

# Rotary



## District 7305

The Connector - August 2022



## IMAGINE ROTARY

### Membership Month

August is Membership Month, which means it's time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world.

But, before you go celebrating, take a few moments to do a Club information check.

Is your Club information up to date on DACdb, on your Website, on your Social Media, etc?

Are meeting times and locations good to go? Is your webpage current? When did you last post on Social Media?

Take a peek at what your Club is putting out there for members and potential members to see.

- Is it engaging?
- Does it make you want to learn more about the Club and what the Club supports?
- Is it a call to action?

There are many ways to join in the celebration, but here are a few activities to get you started:

- Say it loud, say it proud! Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member by posting about Rotary and why you are a Rotarian.
- We Are Rotary. Using the hashtag #WeAreRotary, post photos to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram of your club members at work in your community or abroad to show how Rotary makes a positive impact in the world.

- Making a difference. Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories about your service projects and how they improve lives on Rotary Showcase.

Our District's Membership Committee is here to help! Do you have a question? Are you interested in putting on a Discover Rotary Membership Event?

Please feel free to reach out to our Membership Committee Chairs, PDG Linda Fisher Bruce and Rev. Harold Hicks.

*By District Governor Marie Fallon*

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## MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

“Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success.”

HENRY FORD

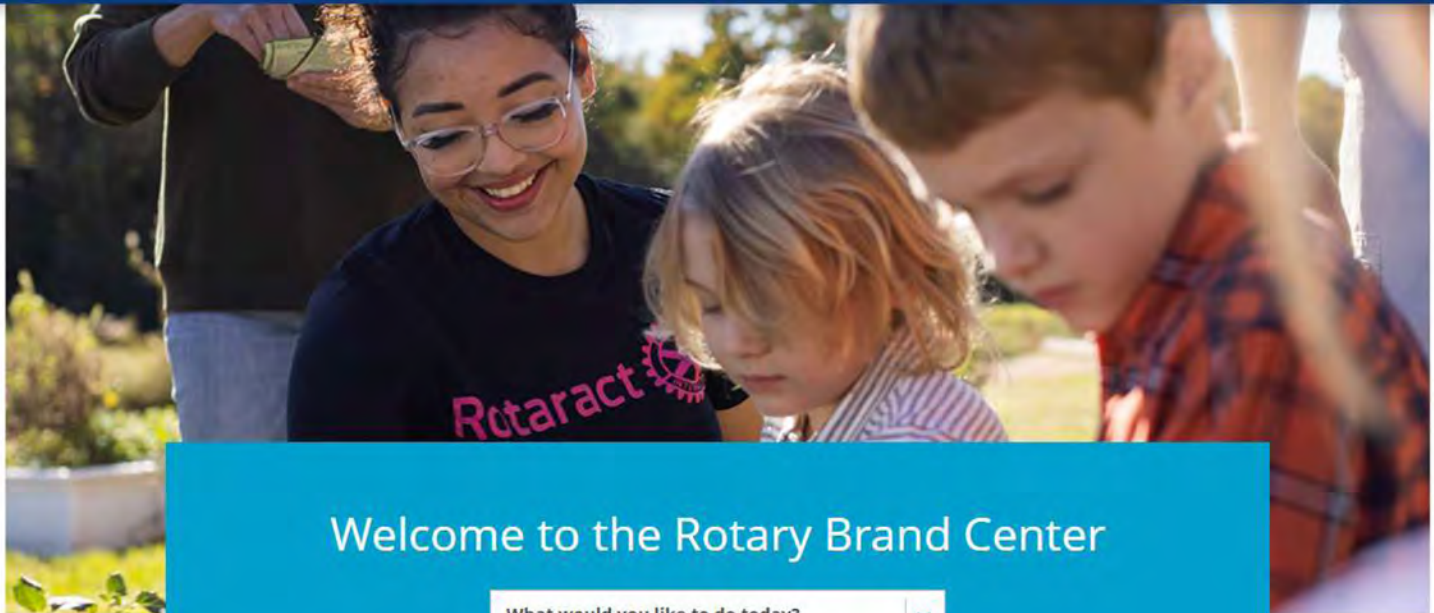
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# AUGUST

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### Quote of the Month:

*“Golf... is the infallible test. The man who can go into a patch of rough alone, with the knowledge that only God is watching him, and play his ball where it lies, is the man who will serve you faithfully and well.”*  
P. G. Wodehouse



## Welcome to the Rotary Brand Center

What would you like to do today? 

