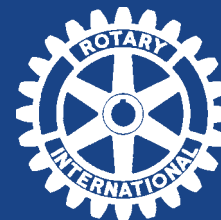


# TEAM ROTARY



District 7510 Newsletter

The Capital District

March 2016

## Governor's Message - Rotarians are Heroes!

Legendary Rotarian Marsha Carldon will be the recipient of the Rotary International *SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARD* at our District Assembly.

PDG Joe Scandariato and I met informally with Marsha and her husband and past Rotarian, Jay, at their home (see photo) to let her know she's now in the rarified air of only 150 Rotarians out of more than 1.2 million to be so honored this year. Warm regards,

Marsha now joins nine District 7510 Rotarians who, beginning in 2009, have also been so honored. They are: Marcia Bossart, Nick Carnevale, Yeddi Dennis, Bill Henderson, Tulsi Maharjan, Suresh Patel, Augustine Pushparaj, Cheruvasseri Ravindranth, and most recently Edna Stout, creator of EarlyAct.

Marsha was born in Madison, Wisconsin—the daughter *and* granddaughter of Rotarians. She later served as a Corpsman in the United States Navy, and went on to a career in advertising and marketing. A highly accomplished pianist and teacher, she has performed at many All-Faiths Services at District Conferences, among other venues. Marsha's level of commitment as a Rotarian and other avenues of service goes supremely beyond the pale of the ordinary.

After having served as President of the Mountainside Rotary Club, Marsha went on to become District Governor in 2002-03 (she is one of just five women to have served in this capacity in the District's 96-year history). Later, she served as District Trainer for four years. She has also chaired or co-chaired a huge number of important district-level committees, including Annual Giving, four District Conferences, Group Study Exchange, Long-Range Planning, Care & Share, PolioPlus, Membership, Public Relations, Gift of Hope, Project Literacy, and the balance of this list is close to endless!

Beyond Rotary, Marsha is Past President of the Junior Women's Club of Plainfield and the NJ Pop Warner League, and is Past State Chair for Al-Anon, among much, much more.

Please "save the date" right now, and plan to join us at the District Assembly on April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Bridgewater Marriott, where we will formally honor Marsha—truly a solid and devoted backbone of our district for the past quarter-century!

Very best wishes and I'm looking forward to seeing you soon!

*Hal*



Hal Daumé  
Governor

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## Club Service ..... Balram Chinta

### My Trip to the Birthplace of Rotary

Recently, during the second week of February 2016, I had an opportunity to go on company training to Chicago. This was the perfect opportunity to visit a local Rotary club and to take a tour of Rotary International's headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. I did plan ahead and make reservations for the tour, and was rewarded with a great time (more on that later).

During lunch one day, I had the pleasure of visiting the local 'Westmont Rotary Club'. This club meets every Tuesday at Vincitori Restaurant, Westmont. The president of the club, Irv Kaplan, and their board members welcomed me wholeheartedly to their club. During the meeting, we exchanged our service programs and fundraising events. The club also viewed and discussed their experiences on "The Boys of 1905 - A History of Rotary International." Before leaving, the club honored me with their customized club pin. It was really a great experience for me to visit extended Rotary family and share views and learn new things from them.

On Friday, February 12, I visited the Rotary International (RI) world headquarters at 1560 Sherman Ave, Evanston, IL. The reservation was made two weeks ahead for free, 30-minute tour. You can make that reservation at [https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0iEynIx4oWQrMqx](https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0iEynIx4oWQrMqx); it is a very easy and quick reservation. You will receive confirmation by email as soon as you are finished with the registration.



During the tour, I had the thrill of visiting and taking photos of the ground floor 'End Polio Now' exhibition and world update; Room 711, a reproduction of the site of the first Rotary club's meeting; the new Arch Klumph Society Gallery, featuring glass lithographs of major contributors to The Rotary Foundation; the Rotary International boardroom; and the offices of Rotary's senior leaders.

During my visit, the RI President, President-elect and President-nominee were in the tours! I had the opportunity to visit each of their offices and see, in detail, their collections, books and portraits etc. The President's office offered a flag 'Be a Gift to the World' and pin. The tour staff was very cordial, patient and cooperative in each and every detail.

I personally recommend that every Rotarian visit the Rotary International World Headquarters. You will have an amazing experience of what our Rotary is offering to the entire world with selfless 'SERVICE ABOVE SELF.' It is a true reflection of how we can all 'Be a Gift to the World.'

