

**“Mankind Is Our Business...”**

# Monmouth-Ocean-Burlington News

**DISTRICT 7500 NEWSLETTER**

Rotary International

March 2002

## Governor's Message



My Fellow Rotarians,

Our year is rapidly moving into the last quarter. When the year started we were challenged to improve our individual Clubs and Rotary as a whole. The Club presidents received “**Who Moved my Cheese?**” by Spencer Johnson and was told that this was the year of change. We have responded to the challenges and each club has many successful programs to show for their hard work. I personally thank every Rotarian that has worked harder this year.

### Rotary's Global Quest

The success of Rotary's Global Quest is unbelievable! Rotary International has over 45,000 new members worldwide and District 7500 has 150 new members to date. I challenge the **leadership** of the 5 clubs that shows NO new members to date, to personally lead by example and go out and recruit a new member in April. The 13 Clubs with 3 or less new members also are asked to continue promoting the RGQ and bring in these individuals that want to make a difference in our communities and help work towards peace in our world. A copy of “**Frank Talk**” by PRIP Frank Devlyn was given to each Club, this book that will help any Rotarian answer all the reasons why people don't join Rotary.

### District Conference

District 7500's District Conference is planned for April 26-28, 2002 in

Williamsburg, VA. Over 230 rooms and 8 Hospitality Suites are booked at this time. If you are planning on attending, we suggest you send an application with the total fee to the committee as soon as possible, we will get you a room. **DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OUTSTANDING EVENT.** Our RI President Representative is John Kenny, Rotary Foundation Trustee from Scotland. Our program speakers from outside the district are PRIP Chuck Keller who will speak on Polio, Dr. Al Alley, PDG to speak on Rotary Volunteerism & Avoidable Blindness and Dr. Novick, Memphis who will present his work on Children's Open-heart Surgery (Gift of Life).

### NYC/WTC Disaster Fund

District 7500 Rotary Clubs have donated over **\$10,000** to Rotary District 7230's WTC Disaster Fund. These monies will be used to educate and help the families effected by the tragedy of September 11. Clubs not recognized last month were Southern Ocean and Riverside, Delran & Delanco.

### Orphanage

It has been brought to my attention that there are serious financial problems at the Armando Rosenberg Orphanage in Santo Domingo. Any help that your club can give will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Frank Nichols, District Chair for further information.

### The \$2.00 Campaign

I encourage all Rotarians to give serious thought to making a donation to the Rotary Foundation this year (2001/2002). To date 4 Clubs: Jackson, Marlton, Mt. Laurel and Wrightstown are at 100%. Several other clubs are close to 100% committed. *See February newsletter for*

*information and a pledge form.* At the District Conference, I will call the Roll of all the Clubs to tally your commitment to support our Foundation.

Remember: **MANKIND IS OUR BUSINESS** – Service is Our Product!

Jeff Donoghue, DG

### ROTARY DISTRICT 7500

#### Gift of Life Foundation

Presents

#### *The Reverend*

#### *Alphonse Stephenson*

#### *& The Orchestra of*

#### *St. Peter by the Sea*

#### In Concert

8PM, Friday May 10, 2002

Strand Theater,

Lakewood, NJ

Tickets - \$30, \$25 & \$20

For Information call

Chuck Abbate, PDG

**732-657-8834**

#### **FAX Ticket Request to**

**732-657-5424**

*Governor Jeff Donoghue has written to all the Clubs. Each Club is asked to support the Gift of Life Foundation by buying 10 tickets to the Concert. The balance of the tickets will be sold outside Rotary.*

**...Rotary's Global Quest”**

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**Rotary Club of Pemberton**

Announces their

**75th Anniversary Brunch**

at

**Ram's Head Inn • Route 30, Galloway, NJ****SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2002**

11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Cost: \$43.00 per person

Dress: Business Casual Attire (Gentlemen-Coats Required)

*Lets all join in the Celebration*

Contact Sue Rokes for Reservations

**609-953-9919****GREAT BAY ROTARY  
GOLF TOURNAMENT***to benefit***GREAT BAY POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE****Sea Oaks Golf Club • Tuckerton, NJ****May 8, 2002**

Rain Date May 22, 2002

*Sponsored by Sun National Bank*

Golf Fee: \$125.00

**Includes***Greens Fee, Box Lunch, Golf Cart, Driving Range  
Awards and Awards Dinner*

Sea Oaks Golf Club is a soft spike facility

Please Reserve Early - Entry Deadline May 1st

**GREAT BAY ROTARY****c/o Pinelands Regional School District**

520 Nugentown Road, Tuckerton, NJ 08087

Tel (609) 296-3106 x3283 • Fax (609) 294-9519

**ATTN: DR. V. GATARO****CALL FOR ADDITIONAL INFO OR RESERVATION FORM**

# CLUB NEWS

## WRIGHTSTOWN AREA ROTARY CLUB AWARDS CHALLENGE PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP



*District Governor Rosemary Kay,  
Challenge Program Scholarship Recipient  
Jeffrey Heller, Wrightstown Area Rotary  
Club Challenge Scholarship Chair  
Barbara Egger*

The Wrightstown Area Rotary Club awarded its first Challenge Program Scholarship to Jeffrey Heller at the Challenge graduation, held at the War Memorial Building, Trenton, NJ on Saturday, February 16, 2002. The Challenge Program is sponsored by the NJ National Guard and conducted on Ft. Dix, NJ. Students attending the Challenge Program are being given a "second chance" to earn a high school diploma. Each student must be sponsored by the Guidance Department within their New Jersey school districts. There are 2 graduations held annually. The Wrightstown Area Rotary Club plans to award one scholarship at each graduation. Scholarship recipients are recommended by the Challenge Program supervisors and must plan to attend to go on for further education, either to a college or a technical institute.

