

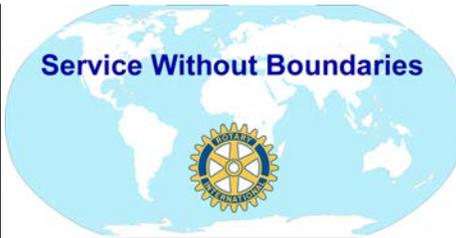
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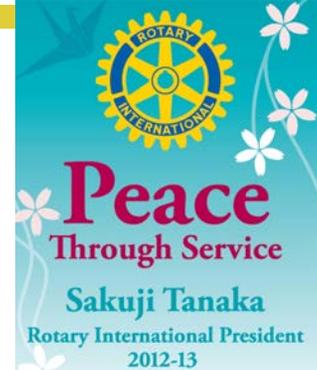
May, 2013



District 7470 Governor
Avinash (Avi) Tilak



RI President
Sakuji Tanaka



Avi's Agenda

Congratulations to our clubs for their achievements.

Four of our clubs will receive Governor's Citation. They are: Blairstown, Irvington, Pequannock Valley and Rockaway.

A club must achieve excellence in at least 3 of the 4 categories to qualify for the Governor's Citation. The four categories are Humanitarian Projects, Public Relations / Public Image, Foundation Support and Membership Gains.

In addition, Seven clubs will be recognized for Humanitarian Projects (Bernardsville, Blairstown, Caldwell, Denville Sunrise, Irvington, Pequannock Valley, and Wallkill Valley),

Seven for Public Relations / Public Image (Bernardsville, Blairstown, Caldwell, Denville, Irvington, Pequannock Valley and Rockaway),

Five for Foundation Support (Belvidere, Blairstown, Lake Hopatcong, Rockaway and Wallkill Valley) and

Three for Membership Gains (Irvington, Pequannock Valley and Rockaway).

The following 8 Rotary clubs have received RI Presidential Citation: Cedar Grove, Irvington, Madison, Maplewood, Parsippany, Pequannock Valley, South Orange and Vernon.

In addition, the Rotaract Club of Seton Hall

University, Interact Club of Irvington Township, and Interact Club of Parsippany Hills High School have received RI Presidential Citation.

These clubs will be recognized during our District Conference.

Ten of our clubs applied for and received 12 District Simplified Grants (\$12,000 total). Most of the clubs have completed the work their projects. Congratulations.

We also applied for 14 Matching Grants (\$ 154,000 total) to be implemented within the 4-county area of our district. Thirteen of these grants are approved and are in various stages of implementation. We expect the remaining grant to be approved soon.

We sponsored 10 International Matching Grants (total \$110,000) to be implemented abroad. Most of these grants are approved and are in various stages of implementation.

The main difference between a Rotary Club and a Social Club or a Country Club is the humanitarian work we do. Thanks to the tireless efforts of our clubs, the distinction is very clear.

Avi

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Spotlight

LOUISE FORBES



When we asked Louise Forbes about her journey to Rotary, here is what she said . . .

" My being a Rotarian is a convergence of four main factors in my life: home, school, professional life and parenting. When I look back at this combination, I see that I have lived with the ideals of Rotary since early childhood although by different names.

My first exposure to Rotary was probably as a child seeing signs on streets for Elks, Eagles, Kiwanis, Rotary, Knights of Columbus, with a fuzzy notion that they were organizations for men who did good things for the town. They were secret and special. Women were allowed to be helpers as the auxiliary.

My parents were very ethical, moral and caring people. We were taught from an early age to always try to do our best at whatever we did, and to share and help others.

School was a big deal for me. I now was expected to represent the ideals of my school as well as my family. These years brought involvement in various collections and fundraisers (paper drives, raffle tickets, chocolate bars) and helping others.

In AT&T, I worked for a Senior VP who was a member of the Princeton NJ Rotary Club. He invited his core staff to be guests at their annual Vocational Service celebration where Buzz Aldren was the guest speaker. So I thought that this must be a pretty impressive organization, if my boss, a Princeton and MIT grad, and Aldren were present. My interest was piqued and I wanted to know more about Rotary. "

As you can see, the recurring theme in Louise Forbes' life has been Service to others; and life-long learning.

