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IMAGINE ROTARY IN DISTRICT 7360

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There's only one more month in the year of *Imagine Rotary*. It's been a year of accomplishments and new challenges, always leading toward success.

This year we've helped countless people through our club projects, district events, and district and global grants. From mini projects like Jared's Box to our water project in El Salvador, the Rotarians in Rotary District 7360 have truly made a difference. I thank you all for being a vital part of this incredible organization.

Thanks to the excitement you've generated, I'm proud to announce that as of June 1st, we have realized a net increase of 42 members in our district! Congratulations! An increase in membership reflects a positive influence on your communities. More members and more Rotary friends yield greater service to those in need.

We've also realized another increase this year. Our three District Foundation Walks brought in over \$9,700 for The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund! Thank you to all the clubs who participated. Special thanks to Rene Paul Forier, Barb Morgan, Kimberly Fragola, and Theresa DiLoreto who truly brought the excitement into this fun and worthwhile fundraiser for TRF.

Our Four Way Test Speech finals were held on May 20th, and we have a winner! Congratulations to Julia Kline, representing the Altoona Rotary Club for an inspirational and beautifully presented speech. Congratulations also to Quinn Stanford representing the Selinsgrove Rotary Club. As first runner up, Quinn will present a speech during our RYLA program scheduled for June 15th through 17th. For their amazing presentations, Julia received a prize of \$2,000 and Quinn received \$1,000. Do you know a high school student who would like to participate next year? Then be sure to contact Art Leach in the State College Sunrise Club. (Contact info on DACdb.)

As we prepare for our transition to the next Rotary year (and possibly a summer break for some), please remember a few additional events this month: (1) Pedals Out Polio on June 17th and (2) the installation of District Governor Herb Smith on July 1st. Check DACdb and the District Newsletter for more information.

This time next month you'll hear from new DG Herb Smith. So get ready! It's going to be another exciting year! Until then don't forget to

Imagine Rotary

Warm wishes to all!

Vicki
District Governor 2022-2023
2022-2023

Newly added in red

CLUB CALENDAR

June 15 – Hancock Rotary Club – Field of Flags for Heroes – Deadline Friday June 15th

DISTRICT CALENDAR

June 15,16,17 – RYLA at Shepherd's Spring Retreat – Sharpsburg, MD

June 17 – Pedals Out Polio – Virtual or on location

July 1 – DGE Herb Smith's Installation
Green Grove Gardens – Greencastle, PA

Please send dates for your club events to:

PDG Sharon Benner
7360news@gmail.com

Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

PDG Dana Orsini
District Membership Chair reporting:

This year, we have been asked to **Imagine Rotary** and the impact that we can make as we grow our membership. We have been challenged to look past where we are today and reach for what we can be tomorrow. Telling our story is an integral part in making this possible.

An example of this would be the “Pancakes for Polio” fundraising/social event the Martinsburg club sponsors on Memorial Day. They had displays with their club’s story as well as informational material for potential members. During the event, a local radio station broadcast live while interviewing many of the leaders of their club. This was followed by local newspaper coverage the next day. It was a great day to be a Rotarian!

After attending this, we traveled to Winchester, VA for a “Flag for Heroes” event sponsored by their local Rotary club. With over a thousand flags, the ceremony was indeed impressive. Yet, just as important was their display and use of Rotary branded material to tell their story. They also used local media coverage.

At times, we are so busy doing the work to make our activities successful that we forget to tell our story. I encourage you to include doing just that as part of any activity that you do at the club level. Our “Discover Rotary” PowerPoint is a great place to start. Many of the slides can be used as pictures to help get you on your way.

We have had a great year so far, so, let us continue to grow our membership this final month as we look forward to *Create Hope in the World*.



Important Changes to Pedals Out Polio for 2023

Request was made to place
Pedals Out Polio information
after the Membership Minute.

