



# REPORTER

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## Upcoming Events

- **November 3**—Youth Exchange Commitment to Host Forms Due to the District Office
- **November 3**—Youth Exchange 10-11 Outbound Applications Due to the District Office
- **November 5**—Rotary Foundation Dinner
- **November 7**—Rotary UN Day
- **November 14**—Youth Exchange Outbound Interviews
- **February 6**—Pre-PETS
- **February 25-27**—Multi-District PETS (MANDATORY)
- **March 27**—District Assembly
- **April 22-25**—District Conference

For a complete calendar listing, please visit [www.rotary7390.org](http://www.rotary7390.org).

## OCTOBER 2009

### Rotarians Keeping their Clubs and Rotary Strong

October.....already!! "What a great time to be a Rotarian!" At least that was the feeling that over 56 Rotarians voiced after a day of fellowship, sharing and learning this past Saturday at Rotary Leadership Institute in Harrisburg. Participants quickly realized that "Rotary information training" has changed! There were no lectures! There were no tests! Just meaningful and sharing discussions on topics we all face in our Clubs, facilitated by outstanding Rotary leaders, that expose us to new ideas and solutions. Often the solutions came from the Rotarian to your left or right.

When Rotarians linger to comment to each other instead of running for lunch, you know they are energized and enjoying the experience.

PDG Ann Keim chaired the RLI program since its beginning in our District. She saw the benefit of this program for all Rotarians in D7390 and continued to encourage us to grow in Rotary knowledge and leadership.

Thanks PDG Ann! Not only did we learn, but we had great fellowship and fun in the process. Thank you, current RLI Chair Paul Burkhardt for all your efforts and stepping up to carry the banner this year!

October is "Vocational Service Month" and is also an important month for Group Study Exchange. As many of you know, I became a Rotarian after completing a tour as a team member in GSE. I later participated in the program as a Team Leader. I must tell you, it is surely one of the finest programs for International understanding,

cultural and vocational participation and friendship building available anywhere in or out of Rotary. This month we will choose a Rotarian Team leader, no age limit, to lead a team of 6 young professionals to Denmark and Lithuania. The program is outlined in more detail on page 6 of this newsletter. If you are able to apply, don't miss this opportunity! And if you know one or two young professionals that would someday make a great Rotarian, 25 to 40 years of age, ask them if they are interested in a once in a lifetime scholarship opportunity to be part of this D7390 team.

The District committee will choose 6 team members from interviews in November. D7390 committed Rotarians, Peg Sennett and Tom Houf, chair this committee and can give you all the info you need to apply or identify and encourage team member applicants. I guarantee that any team member chosen for this team will thank you for having asked them to apply.

Last, but far from least...

After almost 30 official visits, Rotarians and Clubs continue to inspire me with their energy and enthusiasm. There is good will and service going on somewhere in District 7390 every minute of every day. As committed Rotarians, our Clubs are making the difference in our communities as well as around the world. Through your good deeds or by your example, many lives are changed for the better. And, as amazing as it seems, we are having a great time in the process. Isn't October a great time to be a Rotarian!!!!

Sincerely,  
DG Connie Spark

**Rotary International District 7390**

**Concetta M. Spark District Governor 2009-2010**

## Meet the 09-10 Inbound YE Students

**(Back Row from L-R):** Carla Almeri (Peru/Hanover), Mizuho Takahashi (Japan/York), Diana Izurieta (Ecuador/York), Sebastian Chirilaoe (Romania/York), Alex Mure (France/Hershey), Bia Matos (Brazil/Elizabethtown), Mary Anosova (Ukraine/Mechanicsburg-North), Lukas Kebschull (Germany/Harrisburg), Teresa Fingerhut (Germany/D7620), Adrienn Biro (Hungary/Lancaster)  
**(Front Row L-R):** Nathalia Malagoli (Brazil/D7620), Riikka Lavaste (Finland/York-North), Tiago Ribeiro (Brazil/Lancaster-South), Lucrezia Locatelli (Italy/Carlisle & Carlisle-Sunrise), Helene Gellert-Kristensen (Denmark/Gettysburg), Luis Felipe Hidalgo (Chile/Hershey), Guillermo Del Rio (Spain/Gettysburg).



