



DISTRICT 7230 EMBRACE LETTER

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District Governor

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Embracing Bermuda

Governor Helen's 56th "On to Bermuda" Trip

Oh, what a Bermudafull Rotary week we had! With our 80 degree days, our outdoor activities were numerous and enjoyed not only by Rotarians but friends of Rotarians who participated in our trip. The people who were previously unfamiliar with Rotary were impressed by the camaraderie and humanitarian work to which the organization is committed.

Thanks to J.P. Horst, Bermuda Rotarian, Coby was able to arrange a day of swimming and lunch at the outstanding 5 star resort, Tucker's Point, a high point of our trip and thoroughly enjoyed by all. On another day, many of us took part in the sailing and snorkeling adventure planned by Mike Behar, Pres. of the Staten Island club.

We all took buses, ferries and taxis to Bermuda's many attractions, club meetings and restaurants. There's no doubt the convenience of the hotel's 10am ferry to the Southampton beach was very popular. Staying at the Hamilton Fairmont afforded



DG Helen Lynch rubbed shoulders with the Governor of Bermuda (above, left photo), and the Mayor of _____.



Rotarians and friends enjoyed a day on the waters off Bermuda.



Pictured l. to r.: Janet (Marilyn's cousin), Hamilton Rotary Club President Barrett Dill and Marilyn Masiero.

us the opportunity to shop and dine at a variety of venues. The competent, courteous and helpful staff at the hotel made for a very pleasant week.

The seven exchange students were a delight to all, especially at Governor Helen's banquet which was a fun filled evening complete with dancing and video entertainment.

We owe a debt of thanks to Coby Ellingwood for his outstanding orchestration of what was a memorable trip. Being stranded an extra day due to snow in New York was certainly no sacrifice.



District 7230 youth exchange students enjoy a photo op with DG Helen.



The striking scenery at Tucker's Point.

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Embracing the 4-Way Test Speech Contest

TIMELINE, LOCATION AND DATES

A. CLUB CONTEST:

- 1) Club speaking contest must be held before March 3, 2012.
- 2) Clubs file district application identifying their winner by March 6, 2012 with \$200 Entry Fee.

B. DISTRICT SPEAK OFF AND FINAL CONTEST:

- 1) District Entry Fee: \$200.
- 2) Gather from 9 to 9:45 AM Continental Breakfast provided.
 Speak Off: Saturday, March 31, 2012, Location: Chyten Educational Services, (914) 949-3005, The Fortune Building, 280 N. Central Avenue, Lobby Fl#60, Hartsdale, NY 10530.

Finalists are announced that day.

- 3) Final Round: Saturday, April 21, 2012 at Renaissance Westchester Hotel, 80 West Red Oak Lane, West Harrison, NY 10604. Time to be announced.
- 4) Bermuda Clubs may send one representative contestant directly to the Final Round.

PRIZES

- 1) District Speech Final Prizes: \$ 500 1st Prize; \$400 2nd Prize; \$200 3rd Prize; \$50 4th & 5th Prize.
- 2) Suggested Club Prizes: \$150 1st Prize; \$100 2nd Prize; \$50 3rd Prize;
- 3) Special/Optional Club Prize: \$100 to the club winner English/Speech/Counselor teacher
- 4) Speak off on March 31, 2012: No prizes – Certificate Recognition Only



JUDGES

At the discretion of each club. Possibilities include local dignitaries, members of a toastmaster organization; or all club members present at the meeting. (Judging form available on District Website) Speakers should not be known by the judges.

For questions or help, please call: Diana Juettner (914) 693-2969 or cell (914) 806-1070 or Theo Henderson (917) 843-9924, theodorehndrsn@aol.com.

Please mail entry form and check for \$200 made payable to Rotary District 7230 to Diana Juettner, 598 Ashford Avenue, Ardsley, NY 10502.

Embracing RYLA

GET IN THOSE RYLA APPLICATIONS!

We've been very excited to hear from a number of the district clubs about sponsoring students for the upcoming RYLA camp. While the camp isn't until April 13 – 15, we're looking to get the applications back from the clubs by December 16. This would mean you getting the applications back from the schools by December 9 for you to make your final nominations. There's a tremendous amount of planning and coordination that goes into this event so we really appreciate your help in getting the students lined up.