Luckily for us, she finally found out more about Rotary, and then joined Bernardsville Rotary in 2006. Since joining, she served twice as her club's President, served as Assistant Governor for 3 years, and has served on numerous District committees. Louise was recognized with "Rotarian of Year" award by PDG Jim Alison.

She comes from a large family (8 siblings and 50+ in immediate family). Her daughter Maria lives in Morristown and works as an Operations Manager in the financial industry.

Her professional career was with AT&T in customer service, training, and other HR functions --- a career that focused on serving not only the customers, but also employees and local community.

April Contest Winner

Question: Of the current clubs in District 7470, which decade saw creation of the largest number of clubs? Which decade saw creation of the smallest number of clubs?

Answer: 1920s saw creation of 15 clubs. 1990s saw creation of zero clubs.

Winner: The winner (chosen randomly) is Carolyn King from Wallkill Valley Rotary. She will receive a \$100 gift certificate towards District Conference.

Mark your Calendar **Banner Exchange**

June 20, 2013 – 6:00 pm

Cocktails, Hors D'Oeuvres
Dinner and Open Bar
\$55.00 Per Person

Mayfair Farms
481 Eagle Rock Avenue
West Orange



Extends Registration until May 17th

An amazing adventure is coming in June!

District 7470 will host RYLA for Club in the District on June 7-9, 2013. (Rotary Youth Leadership Award). This three-day intensive program is designed to teach high-school juniors leadership skills. They will be able to use these skills for the rest of their lives.

RYLA is known District wide for changing people's lives and helping them understand how they can partner with Rotary to make a difference in this world. 100 juniors from high school are expected to converge on Drew University, not only to learn from the best and brightest in our District, and also to learn from each other and figure out how they can support each other in their ongoing projects.

RYLA Starts Friday night with a series of welcome remarks, and drives right into making sure the students get to know each other well. Saturday morning they get up and are immediately treated to several motivational and inspiring speakers. The speakers will help the students to not only see what they can do, they will give them actionable takeaways to improve themselves and the ideas that they are passionate about.

In the afternoon the entire agenda is designed to be experiential learning. Some ideas that are presented in a classroom setting are not as effective as taking those same ideas and putting them to work in an experiential learning environment. These events have been specifically designed for the RYLA students. They will intentionally push them and will have them achieve excellent outcomes while learning.

The highlight of the weekend is a speech given by a motivational speaker who truly teaches the students, in a unique way, how to "break through your fears". This fundamental experiential learning, coupled with positive groups of people, never fails to excite and inspire the youth. It teaches them the values that Rotary holds so dear.

The next morning, we talk about what they can do by providing them with opportunities within Rotary to con-

tinue to serve and work together. These include Interact Clubs short-term and long-term exchanges as well as opportunities throughout the District to become leaders who are capable of making changes in the world.

Rotary clubs around the District say that this is one of their favorite events because it changes people's lives. Mark, a past attendee said: "This was the most amazing experience of my life!" Pam from Moorestown said: "What I learned here I will use for the rest of my life." Jason said it was "amazing".

RYLA still has a few vacancies left, so if you have a student who is interested please see the President of your Rotary club for an application. All students are sponsored by the Rotary club for \$290 inclusive.

Final Deadline for registration is May 17th and should be sent to Barry Kroll, 27 Laurel Way, Madison NJ 07940. Be sure to include payment.

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Council On Legislation Report

Rotary International's Council On Legislation ended just a few days ago. PDG Ted Krisanda, our representative to COL, has summarized important changes that will affect all of us on July 1, 2013. Here is his report.

