# Ocean City-Upper Twp. Rotary Club Bulletin

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Ronnie Town, right, with Atlantic City Electric, and Ted Lands, OCUT Rotary President at Jan. 25, 2024 Club meeting @ the Point Diner, Somers Point. > www.atlanticcityelectric.com ##



NJ Army National Guard Sgt. Dario Colombo was the Feb. 22, 2024, program for the Ocean City – Upper Twp. Rotary Club. Sgt. Colombo is the Recruiting & Retention NCO based at the National Guard Armory in Cape May Court House, NJ. ##



## **OCUT Rotary Club**

Directors & Officers
July 1, 2023 To June 30, 2024

**President** 

**Ted Lands** 

Vice-President

Aslam Sheikh

**Past-President** 

Cindy Harris-Chadwick

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# **Peace Corps March 14th Program**

The Rotary Club of Ocean City -Upper Township in-person dinner meeting for Thursday, Mar. 14, 2024, at 5:30 pm, will be held at the Somers Point Diner, 8 MacArthur Blvd, Somers Point.

The program for Mar. 14<sup>th</sup> will be a presentation by **Peter Belasco** about his experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer.

Peter Belasco served as a community development volunteer in the United States Peace Corps from 2010 -12 on the island of Santiago in the

Cape Verde Islands.

**Note:** For reference, the Cape Verde Islands are in the Atlantic Ocean, about 400 miles (640 km) off the West African coast (Senegal).

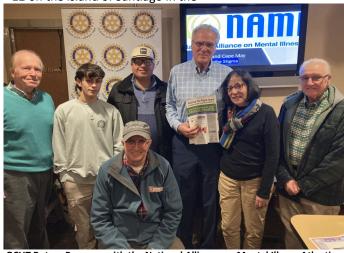
During his Peace Corps Service, Peter made the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Cidad Velha, his home.

Here Peter successfully launched a micro-credit project

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Peter Belasco



OCUT Rotary Program with the National Alliance on Mental Illness Atlantic - Cape May Chapter (NAMI) on Jan. 11th, 2024. Rotarians are pictured with Marc Hurvitz, President of NAMI Atlantic Cape May, and Jeri Hurvitz, VP of Marketing. <a href="https://namiacm.org/crisis-info/cape-may-crisis-info">https://namiacm.org/crisis-info/cape-may-crisis-info</a> ##

OCUT ROTARY VALENTINE DINNER



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# Upcoming Programs For OCUT Rotary Club

**Thrivent Action Teams** 

- Glen Stewart

Thurs. Mar. 28, 2024

Gift of Life - Rotary Fd.

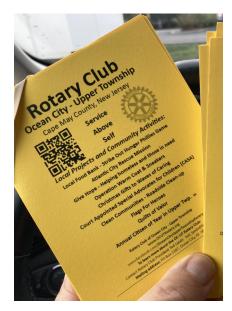
- Diane Rotondelli

Thurs. April 11, 2024

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Rotary District 7505 Annual Pre-President Elect Training, held at the Burlington Co. Institute of Technology, Westhampton, NJ, Saturday, Feb 2, 2024. Pictured, from left, Ted Lands, OCUT Rotary Club President; Aslam Sheikh, OCUT Rotary Club President-Elect for 2024-2025; Steven R. Neuner, Rotary District 7505 Governor, 2024-2025, Assistant Governor, Area 2 and member of the Voorhees Breakfast Rotary Club; Ralph Cooper, Rotary District 7505 Public Image Director and member of the OCUT Rotary Club. > https://district7505.org ##





Ocean City Rotary Club Messaging .... All on the "same page." The Club's handout material keeps us front and center in community information locations in Ocean City and Upper Township. Pick up a copy to learn about the many ways that Rotarians make a difference in our communities throughout the year. ##

# Peace Corps March 14th Program

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that provided the community with access to capital, finally learned a foreign language, Kriolu, and spent his weekends spearfishing in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

Prior to his service, Peter earned his Masters in Public Administration with a concentration in International Community Development from Rutgers University - Camden and a Bachelors in Political Science from Stockton University.

Returning from the Peace Corps, Peter applied both his education and experiences in the Peace Corps to tackle issues related to systems change. He worked in government, a start-up, and in Academic Medicine where he helped launch Rutgers Medical School's Northern NJ Medication-Assisted Treatment Center of Excellence.

In addition, Peter maintains his commitment to serving his community as a Citizen Advisor to a number of the New Jersey Marine Fisheries Council's committees on marine fisheries issues.

And, when his nose is not buried in an academic journal, you may find him along the banks of King Nummy's island, spearfishing Hereford's Inlet, and sometimes off of North Wildwood trying to float out to the middle of the Atlantic

Rotary Inter-Clubs, quests, prospective members, and the general public are always welcome to attend Rotary meetings.

See the OCUT Rotary Club website for future meeting times and locations. > http://ocutRotary.org

# **Valentine Dinner - February 2024**















# Rotary Conference

Districts 7505 & 7490

"Celebrating Kindness and Hope" at The Seaview

May 3rd - 5th, 2024 | The Seaview Hotel in Galloway, NJ











