

# InFlight



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## Larry's Libretto ----

### Mom's and Babies – Where it all Starts!

Rotary International has taken the liberty of naming each month of the year. Not names like January, February, etc., but names like “Water and Sanitation Month” and “Youth Services Month” etc. And April has been decreed to be “Maternal and Child Health Month”.

When you think about it, what could be more important than that? It's where we all started; you know, in a nice clean sterile hospital with doctors and nurses in their surgical scrubs and all that state-of-the-art equipment like incubators and special NICU units for the little premature guys...right?

Do we ever think about all the MILLIONS of pregnant women in the world that never get to see a doctor for the entire time that they're pregnant? And when their precious little newborn makes its entrance, it's often with no trained assistance at all. Maybe a village midwife who's helped delivered other babies but she will have no anesthesia, no sterile dressings, no special equipment if something goes wrong, and perhaps most important – no real training!

We should be very proud that The Rotary Foundation makes a very high priority of the health of new mothers and their babies all over the world. There are projects in place in underdeveloped countries around the globe to provide prenatal care, safe delivery of the babies and health and nutrition training for the young families. Our Foundation – serving humanity of all ages on all levels.

And we.....you and I.....are part of that.



Larry Ripley  
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2014-2015



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## Why Should You Attend the District Conference?

Many of you are trying to decide if you should attend the upcoming District Conference in Washington, DC. After all, it does take up four days of your life, and as reasonable as it is this year, it's still a respectable chunk of change. So how do you justify this expenditure of time and money? You don't. You go because you want to...because you think you should...because it's the right thing to do.

1. Washington is a wonderful city to visit, especially if you're able to bring your family. No matter how many times you've been there, you just can't see it all.
2. See old friends from other clubs and make new friends! A district conference is a perfect environment for friendship. The more we get to know Rotarians from other clubs, the more we enjoy the camaraderie.
3. Our district is at a crossroads – we're finally experiencing a turn-around in our membership, and our numbers are growing. There will be much talk about this and how to keep on this course.
4. Learn about Rotary in our district. In our Plenary Sessions, you will enjoy presentations from the different programs of our district; Gift of Life, Youth Exchange, Polio Plus, Group Study Exchange to name a few. Come back with renewed energy and ideas for your club.
5. This is an event of celebration! We're having a great year and this is the culmination of that year. Come and be part of that celebration!

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Grace Do had been a Rotarian for less than two months when she became the Secretary of the Montclair Rotary Club. Originally from Franklin Lakes, NJ, Grace is the third of four kids in her family of two boys and two girls.

Now a Development Associate at the YMCA of Montclair, Grace is not only a very active, fairly new Rotarian, this self-described “travel junkie”, is the Assistant Team Leader of our outbound GSE Team to Peru next month.

In her spare time (as hard as that is to imagine), Grace loves trying new foods, swimming and spends time as a volunteer with an ASPCA program for dog behavioral rehabilitation.

A young Rotarian (a gentleman never reveals a lady's age), Grace is a great example of the future of Rotary and our district. We're lucky to have her!



### Group Study Exchange Team Has Been Selected

The Group Study Exchange Team for this year has been selected and is in the process of training for their trip to District 4455 in Peru. The travel dates for the outbound exchange are April 23 until May 21, 2015.

We are fortunate to have the ability to send a slightly modified Team structure for this exchange. Stacey Borden from the Rotary Club of South Orange will be the Team Leader. Grace Do, from the Rotary Club of Montclair, will be the Assistant Leader. With this model, additional time can be spent focusing on needs and project opportunities in the host district. The hope is to develop a lasting relationship with an international partner.

The Team consists of:

Hank Lyon, Restaurateur & Elected Official, Sponsored by Montville  
Jeremy Slate, Personal Trainer & Teacher, Sponsored by Vernon

The team is currently 2 weeks into their training. There will be a minimum of 12 hours of training over 6 sessions. The purpose of the training is to provide the team with a sound, basic understanding of Rotary, Team building, cultural awareness related to the host district, language training and to prepare (and practice) on the Team's presentation that they will give on numerous occasions during their exchange.

