

# DISTRICT 7230

# LIGHT UP ROTARY NEWSLETTER

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## Installation of District Governor Marilyn Masiero and Officers at Larchmont Yacht Club



Photos by Flint Gennari  
DGE Marilyn Masiero was installed as our 93rd District Governor on Saturday, June 13, in front over 100 District Rotarians. PDG Hogy Hansen from D7450 was the installing officer. DG Marilyn received flowers from her husband Richard and a second bouquet from the District. Marilyn wears the DG Chain of Governors that was passed on at the Installation dinner held at the Larchmont Yacht Club.

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## Relief and Recovery Efforts in Nepal



Gary C. K. Huang  
R.I. President  
2014-15

Dear Rotarian,  
We express our profound sadness and extend our sympathies to all those affected by the devastation resulting from the 25 April deadly earthquake in Nepal. Rescue missions and emergency aid continue to arrive in Nepal for the 8 million people impacted by the massive 7.8 magnitude quake.

As we mourn the thousands of lost lives, Rotary joins many international agencies in providing immediate relief to survivors and mobilizing our expertise to support long-term recovery and rebuilding efforts.

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### How to Help:

- District 3292, Nepal, has established a disaster relief fund to provide needed equipment and supplies to affected communities. Contact District Governor Kumar Piya for information about contributing to the fund.

- Rotary's service partner ShelterBox is working closely with Nepali Rotarians to coordinate immediate relief efforts. On Monday, 27 April, and Wednesday, 29 April, Rotarians greeted ShelterBox response teams in Nepal who will mobilize temporary housing and relief efforts. An initial 1,000 housing tents and 1,000 shelter kits will be distributed throughout affected communities. Two more ShelterBox relief teams and additional kits are ready to be deployed once further assessments are complete. Learn more about supporting ShelterBox's relief efforts.

- As with all disasters, the Rotary family may apply for global grants to

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## Rotarians React: Brooklyn Bridge Walk for PolioPlus



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_detailpage&v=3mL1rXn16Nc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=3mL1rXn16Nc)

Photo by Flint Gennari



Thanks so much for organizing this fun event today!!!!  
Nadine Homann  
Past President  
Rotary Club of Metro NYC

Thanks for organizing a fun event!  
Jennie Lewis  
Rotary Club of Wall Street, NY

The Bridge walk was an excellent event. Even the weather held off. I believe this should be an annual event. It's amazing how many people, even some living nearby in Brooklyn who never give the world famous Brooklyn Bridge a thought. There is plenty of room for it to become a tradition with Rotary.



Sheila Washington  
Rotary Club of New York

It was a wonderful and important occasion. The weather was perfect and everyone from Northeast Rotary enjoyed it. Considering it was the first time this was done, it went smoothly and was quite successful. From here on in, the participation will only greatly expand. Just keep the weather ideal. Congratulations!



Stan Herz Pearlman  
President-elect  
Rotary Club of Northeast Westchester

## Inwood Rotary Club Celebrates Their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day



Photo by Nellie Estevez

On May 1, 2015, The Rotary Club of Inwood, Manhattan, partnered in their 4th annual "Green and Clean for Earth and Us" project with Principal Ms. Leon, administration, staff, and hundreds of students from I.S. 52, Manhattan and the Louis Cabrera, Youth Service Program Manager of Inwood Community Services, Inc. This part of the event was their "Parade Up Broadway" from Dyckman to Isham St. Pictured u-turning at Isham St. are Master of Ceremony Rotarians Flora Holderbaum, Carole Guss Mulligan, and Marcia Annenberg, followed by NYC Councilmember Ydanis Rodriguez, the I.S. 52 Tigers Band, hundreds of I.S. 52 students carrying about 100 original poster artworks on this years theme: Need Earth? These posters had been submitted in the Rotary Awards Contest for Best Art and Song. Participants in the parade were escorted by many community friends, 34th Precinct NYPD officers and commander Deputy Inspector Chris Morello as they raised awareness of their cause throughout the community before proceeding to their Assembly Speeches and Presentations at I.S. 52.

*"The more clearly we can focus our attention on the wonders and realities of the universe about us, the less taste we shall have for destruction."*

Rachel Carson

## Ecology Day 2015: A Look at Alternative Energy



Photo courtesy of MaryLee Montalvo  
Photo of participants, staffers from PS 8 and members of the Staten Island Rotary during the Ecology Day 2014 program held in the Staten Island Mall in New Springville.

