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*Sing
Rotary's Song*

District 7470 Governor
James R. "Jim" Allison

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RI President
Kalyan Banerjee

Gift of Life Gala Honors Bill Lovett

The annual Gift of Life Gala was held recently at The Villa in Mountain Lakes. Formerly Neil's New Yorker, The Villa is now owned and operated by the Frungillo family, caterers with many years of experience with several establishments throughout Essex County. The venue has been completely renovated, and is a spectacular setting for this annual event.

The Gala attracted over 200 Rotarians and guests for an evening of dining, dancing and imbibing, along with various auctions and presentations taking place throughout the evening. A "Gift Appeal" fund drive was conducted by Anthony Bonanno which raised almost \$20,000 for life-saving surgeries for children with congenital heart defects.

A special presentation was offered in tribute to the late Bill Lovett of the Madison Rotary Club. Bill was a long-time Rotarian and member of the Gift of Life committee. His work with youth in many programs including the Madison YMCA, the Madison Huddle Club, RYLA and Gift of Life was a large part of his life, and his lasting legacy is the many kids whose healthy and successful lives were helped along the way by him.

Between the program ad book, admission price, Gift Appeal and the silent auction, the Gala raised over \$30,000 to continue the work of Gift of Life, making it yet another success story in the quest to fulfill our mission of saving the world....one little heart at a time.



DG Jim and First Lady Susan



Standing (l-r) Roger Spiess, Judy McBride, Josh McCracken, Lora Villavicencio. Seated (l-r) Avi Tailak, DGE, Joe & Nurys Paci.

Sing Rotary's Song

It's Time to Stand up and be Recognized

I have been shouting from the rooftops about our District Conference on May 18 and 19th at the Madison Hotel. I am sure you have heard about the fabulous Foundation Dinner, the great pre and post Conference events and the opportunity to have young people from Interact and Rotaract take part. As I've said many times, "This conference will be closer, shorter, less expensive, yet a most exciting culmination to our Rotary year."

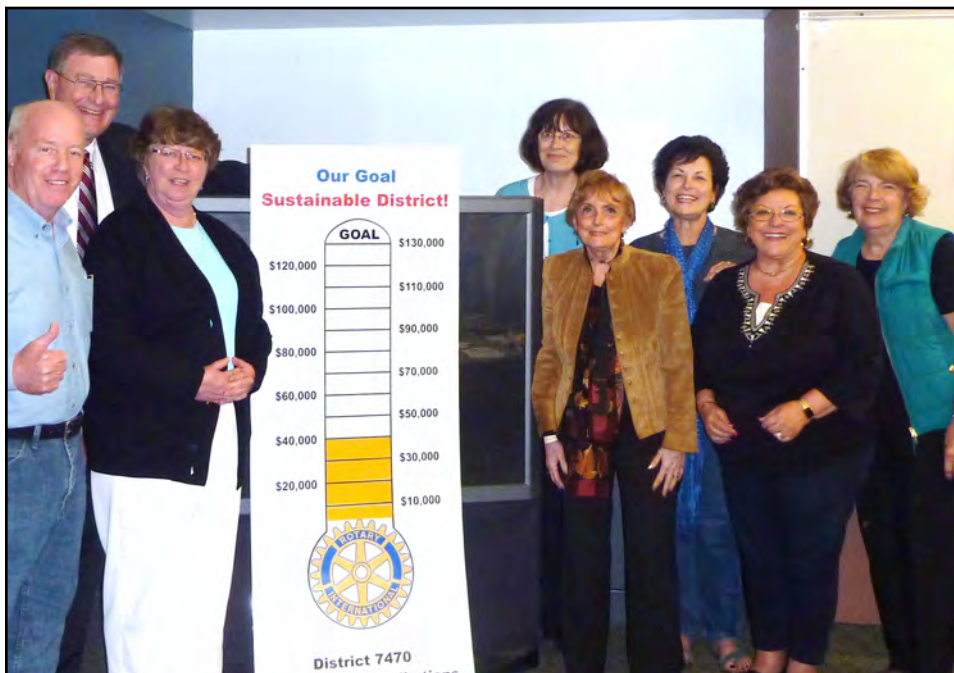
It will be all of that, but the primary ingredient needed to have a successful Conference is to have the clubs tell their stories. We must hear from every club in the District about its accomplishments this year. We also need to hear about the prime-movers in each club who made it happen.

