



# Rotary District 7500 Newsletter

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Rotary International

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## Governor's Message

### To All Rotarians in District 7500

**Bernard "Bud" Umbaugh**  
Centennial District Governor

#### The One C-word I Was Not Ready For

When you take on the responsibility of the Governor's position you understand you have to face a lot during your term of office. My first goal was to complete my 41 official club visits before Thanksgiving and I did that with time to spare. Then there is many other speaking engagements spread throughout our three county area. You plan and hold meetings with district officers and directors and special project meetings with club presidents and the list goes on and on.

You sometimes think there are not enough hours in the day to complete your Rotary work and forget personal problems, there is no time for them and by all means don't get sick you have no time to get sick, that is out of the question, or is it?

When you think about C-words in Rotary you come up with the two big ones, Club and Community. I was ready for them when I became Governor. The one C-word I wasn't ready to deal with as Governor is the one C-word that most of us can't or won't deal with until we have no choice – CANCER.

I grew up in a family that had to deal with it many times but we still didn't talk about it.

In mid-December my doctor suggested I have a biopsy of my prostate. "Probably nothing to worry about" he said, "your PSA is a little elevated and I think I felt something so let's check it out".

It was a week before Christmas when I arrived at the doctor's office to get the results of my test. "I have good news" said the doctor and I smiled wide. "We caught it early". I said "we caught what early?" as the smile left my face as fast as it had arrived earlier. "The cancer" said the doctor, "two places in your prostate, but I think we really caught it early".

He continued to talk and explain the different options I would have and I listened but didn't hear much more after he said the word CANCER!

My diagnosis left me nearly paralyzed for the next two weeks. Telling only a few people, I waited to get that call that would tell me that there had been a terrible mistake, a mix-up and the results of my study showed nothing. The call never came.

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Prostate cancer strikes 230,000 American men a year causing 30,000 deaths. It rarely produces symptoms in its early stages. The best defense of any cancer is early detection. Unfortunately a lot of men don't realize that this disease can usually be treated successfully, providing the patient obtains an early diagnosis. Among the risk factors are age, family history of prostate cancer and African American race. Men also face higher risk if their diets are low in fruits and vegetables and high in animal fats.

The two main tests for prostate cancer detection are quick and simple. A prostate-specific antigen blood test (PSA) and a digital rectal exam. Early detection is necessary to prevent the cancer from spreading.

Today's surgical and radiation techniques can slow or get rid of most early prostate cancers. Patients often fear treatment will make them unable to engage in normal sexual activity or control urination. Doctors say that is mostly a myth. Most recent studies show that surgery leaves 93 percent of men continent and more than 65 percent fully potent.

Some may question why I have used this space to discuss my personal medical problem. If what I say only convinces one Rotarian to get checked and an early detection is the outcome then it's worth every word.

It's been six weeks since my surgery and my surgeon tells me I'm doing marvelous. I feel great, I look great and I returned to work just 14 day's after my operation.

A cancer diagnosis teaches you that you are very fragile and very vulnerable, regardless of who you are.

Not many of you knew that I was going through this. I did have to share the news with some that filled in for me on Rotary obligations.

I thank everyone who has supported me during this trying time. I look forward to completing my year as your Governor. It's been quite a trip and I welcome your comments about our year. Please write to me at [RotaryBud@aol.com](mailto:RotaryBud@aol.com).

**Have FUN and celebrate Rotary!**

**Gov. Bud**

**WE WANT TO SEE YOU AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE !!!!**

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**ROTARY AT 100****Freehold Club in the Asbury Park Press**

**A century ago today, a small group of businessmen was brought together to promote community service.**

Like any organization that survives 100 years, Rotary International has gone through a number of changes. Initially, for example, Rotary admitted men only, and you had to be a business owner to join. There also was an exclusivity rule: A chapter could have only one member from each occupation - one lawyer, one pharmacist, one restaurant owner, etc. But while those rules have gone by the wayside, the underlying purpose of Rotary remains the same: service to the community.

