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LIGHT UP ROTARY NEWSLETTER

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Nominate a Peace Scholar Now



Abu Shakoor

The Rotary Peace Centers is proud to announce that the application for the 2016 Rotary Peace Fellowship is now online, and we are more excited than ever for the upcoming year!

Why are we so excited? This year the Rotary Peace Centers Fellowship has a newly designed webpage with additional resources for you and potential applicants. Please go to our website to view the new animation video about the application process, stories from alumni, and many more amazing resources. Click the links below to access more information:

Link to homepage: www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/take-action/empower-leaders/support-peace-centers

Link to Rotarian Resources: www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/get-involved/exchange-ideas/peace-fellowships

Online you will also find the online application for the 2016 Peace Fellowship Application. Some important changes and reminders to the application include:

1. New deadline! 31 May 2015 District Deadline

a. Applicants must submit their applications to the district by 31 May to seek endorsement.

b. Districts must interview and submit their endorsement forms to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July 2015.

For more information contact Abu Shakoor at shakoor980@aol.com

News from Peace Scholar Claudia Maffettone



The first three months in the UK as a Peace Fellow and as a student at the University of Bradford have been a very rich and fulfilling experience.

I had the opportunity to finally meet in person the other Peace Fellows and some very enthusiastic and supportive Rotarians how have helped us settle in and promptly involved us in a number

of activities. I have attended a District Conference in Scarborough, a Peace Seminar held at the university by last year's Fellows, and have been a guest speaker at a Rotary Conference in Blackpool and at a breakfast meeting of the Rotary Club of Bradford Bronte.

At the University of Bradford, I have joined an international cohort of brilliant students from whom I learn more every day. Our Professors are incredibly knowledgeable and our lectures always stimulating. I am also happy to report that my first written

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District 7230 Conference Valley Forge PA



April 24-26, 2015
www.DavesConference.com

Dynamic Speakers

Breakouts

District Golf Tournament at Shannondell

Trolley Tours of Valley Forge

"A Salute to our Islands!" (Bermuda, Staten Is., & Manhattan)

Enjoy a musical journey through the career of **Buddy Holly and the Crickets**.

King of Prussia Shopping Mall

Keynote Address from Teddy Roosevelt

House of Friendship

and so much more!...



King of Prussia Mall



Valley Forge Trolley Tour



Buddy Holly and the Crickets Tribute Band

Meet Our Presidents

A Recurring Column for the District Light Up Rotary Newsletter

Tim Allport Quad Village Rotary Club

I was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1941 during the same month as the bombing of Pearl Harbor. My younger brother, Bill and I, were raised in Pittsburgh, Pa, and Cleveland, Ohio. My father worked for Union Carbide Corporation and my mother was a substitute teacher.

In my youth, I was a "super-active" Cub Scout and a "not so active" Boy Scout. After years of piano playing in my earlier years, I took up the French horn in the high school band and orchestra. I served in the All-Ohio Boys Band for two years. I played a lot of sandlot baseball and football and am still, today, an active stamp collector.

After graduation from James Ford Rhodes High School in (Cleveland, Ohio), I earned a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from the University of Bridgeport. After graduation, I continued my education at the University of Pennsylvania (Wharton School) where I received an MBA in Industry Management. This was followed by a MS in Operations Research at NYU.

My first professional experience was at Shell Oil Company in New York City. For three years I was a Math Systems Analyst. This was followed by a five year position as a Systems Consultant for Citibank and the Bank of New York. For 7 years, I was the Administrative Services Vice President for Union Savings Bank in Mamaroneck. For the next 21 years I was the Professor of Management at Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry Campus. Concurrently, I was an Adjunct Professor of Mathematics at Concordia College in Bronxville for 27 and still tutor high school math for 27 years and counting.

While at Penn, I met and married my wife, Sue. During our 47 years of marriage, we have 2 children, Linda and Andy. Linda is a Band Director at Port Chester Middle School and Andy, is a Band Director at Chenango Forks High School. Our 6 grandchildren, ages 10 to 22, keep us very busy.

