 9 meeting at Cedarbrook Golf Course. Rotarian Theresa McCulloch introduced representatives of three Belle Vernon area libraries for remarks, followed by check presentations by President Brian Mentzer and Rotary Members.

Library Board President Debi Tidholm spoke on behalf of the Frazier Community Library; a Perryopolis institution that got started in 1948 thanks to a \$1.5 million donation from Mary Fuller Frazier, who grew up in Perryopolis. Formerly located in the Frazier High School Building, it is now located at 400 Liberty Street, Perryopolis, where only 25% of their collection can be displayed. They are looking for a permanent new location.

North Belle Vernon Library, represented by President Sally Myers and Treasurer June Exley was then introduced. The library services North Belle Vernon, Belle Vernon Borough, Washington Township and Fayette City. They provide many services to the community, including computers, and e-books. The library is located at 505 Speer Street in North Belle Vernon.



The Rotary Club of Belle Vernon believes in supporting literacy. They recently presented three area libraries with some well needed monetary donations.

Above: Frazier Community Library accepting their check: Theresa McCulloch, Brian Mentzer, Leslie Uhren, Debi Tidholm, Frances Kranek, Sophie Shahan, Roseann Bowser, and Pat McCulloch. **Below left:** North Belle Vernon Library accepting their check: Brian Mentzer, Sally Myers, June Exley, Fred Exley, and Theresa Mc Culloch. **Below right:** Rostraver Library accepting their check: Brian Mentzer, Fred Foster, Kelly Yoskosky, Brian Pirilla, and Theresa McCulloch. Pictures and text by Debra Keefer

Rostraver Library, represented by Kelly Yoskosky, is located at 700 Plaza Drive, Rostraver, and also is responsible for the Smithton Public Library. The library has numerous activities including a writers group, tiny tikes, storytime for children, adult crafts, a knitters group, a Lego club,

etc. They bring in a representative from the Dept of Health monthly to present a program and their summer reading program, Adventure at your Library, is available online and at the library. Smithton library also is an active community center hosting a book club and family nights.



RI Convention Presentation

The Rotary International Convention in Singapore wrapped up on Wednesday, May 29. Our district was represented by several active Rotarians, including PDG Al DeLucia, DGE Dan Dougherty, and RIPE Stephanie Urchick.

And, on Monday, May 27, Al DeLucia was one of the presentors at a breakout on the impact of Companion Clubs.

ROTARY FOR ALL: THE IMPACT OF COMPANION CLUBS



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Director 2024-2026
RI Zones 33/34



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Companion Club Model



Al DeLucia
PDG, IMPACT Innovator
Rotary Club of McMurray



Herb Klotz
Zone 32
Rotary Coordinator




Celebrating Our Youth

On April 30, The Rotary Club of Penn Hills partnered with the Penn Hills Education Foundation to host their 2024 scholarship program. What a wonderful night for the students and their families! Rotary awarded 17 scholarships - the most they have ever awarded in any single year in their 76 year history! Congratulations to the Penn Hills High School Class of 2024!

Then, on Saturday, May 18 the club hosted an awards luncheon at Penn Hills Senior High School. The event honored the varsity cheerleaders who were the recipient of the 2024 PIAA Champion Team Spirit Award for outstanding community service and sportsmanship. This was an award that the club helped recommend the team for. Penn Hills Rotary was honored to host the team, their families, school district personnel, and elected officials to celebrate this achievement.

State Representative Joe McAndrew (D-Penn Hills), a fellow Rotarian, presented each of the cheerleaders with a proclamation from the State House of Representatives. In addition, Rotary presented cheerleading coach Dr. Lisa Coffey, also a fellow Rotarian, with a commemorative plaque. Several community leaders spoke in support of the team, including Penn Hills councilman Alan Waldron along with several school board members.

Penn Hills Rotary has been working with the varsity cheerleaders for about two years now. They volunteer at various events around the community. Their efforts have



Above: Penn Hills Rotary awarded 17 scholarships to the graduating class at Penn Hills High School. **Below:** The club also recognized the Penn Hills High School Varsity Cheerleading squad who were the recipients of the 2024 PIAA Champion Team Spirit Award.



helped Rotary contribute to local food banks, youth sports programs, community beatification, volunteer fire departments, literacy programs, scholarships, and so much more.

Penn Hills Rotary is deeply appreciative for their partnership with this team. Event after event, they are reminded that the varsity cheerleaders are professional, hard working, dedicated, and smart. This team truly make Penn Hills proud.

