

IMAGINE ROTARY IN DISTRICT 7360

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It's Youth Services month, and many of your clubs, the district also, are deeply involved in a variety of youth services. We support children and youth all year long through backpack programs, snacks provided for

food deprived kids, books and toys for elementary students. We also provide scholarships, leadership opportunities and of course, opportunities through the Student Exchange Program for older students.

This month we'll hold the final District competition of our Four Way Test Speech Contest, with a top prize of \$2,000 for the winning contestant. The event will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Muncy, PA, after our Foundation Walk on May 20th. Please plan to attend and support our students when they give their amazing speeches.

Another tremendous leadership activity for high school students, RYLA, is coming up in June—June 15th, 16th, and 17th to be exact. RYLA, or Rotary Youth Leadership Award, will be held in Shepherd's Springs, MD, again this year. It's going to be another exciting time!

Join me in celebrating all our youth this month as we stay young at heart ourselves and

Imagine Rotary

Warm wishes,

Vicki
District Governor
2022-2023

Newly added in red

CLUB CALENDAR

May 10—<u>Hagerstown-Sunrise</u>—Flags for Heroes

May 17—Rotary Club of Martinsburg
Golf Tournament—The Woods
Golf Course—Hedgeswood, WV

May 23—<u>State College Rotary Club</u>— Annual Auction - 6 - 8 pm.—

DISTRICT CALENDAR

American Philatelic Society, 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte

May 20—<u>District Foundation Walk</u>— Muncy, PA, St. College PA, and Hagerstown, MD

May 20—<u>4-Way-Test Contest Finals</u>— Muncy, PA

June 15,16,17—<u>RYLA</u> at Shepherd's Spring Retreat—Sharpsburg, MD

June 17—<u>Pedals Out Polio</u>—Virtual or on location

Please send dates for your club events to: PDG Sharon Benner 7360news@gmail.com Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

With two months left in this Rotary year, it is premature to celebrate. However, it is encouraging to see that many clubs in our district are growing far above the national average. We are also seeing other clubs adding to their membership for the first time in several years. There is no denying that it is possible to **Grow Rotary** here in District 7360. It just takes desire and effort at the club level.

Last week, District Governor Nominee, Pam Wagoner, and her Martinsburg Club, used the "Discover Rotary" program to introduce Rotary to potential members in a community where there currently is not a club. We also have at least two other clubs looking at starting satellite clubs. Once every club realizes that attrition is predictable, we all can be intentional and plan to bring in new members to not only sustain our *impact*, but to enlarge our footprint as well.

Our District leadership will do everything possible to assist, but it begins at the club level. There is no better time than now. Henry Ford started the Ford Motor Company in 1903. Rotary began two years later. Needless to say, the automotive industry has seen many changes in order to stay relevant. Rotary continues to evolve so that we will do the same. Membership growth is everyone's responsibility. This is why I quote PDG Sharon Benner, "we need to get our ask in gear" so that we can increase the Rotary *impact* here in our local communities as well as on a global scale. Simply said, we are a membership organization that provides amazing service. Let's go beyond imagining and make it a reality.



NEW MEMBERS

John Wolf (Honorary) Altoona

Sherri Growden Bedford Sunrise

Bobbi McBurney-Johnson Clearfield

Sarah Thornton Hagerstown/Sunrise

Eric Kujawa Hagerstown/Sunrise

Melissa Short Hagerstown/Sunrise

Aaron Valentino Hancock

Syed S Raza Huntingdon

Pamela Allegretto-Dilulio Johnsonburg

Matthew Reed Lewistown

Keith Altiery Lewistown

Lawrence M Means III Lewisburg/Sunrise

Mary Mahoney-Ferster Lewisburg/Sunset

Mike Grazer Lewisburg/Sunset

Cara Grazer Lewisburg/Sunset

Adam D Ware Martinsburg/Sunrise

Amy Vargas Martinsburg/Sunrise

Karl Reisner (Honorary) Mercersburg

Michael J Burns Milton

Mary Ruth Shaffer Selinsgrove

John W Aldis Shepherdstown

Michelle Baron St Marys

Phil Williams State College/Downtown

Lawrence J. Hoffman Waynesboro

Rita Sterner-Hine Waynesboro

NO DECEASED ROTARIAN LISTED ON DACDB

One of those Rotary opportunities!!!

Tell your Rotary friends!

