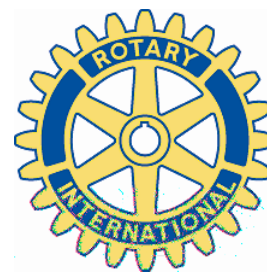




DISTRICT 7450

# Rotary Leader



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## Message from DG Joel



Happy New Year to all District 7450 Rotarians and their families. January begins the final six months of my year as District Governor. To date, we have accomplished many of the projects we started; some are in the process and others such as the District Conference are in different stages of completion.

District Governor-Elect Al Marland will be heading to San Diego this month for a week of training for next year's District Governors. Al will meet District Governor-Elects from all over the world. Enjoy this experience Al, and best of luck to you and our District.

During the 2009-2010 Rotary year, we will continue our Gundaker Foundation rejuvenation project. A committee was appointed and will undertake an in-depth study of the Gundaker Foundation to smooth out rough edges and polish our image.

We must continue the focus on our annual giving toward eradicating polio that remains in our world today. Thru the Gates Foundation Grant Challenge, we will meet and exceed our goal of \$100 million dollars.

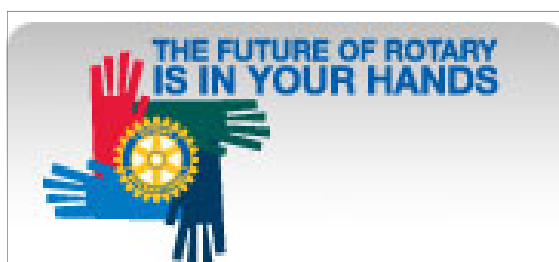
January brings renewed hope and faith as we inaugurate United States President Barack Obama. Let's stand behind our new President as we do R.I. President D. K. Lee embracing tough challenges and working hard to "Make Dreams Real" for those around our world. Thank you for your dedication to "Service Above Self".

## Gates Foundation adds \$255 million to polio challenge

Rotary International, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the British and German governments have committed more than \$630 million in new funds to fight polio, which persists in parts of Africa and Asia and thus threatens children everywhere. According to a January 21 announcement at the RI assembly for 2009-2010 District Governors in San Diego California, the Gates Foundation is awarding a second challenge grant to Rotary Foundation—this time for \$255 million. Rotary will match this new grant with \$100 million from Rotarians worldwide over three years.

In 2007, the Gates Foundation contributed \$100 million for polio eradication which Rotarians already have committed over \$60,000 million toward the \$100,000 million match.

(More information on Pages 7, 10)



RI President-elect John Kenny announced "The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands," as 2009-2010 theme to incoming District Governors at International Assembly in San Diego January 19.

***At King of Prussia Radisson*****President-Elect Training set February 26-28**

District Governor-Elect Al Marland has issued a personal reminder to all Presidents-Elect for the President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) which will take place at the Radisson Hotel in King of Prussia on February 26 to 28.

Registration must be made on-line at **www.Mid-AtlanticRotaryPETS.org**. There is no charge for Presidents-Elect to attend the training which is mandatory for all President-Elects.

The Presidents-Elect are reminded "if you so desire make a reservation at the Radisson Hotel by calling the number indicated on the web site and making reference to Rotary so you can get the reduced rate," according to DGE Marland.

PETS registration is requested by January 26 and those who plan to stay at the Radisson Hotel must make a reservation no later than the cut-off date of January 26.

DGE Marland indicates there are optional events Thursday afternoon but the mandatory event starts Friday morning at 8:30 am and ends Saturday at 3:30 pm.

Each Rotary Club will reimburse the President-Elect for PETS expenses.

In addition, Assistant District Governors will participate in the training conference both in special sessions for ADGs and in mentoring the Presidents-Elect for their Area clubs. Each ADG has received a personal invitation from Marland with details of his or her role.

For additional information on PETS, contact DGE Marland at **Al Marland DGE, Box 1063, Oaks, PA 19456; almarland@aol.com; 610-659-1279 (cell); 610-933-5386 (office); 610-933-5387 (fax)**.

This year, the multi-District PETS will draw Presidents-Elect from six Rotary Districts: 7390, 7430, 7450, 7500, 7630, 7640.

**News about District 7450 Rotary events****RYLA deadline January 30**

The deadline for registration for the 2009 RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Conference at Freedom Foundation in Valley Forge is January 30. Each Rotary Club selects and sponsors its RYLA participants which this year costs \$230 per student.