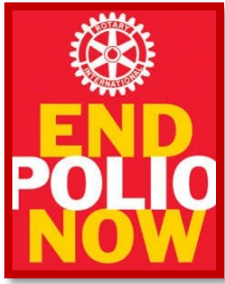
Pedals Out Polio is being held on Saturday, June 17, 2023 and we ask EVERY Rotarian in the District to participate.

We know that most 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 every 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!



NOTE FROM JEFF COUP, DISTRICT POLIO CHAIRMAN

Only 59 of you have made your donation to Pedals Out Polio! As of today, June 3rd, we are not yet halfway to our \$13,000 goal! Pedals out Polio is only 14 days away! Now is the time for all Rotarians to make their personal donation to PolioPlus. If you are going to be a "Virtual Rider" please use the link below. It really makes it easy to record your donation and have you and your club get the proper Paul Harris Fellow recognition credit.

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Are you a member of our District PolioPlus Society? Pedals Out Polio is a great time 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!

A sincere thank you to the 59 District members that have contributed to Pedals Out Polio so far! Your personal dedication to polio eradication is greatly appreciated!

Jeff

R. Jeffrey Coup, PDG

District PolioPlus Chairman

570-412-1436

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 physically fit for the ride and will wear a helmet.

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

X _____ Date: _____

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: _____ Age: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

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: _____



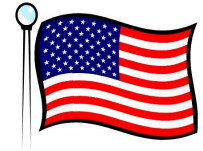
Welcome!

NEW MEMBERS

Derek Johns	Berkeley Springs
Cynthia Hull-Miller	Berkeley Springs
Ken Stewart	Bloomsburg
Timothy Wagner	Bloomsburg
Max Justice	Chambersburg
Megan Nolan	Cumberland
Megan Marie Wheeler	Downtown Lock Haven
Olivia Padiki Ardayfio Obuadey	Hagerstown
James R Hill III	Hagerstown
Denise Greenbeck Hess	Martinsburg
Niki K Wilson	Martinsburg/Sunrise
Todd Vonderheid	Milton
Robin A McKean-Power	Muncy
Patrick Shandera	Muncy
Zachary Saginger	Muncy
Janessa Mitterling	Muncy
Terry Bosse	Oakland
Martin R Bosse	Oakland
Kimberly Beaulieu	Oakland
Martha Stooks	Pottsville
Christine Bishop	State College/ Downtown
Jane Mack	State College/Downtown
Andrew Kline	Waynesboro
Brenda Stewart	West Snyder-Beaver Springs
Daniel Gue	Williamsport MD
Sophia Stabley	Williamsport PA



DECEASED ROTARIAN
JOHN G. HUCKABY
ROTARY CLUB OF MILTON



John G. Huckaby, 80, of 526 JPM Road, Lewisburg, died Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville.

A native of Marlinton, W.Va., he was the son of the late John Glenn Huckaby and Blanche Huff Huckaby. He was born Dec. 3, 1942.

He and his wife, Barbara Ann Ritchey, were together for nearly 44 years. Over the years, they provided a home to many rescue cats.

He was a 1960 graduate of Lewisburg Area High School and attended West Chester State College.

He was District 4 runner-up at heavyweight in wrestling as a Lewisburg senior. He also lettered in baseball and football. He served four years as a Navy journalist from 1961-65.

A long-time journalist, he was employed for 31 years at The Daily Item, Sunbury, as a reporter, regional editor, sports writer and sports editor. He later worked in the sports department at the Williamsport Sun Gazette before becoming the managing editor of the Milton Standard-Journal. He retired from that post in 2001.

During many of those 31 years, he wrote a weekly wrestling column during the season, covering all forms of amateur wrestling. During that time, he covered both the PIAA and NCAA tournaments as well as other various amateur events such as the Pittsburgh Classic and the Olympic trials. After leaving the Sunbury paper, he wrote an amateur wrestling column for the Centre Daily Times in State College.

He covered or attended 49 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. He was honored to receive several awards for his coverage of amateur wrestling: Pennsylvania Wrestling Roundup Media Award of Excellence (1988-89); District 4 Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame, 1992; National Wrestling Media Association Print Journalist of the Year, 2001 and 2010; and Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame, 2002.

