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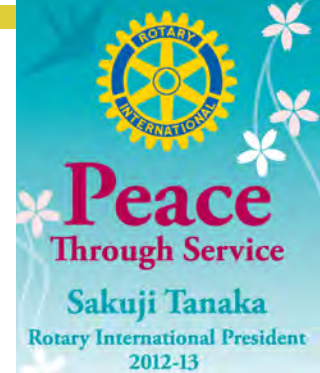
June, 2013



District 7470 Governor
Avinash (Avi) Tilak



RI President
Sakuji Tanaka



Avi's Agenda

Our district conference was a grand success. We are publishing a separate issue of In-Flight focused on the conference. Many attendees commented that we had one of the best lineup of speakers. At the top of the billing was past RI President Carl Wilhelm Stenhammar. The hotel layout, central courtyard surrounded by plenary, basket, display and hospitality rooms, was very conducive to fellowship and socialization. More on this in the dedicated conference issue.

I want to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your district governor. A governor will accomplish nothing without the support and active help from all Rotarians. I want to thank my assistant governors, committee chairs and committee members for making this year a great success. Thanks to the PDGs for sharing their experiences before I started my year. And, thanks to my Denville club members, who took care of my administrative needs.

Given my background, my highest priority was humanitarian projects. Rotary is the only organization in this world which truly serves the entire humanity, without any boundaries. All man-made divisions, like race, religion, nationality, ethnicity, etc., that lead to conflicts, fall by the wayside when Rotarians are involved. Our clubs are doing Matching grants and District Simplified grants totaling \$165,000 within our 4 county district. At the

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In Memoriam . . . PDG George Mitola



George Mitola, Sr., 80, of Summit, previously East Hanover, passed away peacefully on May 23, 2013. George was a US Army Veteran during the Korean Conflict and was the owner of Mitola's Deli in W. Orange and Livingston. He was the district Governor and past president of the W. Orange Rotary Club, member of the W. Orange UNICCO, Knights of Columbus and Elks and past member of Brooklake Country Club. Beloved husband of the late Anna Mitola and Shirley Mitola. Devoted father of Anna Catalano, her husband Joe, George Mitola Jr, his wife Mindy, Mark Mitola, his wife Kathy,

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same time, we have contributed over \$110,000 to Matching grants abroad.

These grants ranged from providing rescue boat to a local fire department, to helping our homeless veterans become productive members of local communities, to performing 1,000 eye surgeries, to providing potable water to 50,000 schools children. Check the Spotlight section of Feb issue of In-Flight for details. I hope the breadth and depth of projects listed will give you new ideas for future.

My second highest priority was increasing public awareness of Rotary, its mission and its accomplishments. We started a Facebook page, that is growing in postings. Many clubs have also started Facebook pages. A few clubs launched websites. Those that already had websites are updating them more often. Clubs are submitting stories to local print and web papers in greater number. Through RI grants, our district ran radio spots on WCBS 88FM and on Cablevision / Comcast. These grants also allowed us to put up billboards focusing on clean water, polio eradication, literacy and Gift-of-Life. There were advertisements in all local editions of Patch, a web only news paper.

Congratulations to all club presidents, club committees and club members for your successful year. Without your successes, district would not be where it is. I am enjoying basking in the reflected glory of your successes. I catalogued the humanitarian work our clubs did in local communities over the last year.

PDG George Mitola

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Renee Ennis, her husband Craig, Don Michael and his wife Beth. Loving grandfather of Joey, Michael, Joanne, Christina, Anthony, Matthew, Amanda, Alyssa, Andrew, Alex, Adam, Lauren, Justin, Alexis, Don and Taylor. Great-grandfather of Brooklynn. Dear brother of Nick Mitola, Phyl Mitola, Connie Massa, Roseanne Cozza, Rocky Mitola and Lorraine Tortorella. Also leaves his precious dog Lucy and many friends.

Apart from Matching and District Simplified Grants, our clubs spent around \$700,000 on projects locally and internationally. These projects range from giving gift cards to local families, to providing medical supplies to St. Kitts Hospital! The clubs also gave out around \$150,000 in scholarships to local students. What a dedication to our Next Generation! I am humbled by what we do as a group.