We are looking for 10th grade students nominated by their schools or the Rotary clubs based on their leadership potential. This is going to be a phenomenal experience for the students, student leaders and attending Rotarians. If you're already in the process of selecting students, please let us know if you need any help. If your club is considering sending students and you have any questions, please give a call or send us a note. If you can commit to sending a number of students but need more time to select them, please let me know and we can hold spots for your club with the receipt of the \$250/student sponsorship.

We're more than happy to be of help in any way we can. Please feel free to reach out to me directly (contact information below) or you can e-mail to info@ryla7230.org. Thanks very much. We look forward to hearing back from you soon!

Newsletter Schedule

Attention all Assistant Governors and Club Presidents:

Content for the District 7230 Embraceletter will be invited monthly from each Area in turn. Please submit your article and/or photos with captions at least 2 weeks before the first of the month according to schedule below. Contact Newsletter Chair Marguerite Chadwick-Juner at: m.juner@verizon.net, (718) 885-0993 or (646) 201-3625.

July: District
 August: Area 1
 September: Area 9
 October: Area 2
 November: Area 8
 December: District
 January: Area 3
 February: Area 7
 March: Area 4
 April: Area 6
 May: Area 5
 June: District

Embracing Scrolls of Friendship

Scrolls Will Travel Across the Pond

A long-standing Guild tradition was given a personal touch with a meeting in America.

The Guild's scrolls of friendship have become part of Preston's celebrations since 1952 when organizers established a link with ex-pats by sending the scrolls to major cities across the world for signature.

This time, Mayor Bobby Cartwright took the job of hand-delivering one of the scrolls to New York while on a personal trip to the city with husband and consort Neil.

Coun Cartwright presented the scroll to Helen Lynch, District 7230 Governor of Rotary, and also met Lynn Beckett, daughter of Preston Rotary Club member Mike McCrystal.

She said: "It went absolutely fantastically. They were absolutely thrilled to bits. The Americans love things like this."

"It will be going from state to state round America with the Rotary Club."

The Mayor and her husband then boarded a cruise ship which stopped off in America and Canada for their private holiday.

Coun Cartwright presented the Captain with a Guild plate and managed to persuade him to mention the Guild in his daily

newsletter. He announced: "The Mayor of the City of Preston, UK is on board", and asked people to log on to the Guild website.

She said: "He put out a bulletin for people to send their good wishes to Preston for the Guild."

The scrolls were first sent to Canada, America, Australia and New Zealand to be signed by ex-Prestonians who had emigrated.

They were contained in two identical replicas of the old Town Hall clock tower carved from wood salvaged when the tower was burned down in 1947.

In 1992 the tradition was extended to include each of Preston's twin towns - Nimes, Almelo, Reckingham and Kalisz. In addition, Miss Preston Guild 1972 was going on holiday to South Africa and took scrolls to Durban, Cape Town and Johannesburg.

For next year's Guild, scrolls will also be sent to countries with links to the city, such as Pakistan, India, and the Caribbean, China and the Pacific Islands.

The scrolls will return to Preston in time for next year's civic celebrations.

By **EMMA BROOM**
For Lancashire Evening Post



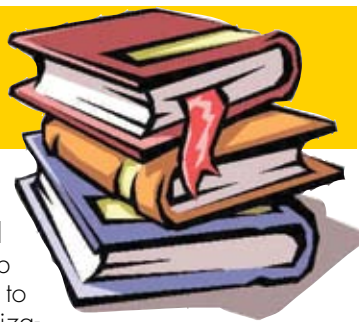
Handover: Vincent Coakley, Rotary D7230 Secretary; Bobby Cartwright; Helen Lynch and Lynn Beckett.

What is Preston Guild?

Preston Guild is a historic celebration dating back to 1179. It is the only Guild still celebrated in the UK and as such is unique. The 2012 celebration will be the first Guild in the 21st century and the first since the granting of Preston's city status in 2002. Held only once every twenty years, the Guild plays an important role in the development of Preston as a thriving and important Lancashire city. The changing times mean that each Guild has its own identity but shares a heritage of over 800 years.

Residents and visitors, artists and businesses, athletes and performers – everyone gets involved in Preston Guild. The Guild has a long history and has evolved over the centuries, but one thing that has always remained the central focus of the Guild is people – the people who plan it, participate in it, promote it and the people who tell their stories of the Guild to children and grandchildren.