At the Conference Kick-off, the Presidents received a packet of information which included a list of the awards we will be presenting at the Conference. This list is now on our website. Click on "District Conference" on the left hand side of the home page. Then click on "District and Club Awards." This year, we

want every club in the District to be recognized for their service. Therefore, in addition to the Presidential Citation and Change Maker Awards from Rotary International, we have created two special awards that require a simple application due at the end of April. This will give every club an opportunity to recognize their "Rotarian of the Year" and compete for the Governor's Choice Award with a project submitted under one of the Five Avenues of Service.

There are many other awards too, so look at the list and submit the information needed for each one. Don't even think about not meeting the requirements. You are eligible! We will find a way to give you credit for your accomplishments. My goal is to have as many clubs as possible receive recognition for their hard work. The important thing is for you to check out the list of awards and submit your entries by April 27. The application forms are included in this InFlight. They are also available on the website.

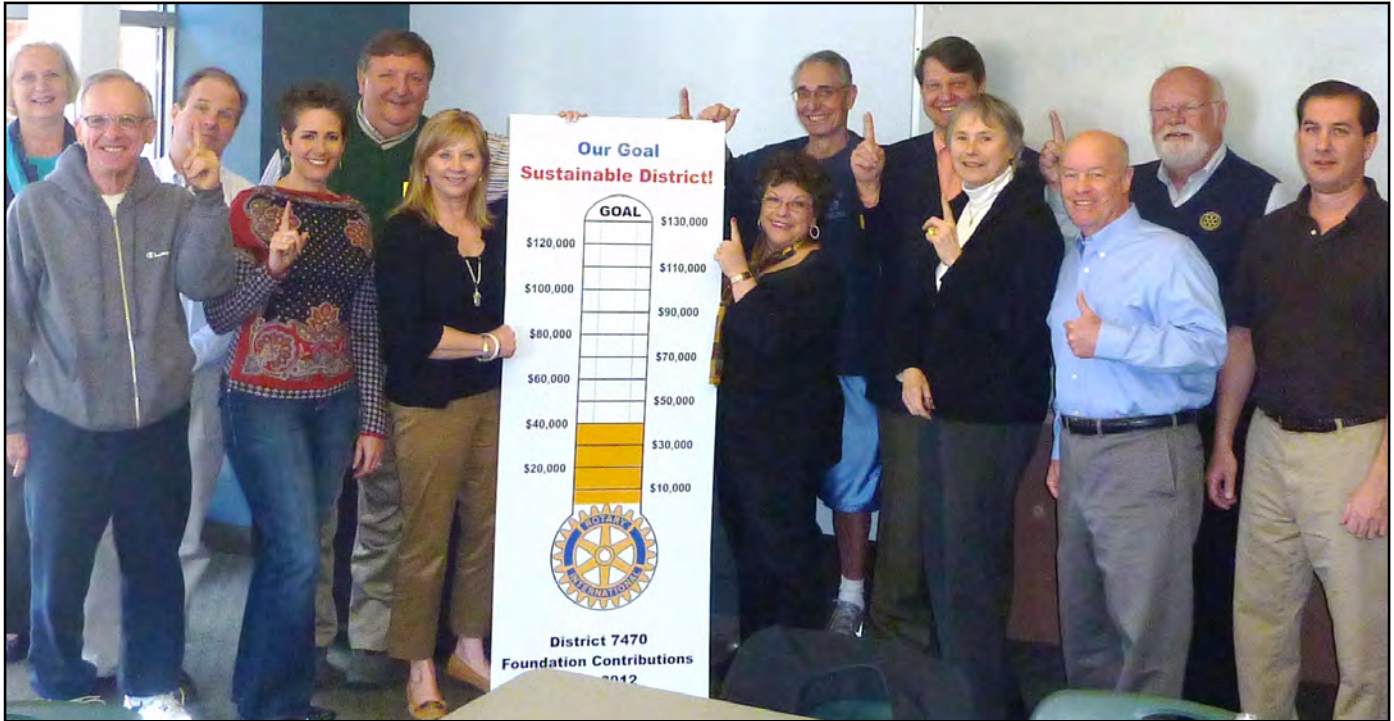
This is your chance to celebrate your club's accomplishments. So submit the information, then come to the District Conference and we will brag about your successes! If you have any questions, call Louise Forbes at 908-204-0948 or email her at m.l.forbes@att.net.