For the 09-10 Rotary year District 7390 and 7620 jointly sent 15 Outbound students to be hosted by 11 Countries. In return we are hosting 17 Inbound students from 14 Countries. During the year, in addition to learning a new language, making new friends and learning a culture, the Outbounds are attending their respective hosting country's District Conference while our Inbounds will attend our District Conference in Gettysburg

While the Outbounds were preparing to leave in July and August, the District Youth Exchange (DYE) staff was welcoming and providing a debriefing to the returning 08-09 Outbounds (Rebounds) at Dickinson College on August 8th. This debriefing event was followed in September by welcoming the District's 17 new 09-10 Inbounds at the Inbound Orientation held at the Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church. The orientation provided the students, their host families and club counselors an overview of the rules, regulations and processes along with a calendar of events for their year. And the DYE Staff had help at this event from our Rebounds.

Our Rebounds, who are now fluent in another language and have a much broader and deeper understanding of themselves and the world around them after ten months in another country, are re-immersing themselves into south central PA. Rebounds have been a great help to DYE Staff not only with the September Inbound Orientation but also at the Gettysburg Camp Happy Valley overnight by providing continued support to the new Inbounds and helping the Inbounds make a smoother transition in their immersion into our culture.

Rotarians will get an opportunity to meet all of the new Inbounds at the November Foundation Dinner. The Inbounds will be participating in the Parade of Flags and will be the ones wearing blue blazers with an assortment of pins on their jackets. One of the pins on their jackets will be "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands" rotary pin that DG Connie Spark gave to each of the students.

The exchange program is truly an extraordinary program and enriches not only the lives of the exchange students but also the lives of those around them. The following quote reflects the exchange experience of Jonathan Hofe (07-08 Rebound/Germany/Gettysburg) and serves as an inspirational message for future exchange students: "It matters not where you go, only that you go. In going you open yourself to new possibilities, friends, experiences, and possibly to the real you. This is an advantage that few choose to or even have the opportunity to take. Through it you will broaden your horizons and see the world from someone else's point of view. In the end, it matters not where you went or what language you speak, but that you will return a better person than when you left and you will be ready to face life head on."

In the meantime, we look forward to D7390 Rotary Clubs participating in the Inbound and Outbound Programs by...

1. Recruiting, Interviewing, Evaluating and Recommending high school students (between the ages of 15 ½ - 18 ½ as of 8/1/10) for the Long Term Outbound Program 2010-2011 exchange year .
2. Committing to host an Inbound student for 2010-2011.
3. In addition, we ask that clubs submit names of two interviewers for each outbound application submitted to assist with the November 14 District interviews. Other Rotarians from other clubs are also welcome to participate and learn about the Outbound interviewing process and program by forwarding their name and contact information to the District Office.

**Outbound Applications**, plus, \$100 application fee per applicant are due at the District Office by November 3, 2009 and the **Inbound Hosting Commitment** form is due November 3, 2009.

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered their time to help with the exchange student program. With all of your help you have made this exceptionally successful program! With your continued support you are also helping the new students get an excellent start for their exchange year.

# Y O U T H E X C H A N G E



## Where in the World are the Outbound Exchange Students?



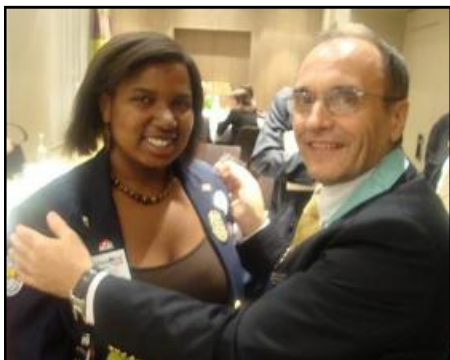
Chanel Moffit (Hershey) with host brother Diego in Santiago Chile.



Weslie Null (Lancaster-Sunrise) in Francisco Beltrao Alvorado Brazil with host family.



Rafaela Birlodeanu (Paradise) presenting banners in Argentina.



Shavonnia Corbin-Johnson (York) with DG Mark Lamirey in France.



Jesse Goss (Gettysburg) visiting Mallorca, Spain with host brother and father.



Signe Carlson (Gettysburg) in Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler Germany.



Karina Krueger (Hershey) in Toyko, Japan—Japanese Tea Ceremony.



Jordan Landis (Lancaster-South) in Japan with other Inbound Students.



Jonathan Norwich (Gettysburg) and the YE Inbounds in D1890 Germany.