Balram Chinta, President

Rotary Club of Plainsboro-North & South Brunswick

# International Service ..... Len Nemeroff

## ShelterBox Aids Victims of Cyclone Winston

As you are no doubt aware, there has been a devastating, Category 5 cyclone in the Pacific that has killed many and done untold damage. Cyclone Winston is labeled a "Once in a Century" cyclone, and the strongest cyclone ever recorded in the Southern Hemisphere.

ShelterBox is already on-site with relief. Your club can assist that effort with a donation, payable to ShelterBox USA, mailed to the address below.

Please give this request your urgent attention - thousands of lives are at stake!

Thank you for your support.

Len Nemeroff, Chairman  
District ShelterBox Committee  
ShelterBox USA Ambassador  
9 Deacon Drive, Hamilton, NJ 08619



## RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

It is that time of year to once again recognize the youth leaders of our respective communities and sponsor their attendance at RYLA.

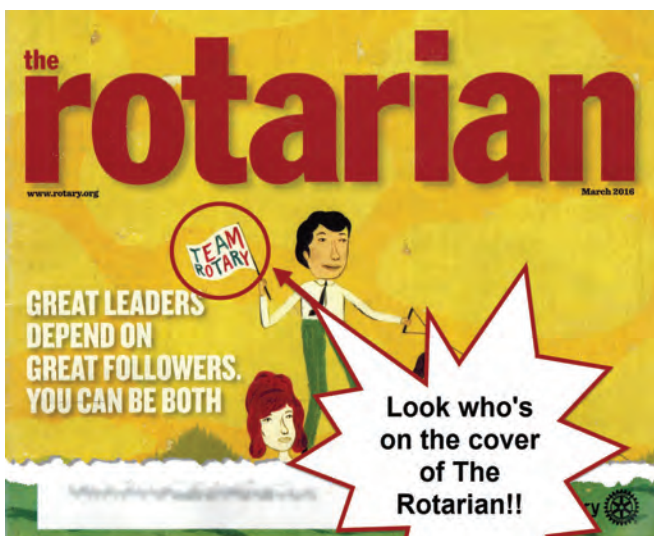


This dynamic three-day program is designed to engage the students in active conversation, cooperation, and creativity to not only show them that there are like-minded people but also how to engage with them to make sure their ideas come to fruition.

This program fills up very quickly! Get your reservations in now!

See more at: [http://rotarydistrict7470.org/SitePage/ryla-\(rotary-youth-leadership-award\)](http://rotarydistrict7470.org/SitePage/ryla-(rotary-youth-leadership-award)).

Download the application form and the parental waiver form at our website here – <http://www.rotarynj.org/ys-ryla.php>



## Membership News

### Invite your Adult Children to Join

A new initiative, led by Rotarians Linda Sausville and Steve Goldberg, encourages club members to invite their adult children who live in the area to join Rotary as part of an e-Club.

This proposed e-Club would enable busy young professionals to enjoy the opportunity to serve others through Rotary.

Contact Linda (lindasausville@yahoo.com) or Steve (stegold94@aol.com) for more information.

**ROTARY DISTRICT 7510 – POCONO ESCAPE WEEKEND**  
**96<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT CONFERENCE • MAY 13-15, 2016**

ROTARY CLUB OF \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>ST</sup> FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BADGE NAME \_\_\_\_\_  ROTARIAN  ROTARACT  INTERACT  YOUTH EXCHANGE

2<sup>ND</sup> FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BADGE NAME \_\_\_\_\_  ROTARIAN  ROTARACT  INTERACT  YOUTH EXCHANGE

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**3-DAY ADULT CONFERENCE PACKAGE (MAY 13-15, 2016)**

**DOUBLE ROOM (2 PERSONS) \$675<sup>00</sup>**       **SINGLE ROOM (1 PERSON) \$525<sup>00</sup>**

CHILD(REN) IN SAME ROOM AS PARENT(S):

**UNDER 10 YRS NAME(S) & AGE (S) \_\_\_\_\_ FREE**

**11 AND OLDER NAME(S) & AGE (S) \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 EACH**

**NEED BABYSITTING AT SATURDAY BANQUET: FREE**       **NEED SITTING FRIDAY NIGHT: \$TBD**

EXTRA NIGHTS (ROOM ONLY—NO MEALS)  **THURSDAY \$125 TOTAL.**  **SUNDAY \$125 TOTAL.**

**CONFERENCE WITHOUT ROOM (LIMIT 20: FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED)**

**2 ADULTS \$485<sup>00</sup> TOTAL**       **1 ADULT \$380<sup>00</sup>**

ANY SPECIAL NEEDS/REQUESTS \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFERENCE PACKAGE DEPOSIT (\$75 PER PERSON): \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

