

# KEYSTONE NEWS

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Harrisburg Keystone Rotary Club



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## Five Senses Gardens

Creation of the Capital Area Greenbelt first began in the early 1900s, but after World War I, most work stopped on the parks that had been planned to encircle Harrisburg and surrounding municipalities.

The Capital Area Greenbelt Association was formed in 1990 to restore the parts of the greenway that had been allowed to grow wild, and complete pieces that had never been finished. This was accomplished with a lot of volunteers and support from groups like Rotary, as well as grants and donations of materials and equipment. In 1999, grants allowed the 20-mile loop to be essentially completed.

In 1996, the Five Senses Gardens were created. The garden is open year round to the public and located just past the Harrisburg Mall. It is structured so visitors can experience nature through each of their five senses - sight, sound,

touch, taste and smell - and maintained by volunteers.

On **Tuesday, 14 July**, weather permitting, Harrisburg Keystone will garden there from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tools will be available, but please bring your own gloves, and a favorite gardening tool, if you wish.

Contact Marci Mowery if you're interested in biking to the garden from City Island or have questions about the weather.

Directions: Take I-83 N. to exit 45 (Paxtang Street, Harrisburg Mall). Turn left at the light onto Paxton St. At the second light turn right onto Mall Road. Go past Dauphin County Prison, and turn right at the stop sign onto Route 441. The garden will be visible on the right. There is a large parking area across the road.

Adapted from [www.caga.org](http://www.caga.org).

## New officers

Addeline Alaniz Edwards was formally sworn in as Harrisburg Keystone's 2015-2016 president 29 June as part of the District 7390 installation dinner and parade of club presidents.

The following night, 30 June, Harrisburg Keystone held its annual picnic, during which we thanked Megan Mines-Hall for her year as president and welcomed Addeline and the other new club officers: Jim Aiello, president-elect; Jan Ritter, vice president and secretary; Joe Hoover, treasurer and Alaine Keisling, sergeant at arms.



From left, Joe Hoover, Jim Aiello, Addeline Alaniz Edwards, Jan Ritter and Alaine Keisling.  
Photo: Jim Rodgers

## Matt Sembach's classification talk



Matt Sembach  
Photo: Jim Rodgers

On 7 July, Harrisburg Keystone member Matt Sembach made his classification talk on the importance service has held in his personal life, his law practice and the lives of his clients.

From the first CROP Walk he attended, pulled along in wagon by his parents, to the pro bono work he regularly supplies, he's grateful for the blessings in his life and pleased when he has the opportunity to share them with others.

Matt is an attorney with Kope & Associates in Hampden Township, and a graduate of Elizabethtown College and Widener School of Law. As his workday is somewhat sedentary, his preference is to be outdoors and active whenever possible. Currently, he is training for a triathlon and planning his January wedding. He also hopes to upgrade his dancing skills.

## Our appreciation

Two weeks ago, Tom Miller graciously opened his home and yard to Harrisburg Keystone for our annual picnic and induction ceremony 30 June. The beer was chilled, the food was plentiful and delicious and the landscaping was gorgeous.

Last week, Armando Martinez stepped up when we learned that ABC would be closed for renovations 7 July. He opened his downtown restaurant, Roxy's Cafe, for our meeting, complete with a cooler of beer. (A sure way to a Keystone Rotarian's Happy Hour heart.)

The club's gratitude goes out to both Tom and Armando for their hospitality and comradery.

## Harrisburg Senators Game

**Tuesday, 21 July:** The Harrisburg Senators play the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, and Harrisburg Keystone and friends will be there for all the action. (And food.)

The all-you-can-eat picnic area is open from 6-7:30 p.m., with the game starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$14 for children. Thus far 19 adults and 3 children have signed up, but there's still time to join in.

Please give your money or a check payable to Harrisburg Keystone Rotary Club to Addeline Edwards at the Five Senses Gardens Tuesday evening.

## New member induction & club goals discussion

**Tuesday, 28 July:** Festus Odubo and Scot Whiskeyman will be inducted into the club, and we'll discuss our goals for the coming year. More details soon.

## Rotary Means Business

**Tuesday, 28 July, 5:30-7:30 p.m.,** the Rotary Club of Carlisle will host District 7390's next Rotary Means Business networking event at the Orrstown Bank branch off Walnut Bottom Road near Carlisle.

\$25 per person in advance, \$30 at the door. Bring at least 35 business cards. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided.

Register and pay at [www.rotarydistrict7390meansbusiness.com](http://www.rotarydistrict7390meansbusiness.com).

*"In Rotary, we give  
of our resources—  
but more  
importantly, we  
give of ourselves.  
Because there is  
such a difference,  
between a  
handout, and an  
outstretched  
hand—especially  
when the  
outstretched hand,  
is warmed by a  
caring heart."  
~K.R. Ravindran  
2015-16 RI President*

District 7390 Rotary Means Business is a collaboration of southcentral Pennsylvania business people who believe Rotarians should honor Rotary's roots and support one another in business. Each month the event is hosted by a different club from around the district. It's a great way to meet and socialize with regional Rotarians.