Huck was recognized as a Lewisburg Area High School Distinguished Alumni in 2002 and was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame Pennsylvania Chapter in 2007. He was a fan of the Atlanta Braves, Penn State football and Penn State wrestling. He and Barb attended three Olympics: 1996 in Atlanta, 2008 in Beijing and 2012 in London.

~~John C. Huckaby
Obituary Continued~~

Avid travelers, they visited England, Italy, France, Switzerland, Austria, China, Germany, Russia, Finland, Canada and Mexico.

Huck and Barb were avid moviegoers, having attended the Toronto International Film Festival for 30 years, and viewed more than 120 films on the large screen annually.

His community activities included being a past member of the Milton YMCA board of directors; chairman of the membership committee of the Milton YMCA; member and past president (2003-04) of the **Milton Rotary Club**; past member of the **Milton Rotary Club** board of directors; and serving as a host and guide for members of a Rotary Group Study Exchange group from Finland in spring 2005. He was a Paul Harris Fellow with four sapphires. He chaired the Rotary club Pancake Day fundraiser as well as the club's dinner coupon booklet project for 10 years.

He had no mechanical talents at all. He could not fix anything or build anything. He once got a failing grade in a high school shop class.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a brother-in-law, C. Thomas Ritchey, and his wife, Anne, of Irving, Texas, and a sister-in-law, Susan Hosselrode, and her husband, Robert, of Cumberland, Md. A nephew, Thomas Ritchey, of Baton Rouge, La., and a niece and her family, Ashley Dom and fiancé Jason Phillips and Maggie and Tenlee Phillips, all of Plant City, Fla., also survive.



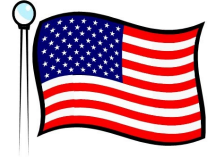
DECEASED ROTARIAN
GEOFFREY WILSON
ROTARY CLUB OF STATE COLLEGE

Born October 26, 1924 in London England, son of the late Percy Wilson and Dorothy Kingston Wilson. Geoffrey attended Saint Paul's Schools in London and received scholarships to Queen's College of Oxford University where he earned a Master's Degree in Physics. He was then employed by The Ministry of Defense in Weymouth, England and directed a project contracted by Canadian Westinghouse. While in Hamilton he was visited by a family friend, Patricia Pankhurst, and proposed to her at Niagara Falls. They were married in Farnborough, England December 17, 1955 and returned to Hamilton where their two sons, Anthony and Nigel were born. In 1958 he was hired by the Penn State University Physics Department and soon after was transferred to the Applied Research Lab where his research included Underwater Acoustics. He simultaneously earned a PhD in Electrical Engineering with a specialization in Underwater Acoustics, from Loughborough University in England. Geoffrey retired from Penn State in 1985 and was recruited by Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, NC as Distinguished Professor of Math and Science. He procured multiple grants and developed advanced curriculum in both disciplines before his final retirement in 1990. Geoff was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in State College, and an active member of [State College Rotary Club](#).

Geoffrey was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia, and three brothers, Arthur, Laurence, and Richard. He is survived by son Nigel and his wife Dagmar of Boalsburg, PA; grandchildren Tristan, Kedrin, and Savannah, son Anthony and his wife Sandy of Cherry Hill, NJ; grandchildren Josiah, Essie, Micah, Caleb, and Eli, and six great-grandchildren.

Geoffrey's greatest joy in retirement was traveling with his wife Patricia and spending time with his family. He never stopped challenging himself to learn the latest technology and he loved keeping up with his grandchildren's educational pursuits. Geoffrey's generosity and devotion to his family and select charitable organizations is a memorable part of his extraordinary legacy.

