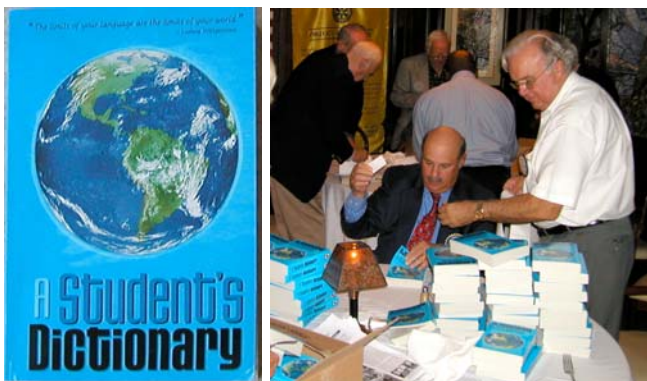


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Dictionary Project 2006 Underway

Allan Grant, Potomac-Bethesda's Dictionary Project Director, involved everyone in the preparation of the dictionaries after the November 2 regular meeting. The Hunter's Inn dining room was transformed into a pasting production line with Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club stickers going into the inside cover. The dictionaries contain much



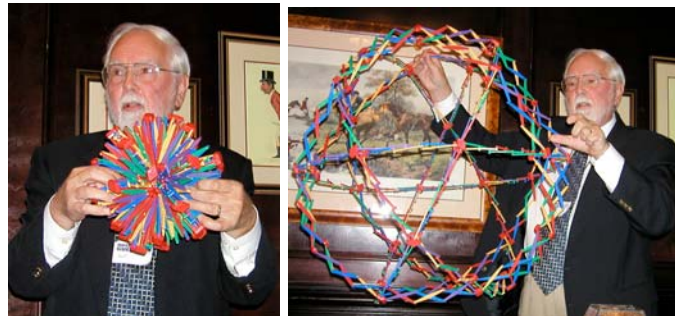
more information including the constitution, declaration of independence, presidents, maps, countries, planets, sign language, etc.



Copies of dictionaries have already been distributed by our Rotarians to third graders at Wayside and Poolesville Elementary Schools during the past week. Join in the fun at the following elementary schools:

November 14 - 2:30pm - Potomac ES

November 22 - 10am - Beverly Farms ES



Our special guest speaker on November 2, **Walter Shropshire**, noted Smithsonian scientist and ordained pastor, discussed how recent scientific discoveries interact with theology. Using toy models, he discussed topics including the Big Bang (as seen demonstrated above), Cosmology, God and Space, Time, Life, Relativism and DNA.

November is Eliminate Hunger Month

In recognition of Eliminate Hunger Month, Potomac-Bethesda Rotary is participating in two events. The first is the monthly food box packing at the **Manna Center** on **November 14**. At the second event on **November 29** we will be having a community service project in conjunction with the **Community Ministries of Montgomery County**. Our Rotary Club will be serving a meal at their shelter on Wilkins Avenue in Rockville. The residents also desperately need the following items: soap, shampoo/hair conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, women's cosmetics, baby powder and other small hygiene products. We will be collecting these toiletries items starting tonight and as soon as possible gather enough to prepare a 'goodie bag' for each man and women (35 people). Please donate your items at the next meeting.

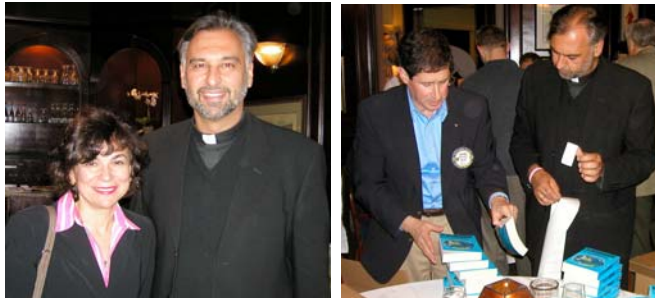
Save the Date: Holiday Party Dec. 9

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Welcome Father Dimitrios Antokas & Westfield NJ Rotarian Maria Antokas



Visiting the club for the first time on November 2 were former Westfield, New Jersey, Rotarian Maria Antokas and her husband Father Dimitrios Antokas. Maria is with the Chevy Chase Bank Headquarters in Bethesda and Father Dimitrios heads up the Saint George Greek Orthodox Church. They moved from northern New Jersey a couple months ago and reside in Potomac Village. Thanks for jumping in to assist with the Dictionary Project and come back soon!



