



“Rotary Connects the World”
A Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg - North
December, 2019



From the President’s desk

One of the great privileges of being President of the Club is being a witness to the amazing generosity of our club members. As you look at the memories of November and the pages that follow you will see just a small portion of the countless hours spent by our Board and club members in not only participating in events but in planning every detail.

For this newsletter alone we can reflect with gratitude on:

- Turkey Bowl for local families
- Bowling for Books for Simpson Library
- Membership Mixer to help spread the word on Rotary
- Facility upgrades at Launch Pad, a living space for foster care teens
- Serving food at Bethesda Mission to residents and the homeless
- Helping staff and needy customers at New Hope Ministries
- Coordinating speakers for our weekly club meetings
- Club/Board activities to elect Leadership for the 2020-2021 Rotary Year
- Club member generosity to the Rotary Foundation
- Communications and Membership Committee meetings
- Flower and Wreath Fundraiser – pick up is 12/3 at Aqua Specialists
- Planning our Holiday Party
- Coordinators who plan speakers and Students of the month at our weekly club meetings

The list doesn’t end here. We may only have 2 club meetings in December but we have a lot planned! Join us at our Holiday Party on 12/12 at Nola’s! Bring a few extra dollars to our club meetings on 12/4 and 12/5 so we can purchase items for needy families. Help Dan Flint and his team continue work for Launch Pad. And of course, Bethesda Mission and New Hope Ministries will continue to await our arrival! Merry Christmas everyone and THANK YOU to those in the photos and many more behind the scenes who do so much.

Yours in Rotary, Juliet

Juliet Altenburg
2019-2020 President
Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg North
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November Memories

New AM Space at Bethany Village

Our time at the Park Inn has come to a close. We are now meeting at the Community Center at Bethany Village West while we investigate all options.. Look for the flagpoles facing Wesley Drive – the Community Center is next to them! (See page 6 for details.)



Membership Mixer at The Coliseum

50 members and guests attended a gathering we hosted to introduce the public to ways Rotary and our Club serve the community and each other.



Turkey Bowl

Over 30 bowlers attended this free family bowling event our club hosted for the 2nd year in a row.

DG Paddy Rooney presented a Major Donor Award to Clarence and Susan Asbury, role models of service and generosity.



Bowling for Books
Our club sponsored a Bowling team for this Simpson Library fundraiser and collected \$240 from our generous members

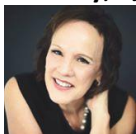


Committee Meetings

Wednesday, 12/11, 7:30 AM - RCMN Board of Directors at 3907 Hartzdale Drive, Suite 702, Camp Hill

- Board President: Juliet Altenburg - president@mechanisburgnorthrotary.org
- All club members are welcome. If attending, email Juliet to receive materials in advance.

1. Tuesday, 1/07, 7:30 AM – Membership Committee @Panera on the Pike (near Wegman’s)



Chairperson: Myra Badorf – mbadorf@homelandhospice.org
 This meeting is open to ANY club member

2. Friday, 1/10, 7:30 AM - Communications Committee @ Denny’s on the Pike



Chairperson: BJ Small – bjsmall@comcast.net
 This meeting is open to ANY club member



Club Board of Directors Elections

This month we finalize our Board of Directors nominations, voting, and approval process for our club’s board members for the 2020-2021 Rotary Year. Nominations are being accepted now through 12/8 for additional candidates for 2 vacant board positions that are occurring due to the expired terms of Judith Clovsky and Rick St. Peter. Dawn Sizer has been nominated as our club’s Vice President. Once a member becomes Vice President they automatically advance to the Presidency. Please send additional candidates to Juliet Altenburg at president@mechanicsburgnorthrotary.org