Our Rotary district is holding a "district pin" design competition to produce new pins for the upcoming 2023-24 Rotary year.

The pin should be no larger than 2 inches in diameter and will have a push pin back. The pin can have up to four colors and can be of any shape if it is not larger than 2 inches. It may be, but not limited to, the Appalachian Trail or can be something that depicts our three states: Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. It should have "District 7360" somewhere on the pin.

The deadline for your artwork is Cinco de Mayo, May 5, and should be emailed to DGE Herb Smith by the deadline at hondaman21740@gmail.com. The Presidents-Elect will be voting on the top three designs at the District Training Assembly on May 2 and 3, where the district will be awarding bragging rights and a \$1,000 credit to the Rotary Foundation in the winner's name.

Good luck and get designing!!!



Sponsor a Flag for \$50.00

Be part of our community's tribute to past or present heroes in our lives. By sponsoring an American flag you can honor a member of the military, police, fire or other first responders who put their lives on the line for us every day. Perhaps a special nurse, teacher, mentor, coach or community leader, or someone who has inspired you could be your hero. A flag in their honor says they're remembered and appreciated.

Your flag will be flying in a 'field of flags' on display at Long Meadows Rotary Park on Northern Avenue beginning Saturday, May 20th. Each flag will have a tag displaying donor's name and the name of their hero. A ceremony to celebrate the contributions of the heroes is planned for Saturday, May 27th at the park. All heroes and sponsors will be recognized in a full page salute in the Herald Mail.

To participate you may elect to be an individual sponsor for \$50 per flag or a corporate sponsor at the Bronze level at \$250, the Silver level at \$500 or the Gold level \$1000. Donations may be made by check or credit card and are tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to Rotary Club of Hagerstown - Sunrise Foundation, Inc. Send payment information and completed sponsor form below to Rotary Club of Hagerstown - Sunrise, P.O. Box 1975, Hagerstown, MD 21742. Funds raised from this event will go directly to the Rotary Club of Hagerstown - Sunrise Foundation, Inc. to fund our Foundation Grant Program.

To request more information or to request a sponsorship form go to sunrisehagerstownflags4heroes@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING A SPONSORSHIP IS MAY 10, 2023.

Yes! I would like to become a j	Thank	& You	!	**************************************			
Number of flags at \$50.00 each		0	Ro	tary (
Corporate Sponsorships: Bronze at \$250 (Please Circle One)	Silver at \$500	Gold at \$1000		Thank You! Rotary Sunrise - Hagerstown			
	Total Cost		Please circle payment method:				
Name			Check	Visa	MC	Discover	
Address/Zip			Credit Card #				
E-mail			Exp. Date	V Code			
Hero Name			(Please use b	ack of forn	n for mult	iple Heroes info.)	
Rotarian Member							

Make checks payable to Rotary Club of Hagerstown - Sunrise Foundation, Inc.

Third Annual District 7360 Foundation Walk/Four-Way Test Speech Contest



Come out and enjoy a leisurely walk in one of three locations. This year we have expanded the reach of the District Foundation Walk to include, from east to west in the district, Muncy, PA, State College, PA, and Chambersburg, PA. It will be held on Saturday, May 20th. Registrations will begin at 10 am and the walk will begin at 11 am. It will take about 20-30 minutes of *leisurely* walking in these communities. In Muncy and State College a lunch will be provided at the venue for \$10.00. In Chambersburg, you will be right next to the restaurant area of town and be given ideas for different types of eateries available.

This is a district fundraiser for the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund. Each club is encouraged to attend, having at least one representative come out, but the more the merrier! Prior to the walk, members are encouraged to commit an amount and/or have individuals sponsor them for the walk (the money each raises goes to toward Paul Harris Fellow points). Since there is no distance to walk, it is that you are walking to raise monies to help to fund the many projects that are funded from our annual giving. The club with the most money raised will be the proud caretakers of the walking stick that travels to the winning club each year. A question has been asked, may corporations donate to the walk – the answer is yes, BUT the amount that they donate will not count toward the club total toward the walking stick but will toward the club total annual giving. Every penny helps others in our communities and around the world, so don't be shy, just ask.

Don't just attend to walk, also take a break between Mother's Day and Memorial Day to slow down for an hour or two, enjoy a nice stroll with old and new friends. Take time to meet others you may not normally have the opportunity to do. Take some time out to fellowship and explore a new area you may never have been to. This is intended to be for the whole family!