Full information about RYLA is available at **Rotary7450.org**. Once there, hit "Enter," "Rotary Youth" (link on the left), and "RYLA."

Rotarians interested in helping with the conference are asked to contact Maria Mills-Torres, (H) 215 425 0782; (W) 215 400 5697, **mmillsto@phila.k12.pa.us**; Joyce Chesney, **jchesney@phillynews.com**; or Louise Vitiello, **lvitiello@chestercommunitycharter.org**.

**Longwood Parking: Great Success**

Kennett at Longwood Rotary Club reports "Once again, we completed a great project by assisting with the parking challenges at Longwood Gardens during the holidays. A total of 455 Rotarian hours went into this effort which earned us about \$9,000 as a credit towards our Gala costs at Longwood."

**District Conference April 17-19**

The 2009 District Conference will be April 17 to 19 at Longwood Gardens Conference Center and Mendenhall Inn. Co-chairs are DG Partner Joyce Chesney, Bonnie Korengel (610-644-7213) and Dave McKeon (610-444-4660).



## District receives \$6,000 PR grant for ads at Philadelphia Airport baggage areas

Rotary District 7450 has received a \$6,000 public relations grant from Rotary International which will be added to \$2,000 District 7450 funds to finance an unprecedented five-month-long advertising campaign at the Philadelphia International Airport as of January 1.

“This promises to be a powerful effort to get out the message of what Rotary is all about,” said DG Chesney. “For the second consecutive year, we will have two state-of-the-art colorfully lighted displays located in the heavily-trafficked baggage pickup area of US Airways at an airport that is the fifth busiest flight gateway of the United States. More than two million passengers pass through the Philadelphia Airport each month.

“Each of these eye-catching publicity pieces offers a wonderful tribute to what Rotary does around the world and hopefully will even recruit new members to our cause.”

“Our District 7450 project involves the use of two different 43 inch by 62 inch lighted and full-color billboard graphics called dioramas that will be

**Clean water...basic to life**

Rotary's working on it

**Rotary. Humanity in motion.**

Rotary clubs lead the way in providing clean drinking water worldwide.

Welcome to Rotary District 7450 which includes 54 Rotary clubs in the Greater Philadelphia area. We are affiliated with 1.2 million Rotary members in nearly 33,000 clubs in 200 countries.

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Rotary's educational efforts promote world peace and understanding through scholarships and international exchange programs. We also support six Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution in five countries.

We cordially invite you to join us in our efforts to create a better world.

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displayed in a busy baggage area of USAirways,” explains Philadelphia Rotarian Joe Batory, who designed the ads using Rotary International Humanity in Motion themes of “Clean Water” and “Polio Prevention” with help

from RI staff. “We have some tightly written explanatory copy on each eye level diorama that welcomes airport passengers to the Rotary Clubs of District 7450, tells them a bit about what Rotary does worldwide and locally, and invites interested persons to join a Rotary club,” Batory adds.

The District 7450 diorama advertisements will be displayed until May 31, 2009.

An added bonus is the decision by Clear Channel, the national company that handles the advertising at the Philadelphia Airport, to provide two dioramas for the price of one in recognition of the humanitarian efforts by Rotary Clubs.

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## Longwood Rotarians host Sweetheart Gala

Longwood Rotary Club will host its annual Sweetheart Gala Dinner-Dance and Auction from 6:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, February 7, in the Conservatory at Longwood Gardens.

The event, which is the Rotary Club's major fundraiser in support of service projects, opens with a champagne toast and includes appetizers, a seated dinner in the central Fern Pond area, and dancing in the spectacular Conservatory setting as well as a grand prize raffle drawing and both Silent and Live Auctions. Wine and beer are included in the ticket price, and a cash bar is open all evening. Black tie is optional.

Event tickets entitle the ticket holder and one guest to attend the Gala. Cost per ticket is \$250, which is completely tax deductible. Each event ticket includes a free raf-

fle ticket worth \$50. The grand prize winner will receive a MULE 3010 Trans4x4 Diesel off-road utility vehicle valued at \$10,899, which was donated by Powersports East of Bear, Delaware, and Kawasaki Motor Corporation. A \$5,000 check may be requested in lieu of the vehicle.