The District Conference Committee wants everyone to join the \$10 club.



Emma says, we need more money!



Sustainable District - The Madison Rotary Club says we joined the \$10 Club, why haven't you?

Links to the District Website

A new InFlight feature will be links to the District Website. Clicking on the links will connect you to important information on the District Website. If you have any difficulty, cut and paste the link into your browser.

- Rotary District 7470 Website
- District Conference Information
- Club Events and Activities
- Form to Add Club Event or Activity
- Speakers and Program for Your club
- Form to Add Speakers to Website
- Rotarians Only - Learn Website Basics

First Paul Harris Award



Rotary Club of Irvington President Alison Bryant (R), presents club member Cassandra Graham (L), with her (and the club's) first Paul Harris Recognition Pin and Certificate

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Attendance Report

February, 2012

	Number of Members	Gain/Lost Since 6-30-11	Attendance Percentage
Lake Hopatcong	22	-1	98.00%
Whippany	29	-4	98.00%
Morris Plains	55	1	96.00%
Pequannock Valley	47	0	94.44%
Mount Olive Township	11	-4	93.18%
Blairstown	25	0	92.00%
Belvidere	9	0	91.00%
Hackettstown	23	0	90.00%
Denville	47	1	89.00%
Denville Sunrise	18	-1	88.50%
Rockaway Rotary Club	21	-2	87.80%
Maplewood	20	-2	87.00%
Wallkill Valley	25	-1	86.00%
Livingston	14	-3	85.70%
Hampton Township	17	-1	85.00%
Caldwells	32	-4	84.00%
Wharton	13	0	84.00%
South Orange	9	1	82.50%
Bernardsville	33	3	82.00%
Dover	16	-1	81.00%
Nutley	30	-1	80.83%
Butler/Triboro	13	-1	80.77%
Madison Rotary	86	-1	80.00%
Phillipsburg	29	-2	80.00%
Roseland Rotary	5	0	80.00%
Livingston Sunrise	21	-3	79.00%
Cedar Grove	16	0	78.75%
Belleville	7	0	78.50%
Netcong-Stanhope	15	2	78.00%
Ironbound (Newark)	10	0	76.00%
Morristown	64	-3	73.78%
Randolph	31	1	72.00%
Irvington	16	-3	70.31%
Fairfield NJ	11	1	70.00%
Glen Ridge	21	0	67.86%
Branchville	34	-1	67.03%
Chester-Long Valley	12	0	66.00%
Jefferson Township	14	-2	65.00%
Newark	37	2	64.29%
Chatham Millburn	6	0	62.50%
Newton	106	2	60.80%
Par-Troy Rotary	22	2	59.41%
Montclair	27	4	57.10%
Mendham	24	4	54.00%
Bloomfield	12	-4	50.00%
Boonton	13	0	49.00%
East Hanover	NR	0	0.00%
East Orange	NR	0	0.00%
Florham Park	NR	0	0.00%
Montville Township	NR	0	0.00%
Roxbury	NR	0	0.00%
Vernon Township	NR	0	0.00%
Washington	NR	0	0.00%
West Orange	NR	0	0.00%
Total	1168		65.02%

BowlingNews

This month's 200 games...