Embracing District Literacy



Kids Literacy Project

With the holiday season approaching, now's the time to give the Gift of Reading to children in need – delighting them with brand new books at more than 70% off retail prices while supporting PolioPlus.

With Kids Literacy Project, just a few minutes online will create a list of books that match the needs of any targeted organization, making a Rotary literacy program both fast and simple.

See for yourself how easy it is with www.kidsliteracyproject.com. Our site will select from thousands of appropriate books for the kids you want to reach with just a few keystrokes. You can edit the list any way you want, and the books will quickly

be shipped to your club or directly to the organization you want to support.

This is a wonderful way to support the community organizations that are in constant contact with needy children: immigrant centers, medical clinics, food pantries, community centers, hospitals Boys & Girls Clubs, just to name a few.

It's also a great way to promote both Literacy and Rotary in your community. To top that off, a portion of every sale goes to the PolioPlus project, through the Bedford-Armonk Rotary Club.

Important Dates

2011

December 10, 2011. Deadline for submission of DGN nominations

2012

January 07DGN Nominating Committee meeting, Siwanoy Country Club, Bronxville

January 15January 15-21, 2012, International Assembly in San Diego

March 16March 16-18, 2012 - Multi-District PETS - Marriot Hotel, Islandia

April 20 Paul Harris Luncheon

April 20April 20-22, 2012, District Conference, Renaissance Hotel, White Plains

April 28RLI in White Plains, White Plains High School

May 06International Convention - Bangkok

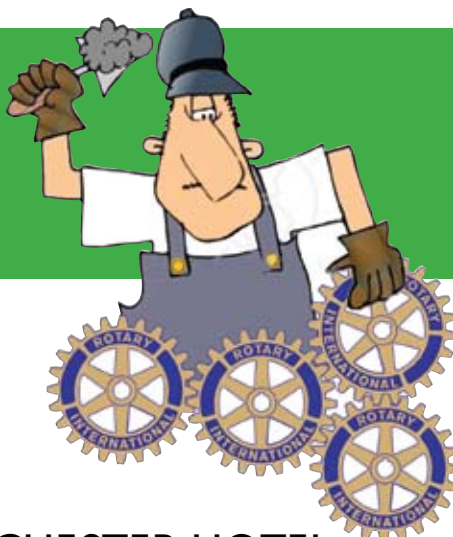
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Embracing The District Conference



It will be here sooner than you realize. The District Conference is on April 20-22, 2012 at the Renaissance Hotel, White Plains, NY. Save the Dates!

Embracing Club Builder Workshops



**SATURDAY MORNING
APRIL 21, 2012**

RENAISSANCE WESTCHESTER HOTEL
West Harrison, NY (White Plains)

- ★Top Presenters
- ★Tips & Tools for YOU to Help Your Club
- ★Leadership, Planning & Organizational Techniques
- ★Highly Recommended for President-Elects (All Welcome)

Pre-registration Required – Ticketed Event
Any 3 Courses for \$25*
Max 25 Rotarians per Workshop -1st come, 1st served

CBW Course Registration Closes as of April 10th
*Pre-register for 3 Conference Events by March 31 & receive \$25 post Conference refund.

Visit www.Rotary7230.org for more info

Embracing Good Works & Great Publicity



NY1, an urban New York cable news program, did a segment on the five Staten Island Rotary Clubs and their work providing and delivering almost one thousand turkey/Thanksgiving baskets to needy Staten Islanders. Staten Island Rotarians were named "New Yorkers of the Week" for this wonderful Service Above Self.

Embracing Youth Exchange Programs

Short Term Exchange Summer or Cultural Exchange

- A Family to Family Exchange Where:
- Rotary arrange for Two students to be together in each other's country; the families enjoy them both in their homes for 3 to 6 weeks in each country.

Long-Term Exchange

- Full Academic Year:
- Live with two or more host families for the school year and attend a high school overseas to absorb the language and culture.
 - The Host Rotary Club provides supervision, emotional support, a limited monthly spending allowance and a counselor. Attendance at Rotary meetings once a month and Club events is mandatory.

New Generation Exchanges

- For Young Adults Between 17 and 25 Years Old:
- Often works like a Mini Foundation Scholarship arranged between two Rotary Clubs for 4 to 6 weeks.

For More Information log on to the ESSEX web site: www.exchangestudent.org or Call Dr. Roger Swanson, Chair, Rotary Club of Peekskill, NY ((914)737-2620 or roger.swanson@verizon.net.