We also welcomed **Steve Grant**, son of **Alan**, who was the "heavy mover" on the dictionary project. Thanks so much Steve!

\$105 in happy dollars were contributed.

Jerry Gross attended his first Rotary Leadership Institute course in Frederick and **Don Smith** attended Presidents Elect training in Glen Burnie. It's easy to get involved; you meet fantastic Rotarians and the training provides our club with future projects. Thank

you **Jerry** and **Don**! **Bob Nelson** was a facilitator for four Rotary Leadership Institute Courses in Bedford, PA, on November 4.

We hope for a safe and quick return to our club for the following Rotarians on leave of absence: **Hazel Rahe**, **Todd Nitkin**, **Fritz Cineas**. Hurry back, we miss you!

A November to Remember

**Dictionary Project Distribution Dates*

Tonight - 6:30pm Hunter's Inn
New Member Installation: Anil Alpay, Vice President, Wachovia Bank, Potomac
Speaker: "Living a Healthy and Long Life"
Dr. Bernard is a medical doctor specializing in nutrition and good health. You will find this interesting and important!

November 11 Saturday 12:30pm - Hunter's Inn - Membership Committee

***November 14 - 2:30pm - Potomac ES**
November 14 - 7pm- Manna Center

November 16 - 6:30pm Hunter's Inn
"Everything You Want to Know about Investments"

Stuart Teach manages a 5 Star Mutual Fund (he is not a broker/salesman.) Stuart is very knowledgeable and articulate about the economy, stocks, bonds, interest rates, foreign companies, etc. He will answer **all** your questions. You will profit from this discussion!

***November 22 - 10am - Beverly Farms ES**

November 23 - Thanksgiving - No Meeting

November 29 - Community Service Project - Homeless Shelter in Rockville

November 30 - 6:30pm Hunter's Inn

December 9 - Holiday Party at the Meades'

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Rotary - An Appreciation by Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club Charter Member Dick Gordon

I have been a member of the Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club since January, 1980, when it was a provisional club waiting to be chartered by Rotary International. Joe Jennette was my sponsor. He had arranged for a notice to be published in a local weekly newspaper inviting former Rotarians to join, and I responded eagerly.

I had previously served in three Rotary Clubs in Southeast Asia, beginning in January, 1955. Those memberships totaling about seven years were most interesting and gratifying, and helped me tremendously in my public relations work for the U.S. Information Agency's overseas program. I was active in all three clubs - - serving intermittently as International Director, Program Chairman and Bulletin Editor.

In our present Club, I have also been active, serving in various capacities culminating in the Presidency in 1999-2000. I have many pleasant memories of our International Nights which became annual affairs since our first one in 1981, which I had the privilege of organizing. Other highlights were our many fund-raisers including two enormous yard sales and two interesting art shows, and two especially successful dinner auctions in recent years. Also very interesting has been the extended fellowship with Rotarians from other clubs. I have in mind particularly the one International Conference that I attended in Portland, Oregon, in 1990, as well as the

various District Conferences in the Washington area.

Similarly, it has been fun and rewarding to make up at other Rotary Clubs in the U.S. and abroad when I have traveled on trips. Two highlights in that regard stand out: In Scottsdale, Arizona, one of three new Rotarians who were inducted on the day I attended was Elliot Roosevelt, son of the late President FDR. He delivered a fascinating impromptu five-minute talk, and I had the honor of meeting him personally. In Carmel California, I found myself sitting next to a recently-retired U.S. General whose last assignment was as the top Army Commander in the Pacific.

Other highly rewarding experiences for both my wife and me were the numerous times we hosted and otherwise assisted a number of Rotary Scholars and other exchange visitors from Australia, England, France, India, Japan, New Zealand, Russia and Spain.

Our Club's weekly meetings have been especially noteworthy for their informal fellowship. They have been fun, informative, mentally stimulating and gratifying. The Potomac-Bethesda Club stands out particularly by virtue of its highly cosmopolitan composition.

Rotary, with all its good works and fellowship at home and abroad, has been such a vital part of my life that I have included a bequest to the R.I. Foundation in my will.