Sweetheart Gala proceeds will be used primarily to support the Club's 2009 effort to assist two local organizations: Kennett Food Cupboard and La Comunidad Hispana. To purchase tickets, contact Ken Robinson at 610.444.1512 or purchase securely online at [longwoodrotary.com](http://longwoodrotary.com). MasterCard and Visa are accepted. Raffle tickets are also available separately for \$50 each from Powersports East, Longwood Rotary Club members, or on the [longwoodrotary.com](http://longwoodrotary.com) website. The winner is not required to be present.

## West Chester Downtown 'Fridays' joins drive to collect 'Gently Worn' party and prom dresses

The Rotary Club of West Chester Downtown "Fridays" and a couple of groups of local students are working together to raise money to help a child-slave rehabilitation center in India through collection and sale of gently worn wedding wear, old prom dresses and party finery .

The center, called Bal Vikras Ashram, helps educate and rehabilitate boys who have been rescued from slavery. Bal Vikras needs a jeep for transporting children, running errands and taking educators to remote areas to teach villagers how to protect their children against further slavery. The ashram is also working to establish a new center to help girls who were slaves.

West Chester Downtown "Fridays"

Rotarians are working to raise funds for the jeep and furnishings for the girls' center.

Donated dresses will be sold Saturday, March 28, at Westtown School at an event called "Dress for a Good Cause."

Old jewelry, even broken, is acceptable, and gowns of any size, color or fashion era are needed for the sale.

In addition to providing funds for the jeep and girls' center, the event will provide local girls with affordable prom dresses during a challenging economy and will keep previously-worn dresses out of attics and landfills.

To donate gowns or jewelry, contact Carol Metzker, president of WC Downtown "Fridays," Rotary Club at 610-793-4387 or [echmetzker@aol.com](mailto:echmetzker@aol.com).

## News from District 7450 Rotary Clubs

### Is he a future Rotarian?

Area 8 Assistant Governor Samantha (Sam) and Chad Ramsey welcomed Noah James Ramsey January 5, 2009 at



5:26 p.m. Noah weighed 8 lbs, 1.5 oz. and was 20.5 inches in length at birth. Sam reports "Chad and I are quite sleep-deprived but doing great...Noah is healthy and doing well."

### CCC Rotarians join Rotarians in India to supply school desks

Rotary Club of Central Chester County has received approval of a \$15,000 Matching Grant by The Rotary Foundation for a joint project with Rotary Club of Salem Metropolis and District 2980 in India to provide 285 steel benches and desks to the schools in the poor neighborhoods of District 2980. Many of the benefiting schools do not have desks and benches and the students sit on the floors in the classrooms.

The total cost is \$15,000 with \$4000 coming from District 2980 DDF, \$2000 from District 7450 DDF and \$2000 from Central Chester County Rotary Club. The goal is to complete the project by end of March..

This is the first matching grant approved in District 7450 for 2008-09. Rotary Clubs thinking about an international project can contact District 7459 Matching Grants chair Vasanth Prabhu at [vprabhu39@aol.com](mailto:vprabhu39@aol.com) or call 610-917-1097. Deadline for applications is March 31.

### Kennett Square Rotarians distribute dictionaries

Kennett Square Rotarians handed out dictionaries to third-graders at the Mary D Lang Elementary School in Kennett Square Dec 3. Third-graders receiving dictionaries included (from left) Jose Alvarado, Luis Sanchez Vazquez, Jose James Becerra, Jackson Andrews and Everardo Ortiz Ayllon. Rotarians are (back row, from left) Steven Cho, Al Schmitt, and president Eleanor Sylver. Also taking part were Rotarians Louise Bair and Bronwyn Martin.