The presence and hard work of the cheerleaders while volunteering at events shows the community just how important the sports programs in Penn Hills are. It shows the community that the varsity cheerleading program is more than just cheerleading – it helps build character, sportsmanship, and instills a sense of pride in the community we call home. Congratulations on this achievement! *By Tyler Tomasino*

Bowling Section Champions

The Crafton-Ingram Rotary Club is honored to be able to support the Carlynton Bowling Team. This year the team made school history by becoming Section Champs. They were also able to send a few of their athletes to the State competitions!

As part of their support, the club provided the bowling team members with customized hoodies.

Pictured with the team are Club President Joe Orbovich, Coach Daniel Kuhn, and Brandi Kramer.



Supporting Guardian Angels

The Belle Vernon Rotary Club recently hosted Rotary District 7305 Governor John Hartman, PDG Bob Rupp, and Johnny Mock who are all active with the District's Veterans Initiative Committee. They introduced the evening's speaker Jack Wagner who is a veteran, a former Pittsburgh councilman, a PA state senator, Auditor General, and who is now a spokesperson for Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs.

There are currently 430 dogs assigned to veterans in this life saving organization. Guardian Angels is based in Florida, with a second site to be built in McDonald, PA on a 102-acre parcel. Groundbreaking is projected for November of this year.

On average, 22 veterans are lost to suicide each day. However, that number is zero among those owning a service dog.



Students of the Month

On May 2, at the Cedarbrook Clubhouse Grill, the Belle Vernon Rotary Club honored Students of the Month for 2024. The students who attend Frazier High School and Belle Vernon Area High School, were joined by their families for a dinner meeting. The students shared with members and guests their activities and future plans.

Rotary members Chris Giannamore and Theresa McCulloch coordinated this event along with Frazier Interact sponsor Cindy Marr, and BVA Interact sponsor Amy Jennings.

The students also heard from the evening's speaker, Philip Renden, retired as head of the Pittsburgh Division of the FBI, and Jack Wagner of the Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs organization.

Pictures and text by Debra Keefer



Celebrating a \$3,000 Belle Vernon Rotary donation to the Guardian Angel Medical Service Dogs are the club's veterans and Rotary officials: District Governor John Hartman, Fred Exley, Club President Brian Mentzer, Pat McCulloch, Dan Mochnaly, John Habel, Bob Rupp (District Veteran's Initiative Committee), Jack Wagner (Guardian Angels), and Johnny Mock (District Veteran's Initiative Committee). Picture and text courtesy of Debra Keefer

District Governor John Hartman, a veteran and former police chief, adopted this as his District project, setting his goal at \$50,000, however, in light of the fact that the cost to

train one dog is \$25,000, the goal has been increased to \$100,000. At the meeting, the Belle Vernon Rotary donated \$3,000 to the Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs.



The Belle Vernon Rotary Club recognized the first five "Student of the Month" honorees at their May 2 meeting.

Above left, representing the Belle Vernon Area High School, are Addison Hoffman, Melina Stratigos, and Alayna Horne.

Above, representing the Frazier High School, are Brianna Krall and Claire Domonkos.



Rotary Family Fun Day

At the District Assembly, DGE Dan Dougherty announced the Rotary Family Fun Day at Kennywood Park on Saturday, August 17th.

Tickets are only \$62 a person and includes your "Ride-All-Day" entry ticket, a catered buffet lunch, and fountain drinks in our own pavilion.

If you are a season pass holder, you do not have to purchase an entry ticket. Instead, you just pay \$28 for your lunch.

So bring your family, friends and enjoy fellowship with Rotarians from across Rotary District 7305.

You can purchase your tickets by scanning the QR code on the event flyer in The Bulletin Board.



Community Service Awards

In early May, the Rotary Club of Elizabeth held their annual Community Service Award Banquet. They recognized five outstanding seniors at Elizabeth Forward High School who embody what it means to give back their community.

Pictured above, left to right, are:

Eric Ash, Co-President of the Rotary Club of Elizabeth, award recipients Abigail Beinlich, Paulina Meek, Alyssa Terza, Rhyan Smith, and Sydney Toth, Elizabeth Forward High School Assistant Principal Kelli Garlow, and Superintendent of the Elizabeth Forward School District Keith Konyk. *By Eric Ash*



City Beautification

Members and friends of the Rotary Club of Johnstown soared high at Beautification Day in partnership with Discover Downtown Johnstown!