Alternative forms of energy will take the spotlight during this year's Ecology Day, scheduled for May 16 in the Staten Island Mall, New Springville. The 24th annual event, which will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., will have the theme "Power it Up! - Alternative Forms of Energy," which is aimed at exploring options outside traditional forms of energy.

"We are looking for kids to look at when the power goes out what other options there are for alternative forms of energy, it could be solar or different types of fuel," said Linda Baran, president and CEO of the Staten Island

Chamber of Commerce, president of the Staten Island Rotary and Ecology Day chairperson.

The annual event has been funded, coordinated and hosted by the Staten Island Rotary since its inception. It will showcase exhibits from 40 schools, community-based organizations and nonprofit groups.

Consolidated Edison is again serving as underwriter. General Growth Properties, which operates the Staten Island Mall, is providing tables, chairs, a public address system and a stage. Applications are available for beautification grants. Only those participating in Ecology Day will be eligible to apply for the grants, which are funded by Con Edison.

Any local non-for-profits or organizations that have programs related to conservation and are interested in participating should contact Ms. Baran; space is limited.

The next Ecology Day Planning Committee meeting is April 30 at PS 58 at 4:15 p.m. Planning meetings are open to teachers involved in science programs in Staten Island schools and local non-profit organizations.

For more information, contact Ms. Baran at 718-727-1900 or via email at [lbaran@sichamber.com](mailto:lbaran@sichamber.com).

## NEW Rotary Gets It in Gear for Earth Week Cleanup



Members of the Northeast Westchester Rotary volunteered to clean Route 138 in Somers NY on April 18 in celebration of Earth Week. Pictured in top photo (l. to r.): John Katzenstein, Steve Ucko, Crystal Keets, and Pat Miller. Bottom photo (l. to r.): John Katzenstein, and Doug Abdelnour.



## White Plains Golf Outing a Ball of Fun



What an absolutely gorgeous day we had on May 4th, when the Rotary Club of White Plains held its golf fundraiser at the Westchester Hills in White Plains. A great time was had by all, especially the SheGolfers, who for the most had never been on a golf course. We were positioned so that we would not get in the way of the "real" golfers. Some of us had beginners luck, getting a hole in one (during putting, ha!). We can now take on those who dared to isolate us. The golf outing was followed by cocktail/dinner. We had great conversations, fellowship, friendships, new and old, and good food.

## Relief & Recovery

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support long-term recovery efforts in Nepal. Once immediate health, safety, and relief efforts have been addressed, work with local Nepali Rotary members and their international partners to develop projects within Rotary's six areas of focus.

Monitor the announcements section of My Rotary for more information as it becomes available and do not hesitate to contact [relief@rotary.org](mailto:relief@rotary.org) with any questions.

Our thoughts are with our Nepali neighbors during this difficult time. Thank you for continuing to Light Up Rotary through your compassion and generosity.

Yours in Rotary,  
Gary C. K. Huang  
2014-15 RI President

## Staten Island Rotary Has Much to Celebrate



Photos by Fint Gennari  
Staten Island Rotarian and 36 year member of the Rotary Club of Staten Island was recognized by his club and the District for his service to Rotary and the community. John was nominated at Rotarian of the Year.



Thank you Loretta Cauldwell (photo above) from WBLDC for being our guest speaker and welcome to new member, Rob Nixon (photo below).



## PDG Helen Reisler Keynote Speaker at Euro-Mun Conference



PDG Helen Reisler, PP Rotary Club of New York, and RI Alt Rep to the United Nations, was keynote speaker at the Euro-Mun Conference in Maastricht Holland. She presented to 600 university students who came from many different countries. She sat in on various student sessions that simulated the actual United Nations, such as The Security Council, Global Compact, The Crisis Committee, etc.

Helen believes there is hope for World Peace and Understanding if it starts with the young and is dedicated to inspiring those who still have open minds.

## White Plains Supports Loucks Memorial Games



Seated (l. to r.): Heather Miller, Nick Wolff, Loucks Committee Member Dan Woodard. Seated front l-r Don Sharp, Charlie Norris, Mary Rahe, Harry Bright.

Since the mid 1970's the Rotary Club of White Plains has volunteered with the Glenn D. Loucks Memorial Games held at the White Plains High School. The three day event is regarded as one of the top high school meets in the United States RCWP Members and the Club's Foundation also provide financial contributions. On Friday, May 8, 2015, a group of us cut, chopped, served, and cleaned. What a team we were! What coordination! What choreography! There were throngs of athletes, a never ending line. We worked and toiled and then we sang the Rotary song. Service Above Self!