	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
President	Juliet Altenburg	Jeanne Troy
President Elect	Jeanne Troy	Glen Osborn
Vice President	Glen Osborn	Dawn Sizer (new officer candidate)
Secretary	Steph Acri	Steph Acri
Treasurer	David Blain	David Blain
Board Member	Judith Clovsky*	Brian Peters (new member candidate)
Board Member	Dawn Sizer	Rob Whitaker (new member candidate)
Board Member	Rod Silvis	Rod Silvis
Board Member	Sal Franqui	Sal Franqui
Past President	Rick St. Peter*	Juliet Altenburg

*Denotes board members whose term limits are expiring

PM Leadership Elections

The PM meeting is in the process of electing a Chair and Vice Chair of the 2020-2021 Rotary Year. Nominations are being accepted now through 12/3. Voting will take place 12/4 – 12/16. PM members should check their email for more details.

Club Service Activities

Helpers Needed for RCMN Local Projects work at Launch Pad!



Launch Pad is a new organization that will provide residential space for children that are "aging out" of the foster care system when they turn 18. When they leave the foster care system, many are not prepared and have limited resources for life on their own. Too often, these young adults become homeless as a result. Launch Pad aims to provide that transitional residence needed between foster care and independent adult living. Launch Pad recently acquired a large building in downtown Newville that will eventually house up to 14 individuals, and of course it needs a lot of work. Immediate needs are painting (lots!), door and window replacements.

Dates of Service: December 7 and 14 starting at 8 AM

RCMN Project Coordinator: Dan Flint, 717-648-1679, d413flint@gmail.com

Address: 31 East Main Street, Newville. Contact Dan if you want to carpool.

Bethesda Mission (1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, 4:15 PM – 6:00 PM)

- 12/05: David Clovsky and Guest
- 12/19: Juliet Altenburg and John Robinson
- Sign up/view the volunteer schedule at <https://www.timetosignup.com/simpsonlibrary/view/52245>

New Hope Ministries Food Pantry (3rd Saturday of the month 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM)

- More volunteers are needed! Please consider joining fellow club members at the food pantry. Contact Chair Amy Spotts at amyspo@hotmail.com.

Flower and Wreath Fundraiser Pick Up Reminder

Tuesday, December 3rd through Friday December 6th
Aqua Specialists, 60 Silver Spring Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA
Business Hours: 8 AM – 4 PM



Don't forget to pay for your orders prior to pick up!
Make Checks Payable to: Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg North (RCMN)
Mail Checks to Stephanie Acri, 716 Carriage Lane, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Questions? Email Brian Peters (petersb@members1st.org) or Steph Acri (beartrain1018@verizon.net)

Adopt A Family



Dear Rotary Friends,
Our club does a magnificent work in caring for others in our community. One of those opportunities is when we adopt a family during the holiday season. This year we are adopting 2 families in the Mechanicsburg area through the Salvation Army's Adopt a Family program. We will be providing for a holiday meal, and gifts for the family. One of our families has three children, ages 11 months, 3, and 7. The other family has 2 children, ages 3 and 8. At our next club meetings on December 4th and 5th, we will pass around an envelope to collect funds to enable us to provide Christmas for these two families. Please come prepared to give so that we can bless them at this special time.

Thanks so much,
Glen Osborn
Adopt a Family Chair
Vice President Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg-North

Wednesday Evening Club Meeting Calendar

Wednesdays, 5:15 PM at The Coliseum Megaplex, 410 St. John's Church Rd, Camp Hill

- 12/04:
 - Students of the Month from East Pennsboro High School
 - Justin Miller, Cumberland County Recycling
- 12/11: No meeting. All club members invited to 12/12 Holiday Party!
- 12/18: Alan Peterson, MD: Emeritus Director, Environmental and Community Health, Lancaster General Hospital, on topic of Climate Change
- 12/25: No Meeting. Merry Christmas!