Rotarians, fueled by their passion, transformed the parklet at Haynes and Bedford streets into a radiant oasis, further solidifying the club's commitment to maintaining this gem!

Some of the individuals helping out were Brazilian exchange student Joao Carletti and Meghan Louder (above), incoming Club President Craig Sailor (above right) and Club President Jennifer Aurandt (right).

Also helping, but being camera shy, were Pat Petrell, Sam Fuge, Carole VanMeter, Jamie Louder, Amy & Paul Hamilton, and Don Sanderson.

By Jennifer Aurandt



ShelterBox Disaster Relief

ShelterBox is an international disaster relief charity that hand delivers emergency shelter to families impacted by natural disaster and conflict. By providing emergency shelter and the essential supplies families need “to self-recover, we are transforming despair into hope.

Did you know that the average time a family spends in a refugee camp after being displaced from their home is 19 years? “It’s like they are told, ‘Here is your assigned tent; this is your life for the next couple of decades,’” Dave Sturrock says.

Dave and his wife Melanie are the District 7280 and 7305 ambassadors for ShelterBox USA disaster relief. They recently shared some program updates with fellow Rotarians.

The good news is that, in 2023, ShelterBox helped 60,000 families; 450,000 people. The bad news is that 110 million are displaced, 75% of whom are women and children. And, by 2050, it’s estimated that 200 million more will be displaced.

“I get depressed about it sometimes,” Dave says. “We’ve helped so many, but so many more still need our help. I’m enheartened and excited, though, about the things we are doing to meet people’s needs.”

Melanie showed the club her favorite picture of a ShelterBox kit they had assembled for a family in the Philippines. The outside was decorated with thriving potted plants and flowers. “We made them a house, and they made it a home,” she said smiling. “And, our new and improved tarpaulins are used on damaged roofs to protect people’s belongings.”

“Tent recipients say thank you to ShelterBox,” Melanie says. “We say thank you to Rotarians.” Dave explained how he has seen children taking filthy water from questionable sources and putting it through a ShelterBox water filtration system to get clean drinking water. “We might think it’s repulsive, but that’s life for them every day,” Dave says.

Dave explained how



A family home in the Philippines, built by a mix of local materials and the tarpaulins from a ShelterBox kit. This family certainly takes pride in their new makeshift home, built after they lost their own in a recent storm. Article by Michele Papakie

ShelterBox differs from other, similar organizations. He said it is an apolitical, non-religious organization with unrestricted funds, which means it can use its money wherever it’s needed, and it is welcome to help in many regions. They are currently helping displaced people in 12 countries.

Rotarians, volunteers, and NGOs work together to provide comfort and relief to refugees. After they help, they come back later to make sure everything is working and will take appropriate action if it’s not.

Dave and Melanie also shared what’s new and evolving.

ShelterBox is:

- Delivering palletized aid. They can send shipments of mattresses, solar lights, blankets, etc.
- Transitioning from the shelter box to a shelter bag, which can be stuffed and packed more easily and efficiently, and it is more economically friendly than the big, plastic box.
- Strengthening their commitment to long-term displacement by providing aid/debit cards to families so they can support the local economy as they recover.

• Stockpiling aid for 450,000 people. There are five warehouses around the world, close to places that are likely to need them.

• Transitioning to a new tent style going from a dome shape to

a square, bigger, sturdier tent to accommodate more people.

- Creating more deployment partnerships. An example would be the work they’ve done in the Philippines. They’ve been there 30 times between 2004 and 2023 because storms are increasing in frequency and intensity. The government can help around 8,000 people per disaster, but there are at least 13,000-18,000 who need help. SBOP (ShelterBox Operation Philippines) is now there. Ten Rotary Districts are working with local teams and government to expand emergency preparedness and establish warehouses.

Together with MAP (Medical Aid for Palestinians), ShelterBox is preparing to help in Gaza. More than 1.9 million people have been displaced, and 80% of homes have either been damaged or destroyed. There is overcrowding and disease. So many children are vulnerable. Soon, ShelterBox will cross the border and help. They will source local materials as much as they can to also help the local economy.

You and your club can help. Please ask your club to donate and then make your personal donation. If you own a business, perhaps your business could donate too?

Remember: Support of ShelterBox is one of our district goals.

For more information, or to donate, please scan the QR code.

You can also contact Dave and Melanie at dtsturrock@gmail.com or call them at 724-991-4750.