Finally, if you attend the Muncy walk, another exciting district event is occurring, the <u>Four-Way Test Speech Contest</u>. This is the finals for four students from around the district. It is always exciting and is usually only about an hour. Come out to hear what is on the minds of high school students today and how they defend it with the Four-Way Test. You always come away in awe. This will be at the First United Methodist Church in Muncy where the walk registration and lunch following will be held. <u>The Speech contest will begin at 2 pm.</u> This will give you time to return and have a leisurely lunch then enjoy four thought-provoking speeches.

What do I do now? <u>Go to DACdb</u> and go to the calendar, making sure you have selected the button that enables you to see the district events, and sign-up for the location where you will be walking. This gives the three venues an idea of how many walkers they will be expecting and which clubs will be attending their venue. Further details will be emailed to club presidents. Any questions, please reach out to Barb Morgan, by phone (call or text) 570-412-3368 or email <u>bjmorgan57@windstream.net</u>. <u>Checks should be made payable to The Rotary Foundation and put Annual Fund in the memo.</u>

ANNUAL FOUNDATION WALK

TO SUPPORT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL FUND ROTARY YEAR 2022-2023

Club leader and coordinators: Muncy Rotary Club, Barbara Morgan: 5704123368, Dick Langer 5709712414, Robert (Bob) 5704194070

Date: May 20th, 2023

Registration: 10:00 am

Walk: 11:00 am

Lunch (clubs will provide the anticipated number of members that will take the lunch in order to help Muncy to be prepared).

Club recognition: around 12:30 pm, the club bringing the highest donation will host the Foundation walk marching stick for one year (only checks labeled to Annual Fund Rotary International will be counted – excluding sponsored check).

Four Way Test competition: 1:00 pm

WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUND?

The Annual Fund is the primary source of unrestricted support for the programs of the Rotary Foundation. From clean water wells for village in Africa to teaching basic literacy skills to children in Latin America, during any given moment in a day. Thousands of Rotarians volunteer their time and expertise to ensure that all contributions given to the Annual Fund are spent wisely on quality Rotary projects. In 2018-2019 Rotary year, US\$126.1 million was donated to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund. The Annual Fund is comprised of donations from Rotarians, friends of Rotary, corporations, workplace giving vehicles and can be matched by corporate matching gifts to leverage your donation. There is even an online resource that allows you to see if your company has a charitable matching program (check it out at :www.rotary.org/matchinggifts).

The purpose of the Foundation Walk is to generate funds to support the Rotary International Foundation Annual Fund and to have a vey public day of celebration and fellowship.

Clubs, lease bring your club donations in the form of checks made out to Rotary International Annual Fund and a list of club members who made the donation with their amount (and Rotary identification number). We will make sure each Rotarian is given credit for their Foundation gift.

In summary, we will

- . Generate Funds for Rotary International Annual Fund.
- . Highlight and promote Rotary Community and International Service.
- . Have the opportunity for participating clubs to exchange ideas on clubs activities here and abroad.
- . Increase membership.
- . Involve family and friends in Rotary event.

Rene-Paul Forier, Foundation Chair and International Service Altoona Sunrise.



Rotary District 7360 4-Way Test Speech Contest 2022-2023

The 4-Way Test Speech Contest has been a key district 7360 event for many years. The purpose of the 4-Way Test Speech Contest is to foster the principles of ethics in everyday life as well as in business. The Contest is designed to introduce high school students to Rotary by creating interest through a competitive speech contest, sponsored by YOUR club.

As the New Year is here already, time is running out to get your students lined up and prepared for your club contest. Send me your club entry form and check for the fee.

Important Dates and Deadlines

February 15, 2023 - Club Entry Forms must be submitted to Chair March 31, 2023 - All club contests must be completed April 2, 2023 - Submit club winner's information April-May 2023 - Regional contests (Dates/Locations TBD) May 20, 2023 - District Contest, 2:00 PM at the First United Methodist in Muncy, PA.

To promote the contest and get more clubs and students involved, the district has agreed to dramatically increase the prize money for the regional and district contests.

Regional Contest Prizes.

Winner - \$3001st Runner Up - \$2002nd and 3rd Runners up - \$100

District Event Prizes.

Winner - \$2,000 1^{st} Runner Up - \$1,000 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} Runners Up - \$500

I look forward to receiving your entry form and getting ready for this years contest.