We must remember, that we not only have an obligation to help locally, but also to help internationally. Our Rotary Foundation is our main vehicle for international projects. If you and your club has not contributed to the Foundation this year, do it now. To paraphrase . . . Give Early and Give Often :-)

Avi

RI, Zone 32 And District 7470 Awards

Last month, I listed the clubs that were receiving RI recognition and District recognition. Due to space limitation, I could not list clubs that won Zone 32 awards. Here are Rotary Zone 32 award winners:

Community Service Award: Denville, Irvington, Lake Hopatcong, Morris Plains, Parsippany and Pequannock Valley.

New Generations Award: Denville, Irvington, Morris Plains and Parsippany.

Peace Through Service Award: Irvington

Public Relations / Image Award: Denville, Irvington, Lake Hopatcong, Morris Plains and Parsippany.

Six Areas of Focus Award: Irvington, Lake Hopatcong, Morris Plains and Parsippany.

Service to Club Award for Individual Rotarian: Alison Bryant (Irvington), J. Ron Kelly (Morris Plains), and Peggy Mader (Parsippany)

Congratulations to all of you. I know for a fact that many other clubs were eligible. But for whatever reason, they did not submit the paperwork. It is my sincere hope that next year more clubs will submit applications if they qualify for an award.

Our GSE (Group Study Exchange) team from RI district 3120 has been here for the last 3 weeks. The team consists of the team leader Dr. Vipul S. Pandya, and 3 team members Ms. Pankhuri Agrawal, Mr. Krishna Gopal Bansal and Sarvesh Kumar Goel



Dear fellow Rotarians,
We extend heartiest wishes to members of RID 7470, through our GSE team. We are sure that GSE team would spread the love and charm of Indian culture and fellowship to your district and receive the same. Let's make the most of this opportunity and connect the ties of fellowship that transcend every barrier. Cheers!!

Poonam Agha & Dr. Ajai Kumar Agha
District Governor RID 3120-2013

PANKHURI AGRAWAL-TEAM MEMBER



PERSONAL:
Female, 25, Single, living in New Delhi. Father is a business man dealing with Hiring of tents. Mother is a house wife. Younger sister is completing B-Tech & Younger brother is studying in senior secondary.

PROFESSION:
Completed B-Tech in Information Technology in 2009. Currently working with a multinational Company TCS (TATA Consultancy Services) since past 3 years. Currently designated as Quality Lead. Managing the overall accuracy & timely delivery of services.

HOBBIES:
Listening Music & Scrapbooking

IN HER OWN WORDS:
Looking forward to GSE cultural & vocational exchange for enhancing my professional & leadership skills. Keen to know more about diverse cultures & spread Indian culture & tradition. Has a strong inclination towards learning quality analysis being followed in various transformational processes.

Dr. VIPUL S. PANDYA TEAM LEADER



PERSONAL:
VIPUL (52) married to Meena for past 30 years. Have a son Vaibhav (27) (Industrial Engg. USA) who is married with Pooja (25) a Clinical Research Assistant and a daughter Vartika (23), a graduate in Dentistry. VIPUL is running two companies of Printing & Packaging at Varanasi & Ahmedabad. VIPUL is staying in a joint family. Where three generations are living together. VIPUL is staying in Varanasi (known as Cultural capital of India).

PROFESSION:
VIPUL is a graduate in Commerce and post graduate in Modern History and did his doctoral (Ph.D.) on the subject 'Origin and Development of Printing Industry'. VIPUL is also an International trainer of Junior Chamber. VIPUL is a recipient of different awards as a professional and as an academician.

ACADEMIC WORKS
VIPUL has written various articles in different books, Journals and periodicals. His focus is "Development of Individual & Leadership Skills".

IN ROTARY:
Joined Rotary 1996
President, Rotary Club Varanasi Central 2002
Founder, Rotary Club Varanasi Greater 2003
GSR Rotary Club Varanasi Down Town 2003
Intercity Chairman 2004, Asstt. District Trainer 2004
Chairman, Distt. Publications, Editor 'Leader'
Trainer, PETS/SETS
Multiple Paul Harris Fellow
Recipient of Different Awards in Club & District Level.