Changes to all Rotary Club Constitutions. (takes effect July 1, 2013)

1. Club Secretaries must be a member of the club board. Previously that was optional.
2. A Club president must have been a member of that club for one year before being nominated as a club president, or have approval from the District Governor.
3. Rotary Clubs cannot charge a former member of that club a second admission fee.
4. Members can use attendance at club service projects and events as make ups for their regular meeting attendance.
5. Excused absences that extend more than 12 months may be renewed by the board and are not counted as an absence for attendance records.
6. In the "rule of 85" which is the aggregate of members age & years in Rotary, the member can be any age. The age of 65 was dropped.
7. If the spouse of an RI officer (District Governor) is a Rotarian. They are excused from the attendance requirements.
8. The 5th avenue of service is changed from New Generations Service to Youth Service.

Changes to RI By-Laws. (takes effect July 1, 2013)

1. Satellite clubs meeting were approved.
2. Any number of e-clubs are allowed in each district.
3. As of July 1, 2013 the District Assembly will now be called the District Training Assembly.
4. District Governor added responsibility ensure that the constitution and by-laws of clubs comply with RI constitutional documents, especially following councils on legislation.
5. In the District Governor chain the person before the District Governor Nominee will be called The District Governor Nominee Designate.
6. The nominating committee for Governor will select a Past Governor to be named Vice Governor. Only role to replace the DG during temporary or permanent inability to perform DG duties.
7. Dues increase 2014-15 \$0.50 per half year, each half year \$0.50 additional until 2016-17.

Changes to RI Constitution (Requires 2/3 yes votes) (takes effect July 1, 2013)

1. Allow Rotarians who left work to help spouse in their work or to raise children or who never worked to be Rotarians. (ex. homemaker classification)

2. A club board may terminate a member with 2/3 vote of those present and voting.

3. Transferring member from another club needs to request a letter from previous club as to payment of dues etc. If such letter not provided in 30 days assumed that there is no money owed.

The Facts and Nothing But the Facts about The Rotary Foundation

This year our District has been able to help homeless veterans reintegrate into their communities, provide literacy related projects to help local children including computer equipment for after school programs, and growing food for distressed area families through gardens managed by food pantries. District 7470 received 14 matching grants of \$11,000 each totaling \$154,000. The Rotary Foundation provided \$126,000 of this money. Our District also gave 12 simplified grants to clubs for \$1,000 each of which the Foundation provided \$12,000. The amount received from the Rotary Foundation this year and spent in our district will be \$138,000. Another approximately \$110,000 was spent on international projects that were sponsored by the District. So this means that \$248,000 of Foundation money was spent by our District.

The problem is that our District Foundation contribution levels have been dropping for the last three years. Last year only \$118,000.00 was given, less than what was spent in District this year, that was down from \$124,000.00 the year before and this year to date contributions are down by 10%. Considering the new future visions format three years hence there will be less than \$25,000 to spend locally if the members and clubs continue this trend and don't reach Governor Avi's goal of \$150,000 in contributions. In comparison to other programs supported by our generous members and clubs the Rotary Foundation's annual giving fund, the backbone of our organization, has fallen short of its goals in recent years.

It is not the money, it is the lives touched by our Foundation that makes the difference.

