The 2012 District Conference is now just a memory and what a memory! First, I would like to thank all those who attended the conference. I hope that all of you had great memories as well.

The entire weekend was packed with activities and fellowship. Friday morning, the golfers were treated to blue skies and nice weather! I understand that everyone had a great time. In the middle of the afternoon, Club Displays sprang up all over. More tables were needed due to impressive Club response. Thank you Club Presidents and members for your participation.

Friday evening highlights included the youth in the Parade of Flags, the Club Presidents, the Assistant Governors and the Foundation Area Directors. Andrea Serrano Casla, YE Student from Spain, shared her impressions of the YE Program and related her experiences during the year. The 2012-2013 Outbound YE students were presented their YE jackets by the chairman of the YE Program, PDG Mark Wyse & DG Norma Madayag-Reilly. Another special feature of Friday evening was the musical performance of Ethan Fletcher, the first place winner of the 2012 District Vocal Contest.

The keynote speaker for the Conference was PRID Sudarshan Agarwal, the Rotary International President Representative. PRID Sudarshan was accompanied by his wife Usha. PDG Mahendra Shah and his wife Usha were the Aides to Director Sudarshan. To close Friday evening, some Rotarians and their spouses and friends tried their skill in games called “A Minute to Win It” while others listened to the “Pickin’ for Polio” band.

Saturday morning started with a hearty breakfast, immediately followed by the Program and the Breakout sessions that were well-attended.

Saturday afternoon was a great time. The boat tour was well received with approximately 90 attendees taking either the Mary Jemison or the Sam Patch. The boat tour was an alternate way of “touring” the city of Rochester and Pittsford. Some went to Artisan Works to satisfy their artistic inclinations. There were self-guided activities for those who did not join either pre-ticketed activities.

Saturday evening was a gala celebration. Everyone was dressed in their Sunday best. Fourteen Past District Governors and their spouses, together with the Governor Track were part of the procession.

The National Anthem of India was sung by the YE student from India, Ayushi Jain who was joined by a few Newark Interact Club members; the Philippine National Anthem was sung by the GSE team from Rotary District 3790 of Northern Philippines and the US National Anthem was sung by the Monsignor Schnacky Community Players through the efforts of PE Travis Piper of Bloomfield Rotary Club. Moving performance by each group!

The evening entertainment was varied and international. The Monsignor Schnacky Community Players paid “Tribute to District 7120”, by singing “This Little Light of Mine” and “The Rotarian”. To add to the internationality of the entertainment, the Philippine Dance Company of Rochester presented a dance entitled “Bulaklakan (translated as The Flower Dance). The Inbound GSE Team members could not be outshined. They performed the national dance of the Philippines entitled “Tinikling” which depicts the characteristic of a small bird in the Philippines called “tikling. What a way to end the evening, I thought… but… my Executive Administrative Assistant and husband was hard at work behind the scenes coordinating a tribute to me from my family. Thank you, Gary, for being a big support to me. And I am thankful to my niece who worked with Gary on the tribute, with some help from Marc Kreuser, Conference Promotions Coordinator.

Sunday morning started with the Time of Remembrance – time to recognize and remember the Rotarians of the District who have passed. We remembered them and their contribution to Rotary. The District Chorus performed wonderfully under the direction of Jean Bendix of Newark.

Immediately following the Memorial Service, was the Foundation Breakfast. Three Major Donors were recognized. Congratulations to Hasmukh and Sarla Patel, Charlie and Jan Clemens and DG Norma and Gary Reilly. Peter Vogt was recognized a Paul Harris Fellow and his wife, Rotarian Sharon Vogt was recognized Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. These couples’ donations to Rotary Foundation are greatly appreciated.
DG Norma’s Message (continued from page 1):

The Foundation Auction brought in almost $6,000.00 which will be contributed to the Annual Funds-SHARE. I extend my gratitude and appreciation to the 54 Rotary Clubs, several groups and individuals who contributed wonderful items for the auction. Thank you to those who bid high and often.

Club Awards were presented at the various segments of the Conference. Congratulations to all the winners. The list of winners is found later in the Grapevine.

These are some of the highlights in the exciting and fun Conference. I would like to thank the Newark Conference Committee under the leadership of Scott Healy as chairperson and the Newark Rotarians for their wonderful support and my thanks go to the Brighton, Naples and Palmyra-Macedon Rotary Clubs for their help.

Thank you for a memorable 2012 District Conference!

Yours in Rotary Service,

DG Norma and Gary, Executive Administrative Assistant

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Welcome District Conference Attendees

The 2012 District Conference in Pictures

Kicking off the District Conference was the Golf Tournament on Friday morning with 20 players at the Mendon Golf Club
More pictures at the District Conference - Friday Evening

Friday night entertainment by “Tiberio Jazz Quartet”

Parade of Flags on Friday evening

At left is Andrea Serrano Casla, exchange student from Spain - hosted by Belmont Rotary - giving her remarks of her Youth Exchange experience in District 7120.