HOBBIES:
Sports, Reading, Travelling and Socializing

CONCLUDE:
I and my team members from RID 3120 looking forward to visit RID 7470 to develop our leadership skills and enrich our knowledge relating of Rotary. Keenly interested in knowing cultural heritage and social structure of the country who has rich history of becoming world leader.

KRISHNA GOPAL BANSAL-TEAM MEMBER



PERSONAL:

Aged 38 Years, married to Priti and having two sons Utkarsh, (13 Yrs) and Kushagra, (8 Years). His father is having a business of timber and mother is a home maker. Elder brother, an automobile engineer, is into the

family business of Plywood manufacturing at Sitapur, U.P.

PROFESSIONAL:

KG is a commerce Graduate and a chartered Accountant also qualified as an 'Information & System Auditor' from ICAI in 2001. Practicing as a partner in a leading firm of Chartered Accountants in since 1997 and looking after the auditing and taxation of various individuals/ business enterprises/ corporations/ government departments etc.

IN HIS OWN WORDS:

Look forward to GSE tour as a rare opportunity to interact with the entrepreneurs and professionals in the United States of America to understand the corporate and business governance and its effective implementation in their country.

SARVESH KUMAR GOEL-TEAM MEMBER



PERSONAL:

37years (Married) have two daughters Nandini (10) and Anahita (1.5years). His father is a businessman having Ricemill, Cold Storage and Food Grain Trading Center. Mother and Wife are home maker. Younger

sister is a Gynecologist and owns a hospital. Younger Brother is into Retail business of building material business. He is a member of joint family. Family includes his father's and 3 uncle's family.

PROFESSIONAL:

Sarvesh is a commerce graduate from Lucknow University, did his schooling from G D Birla Memorial School, Ranikhet. He is looking after Retail of Building Materials and running a children School.

HOBBIES:

Drama, Play, sports like tennis, golf, table tennis, swimming. Love to explore places. Enjoy reading magazines.

IN HIS OWN WORDS:

I feel that I am going to learn a lot about the Culture and People there. This time I will try to learn the most after my student life because I will be solely focussed on the GSE program, away from all my routine activities.

Vocational Service Award

Each year, our district honors a Rotarian of our district who uses their vocation as a means to promote the ideals of Rotary – in other words, someone who truly lives the Rotary motto: Service Above Self.

This Rotarian is nominated by their peers as one who uses the skills and contacts they've developed in the business life and career to help society at no reward for themselves.

Do you know such a person? Is there a member of your club who uses their professional skills and abilities to benefit the community? Someone who gives of themselves above and beyond their "job description" and helps others without thinking "What's in it for me?"

The NJ State Rotary Vocational Assembly will be held on October 7, 2013 at The Pines Manor in Edison, NJ. This is the occasion where Rotarians from all of New Jersey come together to promote Vocational Service as an important aspect of Rotary, and to honor those who have been selected by their Rotarian peers as one who exemplifies the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self".

Be thinking about who fits these criterion. Nomination information will be forthcoming.