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Attendance Report

	Member Count	YTD Gain/Loss	Marchy Attendance.
Morris Plains	56	-1	96.00%
Belvidere	9	0	94.00%
Pequanock Valley	52	5	92.30%
Hackettstown	25	1	92.00%
Lake Hopatcong	23	0	92.00%
Blairstown	24	-2	90.00%
Denville	48	3	90.00%
Wharton/Mine Hill	10	-1	90.00%
Wallkill Valley	21	-4	88.80%
Dover	16	0	88.00%
Livingston	15	-1	86.66%
Denville Sunrise	14	0	86.00%
Randolph	30	0	86.00%
Chatham Millbur	7	1	85.71%
Hampton Township	21	0	85.00%
Nutley	26	0	85.00%
West Orange	40	-2	85.00%
Caldwells	32	1	84.40%
Rockaway Rotary	24	4	84.00%
Fairfield NJ	5	5	83.00%
Maplewood	23	0	83.00%
Glen Ridge	21	-1	82.14%
Mount Olive	9	0	80.56%
Livingston Sunrise	25	-1	78.60%
Netcong-Stanhope	14	0	78.00%
Ironbound (Newark)	7	-3	76.00%
Florham Park	12	0	75.00%
Jefferson Township	12	1	75.00%
Madison Rotary	83	3	75.00%
Roseland Rotary	5	0	75.00%
Phillipsburg	27	-1	73.00%
South Orange	9	0	72.22%
Butler/Triboro	14	1	71.43%
Morristown	57	-5	69.57%
Irvington	16	0	68.75%
Montclair	23	-2	65.22%
Par-Troy Rotary	21	1	63.41%
Newton	101	-6	60.00%
Bernardsville	31	-3	58.06%
Branchville	31	-2	54.05%
Newark	34	-10	53.85%
Mendham Rotary	21	-3	51.00%
Boonton	11	1	50.00%
East Hanover	5	-3	50.00%
East Orange	9	9	50.00%
Washington	17	0	42.65%
Chester-Long Valley	12	0	42.00%
Cedar Grove	18	2	31.68%
Belleville NR	7	10	0.00%
Bloomfield NR	13	0	0.00%
Montville Township NR	0	0	0.00%
Roxbury NR	19	0	0.00%
Vernon Township NR	1	0	0.00%
Whippany NR	27	0	0.00%
Total	1233	20	64.89%



Mary Ann's Marquee

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"It's a new month and, as that really old song said, "The Joint is Jumping!" Everything is coming to life – the trees, the flowers, baby animals, and Rotary 7470. Meetings are more lively, projects are being completed or started, our Walkfest is here, and our May conference committee is in high gear. My goodness, what a little warm weather can do."

Bernardsville – The generosity of your \$1000 donation for the local food bank and \$1000 for building materials for Union Beach, NJ to aid them from the damage from superstorm Sandy was only exceeded by your plans to send a work party there.

Blairstown - The North Warren Interact and Leo Clubs raised a tidy sum at your annual Easter Egg Hunt. How nice that an EarlyAct Club has been organized. Wow! John and Larry are tuck to tuck in ticket sales. Go Guys, Go!

Branchville – Well, how was the luncheon with the Rotaract Club of SCCC? How many other clubs accepted their gracious invitation to this annual event?

Caldwell – Another good idea, accepting food donations at your Willing Hearts Consignment shop. More work for your willing members – but you gain more food for the Food Pantry.

Denville - Good motivating comments on why we should read the Rotarian Magazine which arrives each month. 66? 66? Yes, you are 66. Yea!

Denville Sunrise – Wow! You've got a busy month of June planned in the community, i.e. Centennial Parade,

and the Duck Race, plus our district events, i.e. District Assembly and Banner Exchange. Whew!

Glen Ridge – Are you ready for your annual High Honors Dinner? I see Jean brought in another member and even got PDG Bob Pityo to do the induction.

Hackettstown – Good luck in your search for grant projects this year. They do help us tackle new projects with the additional money. Are you having a 'Memorial Motor Madness Car Show'? Let's get out those cars and roll. Beep! Beep!

Livingston – You have some very worthy projects to consider when you are applying for some grants. Good Luck! Livingston Sunrise – Another \$26,000 check to the St. Barnabas Neonatal Intensive Care Unit from your 9th Annual Food and Wine Tasting Event. Impressive! Every year – another check!

Madison – You must be very proud of all the community recognition awards you received. One from the Union Center National Bank's Community Outreach Program, another from Madison Education Association, another from the The Inter-Faith Food Pantry. These are just a few of the programs you are involved with.

Mendham – Another year – another antique. Hope you did well at your show. Now to start getting ready for the 4th of July parade.

Morris Plains – Well, did you bet on the winning horse during your 'Night at the Races'? It sounds as if it was a fun night.

Newton – Your Neighbors helping Neighbors event is such a wonderful service event for all the volunteers. Well? Where will the Annual Garden Party be?

Nutley – How was your Beefsteak Dinner? Your prize committee did a

super job getting gifts. Congratulations Barbara on receiving the Dr. Mattia award.