There have been many proud moments when it comes to our children. One that stands out is when my daughter's Port Chester Middle School Band performed a piece during a concert that

was composed by our son. My son conducted a special music class at her school that day as well. A total family affair.

I currently play French horn in the Westchester Symphonic Winds, a fun activity that I have been doing for 25 years. Also, my wife and I have been active members of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Dobbs Ferry for 46 years. And then there's Rotary. I have been a member of the Quad Village Club for 44 years having served in just about every capacity one could think of.

I enjoy traveling around the world to attend International French Horn workshops. In addition to many locations right here in the United States these travels have taken me to Canada, Spain, Finland (& Russia), Switzerland (and Austria), and England. I really get a kick out of just being with family and doing things together.

Being with a group of persons who are together in their corporate mission to make the world a better place through



the world-wide fellowship that is Rotary. Also, there are the many opportunities to meet special people in all walks of life as we strive to 'make a difference'.

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Hartsdale Rotary Our Season of Giving



provided the funds and the Community Center volunteers did the shopping. On Nov. 23, Rotarians, Greenburgh Central School students and Community Center volunteers put together boxes, decorated them with a Rotary Flyer and packaged the turkeys, fresh vegetables, sweet potatoes, rolls, eggs, pie and many other food items. The families were then invited to come into the Center and pick up the food. The students then helped the families to take the food to their cars.

Hartsdale Rotary will again team up with the Community Center to provide Christmas dinner and food for vacation week to 75 area families. With the help of other organizations, the families will receive a toy, a book and mittens and scarf for each child.

We are so glad to be able to help our neighbors that are less fortunate than ourselves. It is one small way we can give back to our Community.

Rotary Networking Meetings



Charles DiBartolo

Al Lambert

Attention Staten Island Rotarians!

Drop into your own RMB charter meeting on the 2nd Tuesday each month at the Unicorn Diner, 2944 Victory Blvd from 8:30 to 9:30 am. Paul Harris began Rotary with a networking benefit idea. People do business with people they know and trust. RMB on Staten Island is for Rotary members only. Non Rotarians can join Rotary and participate in RMB plus all the Community Service work and social activities of Rotary.

For information call **Charles DiBartolo**, (973) 390-4719 or **Al Lambert** (718) 351-4200 or email Charlie.dibartolo@gmail.com.



Bill Fishman

A Rotary Networking Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 8 a.m. Please RSVP by January 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: lvf7471@gmail.com to confirm the time and place and for more information.

Happy Holidays from the Cortlandt Manor Rotary!



Wishing all of District 7230 a Great New 2015 Ahead from the Cortlandt Manor Rotary Club!

Claudia Maffetone

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assignment went well! I have also been exploring the UK and visited London, Edinburgh, Newcastle, York, Haworth, Leeds, Scarborough, and a number of other picturesque towns around Bradford. I have thoroughly enjoyed my student, Fellow and visitor experience and continue to be very grateful for this great opportunity.

Last but not least, I have signed up for a great challenge. I have committed to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro if I raise £2990 by mid-July 2015 to support Dig Deep, an NGO based in Sheffield (UK), in its efforts to provide clean water and sanitation to rural communities in Kenya. A very small contribution will help me reach the first fundraising target of £300 by the 20th of Jan 2015. Clean water and sanitation prevent diseases, protect women and girls from walking long and unsafe routes, and keep children in school. For this cause, I am committing to climb the tallest free standing mountain in the world..... What are you ready to do? Please support Dig Deep and me in this challenge!

Raising Awareness for PolioPlus



Cortlandt Manor Rotarian Herb Winkelmann in Jefferson Valley Mall creating awareness of POLIO and soliciting donations. Each year the CMR Club goes to the mall for one day to do this event. Thank you Simon Malls for having us there during the Holiday Season!