Julia Galgon (Perry Count) in Helstrup, Denmark with friend from Brazil.



Hope Stone (York-North) and the YE Inbounds in D2240 Slovakia.

## DGN 2011-2012 TO BE SELECTED

Clubs have been asked to suggest District Governor Nominees for 2012-2013. In this way, we will continue our three-year projection for District 7390's leadership. Clubs should survey their membership and suggest a qualified candidate. Suggestions must be made in the form of a resolution adopted at a regular Club meeting and certified by the Club Secretary.

Qualifications for a District Governor are specified in detail in the Bylaws of Rotary International as published in the Rotary Manual of Procedure. These qualifications should be studied carefully by Club members and the prospective Rotarian candidate for District Governor Nominee prior to the decision to suggest a member as a candidate.

Club Presidents have information on the duties and responsibilities of the District Governor and the procedure for suggesting a candidate. This information is also available from the District Office. **Club suggestions for District Governor Nominee 2012-2013 must be received in the District Office by December 11, 2009 to be considered by the Nominating Committee. Interviews for District Governor Nominee 2012-2013 will be held Saturday, January 16, 2010 at the Susan Byrnes Health Education Center.**

## HELP ERADICATE POLIO

Purchase your tickets for this one-night-only benefit performance of violinist and polio survivor Itzhak Perlman with the New York Philharmonic. Buy tickets by calling the Philharmonic box office at 212-875-5656. Perlman will perform with the New York Philharmonic at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, Avery Fisher Hall, in New York City on Wednesday, **2 December, at 7:30 p.m.**

Mention that you're a Rotarian so you can access the block of tickets reserved for Rotarians until 1 November. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

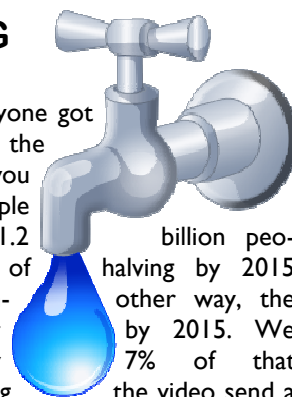
Tickets are priced between \$70 and \$200, depending on stage proximity. A premium concert seat and admission to the reception will be offered at a package price of \$500.

Tickets are expected to sell quickly. All proceeds go to [Rotary's U.S. \\$200 Million Challenge](#).

Tickets can also be purchased online through the Philharmonic, but they are not part of the Rotary ticket block. Tickets may also be purchased at the Avery Fisher Hall Box Office or the Alice Tully Hall Box Office at Lincoln Center, Broadway at 65th Street. The box office is open from 10 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. On performance evenings, the box office closes one-half hour after performance time; other evenings it closes at 6 p.m.

## AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT

This goes to show what can be done if everyone got behind the effort to provide clean water for the 20% of the world population without it. If you dare, watch this video to understand that simple and cheap technologies can transform life for 1.2 billion people and help achieve the UN Millennium goal of halving by 2015 people without clean water. To put this another way, the world will spend \$250 billion on bottled water by 2015. We can solve the world's water problem with only 7% of that number. Your reaction is wanted. After viewing the video send a thought to [kcogan71@gmail.com](mailto:kcogan71@gmail.com) about what could be done at your club level to start or continue an international water project. Thanks. Visit this link: [http://www.ted.com/talks/michael\\_pritchard\\_invents\\_a\\_water\\_filter.html](http://www.ted.com/talks/michael_pritchard_invents_a_water_filter.html)



## District 7390 Tennis Tournament

The Carlisle Rotary Club (Castles/Cunningham) won the District Tennis Challenge by defeating the Lancaster Northeast Club (Spadea/Winters) 7-6 (7-4), 6-1. The doubles teams played the match on 24 September at the Allenberry courts. After the match a very enjoyable and tasty trophy-presentation dinner took place at Allenberry.

Rainy weather delayed the event by a week. As a result, three teams (York, Lancaster, and one of the two Carlisle teams) could not play. This left Carlisle and Lancaster Northeast to fight it out for the Paul Harris Championship Cup.

Next year's event will most likely be held at the more centrally located West Shore Country Club (WSCC) in the last half of September. Club Presidents Elect should determine if their club can field a team to compete in next year's event.



The winning team of PDG Alden Cunningham and Mike Castles.