Art Leach

District chair, 4-way test speech contest

814-880-1575

Artleach77@gmail.com



District 7360

Please join us for RYLA!!

Lots of leadership skills, fun, fellowship, campfires, swimming, 4 Way Test, Youth Exchange Program and good food!!!!

June 15, 16, and 17, 2023

Shepherd's Spring Retreat Sharpsburg, MD

June 15 -check in will be 10:00-11:30am

June 17, will close with a presentation and a send off lunch for students and parents concluding at 1:30

This year we will be lodging in the cabins!

The focus will be on leadership skills and Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus.

Contact Co-Chairs

Pam Wagoner DGN 1-304-582-3328 Depotflorist@yahoo.com

Cody Kouneski ckouneski@barlett.com

The RYLA Committee is busy planning a fun and educational program on Leadership skills, Youth International Programs, 4-Way Test, a service project and so much more.

This year we plan on using the Lodge area with the cabins and camping site. We will be lodging in the cabins this year. Each cabin has restrooms and shower area. Half the meals the campers and volunteers will prepare and the rest the Shepherd Springs facility will prepare.

Registration will be on our District DACdb on April 5. The cost this year will be \$300 per student. A letter with registration will be sent to all club presidents and secretaries.



Now Accepting Applications for the 2024 Rotary Peace Fellowship - Apply Now!

Promoting peace is one of Rotary's main causes. The fully funded Rotary Peace Fellowship, which covers tuition and living expenses, increases the capacity of existing leaders to prevent and resolve conflict by offering academic training, field experience, and professional networking.

Rotary Peace Fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic, and professional achievements. Fellows earn either a master's degree or a post-graduate diploma in peace and development studies at one of the Rotary Peace Centers located at leading universities around the world.

Over 1,600 program alumni are working in more than 140 countries as leaders in national governments, nongovernmental organizations, education and research, law enforcement, business and consulting, human rights law, media and the arts, and international organizations such as the United Nations.

Master's degree

- 15–24-month program, small-group classroom learning, in fields related to peace and development
- Intended for leaders near the start of their careers
- 50 fellows selected annually to study at one of five Rotary Peace Centers at partner universities, which offer interdisciplinary curricula with research-informed teaching
- 2–3-month field study experience to develop practical skills
- Fellows connect with an international cohort of fellows, thought leaders, and a global network of Rotarians

Professional development certificate

- Yearlong program for working professionals that blends online learning, in-person classes, and an independent project.
 Candidates who are from Africa, have worked in Africa, or work with African communities or initiatives outside the continent can apply for the certificate program at Makerere University in Uganda. (The certificate fellowship program at Chulalongkorn in Thailand is not accepting applications in 2023.)
- Intended for social change leaders with extensive experience working in peace-related fields
- 40 fellows will be selected to earn a post-graduate diploma in peace and development studies at Makerere University
- Interdisciplinary program includes a two-week online preliminary course, 10 weeks of on-site courses with field studies, a
 nine-month period during which fellows implement a social change initiative (with interactive online sessions), and an onsite capstone seminar

Eligibility: Qualified candidates must:

- Have three years of related work experience for the master's program
- Have five years of related work experience for the certificate program at Makerere University and be able to
 explain how their plan to promote peace aligns with Rotary's mission (Candidates for Makerere University must either be from
 Africa, have worked in Africa, or work with African communities or initiatives outside the continent.)
- Be proficient in English (Master's candidates whose first language is not English must provide English language standardized test scores.)
- Have a bachelor's degree (Master's candidates must provide a copy of their transcripts.)
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace

Candidates must have at least three years between the completion of their most recent academic degree program (undergraduate or graduate degree) and their intended start date for the fellowship. Candidates currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program are not eligible to apply.

Applications for the 2024-25 academic term need to be submitted by 15 May 2023.

If you know someone who might be a good candidate for this fellowship, please submit a <u>referral form</u> with their name and email address. We'll contact them with information on how to apply. Thank you for supporting our program.

Kat Snowe, District Peace Fellowship Subcommittee chair, State College/Downtown Rotary Club

Important Changes to Pedals Out Polio for 2023

Pedals Out Polio is being held on Saturday, June 17, 2023 and we ask EVERY Rotarian in the District to participate.