Mark your Calendar Banner Exchange

June 20, 2013 – 6:00 pm

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

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Attendance Report

	Member Count	YTD Gain/Loss	April % Attendance.
Wharton/Mine Hill	11	0	100.00%
Morris Plains	60	0	93.00%
Belvidere	9	0	91.00%
Blairstown	23	-1	91.00%
Denville	48	0	91.00%
Butler/Triboro	13	0	90.38%
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Nutley	26	0	89.00%
Walkill Valley	21	0	87.70%
Denville Sunrise	14	0	87.00%
Chatham Millburn	8	0	85.00%
Jefferson Township	12	0	84.00%
Livingston Sunrise	25	0	84.00%
Vernon Township	16	0	84.00%
Pequannock Valley	52	0	82.70%
Madison Rotary	81	-2	81.50%
Dover	16	0	81.00%
Rockaway Rotary Club	24	0	81.00%
West Orange	40	0	80.00%
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Ironbound (Newark)	7	0	78.00%
Whippany	26	0	78.00%
Branchville	30	-1	77.31%
Glen Ridge	22	0	77.27%
Randolph	30	0	77.00%
Livingston	15	0	76.60%
Phillipsburg	27	0	76.00%
Mount Olive Township	9	0	75.56%
Morristown	57	0	73.83%
Netcong-Stanhope	14	0	72.00%
Maplewood	23	-1	70.00%
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Bernardsville	34	2	69.23%
Florham Park	12	0	66.66%
Par-Troy Rotary	21	0	65.85%
Montclair	24	1	64.96%
Belleville	7	0	64.00%
Irvington	16	0	63.75%
Mendham Rotary	21	0	60.00%
Boonton	11	0	53.00%
East Hanover	5	0	50.00%
Newton	101	0	50.00%
Roseland Rotary	5	0	50.00%
Newark	36	2	47.54%
Bloomfield - NR	13	0	0.00%
Caldwells - NR	32	0	0.00%
Cedar Grove - NR	18	0	0.00%
Chester-Long Valley - NR	8	0	0.00%
East Orange - NR	9	0	0.00%
Fairfield NJ - NR	5	0	0.00%
Hackettstown - NR	25	0	0.00%
Hampton Township - NR	21	0	0.00%
Lake Hopatcong - NR	23	0	0.00%
Montville Township - NR	0	0	0.00%
Roxbury - NR	19	0	0.00%
South Orange - NR	9	0	0.00%
Washington - NR	17	0	0.00%
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Mary Ann's Marquee

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Hi again. It's almost summer and almost time for a new Rotary year to begin. As I read your bulletins I am constantly aware of all the service projects you do. I am also aware, as you should be, that so many of our PDGs spearhead these projects, working in front and behind the scenes. DG Avi has, and DGE Barry will have good support from these fine Rotarians. Now - let's see what you've been doing.

Bernardsville - Your upcoming physical plans for the Walkfest, Track Meet, Duck Race, USGA fund-raiser and the Charter Day in Basking Ridge is mentally exhausting in addition being physically exhausting. Wheaties for all!!!

Blairstown - Are you getting ready for your 4th of July fireworks?

Branchville - You better hurry up and sell those aprons. The Sussex / State Fair is sneaking up on you and you don't want to get sausage drippings on your nice Rotary shirts in your food booth.

Caldwell - 42 years of golf outings - that's a lot of tee shots. You have some very generous donors who know their money is being put to good use by you. Fore!!

Denville - Well, how was your 32nd annual Denville Street Fair? Tell us all about it. Who did what? When? Where? Were there many people? Details, please..

Denville Sunrise - Earth Day! Sounds like you had a good day and awarded prizes to three students for the best environmental posters. Now for the ducks.

Glen Ridge - How was your barbeque bash and your 'many club' golf outing? Did you, Bloomfield, Belleville, and Nutley all work together on the golf outing?

Hackettstown - Rip it up! Shred it down! To little pieces! Did you get enough for a ticker-tape parade in your shredding day? But you kept books in tact and, working with Centenary College, these books will be sent to Ethiopia.

Ironbound - Some bright student appreciated your scholastic achievement award and many young students will get brighter when they use their new dictionaries.

Irvington - One step at a time in your first 'Walk to End Polio Now' supported by the Irvington High School, the Mayor, and the Essex-Union area of the Support Group of the N.J. Polio network. And the cheer leader was - ????? - our very own PDG Karien - escorted by the Irvington Police and Fire Department.

Livingston and Livingston Sunrise - Good luck on your joint "Pedals 4 Progress Bike Collection."

Madison - 150 people at your club's 90th birthday party - what a great turnout. Don't tell anybody, but you're "OLD". That's a lot of service years.

Mendham - Congratulations on your successful Antique Show. How was your 'meet and greet' event at the Provident Bank? What a great idea to let people meet you and learn about Rotary.

Morris Plains - Don't you just love when a child catches a fish in your annual child fishing contest? Their smiles are ingratiating. 'It never rains in Morris Plains' - where is Eliza Doolittle when you need her?

Newton - That \$100,000 that you gave to the Newton Medical Center is

so impressive and it inspired an anonymous donor to offer a matching gift of \$1 million to the center if they can match it, and your gift will be part of that match.