DECEASED ROTARIAN
NORMAN "JERRY" NELSON
ROTARY CLUB OF JOHNSONBURG



Norman "Jerry" Nelson, age 87, of Water Street, Johnsonburg, PA, died January 15, 2023 at Elk Haven Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. A son of the late Arthur and Arlene (Bullers) Nelson, he was born on August 6, 1935 in Ridgway, PA. On December 20, 1958 he married Marlene (Miller), who survives in Johnsonburg.

Along with his wife, Jerry is survived by: three children, David (Laureen) Nelson of Cherryville, PA, Bart (Nancy) Nelson of Johnsonburg and Kyle Nelson of Johnsonburg; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two sisters, Sally Anderson of Kane and Doris (Charles) Hybl of Keysville, VA; and a sister-in-law, Lois Nelson of Spring Grove, PA.

Besides his parents, Jerry was predeceased by: a brother, Donald Nelson and a brother-in-law, Ronald Anderson. Jerry graduated from Wilcox High School and the DuBois Business College. He served in the US Army Co A, 38th Recon Bn from 1954-'57 and continued in the Army Reserves. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Johnsonburg, the Wilcox Masonic Lodge, the Coudersport Consistory and the **Johnsonburg Rotary**. He worked as a Bank Manager for Johnsonburg Banks for many years, retiring in 1999. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and sharing remembrances of his time playing 2nd base for the Wilcox Tanners.



SPEECH CONTEST REGIONAL EVENTS

The first Rotary 4-Way Test Speech Contest Southern Regional contest was held April 22nd in Hancock MD. A total of 7 students from the southern part of our district participated in the contest. Each contestant presented a speech, 5 to 7 minutes in length, written by the student and incorporating the Rotary 4-Way Test.

Congratulations to the Regional Contest Winner [Claire Raesly](#) representing the [Cumberland MD Club](#). Claire was awarded a prize of \$300. 1st runner-up was [Hannah Hite](#) representing the [Waynesboro Club](#). Hannah was awarded a prize of \$200. Both will be moving forward to participate in the district contest in Muncy on May 20th and have a chance to win a prize of \$2,000.

2nd Runner up was awarded to [Audrey Helmick](#) representing the [Berkley Springs Club](#). Audrey was awarded a prize of \$100. She will also be an alternate for the district contest if the winner or 1st runner-up is not able to attend.

Others participating were [Seth Dions](#) of the [Keyser Club](#), [Kaleigh Weatherholtz](#) of the [Martinsburg Club](#), [Rebekah McGivern](#) of the [Charlestown/Shepherdstown Clubs](#), [Nada Assour](#) of the [Hollidaysburg Club](#). Each contest received a participation certificate and a Rotary 4-Way Test Coin.

A big thank you to the [Hancock Club](#) for hosting the event and arranging snacks and drinks for the attendees. Special thanks to club president Dan Murphy for making all the arrangements and being the master of ceremonies. Thanks to judges Charlie Hollins, Stephanie May, and Debbie



Murphy for an excellent job listening to each speech and scoring each contestant on the criteria.

Hancock MD L-R: Nada Affour, Claire Raesly, Seth Kristopher Dallas Dions, Rebekah McGivern, Kaleigh Weatherholtz, DGE Herb, and Hannah Hite.



Hancock Regional Event Audience

SPEECH CONTEST REGIONAL EVENTS
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SPEECH CONTEST REGIONAL EVENTS

The second Rotary 4-Way Test Speech Contest Northern Regional contest was held on April 29th in State College PA. A total of 8 students from the northern part of our district participated in the contest.

Congratulations to the Regional Contest Winner [Quinn Stanford](#) representing the Selinsgrove club. Quinn was awarded a prize of \$300. 1st runner-up was [Julia Kline](#) representing the Altoona club. Julia was awarded a prize of \$200. Both will be moving forward to participate in the district contest in Muncy on May 20th and have a chance to win a prize of \$2,000.

2nd Runner up was awarded to [Adelyn Ruiz](#) representing the Clearfield club. Adelyn was awarded a prize of \$100. She will also be an alternate for the district contest if the winner or 1st runner-up is not able to attend.