To be sure, a fair share of networking and socializing goes on at every meeting, but members say promoting community service is as important today as it was when Chicago attorney Paul Harris brought together a small group of businessmen for the first meeting of Rotary on this date 100 years ago. "We're not really the Chamber of Commerce," said Charles Stapp, 50, a furniture store owner and member of the Rotary of Freehold since 1987. By the way, the name "Rotary" comes from the group's early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices and homes. Now, most clubs have their meetings in the same place every week, usually in a local restaurant or banquet hall.

Twenty years ago, Linda M. Moldenhauer would not have been allowed to join Rotary. Today, the legal secretary is president of the Freehold club and is one of six women among its 42 members. "I like the camaraderie," she said Tuesday, as the club's weekly meeting began. "I like doing for others." In 1987, Rotary International relaxed its membership requirements to admit women. Now 15 percent of the 1.2 million members worldwide are women, according to Rotary International spokesman David Alexander. In the United States, 20 percent of Rotary members are women.

It was in the late 1980s that the Rotary Club's occupation exclusivity rule was relaxed as well. In Monmouth and Ocean counties, there are 26 Rotary clubs with 872 members, said Maureen Murray, spokeswoman for Rotary International District 7500, which includes the two counties and Burlington County.

The Freehold club is celebrating its 75th anniversary this Year. For most of those years, Frank Durand has been a member. Durand, 81, joined in 1951. Except for the 11 years he ran a motel in Las Vegas from 1964 until 1975, Durand has been an active member. "I enjoy the fellowship," he said, "and the good we do for the community."

Moldenhauer said the club does more than raise funds for various causes. Some of the projects are hands-on, she said, such as a Reading Buddies program in which members read stories to first-graders from the Park Avenue School for an hour a week. The club also donates books to the first-graders. Jack Marin, a certified public accountant in Freehold Township, described another project to the members at the Tuesday luncheon. He told of a Career Awareness Program he spearheads in which students from area high schools are taken to various businesses to learn about possible jobs.

The idea is for guidance counselor to identify sophomores who might be in danger of not graduating, Marin said. By exposing them to the kinds of jobs they could get with a high school diploma, it might motivate them to study more and graduate, he said.

A visit to the hospital On Tuesday, students went to Central State Medical Center, Marin said, and practiced things such as drawing blood (from dummies). Marin said it is heartwarming to see the impression the program makes on some students.

Exerts from Article by William Conroy

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## LA Times Article on 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Salk Vaccine

### A vaccine's gift!

Fifty years after Jonas Salk's discovery rescued a polio-threatened nation, a movement is on to celebrate its legacy of success. By Sara K. Clarke, Times Staff Writer

In the midst of the Great Depression, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, a survivor of polio, sparked one of the greatest biomedical breakthroughs of the century. He did it by starting a fundraising campaign.

His efforts drew ridicule from those who said the nation could never defeat polio when citizens could barely feed their families. But everyone, Roosevelt argued, could spare a dime. Seventeen years later, the March of Dimes, the campaign Roosevelt began, claimed success in its effort to find a vaccine that, in time, would make the terrifying polio summers a part of American history.

It was April 12, 1955, a decade after FDR's death, when the nation erupted in celebration. Dr. Jonas Salk's polio vaccine had been declared safe and effective.

The Salk vaccine, now being celebrated on its 50th anniversary, marked the beginning of the end for poliomyelitis in the United States. The incidence of the contagious disease, which typically strikes young children and can cause paralysis, fell by 85% in two years. The last case of the disease in the United States was recorded in 1979.

Now, in a nation where many children aren't even aware that polio existed, the anniversary of the vaccine is bringing about a renewed effort to tell the historic tale of success.

Celebrations were underway last week at places including the University of Pittsburgh, where Salk's lab was; the University of Michigan, where the vaccine's success was announced; and the Salk Institute, a La Jolla research facility founded by Salk.

Recently released books, including "Polio: An American Story," by David M. Oshinsky, describe how polio changed the social and medical landscape of the country. Others, such as "Living With Polio: The Epidemic and Its Survivors," by Daniel J. Wilson, focus on more personal stories.