## Marilyn Masiero's Installation

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Marilyn Masiero with PDG Hogie Hansen from District 7450 in Pennsylvania



Some of the Officers and Chairs who were installed along with Marilyn.

The sun shone on incoming District Governor Marilyn Masiero and her Officers and Chairs for their Installation for the 2015-16 Rotary year at Larchmont Yacht Club.

The delicious dinner was preceded by a lovely cocktail hour on the veranda where everyone enjoyed socializing before getting down to the serious business at hand.

PDG Hoagie Hanson conducted the installation ceremony as cooling breezes propelled sailboats across the panoramic view and swept across Rotarians and friends on the covered patio.

Marilyn spoke about her vision and hopes for her Rotary year. She is inspired by the 2015-16 Theme, "Be a Gift to the World" and fully intends to live up to that standard.

The evening was capped off with entertainment by a fantastic á capella group, "Magic Touch".

## Rotary Club of New York Awards Student



During the regular luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of New York on the 15th of May at the 3 West Club the club honored the outstanding achievements of Channel Cummings, a college bound Senior from Fredrick Douglass Academy. She is not only a strong student but a person who genuinely cares about the welfare of others. As it has become a long standing tradition the Rotary Club of New York wishes to put emphasis on such young upcoming students who shine within their community. Our Scholar of the month receives a \$250 check and an engraved plaque noting the occasion.

The photo shows Channel Cummings with President Rick Martin and Chair of the Scholars Committee Chris Coscia.

## Enjoying the Hosting Experience with New Friends from Turkey



Taylor Eskew

Even my skeptical husband thoroughly enjoyed having Rotarians from Turkey as house guests! We felt as if we had known Arif and Akay Soylem for years. We now have real friends in Izmir, Turkey. We have visited Turkey several times so the question was, what would this add to our experience of that country? We got to ask all kinds of questions about the history and politics of Turkey and have thoughtful conversations. We got to ask questions about being a Muslim. Soon we will go there to visit and our experience of the country will not be just the historical and cultural experience, there will be a depth. Turkey is populated by real people who have jobs like ours and lives like ours. We are richer for the experience and have Rotary to thank. Isn't this the key to world peace?

Taylor Eskew  
President  
Rotary Club of Chinatown

Visit [www.Rotary7230.org](http://www.Rotary7230.org) for more details.

## Relocating Members... We'll Miss You!

Bert, Stan & Mariam Schwarz are relocating to the Dallas area to be near grandchildren. Mariam and Stan were members of the Northeast Westchester Club, Best wishes and a nice send off were giving to both from the NEW Club at their May 14 meeting. Bert was in Dallas. Bert is a member of the Mt. Kisco Club.

## First Place Project of the Year Award



Rotary Club New York formally receives the First Place Award for Project of the Year. DG David is presenting the crystal and certificate to President Rick Martin and project Chairs, Jon Elbrigin and Kaan Solak. The award was for the Syrian Refugee Relief Project.

## Briarcliff Rotary Launches Multigenerational Project



*The Rotary Club of Briarcliff Manor worked with their Interact Club from Briarcliff Manor H.S. and the Elderact Club to cultivate a "Health Garden". Pictured (l. to r., top to bottom): The Interact group working, Briarcliff Manor Rotarians, Elderactors Peggy Frese and Louise Gerchberg and Peggy gardening.*

ElderActors Sylvia Karas, Louise Gerchberg and Peggy Frese.

The three generations worked side by side seamlessly on this beautiful Saturday afternoon - dig-

The Rotary Club of Briarcliff Manor launched a fresh health initiative to to raise health awareness and encourage self-sufficiency: cultivating a "Health Garden" to grow organic fresh vegetables. The project, launched at The Atria on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at 2 p.m., involved the cooperative effort of three generations of Briarcliff residents through the Rotary, the Interact, and the ElderAct.

The Interact Club at the Briarcliff High School, and the ElderAct Club of Briarcliff Manor, both of which Clubs are sponsored by the Rotary Club of Briarcliff Manor, were also active participants in this multi-generational effort. Interact Club members are high school students, while the ElderAct Club members are senior citizens who are unable to become members of Rotary due to reasons of logistics, health, or other constraints.

