

Rotary International
District 7230



District 7230 Newsletter

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Upcoming...

District Conference:

April 27-28, 2018
DoubleTree Hotel,
Tarrytown, NY

Pancake Breakfast:

Yonkers-East Yonkers,
April 15, 2018

Bronx Rotary:

Centennial
April 16, 2018

End Polio Dinner:

April 21, 2018
Castle Royale,
Yonkers, NY

Sweet 16 Charter Party:

Metro NYC
April 25, 2018
Upper West Side, NYC

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From District-Governor, Janet DiBenedetto:



There are absolutely no words that describe the feeling of giving a child 2 drops of the Polio Vaccine. In 2 days 170 million children all over India were given the vaccine by hundreds of Rotarian volunteers from all over the world who were scattered all over the country on the same 2 days.

On the first day, Rotary volunteers are given a specific location to set up. Family members bring their children to get the vaccination. On the second day - something completely different.

Rotarians and health care workers go into the slums on what is known as "mop up" and go door-to-door to inoculate the children. These families are so grateful that we are there to help the children, that they constantly offer you a cup of tea, cracker or water or whatever they may have and believe me they have nothing. You will see the finger puppets that I brought to give to the children after they received the vaccine yet we handed them out to all the children as they don't have any or few toys.

At no time during our trip or being in these neighborhoods did we ever feel that we were in any type of danger or unsafe. We all realized that there was something bigger than ourselves and that once again this is what Rotary and being a Rotarian is all about.

Our team was Making A Difference as we truly showed Service Above Self. For me and I am sure Rick Sherman, this was an experience of a lifetime that we will never forget.

Now it is time to get ready for the District Conference. Please see the next article for updates and more details and be sure to register at: www.rotary7230.org.

See you next month.

-Janet

District Conference Update:

Registration is continuing for our District Conference on April 27-28 at Tarrytown's Doubletree Hotel. Detailed information and Registration links are on the District website: <http://bit.ly/2BBnS7A>.

Kicking off the conference Friday morning, will be the District business meeting – the District Assembly where there will also be a memorial for departed district Rotarians. See the next article for more details and the process to be followed at the District Assembly.

Please contact Taylor Eskew (rteskew@gmail.com) with the names of your first-time Paul Harris Fellows. We want to be sure that these outstanding Rotarians are recognized at the Paul Harris Luncheon. Our keynote speaker at the luncheon will be FBI agent Peter Casson speaking on Cyber Security. The afternoon sessions will feature Purple Hearts Home - a program that help our Veterans with work around their homes, Gift of Life -saving the lives of children.

Brad Nelson is looking for volunteers to help with the Outreach Feeding Program on Saturday. Be sure to register as volunteers separately from the Conference registration. Brad has sent an email to the entire district. Bring your family and friends to Church Street School, White Plains. We hope the clubs will organize 200 people to package 35,000 packages of food for the hungry. The Food Packaging Program is supported by local sponsors. Volunteers are asked to register at: <http://rotary7230.org/event/2018-district-conference-volunteers/>.

We will end the conference on Saturday evening with a dinner dance at The Stone Manor 101. It will be a time to enjoy fellowship with one another and celebrate Rotary.

Annual Meeting of District 7230

Our District will hold its Annual Meeting of the Clubs on Friday, April 27, at 9:30AM at the DoubleTree Hotel in Tarrytown, NY. The most important task of this Annual Meeting is to vote on whether to approve the Restated Manual of Administrative Procedure (MAP) that was drafted by a District Committee in collaboration with Rotary International. If approved, the new and Restated MAP will replace the current MAP. There is no charge of any kind for attending the Annual Meeting.

The Drafting Committee was composed of Andrew Morzello, Bill Fishman, David J. Sullivan, Taylor Eskew. George C. McKinnis, District Counsel, was Chair of the Committee.

The Drafting Committee sent our MAP to RI Headquarters where a team of three RI executives carefully compared our MAP to RI's requirements and marked up our MAP with the areas that had to be changed. RI's requested changes to our MAP are found in the Restated MAP that will be presented for vote at the Annual Meeting.



A number of other areas were changed or adjusted, including the format and readability of the MAP, both of which are challenging to the reader of our present MAP.

