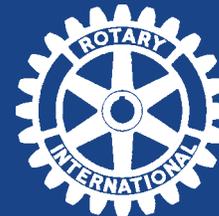


# TEAM ROTARY



District 7510 Newsletter

The Capital District - [www.RotaryNJ.org](http://www.RotaryNJ.org)

May 2017

## Governor's Message - We're this close...to several things!

As I write this column, there are only fifteen days until District Conference. Plans are being finalized, all the little details are falling into place, and everyone is excited to be "Sweet" to be 20"16"- 17. So I can't write about the festivities, but know we are looking forward to seeing you there, whether in person or in spirit.

**May is Youth Month.** If you've been under a rock, you may not realize this Governor puts his efforts where his mouth is. I'm bringing approximately 100 Interactors and 18 Rotoractors to District Conference, a first for our District.

You see, I believe "We must replace ourselves" if we are going to survive as an organization. As good as you and I are, who will take over when we leave feet first or for other reasons? I believe the answer is those young people WE make an impression on now, so when they reach that certain point in their lives, as you have, the kids will seek out Rotary and take up our mantle.

We must introduce ourselves to them, give them memorable experiences, and instill in them "Service Above Self." Only we can do that, and I mean now. Once we are gone, it's too late; do it now! Look for spectacular pictures in the June edition of *Team Rotary* and on our website. Heck, come join us and be in the pictures!

I'm pleased to announce that I've dedicated a portion of our District Dedicated Fund (DDF) money to Polio Plus. There is a 4 to 1 match that may end soon, so our \$50,016.00 donation becomes nearly \$225,000.00!! We are *This Close* and, thanks to all of you in D7510, we are now even closer! That's a special May.

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May is also special because it has Mothers Day to celebrate. Whether you're a mom, you still have your mom to share the day with, or you have memories to cherish of her, enjoy the day and join me in being glad we have this special day in May. Remember the dads next month.

Finally, I invite you to take a look at what was accomplished at District Conference after we post information, starting on May 8. Go to [www.sweettobe2016.com](http://www.sweettobe2016.com) to see and be proud of all this District has to offer.

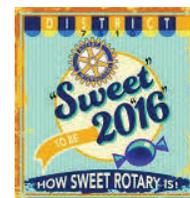
'Til the next column...

Yours in Rotary Service

Charles "Charlie" Minton  
District Governor



Charles Minton  
Governor



## District Assembly .....DGE Bob Zeglarski

Our **District Assembly** is coming up on **Thursday, May 18**, at the Somerset Holiday Inn. Sign-in opens at 2:30, with general and special sessions from 3:00 to 6:15, and then dinner and special presentations starting at 7:00.



This is our very best opportunity to prepare together for the upcoming Rotary year. We'll have special sessions for club presidents, secretaries, treasurers, and for general members.



Jeff Cordette is our featured speaker. He is Director-Nominee for Rotary Zones 24 & 32 – spanning four countries and two languages, including the US, Bermuda, Canada, and France (oui, France...the two islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, off the coast of Newfoundland!). He has spoken at Rotary International conferences, conventions, and zone institutes with humor, insights, and rock-solid forward-thinking. As we begin anticipating the consolidation of two districts—our own and 7470 just north of us—into a single powerhouse of Rotarians and Rotary activities, there's no one

better to have visiting with us!

Register at [www.directory-online.com/Rotary/index.cfm?EventID=77304758](http://www.directory-online.com/Rotary/index.cfm?EventID=77304758). Copy and paste this URL, then log into DACdb, and you'll go straight to the registration page.

We ask that each club sends one club check (to cover all members attending) to Michael Townley, District Secretary; 165 Palmer Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080. Include a list of members covered by the check to make his life easier, please.

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## Foundation News ..... PDG D. Michael Hart

Foundation grants were awarded this year (2016-2017) to many of our clubs to assist you in undertaking worthwhile and qualified projects. Two of the conditions for receiving those grants were (a) that the projects must be completed by the end of this Rotary year (June 30), and (b) your Final Report must be filed and accepted by the District Grants Subcommittee **BEFORE** you can receive any further grants.



So far, eleven grants have been closed out by eight clubs - congratulations! You will be eligible to receive a grant in 2017-2018.



To the remaining sixteen clubs with nineteen open grants, please submit your final report by June 30 or earlier, if possible.