GSE Leader Stacey Borden

Assistant Leader Grace Do

The Inbound team from District 4455 will be in our District from May 2 until June 1, 2015. Details on the Team from Peru will be in next Month's In Flight

# Confusion Exists About What Rotary Is And What It Does

## Below Are The Top 10 Myths About Rotary

### **Myth 1 - Rotary is for men only**

Rotary International began in 1905, and for the first 84 years of its existence, it is true that women were not admitted into membership. But as the prevalence of female business leaders began to grow, and in response to a ground swell of demand for female admission, Rotary changed its legislation in 1989 to admit women. Today women represent approximately 34% of Rotary membership in United States.

### **Myth 2 - Rotary is for old people**

Some believe that one's age is just a number, and it is one's attitude that is important. So I guess that depends on at which age you believe "old" cuts in, but you can join Rotary at 18 or 118!. Either way, Rotary welcomes "younger" members with open arms. We are depending on them to keep our organization vibrant.

### **Myth 3 - You have to attend every week**

Most Rotary clubs meet on a weekly basis, and members are encouraged to attend whenever possible, but we understand that there are many demands on the time of today's business professional. In addition to regular club meetings, Rotarians have other ways to become involved, such as fundraising activities, community service projects, leadership training events and social activities.

### **Myth 4 - Rotary is only for Doctors, Lawyers and CEOs**

Rotary's membership base is a broad cross section of people from diverse backgrounds, cultures and professions. Our diversity is our strongest asset. Teachers, bankers, accountants, retailers, students, plumbers, electricians, health care workers, farmers... you name it, they are all represented in Rotary. Work from home? Just starting out in business? Moving up through the ranks? Made it to the top? Retired? There is a role for you in Rotary.

### **Myth 5 - Membership is by invitation only**

Anyone can visit and join Rotary club. There are no secret handshakes or "member only" rituals in Rotary. We accept members from all walks of life, and have no cultural or religious barriers or expectations. Meetings are open and everyone is welcome.

### **Myth 6 - Rotary is a religious organization or a secret society**

Rotary is non-religious and non-political. We have no

secret handshake, no secret meetings and no secret rituals. It is an open organization of men and women who simply believe in helping others.

### **Myth 7 - All Rotarians do is cook barbecues**

We often cook hamburgers at community events to raise funds. Rotary clubs adopt many initiatives for raising funds to support their projects. Barbecues are a part of life and it's true that they are one of the more visible methods by which Rotary clubs raise their funds, but behind the scenes there are many less obvious ways that hard working Rotarians raise their funds and contribute to the community.

### **Myth 8 - You've seen one Rotary club you've seen them all**

There are over 34,000 Rotary clubs in the world and no two are the same. They are all unique, with unique members, unique projects, and unique culture. Each has its own board of directors who administer the club autonomously. One of them is just right for you!

### **Myth 9 - You cannot discuss your business or profession in Rotary**

The first ever Rotary meeting, 110 years ago in Chicago, was initiated to serve the professional and social interests of its members. But as Rotary grew, members began pooling their resources and contributing their talents to help serve communities in need. Rotary is now the world's premier humanitarian service organization, but its roots are firmly embedded in business networking.

### **Myth 10 - Rotary is an "old fashioned" organization, with boring and ritualistic meetings**

As a century old organization, it's reasonable to expect that there are some long observed traditions in some clubs. But the very highest levels of Rotary leadership, both at global and local level, are encouraging clubs to innovate and become more progressive in the way they do things. Every club is different. Some are more progressive. But let there be no doubt, Rotary is changing for the better.