We will need a quorum of one-third of our Clubs to attend the meeting to allow voting. Each Club should pick an Elector and an Alternate Elector. Each Club's Elector will cast the Club's vote at the Annual Meeting. In order to amend the MAP, it will require a super majority of two-thirds of the weighted votes of the Clubs present at the meeting. Each Club will receive a number of votes according to the number of members that are in the Club, which is called by RI, a 'weighted vote'.

There will be two Scrutineers at the Annual Meeting who will supervise the voting and declare the results. A Parliamentarian appointed by DG Janet will run the discussion and the voting.

The Restated MAP has been sent by email to all Clubs. The Drafting Committee will circulate a memo that describes the reasons for the changes and the impact that the changes will have on the operations of our District.

-George C. McKinnis

DG Janet's visit to India for National Immunization Day

DG Janet Dibenedetto along with Rick Sherman of the Bronx Club and Rotarians from other Districts visited India to take part in National Immunization Day. Here are glimpses of their activities:





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Bill Gates

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Yonkers Club and District Jointly Organize End-Polio Gala to Raise Funds

RC Yonkers-East Yonkers and the District are teaming up to raise funds for the End Polio Campaign. District Polio Committee Chair Shahid Latif and Yonkers-East Yonkers Honorary member Ghazala Asam are leading the team to plan and organize the night of entertainment and philanthropy on Saturday 21 April at 6 pm at Castle Royale, 92 Waverly Avenue in Yonkers.

Tickets are \$85 for Rotarians. A very limited number of VIP tickets are still available for \$200 but are going fast. Please use the special link for Rotarians to buy your tickets or to donate to the campaign: <http://www.yonkersrotary.org/event/annual-polio-dinner/> Mark your calendars for a fun-filled evening for one of Rotary's primary causes.



Rotaract celebrates 50 years of Service

District 7230 hosted the 50th anniversary celebrations of Rotaract. Rotaractors from around the world were at hand at the Rooftop lounge of the Marriott for the fun-filled, collegial meeting of generations of Rotarians and Rotaractors. The enthusiasm of the Retractors - future Rotarians attending the Rotaract Model UN from as far away as Hong Kong, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Romania and other countries as well as Boston, DC and other US states was palpable. Ronny Davila and Abit Ragbeer ran the proceedings. Also in attendance were District Rotarians.

In the 50 years of its work Rotaract has made a difference in our communities. It also provided opportunities for Rotaractors to enhance the knowledge and skills that will aid their professional and personal development. With its rich diversity Rotaract can improve the quality of lives for the young and the old. Rotaract knows no boundaries, as it reaches out locally and internationally.

ClubRunner 101 – Part 2

Good news – since the last Newsletter went out, 12 members – who never logged in before, have visited the District site. Bravo – and welcome. Now that we learned how to login to our Club's and District websites (for those on ClubRunner), what can we do once there?

For those Clubs not on ClubRunner, not to worry, the login procedure for the District site is the same. You can login the same way.

Whether you are on the Club or District site, the interface is nearly the same. For starters, let us make sure your profile information is correct. Once you are logged in with your UserID and password, check that your name appears in the upper right corner. Click on the "Member Area" link next to your name. You should now be presented with a page with a whole lot of options. The main categories are in a grey ribbon across the top of the page starting with "Admin". Clicking on each of these options in the grey ribbon, opens up a corresponding set of options below in blue. You can explore these options at your leisure. The rest of the page has the options by category. Some options, depending on whether you are a Club or District Officer, may be unavailable or greyed out.

For now, let us click on the item labelled "My ClubRunner", which in turn displays a few options. Click on the first option in the blue ribbon – "My Profile." Do you see your picture? If not, add one right now, so other members may recognize you when they see you. Click on "Update" and follow the instructions. The system will automatically resize your picture.

In the "Personal" tab, first of all, check that your email address is correct, otherwise you will not get any Club or District information.

Next, check your mailing address and your phone numbers. This information will remain locked and will only be visible to District and Club Members after they log in. No outsider will ever see these.

By entering your date of birth, you are ensuring that RI, the District and Club have the right aggregated demographic information. The year of birth is confidential and will only be visible to your Club President and Secretary.

Remember: Any updates to your profile you make on the Club site is automatically synchronized with the District and RI databases within 24 hours. If you make any changes directly on the RI site, those changes will not be pushed back to the District and Club sites.

If you need more help, contact your Club President, Secretary or webmaster. If you still need more help, take the plunge – email me: mahbub@yonkersrotary.org.

Coming next month: What's the difference between MyRotary and District/Club sites?

-Mahbub Ahmad