- John Sanders 224, 217, 211
- Bill Roberts 227, 219, 210
- Bob Feid 255, 234, 231
- Liz Castillo 203
- Mike L Rahill Jr 202, 200
- Don King 201
- Steve Bartsch 221, 207, 206
- Bob Cariello 208, 203
- Margit Rahill 202



Mary Ann's Marquee

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"WINTER be gone !" – saith Mather Nature. Rotarians - roll up those sleeves and put all your plans into action. Winter's over and we've got work to do.

Bernardsville – That list of local projects that your members participate in is impressive and you have additional ones that you are considering.

Boonton – Sure'n you had a great deal of trivia about St. Paddy's Day. Be ye Irish, Valerie? Are there really two rivers dyed 'green' for this day in the USA?

Branchville – You sure do draw area club Rotarians to do make-ups at your club. You're so popular. Sussex County College Rotaract club will host a joint club meeting with you and others at the college.

Caldwell – you have taken the literacy challenge! You support Mike who constructs school-rooms in the Dominican Republic; donate toward educational supplies to poor children in Irvington; donated \$1000 to Center for Women and Children Empowerment in Liberia; dictionaries, etc. Great work!

Chester – Will you run the Farmer's Market again? It's a lot of work.

Denville- Did you have a good turnout at your Senior Citizen's luncheon? Now you have to work hard preparing for the annu-

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Spotlight

KEVIN GUYETTE

Kevin is the kind of person who surprises, and not just because she's a girl with a guy's name. She's funny. And smart. She has a heart as big as Texas and the energy of a hummingbird. One would think that her job as the Director of Public Relations & Development for the Arc of Warren County would sufficiently satisfy her desire to help and serve others. But it's not enough...not even close. And it's that generosity of spirit that makes Kevin such an ideal Rotarian.



Those organizations and individuals benefiting from her broad spectrum of good works include animal shelters, food pantries, bingo-loving seniors and countless local families whose struggles have been eased because Kevin brought them to the attention of others.

She shares her time and expertise with other non-profits and uses her extensive contacts with the business community for a multitude of philanthropic outcomes. She gets others involved...and makes it fun.

True to Rotary's motto, Kevin places "Service Above Self," engenders plenty of goodwill & better friendships, and her thoughts, words and deeds are clearly beneficial to all concerned.

Kevin is a two time past President of the Hackettstown Rotary Club and is currently serving as President Elect.

District Assembly 2012-13

Reserve the date :

District Assembly is on June 7, 2012

from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Hanover Manor.

PETS is the time to train next year's presidents. District Assembly is the time to train her/his leadership team. We will discuss various strategies to make your year the most memorable and successful. There will be separate sessions for secretaries and treasurers to address operational and compliance issues. We will have dedicated sessions for Chairs of committees such as Membership, Public Relations / Public Image (PR/PI), Foundation, Electronics, Service Projects, etc.

And . . . this will be a great opportunity to meet other district Rotarians, to make new friendships, to renew earlier friendships, and to have fun. The next issue of In-Flight will have greater details of program and information about how to register.

Mary Ann's Marquee

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al Street Fair. I understand you received a simplified grant which will help fix up the train at Santaland.

Denville Sunrise – You did a lot of planning at your club assembly. We should all have club assemblies to discuss and plan for our clubs . Faces in the pocket park? Whatever does PDG Karen want?

Glen Ridge - Now! Do you fully understand about the tax assessment program after your tax assessor's, George Librizzi, explanation?

Madison - Well how did your Taste of Madison go? Hope it was successful. I see you will do the 'Shred it" project again. Some people just love to tear things up. Great way to vent!

Maplewood – Another 'Affair of the Heart'. Your dinner raises money for Gift of Life programs and you honor people like firefighter Captain Joe Callahan for 'Service Above Self'. Phrase sound familiar?

Mendham – Antiquity – isn't it grand? Especially for your annual Antique Show.

Mt. Olive – Do you wear clown shoes in your Carnival Walk? Maybe you can sell some of those leftover poinsettia flowers for bou-tonnieres.

Newton – Enjoy your ever-famous Garden Party. Hope it doesn't rain like it did when PDG George hosted it. Talk about soggy!