*Peace on Earth
Happy Holidays To All!*

Meet Our Presidents

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Ann Herrero, Rotary Club of Chappaqua

I was born in a small town in Southern Missouri but moved to a suburb of St. Louis and grew up there. Bill Haley and the Comets topped the charts with "Rock around the Clock", "Love is a Many-Splendored Thing" was in the movie houses and Dwight D. Eisenhower was President. My parents were both school teachers and I have one brother. I was a Girl Scout and loved to ice skate.

As a perpetual student, I finished high school and went on to the University of Missouri to start my undergraduate studies. I loved studying languages so moved to Indian University in my sophomore year and finished my degree studying abroad in Peru minoring in Anthropology. I then studied Spanish Literature at Middlebury College and studied in Spain. It was great to be in Europe for a year and I traveled extensively on my Eurail Pass.

After teaching high school Spanish for a year in Woodmere Long Island, I moved to Manhattan and got a job in the Latin American Division of the Bank of New York. I got my MBA at night and continued in finance working on the trading floor and in private banking, personal trust in Westchester and Greenwich, CT. I completed my CFP® in 2004. I love working in international settings and meeting people from around the world. My favorite job was at Bank of Tokyo, where I was able to interact with the Japanese on a daily basis and was sent on a business trip around the world - to London then Tokyo.

I have one daughter who is the love of my life. She is 16 and getting ready to branch out on her own in a couple of years. She is a hiker, a rock climber and loves psychology. I love to read about and travel to international places.

I have been very happy to be a Rotarian. I feel that there is such a feeling of Community here - of people helping people. Most of our group have been residents of Chappaqua for many years and I love to hear the stories of the town in times past. We have a great group of people that care about their neighbors in the community and I love being a part of that.



Heather Miller, Rotary Club of White Plains

Fifty-eight years ago on May 6, 1956, I was born in Jamaica, West Indies to Trieva Larmond Miller and Alanzo Miller, a part of a blended family - he had five, she had three and among them they would go on to have five, making us a baker's dozen. My mother was a housewife and father a shopkeeper. As children, we helped out in the store on the weekends. I don't know how my father made any money because among us children, we ate or stole the profits. My father took us to the beach every Sunday after church and later in the day, we would go for what we called a "drive-out" with him. Both my parents had less than a sixth grade education, however, they had high expectations for their children, and education, they knew, would be the path to success.

I was educated in the public schools of Kingston, Jamaica, having attended the St. George's Primary School and Convent of Mercy "Alpha" Academy High School. I graduated from the St. Joseph's Teachers' College and taught elementary school for three years before immigrating to the United States.

If I thought my education and work experience would take me far when I got to the shores of New York, I was wrong. After working odd jobs here and there and learning how to type, I became the administrative assistance of the Thomas H. Slater Center for which I now serve as executive director. I received both my undergrad and graduate degrees from Pace University.

The spark and drum beat of my life is my 36 year old daughter, Jo-Ann Enwezor, who resides in Washington DC. Jo-Ann is a public relations professional who graduated from Howard University in Washington DC.

My passion is children and youth. Along the way, I have "adopted" a number of "children" who I call my "sons" and "daughters," including two of the younger members of our Rotary Club. My daughter jokes that each time she comes to visit, she meets another brother or sister.

I am enjoying my tenure as president of the Rotary Club of White Plains. The theme this year, "Light Up Rotary" is just perfect because that is what I am trying to do with the Club. I love being a part of an organization which does good all over the world.



**DG New
Member
Welcoming**

Remember, DG David will telephone each new member and welcome them to Rotary. Please send an email with name, phone number and email address (as backup) to delmontenyc@gmail.com.

Toy Drive by Metro NYC, Area Clubs



Pictured l. to r.: RC Harlem President Elect Tarik Kitson, PP MetroNYC Nadine Holman, RC Harlem Wayne Charles II and DG David Del Monte.

Bring surrounding Clubs together for a holiday get-together and make it a Gift-Raiser!

