



# It has been a Fantastic Rotary Year!

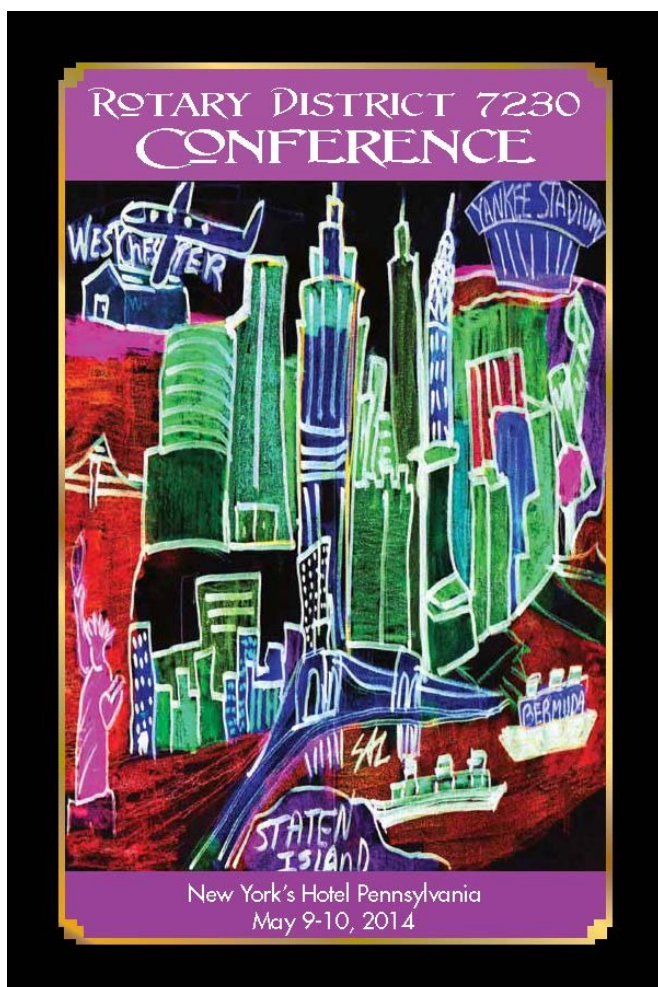
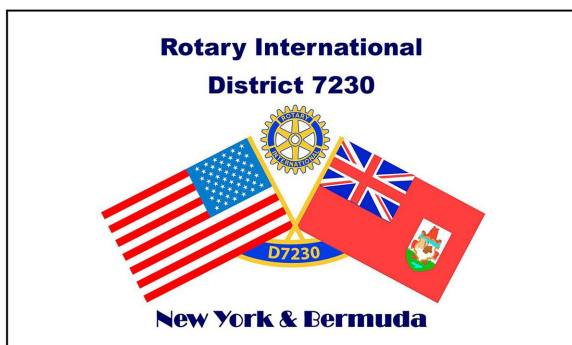
## We will have a great District Conference with many awards on May 9-10!

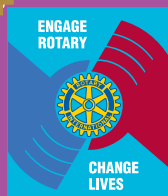
# It is time to honor you!

There will be many Awards during the Awards Luncheon on Saturday. We will honor new Paul Harris Fellowships during the Paul Harris Luncheon on Friday. We will have a great celebration with music, song and dance during the Governor's Ball on Saturday. This will all be done to celebrate our achievements. It has been a fantastic Rotary Year. It would not have been possible without your participation. Let us all get together and celebrate our Rotary Successes!

You can look at our District Conference Program in the next pages to see all the great accomplishments that we will celebrate, including feeding 130,000 hungry people in the New York Area and feeding 1.5 million hungry people in the Philippines.

We will also celebrate Rotary as the biggest Peacemaking Organization in the world with 1.2 million members in more than 200 countries and territories. Rotary's grass roots approach has been very successful in contributing to peacemaking between countries in Asia, Middle East and South America. This is a little known fact, because Rotary has not been seeking publicity for these accomplishments.