### The New Rotary Brand Center

The Brand Center on the RI website - [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) - is a great place to learn about how to use Rotary graphics for your club events and public image activities. It is important that we all use the same current and approved logos and other materials to promote Rotary in order to avoid confusion.

If you haven't been to the Brand Center lately, or if you've never been there at all, you may want to check it out. RI has made some great updates that makes it easier to navigate and use.

#### **Navigating the Brand Center**

The Brand Center is organized into three sections:

**Our brand** - Learn about the elements that make up our brand, how to promote Rotary and your club, and how to use our People of Action materials to strengthen Rotary's brand.

**Downloads** - Download ready-made promotional materials, including print and digital ads, images, videos, and audio.

**Templates** - Create your own club, district, and zone logos and promotional materials with easy-to-use and customizable templates.

### **Quickly find what you're looking for**

The Brand Center is structured to make it easy for you to promote Rotary and your club, district, or zone in your community. You'll find quick links to our most popular tools, recommendations for related resources, and more:

- A quick link in the navigation bar takes you to all our People of Action materials.
- A drop-down menu on the homepage links you to the right tools based on what you're trying to do.
- Boxes labeled **Top downloads** and **Top templates** identify what's popular now.
- Boxes labeled **You might be looking for** suggest resources that can help.
- Boxes labeled **You might be interested in** offer related resources to explore.

#### **Get help**

Still have questions? There is an area where you will find answers to the most frequently asked questions. Or you can write to the Rotary brand team and ask them for help.

You will find the Brand Center at: [brandcenter.content.rotary.org](http://brandcenter.content.rotary.org)



### Expanding EarlyAct

The EarlyAct Committee has eight members and needs two more, preferably from the former D7330 area.

There are currently two operating clubs; one in Ambridge and one in Carnegie-Collier.

Reportedly there is also definite interest about starting new clubs in:

- Johnstown
- Bethel Park
- Upper St. Clair,
- Burrell/New Kensington
- Indiana
- Quaker Valley
- McMurray

EarlyAct Clubs can be sponsored by a Rotary Club or an Interact Club.

Help grow the Rotary World by getting Elementary School students involved!

## Crafton Ingram Annual Picnic

On July 29 2022, The Rotary Club of Crafton-Ingram held their annual picnic and “get together” event. They celebrated several student achievements and honored one of their finest who passed away during the Rotary year. They also had the changing of the guard ceremony for new officers and capped the day with an egg toss competition!

## RC of Forest Hills 75 Years!

The Rotary Club of Forest Hills has been serving their community for 75 years! Congratulations and a job well done and best wishes for the next 75!



Top: The egg toss competition at the Crafton Ingram annual picnic. Above left: Dennis Piper manning the grill and making sure that no-one left hungry. Above right: Tom Knight was the undisputed head judge of the egg toss competition. Pictures courtesy of Phill Beistel.



Richard Hayes, Sam Maccarone, Sid Lauther, and Wane Hyjek are standing proudly in front of a District Grant Project. Note that all of these Quaker Valley Rotarians were inducted into Rotary on May 4, 1987. Yes, they are celebrating over 35 years as community serving Rotarians!!

## Conemaugh Rotary Donations

The Conemaugh Township Rotary recently donated \$3300.00 to the Conemaugh Township E.M.S., to help purchase new, State mandated radios for use in their Ambulances. The total purchase price was in excess of \$9,000.

Pictured top right are John Zellam, Medic. Michael Sopich, EMT, Club President Jason Kaplitz, Erica Walters, EMT, and Greta George, EMT.

The club also awarded its 4<sup>th</sup> Scholarship of the year to Sydney Thomas. Thomas is a Senior at Conemaugh Township High School and plans on continuing her education at Penn Highlands Community College.