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The Rotary Word**



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# Attendance Report

|                | Count | Loss | February Attendance. |
|----------------|-------|------|----------------------|
| Lake Hopatcong | 24    | 0    | 93.00%               |
| Morris Plains  | 66    | 5    | 91.70%               |
| Blairstown     | 23    | 2    | 90.00%               |

|                   |    |    |        |
|-------------------|----|----|--------|
| Belvidere         | 10 | 0  | 88.00% |
| Pequannock Valley | 46 | -4 | 88.00% |
| Caldwells         | 35 | 3  | 86.00% |
| Denville Sunrise  | 13 | 2  | 86.00% |
| Newark            | 23 | 1  | 85.00% |
| West Orange       | 40 | -2 | 84.00% |
| Whippany          | 26 | 2  | 84.00% |
| Fairfield, NJ     | 6  | 1  | 83.00% |
| Nutley            | 26 | -1 | 82.50% |
| Wallkill Valley   | 20 | -3 | 82.00% |
| Denville          | 53 | 4  | 80.00% |
| Wharton/Mine Hill | 10 | 0  | 80.00% |

|                      |    |    |        |
|----------------------|----|----|--------|
| Morristown           | 57 | -3 | 78.47% |
| Branchville          | 32 | 0  | 78.31% |
| Dover                | 15 | -2 | 78.00% |
| Maplewood            | 22 | 2  | 77.00% |
| Rockaway Rotary Club | 24 | 2  | 76.30% |
| Belleville           | 8  | 0  | 75.00% |
| Livingston           | 13 | -1 | 74.30% |
| Madison Rotary       | 81 | -2 | 74.30% |
| Jefferson Township   | 16 | 7  | 74.00% |
| Hampton Township     | 21 | 0  | 73.80% |
| Montclair            | 27 | 3  | 70.37% |
| Randolph             | 27 | -1 | 70.00% |

|                           |      |    |        |
|---------------------------|------|----|--------|
| Glen Ridge                | 20   | -1 | 69.74% |
| South Orange              | 9    | 0  | 67.57% |
| Mount Olive Township      | 3    | -2 | 66.00% |
| Cedar Grove               | 13   | -3 | 63.00% |
| Phillipsburg              | 32   | 2  | 63.00% |
| Bernardsville             | 28   | -3 | 61.90% |
| Montville                 | 7    | 1  | 60.00% |
| Hackettstown              | 28   | 0  | 58.00% |
| Chester-Long Valley       | 7    | 1  | 57.00% |
| Netcong-Stanhope          | 16   | 2  | 56.00% |
| Chatham Rotary            | 8    | 0  | 54.17% |
| Livingston Sunrise        | 24   | 0  | 54.00% |
| Mendham Rotary            | 23   | 3  | 53.00% |
| Washington                | 12   | -1 | 52.78% |
| Vernon                    | 19   | 1  | 48.00% |
| Newton                    | 94   | -5 | 47.80% |
| Mountain Lakes - Boontons | 12   | -1 | 47.00% |
| Florham Park              | 12   | 1  | 43.75% |
| Roxbury                   | 25   | -3 | 43.00% |
| Bloomfield                | 12   | -1 | 41.00% |
| Par-Troy Rotary           | 23   | 1  | 40.91% |
| Irvington                 | 15   | 1  | 40.00% |
| East Orange               | 6    | 0  | 0%     |
|                           | 1212 | 1  | 67.41% |

## Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

Who from your Club will attend the Rotary Leadership Institute on Saturday, April 11, 2015, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm? Cost is \$75 and includes training, materials, breakfast and lunch. Rotary Leadership Institute is a series of fast-paced, interactive courses offered to refine a Rotarian's leadership skills. Courses are fun, topical, interactive, and geared toward busy business and professional people who want to be more effective leaders in Rotary and in their professional careers. Rotary Leadership Institute is the best training for new Rotarians and for those who are ready to move into Club leadership positions. Rotary clubs that have Rotarians attending Rotary Leadership Institute are more progressive, do better in membership and have better leadership succession planning than the average Club. Don't let your club be average!





## Mary Ann's Marquee

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"Good golly, Miss Molly – it's Spring [finally]. It feels so good to have more daylight and less snow."

**Bernardsville** – Wow, May will be a busy month for you between your blood drive and your track meet. Welcome to new member John Carpenter and Honorary Member John Maday.

**Boonton** – Getting a note expressing appreciation for your gift of the Life Alert system was rewarding. Thank you for pointing out that our Rotary Foundation is near the top of the list of non-profits. In 2013-2014, 92% of its expenditures were applied to programs.