## News from District 7450 Rotary Clubs

### UD-Lansdowne Rotarians honor students



Upper Darby—Lansdowne Rotary Club honored six Students of the Month for December. They are (from left) Lindsay Fitzpatrick, editor-in-chief of Bonner-Prendergast High School newspaper, member of yearbook staff, plays lacrosse, member of National Honor Society, meets with potential Prendergast students, tutors students and is interested in becoming an accountant or an actuary; Joseph Denny, senior at Bonner-Prendergast High School, member National Honor Society, mentors freshmen, active in school plays and worked on refurbishing Bonner; Anne Mulholland, in top fifth of Upper Darby High School senior class, in concert band, on swimming team, active in her church, plans to study chemical engineering and received University of Rhode Island rowing scholarship; Darielle Brown David of Penn Wood High School, talented media and technology design student, studied English, psychology, and philosophy at Drexel, member of National Honor Society, the National Art Society and band and plans a career in animated cartoons and movies; Diamon Beckford of Upper Darby High School, plays basketball, volunteered to give out holiday food baskets, helps feed the homeless and has won a full scholarship to the University of New Hampshire; and Domique Grasty, ranked second in senior class at Penn Wood High School, plays basketball, is a cheerleader, mentors seventh and eighth-graders and tutors other students, participates in community service and plans to become a pediatrician. Upper Darby-Lansdowne Rotary Club honors students from the three high schools each month of school year.

### PMB Rotarians welcome Miss Philadelphia 2008



Brintha Vasagar, Miss Philadelphia 2008, was welcomed to the Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn Rotary Club by president Rob Robinson and spoke about her efforts and experiences when the Tsunami struck December 26, 2004, while she and her father were in Sri Lanka. They helped until returning to Philadelphia at which time she sent a petition to friends that became a world-wide request, raising \$500,000 for disaster relief in Sri Lanka. Miss Vasagar, a third-year medical student, hopes to help people when she graduates, possibly in the public health arena.

### New member inducted

Lou Pace was inducted into the Broomall Rotary Club last month. Originally from southwest Philadelphia, Pace owns Lou Pace Auto Body on Sproul Road in Broomall and has been in business for 30 years.

A graduate of Cardinal O'Hara High School, he and his wife, Anita, have three children and have lived in Broomall for 20 years.

## Gates Foundation adds \$255 M to grant

Dear fellow Rotarians,

This is another historic day for Rotary. Our organization was honored today (January 21) to host philanthropist Bill Gates Jr. at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

Speaking to 2009-10 district governors-elect, Gates congratulated Rotarians on the success of the partnership between Rotary International and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to raise funds for polio.

To date, Rotarians have already committed more than US\$60 million toward the \$100 million Gates Foundation challenge grant awarded in November, 2007.

In recognition of Rotary's impressive fundraising success and steadfast commitment to polio eradication, Gates announced that his foundation has decided to increase its challenge grant by \$255 million – for a total of \$355 million.

By accepting the increase, Rotary also accepts the challenge to raise an additional \$100 million in matching funds by 30 June 2012 and raises the combined Rotary-Gates Foundation commitment to a total of \$555 million.

All of the resulting \$555 million will be spent in support of immunization activities carried out by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in polio-affected countries. The initiative is spearheaded by Rotary, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

In another welcomed development today, the United Kingdom's Department for International Development pledged £100 million (US\$150 million) and the German government is giving an additional €100 million (US\$130 million), both to the global initiative. These con-

tributions are separate and will not count toward Rotary's match of the Gates Foundation challenge grant.

The infusion of funds is crucial if the world is to finally be rid of polio, a crippling, sometimes fatal disease that poses the highest risk to children.

Although the initiative has reduced the number of polio cases by 99 percent over the past two decades, the wild poliovirus still persists in four countries -- Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan -- and imported cases from these endemic countries threaten other developing nations.

Your continued participation in this effort is vital. The Rotary International Board of Directors and the trustees of The Rotary Foundation have unanimously agreed to accept this challenge grant to ensure the success of the PolioPlus program.

Rotary and the Gates Foundation intend for their funding partnership to set an example for the rest of the world. We feel confident that this extraordinary partnership will serve as a catalyst for further donations from others to help us realize the dream of a

polio-free world.

When Rotary entered the fight against polio in 1985, we promised every child a world free from the threat of polio. We are almost there. This funding agreement between Rotary and the Gates Foundation is a huge step forward, bringing us even closer to our goal. Success is our only option. Together, we can End Polio Now.