CONFERENCE PACKAGE: ROOM FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FRIDAY EVENING DINNER & DJ MUSIC, SATURDAY & SUNDAY BREAKFASTS, SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET & LIVE MUSIC, COFFEE/TEA BREAKS, ROOM KEY CARD AMENITIES, ALL TAXES AND SERVICE CHARGES. (DISCRETIONARY GRATUITIES FOR PERSONAL SERVICES NOT INCLUDED.) FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ON-SITE AND NEARBY ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE. CONFERENCE PACKAGE DEPOSIT IS DUE AT TIME OF REGISTRATION AND MAY BE PAID AS FOLLOWS:

CASH  CHECK PAYABLE TO DISTRICT 7510-2016 CONFERENCE

CREDIT CARD: PLEASE INDICATE →  DISCOVER  VISA  MASTERCARD

ACCOUNT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_ CVV No. \_\_\_\_\_

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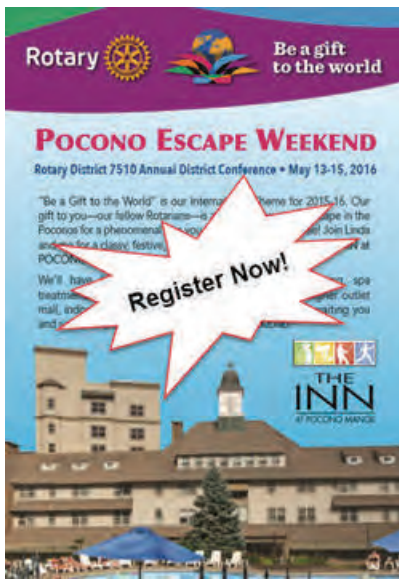
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**PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:**

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**MAIL OR EMAIL REGISTRATION TO:**  
**JUDY CRONEBERGER, REGISTRAR**  
**24 HAMILTON TERRACE, BERKELEY HEIGHTS, NJ 07922**  
**JUDYCRONEBERGER@YAHOO.COM – [908] 591-0740**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ONLINE REGISTRATION GO TO:**  
**WWW.ROTARYNJ.ORG → 2016 DISTRICT CONFERENCE**



## 96<sup>th</sup> Annual District Conference

The Inn at Pocono Manor

May 13 - 15, 2016

~ Register Now ~

You won't want to miss this exciting District Conference, brought to you by DG Hal and his terrific Conference Committee.

Use the form on the opposite page.

### Rotary Leadership Institute

Districts 7510 and 7490  
Saturday, April 9, 2016  
West Orange High School



The Rotary Leadership Institute is a grass roots, multi-district leadership development whose mission is to strengthen Rotary Clubs through quality leadership education.

#### LOOKING FOR QUALITY LEADERS FOR YOUR CLUB?

The institute offers a training program in three full-day sessions, followed by graduate seminars. Faculty are carefully selected from among Rotarians with outstanding leadership abilities, prepared to conduct innovative participatory course sessions.  
Registration \$75.00 per person

Visit [www.rlinea.com](http://www.rlinea.com)  
[www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org](http://www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org)



Be a gift to the world

### Sign up Now!

Rotary Leadership Institute

April 9, 2016

West Orange High School

[www.rlinea.org](http://www.rlinea.org)

# Club News!

All the Club news that's fit to print! And we'd like to print it all, so please send the Editor your news articles and we'll be sure to post them for all to read. Include photos, captions, web addresses, and any other information to make your story complete. Editor7510@verizon.net.

**The Rotary Club of Hamilton Township** held a clothing drive recently. It was not your typical "give us your old, unwanted, don't-fit-you-anymore clothes that usually become rags after the receiving vendor processes them. No, this was a special clothing drive that had a specific purpose – to give complete sets of sweatshirts and sweatpants to select students at the Kuser Elementary School in Hamilton Township.



Working with school nurse and program supervisor Patty Petersack (left in photo), Marie Varga chaired the club project that resulted in thirty-five complete sets of sweats for the kids, as shown in the photo with Rotarian John Lutz (photo by Marie Varga). Great project and easy to emulate!