The polio vaccine is also the focal point of an exhibit that opened Tuesday at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. The 3,000-square-foot exhibit is designed to educate adults and children alike about the triumph over polio.

"It was a great national victory, and a wonderful example of the will and determination of everyday people to fight back and overcome terrible adversity," said Dr. Jennifer L. Howse, president of the March of Dimes, which is sponsoring the Smithsonian exhibit with the Salk Institute and Rotary International.

Smithsonian curators Katherine Ott and G. Terry Sharrer are using interactive displays to interest younger visitors. A science station allows visitors to create a model of the polio RNA sequence and visitors can experience a tank respirator - otherwise known as an "iron lung" - in which many polio victims were confined.

Some of the artifacts on display include FDR's leg braces and a wheelchair used by Ed Roberts, a California polio survivor who advocated for the rights of the disabled.

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"With hindsight, we see all the places where polio had an impact," Ott said. Many aspects of the universal design movement, such as level subway platforms and lowered water fountains, accommodated the physical limitations of polio survivors.

Rita Bourgois, who contracted the disease in 1954, applauded the effort to bring its story back to life. She and her brother, who also had polio, were told by doctors that they were the only polio patients to walk out of their treatment hospital that year.

"As a child, we didn't know what was going on," she said. "We knew we had polio, but we didn't know how serious it was, or all the fear it created."

The effort to eradicate polio globally is still underway. Polio was present in more than 125 countries in 1988; by 2004, only 11 countries reported the disease.

"We knew in 1985 that the virus didn't represent a great threat against America," said William Sergeant, who heads Rotary International's polio effort. "We were determined to do something for the children of the world."

The polio virus requires a living host, and poses the biggest challenge in densely populated countries with many children, such as India, Sergeant said. An oral vaccine developed by Dr. Albert Sabin and introduced in the 1960s has made large-scale vaccinations possible. On just one day in January 2003, more than 165 million Indian children were immunized.

Immunizing Muslim communities has proven difficult, said Anil Garg, a Rotarian who has traveled to India four times to work with the polio program. In Nigeria and India, some Muslims remain distrustful, fearing that the Western-led immunization effort aims to sterilize Muslim children. Even after strong cooperation from Muslim leaders, 60% to 70% of polio cases in India are in the Muslim community, Garg said. In one heavily Muslim area of Nigeria, vaccinations resumed in July 2004, after a 10-month suspension that caused the virus to be reintroduced into several polio-free nations.

Rotary has pledged that it will stick with the campaign until the disease is documented as being eradicated, which requires three years free of outbreaks.

"Anything worthwhile goes through these sort of things," Sergeant said of the setback in Africa. "Things that are really important never are easy."

### **Closer to Home**

### **Asbury Park Press**

### **Michael Fornino**

The April 12 articles in the Asbury Park Press on the 50th anniversary of Dr. Jonas Salk's polio vaccine correctly pointed out the significance of this historic medical milestone, as well as the challenges faced by medical professionals and volunteers involved in the current effort to eradicate polio worldwide. Yet, little is covered about the contributions and leading role of Rotary International.

A global network of 1.2 million women and men united in humanitarian service, Rotary was the first to have the vision of a polio-free world in 1985. It was Rotary's foresight that sparked the Global Polio Eradication initiative, spearheaded today by the World Health Organization, Rotary International, UNICEF and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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As the lead private-sector contributor, Rotary has contributed more than \$500 million since 1985, and raised an additional \$123 million last year to help stem the program's current funding crisis. Rotary members also contribute countless volunteer hours in the field, working from dawn to dusk, squeezing drops of the oral polio vaccine into the mouths of children. We are volunteers, donating our time and personal resources to achieve a world without polio.