We know that <u>most</u> of you will want to be a "Virtual Rider" and there is no longer a need to write a check and mail with a form! Please just go to the link below and make your donation of \$25 or more. You will be counted as a virtual rider, and you and your club, will get the Paul Harris Fellow recognition credit!

https://raise.rotary.org/District7360PedalsOutPolio/fundraiser2

Now only actual riders in one of our three different bicycle rides on June 17th need to fill out one of the attached forms and mail with their check for \$25 or more to the address at the bottom of the form. Please review the form for the information about the 3 rides. We have a ride suitable for ever ability level, so let's have fun and Pedal Out Polio!

Are you a member of our District PolioPlus Society? Pedals Out Polio is a great time to for all members of the Society to make their annual donation to honor their pledge and get credit for participating in Pedals Out Polio. Please help us make this last push to end polio now!

ROTARY DISTRICT 7360 PEDALS OUT POLIO Saturday, June 17, 2023



The purpose of each ride is to raise funds and awareness for Rotary's Global Polio Eradication Campaign. Each ride starts and finishes at Mifflinburg Community Park, 211 N. 5th St, Mifflinburg, PA.

Family Ride: Bike riders are encouraged to ride a part or all of the Mifflinburg – Lewisburg Rail Trail. This 9 mile off-road bike trail is suitable for children and adults that prefer a flat and leisurely bike ride. This ride will be self-paced and self-guided. Ride as far as you want and at the speed you want.

Easy Road Ride: 22 miles, easy pace and only 550' of climbing.

Jacks Mountain 50: This 47 mile ride is for moderate to advanced road bike riders that enjoy changes in elevation. It is only 47 miles, but we are giving credit for 50. It is not a race! The 47 miles will be done at a moderate pace so that it is enjoyable for all experienced bike riders.

The suggested minimum donation per rider is \$25 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. All riders are encouraged to solicit addition donations toward their ride. The top fundraiser will receive a prize. All donations are tax deductible and should be payable to "The Rotary Foundation" with PolioPlus on the memo line. Any gift of \$1,000 or more will receive a special recognition from The Rotary Foundation.

Not a bike rider? Become a "virtual rider" by making a donation and supporting polio eradication. Mail your check with this form or go on line and give at: https://raise.rotary.org/District7360PedalsOutPolio/fundraiser2

Check-in for each ride will be at the gazebo in Mifflinburg Community Park from 8 – 9 am. Recognition of the top fund raiser will be at 9 am just before the 3 rides start.

The first 100 registrants will receive a coupon for a 10% discount at the Rusty Rail Brewing Company & Restaurant located two blocks away along the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail. Virtual Riders can Include a postage stamp when mailing your donation to receive your discount coupon.

Each rider must have a separate registration form with signature.

My signature on the entry form waives and releases Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 7360 and each of it's individual clubs, committees and Rotarians; other riders, and any party concerned with the Polio Eradication Bike Ride from any claims for damages should personal injury or property damage occur while participating in, or traveling to or from this event.

I further acknowledge that this is an unprotected road tour. There will be unrestricted traffic and I will abide by all rules of the road. I am responsible for my own safety and travel to the starting and ending points that I so choose. I realize that there will be hazards from traffic and road hazards and assume all responsibility for my personal safety. I warrant that I am

Signature or Signature of parent/guardian for participants under age 18. Required for all riders.

physically fit for the ride and will wear a helmet.

Day of registrations will be accepted, but we encourage you to register in advance to help with planning. Mail your check and form to: The Rotary Foundation, PO Box 36, Milton, PA 17847 Name: Phone:_ Email Address: Address: Choose: Jack's Mtn. Family Ride Easy Road Ride Virtual Rider Are you a Rotarian Y - N? Rotarian # if known: Total Donation: \$ Made payable to The Rotary Foundation Please indicate the Rotary Club you want to receive credit for this donation:

District 7360 Governor Installation



Greetings Rotarians of District 7360,

It's time to Install our next Governor of this great District.

The installation of Governor Herb Smith:

<u>Date:</u> July 1st 2023

Location: Green Grove Gardens

Greencastle, PA

Time: Cocktail Hour 4:30pm

Arrival of District Guests: 5:00pm

Registration will open on May 10th on Dacdb.org

There will be directions on Dacdb.org specific to the Installation, so please watch for those details.