For more information, please visit [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

**Dong Kurn Lee**, RI President 2008-09  
**Jonathan Majiyagbe** The Rotary Foundation,  
 Chair 2008-09



**"It was an exciting and very inspiring event. I think it will motivate our members to another level of commit-**

**ment to eradicate polio," DGE Al Marland stated following Gates Foundation grant announcement in Rotary News story from San Diego.**

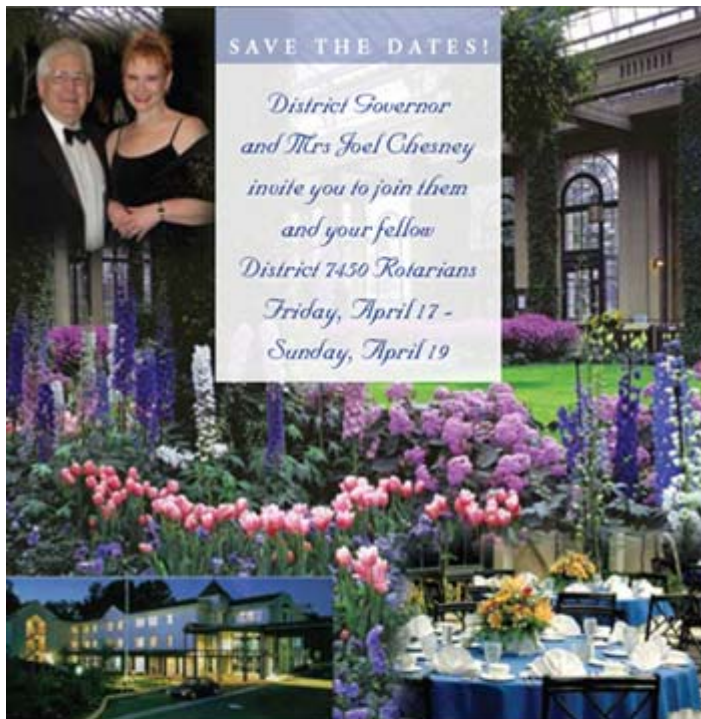
## News from District 7450 Rotary Clubs

### Central Delco Rotarians donate coats to Delco Community Action Agency

During this past holiday season, the Central Delaware County Rotary Club donated coats purchased from Operation Warm to the Community Action Agency of Delaware County. On hand for the presentation were (from left) Michael Carr, Rotary Club treasurer; Jeanne Lee, president; ; Debbie Lamborn, CAADC development director; and Rebecca Stipdonk, Rotary Club secretary.



## Plan now to attend District Conference April 17-19



SAVE THE DATES!

*District Governor  
and Mrs. Joel Chesney  
invite you to join them  
and your fellow  
District 7450 Rotarians  
Friday, April 17 -  
Sunday, April 19*

- World Class Venues:  
The Award-Winning Mendenhall Inn and Spectacular Longwood Gardens
- Diverse, Interesting Workshops
- Rotary International and District Project Updates
- Idea-Sharing with other Rotary Club Members
- Fabulous Free-time Options for Saturday Afternoon
- Friday Banquet in Mendenhall's Gold Ballroom
- Stellar Saturday Evening Celebration in Longwood Gardens Conservatory

*For more information on Making Dreams Real in April:*

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*2009  
Rotary District 7450  
Conference*

LONGWOOD GARDENS, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania  
MENDENHALL INN, Mendenhall, Pennsylvania

Check [Rotary7450.org](http://Rotary7450.org) for up-to-date information about costs and plans for 2009 District Conference.



## Ardmore Rotary Club receives \$20,000 for garden

Ardmore Rotary Club president Jim Hall (center) accepts a check for \$20,000 toward the restoration project for Wynnewood Valley Sensory Garden from Jamie Arnold, managing partner at Kistler-Tiffany Advisors in Berwyn. Also on hand for the presentation at the January 15 meeting are (from left) Ardmore Rotarian Rob Burnham, member of Kistler-Tiffany Foundation board which gave the contribution; Dave Kovach, managing partner at Kistler-Tiffany Advisors; and (right) Ardmore Rotarian Dr. Douglas Klepfer, chairman



of Garden Restoration Committee for the Rotary Club. Last fall, the Rotary Club of Tokyo, Japan sent a \$10,000 check to Ardmore Rotary Club for the restoration project and planting of cherry trees in the garden. Ardmore Rotary has partnered with Lower Merion Township and a number of local organizations in the restoration project for the garden which was originally developed as the Garden for the Blind and Children by Ardmore Rotary Club and township in early 1970s. Prior to the presentation, Klepfer announced Ardmore Rotary Club had received a Certificate of Appreciation for its work on the garden from Sixth District Congressman Jim Gerlach.