All clubs may submit their 2017-2018 projects now for grant approval in July. Go to the Grants tab on our District and Club database and follow the procedure outlined here. Be sure to change your "Org Year" to 2017-2018.

**REMEMBER:** Only those clubs with completed Final Reports from 2016-2017 will be eligible to receive 2017-2018 grants.

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## Insurance

Rotary International recently sent out a **Required Renewal Notification** to current Presidents, Incoming Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries, District Governors, District Governors Elect and District Insurance Representatives to inform all that current liability policies will expire 1 July 2017. Read more on-line at <http://www.rotarynj.org/?p=stories>

# Remembrances of PDG Carl Kurlander (1918-2017)

What more can we ask of life than to be known and remembered as a person of character, wisdom, and selfless love for others? PDG Carl Kurlander touched the lives of many. May he be remembered always as the kind and decent man that he was.

## **PDG Joseph Scandariato, Sr.:**

We go from a joyful celebration of life to a sadness of loss.....Carl passed away yesterday. I am saddened by his loss but primarily I celebrate his life and pray for the repose of his soul. I smile as I like to think that he is finally able to fulfill his great wish (as he expressed to me so often) to rejoin his wife Jean, his great and enduring love and soul mate. I truly loved this man.....

## **PRID David Linett:**

Carl and I go way back and I first met him when I first became active in the district. It was during the time when he was District Governor and exemplified the qualities I admired in our district leaders. He always seemed calm and wise and in handling the usual problems of Rotary leadership.

Even in his later years, he always attended Rotary events of all kinds, especially governor's dinners, etc. During discussions, his thoughtful advice always came through.

I have been away from the district for almost seven years, but remain proud to have been a friend of Carl and all the leaders of District 7510. It was very sad for me to hear of his death, even with the blessings of his long life. May he Rest In Peace.



## **PDG Hal Daume:**

An outstanding man and Rotarian who lived an enormously rich life.

## **PP Frank Mancino, Rotary Club of Hamilton:**

For those of you who did not know Carl, I'd like to tell you that the world lost a great man, a Rotarian legend and a personal friend of mine.

## **PDG Julianne Juliano:**

I will miss him and his Gold Jacket that he wore so proudly. Blessed to have known him.

## **PDG Ken Tillman:**

I thought a lot of him and thoroughly enjoyed our many trips together going to Rotary meetings. He was a fine Rotarian and exemplified the kind of person we need in Rotary.

## **PDG Elly Ezra:**

*He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much;  
who has gained the respect of intelligent people and the love of children;  
who has filled his niche and accomplished his task;  
who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had;  
whose life was an inspiration; and whose memory a benediction.*

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Awards and Recognition..... M. Ann Walko, Director

We are now in the homestretch as we make final preparations for our District Conference in May. We will highlight the accomplishments of those Rotarians who have given of their time and talents to make our district stronger in our resolve to make a difference. They are the role models for others.



Many thanks to **District Governor Minton** for his work concerning the *Outstanding Club of the Year Award*. Kudos to the following *Awards and Recognition Committee Chairs*:

**David Breidinger** - *Matty Mathewson Rotarian of the Year Award*

**Joseph Scandariato** - *Service Above Self Award*

**Pamela Singh** - *Jean Harris Award*

**Michael Toscani** - *Care and Share Awards*

**Robert Zeglarski** - *Vocational Service Award*

This was my first year chairing the Awards Committee and I sincerely appreciated the talents and expertise of all who served. Many thanks for your guidance and mentorship. Thanks also to Linda sasville for helping to make a smooth transition from one officer to another. I am looking forward to congratulating all award recipients as we come together at our district conference.

Thanks again to everyone for all you do to make life a little bit better for others.

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## Public Image and Promotion..... M. Ann Walko, Director

Rotarians have been active and accomplishing our goal of highlighting what we do as an organization. You have been on Facebook, Twitter, and I did see coverage in press releases to a wider community, as well as local television spots. Thank you for all of your efforts over the last year.

Next year promises to be one that will take us in another, more global, direction under the leadership of Bill Graham of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains club. He will outline the bold move at the District Assembly in May. You will want to attend to hear of this new initiative.

One area that each club must continue to develop is having a Press or Public Relations Chair and committee. This helps keep your focus on getting the word out about all the good work we do to help others all over the world. This will help us attract others to our mission, especially young people, who have social, cultural, and technological skills that we need to move forward.