McKeesport Peace Pole

On May 16, the Rotary Club of White Oak installed a Peace Pole in Renzi Park, next to Stephen Barry field with the help of the McKeesport Lions Club. They removed the weeds, planted new flowers to adopt the flower bed.

Peace and Conflict Resolution projects are a passion of RIPE Stephanie Urchick.

Thank you again to the McKeesport Lions Club for their hard work and providing plants, White Oak Busy Beaver for donating flowers, and the City of McKeesport for providing the location and mulch.



Washington County Cleanup

Washington Rotarians are still buzzing from their mid May weekend's amazing and eventful cleanup at Canonsburg Lake.

Together with their cleanup partners, they made a real difference over their three Washington County Cleanup Days!

Thanks go out to the awesome partners of the Rotary Club of Washington: Save Canonsburg Lake,

Canonsburg Houston Southpointe Rotary Club, McMurray Rotary, Clean up Our County Inc., and to the Washington County Watershed Alliance for their volunteer support and for providing pollinator-friendly seeds!

This is what community is all about! Stay tuned for their next cleanup initiative! Thank you to all who were involved.

Pictured on the right is Washington Rotarian Joe Piszczor.





FREE LUNCHES FOR ANY KID

Mon, Wed, Fri
11am-12pm

Carnegie Elementary
Crafton Elementary

No cost or sign-up required.
Participants receive a free lunch;
weekend bags available every Friday.

June 3-August 16

Summer Lunch Program

The Crafton-Ingram Rotary Club is one of the sponsors of The Free Grab-n-Go summer lunch program that is run by the Saint John Carnegie Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The program started in the summer of 2019 when several faith communities in and around Carnegie came together as the Carnegie Collaborative as a site for the USDA summer food program to provide a free sandwich supper in partnership with the Keystone Oaks School District and the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank.

During the 2020 Covid-19 Coronavirus outbreak, they came together again to serve lunches for students impacted by the school closures and through the summer.

They have served again every summer since, with expansion to offer weekend grocery bags to families.



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POLIO IN NUMBERS
Wild virus confirmed cases in 2024
Global Total: 6 (4*)
Wild virus detected from other sources in 2023
Global Total: 173 (190)**
 As of May 28, 2024
 * Total on the same date in 2023
 ** Total for all of 2023

Rotary's Four Way Test
 Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

Green Tree Scholarships

The Green Tree Rotary Club is pleased to announce the awarding of two \$1,500 scholarships to two graduating seniors:

Alaina Barlock, who is graduating from Bishop Canevin High School has not yet selected which university she will be attending, but she plans to major in Business, and may attend law school

Allison Leung, who is graduating from Keystone Oaks High School, will be attending the University of Pittsburgh, majoring in Computer Science.

For many years, the Green Tree Rotary Club has awarded scholarships to Green Tree students in their senior year who plan to attend college or a trade school in the fall semester. The scholarships are competitive, based on

academic achievement, community participation, and financial need. The two students selected this year are outstanding, and we wish them every success in their future careers.



Somerset Spelling Bee

The Rotary club of Somerset sponsored a third-grade Spelling Bee at Eagle View Elementary School. The three top spellers (pictured above) were: first place, Holly Deal; second place Troy Richter; and third place Collin Custer.

The top three winners were awarded certificates on May 22 by Club President Amy Baglio.

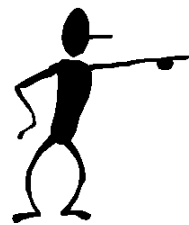
Spelling Bee winner Holly will represent the Rotary Club of Somerset at the Rotary district conference spelling bee at Seven Springs on June 29. By Rick Kazmer



Alaina Barlock and Allison Leung are the recipients of the Rotary Club of Green Tree \$1,500 scholarships this year. They are flanked by scholarship co-chairs Rick Canello & Steve Burkett and Club President John Wahl. By Sandra Rebholz and Barb Bennett



SAVE THE DATE



➤ **JUNE 27-30**

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SEVEN SPRINGS**



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

➤ **JULY 23**

**STRIKE OUT POLIO PIRATES GAME
PNC PARK**



➤ **JULY 30**

**DISTRICT GOLF OUTING
EDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB**



➤ **NOVEMBER 9**

**MILLION DOLLAR CELEBRATION DINNER
HILTON GARDEN INN SOUTHPOINTE**



➤ **JUNE 21-25**

**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
STAMPEDE PARK, CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA**

