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**About your President...**



On July 25<sup>th</sup> I will celebrate my six-year anniversary with Rotary as a member of our club. So, what brought me to Rotary? In May 2013 I was reading an issue in a local publication called The Burg featuring an article on “The Ladies of Rotary”. That article <https://theburgnews.com/in-the-burg/ladies-rotary-female-leadership-norm-maledominated-service-group> featured now past District Governor Una Martone who I knew from Leadership Harrisburg Area. (I am an LHA alum from the class of 2005!) During an LHA volunteer event I mentioned to Una how wonderful the article was and how I always thought Rotary was a men’s organization. She promptly invited me to her club – The Harrisburg Rotary Club – and it was there that I ended up at the lunch table of RCMN club member Amy Spotts. We talked about my love for medical mission work and how I had done several trips to Haiti. When the club started singing, Amy turned to me stating “Come to our club. We don’t sing.” It was that encounter... service, global medical work, and my aversion to singing at meetings 😊 that prompted me to attend meetings of our own club. After attending three meetings as a guest I asked to join. I found our club to have welcoming and positive members, and couldn’t think of better people to serve the community with. It has been those same positive relationships that have kept me coming back to weekly club meetings and supporting the club and community. Professionally, my passion is care of injured patients. For 35 years my career has taken me from the bedside providing direct care to trauma patients, to managing a Level I trauma center in Allentown PA, to serving for the last 16 years as the Executive Director of the Pa Trauma Systems Foundation in Camp Hill. PTSF accredits trauma centers in PA, educates hospitals on how to be trauma centers, and provides critical data to trauma system researchers around the state and country.



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It is my life’s passion alongside of the work of Rotary that I hope to join together during my time as President of the Club. This year’s Theme “Rotary Connects the World” really resonates with me for this reason. I want to use my professional expertise to connect local hospitals with our club and maybe even launch a hospital based Rotary Club at some point in the future. I also want to encourage all members of our club to work together to connect their professional colleagues and families with our Rotary club in service to the community. You’ll hear more from me including the strategic plan of Rotary International, our district and our club on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Our club has a great leadership team and I am proud to work with them to grow leaders in our club and continually grow our service locally and internationally. Also, proud to have my husband Rob at my side as a club member and incredible supporter. It is an honor to be named the 30<sup>th</sup> President of our club following a wonderful year with past president Rick St. Peter! Thank you, Rick, for being a great servant leader this past year and for your patience, dedication, and humor you have brought to the role. Privileged to be following in your footsteps! – Juliet Altenburg

**June Recap: Events**

**June 13: Club Picnic – Connecting with our Rotary Club Family**



Jane Hiller, wife of Past President Chuck Hiller  
Receiving Chuck’s badge from President Rick.



(L to R) Sal Franqui, Carla Fisher, Peggy Blum,  
Kim McBride, Karis Hazam



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**June 15: Fishing Derby, Conodoguinet Youth Park**



(L to R) Dan Flint, Susan Asbury, John Anthony Ed Barben, Steve Grubb, John Robinson, Joyce and Keith Sealover (Fishing Derby Leaders) Bill Morgan, Betty Dick



Past President Mark Breithaupt and Family

**June 27<sup>th</sup>: Passing of the Gavel from President Rick St Peter to Incoming President Juliet Altenburg**





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- Nancy Moran
  - Rotarian since 2005 (14 yrs)
  - RCMN Club member since 2009 (10 yrs)
  - Principal, The Ancora Group
  - Volunteer at Shining Light Thrift Shop
- Justin Bruhn
  - Rotarian and RCMN club member since 2012
  - Administrative Director, Cumberland Perry AVTS
- BJ Small
  - Rotarian since 1989 (29+ years!)
  - RCMN Club Member since 2018
  - PA Media and Communications Coordinator, Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Scott Shewell – President and CEO of Safe Harbour, Inc



BJ Small  
Chesapeake Bay  
Foundation



Justin Bruhn  
Cumberland Perry Vo-Tech



Nancy Moran  
Shining Light  
Thrift Shop



Scott Shewell  
Safe Harbour  
Housing for the homeless

**The Month Ahead**

**July AM Meeting Calendar**

- 7/4 No Club Meeting – Happy Independence Day!
- 7/11 Club Assembly featuring the RCMN Leadership team. We will induct our 2019-2020 Board of Directors, review the history of our club, and discuss plans for the year to come!



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**7/18 Club Member Dawn Sizer: “Creating a culture of inclusion”**



As a mom of two boys, both neurodiverse, one with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Dawn has spent the last twenty years figuring out ways to help them better communicate, socialize with their peers, and support their educations. Dawn will share with us her direct hands-on experience that has translated into developing and implementing an effective 90-day onboarding plan that works for a wide range of employees and industries.

