**Peace Project:**

*DG Hollis Lackey and Rotarian David Hurt (Arlington West) have asked me to forward this to the current year club presidents and Assistant Governors.*   
  
At our **District Peace Symposium** last month, one important objective was to provide a tool for each club President to have a Peace Forum in every club in our District 5790. The objectives of the newsletter article, research document, and PowerPoint presentation are:

1) To provide knowledge and resources to link peace to Rotary projects,

2) To encourage discussion for individual and organizational peace applications, and

3) To provide materials for a peace forum in your club in order to satisfy one of the Rotary International 2012-2013 Presidential requirements for club excellence certification.

Attached are the research, summary and slide notes in both Microsoft Word and as PDF. The **presentation** is sent as a PDF, because of size limitation. If you want a copy of the actual Powerpoint Presentation, then e-mail District Newsletter Editor, Chuck Chambers - [chuck@signsnowarlington.com](mailto:chuck@signsnowarlington.com) (or reply to this e-mail). It is about a 5 meg file).

**The research document** is segmented into fifteen areas of discussion to provide the reader the opportunity to delve into a single topic without having to read the article in its entirety, and to provide material for a series of public relations articles for the newspaper, television, radio, and social media. It is an effort to support one of our areas of focus…education and literacy. Hopefully, the information will inspire others to provide a peace forum to more fully discuss, analyze, and debate the complex and elusive concept of peace.

**The PowerPoint presentation** provides visual graphics to supplement the text message, with key points provided at the bottom of each slide, as well as in a separate presenter notes page (for use when a full screen picture is used). *(Because of size limitation in this e-mail, it has been converted into a PDF. If you want a copy of the actual Powerpoint, please e-mail Chuck Chambers, so he can send it directly to you -* [*chuck@signsnowarlington.com*](mailto:chuck@signsnowarlington.com) *)*

**As a Peace Project** , and at a very low cost, your club could send a copy of this e-mail, with attachments to another Rotary club outside our District, or another District, with your own message of peace to that club…suggesting they do likewise with another Rotary club. In the research document, you will also find ways to transform your club projects into peace projects.

**District 5790** is in the process of planning another Peace Symposium for this fall. It would be helpful to have your comments and feedback on this club tool as we develop that agenda.

Yours in Rotary,

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