Rotarian Past President Anne Cargill and Atria's "Engage Life" Director Jennifer Green organized the multi-generational project, while Rotarian Vijaya Jain, a certified nutritionist and food research scientist who is also a member of the Briarcliff Rotary, guided the where, when and what of the vegetables planted, and other aspects of care for a healthy garden. Rotarians Kris Chittur, Scott Lanoff, Eric Lebenon, Rachel Leibbacher, and Jim Lupfer, participated, as did Interactors Akshara Chittur, James Fludgate, Lindsey Heier, Isabel Klein, Sam Lanoff, Erica Rebisz, and Alexandra Schoepke, and

ging, troweling and weeding, preparing the garden bed and planting, and finally, watering the garden. What had been an unsightly mish-mash of weeds at 2 p.m. became by 4 p.m. a delightful, young garden waiting to sprout bountiful amounts of tomatoes, basil, peppermint, sweet paper and cucumber. "Cleaning out and then planting the garden was very meaningful for us," said Sam Lanoff. "We really enjoyed connecting to the seniors and hopefully they will enjoy the garden."

ElderActors will tend to the garden on a day to day basis, watering and taking care of other necessary activities of constant vigil required for the Health Garden.

"This was a major purpose of ElderAct: presenting opportunities for the generations to work together cooperatively and learn from each other," said Rotarian Past President Kris Chittur, who founded the ElderAct in Briarcliff Manor in 2013, and continues to be an enthusiastic promoter. Interactors, Rotarians, and ElderActors would learn gardening skills and nutritional essentials, and working cooperatively across generations. And hopefully, everyone will develop a taste for garden-fresh vegetables and fruits.

The Rotary Club of Briarcliff Manor thanks Atria for this opportunity, and hopes this is the harbinger of many similar multi-generational projects. If you have ideas for a multi-generational project, contact Rtn. PP Kris Chittur, at [kchittur@post.harvard.edu](mailto:kchittur@post.harvard.edu).

## TRF Model Changes July 1st

On 1 July, The Rotary Foundation's funding model goes into effect. Sponsors must contribute an additional 5% for any cash contributions made to The Rotary Foundation for global grant applications submitted on or after 1 July. This additional 5% will help offset the costs of processing and administering the funds, which do not go through the three-year investment cycle.

We're updating the online grant application tool to automatically calculate the 5% and to show the total amount required to fully fund the project. Paul Harris Fellow recognition points will be awarded on the full cash contribution, and charitable tax receipts, as applicable, will be on the total amount of the cash contribution. The additional 5% is not matched by the Foundation.

The additional 5% is not required for contributions sent directly to the project bank account. However, these contributions do not generate Paul Harris Fellow recognition points and tax receipts will not be issued by The Rotary Foundation.

## Membership Chair Question

Dear Abby,

I am my Rotary Club Membership Chair and really want to bring in new members. Invariably, when someone introduces a guest to the membership, someone publicly asks them if they'd like to join Rotary on their first visit. Frankly, this does not seem to be working. What can we do?



Dear Dedicated Membership Chair,

Kudos to you for recognizing an ineffective tactic to recruit a new member. This strategy is no different than proposing marriage on the first date! IT'S EMBARRASSING! All I can advise is: **Get to know your guests and give them time to assimilate your great organization and the other members.** After all, Rotary Clubs are "like your extended family," and like a family, it takes time to get to know each other and decide whether or not to be a part of this "new family." (Keep up the good work and see the tip on Page 8).

## Rotary Club of White Plains Hosts An Evening to Remember

For almost 100 homeless county residents, The Westchester Rotary Club's Night To Remember at Grace Church last week was exactly that—an unforgettable charity dining event featuring food and drink from none other than Chef Peter Kelly.

During the event, Kelly and his team of volunteers served a quality meal to 96 homeless people from around the area. And the team didn't just stop there—in order to fully give the attendees a true 5-star dining experience, they transformed the soup kitchen into a formal restaurant. Elaborate flower arrangements and glowing candles were set out to warm the usually utilitarian space. Volunteer, waiters, and the maître d' were dressed in tuxedos, and the tables were set with fine tablecloths and formal silverware. Everyone from Rotary Club members to the mayor to Kelly's staff, wife, and sons lent a hand serving and cooking. Yet for Kelly, it was just a typical day in the



kitchen. "I approached the dinner exactly the same way I would have approached a dinner in my restaurant—with the same quality, presentation, and service."

The dinner was a success, but Kelly saw his work at Grace's Kitchen as more than just an evening of good food: "This was a group effort. The idea was to shine a light on the fact that, you know, Westchester is one of the wealthiest communities and we still have people who are hungry right in our neighborhoods. We have to work together to help solve this problem."