Others participating were [Remmington Weaver](#) of the Tyrone club, [Nehemiah Reed](#) of the Emporium club, [Brooke Tubbs](#) of the Coudersport club, [Kohen Meyer](#) of the Muncy club, and [Samarra Wertz](#) of the Altoona Sunrise club. Each contest received a participation certificate and a Rotary 4-Way Test Coin.

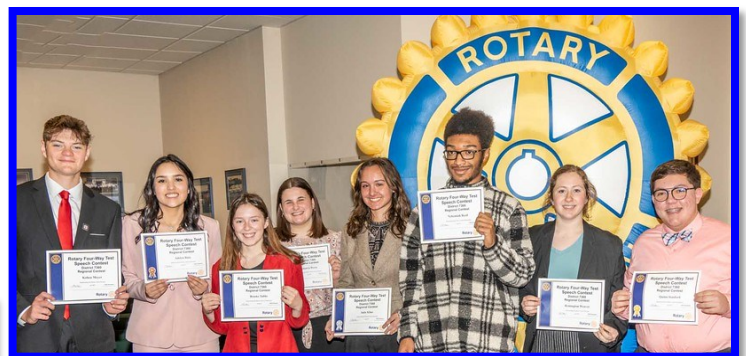
A big thank you to the State College Downtown club for arranging snacks and drinks for the attendees. Special thanks to club president Centre LifeLink for providing the space for the event. Thanks to judges Carl Hill, Ray Papale, and Emme Devonish for an excellent job listening to each speech and scoring each contestant on the criteria.



State College Event Audience



Muncy Regional Event Audience



State College L-R: Kohen Meyer, Adelyn Ruiz, Brooke Tubbs, Samarra Wertz, Julia Kline, Nehemiah Reed, Remmington Weaver, and Quinn Stanford.



SPEECH CONTEST DISTRICT EVENT

The 2023 District 4-Way Test Speech Contest was held May 20th in Muncy PA after the District Foundation Rotary walk and luncheon. 4 students representing district clubs participated in the contest.

Pictured below left to right: Art Leach, Quinn Stanford, Julia Kline, Adelyn Ruiz, and Hannah Hite.

The winner of the contest was **Julia Kline** representing the Altoona Club. Julia is a junior at the Altoona Area High School. She is interested in volleyball, mock trial, music, reading, law advocacy, and art. Julia received a check for \$2,000 and the winner's trophy.



The 1st runner-up was **Quinn Stanford** representing the Selinsgrove club. Quinn is a sophomore at Selinsgrove high school. He enjoys acting, cooking, hiking, history, biking, comedy, art, writing, and speaking. He plans to go to college and major in acting, comedy, history, or cooking. Quinn received a check for \$1,000 and the 1st runner-up trophy.

Adelyn Ruiz representing the Clearfield club was a finalist. She is a junior at the Clearfield Area Jr. Sr. High School. Adelyn plays high school volleyball and participates in key club. Student council, prom committee, and yearbook club. Outside school, she enjoys playing club volleyball and working at the Dairy Queen. Her future plan is to work with children in the medical field. Adelyn received a check for \$500 and a finalist trophy.

Hannah Hite representing the Waynesboro club was a finalist. She is a senior at the Waynesboro Area Sr. High School. Hannah is interested in veterinary medicine. She plays field hockey, and enjoys theater arts, listening to music, and reading. Hannah received a check for \$500 and a finalist trophy.

Special thanks to the Muncy Rotary Club and Barb Morgan for arranging the space! It was wonderful having District Governor and Muncy Rotary Club member, Vicki Zimmerman welcome everyone to the District 4-Way Test Speech Contest. Thanks to judges Tammy Wolgemuth, Sarah Kowalski, and Ken Martin for an excellent job listening to each speech and scoring each contestant on the criteria.