### Every Rotarian, Every Year

### We Need YOUR Help!!

District 7500 is now at only 30% of our annual goal for this important initiative. That means we only have \$ 45,000 of our Goal of \$ 150,000. This Goal was put forth and agreed to by Club Foundation Chairpersons and represents the total of \$100 per Rotarian per year. A number of Clubs have been creative in achieving their goals by holding special fundraisers, allocating Club Budgets (allowing members to offset or double their contribution) and of course good old fashioned lobbying for the cause. Any ideas for helping us achieve our Goal would be appreciated. Please forward them to Foundation Chair, PDG Dick Ritchie or to Gov Bud.

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What your Gifts Can Do!! Just some examples of what your Foundation Contributions DO!

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| \$ 100.00 | Text Books for 1 Elementary School in Zambia<br>Cataract Operations for 3 Blind Individuals in India<br>Mosquito netting for 35 homes in Bangladesh   |
| \$ 500.00 | A watch repair mini-business for 6 disabled workers in the Philippines<br>Carpentry tools for a vocational workshop that trains 150 deaf children a year in Gambia<br>5 small sewing businesses to give poor mothers in Mexico the ability to lead more self-sufficient lives |
| \$ 1,000  | Materials to construct a deep bore well in India supplying clean water to 300 people<br>Establishment of a tree nursery in Jamaica producing 5,000 seedlings annually and helping 700 farmers<br>Parasite and Anemia prevention materials for needy children in Brazil        |
| \$ 5,000  | Vaccine to fully immunize 10,000 children against polio<br>A mobile eye clinic to screen and treat patients with visual disabilities in India   |
| \$ 11,000 | Cleft lip and palate surgery and rehabilitation for 55 patients<br>A fully equipped ambulance<br>Travel expenses for a special focus Group Study Exchange Team to facilitate a humanitarian project with a Rotary Partner District  |
| \$ 25,000 | Life-saving neonatal equipment to a hospital for newborn babies in Argentina<br>A water system, sanitation, fishing gear, trees for reforestation, banana trees, roof-top gardens, flooring for huts, goats and a hen house for 6 underdeveloped Haitian Villages             |

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\$ 100,000 Education about the dangers of AIDS to more than 800,000 youths between the ages of 11 and 19 in Burundi  
Funding for 2 Rotary World Peace Scholars for the full two-year graduate program

### Canadian Program That Works

In its 59-year history, the Rotary Club of Orillia, Ontario, Canada, has a tradition of staunch support for The Rotary Foundation, always placing in the top three contributing clubs in District 7010. In 2004, for the first time, 100 percent of its members contributed to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund.

To encourage club members to contribute, District 7010's Foundation committee launched a special program in support of the Every Rotarian, Every Year effort called the Arch Klumph Society. (This society is different from the Arch C. Klumph Society established by The Rotary Foundation Trustees at their October 2004 meeting, honoring contributors of US\$250,000 or more cumulatively.) To be a member of the Orillia club's society, an individual must contribute a minimum of \$26.50 to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund each year. Members of the society receive a special Arch Klumph recognition pin and are encouraged to contribute \$100 annually and become a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member.

Every member of the Orillia club now proudly wears the Arch Klumph pin. How did the club decide on the minimum contribution of \$26.50? That was the amount of the first donation ever received by the Foundation — from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, in 1918.

### Red Bank

### Rotarian of 50 years Memorialized

The late Dr. James Alvin Parker, DDS, who was a member of the Red Bank Rotary Club for over 50 years, was lauded at a memorial service today at the First Unitarian Church of Monmouth County, Lincroft.

The pastor, Reverend Kathleen Hepler, officiated. Several keynote speakers talked about Dr. Parker, including his oldest son, James Alvin Parker, Jr., along with some dear friends, going back to his days at Lincoln University.

Dr. Parker was born and lived in Ocala Florida until the age of 15 when he went to join his father and step mother in the Bronx, where he graduated from Morris High School. He then attended and graduated from Lincoln University and Dental School. He was married for 59 years to his childhood sweetheart and they had 6 children, one of which is adopted. Alvin had a wonderful sense of humor, which was exemplified by several of his patients who later during the service, stood up and told some wonderful stories of him, and what a wonderful humanitarian he was, In addition to comments heard, several attendees sang songs dedicated to Dr. Parker. Reverend Helper read a statement from our club which summarized the eloquence and dignity of this man and all of the great principles for which he stood. His charisma and interest in education will never be forgotten, and the legacy he left will always be enjoyed by every member of this club and all who ever met him.