Parsippany-Troy Hills – Another successful 'Diaper Drive'! Diapers for infants and adults with a little help from RI 7470's simplified grant money and a lot of generous donations from the community.

Pequannock Valley – Did you have a nice luncheon with the Pompton Lakes Rotary Club? What district are they in? Joint meetings are lively – especially with a bunch of Rotarians.

Rockaway - At your Paul Harris Recognition Dinner you bestow the Paul Harris Fellow designation on exemplary community individuals who exemplify Rotary's Motto "Service Above Self". What a nice gesture of appreciation for them and a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

Wallkill Valley – You have been busy beavers. You used your R.I. 7470's simplified grant for "Operation Chillout" and now you will celebrate with a Wine Tasting fund raiser. How was the luncheon with the S.C. College Rotoractors?

Whippany - Did you actually make a profit from your cruise? Way to go – fun and frolic and a profit, too. which can be used to make donations like your \$500 donation to the Morristown Neighborhood House.

"Thank you all for your wonderful bulletins this month. So much being done, so much yet to do. If you want to be inspired even more – go to the District Conference. I think we need some Rotary Cheerleaders at our events – old and young – 'mix 'em up, match 'em up --- way up' (In case you didn't get that, it was supposed to be a cheerleading cheer)." "See you next month."

Rotary International Convention Lisbon, Portugal June 23 – 26, 2013

Rotarians from around the world gather each year to exchange great ideas, connect with old and new friends, have fun, and advance the work of Rotary. The 2013 RI Convention will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, 23-26 June, in 2013.

What an opportunity this is for you. Rotary International conventions offer an ideal opportunity to network with Rotarians from all over the world, develop your leadership skills, and connect with others who share your recreational, professional, or humanitarian interests. You can learn about RI programs and important updates during workshops, and be motivated by inspiring speakers during plenary sessions. Expand your horizons at the House of Friendship by learning about service projects, or showcase a project of your own! Broaden your appreciation of Rotary's global impact and strengthen your commitment to service.

Whether you're a Rotarian, a member of the Family of Rotary, or a guest, the convention offers a memorable experience unlike any other.

From the bustling House of Friendship to breakout sessions to preconvention meetings, the RI Convention is your way to connect with the family of Rotary.

Thought-provoking speakers and world-class entertainers await Rotarians in Lisbon. Get the **Full Schedule** of plenary and breakout sessions as it is announced. Portugal's capital is an enchanting mix of centuries-old splendor and modern appeal. From sun-drenched beaches to haute cuisine, **Lisbon has something for everyone.**

District Assembly 2013

Reserve the date:

District Assembly is on June 13, 2013 from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Hanover Manor

**PETS is the time to train next year's presidents.
District Assembly is the time to train her/his leadership team.**

Training specifically designed for Club officers including President-Elects, Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Chairs and Webmasters. We will discuss various strategies to make your year the most memorable and successful. Training topics include:

Compliance Issues	Tax Returns	Rotary Central
Rotary regulations	Insurance	Leadership
Membership Develop.	Best Practices	Public Relations
Successful meetings	Member Engagement	Technology

Go to the district website at www.rotarydistrict7470.org to download a club registration form

And . . . you will have a great opportunity to meet other district Rotarians, to make new friendships, to renew earlier friendships, and to have fun.



Rotary Leadership Institute turned out to be a great success. District 7470 graduated 19 Rotarians. PDG Karien Ziegler and DG Avi Tilak are congratulating the graduates.

Livingston Sunrise presents \$26,000.00 check to St. Barnabas NICU with the Food Tasting Committee and hospital representatives:

Names from left to right: Louis Urban, Debra Morrone-Colella, Dr. Sun, Georgia Solotoff, Dr. Kamtorn, Monte Ehrenkrantz, Lou LaSalle, Club President Peter Dakich



ROTARACT ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The [Rotaract Club of the Sussex County Community College](#) hosted its annual luncheon for the Rotary Clubs of Sussex County. The affair was held in the beautiful Atrium of the lovely S.C.C.C. Arts Building on the college campus in Newton, N.J.