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE NEWS

As June arrives, we begin to think about saying good-bye to our current Inbound Students and “Welcome Back” to this year’s Outbound Students. Whether they are leaving or coming back, there were lots of adventures, challenges, adjustments, good times, trips, and memories shared by all. Not only do each of them immerse themselves into another culture, but they also get to meet



other exchange students and learn more about their countries too. Friendships were made and no doubt there will be visits planned in the future.

Pictured are Yuta Yoshikawa (Japan/Bedford), Petra Chalupová (Czech

Republic/Shamokin), Tyra Bake (Sweden/Shepherdstown), “Pepi” Pospíšilová (Czech Republic/Martinsburg), “Gio” Oliveira de Sales (Brazil/State College Downtown), Ivan Linares Saldana (Spain/Selinsgrove).

Many thanks to the clubs who hosted our students this year. We had some really great kids; they had good grades, engaged themselves in school and met all the requirements asked of them by Rotary. They joined clubs and sport activities and made good friends. We often told them, “The exchange will be what you put into it” and we found they took that to heart and were successful.

We will miss your smiling faces, special personalities, and enthusiasm. We can only hope you will remember your year in District 7360 with a special place in your heart!

Wishing you all the best as you continue your journey of life!



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 on-site 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 [referral form](#) 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



Over the course of this past year, and especially through these monthly columns, we have tried to raise awareness about the concepts of diversity and how we as Rotarians can consider inclusivity and be welcoming to all people within the communities our clubs serve.

In this last column for this Rotary Year, we would like to point out a way for rotary clubs to continue this journey next year. Each year, rotary club presidents are asked to consider adopting goals from a list provided by Rotary International. Clubs that do are able to work toward a Citation Award. These Citation Goals are described in the following way:

“Taking action toward achieving the citation goals helps clubs engage their members, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. A welcoming and engaging club also reflects the values of Rotary. When clubs work to achieve these goals, they also contribute to Rotary’s overall health and culture for generations to come.”

You can read the entire list of goals [here](#). Something interesting to note is a new goal this year which was added under the category of Members and Engagement, and reads:

“Do your club bylaws reflect your members and other participants' needs?”

While this goal may not seem to be DEI focused, let us provide you with some example questions which you may ask to frame this goal through a DEI lens. Does your club represent the diversity in the community? Does your club represent the job classifications in your area? What activities does your club engage in to ensure members feel included and welcomed in the club? If your club believes these questions are reasonable, then the next challenge is to find ways to include those concepts in your bylaws. The end result should not only focus your club’s leadership on similar goals, but also help you create a roadmap which your club can follow for improvements.

The District DEI Committee will be available to assist clubs in developing and implementing your DEI goals. Reach out to anyone on the DEI committee; we would be happy to help!

Field of Flags for Heroes
Sponsor a Flag for \$5.00
On Display for Independence Day

We welcome you to sponsor an American flag for a past or present Hero in our community. Honor enlisted Military Personnel, Police, Firemen, First Responders, Teachers, Mentors, Family Members or anyone that has been a Hero to You by sponsoring a flag in their name. Your flag will be placed in a "Field of Flags" in Widmeyer Park near the Memorial beginning the evening of Thursday, June 29 and remain through Wednesday, July 5. Each flag will have a tag displaying the Hero's Name and the Sponsor's Name. Heroes and Sponsors will be recognized on each Flag and Social Media.

Donation Sponsors are **\$5.00 per Flag/ Hero (1 Hero per Flag)**
 Cash or Check Accepted - Checks Made Payable to Rotary Club of Hancock
Payment and Completed Sponsor Forms should be;

Returned to: Hancock Rotarians
 Mailed to: Rotary Club of Hancock, PO Box 35, Hancock MD 21750
 Placed in Dropbox: Good Shepherd Preschool, 170 West Main Street, Hancock MD 21750

Deadline for Submitting a Sponsorship is Friday, June 15, 2023

YES! I would like to be a Flag Sponsor!