## National Night Out in Steelton

**Tuesday, 4 August:** National Night Out will be held in Mohn Street Park at Mohn and South Third streets in Steelton from 6-8 p.m. Please contact Marci Mowery to sign up for a shift or go to [doodle.com/ne5rqe3s3dviigg2](https://doodle.com/ne5rqe3s3dviigg2): 5:45-6:45 p.m., 6:45-7:30 p.m. or 7:30-8:15 p.m.

Last year, Harrisburg Keystone gave away 160 books at the event. If you have gently used books for any age group, please consider bringing them to the next few meetings, and also possibly helping Marci sort the books by age group during the last week of July. If you have a large quantity of books, you also could sort them at home and bring them directly to the park.

Two tables have been requested, and we also may have a poster and give away repurposed toys.

## Mayor's Box at the Harrisburg Senators

**Wednesday, 5 August:** Enjoy the Harrisburg Senators versus the Akron RubberDucks from the Mayor's Box. Rotarians only; \$5 donation toward Polio Plus, Rotary's fight to alleviate Polio from the world (helped by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation). More details soon.

## Byrnes Health Education Center

**Thursday, 20 August:** 5 p.m., Byrnes Health Education Center, 515 S. George St., York, will host Rotary Appreciation Night to celebrate the tremendous support and partnership it has received from District 7390 Rotarians in its mission to educate and inspire people of all ages to make healthy choices.

There will be a brief program and highlights from some of its most popular health education programs. Dinner will be served.

RSVP to Alexandra Sterner, development officer, at [asterner@byrneshec.org](mailto:asterner@byrneshec.org) or 717-848-3064, ext. 225, by 6 August.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

**Tuesday, 15 September:** Save the date and help Keystone Harrisburg celebrate 10 great years!

2015-2016  
Rotary Theme



Be a gift to the world

### July Birthdays

July 29 Joyce Davis  
July 31 Jenny Black

**CONTACT US:****Harrisburg  
Keystone Rotary**

Meetings Tuesday  
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Appalachian Brewing Co.  
50 N. Cameron St.  
Harrisburg, PA 17101

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**Service  
Above Self****2015-2016****Officers**

Addeline Alaniz Edward,  
President  
Joe Aiello,  
President elect  
Jan Ritter, Vice president  
& secretary  
Joe Hoover, Treasurer  
Alaine Keisling,  
Sergeant-at-arms  
Megan Mines Hall,  
Past president

**Committee chairs**

Foundation: Jim Rodgers  
Fundraising: Addeline  
Alaniz Edwards  
Global Grant: Allen Smith  
Membership: Hector Ortiz  
& Yolanda Perez  
Service: Marci Mowery &  
Tom Miller  
Social: Brandon Pierce  
Social media/website:  
Jim Rodgers  
Youth/New Generations:  
Yolanda Perez & Becky  
Boone

**Newsletter**

Please send items for the  
Keystone News to  
[keisling@gmail.com](mailto:keisling@gmail.com) by  
7 p.m. Thursdays.

**Speaker Seekers**

**July:** Jim Aiello

**August:** Joe Hoover & Artie Tafoya

**September:** Hector Ortiz &  
Megan Mines-Hall

**October:** Tom Banks & Brandon Pierce

**November:** Allen Smith

**December:** Paul Johnson &  
Jesse Lambert

**Four Way Test**

Of the things we think, say or do:

- ◆ Is it the TRUTH?
- ◆ Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- ◆ Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- ◆ Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**Every Rotarian Every Year & Happy Dollars**

One of our club goals has been to meet Rotary's Every Rotarian, Every Year challenge: as a group, we aim to give at least \$100 per member to the Rotary Foundation. Happy dollars are part of how we meet that goal.

At the beginning of each meeting, we get to share the good, the great and the goofy with fellow members for just a dollar. Is it your uncle's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday? (Or the 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary of your

mother's 29<sup>th</sup> birthday?) Did you have the best lunch ever? Were you declared the world's most brilliant employee? Great things to share with friends.

The first week of each month, happy dollars help Harrisburg Keystone meet its EREY goal. The rest of the month, they help us meet local costs. So be generous! Be funny! Be happy!

Year-to date Happy Dollars: **\$13**

**Keystone News**

Hopefully you find the current iteration of Keystone News useful. Fun and collegial also would be good, but that could come with time and your help.

Do you have news about an upcoming club or district event? Pictures from a club you visited on vacation? Or something you think will interest the other members of Harrisburg Keystone? Please send it to [keisling@gmail.com](mailto:keisling@gmail.com) by Thursdays at 7 p.m. Suggestions and assistance welcome. [Editor's note: Any mistakes are mine—I'm new enough to be unintentionally dangerous. -Alaine]

**Committees**

If you haven't selected a committee assignment for the year, please contact Addeline Alaniz Edwards by Thursday, 16 July. Options: Foundation, Fundraising, Global Grant, Membership, Service, Social, Social media/website or Youth/New Generations.

**Global Rewards**

Traveling this summer and looking for good deals?

Information about the new Rotary Global Rewards program, which offers Rotary members discounts on products and services for travel, entertainment and merchandise, is available via computer or your phone at [www.rotary.org/globalrewards](http://www.rotary.org/globalrewards). You need a My Rotary account to take advantage of an offer, but there are directions for setting one up if needed.