# DISTRICT 7230 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

## Pre-Conference

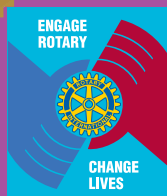
Thursday, May 8, 2014

Time	Event	Location
8:30 a.m.	<b>International Breakfast Meeting</b> Rotary Peace Making <i>Speakers: PRIP Luis &amp; RID Celia Gaiy</i>	777 East 44th Street <b>Tickets Required</b>
12 Noon	<b>Rotary Club of New York</b> <i>Speakers: PRIP Luis &amp; RID Celia Gaiy</i>	Rotary Club of New York The 3 West Club 3 West 51st Street <b>Club Luncheon Fee</b>
7:30 p.m.	<b>UN Rotaract Meeting</b> <i>Speakers: PRIP Luis &amp; RID Celia Gaiy</i>	Ronald McDonald House 405 East 73rd Street <b>No Cost</b>
8:30 p.m.	<b>Rotary District 7230 District Leadership Party</b> <i>with PRIP Luis &amp; RID Celia Gaiy</i>	Ronald McDonald House 405 East 73rd Street <b>No Cost</b>

## Conference

Friday, May 9, 2014

Time	Event	Location
8:30 a.m.	<b>Pre-Business Discussion Breakfast</b> About Our Rotary District <i>Emcee: DG Matts Ingemanson</i>	Dining Room <b>Tickets Required</b>
9:30 a.m.	<b>District Business Session</b> DG State of the District Address District Financials MAP Amendment Rep. to the Council of Legislators <i>Parlamentarian: DS George McKinnis</i>	Interactive Sessions Room <b>No Cost</b>
12 Noon	<b>Paul Harris Luncheon</b> Flag Ceremony Paul Harris Fellowships <i>Emcee: PDG Janet DiBenedetto DRFC</i> <i>Keynote: PRIP Luis Gaiy</i>	Dining Room <b>Tickets Required</b>
2:00 p.m.	<b>Rotary District Foundation Meeting</b> <i>Emcee: PDG Andrew Morzello</i>	

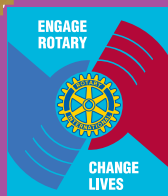


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	<b>Rotary Peace Making</b>	Interactive Sessions Room No Cost
2:30 p.m.	Rotary Peace Negotiations Between Countries <i>PRIP Luis Giay</i>	
3:00 p.m.	Bringing Rotary Back to Burma (Myanmar) <i>PDG TinTin Raschid, Bilal Raschid, Charlotte Bennett Schoen</i>	
3:30 p.m.	How Outreach was Inspired by Rotary to Distribute 1.5 Million Meals in the Philippines <i>Renato Romano &amp; Jim Kushner</i>	
3:45 p.m.	How Rotary is Helping Syrian Refugee Children in Turkey <i>Can (Jon) Erbilin</i>	
4:00 p.m.	The Legacy of PDG Walter Maddocks Who Raised \$260 Million for PolioPlus <i>Averylon Simons</i>	
4:15 p.m.	7 Years of Water Purification for Only \$30 <i>Jelani Denis &amp; PDG Karl Milde</i>	
	<b>Rotary Fundraising</b>	Interactive Sessions Room No Cost
4:30 p.m.	Future Vision <i>PRIP Luis Vicente Giay</i>	
5:00 p.m.	Rotary & Corporate Partnerships <i>DG Matts Ingemanson, Leonid Levit &amp; Thomas Rudy</i>	
6:30 p.m.	<b>Pre-Theatre Dinner</b>	<i>Tricolori Trattoria Restaurant 254 West 47th Street</i>
	<b>Broadway Show</b> After Midnight - Tickets: \$79	Brooks Atkinson Theatre 256 West 47th Street