Nutley – Picking up some of the cost for the Foundation Dinner for your members is a good incentive for them to attend and enjoy the fellowship and learn about the Foundation.

Phillipsburg – You have many beneficiaries for the monies raised from your famous "Corks and Forks" event. Happy Eating! Rockaway – Major Donor – Bart Moriarty, what a guy!

Roseland – We will miss Tony Romano's smiling face and resonant voice. Glen Ridge will also miss their past president.

Rotary – You had a birthday 107 and still going strong!

Roxbury – Nice write up about our first four Rotarians – Paul Harris, Gustavas Lochr, Silvester Schicle, and Hiram Shorey. And let's not forget Harry Ruggles (k/a fifth Rotarian) who introduced singing to Rotary and printed the first National Rotarian magazine.

Wallkill Valley - Hope those additional evening meetings bring in more members. I see you had a birthday cake for Rotary on Feb. 23rd – lucky Fred had the same birthday so he shared in the merriment.

Whippany – You have had some very interesting programs in the past couple of months. You reach out and touch the community

"Another month of Rotary achievements has past. So many stories, so many gifts of giving ..and, as they say, "The best is yet to come" “.

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You Make A
Difference*

InFlight Online Survey

We need your opinions about InFlight Newsletter. Take the 3 minute survey below:

HYPERLINK
"http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22EJ5GR27TX" InFlight Survey

Deadline April 15, 2011

WANTED –

Rotarians, Rotaract Members, Interactors and all outside legitimate non profits –

**Walk with us
Sunday April 29th**

Loantaka Brook Reservation
Morris Township or
Waterloo Village

This year's WALKFEST
benefits

The Rotary Foundation
and

Family and Friends
for Freedom Fund.

Pledge sheets, corporate sponsor forms and additional info available at

www.walkfest.info or calling
(973) 361-2810

ENDPOLIONOW

INDIA TAKEN OFF THE POLIO – ENDEMIC LIST ROTARY VOICES POSTED 27 FEBRUARY 2012

Celebration? Not just yet because the job is not over!

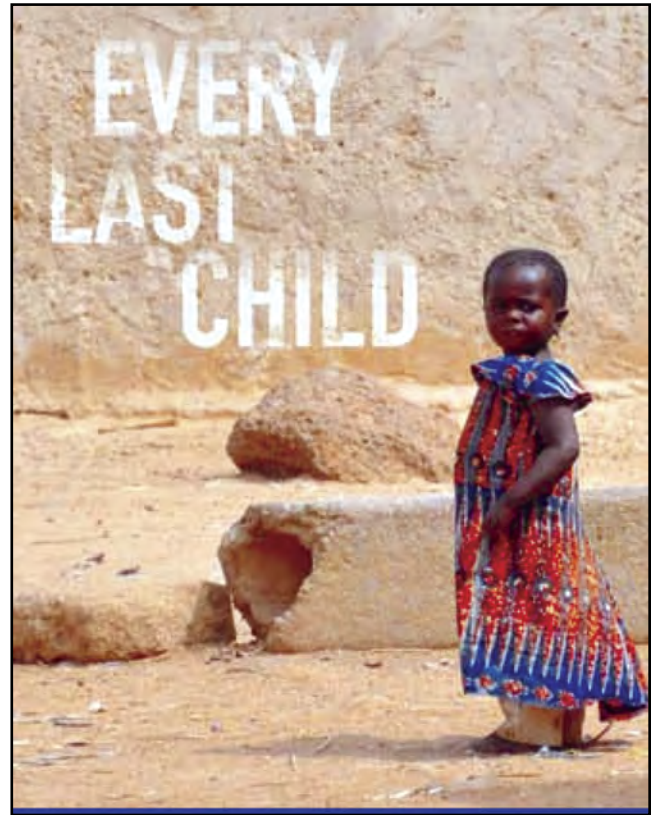
The World Health Organization (WHO) has removed India from the list of active polio-endemic countries, following a year in which the country reported no new cases of the virus. Ghulan Nabi Azad, India's minister of health and family welfare, announced the decision during the Polio Summit 2012 jointly sponsored by the government of India and Rotary International, 25-26 February in New Delhi. Azad received a letter from Dr. Margaret Chan, head of the WHO, informing him that India's name had been removed from the list. The wild polio virus remains endemic in three countries: Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria.