The photo was staged by Nadine. Congrats and thank you for President Cecily Smith for leading this 5 club event for Metro, Harlem, Wall Street, UN Rotaract, Baruch Rotaract.

Is Rotary Club Central up to date for YOUR Club?

Pleasantville Middle School Makes a Difference



The Pleasantville Rotary Club asked Superintendent of schools Mary Fox Alter a member of the club if she thought the students at the Middle School would like to collect toys for the Fratnrite Notre Dame in Harlem.

The club contacted Principal Vivian Oskowski who was very excited to help organize the collection of toys. She was happy that the students would be involved in a service project and also understand the importance of giving

Club Successes with District Grants

The Grants Committee is pleased to report that in the 2013-2014 Rotary year 18 clubs received district grants to support their community projects. Grants awarded totaled \$21,214.64. The clubs, projects, and grant funding are listed below:

CLUB	PROJECT	GRANT AMT
Peekskill	Library Live	\$1,500.00
Eastchester	Senior Sight Reading Assist	\$750.00
Eastchester	School Backpacks	\$1,500.00
New York	Educational Toys	\$911.36
Hartsdale	Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets	\$1,500.00
Riverdale	Dictionary Project	\$1,500.00
Harrison-Mamaroneck	Nutritional Counseling	\$1,500.00
Larchmont	New Year Gift Literacy	\$1,500.00
Bronxville	Senior Center Tai Chi for Men	\$1,225.00
Metro New York City	Band Instruments and Concert	\$578.28
Central Bronx	SAT Prep for Disadvantaged Students	\$1,000.00
Scarsdale	Fire and MCI Unit Pagers	\$1,500.00
Harlem	Foreign Language and Career Readiness for young students	\$750.00
Wall Street	Literacy Club	\$1,500.00
Croton on Hudson	Community Emergency Preparedness	\$1,000.00
Pleasantville	Appalacian Service Project	\$750.00
Pleasantville	Schoharie Area Recovery	\$750.00
North Shore	Feeding our Neighbors	\$1,500.00
		\$21,214.64

In addition, the Pelhams Rotary Club contributed \$25,000 and the district contributed \$7,000 of DDF to a global grant to support a pediatric cardiac surgery and aftercare team from the US to travel to The Philippine Children's Medical Center (PCMC) in Quezon

City, Metro Manila, Philippines to provide training and knowledge transfer to the local pediatric cardiac surgical and aftercare teams on latest procedures in the OR, ICU and post recovery process. The award is in the amount of \$126,500. The lead for this grant was the Gift of Life organization.

The district grants and stewardship committees donated \$2,500 of DDF to the peace scholars program, and \$2,500 of DDF to the Polio Plus fund.

In total, \$33,214.64 of District Designed Funds was spent to support local and global district projects, and the work of The Rotary Foundation around the world.

Two matching grants that were supported by the Cortlandt Manor club have been completed recently. One provided vocational training to over 400 students at the Skill Training Center of Mabalacat and TESDA-Accredited Vocational Schools, in Angeles City and Mabalacat, Pampagna, Philippines. The other one provided equipment and technical instructors for vocational training for 990 out of school youth at the Mabalacat Skill Training Center, Camachiles Resettlement Area, Mabalacat, Pampanga, Philippines.



back to the community.

The students collected well over 100 toys for children in need. Sr. Mary Magdalene told the students that they were helping children who would not have received any toys during Christmas. She also told them that the Fratnrite of Notre Dame would be providing toys for approximately 1,500 children.

There was a sense of pride from the students as they felt they were making a difference this Christmas.

Cortlandt Rotary at Wellness, Holiday & Craft Fair



On Saturday, November 15 at the Cortlandt Town Center the Cortlandt Rotary Club participated in the Wellness, Holiday & Craft Fair. Displaying a large selection of various First Aid Kits from \$25 for the Home, Car, Business at well as smaller ones for \$12 for everything from Golf to Pets. This is one of the clubs ongoing fund raisers to supplement the charitable account. Shown at the event behind the table are President Rita Sharples with Secretary Vickie Winkelmann selling the kits!