Call after 5/1/2023 for the Hotel accommodations

The Hampton Inn 240-420-1970 Code (GovernorHerbinstallation) \$179.00 Don't wait



ROTARY GROUP STUDENT EXCHANGE (GSE) 1991

Submitted by: PDG Jeff Coup

In 1991 when I was District Governor, then District 737 participated in its first Group Study Exchange (GSE). It was a wonderful program of the Rotary Foundation. We sent a team of 4 young professionals plus 2 team leaders; PDG Donald and Belle Kamsler to the Sydney area of Australia and their District 969 sent 5 young professionals and team leader Stephen Taylor to our District for a 6 week visit. Each of the team members were able to spend 1 day per week with someone from their own profession. The clubs that hosted the team were Milton, Lock Haven, Bloomsburg, Sunbury and Hegins-Valley View. A few pages from the March 1991 District Governor's Newsletter are attached and includes their schedule and the teams pictures and biographies.

Over the years, team leader Steve and his wife Denise have come back for a visit and one team member, Jill Sweatman, returned and gave a few free seminars in the communities she had visited. For the past 32 years they have been asking me to come visit them in Australia. Since I retired on 11/1/22, we decided we finally had the time for and extended trip that would including visiting Steve and Denise and as many of his team members as he could round-up. I have a daughter, Jessica, and son-in-law, Scott, that live in Kuala Lumpur and we don't get to see them very often, so we decided to include them on our trip. We spent 5 days in Sydney and Steve served as our tour director. Then on the last evening he and Denise hosted a reunion that included 3 team members, with Cindy, Jessica, Scott and me. We had a wonderful reunion. Each one of them expressed that their GSE visit wasn't just a nice trip, it was a life changing experience that they still cherish. It goes to show that through Rotary, lasting friendships are made world wide as people unite in "Service above Self".

In the reunion picture from left to right: me, Steve, Sarah, Mary and Beth.



Meet District 969's Group Study Exchange Team Arriving March 22, 1991



G'DAY FROM DISTRICT 969 DOWN UNDER

By Douglas Stewart Governor District 969

I was confident that this will be a memorable visit when I caught up with the advice of the exchange from the Rotary Foundation at the International Assembly last March and had the opportunity to meet and talk with your District Governor, Jeff. Our team, like yours, has experienced a demanding series of interviews and have been deeply involved in the training and preparations for their visit since that time.

Being an "oldie" I envy all of the young and talented people who will enjoy this unique Rotary experience. I am sure this exchange will build a new bridge of friendship and co-operation between our two districts and nations.

My very best regards to you, Governor Jeff, and all of your members and their families. Our team leader, Steve Taylor, and our team will work hard to tell you of our country at the bottom of the world and will share with you the enthusiasm we all have for this great Rotary Foundation Programme.

We look forward to meeting your team soon and the opportunity it will give to all of us to promote greater friendship and understanding.



STEPHEN R. TAYLOR Team Leader

Stephen is a native of Liverpool, New South Wales. Stephen attended Liverpool Primary School and Liverpool Boys High School before obtaining Tertiary qualifications at Granville College.

Stephen commenced his own architectural design practice in 1974 and in 1979 joined with Glorio De Angelis to form De Angelis Taylor & Associates Pty Ltd, Architects and Interior Designers.

The practice employs 14 people and has had considerable experience in housing, medium density development, factories, offices, schools, churches, and recreational facilities (clubs, grandstands).

Apart from work, Stephen is Chairman of the Liverpool Economic Development Unit, a body of Council and business people set up to promote growth and development in the City of Liverpool, 20 miles Southwest of Sydney.

Stephen is a Charter member of the Rotary Club of Moorebank, a Paul Harris Fellow and Past President in 1986-87 and has been heavily involved in all avenues of Rotary servicing, last year being the District Governor's aide and the District Conference organizer and Master of Ceremonies.