With one case in India this last year we can rejoice, but we must also recognize we have just reached one important milestone in the journey towards global eradication.

Over the past several decades, as Dr. Bob Scott often reminds us, "there have been several highs but unfortunately some lows. The highs we can rejoice in but it is the lows we must urgently plan to overcome."

Just a few of the many highs: the continued generosity of Rotarians worldwide to ensure we keep our promise to eradicate polio worldwide; the meeting of the Gates Challenge several months ahead of schedule; the generosity and commitment of the Gates Foundation to "stay the course" with Rotary and the incredible strategic plan India committed to, for example in 2009 India reported 742 polio children and in 2010, 42 children's lives were forever negatively impacted by polio and in 2010, 1 child, baby Rukhsar, this last child in India was never immunized. Some say it was the report of Rukhsar's story that all of India became mobilized to intense operations by the India Government resulting in no new cases over the past 16 months.

"Rotary continues to be the heart and soul of polio eradication, supporting the program directly while also taking on a larger role in encouraging donors to give more." Bill Gates, Jr.



Three ways to give to our Foundation. . .

1. Mail a check payable to the Rotary Foundation - Roland Basinski, Annual Fund Chairman
148 Franklin Road, Denville, NJ 07834
2. Go to www.rotary.org and contribute online.
On the home page click "Contribute" and follow the instructions.
3. Give a check to the Foundation Chairperson in your Club.

*Help Your Club
Change Lives*

Rockaway Rotary - Major Donor



PDG Karien Ziegler congratulates PP Bart Moriarty on his "Major Donor" recognition by the Rotary Foundation. Bart was presented with his pin by Rockaway Rotarian and Arch C. Klumpf Society Member John Beeman.

Did You Know...

"Like" our new Rotary District 7470 Northern NJ Facebook page. Invite your friends to "like" us to learn more about the great work Rotary does. Post on our wall so everyone knows what your club is doing.

<http://www.facebook.com/RotaryDistrict7470>



*Let Rotary Help
You Make A
Difference*



Chiaki Tomimatsu from Tokyo Japan was a cheerleader during Winter 2012. In addition to cheerleading, she is on the track team and was accepted for the National Honor Society. She is hosted by Denville Rotary, Parsippany Rotary and Phillipsburg Rotary. Chiaki attends Morris Knolls H.S.



Wow, what a wonderful turnout for RLI on 3 March at Seton Hall Prep.

We had 125 register, unfortunately 11 were unable to attend due to illness or work related issues at the last minute. This was our biggest turnout since we brought RLI to District 7470.

Twenty-eight (28) Rotarians from two districts completed all three parts and received their special RLI graduation pins and "diploma." Congratulations for a job very well done.

Now, all the graduated students should immediately sign up for the post graduate classes which will be BRAND NEW in the Fall. The Graduate courses are an all day in-depth look at incredibly important issues facing Rotary clubs and district.