## Middletown Council ponders Delco Fair site challenge

The site for the annual Delaware County Fair, sponsored by the Concordville-Chadds Ford and Glen Riddle Rotary Clubs, appears to be in the hands of the Middletown Council after a township resident challenged the permit to stage the 35-year-old event at Linvilla Orchards in the township.

A neighbor of Linvilla Orchards has threatened a legal challenge if the township issues a permit for the 4-day fair this year citing an agreement to limit special events on the site to two days.

Representatives of the Rotary Clubs attended the January council meeting and reported the fair, which moved to Linvilla Orchards last year, has raised more than \$1 million for charities. Sponsoring Rotary Clubs have offered to pay the township's legal expenses deductible in the effort to obtain the necessary permits for this June's fair.

Township solicitor Joseph A. Damico Jr. explained the township wants the fair to continue in view of the

contributions to charitable groups. However, he said that as things stand, a 4-day event is not permitted under R-1 zoning as an accessory use.



Council Chairman Scott Galloway indicated a meeting would be scheduled to try to work out a compromise with the resident. He said council "would do our best from our end" to see that the fair can continue.

The fair began at Rose Tree Park, moved to Penn State Delco campus for several years before moving to Granite Run Mall. Last year, it was held at

the Linvilla Orchards site.

The matter is scheduled to be on the council's February 9 meeting agenda. Interested Rotarians are invited to sign a petition of support and attend the meeting. For information, contact David Lafferty, at (610) 358 1300 ex 100 or download the petition at <http://www.rotary7450.org/ConcordvilleChaddsFord/>

## Rotarians continue to 'Make Dreams Real'

Well Rotarians, hard to believe it is 2009 already! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season as my family and I had. January is off to a cold and frigid start. As many of us volunteered in countless efforts to fulfill the needs of those less fortunate in our communities, it warmed my heart to know that even on New Year's Eve, Rotarians of District 7450 were helping to serve food to homeless families at the homeless shelter in West Chester. On most occasions, there is barely enough food to have one serving. However, Rotarians of the West Chester "Downtown Friday" Club donated enough food for a bountiful Italian meal!

On Saturday, January 17, one of the coldest mornings this winter, many Rotarians braved the elements outdoors in the Longwood Gardens parking lot and separated donated

food items for the Kennett Food Cupboard in a "Stock the Shelves" food drive. Over 200 boxes were packed and loaded on a truck bound for the Cupboard. Thanks to the Kennett at Longwood Rotary Club for completing the renovations to the Food Cupboard; "Making Dreams Real" for their community and those in need.

Our RYLA conference is fast approaching. Please submit your applications online thru the District website as soon as possible.

Maria Mills-Torres and Louise Vitiello have a wonderful weekend planned for our sponsored youth participants at the Freedom Foundation located in Valley Forge. We are looking for Rotarians to volunteer their services throughout the weekend. If interested, please contact Maria Mills-Torres at (H) 215 425 0782; (W) 215 400 5697.

### Partner's Point of View

By  
Joyce  
Chesney



### \$100 Million Challenge Update:

## Clubs report \$34,000 toward \$55,000 goal

Cindy Petty, Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn Rotarian and chair of District 7450 \$100 Million Challenge Committee, reports that at the end of December, contributions from District Rotary Clubs are more than halfway toward the first year's goal of \$55,000 but fewer than one-half the clubs have made donations.

According to Petty, "We have not heard from a lot of clubs in terms of commitment and/or actual donations. As of December 31, 20 clubs out of 54 have made donations."

The total recorded as of January 22 is \$34,000. Only 23 clubs have made commitments but, according to Petty, not all of them have reported contributions as of mid-January.

In a memo to the clubs, Petty wrote, "You know that Rotary has been the leader in this global humanitarian health initiative in terms of our time, leadership, and resources. We need all Rotarians and Clubs to see it

through to the end. Please make the commitment within your clubs to commit some of your fund-raising dollars to the eradication effort.

"If your club has not yet made a pledge and/or donated this year, let me know what your club will pledge for the remainder of the year. If you are ready to make a donation, you can use the same donation form we use for individual contributions.

Checks should be made out to The Rotary Foundation. Check off "PolioPlus" under the Designation Section or write it in the memo on the check.

Petty also suggests writing "\$100 Million Challenge" by the box to ensure each club gets appropriate credit. Checks also can be sent to Petty who will forward them to RI.

For more information, contact Cindy Petty at [cynthiapetty@verizon.net](mailto:cynthiapetty@verizon.net) ; 610-647-9574 .