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The Red Bank Rotary Club was established in 1921. Red Bank Rotary Club carries out a variety of projects that address critical issues, including poverty, hunger, illiteracy, and pollution. Service to youth is a major emphasis. Working with and for tomorrow's leaders. Rotary sponsors service clubs for youth and young adults as well as offering mentoring programs.

The Red Bank Rotary Foundation is a non-profit organization, under the IRS 501(c)(3) guidelines. All contributions should be sent to The Red Bank Rotary Foundation, PO Box 8444, Red Bank NJ 07701. For more information please visit [www.redbankrotary.org](http://www.redbankrotary.org).

## CLUB NEWS

### Freehold Rotary Club

The Freehold Rotary Club will be hosting **Ross Galleries' Art Auction** on **Friday, May 6, 2005** at the Freehold Borough YMCA Community Center located at 41 Center Street, Freehold. Preview is from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and the auction immediately follows the preview. Hors d'oeuvres, wine & cheese, as well as coffee and cake will be served. The cost per ticket at the door is \$10.00, but if you reserve with Jack Marin at (732) 303-8400 by April 30, you receive the discounted ticket price of \$5.00, which can also be applied to any purchase. Proceeds will benefit the club's community charities.

### Tinton Falls, Red Bank, Long Branch and Asbury Park

If your Club is having a special event, please send that to [ronlynch@comcast.net](mailto:ronlynch@comcast.net) so we can put that in the Newsletter!

## District News

### Gift of Life

Jeff Donoghue

The annual Heart and Snow Ball netted \$26,400 – its best ever. Twenty-five clubs have made individual gifts this year. We're still seeking support from other clubs who donated last year. Money goes to surgeries here (\$5,000 per surgery), or to send medical teams abroad. Hospitals here have cut back on their surgeries, which cost at least \$100,000 each.

The mission to Peru in February performed 21 surgeries. Patient ages ranged from 10-1/2 months to some years. Jerry passed around a color brochure with photos of the Peru team and mission.

A team may be sponsored by several clubs or districts. The share of a club/district may be \$5,000 - \$7,000. In 138 surgeries, only 3 patients have been lost. Those were due to improper parental post-operative care. It's an excellent record. No surgeries were done at Deborah for 3 years. This year, there were 3 surgeries at Deborah.

Susan & Joe Miller will be host parents again - for the eleventh time.

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**Community Service:****Paul Coward**

Director Paul Coward reported that 7 clubs are nominated for the Community Service Significant Achievement Award: Freehold, Medford-Vincentown, Mount Holly, Maple Shade, Brick, Jackson and Lakewood. They will present their outstanding projects during Saturday's 9:30AM session at District Conference. Thanks to Special Events Coordinator Deborah Horner, AG Joan Vas & Gov.-Elect Nick Michals for acting as judges. All seven clubs will be recognized. One will receive the Award. Congratulations to all 7 Clubs for your Community Service Activities!

**RYLA Looking for a Few Good Rotarians from Ocean County**

The RYLA committee currently has 2 people from Burlington County, 2 People from Monmouth County, and NO people from Ocean County. Four members is a little light. We'd like about 6. We thought having 2 people from Ocean County would really even things out and make it easier to connect with Clubs in all areas.

I know you already know most of the following, but let me briefly summarize the job description, in case you want to forward this note to someone who might be interested, but doesn't know all about RYLA:

The District 7500 RYLA conference is a 4-day youth leadership training program held at the end of every June at Georgian Court University in Lakewood. The RYLA Committee is composed of 4-8 Rotarians who meet about 6-8 times per year (for about 90 minutes each time), to oversee the finances and general logistics\* of the event. In addition to the meetings, Committee members occasionally make a few phone calls to Clubs, to remind them to get their paperwork in, or to arrange donations of things we need. Committee members are warmly welcomed and appreciated at all RYLA training events (about 7 per year now) but are not actually required to be at any of them. Of course, if they show up, we can usually find something to keep them busy!