Bronx Rotary Brings the "Merry & Bright" to 3 Special Needs Schools in the Bronx



Children were so excited when Santa visited their classrooms with his helpers to distribute gifts and cookies.

On Dec. 16, Bronx Rotarians, Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj and Sons of Italy members played Santa and his helpers for children at the New York Institute for Special Education on Pelham Parkway. Gifts were distributed at a party in the gym of the original school for the blind and visually impaired and also at the new annex for very young developmentally disabled children.

On Dec. 18, members distributed over 850 gifts at P.S. 811x on Longfellow Avenue also with the help of members of



Rotarians and friends at the P.S. 811x toy distribution.

Sons of Italy and Assemblyman Marcos Crespo.

Three Santas and teams of helpers visited every classroom in this school for autistic, developmentally and physically disabled children. Screams of delight greeted the teams as they entered the rooms.

Finally, on Dec. 19, gifts were distributed at St. Joseph's School for the Deaf.

As one volunteer put it: "I truly believe we get more out of this than the kids do. It is so heart-warming!"

The Leader Inside



By Don Nelson, LCSW

Don Nelson

Since my last blog in September I have spoken at 2 Rotary Clubs and 2 colleges. Bronxville Rotary lunch club was very receptive to a lively discussion of Genuine Leadership. And the Chinatown Rotary Club elicited my help in getting a Toastmaster Club established for bi-lingual members of the community to develop public speaking skills. Pace University Kappa Delta Sorority invited me recently to speak and I chose to focus on the challenges future women leaders could face. At Baruch College there was a great deal of interest from the Rotaracts in developing self-awareness within themselves as a key for leadership skills. And the Baruch students were also keenly interested in connecting better through public speaking. These last two issues: self-awareness and public speaking are two key themes of my book *Challenge The Leader Inside*.

A good way to begin increasing self-awareness is to first think about all the cameras we have in our society today. It seems like everywhere we go cameras are observing and recording people.

Now think of having an "internal camera" that observes our changing thoughts, feelings, moods, impulses and conflicts. And try suspending judgement. Quiet that "house critic". Just observe. What do we see? Try recording in a journal these changes over a period of time, in the same way we might record our eating habits.

Do we notice any patterns? What triggers changes in moods for instance? This is a good way to try and identify certain feelings that might have an effect on choices we make in our activities. Remember.....it's always about having more choices in our life. If you have any questions or feedback contact me at don@don-nelson.com. I'd like to hear how you're doing

*Remember,
the second meeting of each month is a
"Bring a Guest Meeting."*

RCNY Distributes Gifts for Thousands



Thousands of children gathered with their parents outside the Soup Kitchen of Fraternite Notre Dame on 118th Street on 1st Avenue on December 18, 2014 to receive a toy from Santa (Tom McConnon). Our own successful toy drive and donations from the New York Rotary Foundation and other organizations made it a reality that children walked away with bright smiles and happy faces.

Thank you to all who made this wonderful NY Rotary tradition a reality and of course a special thanks to Sister Marie Madeleine and Fraternite Notre Dame and of course Tom for not only helping in gathering and wrapping the toys but also being Santa.

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District Conference Friday Golf Tournament

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Peekskill for the District

April 24, 2015

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Conference Info:
AG Dave Bowers (914) 275-1741
(845) 628-1182 or (212) 532-2141






Cortlandt Rotary Rings the Bell with the RCC of Keon



Pictured l. to r.: President Rita Sharples, IPP Gladys Muller, RCC members Jonathon, Diana, & Robert, Treasurer Adele Ficarra and Charter President Sharon Irving.

On Saturday December 6th the Cortlandt Manor Rotary joined with the Rotary Community Corps to "Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army" as they have done each year to help the community.

Cortlandt RC, Lions Untamed by Frigid Weather



Pictured l. to r.: : President Rita Sharples, Cynthia Weil, Laura Jean Odell and DG Dennis Hardy from the Lions.)