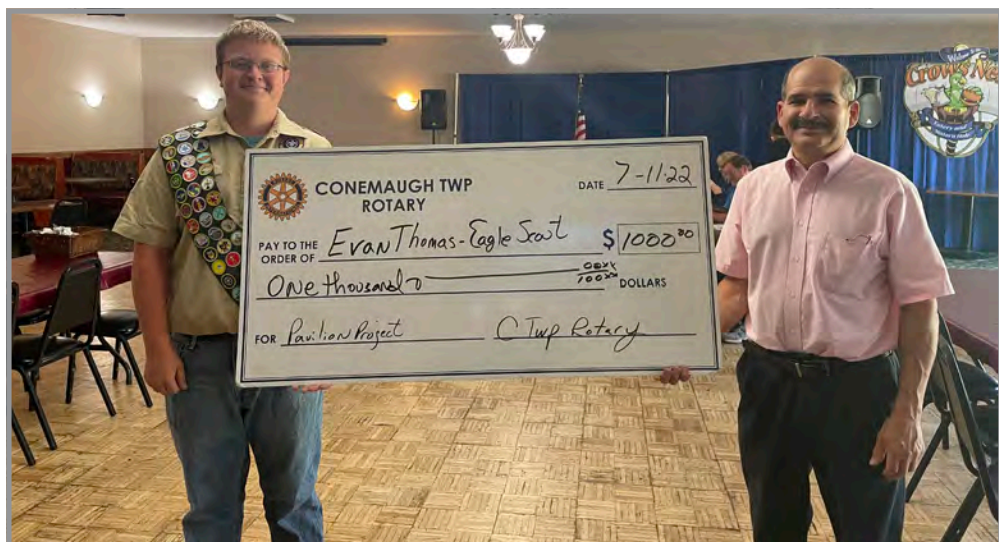
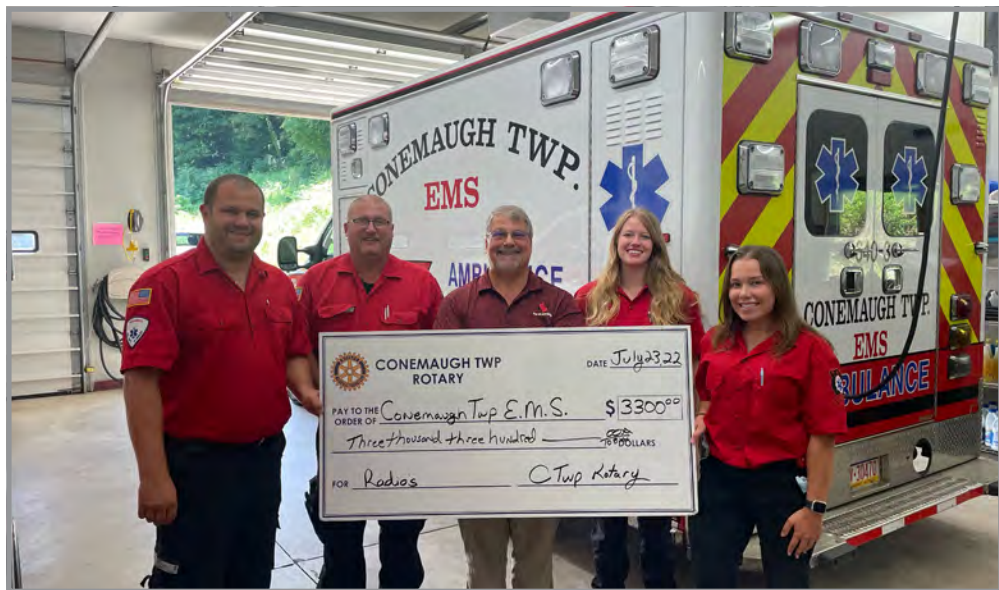
The club awards four \$1,000 scholarships per year. Two scholarships each Conemaugh Township Students and Windber Area Students. These scholarships are made possible by the fundraising support of the communities served by the Club.

Pictured right center are Quenna Smith, Sydney Thomas, and Bill Hunsberger.

And it doesn't stop there! The Rotary Club also awarded \$1,000 to Evan Thomas towards his Eagle Scout Project. Evan is a senior at Conemaugh Township High School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 2114. His Eagle Scout project is to construct a Pavilion at the Conemaugh High School Stadium. Total project cost is estimated at \$10,000.

Pictured on the right are Evan Thomas and Jeff Todaro.

*Pictures & text courtesy of Jason Kaplitz*



## Penn Hills Carnival

In July, the Penn Hills Rotary partnered with the Penn Hills #3 Fire Department to host the Penn Hills Community Carnival & Cookout. This event, hosted at Turner-Friendship Park, was a first for both organizations - and it was a huge success!

The carnival featured many rides and games provided by a carnival vendor. Rotarians and fire department members prepared and cooked fresh cut fries, burgers and hot dogs. They also served Penn Hills' very own Turner's Tea and "orange drink." Proceeds from the concession stand sales will benefit both nonprofit organizations.

Over the course of the four-night carnival, a few thousand people attended the carnival. This gave Rotary members and fire officials the opportunity to interact with the community in ways never done before.