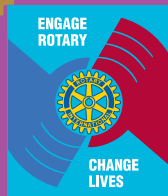


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Saturday, May 10, 2014

Time	Event	Location
9:00 a.m.	<b>Remembrance Breakfast</b> We Remember Rotarians Who Have Passed On <i>Emcees: PDG Paul Caruso &amp; PDG Eric Storberg</i>	Dining Room <b>Tickets Required</b>
	<b>New Generations</b>	Interactive Sessions Room <b>No Cost</b>
10:30 a.m.	New Generations in Rotary <i>RID Celia Giay</i>	
11:00 a.m.	Rotaract in New York City <i>Zineb Touzani, Leonid Levit, Yoon-Ji Nam &amp; Celia &amp; Luis Giay</i>	
11:30 a.m.	Rotary Peace Scholarships <i>Rotary Peace Fellowship Chair PDG Holger Hansen</i>	
12 Noon.	<b>Awards Luncheon</b> We Recognize Outstanding Rotarians in Our District <i>Emcee: PDG Eric Storberg</i>	Dining Room <b>Tickets Required</b>
	<b>Membership Development</b>	Interactive Sessions Room <b>No Cost</b>
2:00 p.m.	How to Grow Membership in Rotary <i>RID Celia Giay &amp; PDG Joe Dino</i>	
2:30 p.m.	Rotary & Public Relations <i>PDG Bonnie Sirower, PDG Helen Reisler &amp; DG Matts Ingemanson</i>	
2:45 p.m.	Women in Rotary <i>RID Celia Giay, PDG Tin Tin Raschid, PDG Helen Reisler, &amp; Susan Sadofsky, President, Inner Wheel USA</i>	



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	<b>Community Service Projects</b>	Interactive Sessions Room No Cost
3:15 p.m.	Rotary Outreach Project <i>DRFCC &amp; PDG Janet DiBenedetto</i>	
3:30 p.m.	Building a School Playground in Yonkers <i>Dave Schildwachter &amp; Steven Castellanlo</i>	
3:45 p.m.	Rotary Club of Pembroke's Annual Children's Festival <i>Sasha Castle</i>	
4:00 p.m.	Hurricane Sandy a Year Later <i>PDG Bonnie Sirower, PDG Helen Reisler, Jim Kushner &amp; DRFCC &amp; PDG Janet DiBenedetto</i>	
4:30 p.m.	Ballroom Dancing for Alzheimer's Patients <i>Judith Simon</i>	
6:00 p.m.	<b>Cocktail Hour</b> With Great Rotary Fellowship	Cash Bar
7:00 p.m.	<b>Governor's Ball</b> We Celebrate a Great Year in Rotary District 7230 with Music, Dance & Fun Black Tie Optional <i>Emcee: PDG Paul Caruso</i>	Dining Room Tickets Required

*Club project exhibits will be on view in the Exhibit Area of the hotel  
on Friday and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.*





## 2014 RCC of Keon Spaghetti Dinner

On Friday, March 28th under the direction of Co-Presidents Robert & Nestassija the Rotary Community Corps of Keon raised over \$3000 for Rotaplast/Operation Smile for a joint effort with the Rotary Club of Mabalacut in the Philippines. Monies raised at the Fourth Annual Spaghetti Dinner will be sent in memory of Frank Curry, from Verplanck. RCC member Janet, who wanted to provide that much needed cleft palate surgery to families in need, remembering the effect that a cleft palate had on her uncle's life. Over 50 raffle prizes, including Yankee Tickets from the Chiusano Family, were solicited by local volunteer Wendy Kelly for the event that were a big hit. A cake for dessert was supplied by Villa D'oro and Rita's Ice of Beach Shopping Center generously provided ice for all in attendance.

The Rotary Club of Cortlandt the sponsors of the RCC of Keon were in attendance at this annual event providing back up for the RCC of Keon wherever needed. The Rotary Club of Cortlandt has worked with sister club the Rotary Club of Mabalacut on two other projects in the past two years.