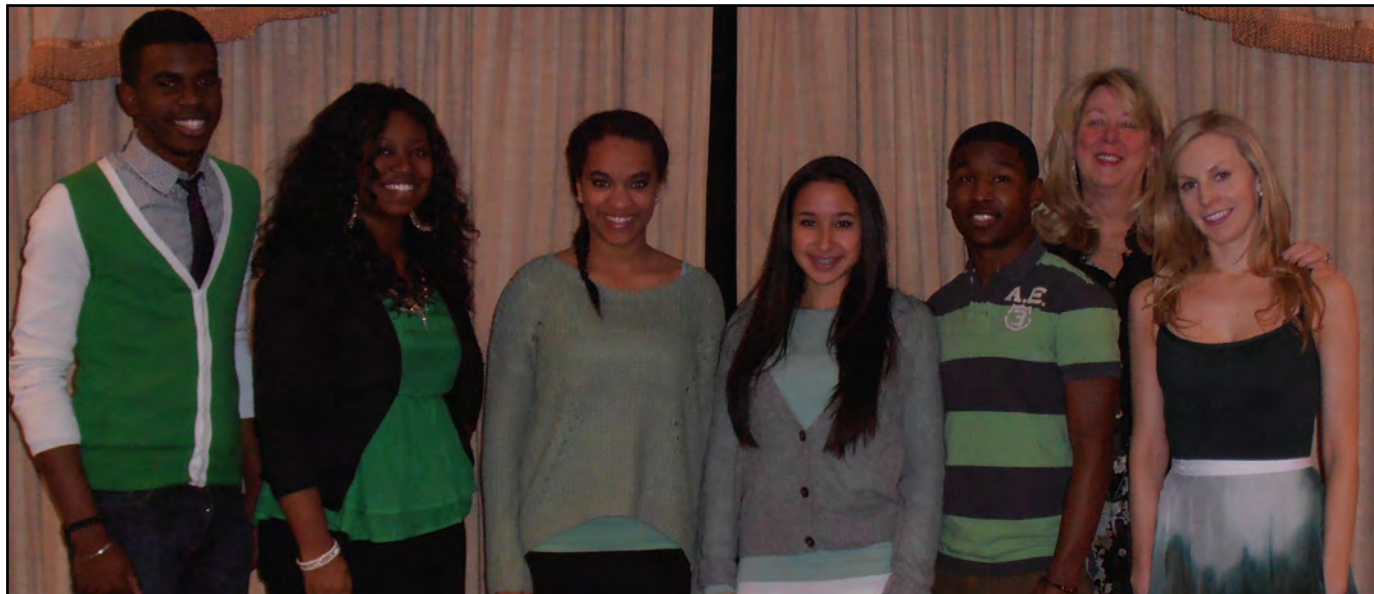
In addition, seven Rotarians were trained to be Facilitators and we look forward to working with them. They will also be valuable resources within their clubs and contribute to their individual district. I'm sure they are so eager to begin.

I challenge all members who attended 3 March RLI at Seton Hall Prep to sign up one new Rotarian to come with them to our next event in April 2013.

We want to welcome all Part 1s into Part 2 ,all Part 2s into Part 3 and graduates into the Graduate program in April 2013.

Let's continue to support our clubs and district through leadership training at RLI. We need strong leadership in all our clubs if we are to grow in membership and support our foundation: The Rotary Foundation.





St. Patrick's Day Celebration at the West Orange Rotary Club with The West Orange High School "Irish" singers.



Mark Your Calendar

The District Conference has gone "LOCAL" this year. Mark your calendars to join your fellow 7470 Rotarians at this annual event. The conference will take place on Friday, May 18th and Saturday, May 19th at the Madison Hotel. The conference will start with our annual Rotary Foundation Dinner on Friday evening. On Saturday, the conference plenary sessions will highlight both club and district accomplishments. Additional pre-conference activities will take place on Friday afternoon including a USGA Golf Museum Tour and a Fosterfields Group Tour. Both events will include a box lunch. A post-conference cocktail reception, buffet dinner, and entertainment is also being held at the Madison home of Cathie & Bob Coultas on Saturday evening. Accommodations are available at the Madison Hotel for those who wish to stay over on Friday night. However, the conference is "local" so commuting is easy. Details and registration forms for the conference and all of the pre-conference and post-conference activities can be found on the District Conference Site Page on our website. Come and celebrate together the contributions District 7470 Rotarians have made to the Rotary Foundation and all of the great things our clubs have done this past year.

*The Madison
Hotel*



May 18 - 19, 2012
Save the Date

ROTARY FOUNDATION

Rockaway Rotarian Rodney Seifert is recognized for attaining Sapphire status with both wife Sheila and PDG Karien happy to share the moment. Sheila has a Sapphire status as well.