**It's a Rotarian's Privilege and
Responsibility to Help Grow Club
Membership.**

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Message from RI President Bill Boyd:

Dear fellow Rotarians,

It's almost impossible to imagine Rotary today without The Rotary Foundation. So much of what Rotary is known for – international service projects, grants, scholarships and, above all, PolioPlus – depends on the Foundation. Without the Foundation, Rotary could never have grown into a truly international organization. A Rotary without Matching Grants, without Ambassadorial Scholars, and without the unifying fight for polio eradication would be a Rotary without many of the most important ties linking our clubs and districts.

The Rotary Foundation was not founded by coincidence. Because Rotary is an organization of businesspeople and professionals, we tend to be a very practical group. There are very few starry-eyed idealists in Rotary, and although we may follow our hearts, we lead with our heads. As Rotarians, we assess needs, consider our resources, and constantly try to do the most with what we have. Arch C. Klumph, the Foundation's founder, realized that a central pool of resources could increase the power of each Rotary club.

The Rotary Foundation is a major reason Rotarians are able to accomplish so much. But the Foundation's financial support is only part of the equation. The talents and reach of our membership mean that a dollar or a euro or a yen given to the Foundation can do much more than anyone might expect. When projects are run by knowledgeable

volunteers, using volunteer labor and, often, donated materials, a relatively small grant can make a big difference.

The classic example, of course, is PolioPlus. The cost of a dose of oral polio vaccine is small, but the logistics of delivering it are daunting. Yet when hundreds or thousands of Rotarians come together to deliver vaccines during a National Immunization Day, the greatest hurdle has already been overcome, and the Foundation is there to help with the rest. Great works like these could not happen without Rotarians, and they could not happen without the Foundation.

Rotarians know the value of a good investment. That is why every year, Rotarians give to the Foundation. We know that our money will be used well and wisely by our fellow Rotarians and that together we can do so much more than we could ever do alone. That is why I ask all of you to *Lead the Way* in your clubs with a gift to the Foundation – this year and every year.

District Foundation Match Program:

Through the generosity of the Rotary Club of Charlotte Hall and the Washington DC Rotary, the District has been given several thousand recognition credits allowing members a 1 for 1 match toward contributions to the Annual fund of The Rotary Foundation. This minimum contribution eligible for the match is \$100.00 with the maximum being \$500.00. The contribution period runs from now until March 31, 2007 or until the credit points are fully utilized (whichever comes first.) If a member contributes \$100.00, he or she will be given credit for an additional

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\$100.00 toward their Foundation account. If a member contributes \$500.00, he or she will be given an additional credit of \$500.00 thereby qualifying to designate themselves or another person as a Paul Harris Fellow. The goal is to get our members in the habit of Every Rotarian Every Year making contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

To receive credits, all the member needs to do is:

- *Make a check in the amount of at least \$100 payable to The Rotary Foundation of RI*
- *Complete the Foundation Contribution form*
http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdfs/123en_write.pdf
- *Mail the completed form and check to:*
PDG Bob Grill
2792 Springlakes Drive
Davidsonville, Maryland 21035

For additional information contact: Bob Grill at 301-577-7766.

Rotary Is 'Living Proof' That People With Diverse Backgrounds Can Get Along, Which Is Thrust Of Humanitarian Work, UN Secretary-General Says In Message

The United Nations Office of the Secretary General issued the text of the following statement:

Following is the text of UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan's message to the Rotary International Conference in New York on 4 November:

"For more than 100 years, Rotary has been at the forefront of efforts to improve the lives

of people around the world. And, since the United Nations was created, Rotary has been a wonderful partner to us. You have joined forces with us in efforts for health, literacy and poverty eradication. You have spread the word about the work of the United Nations. You have promoted peace through your exchange programmes. And, you have played a critical and historic role in our joint mission to eradicate polio worldwide.

Rotary is living proof that people with diverse backgrounds can learn to get along with each other and concentrate more on the things we have in common, rather than on the things that drive us apart. That is what our humanitarian work is all about.

This is the last time I will be writing to you as Secretary-General of the United Nations. So, this is the time to thank all of you for the wonderful support you have given me and the Organization for the past 10 years. Thank you for understanding that this is your United Nations. Thank you for understanding that it is up to all of us to make the most of this indispensable instrument, in the interests of the people it exists to serve. I wish you continued success in your valiant mission."

Words of Wisdom

"Failure is a word that I simply don't accept."
John H. Johnson Publisher (1918-2005)

"It takes courage to push things forward."
Marjorie Nowlam Political Leader (1949-2005)

"Conceit is bragging about yourself. Confidence means you believe you can get the job done."

Johnny Unitas Football Player (1933-2002)

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