## Rotary Club of Wall Street to Host Film Screening of "A Place at the Table"

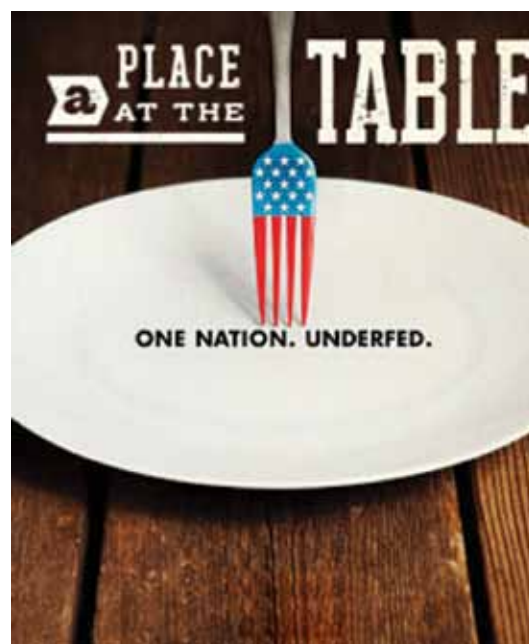
On May 28, 2014 the Rotary Club of Wall Street New York, will be hosting a special screening of the film A Place at the Table at SVA Theatre, 333 W 23rd Street, NY. Tickets for this fundraising event are \$75.

Directors Kristi Jacobson Lori Silverbush examine the critical challenge of food insecurity across America and take us on a journey with Witness to Hunger founder Mariana Chilton, Top Chef Tom Colicchio and Oscar®-winner Jeff Bridges.

### Film Screening Program

Reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres; Formal welcome and introduction of Sponsors; Screening of documentary feature A Place at the Table; Panel Discussion and Q&A with the audience

Please join the Rotary Club of Wall Street for this special night! Your participation will aid the non-profit charity No Kid Hungry and other humanitarian projects led by Rotary Club of Wall Street Foundation.





## Rotary Club of Larchmont Adds New Member and Awards Area Senior Students

The Rotary Club of Larchmont (RCL) had two very important and exciting events occur at its March 14th weekly luncheon:

- Larchmont Village Fire Chief John Caparelli was inducted as the newest member of the Rotary Club of Larchmont. He was made Fire Chief this past Fall.
- Two area high school seniors were awarded RCL's Blum Award for exceptional service to their community.

"Service Above Self," which is the Rotary motto, was very well represented at the Club's luncheon today. Obviously, the Fire Chief of Larchmont personifies the commitment to public service, education and safety. Having him as a member reinforces the diversity of our membership in occupation and provides us with the opportunity for regular updates on fire and related events in and around our area," said Club President Stephen Bartell.

The specific goal of the Blum Award is to recognize local high school students for their initiative, leadership and creative pursuit of making a difference in their local community and beyond. These young leaders are role models to their peers by giving of their time, energy and resources. This year, RCL honored two young men from Explorer Post 622 of the Larchmont Fire Department. They were introduced by Sam Orens, the post's leader who provided a brief history of the Post.

- Alex Gerace, a senior at Mamaroneck High School, is a Lieutenant at the post and has been training for several years.
- Matt Shearer, a senior at New Rochelle High School, is responsible for rejuvenating Explorer Post 622. He asked to be part of it, but found it wasn't operating. His initiative and fortitude brought the organization back to life.

Both men addressed the audience, telling of the path they followed to be here. Both young men will be allowed to participate fully as volunteer firemen after their 18th birthdays.



*Blum Award winner Matt Shearer, speaking about his experiences with Explorer Post 622.*



*Stephen Bartell, President, Rotary Club of Larchmont, inducting John Caparelli, Fire Chief of the Village of Larchmont as the Club's newest Member.*



*Blum Award winner Alex Gerace spoke about how and why he joined Explorer Post 622.*

In addition, Mayor Anne McAndrews attended and spoke about the importance of volunteering and the bravery of these men in training and participating already in life-and-death situations.