Above-left is Paul Cimicata, Chair of the vocal contest, introducing this year’s winner of the vocal contest. At right is the winning contestant of the vocal contest, Ethan Fletcher, singing his winning musical number.
The 2012 District Conference in Pictures

Club Displays - There were many this year!

Great job to all who prepared displays!
Pictures at the District Conference - Friday Evening (continued)
Games by Pal-Mac Rotarians Kim & Mark Clement

Rotarians having Fun!

Saturday afternoon - Activities of choice

“Mary Jamison” personified by Trudy Hicks & Guests  EAA taking a break!
Saturday Afternoon - (continued)

GSE Team aboard the Mary Jamison

Entertainment aboard the Mary Jamison

Mahendra & Usha Shah

RI President Rep. Sudarshan Agarwal and his wife Usha

At the Artisan Works
Saturday Evening at the Conference

The national anthem was sung by Youth Exchange student Ayushi Jain (center) joined by Newark Interact Club members. The National Anthem of the Philippines was sung by the Inbound GSE Team joined by DG Norma.

A tribute to District 7120 by Monsignor Schnacky Community Players with Travis Piper of the Bloomfield Rotary Club.
Saturday Evening’s Entertainment

PDG Mahendra Shah (left) introducing RI President representative, PRID Sudarshan Agarwal (right) at Saturday evening’s banquet.

Philippine National Dance “Tinikling” by the Inbound GSE Team.

Trying out for “Tinikling” is DG Norma and Kim Clement of Pal-Mac Rotary Club.

Philippine Dance “Bulaklakan” or Flower Dance by Philippine Dance Company of Rochester.

And not to forget Scott Healy, Conference Chair. Great job!
Bulletin Awards

Division 1:
First Place - Geneseo
Second Place - Corning
Third Place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon

Division 2:
First Place - Spencerport
Second Place - Bloomfield
Third Place - Waterloo

Division 3:
First Place - Lima
Second Place - Gorham
Third Place - NONE - only had 2 entries for Division 3.

Website Contest

Division 1:
First place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon
Second place - Geneseo
Third place - Greece

Division 2:
First place - Belmond
Second place - Brighton
Third place - Bloomfield

Division 3:
First place - Lima
Second place - Scottsville
Third place - Gates-Chili

MEMBERSHIP Award Winners

The Jack King Award is given to Gananda with increase from 10 members to 15 members, a 50 percent increase.

Membership Awards are given to the top three clubs in each category:

- Division A (Over 400 members): No clubs are in this category
- Division B (300-399 members): Rochester Rotary wins first place with 0.60% increase
- Division C (200-299 members): No clubs are in this category
- Division D (100-199 members): Canandaigua wins first place with 1.44% increase
- Division E (50-99 members): Pittsford wins first place with 16.67% increase, Elmira wins second place with 1.39% increase, Greece wins third place with 1.14% increase
- Division F (25-49 members): Waterloo wins first place with 27.27% increase, Dansville wins second place with 9.09% increase, Fairport wins third place with 8% increase
- Division G (under 25 members): Gananda wins first place with 50% increase, Rochester Latino wins second place with 31.25% increase, Caledonia-Mumford wins third place with 30% increase

ATTENDANCE Award Winners

The Fischer Award is given to Belmond and Perry Rotary Clubs with 100 percent attendance.

Attendance Awards are given to the top three clubs in each category:

- Division A (Over 400 members): No clubs are in this category
- Division B (300-399 members): Rochester Rotary wins first place with 50.38%
- Division C (200-299 members): No clubs are in this category
- Division D (100-199 members): Canandaigua wins first place with 58.13%, Corning wins second place with 51.63%
- Division E (50-99 members): Perry wins first place with 100%, Geneva wins second place with 75.88%, Newark wins third place with 69.81%
- Division F (25-49 members): Bath wins first place with 90.5%, Palmyra-Macedon wins second place with 88.75%, Clifton Springs wins third place with 85.73%
- Division G (under 25 members): Belmond wins first place with 100%, Nunda wins second place with 96%, Friendship wins third place with 87.25%
Club Awards - (continued):

2012 CLUB ACHIEVEMENT Awards

CLUB SERVICE Winners
1st Place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon “Empowering & Growing In Honeoye Falls”
2nd Place - Bloomfield “Fun & Games Night”
3rd Place - Belmont Christmas Wreath Repair & Labeling

COMMUNITY SERVICE Winners
1st Place – Greece “Unity Hospital Helipad”
2nd Place - Chemung Sunrise “Flood Water Relief Effort”
2nd Place – Elmira “Flood Water Relief Effort”
3rd Place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon “Historic Walking Audio Tour”

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE Winners
1st Place – Corning “International Dinner”
2nd Place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon “Education Partnership in Costa Rico”
3rd Place – Newark “Kay Expwa Orphanage & School in Haiti”