## You are Invited to the ROTARY DISTRICT 7390 FOUNDATION DINNER

**Thursday, November 5 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

At the Sheraton Harrisburg-Hershey  
(4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111)

A social hour will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. (includes cash bar & hors d'oeuvres) and a 50/50 raffle. The Foundation dinner from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. will include keynote speakers and other Rotary Foundation presentations. Cost: \$50 per person.

### PROCEEDS FROM THE DINNER WILL HELP END POLIO NOW!

Registration forms are available on the District website at [www.rotary7390.org/avenuesofservice/foundationdinner](http://www.rotary7390.org/avenuesofservice/foundationdinner) or from your Club President. **RSVP Deadline: October 30**

## RI UNITED NATIONS DAY

Plans have been completed for District 7390 to send a bus to the RI/UN Day on November 7, 2009. Members who wish to travel on their own may also register. Exchange students and accompanied high school students are also invited.

Rotary has a long relationship with the UN. Forty-nine Rotarians were among the 29 delegations to the UN Charter Conference in San Francisco in 1945. Rotary continues to hold the highest consultative status offered to a non-governmental organization.

Please complete your registration as soon as possible! Seating for UN Day is **limited**. Spouses and friends are also invited. **Please High School Students only.**

An Executive Charter Bus will leave Queensgate Shopping Center, in York at 2:45 a.m. and Boscov's at the Colonial Park Mark in Harrisburg at 3:30 a.m. The UN day will conclude at 4:30 p.m. There will be a fast-food breakfast stop in the morning and dinner stop on the way home, returning to the same sites between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Cost for the bus is \$45 per person.

**Note: Separate Registrations must be made for the bus and for RI/UN Day.**

- A bus registration form is attached. **If we do not have enough bus registrations by October 15 to fill the bus, we will cancel the trip! Please register early!!!** Bus cost is \$45.00
- You can register for UN Day at [www.riunday.org](http://www.riunday.org). You can either register on-line or download the form and mail to the registrar. Attendees must pre-register by October 15<sup>th</sup> to allow for processing and security clearance. Cost for UN Day registration is \$37.50.



If you would like a speaker at your Club on RYLA, please contact RYLA Chair Gary Crissman at 545-6553 or [Crissman@att.net](mailto:Crissman@att.net).

## The Rotary Foundation

For many years our District Foundation Committee and I have struggled to come up with ideas to make our Foundation Seminar more relevant, more comprehensive and more accessible to all Rotarians. We've had a lot of input from our Club's representatives, we've tinkered with the format, the location and the dates (ever mindful of Penn State home football game dates). We've had good speakers, timely topics and generally put in a lot of preparation and execution. And the result has been flat attendance for the past several years, typically about 50 attendees from half our Clubs.



This year we've put together a roster of Area Foundation Coordinators, Rotary leaders familiar with the role our Foundation plays and willing to coordinate Foundation efforts as do our Assistant Governors for all Club activities and efforts. We are organizing now and should be ready to go after the holidays. We will probably have our seminar then. Our goal is to get the Foundation story into every nook and cranny of our District, bolster our fundraising efforts and demonstrate further that we care.

Before our seminar we will get information to all the Clubs to clarify certain issues such as our expected giving to our END POLIO NOW effort, the status of grant money availability from the Foundation and the transition to the Foundation's Future Vision Plan.

Bear with us while we in District 7390 reorganize. We're available to help all our Clubs achieve their Foundation goals. Simply call the Rotary office (854-7842) to put things in motion, and remember we need a strong Foundation to meet the world's needs, because we care. I ask all District 7390 Rotarians to support our Foundation because with your help, through the Foundation, we will drive a well-spring deep into our planet and from that well-spring, hope dignity, and peace shall flow for all of us for years to come.

-PDG Ed Jaeger  
District Rotary Foundation Chair

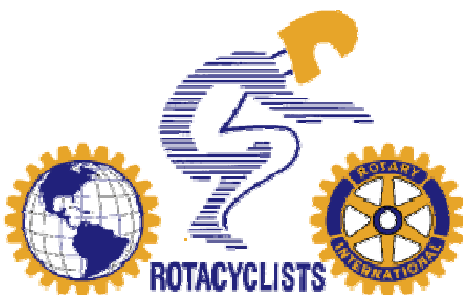


### District Grants Committee—FUNDS STILL AVAILABLE!

The District has allocated \$27,000 to District Simplified Grants, to date \$11,000 of that has been committed, but there is still \$16,000 available for matching. DSGs are for \$500 to \$1500 and are matched dollar for dollar. If you have not already submitted a District Simplified Grant request, please consider doing so. For more information contact District Grant Chair John Judson at [drjudson@aol.com](mailto:drjudson@aol.com) or 877-0871.