## Rotary Networking Meetings



**Bill Fishman**

A Rotary Means Business Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 8 a.m. Please RSVP by June 16.

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.



**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](mailto:Charlie.dibartolo@gmail.com).

## Rotary Club of Yonkers-East Yonkers Presents Service Above Self Award



*Pictured (r. to l.): President Dave Schildwachter, PDG Matts Ingemanson and Sam Enders.*

Sam Enders of the Rotary Club of Yonkers-East Yonkers, has received Rotary International's highest honor – The Service Above Self Award. Only 150 are awarded annually, from over 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide. PDG

Matts Ingemanson and President Dave Schildwachter presented the award to Sam, who divides his time between Yonkers and Liberia.

From very humble beginnings in Liberia, Sam received funding to come to the US, attending Indiana University, becoming an ordained minister. In 2012, he founded the African Dream Academy in Liberia to provide 144 children with education. Currently 444 students receive free tuition, textbooks and uniforms, with over 2,500 on a stand-by list.

During the Ebola crisis, Sam and others dedicated themselves to helping to eliminate this disease. With support from partners, including Y-EY Rotary, he provided cleansing materials, educating people to protect themselves against Ebola. This effort paid off and Liberia is now Ebola-free. Another accomplishment was transforming the Academy's sole school bus into an ambulance and donating it to the one hospital treating Ebola patients.

## RCNY Member "On the Move"



members of our families who were involved in that terrible event and, at the same time, very joyful listening to the choir and the concert given by young players and singers. Life goes on and we have to construct a better place. The Rotarian Principles aid to achieve this goal.

Riccarda Matteucci  
Rotary Club of New York

Dear Governor Arrigo Rispoli,

It was my great pleasure to participate and enjoy the two days' Congress you organized in Florence to celebrate the 150 Anniversary of Florence Capital. The location "Air Force Military School" could not have been better chosen and the program absolutely perfect and tailored to the other 100 Anniversary of World War I. The ceremony was moving, from time to time, remembering our grandfathers or any

## RI Theme 2015-16



Be a gift to the world

## District Training Assembly 2015



Sixty-nine Club leaders attended a very successful, Annual District Training Assembly held in May at the Tarrytown DoubleTree. PDG Ron Wargo, was the keynote speaker. DGE Marilyn and District Trainer Don Lee, PDG, lead the meeting by delivering leadership training and club processes to assist all leaders operate they club more effectively and more efficiently. Following the DTA, DGE Marilyn held a "Fill in" PETS for those that did not attend the President Elect Training Seminar in March.

### CLUB ESSENTIALS CHECKLIST

#### READY FOR ANYTHING

From new members to special guests, meetings to events, make sure your Rotary Club is prepared all year round. Keep supplies on hand to ensure programs run smoothly and members have all they need.

##### MEETING ITEMS

- Trading Banners
- New Member Kits
- Club / District Banner
- 4-Way Test Banner
- Bell (can be custom engraved)
- Bell Mallet (Striking Gavel)
- Bell Case
- Member Pins  
(also available in magnetic!)
- Officer Pins
- 4-Way Test Coins
- 4-Way Test Cards
- Rotary Meets Here Road Sign
- Rotary Meets Here Plaque
- "You're Invited" / "You're the Missing Piece" Cards
- Rotary Stationary
- Rotarian at Work Shirts
- Custom Embroidered Shirts with Your Club's Name
- Round Name Badges
- Storage Case

##### BADGES

- Engraved Plastic Badges
- Credit Card Style Badges
- Visiting Rotarian Report Cards & Stick-On Badges
- Guest Stick-On Badges
- Rotary Lanyard / Badge Holder

##### GUEST SPEAKERS

- Guest Speaker Card of Appreciation
- 4-Way Test Medallion
- "In Appreciation for Being Our Guest Speaker" Brass Ballpoint Pen
- "Thank You Guest Speaker" Rosewood Handle Letter Opener
- Guest Speaker Classical Music CD
- Guest Speaker Jazz Music CD
- Guest Speaker Sand Timer

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### YEAR-END AWARDS BANQUET | CHECKLIST

#### FOR ALL THEY DO

Celebrate the service, achievements and dedication of the members that make your Rotary Club a community leader. Remember to recognize their contributions with a show of appreciation, like an inspiring plaque or handsome pin.