I commend the committee members who worked diligently throughout the year:

**Michael Townley** - for our website and our *Team Rotary Monthly Newsletter*

**Roz Shaw** - for adding to our *Speakers Bank*

**Steven Portrude** - for the *Rotary International District 7510 Directory and Resource Guide*

I appreciated their guidance and mentorship throughout the year. Thank you for keeping the membership informed, as communication is a key to the success of any organization.

Thank you, everyone, for all you do to make life a little bit better for others.

## Voting in Atlanta?

Each club president and secretary received an email recently from Rotary International with their club's voting credentials attached as a pdf. These credentials are used to authorize a club delegate to vote on behalf of the club at the RI Convention in Atlanta in June. The Convention gathers Rotarians from around the world and, for at least part of the action, voting is key.

No one going from your club? No problem! You can designate a proxy (like our own District Governor or any other Rotarian in our District) to represent your club and vote at the Convention. A number of District Rotarians are attending, so ask one to represent your club! Contact the editor for the name of a potential proxy - editor7510@rotarynj.org.

Read the full story on-line at [www.ismyrotaryclub.org/Story/more.cfm?1260](http://www.ismyrotaryclub.org/Story/more.cfm?1260).



## Happy Anniversary!

### Congratulations to our Anniversary Clubs!!

The Rotary Club of Lambertville-New Hope celebrates 95 years of service with a charter date of May 1, 1922.

The Rotary Club of Kenilworth celebrates 70 years of service with a charter date of May 6, 1947.

The Rotary Club of Old Bridge-Sayreville celebrates 57 years of service with a charter date of May 13, 1960.

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For details & updates click  
"the calendar"

<b>PETS 1</b>	3/2/17
<b>PETS 2</b>	3/23 to 3/25/17
<b>District Conference</b> Shawnee Inn	5/5 to 5/7/17
<b>District Assembly</b>	5/18/17
<b>International Convention</b> Atlanta Georgia, the 100th year anniversary of the Rotary Foundation Celebration	6/10 to 6/14/17
<b>Changing of the Guard</b>	6/29/17



# Club News!

All the Club news that's fit to print! And we'd like to print it all, so please send your news articles to the Editor 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 Plainfield-North Plainfield** recently presented its 2017 *Service Above Self Award* to Shirley Weaver Thompson, a resident of South Plainfield, for her annual Christmas project. Shirley works with a core group of volunteers and local businesses and agencies to gather the supplies and prepare Christmas dinners and gifts for over 100 families in South Plainfield and the surrounding area. Remarkably, she started this project thirteen years ago and continues going strong! Shirley also received a proclamation from Mayor Matt Anesh and a *Joint Resolution of the New Jersey State Senate and General Assembly* in recognition of her dedicated service to others. The club also presented a \$1,200 check to Shirley Thompson's Christmas, Inc. Shirley is pictured below with club member Mike Castoral who presented the award at the club's 18th Annual Wine Tasting Dinner, a scholarship fundraiser.



**The Rotary Clubs of Clinton Sunrise, Horizon E and North Hunterdon** donated proceeds from the 2016 Central Jersey Jazz Festival to organizations who feed the Hungry in Hunterdon. Eight thousand dollars was distributed to local agencies, including the YMCA food distribution program, serving primarily the Latino population in Clinton and Flemington. Over one thousand pounds of food was collected during the event. Pictured L to R are Gabriela Bonnavent, YMCA Bi-Lingual Program Coordinator; Anne Underhill, Open Cupboard Executive Director and Founder; Joe Schultz, Hunters Helping the Hungry Trustee; Regina Hlasney, Meals on Wheels Executive Director; with PDG Megan Jones-Holt and Jim Murray.

**The Rotary Club of Piscataway** will hold their Seventeenth Annual "Taste of Piscataway" fundraiser on Monday, May 8, 2017 at the Radisson Hotel, 21 Kingsbridge Road, Piscataway, from 6 to 9 P.M. Come sample food from local restaurants and wine from around the world. There will be a silent auction. Funds raised will be used for many local projects, such as Dictionaries for all third graders, FISH food bank, high school scholarships, Little League, Career Day for high school students, and International projects like Pure Water for the World and Homes of Hope. **Tickets are \$35.** For Tickets or info call 732-699-1431.