**Caldwell** – Your outstanding cycling team raised \$2500 for cancer research in the 'Cancer for Survival' fund raiser.

**Denville** – You've inducted 9 new members this year? Go Denville!!! Welcome to new member Diane Vezzuto. Our condolences on the loss of your good member, Ed McCabe.

**Glen Ridge** – Condolences on the loss of your member, Dick Anderson. Livingston – Your 'meet and greet' went well – one new member, good luck on the next 'meet and greet'.

**Madison** - How nice that the 'Friends of the Library' are giving a recognition to your club. What a generous gift of \$26,000 you gave to the paralyzed police from your joint fund raising effort with the St. Vincent Martyr Church. My, My - two more members

– welcome Nico Somers and David Carson.

**Mendham** – The current status of your \$6000 grant from the district which you will do with the Dhule Crossroad and Dhule Feminista clubs will now help two schools in India.

**Montclair** – Hearing about your "Taste of Montclair" makes one hungry. Everything looked delicious. Glad it was a success.

**Montville** – I'm sure the residents at the Chelsea Assisted Living Center enjoyed the caroling you and your Interact students did. The owners of the 'Homeless Bus' from Montvale will certainly put your \$150 donation to good use toward feeding the homeless in New York City which they have done for 22 years..

**Morris Plains** – You have a lot of 'fun' things planned, St. Patrick's Day parade, Night at the races, also serious things such as your blood drive. But, have you filled the 'goody bags' for DG Larry for the conference? Won't be long now.

**Newton** – By now you have served (or eaten) all your pancakes but was the breakfast a success? Yes? Good! But now, honestly, fess up as to who has the most sore muscles from your Gift of Life volleyball game with those younger, in better physical condition, students from Sussex County College. Oh, and who won?

**Nutley** – Did you bring your 'sweetie' to your Valentine's Social? Did anyone take up PDG's John's first lady Jane's offer to outfit you with gloves to pound the pavement for some donations in the frigid weather?

**Parsippany-Troy Hills** – Congratulations! You will be the DG's club in

a couple of years when A.G. Peggy takes the helm. But, you've had practice being the DG's club during PDG Maurie's year and you'll put that to good use again.

**Pequannock Valley** – Your goal was to pack 150K meals – did you reach it?

**Phillipsburg** – Are you all prepared for your 8th Corks and Forks fund raiser?

**Rockaway** – Bike Racks – for use at Park Lake and you purchased them using District 7470 grant money. Nice work Janice! Did the Easter Bunny arrive on a bicycle at your Easter Bunny Breakfast? Your bimonthly feeding the homeless at the Morristown shelter is such an appreciated effort.

**Wallkill Valley** – Your 'Grapes and Hops' wine-tasting committee is in high gear getting ready for that event in April. Alexis is cracking the whip.

**Washington** – How did you do with your big 50/50 drawing last November?

**Whippany** – Your Casino Night must have been a success with all those attendees and smiling faces. Looks like a 'fun' time was had by all.

"Rotary was 110 years old in February, Women in Rotary was celebrated in March, PETS was held in March, Rotary Leadership will be held in April, the Assembly and the conference will be held in May, and the Banner Exchange will be in June and just like that – this Rotary year will be over. I hope we all accomplished what we planned to do this year but – we still have a little time if we hustle."

# Paul Harris Society



Rotary has been serving communities here at home, and around the world, for over 100 years. Your continued support of The Rotary Foundation brings lasting and positive change to communities in need, and inspires others to join our efforts to do good in the world.

Our district current has 24 Paul Harris Society members. Our goal is to have 50 Paul Harris Society members. We are looking for others to join this elite group of dedicated Rotarians. We want to identify those who see our Foundation as the life blood of Rotary; those who are willing to give at the level of \$1,000 per year to help promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, protect mothers and children, support education and grow local economies in our District and throughout the world.

The good news is you don't have to make your contribution all at once. By committing yourself to an \$85 a month tax exempt gift, you will become a member of the Society. So make that commitment now and your generosity will be recognized at the District Conference.

Named after Rotary's founder, the Paul Harris Society recognizes those who annually contribute \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, Polio Plus, or an approved Foundation Grant.