##### OFFICERS

- Past President
- President
- President-Elect
- Vice President
- Club Secretary
- Club Treasurer
- Sergeant at Arms

##### BOARD MEMBERS/ COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Board of Directors
- Club Service Chair
- Community Service Chair
- Youth Service Chair
- International Service Chair
- Vocational Service Chair
- Membership Chair
- Foundation Chair
- Fund Raising Chair
- Club Administration Chair
- Service Projects Chair
- Conference Chair
- Assistant Governor

##### ACHIEVEMENT

- Rotarian of the Year
- Quiet Rotarian of the Year
- President's Award
- Governor's Award of Excellence
- Service Above Self Award
- Four-Way Test Award
- Above & Beyond Award
- Rookie of the Year
- Rising Star
- Appreciation Award
- Distinguished Service Award
- Excellence Award



We're Not The Best Because We're The Oldest... We're The Oldest Because We're The Best.

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## Somers-Katonah Rotary Joins Brooklyn Bridge Walk For Polio Cure



Members of the Northeast Westchester Rotary of Somers/Katonah joined Rotary District 7230 members in the march across the Brooklyn Bridge.

Members of the Northeast Westchester Rotary of Somers/Katonah joined Rotary District 7230 members in the Bridging the Cure to Polio walk across the Brooklyn Bridge on Sunday to raise money for the PolioPlus program.

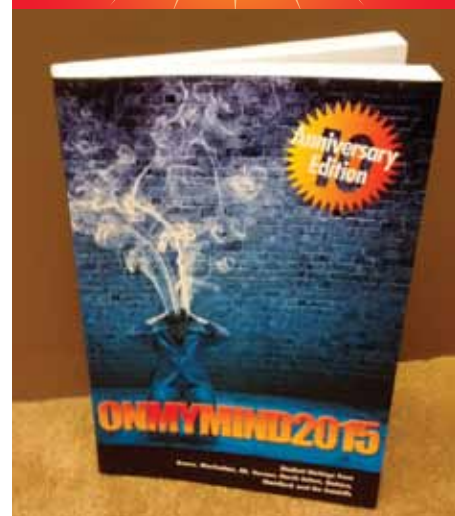
Participating members included Steve Ucko, John Katzenstein, Crystal Keets, Stan Herz-Perlman and his wife, Joan.

Rotary launched its PolioPlus program in 1985, the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication through mass vaccination of children.

Rotary has contributed more than \$1.3 billion and countless volunteer hours to immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. In addition, Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by donor governments to contribute more than \$9 billion to the effort.

Over the years, Rotary and its partners have reduced the number of polio cases by 99 percent, to fewer than 400 cases in 2014. Currently, only three countries remain in which polio transmission has never been stopped.

## NEW Rotary Book Launch



The Literacy Project is a keynote project of the Northeast Westchester (NEW) Rotary Club which has now published its tenth annual edition. This project brings together the writings of diverse schools (suburban, rural, and inner city) into a professional book "On My Mind" published by the NEW Rotary Club. On May 20th, 2015, following publication, the student authors were brought together from the nine schools to meet with one another and enjoy a pizza and salad dinner at an awards ceremony. No one left untouched by it all.

Photos are on our website at [www.newrotaryclub.org/Book\\_Launch.html](http://www.newrotaryclub.org/Book_Launch.html). To order a copy by mail, send a suggested donation of \$12 to: Northeast Westchester Rotary Foundation, PO Box 561, Somers, NY 10589.

### Membership Tip

Show a genuine interest in a prospective member. Ask them about their business, location, hours, challenges and success stories.

## Elmsford Rotary Hosts Scholarship Luncheon



On Thursday, June 11, 2015 the Elmsford Rotary held its annual scholarship luncheon. The room was energized with excited students and parents. This year we presented seven service scholarships to high school seniors. We have expanded our scholarship program to include four alternative education scholarships, one music scholarship, five scholarships to our local Catholic School seniors and a very special scholarship to an Iraqi war veteran for his service. All recipients excel and are dedicated. They exemplify Rotary's motto "Service Above Self". Congratulations to all!

## South Shore Rotary Honors 2 New Paul Harris Fellows



Congratulations to President Brian Benevento and dedicated member Linda Herschfeld who were each bestowed a Paul Harris Scholarship on June 20th at the Club's Charter Night Dinner. Presenting the award is PHF and Past President Jon Salmon. In the Rotary Club of South Shore, the PHFs serve as the selection committee for future PHFs. Those standing behind Jon, Brian & Linda are the club's Paul Harris Fellows. The Rotary Club of South Shore is 60 years old and is a Sustaining Member Club (100% of the member contribution \$100 to annual giving.)

Is Rotary Club Central up to date for YOUR Club?