The Newton Rotary Club held its regular meeting during this luncheon with its President Carl Luthman officiating. In addition to members of the Rotaract Club, their advisor Barbara Wortman, and the S.C.C. College President Paul Mazur, there were members of the 5 Sussex County Rotary Clubs, and some Rotary District 7470 dignitaries, i.e. DGE Barry Kroll, PDG George Kaiser, PDG Ken Meredith, AG Ellie Benz, and AG Corey Stoner.

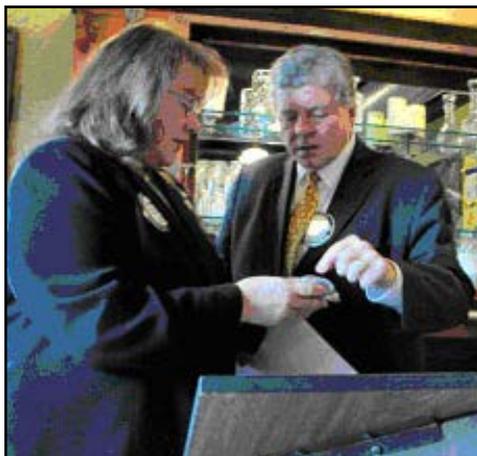
After a delicious luncheon, Carl introduced Barbara Wortman and she gave a little background on the Rotaract Club and then turned the meeting over to the students who presented a power point presentation with each member elaborating on each of their many projects. The club is very active and provided many service projects throughout the year including a 'Zumba Challenge'. Zumba is one of the newest dance exercise crazes. All club members had the opportunity to socialize with the Rotaract club members. It was a pleasant and enjoyable event.



Hackettstown Rotarians Raising Funds and Having Fun During A Paper Shredding Event



Bloomfield President Bernadette Kucharczuk recently presented the "Peace Through Service" pin to Bloomfield Rotarian Jim Treffinger



Lake Hopatcong Rotary Club supported Family Promise of Morris County with an \$11,000 Rotary Foundation Matching Grant. Family Promise provides shelter and on going support for homeless families. This grant will fund an all-house generator, a new telephone system, computer equipment, and daily living supplies for the homeless. Pictured from l to r are: Sean Gilfillan, Joe Giambattista and Robert Button (LHRC), Joann Bjornson (Executive Director of Family Promise), Robert DeCostanzo (Board Member of Family Promise) and District Governor Avi Tilak.



Matteo Ielmo serves Pomodoro's Italian dishes at the 11th annual *Taste of Morristown*. Over 500 people showed up for three hours of food tasting, and wine and spirits sampling. Apart from food and socializing, the event raises funds for such partners as Interfaith Food Pantry, the Neighborhood House, Morristown Medical Center and Jersey Battered Women's Services.



[Photo from a Neighbor News story] Rotary Club of Boonton President Joyce Wilson accepts a check from Jim Cook, vice president of the Union Center National Bank. "We commend Rotarians for their 'Service above Self' and hope our donation will be useful to meeting your Rotary Club outreach effort," said a bank representative. The Boonton Rotary Club meets every Tuesday at 12:15 pm at the IHOP, 304 Wootton St., in the Wal-Mart Shopping Center in Boonton.



Rotary Club of Irvington (RCOI) recently recognized community leaders with "Service Above Self" Awards. The photo shows from Left to Right:

Dr. Tom Panitch (Honoree); Rotary District Governor Avi Tilak; PO Sheyla Marquez, Irvington Police Dept (Honoree); Detective Quasim Austin-Turner, Irvington Police Dept (Honoree); Firefighter, Keith McKoy, Irvington Fire Dept (Honoree); Jennifer Parris, Florence Avenue School - Parent Coordinator (Honoree); Pastor, Dolores Watson, FCCUCC (Honoree); RCOI President Merrick Harris; Jessica Quintana, McDonald's Irvington (Honoree); RCOI President-Elect Alison Bryant; RCOI Past President Harry Perryman; RCOI Past President Cassandra Graham; RCOI Fundraising Committee Co-Chair Sandra Ferguson