## To join the Paul Harris Society:

1. Contact PDG Jim Allison, Paul Harris Society Chair at [jra188@aol.com](mailto:jra188@aol.com) or 201-213-6382 and he will guide you through the easy process of becoming a Paul Harris Society member.

2. You can also contribute online at [www.rotary.org/](http://www.rotary.org/) contribute or contact Jim who can help you set this up. Rotary Direct, Rotary's recurring giving program, is a great way to join the PHS in a safe, secure and easy way. This can be done monthly, quarterly or even annually. For less than \$85 per month you can become a member and it is tax deductible.

Paul Harris Society gifts advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by supporting Rotarian initiated activities both locally and internationally.

I sincerely hope you will consider joining this growing group of Rotary Foundation supporters.

PDG Jim Allison  
Paul Harris Society Chair

Join the Paul Harris Society

## DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2015 HANOVER MANOR

**3:00pm Registration**

### **Come out and learn more about Rotary!**

The upcoming year end assembly will be an opportunity for both club leadership and membership to learn more about Rotary. A membership workshop, The Rotary Foundation seminar allowing clubs to qualify for grants, as well as a program on the RI website and Rotary Club Central will be provided. Information on many of the important district programs including Youth Exchange, Gift of Life, Interact, Rotaract and Rotary's signature program Polio Plus will be available.

The keynote speaker for this event, RI director Julia Phelps will be informing Rotarians about the direction which RI has set out for the next few years and incoming president K.R. Ravi Ravindran's theme for 2015-2016.

There will also be sessions specific to the incoming club presidents, secretaries and treasures. The event will be held at the Hanover Manor, registration will begin at 3 PM on Wednesday, May 13, 2015. The cost will be \$45 per person

**2015 Rotary Youth  
Leadership Award  
RLYA information and  
applications are now  
available on the district  
website. Plan to send  
student(s) this year.  
Registration limited.  
Register early to  
guarantee you space is  
reserved.**

# Rotary Zone 24-32 Donald MacRae Peace Award

The Rotary Zone 24-32 Donald MacRae Peace Award is an annual award presented by Rotary Zones 24 and 32 to recognize and honor an individual or organization for outstanding achievement consistent with the ideals of Rotary as expressed in the Fourth Object of Rotary.

The award commemorates the contribution of Halifax Rotarian Donald MacRae, who in a speech to the International Convention in Kansas City in June 1918, proposed that Rotary become an agent for the promotion of goodwill and peace among nations – the first time that this vision of Rotary was expressed publicly. In 1921, as chair of Rotary's Constitution and By-laws Committee, MacRae had an opportunity to incorporate this vision into the constitution of Rotary. He presented a resolution to the International Convention in Edinburgh, Scotland, that amended the constitution by adding the Fourth Object of Rotary. The Fourth Object became the engine that drives Rotary's international service; indeed, it has become the watchword of the Rotary Foundation.

Reflecting the vision created by MacRae, the award focuses on advancing international goodwill, understanding and peace through peace-making efforts or humanitarian activity of international significance. The recipient of the Donald MacRae Peace Award receives an inscribed glass plaque and a commemorative certificate.

## **Award Criteria**

Any Rotary Club or District in Zone 24 or 32 is entitled to submit the name of one candidate for the award directly to the Zone chair of the MacRae Peace Award (See application form). All nominations are to be kept confidential. The individual or organization nominated must be one whose life, mission, or work demonstrates outstanding achievement consistent with the ideals of the Fourth Object of Rotary International, having made an outstanding contribution to this cause through international efforts. Awards will not be made posthumously.

## **Selection Process**

The selection committee is composed of five past district governors in Zone 24 and three past district governors from Zone 32, named by the RI Zone 24-32 Director. The recipient of the award will be announced and the citation read at the Rotary Institute. If the recipient is unable to attend the Institute to receive the plaque, he or she may name someone to accept the plaque on his or her behalf. Failing that, the selection committee will, in consultation with the recipient's nominator, ensure that the plaque is presented at another appropriate time and place.