**The Rotary Club of Union** has been on the road! On Monday, February 1st - 15 Union Rotarians joined the Summit/New Providence Club and the Quarterly Union County Clubs' Meeting at the Grand Summit Hotel. Pictured left is Union Club President, Julie D'Aloia and Summit/New Providence Club President, Reagan Burkholder.

On Tuesday, February 9th - 11 Union Rotarians joined the Springfield Club at McLynn's Restaurant. Pictured is Union Club President, Julie D'Aloia and Springfield Club President, Seth Hammer. They then traveled to a meeting with Fanwood/Scotch Plains Club on February 17th and to the Berkeley Heights Club on February 24th.



**The Rotary Club of Robbinsville Hamilton** held a Fellowship Brunch on Valentine's Day at Killarney's Publick House in Hamilton Township.

What made this event even more special was the show of thanks given to the restaurant's owners for their sponsorship of the club's annual Art Auction / Silent Auction fundraiser. A great time was had by all!



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**The Rotary Club of Cranford** is working with the Cranford High School InterAct Club and the EarlyAct Clubs of Orange Avenue School and the Hillside Avenue School to hold a canned food drive. This drive will collect donations for the New Jersey Foodbank in Hillside. Donations will be delivered when the Cranford Rotary visits the FoodBank on Saturday, March 26th. The drive runs from March 1 through March 24. There will be three collection box locations – one in the lobby at Cranford High School and one in each lobby of the Orange Ave and Hillside Avenue Middle Schools respectively. Please donate when you can to support these students efforts. Thanks for all your support!!

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**The Rotary Club of Elizabeth** hit the big time with recognition in The Dictionary Project's Newsletter. The club, a long-standing proponent of the Dictionary Project, distributes books to schools in both Elizabeth and in Hillside. What makes the club's project unique is their use of a specially-developed crossword puzzle that the Rotarians tie into their presentation. The puzzle gets the kids to dive into their books right away, and makes for a fun event for all.

The full story is available [here](#), or at the following cut-and-paste link

[www.dictionaryproject.org/2016/02/presentation-ideas-from-new-jersey-create-a-crossword-puzzle/](http://www.dictionaryproject.org/2016/02/presentation-ideas-from-new-jersey-create-a-crossword-puzzle/).

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**The Rotary Club of Roselle-Roselle Park** celebrated its own 93<sup>rd</sup> anniversary and 111 Years of Rotary International at one of their weekly meetings at Wei's Buffet in Roselle. With the creation of Rotary International on February 23, 1905, and the club's beginnings in 1923, members remain very active today working on projects locally from the Dictionary Project, Back Pack Program, Boys Scouts/Girl Scouts, to the Student of the Month recognition. Rotary also offers vocational scholarships and career days. Roselle Park Mayor Carl Hokanson presented the club with a resolution in honor of the 93 years of service in both communities.

Read more at <https://www.tapinto.net/towns/roselle-roselle-park/articles/its-a-celebration-111-years-of-rotary-93-year>

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## **Rotary Club of the Year Award ..... DG Hal Daume**

Any pilot will tell you: Flying the plane is the easy part; the tricky part is landing it so that you can not only walk away but you can use the plane again!

Begun in 2002, the district's Outstanding Club of the Year Award has honored 13 clubs: Berkeley Heights, Branchburg, Dunellen-Green Brook, Flemington, Hamilton Township, Hillsborough (twice), Lambertville-New Hope, Old Bridge-Sayreville, Princeton, Princeton Corridor, Robbinsville-Hamilton Sunrise, Woodbridge-Perth Amboy, and Westfield. Anthony Franchini of the Hillsborough Club is pictured with the cup at last year's Conference.

In just a few months I'll have the responsibility and honor of deciding which club will be the

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## Club of the Year (cont'd)

2016 honoree. I'm hoping to have a tough decision to make—and it's up to each club to make this decision as difficult for me as you possibly can!

Now you may think this message is aimed at our current Club Presidents and you'd be correct...but not entirely, because it's really up to every Rotarian to make certain his or her club is as vital and vibrant as you can personally make it!

Your club's been "flying" for the past seven months. Now it's time to aim your Rotary "plane" at the downwind leg, because you'll very soon be turning onto your base leg and then your final approach to touchdown in just a few short months.

The deadline will be the end of April, because the presentation will be made at the District Conference in mid-May. So let's get started...