Rotary also scheduled other community groups to participate, including nightly performances from the Penn Hills School District cheerleaders.

The planning and team work necessary by Rotary and the fire department to execute this community event included weekly committee meetings for several months, and it was well worth it. In addition to hosting a wonderful community event, the carnival also has put our club in talks with three potential new members who learned of Rotary during the event.

*By Club President Tyler Tomasino*



*Above: On July 19, the Rotary Club of Waynesburg was represented in the Jacktown Fair Parade by Rotarian Darton McIntire. Lots of candy was thrown!*

*Below: On Sunday, July 17, the Rotary Club of Delmont-Salem held their annual fundraiser dinner. Lots of folks came out. The food was amazing and the music and performances were all top notch.*



*The Penn Hills Community Carnival and Cookout was a great success thanks to all the volunteers; both Rotarians and others.*

*Below left: Some happy and hard working Penn Hills Rotary volunteers. Below center: Tom & Deb Schuetz working the rifle wheel booth. Below right: Rose & John Petrucci hard at work making fresh cut fries.*



## Indiana Rotary 100 Years!

The Rotary Club of Indiana received its charter on Sept. 1, 1921. Just 16 years after the first Rotary club was formed.

Throughout the club's years, Rotary International's motto, "Service Above Self," has guided the members of the Rotary Club of Indiana as they have worked to provide, and to support others who provide, service to the Indiana County community.

The Rotary Club of Indiana's principal fundraising event is its Charitable Luxury Raffle. In the 26+ years that it has been held, it has raised approximately \$500,000 that has been used to fund many local charitable organizations' projects that the club believed would impact the community's needs.

Congratulations on your first 100 and best wishes for the next 100!!

## Waynsburg Awards Service Above Self Scholarships

At their recent annual dinner the RC of Waynsburg awarded their Service Above Self scholarships to Ethan Maxwell from Waynesburg Central High School and Braelyn Brozik from Carmichaels Area High School. Congratulations and best wishes as they begin the collegiate careers.



At their recent event, celebrating a century of service, outgoing Rotary Club of Indiana President Ashlee Mondy Kennedy handed the gavel to incoming President Jeff Widdowson.

Text & picture courtesy of The Indiana Gazette



### PRESIDENTIAL GIFTS DURING JENNIFER JONES' PRESIDENTIAL YEAR

In effect July 1, 2022

#### Jennifer Jones Presidential Fund

In recognition of her commitment to supporting the long-term financial stability of Rotary, Jennifer Jones has requested that gifts to her Presidential Fund support the Endowment-World Fund.

To make a gift you may send a check to:

#### MAIL CHECKS TO (USA):

The Rotary Foundation  
14280 Collection Center Drive  
Chicago, IL 60693 USA

#### MAIL CHECKS TO: (CANADA):

The Rotary Foundation (Canada)  
c/o 911600,  
PO Box 4090, STN A  
Toronto, ON M5W 0E9, Canada

#### QUESTIONS:

Rotary Support Center  
1-866-9Rotary  
[RotarySupportCenter@rotary.org](mailto:RotarySupportCenter@rotary.org)

Credit card contributions may be made by calling the Support Center 1 (866) 976-8279.

Please reference endowment number E20439.

#### Tribute/Speaker Gifts

Those wishing to make a Rotary Foundation gift in appreciation for RI President Jennifer's participation in an event may follow the process outlined below.

To give online:

Go to [Rotary.org/donate](https://www.rotary.org/donate), select a designation and amount, and select "I would like to make this donation in honor or memory of someone". In the Dedication field, choose "In honor of" and add RI President Jennifer Jones as the Name of honoree. If you'd like her to be notified, include her email ([Jennifer.jones@rotary.org](mailto:Jennifer.jones@rotary.org)).

To give through the mail:

Complete The Rotary Foundation memorial or tribute gift Form (available here: <https://my.rotary.org/en/document/memorial-or-tribute-gift-form>), noting the designation, amount, and completing the "In Honor of" field with "RI President Jennifer Jones" and return it to the address listed on the form.

US, Canadian and Australian dollars and is in English only. Additional languages and currencies are in development.

## RYLA a Success

The RYLA program for our district continues to offer two opportunities for interested High School students.

There is the more academic version offered at LaRoche University in Pittsburgh. Then there's the slightly more adventurous version that is held at Outdoor Odyssey in Boswell.

Both were, as usual, well attended and the participants at both locations went home with experiences that will last a lifetime.

