



# CELEBRATE

SPRING 2005 R.I. DISTRICT 7230 NEWSLETTER \* DONG-JOON LEE, DISTRICT GOVERNOR

**BE A PART OF HISTORY AT THE CENTENNIAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

**APRIL 29 - MAY 1, 2005**

**CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL - WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.**

## ***PAUL HARRIS LUNCHEON***

Don't miss this opportunity to attend the opening event of the Centennial District Conference. The Paul Harris Luncheon on Friday, April 29th will once again be a Rotary stellar presentation. The Committee is arranging the program to honor all Paul Harris Fellows, both new and old. Always attended by a large numbers of Rotarians from the District, along with the special representative of Rotary International, the luncheon provides an annual opportunity for hospitality and a time to meet your friends in many other Rotary Clubs. 12:00 Noon. Keynote Speaker: Westchester County District Attorney Jeanine Pirro discussing "Protecting Our Kids."

## **“OLIVER”**

Make your reservation right away for this musical performance of "Oliver" at the *Westchester Broadway Theater* in Elmsford. Be there for opening night, Friday, April 29th, to see this beloved tale of the orphan Oliver, and his adventures with Fagin and the Artful Dodger. Promises to be a sell-out, and we only have a limited number of seats available on a first come-first serve basis. Group rate of \$65 per person includes dinner and the show. Dinner at 6:00PM.

## **CENTENNIAL AWARDS BRUNCH**

Every club in the District will be on hand to see who gets the Rotary "Oscars" for special achievements this past year. Top of the line guest speakers will address world-wide concerns of every Rotarian. Brunch will be served on Saturday at 11:30AM immediately following the Conference first session.

## **Governor's Gala Banquet & President's Ball**

An evening filled with fun and music. Enjoy cocktails with old and new friends. Special dinner. Guest soloists, Irish Dancers, and much more. Promises to be one of the best-ever events not to be missed. Cash Bar at 6:00PM; Dinner at 7:00PM.

## **Centennial Breakfast**

Sunday morning, 9:30AM to 11:30AM. Share the exciting experiences our Group Study Exchange with young professionals from South Korea and the USA. The breakfast concludes the Conference with a Memorial Service honoring the District's departed Rotarians.

**REGISTER BY CONTACTING GEORGE KOPLINKA  
AT 914 - 592 - 9023 or E-MAIL: [desiah@aol.com](mailto:desiah@aol.com)**



## Speaking Centennially with DG DON

I extend a very cordial invitation to **YOU** to become part of our Centennial history by sharing our fun and fellowship at the Centennial District Conference from April 29 to May 1 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in White Plains, New York. This is a special time for us to recall with pride all the wonderful service of which we have been a part as well as look to our future with confidence.

This District Conference is our 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference. Just think of that - we started our District Conferences some 18 years after the founding of Rotary! We hope **YOU** will share in the making of Rotary's Centennial history.

## GSE by GREG ARCARO, GSE Chair

Our District's GSE ( Group Study Exchange) Team is now in South Korea from March 26 to April 24, 2005. Past District Governor **Robert Benson** is our Team Leader. He is joined by **Dominick Scioli** who is a financial expert and candidate for admission to the Wharton Schools MBA graduate program. Dominick is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bronxville. Also with Bob and Dominick is **Elizabeth Santucci**, sponsored by The Rotary Club of New York City, who is currently associated with UNICEF. We are pleased to have sent a very talented, experienced, knowledgeable team from whom we look forward to hearing upon their return at the Centennial District Conference on Sunday, May 1, 2005.

We shall be happy to welcome to our District, South Korea's District 3690 GSE Team from April 11 to May 9, 2005. Members from our District are needed to be overnight hosts to team members from South Korea for a few nights at a time. Please contact Greg Arcaro at [garcaro@aol.com](mailto:garcaro@aol.com) if you can help.

## ROTARY SCHOLARS

by

SUSANNE WETZEL, Metro NY Rotary Club

The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship program is the oldest program of the Rotary Foundation. Since its start in 1947, more than 30,000 men and women from 100 nations have studied abroad under its auspices. Today, it is the world's largest privately funded international scholarship program with some 1300 scholars serving as ambassadors of goodwill to further international understanding and world peace.

Our District is currently hosting 14 scholars from all over the world. They have attended a special orientation weekend earlier in the year for all Rotary Zone 32 inbound Rotary scholars at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. They have been speaking to Rotary clubs who have invited them. If you would like to invite some of the scholars to speak at your club, please feel free to get in touch with Rotarian **Ed Gray** of our NY City club at 212-984-6294 or e-mail at [egrays@analytic.nb.com](mailto:egrays@analytic.nb.com)

## RYLA by PAULA GANNON, RYLA Chair

Forty teenagers, including three Bermudians, sponsored by the Rotary clubs of our District enjoyed a wonderful weekend from March 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> at Alpine Scout Camp participating in leadership training workshops and outdoor leadership skills training as part of our District's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual RYLA Retreat.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) is an intensive leadership training program for youth. The aims of the program are to demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for young people; provide an effective training experience for selected youth leaders in our communities; encourage leadership of youth by youth and recognizing publicly young people who render service to their communities.

**Our RYLA teenagers will demonstrate their leadership skills to us at the District Conference**