

Rotary Club of Philadelphia

NEWSLETTER

Years of Service

Samuel Saitie
05-06-2021
3 Years

Birthdays

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May 7th
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May 17th



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Greetings

It's allergy season again?! You've got to be *pollen* my leg. Grab some Claritin and check out this week's Philadelphia Rotary Club newsletter!

Upcoming Events at a Glance

District Conference Day of Service will begin on:
Sun Apr 28, 2024 | [REGISTER](#)
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May Pyramid Club Meeting will begin on:
Thu May 2, 2024 6:00 PM | [REGISTER](#)
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Gardening at Wyck Historic House will begin on:
Sat May 11, 2024 10:00 AM | [REGISTER](#)
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June Club Meeting at Pyramid Club will begin on:
Thu Jun 06, 2024 06:00 PM | [REGISTER](#)
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Happy Times at Happy Hour



Rotary members and friends said "cheers!" at our monthly happy hour. Last Thursday they spent time together at Dock Street Brewery South.

Film Talk at May Meeting

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Chair

May Pyramid Club Meeting
Thu May 2, 2024 6:00 PM
Pyramid Club
1735 Market Street, 52nd Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103

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Join us for our next monthly meeting at the Pyramid Club!

May's featured speaker will be **Anthony Giacchino**, an Oscar award-winning documentarian who's going to talk about his work creating change film and media.

He wrote and directed *The Camden 28*, which was nominated for the Writers Guild of America Award for Best Documentary Screenplay. His film *Colette* also won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Subject at the 93rd Academy Awards.

PA House Representative **Joe Ciresi** will also be coming to speak about his efforts as co-chair of the Pennsylvania Film Caucus to convince fellow legislators to increase the film and TV tax credit across the state.

Can't wait to hear from these great minds!

Ready for Summer to Blossom?

Join us for a lovely morning at the Wyck Historic House and Garden, where we'll be helping with spring cleaning and summer gardening. We'll take a step back in time while beautifying a true Philadelphia treasure!

Gardening at Wyck Historic House
May 11, 2024
10 AM to 12 PM

Wyck Historic House and Garden
6026 Germantown Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19144

[Register Here](#)



See You Soon at the District Day of Service



It's almost time! This year's District Day of Service is approaching in just one week, on April 28th. We'll be supporting Caring for Friends with other Rotary Clubs by preparing food, helping in the warehouse, and putting together breakfast bags.

There is no fee to participate, but it is requested that you register so the organizers know who will be participating.

Day of Service
Sunday April 28, 2024

[Caring for Friends](#)

12271 Townsend Rd

Philadelphia, PA 19154

Volunteer info line: 267-874-2378

Rotarian Coordinators are **Pat DeMay** at triciad1@comcast.net and **Michelle Gromilovitz** at mgmdsr@gmail.com.

[Register NOW](#)

The Heat is On for Urban Planners

While many people dismiss heat as a nuisance, it's the leading cause of weather-related deaths in the United States, from heat strokes to heart attacks.

Many cities have urban heat islands, where the infrastructure creates a higher risk for extreme heat. These islands are often the low-income areas of a city, so the heat combines with poor access to AC and few landlord resources.

To cool the scalding streets, the city of Phoenix has undertaken the country's largest "cool pavement" program, which includes covering more than 100 miles of city streets in a light-colored sealant that reflects more sunlight and absorbs less heat, keeping surfaces 10 to 12 degrees cooler. The city is also planting more trees, especially in lower-income neighborhoods and in areas

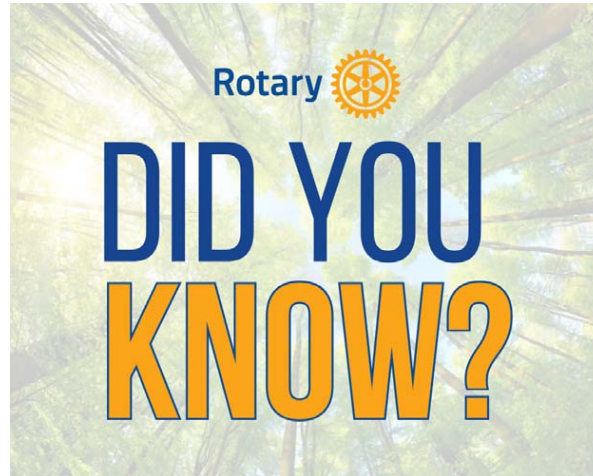


with high foot traffic, such as around schools and libraries.

When the Rotary International Convention came to Houston in June 2022, in the thick of summer, local Rotary members saw an opportunity to share their work on the environment and heat. Read the article to see Rotary's work to address this deadly problem.

[Read the full RI article here.](#)

Did You Know?



Q: How many total Rotary members are there in the world?

A: 1.4 million Rotary members!

Connect With Us on Social Media

Please connect with us on social media and SHARE some of our club's content. That will help other people learn about the good work Rotary is doing in Philadelphia and beyond!



Have a wonderful week!
Becky Strohl
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