**The Rotary Club of Roselle-Roselle Park** has supported the Girls Scouts for many years, including gifting them a clubhouse at Camp Letico back in the mid-1950's. Patricia Carroll, CEO of Girls Scouts Heart of New Jersey, met with club members recently to discuss Camp Letico's rehabilitation plans. As a result, the club donated \$3,000 toward the effort and will provide "sweat equity" during a special Camp Letico Volunteer Weekend in May. **STAY TUNED!**



**The Rotary Club of Kenilworth** sponsors an annual Casino Night to benefit local students. This spring's fundraiser will take place at the Kenilworth VFW, 33 S. 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Kenilworth on Friday, June 2 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance, or \$30 at the door, and will entitle each

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person to \$100 in casino chips and as well as to refreshments. Proceeds from this fundraiser will give Kenilworth students the opportunity to qualify for one of two programs: "Send Our Children to Summer Camp" or the "Kenilworth Scholarship Program". The summer camp program is offered to 5th - 8th grade students, whose families cannot afford the cost of sending their children to summer camp. The Scholarship program provides financial help to Kenilworth's high school seniors planning to attend college. For tickets or more information, please contact Terry Zuckerman at 908-272-5550 or [terry@pollcakzuckerman.com](mailto:terry@pollcakzuckerman.com).



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**The Rotary Clubs of Summit-New Providence and Fanwood-Scotch Plains** recently joined together as part of DG Charlie's "Card Swap Fellowship" on a special project at the Community Food Bank for a dynamic Saturday-morning session of food sorting and packing. Club members' families also participated, enhancing the impact of Rotary! After a brief greeting, all were ushered down a hallway to the huge open warehouse with hundreds of boxes and shipments of food in need of sorting and packing. Food items with peanuts are kept separate; damaged goods or items past the 'expiration date' get thrown out. Club members were directed to 'break down' at 1:15 in order to clean, clear and sweep our workspace and leave it ship-shape for the next team of volunteers. The Community Food Bank is impressive in its scope and in the efficient, safe way they welcome and enable volunteers to contribute. Other clubs are encouraged to volunteer.

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**The Rotary Club of Hamilton Township** members were joined recently by representatives of the Visitation Home Day Program (VHDP) who spoke about the group's background and current projects. The Visitation Home Day Program, founded in 2006 to provide a quality, person-centered day program, is attentive to each person's specific needs socially, physically and intellectually by providing an experience for success according to the individual's level. VHDP is an all-faith, non-DDD approved day program, located at St. Vincent de Paul Parish Religious Education Building in Hamilton, [www.visitationhome.org](http://www.visitationhome.org).



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**The Rotary Club of Summit-New Providence** held a "Love Your Librarian" event as a scholarship fundraiser on March 2 in the ballroom of the Grand Summit Hotel. Seventeen librarians from New Providence and Summit public schools and libraries were honored as *2017 Citizens of the Year* and were celebrated for their invaluable work 'behind the scenes' in assisting citizens - young and old - with information and learning. Proceeds from "Love Your Librarian" went to the Summit-NP Rotary's college scholarship program, which will award over \$20,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors in June.

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**The Rotary Club of Hillsborough** celebrated Easter with their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Despite chilly temps and change in venue, hundreds of children, with their parents in tow, poured into the Triangle Road Athletic Complex to participate in the annual event. About 4,000 treat-filled plastic eggs, along with miniature footballs provided by the Junior Raiders Football organization, were snapped up in a matter of minutes. Face painters turned out dozens of smiling bunny faces, while an exciting mix of rock and roll music played over a concert quality audio system provided by Audio Cafe. The Easter Bunny made lasting memories for children and their parents.



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The club's Annual Golf Classic will be held on June 19 at the Royce Brook Golf Club. Entry fee of \$175 includes lunch, beverages, dinner, driving range, cart, greens fees, awards, and DJ. The registration form is available at the club's website - [www.hillsboroughnjrotary.com](http://www.hillsboroughnjrotary.com). Please contact Tricia Marciano for more information - 908-578-7125.

## Rutgers Rotaract..... Vincent Lam, Club Secretary

Members of the Rutgers Rotaract Club and Rotarians from the sponsoring Rotary Club of New Brunswick convened at the Rutgers Club on April 12, 2017 to celebrate another year of achievement for the Rotaract Club.



President Martha Flores and other officers presented an overview of the club's accomplishments of the year. The most notable project was the *Stop Hunger Now* event where students from both Rutgers and RVCC packaged 10,000 meals to be sent abroad.