_____ Number of Flags X \$5.00 each _____ Total Cost

Sponsor Information

Make Checks Payable to Rotary Club of Hancock

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____
 Email _____

In Honor Of _____

OR

In Memory Of _____

Sponsored By _____

Fill In Additional Hero Names with In Honor/ In Memory for Multiple Flag Sponsorships on the back of this Form

Message from DGE Herb Smith concerning FACEBOOK

I have created the new Facebook page because of the other page being shut down there is a conflict of integrity.

Also there were too many admin on our page and apparently they reached out to the creator to verify activity and it went unanswered thus unpublished page action.

There needs to be an email sent out to everyone:

- 1 Announcements of the new page on pmail and newsletter.
- 2 The other page need's deleted immediately. It's a closed page means the page is not visible to the public which is NOT accessible
3. No one can create a page that references District 7360 without the consent of the DG chain.
- 4 the old page is being deleted because there is still no world for the creator.

I have been fighting with Facebook for the last month and it has been a total headache.

The new page is

District 7360 Rotary International

Herb Smith
District 7360 Governor Elect 2022-23
Past President 2018-2019 Hagerstown Sunrise
RLI Facilitator

MESSAGE FROM DGE HERB SMITH

Greetings my fellow Rotarians of District 7360, I hope you are all well.

A Great Year

What a great past year this district has had and is having. Our District Governor Vicki is on the mend and in good spirits. I especially have enjoyed the last three months. As many of you know, for the last three months I have made some unofficial visits to clubs all over our district. In total I visited 15 clubs for their regular meeting, attended 3 special dinner events hosted by Rotary clubs and got to help at 2 fundraisers. I could not be prouder of you all, this district and all the good work that has been and is still being done for your communities by your clubs. You all should be proud!

Upcoming

I have several events to attend here in June and some of them are three installation dinners for officers of Rotary Clubs and two fundraisers. As always, I look forward to being involved in these and many other events that your club has to offer.

Governor Installation

The Governor Installation dinner has about 15 days before the deadline. June 20th is the firm deadline. The date is July 1st at Green Grove Gardens in Greencastle, PA. There will be appetizers and an open bar, with dinner beginning at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$60.00 per person. If you do not want to log into Dacdb...Send a check to Ken Martin made payable to Rotary District 7360. Checks must be received by the 16th and then we will register you.

Something to think about

As some of you may know or may not know, our incoming President has created a sub-theme to our 2023-2024 Rotary Year. It is Mental Health awareness and Suicide Prevention. As Rotarians this is something we need to be aware of. As we work in our communities the likelihood of us meeting a person that could be suffering from depression, anxiety, PTSD or many other forms of mental health concerns is getting more frequent and we as Rotarians will need to be prepared to alert the proper agencies so that the individual can receive the correct help.

So On June 23rd I will be attending an all-day training on Mental Health First Aid offered by Brook Lane located in Leitersburg, MD just outside of Hagerstown, MD. This is a free course offered by them.

What to look forward to

I will begin my official visits straight away in July and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Please try to encourage good attendance at my visits. ALSO, these visits would be an incredible opportunity to have prospective members attend.

2023-2024 Presidents

Please be sure you are getting your goals into Rotary.org in Club Central. One of our goals is membership growth, I would like to see each club gain five members and lose none. I realize that we will lose members, yet if we do and can add one for each one lost, we will keep the status quo. AND THAT IS ALL I WILL SAY ABOUT MEMBERSHIP....for Now...LOL!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Herb Smith

District Governor Elect

District 7360

Governor Installation



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

The installation of Governor Herb Smith:

Date: July 1st 2023

**Location: Green Grove Gardens
Greencastle, PA**

Time: Cocktail Hour 4:30pm

Arrival of District Guests: 5:00pm

Registration is open on Dacdb.org

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

If you can not want to log in send your check \$60.00 per person

Make Payable to Rotary District 7360

Hand the check to either

Curt Miller or Mary Anne Keyser

(MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 16TH)

Once we receive the check we will register you.

The Hampton Inn

240-420-1970

Code (Governor Herb installation)

\$179.00 Don't wait