Check out the criteria for Rotary International's Presidential Citation for Rotary Clubs and the Interact and Rotaract Clubs you may sponsor (If you don't have a copy, just use any Internet search engine for "2016 rotary presidential citation"). The criteria below are key, but I haven't listed them all. Compare your club's planned achievements against these. You don't necessarily have to have completed every one shown here; this is so you can get a sense for what it may take to be a high-achieving club.

- Have you set at least 15 goals in Rotary Club Central?
- Did your club pay your club invoice of last July on time?
- Will you have a net membership gain of at least one (<50 member clubs) or two (50+ member clubs)? Are these men or women?
- Will you maintain 100% retention or, if less than 100%, improve retention by 1%?
- How about service projects? (Not fund-raisers; not check-writing exercises—actual hands-on projects.) Have at least three-quarters of your club members participated in one or more that you've listed at Rotary Club Central?
- Is your club supporting The Rotary Foundation?
- Are you growing your number of Paul Harris Fellows?
- Have at least half your members signed up with My Rotary?
- Have you posted a club service project on Rotary Showcase?
- Have two or more club members participated in discussion groups?
- Have one or more members joined a Rotarian Action Group?
- Did you send a member to our Foundation & Grants workshop?
- Has your club partnered with five or more other Rotary clubs on a project, and listed it at Rotary Club Central?
- Do you sponsor or co-sponsor an Interact Club or Rotaract Club?
- Have three or more of your members mentored an Interactor or Rotaractor?
- What about "public image"? Have you used Rotary's new visual identity guidelines (available at the Brand Center) to update your club's website, social media pages, club brochure, and newsletter?

Yes, some of this will be challenging, but some of it's no-brainer stuff too. If your club qualifies for this year's Presidential Citation, you're sure to make the short list for Outstanding Club of the Year. But, even if you don't hit all the goals, you could still be in the running! So check out the full criteria and GO FOR IT!



## Save the Dates

**03/03/2016**

**Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS 1)**

**Bridgewater Marriott Hotel  
700 Commons Way, Bridgewater**

**6:00 P.M. - Register on [DaCdb](#)**

**03/14/2016**

***Eat, Drink and Share is back!***

**The Pines Manor  
Talmadge Road and Route 27, Edison**

**6:00 P.M. - Register on [DaCdb](#)**

**03/18 - 03/19/2016**

**Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS 2)**

**Hanover Marriott Hotel  
1401 Route 10, Whippany**

**Register - <http://www.mid-northeastpets.org/>**

**04/09/2016**

**Rotary Leadership Institute  
West Orange High School  
7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.**

**Register at [www.rlinea.org](http://www.rlinea.org)**

**04/27/2016**

**District Assembly  
Bridgewater Marriott Hotel  
700 Commons Way, Bridgewater**

**2:30 P.M. - Register on [DaCdb](#)**

**05/13 - 05/15/2016**

**96th District Conference  
The Inn at Pocono Manor  
1 Manor Drive, Pocono Manor, PA**

**Download brochure at [www.rotarynj.org](http://www.rotarynj.org)  
Registration form on Page 4**

## Happy Anniversary wishes to :

The Rotary Club of Bridgewater-Bound Brook celebrates 93 years of service with an anniversary date of March 13, 1923.

The Rotary Club of Cranford also celebrates 93 years of service with an anniversary date of March 13, 1923.

The Rotary Club of Metuchen celebrates 87 years of service with an anniversary date of March 18, 1929.

The Rotary Club of Hillsborough celebrates 61 years of service with an anniversary date of March 18, 1955.



## Every Rotarian Every Year

Join your fellow Rotarians with a minimum contribution of \$100 per year the easy way - monthly, automatic payments.

Find out more at this address:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/annual-fund-and-share>

Become a regular contributor to the Rotary Foundation today!

# Presidents-Elect Training Seminars (PETS)

The district holds two PETS sessions during the Spring to help prepare in-coming club presidents and officers for their new positions. The fees for these training seminars is included in your club's district dues payment each year. Attendance is mandatory for in-coming presidents.

**PETS 1** - The first session is a district-only event for in-coming presidents, held at a local hotel or other facility. The district governor elect (DGE) presents a training opportunity that helps the in-coming presidents get attuned to their position and to the DGE's program for the year beginning July 1. Official photos are taken immediately after arrival and check-in.