### MOTORCYCLING FALL GET-TOGETHER

Join fellow Rotarians and friends on a motorcycling weekend, Oct 16-18, to Wheeling WV. Arrive in Wheeling on Friday evening for dinner at the home of a fellow Rotarian. On Saturday tour with the group on a winding ride that travels through New Martinsville, Woodsfield and Jennison, returning to Wheeling for the evening. Ride home on Sunday. For more information contact Jim Sennett, 476-6128 or [Sennettjim@hotmail.com](mailto:Sennettjim@hotmail.com). You can find out more about the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians at [IFMR.org](http://IFMR.org).



# GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

## DEVELOPING PROFESSIONAL AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

The Rotary Group Study Exchange Program is one of the gems of Rotary International; an excellent example of our Rotary Foundation dollars helping at a local and international level.

The Group Study Exchange Program is:

- A five-week program for a team of young, non-Rotarian, professionals to exchange visits with a paired country. There is an outbound team and an inbound team.
- A unique cultural / vocational opportunity to develop professional and leadership skills.
- A once-in-a-lifetime journey involving vocational activities, cultural experiences, and fellowship opportunities.

The upcoming exchange will be with **District 1460 in Denmark and Lithuania. The outbound team will arrive in Denmark on April 11th, 2010 and depart from Lithuania on May 16, 2010.** District 1460, which encompasses Southern Denmark **AND** Lithuania, will provide many unique experiences. Visits to vocational, cultural and historical sites in Southern Denmark, Odense (home of Hans Christian Andersen), Copenhagen and Lithuania whose capital, Vilnius, a picturesque city on the banks of the rivers Neris and Vilnia, will host the 2010 District 1460 Conference.

**District 7390 needs your help to make this program a success. We need:**

- **Committee Members** – Rotarians with an interest in the GSE program. The first meeting will be held in October, 2009; subsequent meetings will be held from Dec. – March. The Committee is responsible for selecting the Team Leader and Team Members, for scheduling Rotarians who will host inbound team members, selecting vocational days for the visiting GSE team members, and arranging cultural/educational/social events during the team's tour of our

District. **The inbound team arrival and departure dates are April 10th, 2010 and May 15, 2010.** Because of the complexity of this program, each Rotary Group must be represented by at least one active Committee Member in order for that group's clubs to participate in the program. Additionally, if your Club members are interested in hosting (having inbound team members stay in Rotarian homes), then it is extremely beneficial for all concerned for your Club to have an active Committee Member. Participating Clubs will be given first choice at Hosting.

- **Team Leader Applicants** – A Team Leader must be a Rotarian. S/he assumes complete charge of the team; remains with the team for the duration of tour; and must be alert, energetic, and physically/mentally able to keep pace with a rigorous program. **Deadline for submitting Team Leader application – Sept. 31, 2009.**

- **Team Member Applicants** – The team is made up of six Members. A Team Member must be a young professional between the ages of 25-40, who lives or works in Rotary District 7390 and cannot be a Rotarian or a spouse or direct lineal descendent of a Rotarian. **Deadline for submitting Team Member application – Oct. 31, 2009.**

The Rotary Club(s) sponsoring a selected Team Leader or Team Members is responsible to provide that person with \$250.00 to assist with expenses, such as uniforms.

Team Leader and Team Members must have a Passport valid through November, 2010 (must be valid six months following return from the tour).

**Contacts for additional information and application forms:**  
 Peg Sennett—Hanover Rotary (630-8281 or pegsennett@hotmail.com)  
 or Tom Houf—Carlisle Rotary (805-4478 or houftp@gmail.com)

### HARRISBURG—13TH ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join the Rotary Club of Harrisburg on Saturday, October 24, 2009 for their 13th annual pancake breakfast. The breakfast will be held at John Harris High School in Harrisburg. Tickets are \$5 for adults; \$3 for students and \$2 for children. Other highlights of the day include: big screen TV raffle, Silent & live auctions and the dedication of the gymnasium. Contact Linda Freedenberg at 234-1208 or harrisburgrotary@yahoo.com for additional information or to purchase tickets.

### SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP

Lukas Kebschull (Germany) attended the Susquehanna Township Rotary Club Meeting on Thursday August 27 to hear DG Connie Spark and learn of the district's goals for 2009-10. Lukas is enrolled in the Susquehanna Township High School and made the school's golf team. He met the club's members as well as the chair of the Susquehanna Township High School Interact Club. Six Rotary Clubs were represented at Thursday's meeting.



L-R: Susquehanna Township President Bruce Warshawsky, AG Jim Rodgers, DG Connie Spark, Lukas Kebschull (YE Inbound from Germany), PDG Chuck Cenkenr.

### York-North

#### Rotary Names New Paul Harris Fellow's

The Rotary Club of York-North is proud to announce that it has named both Bob Ames and Nancy Brenner as a "Level 2" Paul Harris Fellow; and their spouses, Patty Ames and Tom Brenner as new "Paul Harris Fellows". A Rotarian is named a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow after they have made individual financial contributions to the Rotary International Foundation in excess of \$2,000.00. Tom Brenner and Patty Ames were given the honor as Paul Harris Fellows by their spouses, Nancy Brenner and Bob Ames, respectively.



(L to R) York-North Rotary Foundation Representative Leon Hartman with Tom Brenner, newly named "Paul Harris Fellow"; Nancy Brenner, "Level 2 Paul Harris Fellow"; Bob Ames, "Level 2 Paul Harris Fellow"; Patty Ames, newly named "Paul Harris Fellow"; & Club President Michelle Kahan.

# Club & Student Activity

## ANNVILLE

### Rotary Hears from the Chief



Annville Township Police Chief Michael Burdge talks with Rotarians Pam Blantz, Al Yingst, and Carl Gacono just before addressing the Rotary Club of Annville on the state of the force. The Township force of five full-time officers, five part-time officers, one full-time staff, part-time staff, and 6 crossing guards handled 3600 calls in the last year...about 6 times the call volume from 1988...with many of the calls resulting from outside influences coming into the township.

Capt. Burdge noted that 2009 have been an unusual year for an number of reasons including his ending up walking along the banks of Quittie Creek with a 'half-dead' flashlight looking for a python...

## COLONIAL PARK

### Norman P. Hetrick Golf Tournament



Jim Weaver, Winning foursome of the Colonial Park Club Norman P. Hetrick Golf Tournament, Randy Sibert, Past President

Colonial Park Rotary held its annual Norman P. Hetrick Golf Tournament on May 18th. The tournament raised over \$12,000.00 to be used towards scholarships for students who wish to attend Harrisburg Area Community College

and who are financially disadvantaged. Jim Weaver, a member of Colonial Park Rotary, was recently recognized for his dedication and efforts in organizing the tournament.

## LANCASTER

### Club installs new officers

The Rotary Club of Lancaster recently installed Tracy Lin Horst as President, succeeding Andrew S. Fletcher, who became Immediate Past President. Horst, owner of Progressive Property Management of Lancaster, has been a Rotary member since 1996. Joining Horst among the Rotary Club of Lancaster's officers are: Paul D. Quinn, Vice President; David E. Hosler, Secretary; and Brian D. Wassell, Treasurer.



New officers of the Rotary Club of Lancaster include, left to right, Brian Wassell, Treasurer; Tracy Lin Horst, President; Paul Quinn, Vice President; David Hosler, Secretary.

The club's Board of Directors includes: James A. Miller Jr., Robert A. McClenathan, Karl Boltz, Elizabeth Groff, Regis P. Kirchner Jr., Michael P. O'Day, Charles Blumenstock and Liz Martin.

## EASTERN YORK COUNTY

Rep. Keith Gillespie, state representative for the 47th District in York County was the speaker at the Rotary Club of Eastern York County. He spoke to the club about the budget proceedings and other current state issues. Pictured L-R: Rep Gillespie, Marty Clayton, EYC President.