VOCATIONAL SERVICE Winners
1st Place – Scottsville “Industry/Jefferson H.S. Fruit Tree & Berry Bushes”
2nd Place - Honeoye Falls-Mendon “Eye Care/Health”
3rd Place - Rush-Henrietta “School of the Holy Childhood Library”

NEW GENERATIONS Winners
1st Place – Newark “Set-up Facebook”
2nd Place - Fairport “Oratorical Contest”
3rd Place - Newark “Purple Pinky Polio Campaign”

CHANGEMAKER Awards
Rotary Clubs:
  Elmira
  Newark
  Rochester Latino
  Rush-Henrietta
  Waterloo

Rotaract Clubs:
  Keuka College

Interact Clubs:
  Greece Odyssey
  Greece Olympia
  Honeoye Falls-Mendon
  Waterloo

LITERACY Award winners
Avon
Bath
Belmont
Bloomfield
Canandaigua
Dansville
Elmira heights
Fairport
Greece
Hammondsport
Honeoye Falls-Mendon
Honeoye Lake
Newark
Ontario-Walworth
Palmyra-Macedon
Penfield
Rush-Henrietta
Spencerport
Waterloo

Major Donors Recognized at the 2012 Conference

One of the high recognitions given by The Rotary Foundation is Major Donor. District 7120 recognized three couples at the 2012 District Conference, namely, Hasmukh & Sarla Patel, PDG Charlie & Jan Clemens and DG Norma & Gary Reilly.

Pictured above (left to right) are: Sarla & Hasmukh Patel PRID Sudarshan Agarwal, PDG & Foundation Chair Jeff Krans, Diane Krans and PDG Mahendra Shah.

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Major Donors Recognized (continued)

Pictured are Charlie & Jan Clemens receiving their Major Donor Recognition from PRID Sudarshan Agarwal.

Gary & DG Norma receiving their Major Donor Recognition from PRID Sudarshan Agarwal.

Also recognized at the Conference was Peter Vogt, mayor of Dansville, as Paul Harris Fellow and his wife, Sharon Vogt, as Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

Thank you to all the honorees for believing in the work of The Rotary Foundation as manifested through your contributions. The various people who are helped through TRF also thank you.

Group Study Exchange Teams

Outbound team: Matt Campbell - Electrical Engineer
Nikisha Ridgeway - Social Worker
Tiffany Paine-Cirrinicone - Manager, not-for-profit
J. Bediau Afoh-Manin - lawyer
James Cronkwright - Sales/Marketing
Tim King - Retired Training Manager (Team Leader)

Above are the inbound GSE team members from the Philippines. Left to right are: Cindy David - Pediatrician, Annabelle Sim - College Professor, Eric Rodriguez - Artist/Businessman (Team Leader), Edwin Concepcion Jr. - Lawyer & Ma. Cielo Sarion - Medical Social Worker.

GSE team member Annabelle (at right) caught a fish and was so excited she had to kiss.

GSE team members Eric and Edwin also enjoyed fishing.
Foundation Auction nets almost $6,000

Pictured below are some of the many items that were donated for the Foundation auction.

A sincere and heartfelt **THANK YOU** goes to the following individuals & groups who helped make the 2012 District Conference a huge success:

- Scott Healy  Chairperson of the Newark Conference Committee
- Mark Kreuser  Conference Promotions/Registrar
- Steve Taylor  Committee Treasurer
- Holly Kreuser  Logistics/Banquet/Hospitality
- Fred Hicks  Foundation Matters
- Trudy Hicks  Official Photographer/Decorations/Support
- Bob Bendix  Entertainment
- Tim Johnson  Memorial Service
- Frank All  Security and Welcome Team
- Dana Marsh  Club Support
- John Tickner & Steve Mooney  Golf Event Planners
- Evie Taylor  Saturday Activities Coordinator
- Bob Hunt  District Group Study Exchange Chair
- Howard Selleck  Club Bulletin and Website Awards Coordinator
- Bruce Spector  Attendance and Membership Awards Winner Coordinator
- Mary Ann Mady  Literacy Winners Coordinator
- JJ Johnson  District Club Achievement Award Committee Chair
- Marian & PDG Chuck Turner  Foundation Auction Coordinators
- Tony Conte & Brighton Rotarians  Foundation Auction Helpers
- Mark & Kim Clement  Games Coordinators
- Pittsford Rotarians  Welcome Team
- Warren Jordans & AG Skip Miller  Club Display Coordinators
- Travis Piper & Monsignor Schnacky Community Players
- The Philippine Dance Company of Rochester
- The Bill Tiberio Jazz Band
- The Pickin’ for Polio Band
- The YE students/Interactors/Rotaractors
- District YE Committee officers and members
- Ryan Marx & the Hyatt Regency Hotel Management & Staff
- All Donors of Give-aways
- All Donors of Foundation Auction Items
- All Conference Attendees

And a special “Thank You” to all who provided photos for this special edition of the Grapevine.