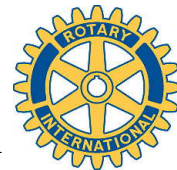




# The Battlefielder

ROTARY CLUB OF GETTYSBURG, PA  
Weekly Bulletin— August 27, 2007



**NO MEETING — September 3 — LABOR DAY**  
**NEXT MEETING— September 10th— District Governor Dennis will visit—**  
**Please make a special effort to be present**

## THIS WEEK'S MEETING — AUGUST 27

John Murphy led The Star Spangled Banner - and somebody can hit that high note. Did your water glass shatter?

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Janet Dell reminded us of the **FAMILY PICNIC on Saturday, September 15** —noon till 3PM at Lake Heritage. THIS IS FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY. PLAN TO ATTEND.
- **Sunday, October 28 1-4 PM** “Drive-by Shooting” (Flu Shots) Mark has contacted the Littlestown Club to see if they are interested in participating.
- **October 20th—**  
**District Leadership Seminar**

### ATTENDANCE MAKE-UPS

Rob Leshar gave us an overview of how to do a make-up meeting on-line. It is simple, the hardest part is finding the link.

From [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), hit the membership tab, continuing education link, meeting make-up. There is a list of e-Rotary clubs and about 6 are in the US. As a make-up, you are asked to spend about 30 minutes reading about programs. Then just fill out the e make-up form. He did mention that most require a donation for the meeting to count. Print your e-mail confirmation and give to Kathy Nelson-Small. Also tell Kathy if you make a donation to RI. Mark will clarify how much time we have before and after to make-up this way. It is either 1 week or 2. More details later.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

56 present, 3 Honoraries, 2 students, 1 guest of club

### PROGRAM

**Assistant District Governor Helen Redding** was our guest speaker. Her job is to keep her four clubs informed. She led a discussion on the characteristics of effective Rotarians. She asked us to continue to evaluate ourselves as a Club and as individual Rotarians. The most effective clubs sustain or grow their membership base.



- Jim Sheen gave a brief recap of the activities of the Membership Committee.
- Jim Ekdahl spoke as to how we implement successful service projects in our community and neighboring communities.
- Rob Leshar addressed our efforts in other countries. (Helen asked how we develop leaders in our communities and how we may serve above the club level.)
- Ken Farabaugh spoke about his work, along with Connie, at the District level with the exchange students.
- How is our attendance, committee participation, events participation?
- How well are we represented at Assembly and Conference?

Helen gave examples of true Rotary fellowship. She gave mention to the respect for any vocation and the importance of each as a cog in the Rotary wheel. Discipline, time & energy, empathy and the trying to help/change versus complaining approach to any service group is key. She finished with the President of Rotary International, Wilfred Wilkinson's message to *Share Rotary*, helping to bring in new members, ensuring our second century of service.

Any questions or problems for Helen to take to Rotary— reach out to her or Mark. We enjoyed her insight. Let's all take that much needed look at our Rotary life.

### CLUB HISTORY MOMENTS

John Murphy is compiling a history of the Gettysburg Rotary Club. He plans to present a brief “History Moment” at club meetings. Today he brought our original framed charter, dated November 1, 1920. We were the 770th club formed. Remember, Rotary was created in 1905, so our roots stem back to almost the beginning. There was a large surge in clubs created in 1921 & 1922 - jumping up to 1273. Today there are 32,000 clubs in 200 countries. John also thanked Bill Kough for preserving our Rotary materials. We need to evaluate what we should keep and where to store them. Any help would be appreciated. Thanks to John for undertaking this project. Contact him if you have any historical information relating to the Gettysburg Rotary Club.

## LOTSA HAPPY ROTARIANS TODAY

- John Kramb because he won \$24 in the **50/50** and because the conversation at his table is so entertaining.
- Kelly Dilts thanked Kristine Witherow for sharing fresh veggies.
- Visiting Rotarian Harold Dunkelberger shared that if the date of birth in the membership directory were correct, his Dad would be the oldest living member in all of Rotary! 
- Jim Sheen gave a buck reminding us to keep watching for errors in our membership directory.
- Kristine Witherow had a great weekend with her girls at camp and Kindergarten started today
- Bill Kough was glad to see we had real attorneys in the club (polite version)
- Bill Railing got a good follow-up to surgery report - Yea Bill!
- Ken Farabaugh is glad to now have Exchange Student Peter with us for the next 10 months. AND last Friday he & Connie celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary!
- Larry Defuge, our treasurer, attended the Gettysburg Championship golf tournament yesterday and hopes to have it in Gettysburg again next year.

## ...and SPEAKING OF LARRY

Even though his tropical shirt was tame by Larry standards, it comes with a story. First of all it is 8 years old. Hey Larry, get some newer shirts! He was awarded the shirt during a trip to Maui celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary. Turns out he had a mission to not get stumped at Forrest Gump trivia. Bartender finally gave up and gave him the shirt when Larry was still in the hunt after several hours. Ask Larry how many times he watched the movie to prepare for this match!

By the way, Ruth gave up the hunt and left!



Has anybody noticed Gummy on the podium each week? Turns out Scott gave Gummy to Mark to remind him how flexible he will be during his Presidency.

Not a bad reminder for us all!

## EMPTY THOSE POCKETS!

Randy was able to award the next lucky Rotarian the \$100 lose change donation to Paul Harris Fellowship. And the winner is Scott Wehler.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 12— Bill Kough

## WE MISSED YOU....

Flowers, Glatfelter, Hans (leave), Hockley, Lewis, Mosser, Patrono, Peters, John S. Phillips, Rappoldt, Ritter, Sluck, Starkey, Tarbox, Webster, Weintraub, Williams (leave)



**REPORTED THIS WEEK BY  
DOTTY MOUL  
THANK YOU**

*The Rotarian* arrived this week. Be sure to read the article about how Rotary's *Four-Way Test*, the gold standard of ethics, has survived well and is going strong for 75 years.



## 1st Annual ROTARY FAMILY PICNIC

### SEPTEMBER 15TH

### PLAN TO ATTEND

### CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR DETAILS