Marian White, Co-Chairperson for the Blum Awards, said, "We are so proud of these exceptional young men. Their commitment to training and performance as part of the Larchmont Fire Department is worthy of our honoring them. The Blum Award is specifically designed to acknowledge and appreciate this kind of dedication."

The Rotary Club of Larchmont was founded in 1929 and has continuously performed public service projects and provided humanitarian aid locally, regionally and globally. Rotary Club of Larchmont luncheon meetings occur every Friday at the Larchmont Yacht Club at 12:15pm. The Club is open to new members: interested individuals may simply come to a Friday meeting, call Stephen Bartell at 914-833-8683, or get information about the Club at [www.rotarylarchmont.org](http://www.rotarylarchmont.org).



## Yonkers-East Yonkers Club Hits the Jackpot with Fundraiser at Empire City Casino

The Yonkers-East Yonkers Club held a very successful fundraiser on March 29th at the Empire City Casino. Over 180 people were in attendance.

The Club is working with KaBOOM to build a new playground for the students at School 9 in Yonkers. A large group of volunteers – Club members, Morgan Stanley (the major sponsor), School personnel, and members of the local community – met at the School on April 9th for “Design Day” to discuss the parameters of this Project. Approximately 20-30 students were also involved that day with drawing pictures of their “ideal playground.” Much planning has taken place over the past few months, and it will continue until June 12th – “Build Day.” On that day over 200 volunteers are expected to assist in the actual building process, which will take approximately 6-7 hours to build the entire playground.



## Peace and Conflict Resolution– Why It’s Important for Rotary’s Areas of Focus and Polio Eradication!

The wounds inflicted by armed conflict on children - physical injury, gender-based violence, psychosocial distress, are affronts to every aspect of society.

The disruption of food supplies, the destruction of crops and agricultural infrastructures, the disintegration of families and communities, the displacement of populations and the destruction of educational and health services and of water and sanitation systems, all take a heavy toll on children. Thousands of children are killed every year as a direct result of fighting - from knife wounds, bullets, bombs and land mines, but many more die from malnutrition and disease caused or increased by armed conflicts.

In most wars, health facilities come under attack. Those facilities that remain open during a conflict are often looted or forced to close down, and the remainder are sometimes difficult to reach because of curfews, which is evident today in Syria.. Restrictions on travel also hamper the distribution of drugs and other medical supplies. Many of the health services of a country are diverted to the needs of military casualties. Hospitals are forced to neglect the regular care of patients or to shift them to health centers. A concentration on military needs also means that children injured in a conflict may not get effective treatment or rehabilitation. Children living with DISABILITIES get little, if any, support. For children, a dangerous implication of the breakdown of a country’s health facilities during conflicts is the disruption of vaccination programs. Case in point is the introduction of the POLIO virus to areas of the world that have been polio free for many years.

War, violence and high levels of crime affect over 1.5 billion people around the world; destroying communities; disrupting social cohesion; imposing economic burdens on countries that can ill afford them and extinguishing any hope of eliminating poverty for millions of people. More than 526,000 people die each year as a result of violent conflict - just over one per minute.

A culture of peace seeks to both understand and resolve conflicts on many levels ranging from the personal and interpersonal to the societal and global. It nurtures individual self-respect, respect for multi-cultural diversity and freedom of expression, equitable distribution of resources, and the empowerment of people to effectively promote democratic institutions and policy making. Appropriate skills must take into account environmental realities, historical contexts, and a full examination of the wide range of strategies available to people of various perspectives working to successfully create a future with greater justice.







## Join Friendship Exchange to Scotland Led by "Scot" Anne Cargill of Briarcliff Rotary!

Join the District's Friendship Exchange Team to Scotland. R.I. Dist. 1020 (May 30, - June 8, 2014). Play golf at some of the world's best golf courses such as the Old Course at St Andrews, and the PGA Centenary Course at Gleneagles! Go on behind-the-scenes visits of distilleries making world famous Scotch whisky! Or visit the famed Scottish castles of centuries gone by, and enjoy stunning natural beauty filled with mountains, hills, lochs and rivers, fascinating museums and friendly wildlife parks, maybe even the Loch Ness Monster, Nessie!