In addition to his involvement in Rotary, Stephen is a keen snow skier, golfer, tennis player, MacIntosh computer fanatic and an avid military buff, particularly World War II ships and aircrafts.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GSE SCHEDULE

3/22	District 969 Team members arrive,	4/13-20	Members hosted by Sunbury Club
3 , 3	Harrisburg Airport.	4/18	Joint meeting in Northumberland at
3/22-29	Team members to be hosted by		Front Street Station, 6:00 p.m.
0/ === =0	Milton Club	4/20-25	Team members hosted by Hegins-Valley
3/26	Joint meeting at Milton, 6:00,		View Club
0, 00	Blue Tee Restaurant	4/24	Joint meeting at Pottsville, 12:15 p.m.
3/30-4/6	Members to be hosted by Lock Haven Club	4/24	Joint meeting at Hegins-Valley View,
4/2	Joint meeting at Lock Haven, Noon		6:00 p.m
4/6-13	Team members hosted by Bloomsburg Club	4/26-28	DISTRICT CONFERENCE
4/11	Joint meeting at Bloomsburg, 6:15 p.m.	4/29	GSE Team departs from District 737



SARA ANNE WALES
Occupational Therapist

Sara was born in Sydney, New South Wales. Her schooling took place in one of the oldest Sydney schools for girls, the Presbyterian Ladies' College. Before entering her tertiary studies Sara rceived an award of community merit from the Rotary Teenager of the Year Program and was a successful applicant attending the Rotary Youth Leadership Camp. In 1988, she graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy from Cumberland College of Health Sciences.

Sara, since graduation, has worked as an Occupational Therapist at Royal North Shore Hospital, which is a major Sydney teaching hospital. Currently she is the senior clinical therapist specializing in the area of Neurosurgery.

Presently Sara is undertaking a Masters Degree in Education at the University of New South Wales. She is also involved in the Australian Occupational Therapy Association, being an active member on the New South Wales Public Relations and Publicity Committee.

As a member of St. David's Presbyterian Church, she has taught Sunday School, run youth groups and continues to lead Community Christmas Carol services.

When time permits, Sara's leisure interests include snow skiing, sailing, tennis, swimming and bushwalking. She has always been keenly itnerested in the arts, attending the theatre, art galleries and the ballet and she enjoys travelling.



Beth was born in Sydney, New South Wales and lived in other states for 10 years with her family - due to her fathers work commitments.

Accountant

In the mid-seventies, the family returned to Sydney where Beth completed her secondary education.

Fulfilling her ambition to become an accountant, Beth completed a Bachelor of Commerce Degree at the Univer-

sity of New South Wales, Kensington, on a part time basis.

During the period of her studies she was employed by several Chartered Accountant firms, which provided practical experience in the taxation and financial services areas.

On completion of her degree, Beth joined the Lend Lease Group of Companies. Lend Lease is an Australian based property and financial services company which employs around 7,000 people within Australia and New Zealand.

Beth has held several financial positions within the Group and is currently Company Secretary of the Lend Lease Training Company Pty Limited located at Auburn, New South Wales in the Western Suburbs of Sydney.

The mission of the Company is to service the training and development needs of the Lend Lease Group together with provision of educational expertise to the external market. The role as Company Secretary includes responsibility for the financial well-being of the Company, Taxation and Statutory reporting duties.

Beth is married to an Engineer. They have one cat, several fish and a joint hobby - renovation of their house in Eastwood. Whenever possible Beth enjoys bushwalking, aerobic dancing and swimming.

PROJECTS OF THE MONTH <u>SERVICE PROJECTS</u>

"Poison Prevention Week" in elementary schools Help Senior Citizens with tax forms Community Easter Egg Hunt Basketball tournament Organize an Easter Seal Society project

FUND RAISING PROJECTS

Spring Dance
Fish/seafood supper
Rabies clinic
Easter Morning breakfast
Sell Easter flowers

WELCOME NEW ROTARIANS!

BLOOMSBURG Edward G. Edwards Larry E. Pritchard HUGHESVILLE Robert P. Carichner

MILTON Larry Maynard

POTTSVILLE George E. Seiders

RINGTOWN Lee Eikszta

SUNBURY Paul L. Kieffer

WILLIAMSPORT William H. Hawkes III Robert C. Lee Thomas Ritchey



JILL SWEATMAN
Primary School Teacher/Dance Specialist

Jill was born in Brisbane, Queensland, where she lived the first five years of her life. She then traveled to Korea with her parents where her father was involved in building oil terminals for ESSO. They lived closely with American Military and Diplomatic personnel during their stay.

It was in those years that Jill believes many of her interests were kindled; her love of ice skating, art and music, traditional dance and her insatiable curiosity and desire to travel and study other cultures and languages.

Jill graduated with a Diploma of Education from the University of Technology, Kuring-Gai Campus majoring in Graphic Arts and Geography. She has taught children from all ability groups and has had success integrating emotionally disturbed children into the normal stream.