## LEBANON

### Local Rotary Supports Reach Out and Read

The Rotary Club of Lebanon recently presented a check to Good Samaritan Physician Services in support of their Reach Out and Read program. Reach Out and Read provides age and culturally appropriate books to promote both literacy and wellness for children. According to Linda Patches, Family Support Secretary and Reach Out and Read Coordinator at GSPS, books are made available in the patient waiting area for children to read (or to be read to by adults) while waiting for medical appointments. In addition, books are purchased with the goal of giving each child a book to keep every time they complete a scheduled well-visit. The gift of a book is intended as an incentive for parents to keep scheduled pediatric appointments while assisting them in promoting an interest and love of reading in their child or children.



(back L-R) Becki Dunlop, Licensed Social Worker; Chris Straka; Linda Patches; Holli Brown, Administrative Director GSPS;(front L-R) Arianna Hernandez; Isabella Wise.

September 8th is recognized as Literacy Day by Rotary International. Lebanon Rotary President, Chris Straka, commented that the Reach Out and Read program twin goals are shared goals of Rotary International--addressing literacy as well as health and humanitarian needs. Other past literacy projects of Rotary of Lebanon have included the purchase of dictionaries for 5th graders and the purchase of library books for Lebanon City elementary schools.

Lebanon Rotary supports numerous activities to both recognize and benefit local youth including: Students of the Month; college scholarships, support for Lebanon County Career and Technology students attending national competitions; and scholarships for the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Conference.

The Lebanon Rotary has been in existence since April, 1921 and remains an active part of the local community through several projects such as a semi-annual clean-up of the Nature Barn area of Stover's Dam Park and through quarterly highway litter pick-ups along Tunnel Hill Road. In addition, the club supports the Rotary International initiative to eradicate polio and also actively supports free dental clinics in both the Dominican republic and Puerto Rico under the leadership of club member, Henry Funk. Support is also given to International Vision Mission, in conjunction with local Rotarian, Dr. Al Alley.

# Club & Student Activity

## LITITZ

### "New" Lititz Public Library in its Tenth Year.

Susan Tennant, Director of the Lititz Public Library, receiving a \$5,000 check from the Lititz Rotary Club's President Thomas Oehme and Past President Karen Mailen on August 25. Thanking the Rotary Club for their current and past support, Sue Tennant said that the



funds would be donated towards the many teaching aids that the Library is adding for younger children. She went on to say that the Library now stocks 76,000 books, audio books, music and movies, and receives over 1,000 visitors a day, making it one of the most vibrant and used Library facilities in the County and has almost 20,000 registered patrons. The Library has tremendous Internet services and a very active web site that she encourages everybody to take advantage of: [www.lititzlibrary.org](http://www.lititzlibrary.org)

### Lititz Rotary donates to Area Food Bank



Julie Martin, President of the Lititz/Warwick Community Chest, our local area food bank, receives a \$7,000 donation from Thomas Oehme, President of the Lititz Rotary Club, at the General Sutter Inn last Tuesday. Mrs. Martin commented that Rotary is by far the largest financial contributor to her all voluntary organization that originated in the early 1900's and provides over 40,000 lbs of food each year on

a temporary basis to families in need of assistance. The majority of support for the food bank comes in the form of food donations from the very generous local community and Churches in the area. She went on to explain that the current economic difficulties has resulted in a sharp increase in families requesting temporary food assistance, however the current food bank is able to manage thanks to the generous food donations during the last Postal & Boy Scouts food drives and continued support of our community. Persons requiring assistance should call the hotline no. 627-0770, and anybody wishing to donate food or support the organization can also call the hotline or write to LWCC at PO Box 148, Lititz, PA 17543.

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

### LEBANON

- David Fink—Lebanon Catholic High School
- Marykate McShane—Lebanon Catholic High School
- Koratrona Evans—Lebanon High School
- Tai Nguyen—Lebanon High School
- \*Dylan Saylor—Cedar Crest High School
- \*Kim Wagner—ELCO High School
- \*Also students of the Lebanon County CTC

## MECHANICSBURG

### 46th Annual OX Roast

Saturday September 19th the Mechanicsburg Rotary Club held its 46th Annual OX Roast in Memorial Park. The OX Roast is the clubs largest fund raiser. Rotarians came together to serve over 500 BBQ chicken and beef dinners while being entertained by the Singer



Band and one of our Club's very own sons, Austin Brown, a.k.a Elvis Presley.

Special thanks to all the Rotarians from surrounding Clubs and our DG Connie, who helped serve meals!!