**7/25 Chuck Sawicki: “How to double Rotary’s Membership”**



Chuck has been a Rotarian for 54 years. He is a member of the Lancaster South Rotary Club and recently launched his book "On Mentoring: Lessons Learned During an 80-year Journey". In this book, he shares his intuitive personal mentoring style that goes beyond "one size fits all" model. It demonstrates the benefits of connecting people and communities. His presentation will focus on the value of mentoring others and how when you mentor, you also learn. Additionally, mentoring can be a good tool for attracting new members to a club.....a way 'to grow Rotary from 1.2 million to 1.2 billion.



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**July PM Speaker Calendar**

Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>



David Blain  
RCMN Treasurer  
McKonley & Asbury  
Leader of Entrepreneurial  
Services Group

Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>



Juliet Altenburg  
RCMN President

**Member Spotlight: Austin Wolfe**



As of July 3<sup>rd</sup>, our club has a new member! His name is Austin Wolfe. The RCMN Board first got to know Austin during his time with Leadership Cumberland. He was assigned to our Board as a “fellow” to learn more about board operations and leadership. Austin has been an attorney with Walters & Galloway,



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PLLC since 2018 after practicing law in Colorado for four years. He was born and raised in the Borough of Mechanicsburg and is a 2004 graduate of Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School. Prior to attending law school, Austin obtained a Master’s Degree in Legal Administration from the University of Denver, during which time he worked in the Clerk’s office for the federal District of Colorado. Austin received his law degree from Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law in 2013. While at Villanova, he served on the Farmworkers Legal Aid Clinic, providing legal help to migrant workers. Austin was a recipient of the Dorothy Day Award, which is given to law students who donate exceptional time to pro bono service to the community. Austin lives in Camp Hill with his wife, Meryl, and sons, Ian and Asher. When he isn’t practicing law, he can be found hiking the various trails in and around Central Pennsylvania, watching baseball and reading. His new interest will now be Rotary!! Welcome Austin!

**Future Committee/Board Meetings**

Committee and board meetings are open to all club members. If you are currently not a member, please contact the committee chair/board president to be placed on the committee email group list to receive meeting materials and communications.

**Communications Committee**

- Committee Chair - BJ Small – [bjsmall@comcast.net](mailto:bjsmall@comcast.net)
- Friday, August 2, 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM, Denny’s on the Carlisle Pike

**Membership Committee**

- Committee Chair – Myra Badorf – [mbadorf@homelandhospice.org](mailto:mbadorf@homelandhospice.org)
- Wednesday, August 14, 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM, Panera Bread on the Carlisle Pike

**RCMN Board of Directors**

- President – Juliet Altenburg – [julietgeiger@aol.com](mailto:julietgeiger@aol.com)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM, Park Inn Board Room

**Future Club Events**

**September**

- RCMN Beer/Wine Fest, September 21, 3 PM – 7 PM, Central Penn College. Buy Tickets at: <https://mbg-north-rotary.ticketleap.com/mechanicsburg-north-beer--wine-fest-2019/>

**October**

- Club Membership Mixer hosted by PM meeting. Date Pending.



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**New stuff for the new rotary year**

**Attendance Documentation starting July 1st**

The RCMN bylaws ask that members attend 50% of our meetings. This attendance requirement can be fulfilled through “makeups” such as service activities or attendance at other rotary club events. Effective July 1 our new attendance secretary will be Past President and DGE John Anthony. Thank you, John and thank you Tom Keegan for doing this duty for the last 3 years! New this rotary year will be that John will be using our ClubRunner platform to record attendance. This is the same platform that currently houses our website and supports email communications. The only changes members will see at our AM registration desk is that Rule of 85 members will be included alphabetically among other members AND documentation of makeups will change for both the AM/PM meetings. For any club gatherings including committee meetings, fundraisers, and group service events we ask that the event chair send John (through email or text) a list of attendees. Members will now only need to document non-club events. Examples include attending another club's meeting/fundraiser, or participation in a district committee meeting, or training. When documenting makeups please PRINT LEGIBLY your name, the date of event, and description of event. Questions? Contact John Anthony at [rotary7390dq2020@gmail.com](mailto:rotary7390dq2020@gmail.com).

**The \$5.00 Brag**

Have a special brag that is worth way more than a dollar and deserves extra special attention. New this year is the \$5.00 brag. \$5.00 will get you your own special slide at our meeting created just by you for the occasion and presented by me at the podium. It can be work related or family related... it doesn't matter. I will be kicking off this feature on July 11<sup>th</sup> with my own extra special brag.