## 2016-2017 PETS 1 - DGE Charlie Minton

March 3, 2016 at 5:30 PM  
Bridgewater Marriott Hotel  
700 Commons Way  
Bridgewater, NJ

Register on-line at [www.DaCdb.com/Rotary](http://www.DaCdb.com/Rotary). Dinner included.

**PETS 2** - The two-day event features really interesting, knowledgeable and great speakers from around the world to inspire incoming presidents. It also provides an opportunity to mix and mingle with other presidents-elect from outside of our district, sharing knowledge and experiences and ideas.

## 2016-2017 PETS 2 - Multi-District

March 18, 2016 - 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
March 19, 2016 - 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Hanover Marriott Hotel  
1401 Route 10  
Whippany, NJ

Register on-line at [www.DaCdb.com/Rotary](http://www.DaCdb.com/Rotary)

Staying over Friday night at PETS 2? Then you need to make your reservations with the Hanover Marriott. Rooms are discounted to \$97 - <http://tinyurl.com/PETS2HanoverHotel>. The Hanover Marriott phone number -[973-898-6429](tel:973-898-6429).

## Eat, Drink & Share

### District Fundraiser for the Rotary Foundation

Join your fellow Rotarians at this fabulous event!

March 14 - 6:00 PM

The Pines Manor

Route 27 and Talmadge Road, Edison

\$50 per person

## Display Rotary Proudly



[www.state.nj.us/mvc/Vehicle/commorg.htm](http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/Vehicle/commorg.htm)



## What's the Latest with Polio?..... Bill Mealia, Chair

- One case of polio in 2016 in Pakistan; ZERO cases in Afghanistan.
- Progress in Pakistan.
- More news in this pdf – [click here](#)..

How are we doing? \$10,800 donated so far this Rotary year by nineteen clubs; twelve of the nineteen have donated \$500 or more.

Send your club's donations (memo line Polio) to my attention at this address:

B.B. Miller & Co. - 283 N. Broad St. - Elizabeth, NJ 07208

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## World Peace Conference Part 2 ..... DG Hal Daumé

I didn't mention Sharon Stone in my first article about the Rotary World Peace Conference that Linda and I were so honored to attend because, at the time, I didn't have a good photo. Now I do, thanks to the Rotary.org website, and I'd like to share it with you.

More than a mere actor reciting her lines, Sharon Stone is a legendary humanitarian and a very real and unprepossessing person. Yes, we all know her from such blockbusters as "Total Recall," "Basic Instinct," and "Casino," and we know she's received both a Golden Globe Award and an Emmy. But you probably didn't know she was born and raised in a small Pennsylvania town and later lived in New Jersey for some years as well.

You also may not know that, in 2001, she was felled by a brain aneurysm and subsequent cerebral hemorrhage that lasted nine days. She's since recovered,



but not 100 percent. It was visible on the stage the evening we saw and heard her speak (Linda and I agreed she still looks fabulous, by the way). At times, she'd simply stop mid-thought...long pause...then her brain would sort of hit a "reset" button and she'd continue with her speech--which was much more like a conversation, and without flair or forgery, without glitz or Hollywood glamor.

Ms. Stone urged us--all 1,500 of us--to find tolerance within ourselves as a way to develop compassion and understanding for others. Noting that today's technology makes it easy to learn about diverse cultures and beliefs, she encouraged us to embrace differences while learning about others' work. As for those who would stop us or our work for humanity, she stated, "The more we understand the darkness of our enemies, the better we know what to do, how to respond and behave."

That night, as we are gifts to the world, she was a gift to us.

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## Top Ten Clubs in Attendance for January 2016

*Congratulations to the #1 club for January - Plainfield-North Plainfield - with 88.90% attendance for the month.*

*The rest of the top ten? Roselle-Roselle Park (88.00%);*

*Summit-New Providence (87.20%); South Amboy-*

*Sayreville (83.33%); Clinton Sunrise (79.50%); Princeton*

*Corridor (73.61%); Old Bridge-Sayreville (72.73%);*

*Hillsborough (70.97%); Robbinsville-Hamilton (70.83%);*

*Woodbridge-Perth Amboy (67.74%)*

*Secretaries, contact the District Secretary (Michael*

*Townley) if you need help entering your club's attendance*

*in the District and Club database (DaCdb). Email*

*District7510Secretary@verizon.net.*

*And thank you to the 20 club secretaries who took the time to report attendance for January.*

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Give us a call for more information.

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