YEP is a highly successful program that promotes peace through exchange of the new generation of potential Rotarians. Currently our district is hosting 7 international students for an year-long exchange; and has sent out 5 students to other countries. Check out the September 2011 issue of In-Flight for photos. Most inbound students have proven themselves through excellent grades in school and through participation in extra-curricular and Rotary activities.



Earlier in 2012, YEP selected 6 students for outbound exchange during the next (2012-13) Rotary year. We expect to host as many as 7 inbound students next year. YEP is seeking clubs to host and / or sponsor next year's inbound students. Contact YEP Chair Judi Frank (jfrank@franksbookkeeping.com or 973-598-0661) if your club is interested.

From The Editor...



I encourage all Rotary clubs within District 7470 to continue to forward news-worthy information and accompanying photos (with a caption) to my attention no later than the second Friday of each month. I can be reached at (973) 625-1362 or tториello@yahoo.com. Please join with me in helping to make Governor Jim's newsletter both informative and inclusive of all Rotary clubs within District 7470.

Is your Rotary club sponsoring an event? Would you like to get the word out to all district Rotarians? If so, forward your club name, the event name, date, location, time, cost and contact information to the Editor.

Thank you,
Tony Toriello, Editor

District Website Enhanced

Rotary District 7470's website has been enhanced to become more of a resource to Rotarians in the district and to provide information to perspective members and the general public. Visit www.rotarydistrict7470.org to see the changes. Below is a summary of the changes.

Website Banner

Redesigned to a new Welcome from Governor Jim.

Main Menu Bar

Home Tab – No Changes

Club Events Tab – A new tab displays a list of club events in a new format. Clubs may add information to the Club Events by completing the add event form or by using the Add Calendar Event in Club Runner website software as in the past.

Calendar Tab – Displays club and district events in the original format.

Join Rotary Tab – A new tab that provides general information regarding Rotary, the benefits of Rotary Membership, a listing of local clubs, and an interest form for people to fill out and find a local rotary club in their communities. When completed, these forms will be sent to local clubs based on the geography of the inquiry.

Inflight Newsletter Tab – New tab to easily access the current and back issues of InFlight. Information is also available on how to contact InFlight Committee members.

Speakers Bureau – A new club resource that provides a list of speakers available to provide quality programs for your club. If your club has a great speaker/program you can recommend that speaker to other clubs by completing the add speaker form. This feature was added as a direct request for clubs.

District Conference Tab – Provides direct access and links to all information about the District Conference to be held locally at the Madison Hotel May 18th and 19th.

Website Training Tab – Provides “how to training” for basic website functions. There are also links to upcoming training webinars as well as links to previously recorded

Contact us/Help – A new tab provided expanded “Contact Us” links.

Left Column (5 sections)

District Information – No Changes

District Events – Only District wide events will be displayed in this section. Links have been enhanced to provide information regarding registration, flyers, supplemental information. Club events are posted on the new Club Events tab on the main menu

Download – No Changes, Rotary Links – No Changes,

Face Book Link – Indicate you like our website by clicking the “like link”

Center Section (Stories)

The goal is to keep all stories current and up-to-date. Each story contains a color photo, a short introductory paragraph and a link to access the full story or information.

Right Column (5 sections)

Information Links – Connects to programs in our district have custom websites related to those programs.

Rotary Information – Formerly called Site Pages provides downloadable information regarding Rotary Programs

Photo Albums – Photos journal of recent events and activities in the district

Rotary Links – No Changes

Latest Rotary News – This section is directly connected to Rotary International and provides breaking Rotary stories on an almost daily basis.

Sponsorship Ads – This new section will have ads from the business community to help offset the cost of the Website. Currently rotary programs are being displayed to show an example of sponsorship capability.

Governor Jim's goal is for the District Website to be a central source for information and communication in the district. We now have the ability to track usage and last month there were almost 500 visits to the site with 275 unique visitors. It is anticipated that these numbers will continue to increase as the website becomes a more valuable resource. If you have any suggestions for additions, enhancements, changes to the District Website contact Barry Kroll, DGN, at Barrykroll@aol.com.