Nutley - Wow, you're having your installation dinner early. You afraid your incoming president will run for the hills? That's quite a head start.

Parsippany-Troy Hills - The 'Car Seat Check' that you are co-sponsoring with the town is an excellent 'safety' program. "You GO Interacts!" Three of your Interactors will attend RYLA this year.

Pequannock Valley Congratulations President Doug - 'Citizen of the Year' from Township of Pequannock, Your club is having an Installation Dinner Cruise? What an innovative idea. But - don't rock the boat - (Dramamine anyone?)

Rockaway - Our condolences for the loss of your longest service active member, Ilmar Aasmaa (90 years old).

Wallkill Valley - Guess you'll plan another Wine Tasting Event since it was such a success. Now you will fete your precious senior citizens with a breakfast. They look forward to it and you look forward to seeing them each year.

Whippany - Talk about long-range planning! You've already got one of your fund raisers planned for next January. P.S.- I, too, thought Jimmy Carter founded Habitat for Humanity - guess your speaker cleared that up.

Rotary service has been ongoing for over 108 years and will continue as long as there are Rotarians who 'believe'. As one Rotarian said "Believe in what you do and do what you believe." In closing for this Rotary year, may your successes be many and your losses be few.

District Conference May 16-19, 2013

Our district conference was a great success. Those who attended called it one of the best.

We were fortunate to have Carl Wilhelm Stenhammer is the representative of RI president Sakuji Tanaka. CWS, was RI President in 2005-2006, and Chair of the Trustee Board of the Rotary Foundation in 2010-2011. The conference focused on Foundation with speakers ranging from Alan Hurst and David Forward to our Foundation scholars, Courtney Matson (Peace Fellow) and Leo Redmond (Ambassadorial Scholar).

NJ Teacher of the Year (2011-2012) Jeanne DelColle gave an amazing presentation on the impact of teachers on students and how it shapes them. Host District Governor (D7390) Dennis Zubler and Director of Lancaster Tourism Bureau (and Rotarian)

Cheryl Deaven welcomed us all to Lancaster.

Club presidents Lora Villavicencio (Denville) and Merrick Harris (Irvington) described their service projects.

Solanco High School Chorale sang for us; and Rick Starr, a professional comedian provided entertainment on Friday night.

All in all, a great conference. We will publish a separate issue of In-Flight dedicated to photos from the conference. This regular issue has a few select photos.



Conference Chair Tony Toriello welcoming everyone



Rotary World Peace Fellow (2011-2012) Courtney Matson describes the impact of fellowship on her, personally and professionally.



Cathie and PRID Bob Coultas (official aide to RI Rep), Vee and DG Avi Tilak, Monica and PRIP Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammer (official RI President's representative)

Our Rotary Youth Exchange students presenting themselves.



Governor and governors to be (or as they say the G-string)



NJ Teacher of the Year (2011-2012) Jeanne DelColle hypnotized the audience with her presentation.





PRIP Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammer making a point



DGE Barry receiving Paul Harris Society recognition from PRIP Carl-Wilhelm



Jenga needs a lot of concentration, especially after a few drinks

And sometimes, no amount of concentration will help you



The rowdy bunch in Denville Rotary Club's hospitality room.



Memorial Service on Sunday

Walkill Valley Helps Homeless Veterans

Last month, members of the Vietnam Veterans group of Vernon accepted backpacks from the Walkill Valley Rotary Club for Operation Chillout. The backpacks, for returning homeless veterans, are filled with meager necessities (food gift cards, shirts, socks, hats, gloves, toiletries, etc.) to assist them for a short period of time. The backpacks and contents were purchased with the use of monies received with a district simplified grant from District 7470.



Front: Walkill Valley Rotarians Daniel Gepford, Sharon Hosking, Carolyn King

Rear: Rotarian Ken Meredith, Vietnam Veterans Jerry Magnus, John Brady, John Harrigan, and Owen Martin

Denville Rotary Helped Celebrate Denville's Centennial

Denville Rotary participated in the huge Denville Centennial Parade. The Rotarians built a float with a Carousel showing the many projects they have taken on thru the years.

Denville Sunrise Club was also in the Parade with their huge float promoting their annual Duck Race.