\*All the detailed program planning and presentation is done by a small group of young adults (all previous RYLA participants) who we call the "RYLA Staff". That group, headed by me, decides all the programs, assigns speakers and facilitators, gathers the materials, produces the handouts, etc.

If you think of any Rotarians in your Club, or any of the Clubs in Ocean County, that you feel would be a good fit to be on the RYLA Committee, I would very much appreciate it if you let me know. Please let me know if you think of anyone who would be good on the RYLA Committee. Thank you, David GoWell 856-439-1610 Cell: 856-313-7771

**GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE NOTICE****Candidates Needed**

This year's exchange is with **District 2590, Kanagawa Japan**. Their team will be here **April 23, 2005 through May 21, 2005**

The Group Study Exchange (GSE) program of The Rotary Foundation is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women between the ages of 25 and 40 and in the early years of their professional lives. The

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program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

For each team member, The Rotary Foundation provides the most economical round-trip air ticket between the home and host countries. Local Rotarians in the host area provide for meals, lodging, and group travel within their district.

Our team will be there **October 24, 2005 through November 21, 2005**. This represents a great opportunity for someone in your community to experience a truly remarkable adventure. And, the costs are minimal!

**Clubs with CANDIDATES for our team should contact** Robert Hazlett ,PO Box 319, Island Heights, NJ 08732. Telephone 609-494-8861 Fax 609-494-3956 E-mail [rhazlett@stfrancislbi.org](mailto:rhazlett@stfrancislbi.org)

## **CENTENNIAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

### **WE WANT TO SEE YOU AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

**Location:** Hudson Valley Spa and Resort, Kerhonkson, NY

**Dates:** May 13, 14, 15, 2005

**Registration:** NOW!!!!

**Theme:** CELEBRATE AND HAVE FUN WITH ROTARY

**Some Rooms are still available.**

**Contact John Hollis (856) 810-0798**

**The District 7500 Centennial District Conference is for  
YOU!**

There has been a great deal of excitement concerning the Centennial District Conference. There are already over 300 people signed up! We have 11; yes count them, 11 Hospitality Suites. This year, while a bit of a drive, offers something for everyone. Besides the camaraderie and fellowship that is at the core of these Conferences, there will be a number of other activities suitable for the whole Family in a truly World Class Facility!

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**Key Note Speakers:** High Energy Speakers representing the District and Region will be providing their insights and working plans on the Four Areas of Service as well as Membership Retention and a number of other exciting topics.

**Educational Sessions and Workshops:** You asked for, you got it! There will be hands on sessions that will address those areas most requested by our District's Clubs. These include multiple year Club Planning and Implementation Strategies, How to obtain various Grants and Matching Grants from the District and RI, as well as a number of other key topics you have requested over the years. **Register Now!**

**Centennial Celebration:** There are a number of activities for everyone surrounding the Centennial Celebration of Rotary. Plans include some very interesting (and different) activities on Saturday afternoon and evening. Clubs will have the opportunity to "Strut Their Stuff" with a Centennial Table Decorating Contest for Friday Night as well as their own Hospitality Suites supporting the theme: Celebrate and Have Fun in Rotary. Yes, there will be Prizes!! **Register Now!**

**SPA Activities:** There are a number of activities both on the grounds and in the nearby area that will satisfy anyone's fancy. These include complete SPA facilities, Indoor Pool, Tennis, Golf, Rock Climbing, Ice Skating, Hot Air Balloon Rides, Wineries, Historical Tours, Game Room and Arcade, Miniature Golf and the list just keeps on growing! **Register Now!**

**Hospitality Suites:** There are currently 11 Hospitality Suites booked for the Conference. Each will all have their own Theme, (some have been pretty interesting in the past). Rumor has it that these may be the best yet. These truly provide the opportunity for all Rotarians to meet and greet each other in a purely social setting and support the theme of **Celebrate and Have Fun in Rotary**.