On a very frigid morning at the corner of Division and Central Ave at the Gazebo local organizations and residents showed up to support a great local cause! The Cortlandt Manor Rotary Club pictured with the District Governor of the Lions Clubs, Dennis Hardy all ran together in the local "Turkey Run" sponsored by Cathal McGreal of Quiet Man Pub for the third year. Along with the over 150 Turkeys were chickens, ducks and cornish hens plus all the fixings that were donated to Peekskill area needy families for Thanksgiving Dinners.

Hartsdale's Annual Breakfast with Santa!



On Sat. morning, December 6, 2014, Santa Claus arrived at the Multi-Purpose Center at Veteran's Park in Ardsley, NY. He was welcomed by a hoard of children patiently waiting to tell him their wishes for Christmas and have their pictures taken with him.

The Hartsdale Rotary Club and the Greenburgh Parks Dept. again joined forces to provide a buffet pancake breakfast and a photo opportunity for the children and their families. While waiting for Santa, the children made turtle ornaments to hang on their tree and were invited to write a letter to Santa and mail it in his mailbox at the center. Christmas stories were read by Aaron and Michael Soury to further occupy the adorable children in their Christmas finery. The photos taken were e-mailed to the families for use in their Christmas cards or to send to Grandparents.

"For the last four years, we have been putting on this "Breakfast" with the Parks Dept." said Bob Stern, the Chairman of the project for the Rotary Club. "Neither organization was able

to do it by themselves, said Bob, so we combined forces. The proceeds from the Breakfast are donated to an organization or need in the Greenburgh area. The first year we donated the proceeds to the Greenburgh Nature Center for their new playground. The next years we purchased electronic equipment for the Senior Center and we helped out the Senior Nutrition/Meals on Wheels program. This year with the help of a District 7230 matching Grant, we are purchasing and installing a Community Bulletin Board at the Greenburgh Library."

Upon arriving at the Center, the families saw Hartsdale's new banner, showing the latest projects the club has done. The new "Hartsdale Rotary Club" brochure was handed out to each family. "We hope to attract a few new members as they see how much fun we had doing the breakfast and working with the Parks Dept. group, spearheaded by P.J. Murphy and Commissioner Jerry Byrne.", said Aaron Soury, Membership Chairman.

District 7230 STATISTICS									
	As of	6/30	7/15	8/15	9/15	10/15	11/15	12/15	23-Dec-14 Comments
DavesConference.com Registrants		0	7	12	31	35	36	44	Special Pricing to Save Until January 15th
District Conference Golf		0	1	2	3	4	9	11	
Annual Giving (EREY) 2013-14		\$118,867							A Record by \$3,264
EREY District Goal 2014-15		\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	
EREY Success to date for 2014-15			\$2,364	\$8,288	\$12,043	\$21,902	\$36,747	\$40,748	
Paul Harris Society Members		17	17	19	29	31	33	33	
Rotary Direct Participants		11	11	11	13	16	18	18	
Paul Harris Fellows		TBD	TBD	TBD	631	631	632	633	
Benefactor Members		35	35	35	35	35	35	35	
Bequest Society		11	11	11	14	14	14	14	
Major Donors		28	28	28	34	34	34	34	
Arch C. Klumph Society Members		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
1st Time Paul Harris Fellows 2014-15		0	0	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Rotaract Clubs		6	6	6	7	7	7	7	
Rotaract Clubs in formation		0	1	2	1	2	2	2	
District Clubs		46	46	46	46	46	46	46	
District Clubs in formation		0	1	2	2	2	1	1	
Satellite Clubs in formation		0	1	1	1	1	0	0	
100% Sustaining Member Clubs (2014-15)		3	0	TBD	1	3	3	3	
100% EREY Member Clubs (2014-15)		8	0	TBD	TBD	5	5	5	
Highest Per Capita (2013-14)		\$315	TBD	TBD	TBD	\$782	TBD	TBD	