## News from District 7450 Rotary Clubs

### A New Year's feast!



Rotary Ambassador Scholar Makoto Kuwabara (left) and his wife Chihiro (center) and former Rotary Ambassador Scholar Asako Yoshino (right) prepared and then enjoyed a New Year's Day's feast at the Center City Philadelphia home of Philadelphia Rotarians DGN Joan and Joe Batory on January 1, 2009.

### Students of Month



Glen Mills Rotary Club President Joe Feldman (center) congratulates Students of the Month for December Michael O'Neill and Matilda Berger, students at Rustin High School in West Chester School District. Both students were honored not only for their contributions to the school, but also for service to organizations outside of school.

### \$1500 for 'Gift of Life'



Mike Brown, president of Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club presents \$1,500 check for the Gift of Life to PDG Brad Stanton, founder and chairman of Gift of Life, at the club's Christmas luncheon..

### Paul Harris Fellow Award

District Governor Joel Chesney presents Paul Harris Fellow Awards to his sister and brother-in-law Lana and Jay Schwartz from West Lake Village, California at recent Kennett at Longwood Rotary Club meeting.



Lana and Jay Schwartz from West Lake Village, California at recent Kennett at Longwood Rotary Club meeting.

**Where's my newsletter?**

If you know a Rotarian asking where his or her District Newsletter is, we are asking Rotarians who have access to computers and the Rotary7450.org website to take a few minutes and

print a copy (or two or three) of the newsletter and give them to the Rotarian(s) who asked the question.

And if you know there are members in your club

who are not computer savvy, we ask you to print copies and place them on the sergeant-at-arms table. Thank you.



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**Send attendance to info@Rotary7450.org - 610 459 4183**

Area	club#	Club name	member	%
2	26485	Abington at Edge Hill	11	Not Reported
4	5463	Ardmore	93	Not Reported
4	5464	Bala Cynwyd/Narberth	16	72
1	5466	Bensalem	39	51
4	5467	Bristol	48	Not Reported
4	5468	Broomall	39	Not Reported
4	5469	Bryn Mawr	20	Not Reported
6	25353	Central Chester County	29	64
5	26630	Central Delaware County	10	92
2	5470	Cheltenham Rockledge	20	70
7	5471	Chester	24	60
7	5472	Chester Pike	28	Not Reported
5	27323	Chesterbrook	16	Not Reported
3	31062	Chestnut Hill	51	Not Reported
7	5473	Chichester	22	Not Reported
2	5476	Chonshohocken -Plymouth Whitemarsh	18	54
6	5474	Coatesville	53	63
8	5475	Concordville-Chadds Ford	48	70
6	5478	Downingtown	16	53
3	27974	Eastwick/Phl Airport	12	Not Reported
2	5479	Elkins Park	14	Not Reported
6	5480	Exton-Frazier	12	64
1	5481	Feasterville	21	Not Reported
3	5494	Frankford - Northeast Philadelphia	34	57
8	70137	Glen Mills	16	75
8	5483	Glen Riddle	30	Not Reported
2	5484	Glenside	37	73
8	26213	Greater West Chester Sunrise	44	69
4	5485	Haverford Township	31	Not Reported
2	5487	Jenkintown	67	Not Reported
9	50612	Kennett At Longwood	81	82
9	5488	Kennett Square	16	75
5	5489	King Of Prussia	46	60
1	5490	Langhorne	29	62
1	5491	Levittown-Fairless Hills	21	62
3	65194	Madrugadores	11	Not Reported
5	5492	Media	87	47
3	55498	NE Sunrisers	21	56
5	5493	Newtown Square	87	Not Reported
9	5496	Oxford	19	72
5	5497	Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn	29	82
3	5498	Philadelphia	106	Not Reported
6	5499	Phoenixville	33	62
1	75462	Shady Brook	51	46
7	5500	Springfield	22	Not Reported
7	5501	Swarthmore	48	Not Reported
6	30662	Thorndale	12	Not Reported
9	50613	Twin Valley	17	54
7	5477	Upper Darby-Lansdowne	33	Not Reported
4	5503	Wayne	30	Not Reported
8	5504	West Chester	113	60
8	79371	West Chester Downtown "Fridays"	21	72
9	5505	West Grove/Avondale	35	76
8	5506	Westtown-Goshen	38	71
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