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**DR. LAURENCE STONE TO JOIN ROTAPLAST TEAM
TRIP TO REPAIR CLEFT LIPS AND PALATES IN VENEZUELA
HOMETOWN TEAM WILL PERFORM CORRECTIVE SURGERY ON
APPROXIMATELY 100 CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM CLEFT PALATES**

November 4, 2008 – Doylestown, PA - Laurence Stone, D.D.S., M.A.G.D., with a Doylestown-based practice in Cosmetic and General Dentistry, will participate in Rotoplast International's Venezuela humanitarian trip to perform corrective surgery on children suffering from cleft lips and palates, February 23 – March 6, through Rotary District 7430.

Dr. Stone will be one of 12 Rotarians who are health care professionals making the trip to Barquisimeto, Venezuela. Other professions include plastic surgeons, orthodontic residents, nurses, anesthesiologists and support personnel. All are members of Rotary District 7430, which encompasses most of southeastern Pennsylvania with the exclusion of Philadelphia.

As part of the Rotary team, Dr. Stone will perform extractions of infected or decayed teeth, which could lead to infection thereby compromising the positive results of the surgery.

The incidence of cleft lips and palates is six times higher in South America due to genetics and folic acid deficiencies. Approximately 12 – 15 of these Rotoplast humanitarian missions take place each year, at a cost of \$60,000 to \$80,000. Over 100 children receive assistance on each trip, all of which are funded by local Rotary districts.

To make a contribution, visit www.rotarydistrict7430.org/Rotoplast.cfm.

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About Rotoplast International

Rotoplast International is a non-profit, humanitarian organization providing free reconstructive cleft palate operations and treatment for children in need worldwide. The organization seeks to provide long-term solutions by funding and coordinating surgical missions in developing countries, training and mentoring location physicians, launching public education projects and advancing research. The goal of Rotoplast International is to eliminate the incidence of untreated cleft lips and palates in children worldwide by the year 2025. Rotoplast volunteers provide corrective plastic surgery, related dental supplementation instructions to patients and their families, and medical training / hands on for the local community.