For the last four years, she has had a performing dance troupe at the school. This year has been the most successful with two festivals, incorporating the very best talent from within the state of New South Wales.

One of the highlights of Jill's professional career was the design and implementation of a Talented Child Dance Camp utilizing some of Sydney's leading professional dancers and choreographers. Jill has been trained in a wide variety of styles of dancing from jazz to ballroom.

Jill was recently married to Paul, a National Marketing Manager in the timber industry. They live happily in a unit with a garden they enjoy tending. Their outlook is a bushland valley with much birdlife, which Jill says is her "little piece of Paradise in suburbia".

Although Jill's involvement with her professional life and committees keeps her very busy, she insists upon seeing as much live theatre, of all kinds, as she can.



MARY LEWIS
Faculty Administrator

Mary was born in Katoomba, New South Wales. After completing her School Certificate in 1974, Mary attended

Penrith Technical College where she obtained a Certificate in Secretary Studies. She held various jobs including one of the personal staff of the New South Wales Minister for Health.

Recently, Mary has completed her Graduate Diploma in Management course through Charles Sturt University-Mitchell and at the beginning of the year commenced in her current role as Administrator in the Faculty of Business and Land Economy at the University of Western Sydney, Hawkesbury at Richmond, New South Wales. She also runs a ceramic studio from her home in Penrith.

Mary is divorced with a ten year old son. Apart from ceramics, her hobbies include camping, motorcycle riding, all types of craft, snow skiiing, guitar and ballroom dancing.



ANGELA TAGGART
Registered Nurse/Lecturer in Nursing Studies

Angela was born in Ireland but is now a permanent resident and citizen of Australia. Following high school, Angela trained as a Registered General Nurse and then specialized in Accident and Emergency Care. She then completed a Midwifery course in Edinburgh, Scotland following which she travelled extensively in Europe.

In 1981, Angela followed an ambition to nurse in a Third World country and went through Voluntary Service Overseas to the tropics of Papua, New Guinea for two-and-a-half years, during this time promoting Primary health Care with the World Health Organization.

The next few years found Angela travelling and working in and around Australia undertaking many roles from nursing in Aboriginal communities to working on cattle and sheep stations in the outback of Australia - to name a few.

Angela has always enjoyed nursing and has spent the past few years in studies for a Bachelor of Nursing through the University of New England in New South Wales. She is also a member of the New South Wales Accident and Emergency Association.

Since January, 1990, Angela has had a career shift to lecturer of Nursing and Health Studies at the University of Western Sydney, Macarthur. She is also involved in the undergraduate nursing program which is an innovative style course and very challenging.

Angela has always had outdoor/recreational interest including swimming. She enjoys theatre, painting and cooking and regularly practices yoga.

Through the Eye of Others - A Holocaust Remembrance

This month marks the Days of Remembrance, a solemn time of reflection which memorializes the six million Jews and other innocents, including more than one million children, killed during the Nazi-led holocaust of World War II. Reflecting back after nearly 80 years we might wonder how a portion of the population went so awry.

Today, Rotarians have the 4-Way-Test to guide us. It is an ethical decision-making tool which asks us to examine the things we think, say, and do regarding situations and question its truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit to all concerned. Although it was created by Herbert Taylor in 1932, it was not officially adopted by Rotary International until 1943, before the end of the holocaust. Perhaps had it been implemented sooner, more would have had the strength to stand against to forces which inflicted a genocide.

How can we, as individuals, keep humanity on a path to protect against future tragedies? Simple intelligence, or knowledge is not the only way to create solutions; we must also have emotional and cultural intelligence. As we face problems and try to set our individual moral compass, we must lean into all that we know, from books and teachers, the understanding of people, and other cultures. We have opportunities as we meet each week with other Rotarians to learn from all those areas. Additionally, as we grow our clubs using the strategies of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, we exponentially raise our contact with others who are different from ourselves, allowing us to become more aware of the customs and courtesies of others, and to build better relationships.

This is a time to remember the lost from the genocide, as well as the survivors of the holocaust who forever carried the burden, and to ensure that we and our descendants never forget. It can also be a time of hope. A hope that we learned the lessons of the past. Hope that we can lead future generations on a path that examines our actions through the lens of ethical decision making. Hope for a better tomorrow which would never take the path of genocide and for leaders who will fight for the dignity and justice of all. Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and make better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned? Let this lead our way.