

# Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club News



## **27th Annual International Night Program Report and Photos Inside**

### **Tonight's Speaker**

**Ned Leonard, Associate Vice President – Policy, Center for Energy & Economic Development (CEED).** Ned Leonard was hired as the Center for Energy and Economic Development's Associate Vice President for Policy in March 2005. He spent the previous twenty-four years managing communications and advocacy programs for Western Fuels Association, a national fuel supply cooperative with consumer-owned electric utilities as members. During his last two years as Assistant General Manager of Western Fuels, he functioned as a "loaned executive" to CEED and pursued a carbon sequestration initiative. His primary responsibilities at CEED include developing its "coal as a fuel of the future" initiative and functioning as CEED's climate change team leader. Ned's background includes managing energy, environmental, and natural resource issues for Senator George McGovern (D-SD) from 1977 through 1980. Before that he directed public information for the U.S. Bureau of

Reclamation's Missouri-Oahe Projects Office in Huron, South Dakota. He is a graduate of South Dakota State University and worked as a radio news director, disc jockey, and local cable TV newsreader in Rapid City and Brookings, South Dakota. His talk is titled "Future Coal and Energy Under Carbon Sequestration". With energy prices at such high levels, this program is so timely.

### **Rotary Calendar**

**\*\*\*Note Change in Location Next Week\*\*\***

**April 26 – 6:30pm Kenwood Country Club  
5601 River Road, Bethesda, MD 20816**

**Group Study Exchange Team from Russia**

**May 3 - 6:30pm Rotary Club Meeting**

**Capt. Michael Rojas: "Salvation Army  
Services in Montgomery County."**

**May 4-6 Rotary District Conference  
Holiday Inn Solomons**

**Deadline for early registration is April 20**

**May 5 – District Assembly - Solomons**

**Motivational addresses and training for all  
club incoming officers, directors, committee  
chairs and interested Rotarians.**

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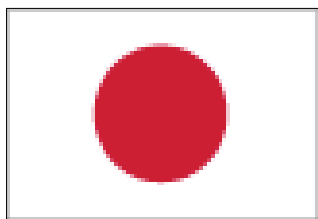




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The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual International Night at the Japanese Embassy was truly a wonderful evening. We thank Chairman Steve Naron and his wife Laura for making all the arrangements for a lovely evening. The timing of this year's event was perfect with the Cherry Blossom Parade occurring earlier in the day. On hand were the Rotary District Governor Elect Richard Carson and his wife Sherry. After a sumptuous buffet, the evening featured eight of the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars. Equipped with excellent PowerPoint presentations, the scholars told about their home countries, families, studies here in the



Washington area and future plans.

We were warmly welcomed to the Japanese Embassy by **Kimihiro Ishikane**,

Minister and Head of Chancery. Rotary District Governor Richard Carson and Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club President Jerry Gross thanked the embassy for hosting this club event that is so significant to the Rotary Ambassadorial Program in our District. The eight scholars who made presentations were:

• **Tomohiko Kamiya**, Japan, Georgetown, Law, counselor Sean McAlister.



• **Monica Desai**, England, Johns Hopkins, Public Health, counselor George Brecht.



• **Guahar Kirneyeva**, Kazakhstan, Georgetown Washington U, Law, counselor Peter Kyle

• **Miwa Omori**, Japan, George Washington, Counseling, counselor James Collins



• **Maria Luisa Mimmi**, Italy, Georgetown University, International Relations, counselor Elio Grandi

• **Kozue Tominaga**, Japan, Georgetown Washington University, Psychology, counselor Mashaito Hiratake

• **Shinichi Tanigawa**, Japan, University of Maryland, Linguistics, counselor Judy Cooper

• **Yeunkum Lee**, Korea, Georgetown University, Pharmacology, counselor Conrad



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Other speakers included:

• **Conrad Fleck**, Chair of the Incoming

Ambassadorial Scholars Program, District 7620.

• **Peter Kyle**, Chair Rotary Scholars Alumni, who will be having an alumni reunion on May 10 at the Bulgarian Embassy

• **David Klaus**, 1967-68 Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar reminded everyone of the May 1 deadline for 2008-2009 scholarships.

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