**Golf Tournament:** Speaking of Golf, there will be a Rotary Golf Tournament on Saturday with a shotgun start beginning at 12:30 PM. Get this .. For only \$45.00, you will receive a cart, greens fees, a box lunch, 18 holes of golf on a beautiful mountain course, prizes, and of course, the unlimited fellowship this type of event provides. **Register Now!**

The District Conference is an excellent opportunity to get the **NEW MEMBERS** in your club engaged in Rotary. As Chairperson Masington has been emphasizing at Club Visits, this is an excellent forum to learn about Rotary and to begin thinking about ways "I" can become more involved. Presidents and Club Chairpersons should find a way to get as many new members to this event as possible. **Register Now!**

**Let's all make this Centennial District Conference the best ever!!**

## **Communications**

**Want to get the word out .. Quick?**

Communications Director Dan Cortese says he can send to any mailing list. Just type your desired email message into the body of an email, and send to him, along with your requested recipient group. Better not to send your email as an attachment, which can be removed by the filters in different systems.

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**DISTRICT CALENDAR**

See Club Calendar Below

**CLUB CALENDAR**

<u>Club</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Contact #</u>
<b>MAY</b>					
	Deadline GSE Leader Applications		5/2/2005		609.494.8861
	DISTRICT CONFERENCE	Hudson Valley Resort	5/12-15/2005		856.985.0952
	Casino Night	Buttonwood Manor	5/19/2005	7:00 PM	
	College of Governors Meeting	TBD			
<b>JUNE</b>					
	Deadline GSE Member Applications		6/1/2005		609.494.8861
	RI NATIONAL CONVENTION	Chicago	6/18-25/2005		
	RYLA 2005	Georgian Court University	6/25-28/2005		<a href="http://www.RYLA7500.org">www.RYLA7500.org</a>

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MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORTING

MARCH, 2005	Attend	#	Monthly Net Gain Loss
Club	%	Members	
Wrightstown	97.78	21	-2
PRC	96.65	31	0
Moorestown Breakfast	88.03	47	0
Riverside-Delran-Delanco	85.45	11	0
Freehold	85.00	28	0
Lakewood	85.00	47	0
Toms River	80.55	47	0
Point Pleasant Beach	80.43	23	0
Beverly	73.68	19	0
Maple Shade	73.46	51	2
Moorestown	73.25	90	-1
Toms River Sunrise	72.60	38	0
Tinton Falls	71.05	19	0
Point Pleasant Boro	70.60	32	0
Willingboro	69.36	63	0
Forked River	68.56	64	3
Brick Lunch	67.03	56	0
Burlington	66.32	42	0
Brick Morning	66.06	33	0
Central Ocean	66.00	23	0
Seaside	65.52	20	0
Jackson	65.12	27	-1
Asbury Park	65.00	46	0
Marlton	64.00	24	0
Matawan	63.60	23	0
Wall Sunrise	63.30	14	0
Medford-Vincentown	62.20	31	0
Holmdel	60.00	10	0
Lakehurst-Manchester	60.00	25	0
Spring Lake-Brielle	58.18	32	0
LBI	58.12	49	0
Red Bank	58.00	64	1
Long Branch	55.70	60	0
Bordentown	50.40	25	-1
Pemberton	49.38	27	0
Southern Ocean	48.70	41	0
Mount Holly	43.56	73	0
Hazlet	41.11	22	-1
Beachwood-Berkeley		NO REPORT	
Great Bay		NO REPORT	
Mount Laurel		NO REPORT	
	Net Gain/Loss		0

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**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

District 7500 would like to welcome these new members to our Rotary Family!

**Forked River Club**

**Kathy Palmara**  
Hospital Administration

**Jason Grabowski**  
Banking Mortgage Loans

**Edward Woolf**  
Municipal Utilities

**Tammy Dykoff**  
Construction Overhead Door

**Maple Shade Club**

**Cliff Leary**  
Town Fire Chief

**Robert Sanduski**  
Education Administrator

**Moorestown Club**

**Mark Crocetto**  
Financial Advisor

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