The Friendship Exchange Program is an unparalleled opportunity to experience another country in depth, understand their culture first hand, and build great friendships across the world. Stay with the local Rotarians, visit what they consider highlights of their country, share their family life at home! See places and experience activities that you would never see and experience as a tourist! As last year's Team members said about the Friendship Exchange trip to Bangalore, India:

*"I could not imagine a more educational, enlightening experience than our recent Friendship Exchange adventure to the Rotary Club of Bangalore"*

- Kevin Finkelstein, a 22-year old junior in College who accompanied his mother, a Rotarian

*"Under Kris Chittur's able guidance, we were provided with a comprehensive introduction to Indian culture, business and Rotary projects. If you have ever wondered what it was like to be a Maharajah, you can experience it first hand at the Rotary Club of Bangalore. Mohan Gurjar, the president, and all the members took time and made the effort to ensure our every need was anticipated and provided for. I particularly enjoyed the business interactions with colleagues in manufacturing, technology, services and retail industries. Their insight and perspective will be mutually beneficial as we expand further into India. The Rotary projects including hospitals, blood bank, dialysis center and school were inspiring. From a cultural perspective, I enjoyed the trip to the Mysore palace and the neon-painted Holstein cows that wander through the city. Bangalore has an exceptional zoo safari park displaying sloth bears, Asiatic lions and tigers and chitral deer in natural settings which is not to be missed!"*

- Janet Walsh, Bedford-Armonk Rotary Club

*"I am so happy to have found a place on Earth that works, for the people, and for life itself."*

- Eva Finkelstein, Scarsdale Rotary Club

The application form and further details are in the District Website (click on "Friendship Exchange"); the application deadline has been extended to April 30, 2014. The Team will be selected on a first-come-first-served basis, so don't miss this unique opportunity; send in your application asap! For further information, contact: Rtn. Kris Chittur, Chair, Friendship Exchange Committee, at [kchittur@post.harvard.edu](mailto:kchittur@post.harvard.edu).



## Rotary Networking Meeting



A Rotary Networking Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 8 a.m. Please RSVP by May 13.

Our mission is "Promoting networking in Rotary, and promoting Rotary in the business community."

Begun in the Rotary Club of White Plains, we invite Rotarians from every Club and prospective members who a Rotarian thinks may be a good candidate for a Rotary Club. We begin and end promptly so people can get to work; cost is only \$5 and includes breakfast – great deal!

Meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month at the law offices of Bill Fishman, 11 Martine Avenue, 12th Floor, White Plains, NY 10606, but please contact Bill Fishman at: [lwf7471@gmail.com](mailto:lwf7471@gmail.com) to confirm the time and place and for more information.



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*Farewell to  
Georgene  
Mongarella*

Past President of White Plains Rotary Club  
District 7230 Gift of Life Chairman

May 20, 2014  
6-8 p.m.

Beer, Wine and Hor d'oeuvres  
Westchester Hills Country Club  
401 Ridgeway, White Plains, NY 10605

At George's request, funds raised will be used to help  
District 7230 Gift of Life and Rotary scholarships.

\_\_\_ I (we) will attend the farewell cocktail party for Georgene Mongarella  
Prepaid reservations: \$75 per person

For your convenience, payment can also be made online at: <http://georgenefarewell.bpt.me>

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_

Reservations due by May 13, 2014

\_\_\_ I cannot attend, however, please accept my contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: **White Plains Rotary Foundation**  
Please tear off and return with this portion to:

**Bill Fishman**

**73A Peck Avenue, Rye, NY 10580 • 921-2800 • lwf7471@gmail.com**

The Foundation is a Section 501(c)(3) organization; donations and  
\$33 of each ticket are deductible to the extent allowable by law.