Thursday Morning Club Meeting Calendar

*Thursdays, 7:15 AM Bethany Village West Community Center,
5225 Wilson Lane, Mechanicsburg*

December speaker coordinators for AM/PM: Clarence & Susan Asbury

- 12/05: Allyson Halbach, Rock Steady Boxing
 - Greeter/ Sergeant at Arms: Dave Phillips and Rod Silvis
- 12/12: No meeting. Club Holiday Party at Nolo's from 6 PM – 8 PM!
- 12/19: Speaker pending.
 - Greeter/ Sergeant at Arms: Mark Reilly and Iqbal Singh
- 12/26: No Meeting. Merry Christmas!



ROTARY CLUB of MECHANICSBURG-NORTH

HOLIDAY PARTY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH 6 PM – 8 PM

NOLO'S located at RICH VALLEY GOLF

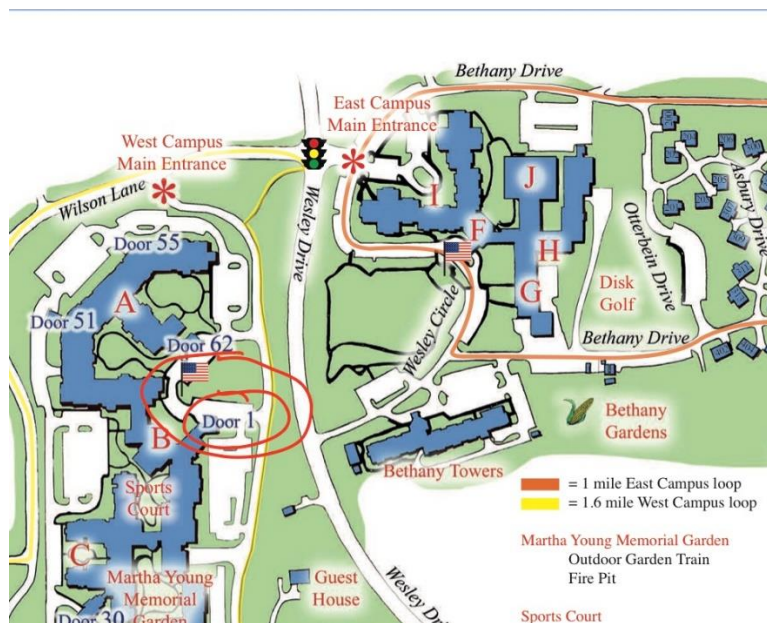
227 Rich Valley Rd, Mechanicsburg

Heavy hors d-oeuvres, beer and sangria will be served

RSVP Sandy Box at sandrabox@centralpenn.edu

New AM Meeting Location

We are currently holding our AM meetings in **the Community Center at Bethany Village West** as we explore all options for a new venue. Bethany is located at **5225 Wilson Lane, Mechanicsburg**. We are in the Springfield dining room of "Door 1" noted on the map below. Look for the flag poles that face Wesley Drive!



Have locations for us to try out? Email Jeanne Troy at JeanneLTroy@gmail.com
Thank you for your patience during this time of change!

Member Spotlight



Noah Snyder

PM Meeting Member

Joined Rotary and our club: March 22, 2019

I was born and raised in the borough of Mechanicsburg, the youngest of six kids, 3 of which were older brothers of mine. I've held several careers, ranging from fitness, to banking, and most recently I hold a position with 3rd Element Consulting as an Account Manager. No matter my work environment, I love working with people and solving problems. The joy in my life comes from my lovely wife of 4 years, Hannah, and my growing pack of animals, including my 2 European Great Danes, Charlie and Clyde.

I originally came to Rotary as a guest of Kim Istvan, and joined later on along with Dave and Dawn Sizer of 3rd Element. Of all the civic and service groups out there, I found Rotary to be the most personal, as well as universally accepted. I find that the best way to grow in business, and in life, is to surround yourself with positive and like-minded people, who are in it to help each other grow. I look forward to learning more about the history of Rotary from my mentors, in order to help bring it forward into the next generation and beyond.