Special guests and Rotarians also spoke and discussed the roles that they have played in the Rotaract club over the course of the year. We were honored to have the incoming District Governor, Robert Zeglarski, share his vision for youth activities for the next year.



New members of the Rutgers Rotary Club were inducted and officers were then installed for the 2017-2018 academic year. The newly installed President, Nareena Imam, concluded the ceremony with an overview of her plans for the next academic year. President Imam is looking into starting a mentoring program to build a bridge from Interact Club into Rotary and is happy to lead the members of her club to another year of service and success.

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## Email Scam Still Alive!!

Several clubs have reported receiving the following email (or one very similar), attempting to get club officers to send unauthorized payments using a friendly email, allegedly from one club officer to the other:



*Dear Richard Lazarick*

*I need you to initiate a payment of \$3,850 to a vendor immediately. Let me know if you are available so i forward you the beneficiary details.*

*Thanks,*

*Robert Ryan*

Upon replying to the email, the recipient is given instructions to transfer funds to a specific account, sometimes with the proviso that a follow-up invoice will be sent later. Of course, it is all a SCAM. Be cautious always with any requests for sending money. Always verify with a phone call.

We first reported on this several months ago. Looks like continued vigilance is the key! Thanks to the Rotary Club of Trenton for sharing this unsuccessful attempt to extort money.

(Image credit: paycom)

## Polio Plus Committee Report.....Bill Mealie, Co-Chair

To date, our District clubs have donated \$11,656.03 through the end of March to the Rotary Foundation in the annual Polio Plus campaign. Please send your club and members' contributions to me, Polio Plus Co-chair Bill Mealia (billm@bbmiller.com), so the money can be properly credited to your club and our District.

### Rotary's Polio Efforts Praised by Bill and Melinda Gates

Every year, Bill and Melinda Gates publish an annual letter to broaden awareness and interest in key global health and development programs. This year's Annual Letter mentioned polio among their foundation's ongoing efforts to fight disease and inequality, specifically, the incredible progress that's been made towards polio eradication. Melinda Gates offers these kind words to reaffirm the important role Rotary has had leading the way to a polio-free world:

"We're awed by the teams of vaccinators who take risks to reach each child. And we're inspired by the infinite persistence of Rotary International. They were leading this fight long before we joined it, and they've just kept moving forward."

She goes on to say, "They know going from 350,000 cases to 37 is amazing, but success is zero." Even though a handful of polio cases have been reported this year, there is a chance these are the last cases of polio in history. This June, Bill Gates will speak at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA to discuss how we can — and will — end polio together.

### Africa Hosts One of the Largest Vaccination Campaigns

On 25 March, more than 190,000 polio vaccinators traveled by foot and bike to immunize more than 116 million children under the age of 5 throughout 13 countries in west and central Africa. The goal was to increase childhood immunity against polio and stop the disease for good. In August 2016, four children were paralyzed by polio in the Borno state of Nigeria, an area widely considered to be the last remaining stronghold of the disease on the continent. African public health ministers from five Lake Chad Basin countries declared the outbreak a regional public health emergency and have committed to multiple synchronized immunization campaigns.



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## Polio Facts!

### We are "this close!"

In 2015, there were 74 reported cases of polio.

In 2016, that number dropped to 37.

So far, in 2017, that number has dropped even further – to single digits!

See updated facts here: <http://tinyurl.com/MayPolio>

## Top Ten Clubs in Attendance March 2017

*Congratulations to the #1 club for March - Mountainside - with 89.28% attendance for the month! We count attendance at meetings and participation in club events, District events, committee meetings and the like in our definition of "attendance."*

The rest of the top ten? Plainsboro - North & South Brunswick (85.00%); South Amboy-Sayreville (82.50%); Summit-New Providence (82.30%); Robbinsville-Hamilton (75.58%); Edison (75.00%); Plainfield-North Plainfield (72.31%); Bridgewater-Bound Brook (72.20%); Princeton Corridor (66.67%); Old Bridge-Sayreville (63.00%).

Secretaries, contact the District Secretary (Michael Townley) if you need help entering your club's attendance in the District and Club database (DaCdb). Email Secretary7510@RotaryNJ.org.

And thank you to the twenty-one club secretaries who took the time to report attendance/participation for March.

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