## MECHANICSBURG-NORTH

### Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North Duck Race

The Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North recently held its First Annual Ducks of Hope Race, a charity duck race sponsored by Highmark to benefit the programs of New Hope Ministries and the Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North.

The race debuted in the Yellow Breeches Creek at Messiah College under beautifully clear skies. A number of Rotarians, their family members, and New Hope Ministries supporters frolicked in the creek as they released and caught the rubber ducks. The Rotary Club and New Hope Ministries sold over 1,000 Duck Adoption Certificates.

A finish line banner featuring Highmark, which contributed \$5,000 as the title sponsor, was hung on the covered bridge. Duck #198 of the final heat won in a close race, earning his adoptive parent a \$1,500 travel voucher.

Club member and project chairman Dave Nesbit stated, "The Mechanicsburg-North Club appreciates the generous sponsorship from Highmark, donations from other area businesses, and all those who purchased Duck Adoption Certificates. The monies raised will support the



Rubber ducks in First Annual Ducks of Hope Race, a charity duck race sponsored by Highmark to benefit the programs of New Hope Ministries and the Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North, make their way to the finish line banner.

varied programs offered by New Hope Ministries that address hunger and other emergency crisis assistance and programs for children and youth in Cumberland and York Counties. The proceeds will also enable the Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North to continue to provide scholarships to local students and to serve persons in need in Ecuador, Ghana, and other countries around the globe."

Club	Membership/Attendance						Media Report	
	Mem. 1-Jul-09	+ -	Mem. 31-July-09	Mem. Goal	Attend %	# Mtg	July 2009	YTD 2009-2010
Annville	15	-1	14	17	75	4	2	2
Carlisle	123	-1	122	131	58	4	5	7
Carlisle-Sunrise	34	+2	36	40	74	4	1	4
Colonial Park	92		92	94	56	3		
Columbia	11		11	17	46	5		
Denver Adamstown	18	-1	17	23	73	4	2	4
Donegal	14	-2	12	17	89	4	2	3
East Petersburg	14	+1	15	17	65	4		
Eastern York County	21		21	25	52	4		1
Elizabethtown	69	+1	70	100	87	4	66	66
Ephrata	40		40	43	48	4	1	2
Gettysburg	84	+1	85	90	63	5	1	3
Hanover	105	-1	104	100	53	4	1	1
Harrisburg	200		200	205	70	5	4	4
Harrisburg Keystone	29	+2	31	35	72	4		1
Hershey	141	-5	136	140	42	5		
Hummelstown	37	+1	38	40	52	4	4	4
Lancaster	255	+7	262	260	76	4	1	2
Lancaster - Hempfield	46	-3	43	45	63	4		
Lancaster - Northeast	49	+3	52	55	76	5		
Lancaster Penn Square	22	+3	25	30	81	4		
Lancaster - South	58	-2	56	60	52	4		
Lancaster - Sunrise	36		36	40	72	4		
Lebanon	34	+1	35	37	51	4		
Lititz	41	-2	39	45	76	4	1	1
Littlestown	24		24	26	80	4		
Manheim	24		24	28	83	4	1	2
Mechanicsburg	21	-1	20	30	91	4		
Mechanicsburg - North	63	-2	61	65	82	4		1
Millersburg	17	-1	16	19	65	5		
Mount Joy	49	-1	48	58	66	4		
Myerstown - E. Lebanon County	43		43	46	76	4	1	1
New Holland	7	-1	6	9	75	4		
New Oxford - Conewago Valley	13	+1	14	21	66	4		
Northern Lebanon County	22		22	24	55	4	1	1
Palmyra	18		18	20	93	4		
Paradise	32	+1	33	37	85	4		
Perry County	15	+2	17	23	80	3	1	1
Red Lion-Dallastown Area	23	-1	22	27	63	4		
Shippensburg	16		16	18	65	4		1
Southern York County	28		28	32	56	5		
Susquehanna Township	24		24	30	53	4		
Upper Dauphin	11		11	15	50	3		
West Shore	19	-1	18	23	94	5		
West York	12	-2	10	15	75	4	1	1
York	312	-1	311	315	53	4	6	6
York East	78	-2	76	80	50	4		
York North	55	-2	53	60	70	4	9	9
<b>District Totals</b>	<b>2514</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>2507</b>	<b>2727</b>	<b>68</b>		<b>111</b>	<b>128</b>

Note: Clubs in red did not turn in a July Membership Report.