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Nearby Clubs

Monday	7:30 am	Fair Lakes, Fair Lakes Hyatt
	12:15 pm	Fairfax, American Legion Post 177, Fairfax City
	12:30 pm	Alexandria West, Sheraton across from Steak & Ale
	12:30 pm	Sterling, Logan's Roadhouse
Tuesday	7:30 am	Burke, Brion's Grille
	12:00 pm	McLean, Redeemer Lutheran Church
	12:15 pm	Alexandria, Belle Haven Country Club
	12:30 pm	Rosslyn/Fort Myer, Holiday Inn Westpark
Wednesday	7:30 am	Crystal City/Pentagon, Crystal City Marriott
	7:30 am	Herndon, Amphora Diner
	12:15 pm	Annandale, Squire Rockwell
	12:15 pm	Reston, Hidden Creek County Club
	12:15 pm	Vienna, Marco Polo Restaurant
Thursday	7:30 am	Great Falls, Riverbend Golf & Country Club (375 Walker Road)
	7:30 am	Tysons Corner, Tower Club (8000 Towers Crescent Dr., Vienna)
	12:00 pm	Ashburn, 1757 Golf Club
	12:15 pm	Arlington, La Cote D'or (2201 N. Westmoreland St.)
	12:15 pm	Springfield, J.W. and Friends Restaurant (6531 Backlick Road)
Friday	6:30 pm	Falls Church, Harvest Moon Restaurant
	7:30 am	Bailey's Crossroads, Goodwin House (3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church)
	7:30 am	Dulles, Dulles Hilton
	12:00 pm	Dunn Loring-Merrifield, Tower Club (8000 Towers Crescent Dr., Vienna)

Tower Talk

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Today's Speaker

Dr. Shankar Sharma Ambassador of Nepal To the United States

This morning we are honored to welcome Dr. Shankar Sharma, Ambassador of Nepal to the United States.

Dr. Sharma holds a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Hawaii. He was vice chairman of the National Planning Commission of Nepal from 2002 to 2006. Dr. Sharma also worked as a consultant in helping draft the new Constitution of Nepal.

Dr. Sharma has extensive experience in government, international institutions, and economic research.

Before joining the National Planning Commission as a member in 1997, he worked as a senior economic advisor in Nepal's Ministry of Finance; senior economist at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore; and fellow at the East-West Center, Hawaii. He also served as a professor of Economics at the Centre for Economic Development and Administration, Tribhuvan University.

Dr. Sharma provided leadership for national planning, policy guidance, program development, and monitoring while working in the Planning Commission.

In his long and distinguished ca-

reer with the Government of Nepal, spanning more than a decade, Dr. Sharma had extensive dealings with senior levels of donor governments, development agencies, NGOs, and the corporate sector in policy dialogue, foreign aid, peace building, and development of the country.

At the regional and global level, Dr. Sharma was a member of several international organizations. He also worked as a consultant to a number of

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Pursuing Peace: William Day, founder of the Children's World Peace Organization, describes the efforts of his group to work with elementary school children on three continents to help them grow as peacemakers. For more on his May 24 presentation, see page 3.



She's Official: The Club's newest member, Tyra Garlington, receives her official RCTC baseball cap on May 24 from Todd Meloy, erstwhile keeper of the caps. Tyra, President Ingrid Parris-Hicklin, and Ed Beck recently returned from the RI Convention in Bangkok and will recount their experiences in Thailand at our June 14 meeting.

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national and international agencies including the Asian Development Bank and the World Bank. In addition, he had hands-on experience at the field level, as an international consultant in Laos, Bhutan, and India.

Dr. Sharma has authored or edited eight books and has written more than 50 articles. He is married and has a son and daughter.

Our thanks to Dr. Bishnu P. Poudel for arranging Dr. Sharma's visit today.

Future Speakers

June 7	David Quegg	Tibetan Children's Schools
June 14	Ingrid Parris-Hicklin, Ed Beck, Tyra Garlington	Memories of Bangkok and the RI Convention
June 21	Ingrid Parris-Hicklin and Mary Edwards	Installation Dinner

Let There Be Peace

William Day is a man on a mission: to make the world a more peaceful place, starting with kids.

In pursuit of that mission he founded the Children's World Peace Organization (CWPO) in 2011. The group currently works in elementary schools in Nepal, Mexico, and Kenya, reaching a total of 6,259 students.

Through a 40-week curriculum that takes one school period per week, CWPO teaches children in grades 1-6 how to embrace peace through 22 "peace activities."

The group imparts values of self-awareness, honesty, and responsibility. William hopes to forge partnerships with Rotary clubs to further CWPO's work.

Thursday Thought:

"One should always play fair when one has the winning cards."

— Oscar Wilde

SAVE THE DATE...

Saturday, June 9: Brunch for incoming and outgoing Boards of Directors at home of Ingrid Parris-Hicklin.

Monday, June 18: Dunn Loring/Merrifield Rotary Golf Tournament at The Piedmont Club, Haymarket, Va. Details: 703-442-3890.

Thursday, June 21: Installation Dinner for 2012-13 Club officers and directors at the Tower Club.

Friday, June 29: District 7610 Awards and Installation Banquet, Fauquier Springs Country Club, Warrenton.

REMEMBER: Mary Edwards needs a Community Service Director and a Program Chair. Volunteer today!

Dinner Schedule for Alternative House

June 6	Campbell Maloney	July 11	Ed Beck
June 13	Duane Dodwell	July 18	David Danner
June 20	Tyra Garlington	July 25	Ingrid Parris-Hicklin
June 27	Dick Streaan	Aug 1	Glenn Rounsevell
July 4	Bill Schipper	Aug 8	Laurie Kent

Dinner providers should call 703-356-6360 on the Tuesday before delivering dinner on Wednesday and ask the counselor on duty how many persons are expected to be present for the meal at 2100 Gallows Road, Vienna.

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