Attending the LaRoche program were students from Bethel Park, North Hills, Northgate, Avonworth, Urban Pathways, Gateway, North Allegheny, Deer Lakes, Greater Johnstown, Brentwood, Our Lady of Sacred Heart, Pine - Richland, McKeesport, Greensburg - Salem, Hempfield, and Ligonier High Schools.

The Outdoor Odyssey program in Boswell attracted students from Bethel Park, River Valley Fox Chapel, Franklin, Greensburg Salem, Peters Township, and Greater Latrobe.

As can be seen bottom right, some of the most excited "participants" were the registrars at LaRoche.

And, as can be seen below, we all may have different opinions when it comes to what "packing light" means.



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**POLIO IN NUMBERS**  
*Wild virus confirmed cases in 2022*  
**Global Total: 18 (2)**  
*Wild virus detected from other sources in 2022*  
**Global Total: 7 (66 total in 2021)**  
 As of July 26, 2022. Numbers in brackets represent data as of the same date 2021.

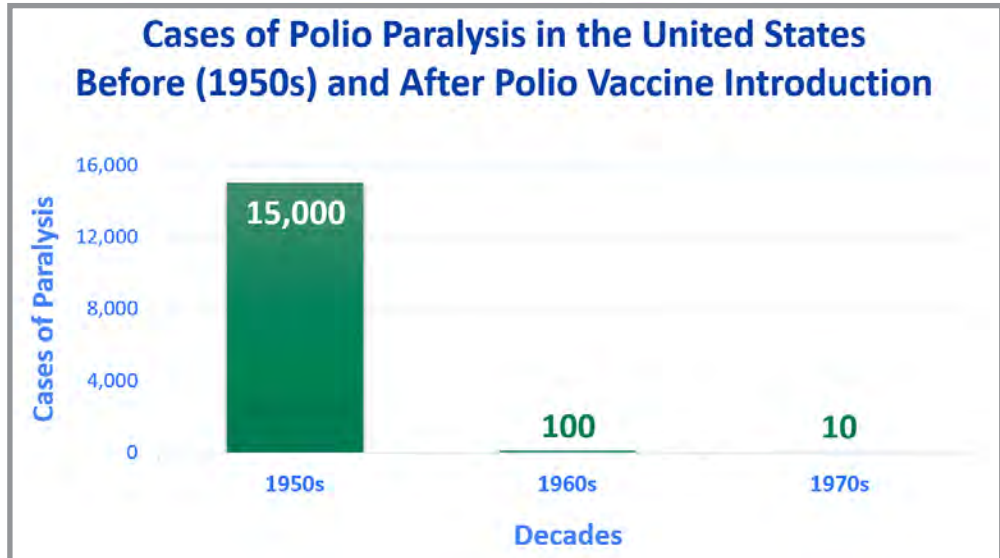
**Rotary's Four Way Test**  
 Of the things we think, say or do:

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

**One Polio Case in the US**

July 21, 2022: CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - is aware of a case of polio in an unvaccinated individual from Rockland County, New York, and is consulting with the New York State Department of Health on their investigation. Public health experts are working to understand how and where the individual was infected and to provide protective measures, such as vaccination services to the community to prevent the spread of polio to under- and unvaccinated individuals. There is no cure for polio, but it is preventable through safe and effective vaccination.

The United States has been polio-free since 1979, thanks to a



successful vaccination program. However, the poliovirus is still a threat in some countries. Get your

child vaccinated on schedule to help keep the U.S. polio-free. From the CDC website

**Pakistan Polio Eradication Initiative**



Polio workers in Pakistan operate in difficult and challenging conditions, to reach and protect every last child from the crippling virus.



# SAVE THE DATE

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CANCELTION OR RESCHEDULE  
DUE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC



## SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 8

DISTRICT GOLF OUTING  
INTRODUCING DG MARIE FALLON  
WESTMORELAND COUNTRY CLUB



## POSTPONED – AUGUST 27

STAY TUNED FOR THE RESCHEDULED DATE  
DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP SUMMIT  
DOUBLETREE – MEADOWLANDS, WASHINGTON, PA



## SAVE THE DATE – SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 2

ZONES 33-34 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT  
HYATT REGENCY INNER HARBOR, BALTIMORE, MD



## SAVE THE DATE – OCTOBER 13

DISTRICT INTERACT CONFERENCE  
GREENSBURG COUNTRY CLUB



## SAVE THE DATE – TBD 2022

MID-YEAR REVIEW



## SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 24-26

DISTRICT 7305 CONFERENCE  
STATION SQUARE