Carlisle Exchangite December 2015

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He had huge candy canes to give them too.

Then Santa would pull out of his pocket a wad of one dollar bills. Each child got a dollar as Santa walked around the room greeting the families and spreading joy.

Santa wore his beard below his chin so he wouldn't frighten the little ones. This was a special Santa indeed! This Santa knew the importance of acceptance and love, and he hugged each child so they knew he cared.

Our special Santa (Lou DelDuca) died on Thanksgiving Day while taking a walk with his wife. Frances.

A service will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Marsh Drive on the 12th of December at 11 a.m.

This is the Lou We Knew

Santa loved his job at the Children's Christmas Party. He loved to get the kids going by singing Jingle Bells . . . first one side of the room then the other side. He got them to a feverish pitch, singing so loud eardrums burst all around.

Then the presents were passed out and every child had something special with his or her name on it. The folks at Parent Works of Pressley Ridge had coordinated with the Exchangites and friends to shop and carry out this important task. They were special gifts because Santa somehow knew exactly what each child wanted!



Mid-Atlantic District Fall Conference in Gettysburg



This Presidential Award of Honor was presented to President John Murray at the Fall Conference.

Anne and Walt Wood along with John were the representatives of the Carlisle Exchange Club at the conference in Gettysburg.

Two excellent presentations were given. The first was New Club Building given by Chuck Elinsky, Region 11 VP. He had step by step directions on how to go about building a club.

The second presentation, given by Samiah Slusser on Volunteerism, was full of useful information.

District President George Hubbard made the announcement that Jill Douglas is the District President-Elect for 2016-17.



L to R: George Hubbard, Anne & Walt Wood, John Murray—Proof that we were there at the Gettysburg Hotel for the Fall Conference



Judge Al Masland

Judge Al Masland explained Treatment Court to Exchangites. It's a new way to keep people out of jail and help them get clean from alcohol or drugs. Those involved see the judge once a week for a talk and a drug test.

As a result of this program, 4 babies have

been born that were drug-free. That's fantastic!

One Nation Under God Breakfast



Top photo: Audience listening to our ONUG speaker.
Bottom left photo: Speaker Pastor Robert Moore, Lead
Pastor, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Carlisle.
Bottom right photo: Guest Paul Herring is a resident of
Cumberland Crossings and a retired minister who is a
Civil War Reenactor (a chaplain) and also Santa with his
own red suit.

Mark Your Calendars

- Sunday, December 6, 1 3 PM Children's Christmas Party at Carlisle United Methodist Church corner of S
 West and W Pomfret Streets. Set up at noon.
- Wednesday, December 9 Bell Ringing for Salvation Army at K-Mart schedule attached
- Thursday, December 10 Exchange Christmas Party at the Elks Lodge Invitation attached
- Saturday, December 12 11:00 a.m. Service for Lou DelDuca at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 85 Marsh Drive, Carlisle, PA 17015
- Tuesday, December 22 NO MEETING, TOO CLOSE TO CHRISTMAS
- Tuesday, January 12, 2016 Meeting 6:00 PM Cumberland Crossings Speaker Paul Herring, Civil War Reenactor
- Tuesday, January 19 6:00 PM Board meeting at Minerva Mills
- Tuesday, January 26 Meeting 6:00 PM Cumberland Crossings Speaker Jonathan Bowser, County's Comprehensive Plan for Economic Development



A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

Fellow Exchangites,

Sadness has come to our holiday season with the passing of longtime club member Lou DelDuca. His passing is felt even more during the Christmas season because of the joy he spread while playing Santa at the annual Children's Christmas Party for the past several years. As we pray for Lou

and his family, I believe that Lou would want us to continue to enjoy the remainder of our holiday season.

As part of your holiday season, I hope you will make plans to participate in the club's two big events in December. First, we will host our annual Children's Christmas Party on December 6th at the Carlisle United Methodist Church. This party helps us ensure that the children in families participating in the ParentWorks Program have a Merry Christmas. Then, I hope to see all of you at the club's Christmas Party on December 10th.

Also in December, the club's Board of Directors will be finalizing changes to the club's leadership structure. These changes are being made in part to deal with our inability to fill vacancies in club's current leadership structure. Some of these positions have been vacant for over two years. The changes being made include the following:

- 1. The deletion of the Vice-President positions within the club's leadership structure.
- 2. Updating of the club's committee structure based on what the club is really doing now. A copy of the updated committee list is attached to the newsletter email. Please note that the club is in need of a chairman for the GiveAKidAFlagToWave Committee.

The Board of Director's and I welcome comments about the proposed changes to the club's leadership structure, so feel free to discuss the changes with any of us.

As I look back over the year, I truly believe that the members of the Exchange Club of Carlisle support the ideal of "Exchange Strong" because they are dedicated to both our club and our community. Our members are willing to share their time, talents and treasure not because they have to, but because they want to make the community a better place for everyone.

I hope all of you have a wonderful time during the rest of your holiday season and I cannot wait to see you at the club's first meeting in 2016 on January 12th.

Yours in Exchange,

John Murray



Valentine Day Dinner 2013 Lou and Frances



Lou introducing Youth of the Year 2013



Lou introducing YOTY 2014



Christmas 2010