## **The Fourth Object of Rotary**

"The advancement of International understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional people united in the ideal of service"

## ***Programs of Note***

If there's anything that almost every Rotary Club has in common, it's the need to increase our membership. It's not rocket science, but it does take strategy and an ongoing effort to be successful. PDG Barry will develop a customized plan for your club that takes into account your particular situations and community. It's time to take growing your club seriously. Call him today.

Contact PDG Barry Kroll at [barrykroll@aol.com](mailto:barrykroll@aol.com) or 973-476-2772

To learn about interesting and available programs for your Rotary Club, or to suggest one for this column, contact Mary Ann Seeko at [seeko@embarqmail.com](mailto:seeko@embarqmail.com)

Interesting programs of both Rotary and non-Rotary topics can be found on the District Web Site under "Speakers Bureau".

## Nomination Form 2015 Rotary Zone 24-32 Donald MacRae Peace Award

Nominee (please print or type)

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Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Individual Position or Title or contact title for the organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
Province/State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code/Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

Club or District Nominator (please print or type)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Club

\_\_\_\_\_  
District

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Name of Contact

\_\_\_\_\_  
Club

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Street Address

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Classification

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Province/State

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Postal Code/Zip Code

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Telephone Number

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Mobile Number

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E-Mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Supporting Materials

Using additional sheets, please describe what qualifies your nominee for the award. Include any writings, previous awards, accomplishments, contributions to world understanding and peace, etc. You may attach additional background material on the candidate, such as articles written about them. Please provide only materials that may be easily reproduced on standard-size paper. Materials will not be returned except by special request. Please only send material in electronic format.

Zone 24 Applications: PDG Joan Hayward, rhayward@sympatico.ca

Zone 32 Applications: PDG Marty Helman, martyrotary@gmail.com

THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS MAY 15, 2015





The Denville Bzzz - John Sanders, David Richards, Bruce McCarter and Bill Roberts



## *Bowling Highlights*

This month we focus on Denville Bzzz, and they are about as hot as you can get in our sport. They quickly jumped out to 1st place and it may be difficult for any team to catch by our finish in May. Denville has been involved in bowling from the beginning and had (5) separate teams from their club. This hasn't been confirmed but we were told the Rockaway club sponsored them.

Bruce McCarter heads up the team and his average has jumped 234 points from the start of the year. In fact all of the players have seen a jump in averages and 200 + games seem to be a standard.

Just to high light one of the milestones, John Sanders scored a perfect 300 game and as he got close everyone just stopped and you could have heard a pin drop with the anticipation.

Although you are too late to join this year, consider a Wed. night out, great fun and laughs and easy on the pocket book.

Your friendly Ghost Writer

## **President elects training 2015**

This year's president elects had the opportunity to meet over 200 of their counterparts in neighboring districts as well as to learn more about Rotary. There were several outstanding speakers who addressed the president elects about their upcoming year and more importantly about some great programs that Rotary is providing communities.

Lt. Dario Pace of the Philadelphia Police Department gave a wonderful presentation on the benefits of the Rotary Peace Scholars program. He feels that the Rotary Peace program can help police departments communicate and empathize with the diverse cultures in their communities.

Another outstanding presentation was given by past District Gov. John Capps about preparing for and succeeding as the Rotary club president. John spoke passionately about leading a Rotary club and as always instilled new ideas and enthusiasm in all those present. Everyone in attendance learned something new and exciting about Rotary.

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### **The Fourth Object calls for:**

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### **Selection Process**

The selection committee is composed of five Past District Governors from Zone 24 and three Past District Governors from Zone 32. Each are selected by the Rotary International Director. Members from Zone 24 will decide on applications from Zone 24, and members from Zone 32 will decide on applications from Zone 32.

The recipient of the Donald MacRae Peace Award receives an inscribed glass plaque and a commemorative certificate. The recipient of the award is announced and the citation read at the Zone Institute. If the recipient is unable to attend the Institute to receive the plaque, he/she may name someone to accept the plaque on his/her behalf. Failing that, the selection committee will, in consultation with the recipient's nominator, ensure that the plaque is presented at another appropriate time and place.

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