## Matawan Rotary Invites You To Our 2nd Annual Casino Night!

Enjoy a fun night out by attending District Governor Jeff Donoghue's home club. Governor Jeff promises that  
"No one will go home a loser!"

*Great Prizes, Music, Lots of Fun & Fellowship  
Play - or - Learn*

*BlackJack Craps Roulette Big Six*

**For Tickets Call: David Niles (732) 566-1300 ext.20**

Date: **Friday, April 12, 2002**

Time: **7:00 pm - 11:00 pm**

Place: **Don Quixote Restaurant, Hwy. 34, Matawan, NJ**

Cost: **\$30** Includes \$60 in chips, Hors d'oeuvres (Cash Bar), Door Prize Chance



# CLUB NEWS



## WRIGHTSTOWN AREA R.C. COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

*Deputy Gov. Paul Coward, Mrs. Ann Marie McMullen and Jacksonville Community Center President Jack McMullen, District Governor Jeff Donoghue and Wrightstown Area Rotary Club President, Zack Rotsides*

District Governor Jeff Donoghue and Deputy Governor Paul Coward recently attended the dedication of the new kitchen floor at the Jacksonville Community Center located in Springfield Twp., Burlington County.

The kitchen floor was installed as a "Community Service Project" between the joint efforts of the Wrightstown Area Rotary Club, the members of the Jacksonville Community Center and Congolium Corp., donors of the floor tiles.

The new kitchen floor was dedicated to the late Robert H. Kay, Sr., former President of the Wrightstown Area Rotary Club, former President of the Jacksonville Community Center and originator of the Project.

The Dedication Dinner was hosted in November 2001 by the Wrightstown Area Rotary Club and attended by Representatives of Congolium Corporation, District Governor Jeff Donoghue, Deputy Governor Paul Coward, Assistant Governor Rosemary Kay, the Mayor of Springfield Twp., William Pettit, and the Springfield Twp. Council Members and their spouses, along with approximately 75 Springfield Twp. residents.



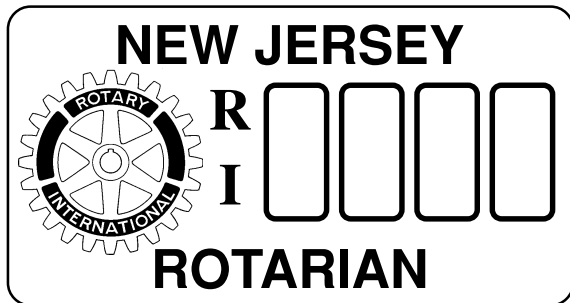
## PALMYRA, RIVERTON, CINNAMINSON ROTARY CLUB

At a recent meeting of the Palmyra, Riverton, Cinnaminson Rotary, Rob Kay, PRC President, (center), welcomes Cinnaminson High School Interact Officers (left to right) Trish Groeber, Secretary; Brian Bacon, Vice-President; Allissa Stuffo, Treasurer; and Kate Evangelista, President. These Officers received \$561.50 for their Rotary Club Holiday Fruit Sale efforts, which will be used to fund several Interact service projects.



At a recent meeting of the Palmyra, Riverton Cinnaminson Rotary Club, Rob Kay, PRC President, (left), welcomes and exchanges Club Banners with Rotary Club Exchange student, Augustina Gallo of Villegas, Argentina. At the right is Kate Feeley of Cinnaminson who spent six weeks during the summer at the Gallo home in Argentina as a Rotary Club Exchange student sponsored by Palmyra, Riverton, and Cinnaminson Rotary Club. Augustina is spending eight weeks with Ruth and Leo Feeley of Cinnaminson and attending Cinnaminson High School with Kate. The Feeley's reported that Augustina loves the US and is looking forward to coming back in the near future.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEW JERSEY ROTARIAN LICENSE PLATES



**Sample Plate**

Designed by Herbert A. Budd, Jr., PDG,  
Chairman, R.I. District 764, New Jersey Rotary Special  
Plate Program and approved by Col. Clinton Pagano, New  
Jersey Director of Motor Vehicles.

**Available NOW to  
New Jersey Rotarians ONLY!**

These special New Jersey Rotarian custom plates are available to Rotarians in good standing for a one time charge of \$50.00. If you are interested in obtaining an application, please complete the form below or call Chairman Herbert A. Budd, Jr. at (609) 845-9005, Extension 10.

Please Fill Out and Return to:

**NJ Rotarian License Plate Program • c/o Herbert A. Budd, Jr., Chairman • P.O. Box 460 • Woodbury, NJ 08096**

DISTRICT# \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

## PDG NEWS CORNER

### ROTARY INFORMATION

**BY BILL SKIDMORE, PDG**

There are many ways a Rotarian or a Rotary Club can obtain Rotary Information.

First, your District Governor can supply most of the information or he can direct you to one of his Avenues of Service Directors.

The Rotarian Magazine each Rotarian receives is another great form of information. The February issue gives the results of the Rotary Global Quest Membership Goals. In Zone 32 District 7500 is in second place out of seventeen districts in the zone. We have gained 101 new members so far this year. Be sure each club reports their new mem-

bers to Rotary International and the District.

We also have a District Newsletter we receive each month. It informs us what has happened in the District and upcoming events.

Another resource is the District Directory which lists all the District Committee chairpersons.

Rotary World is a newspaper published five times a year covering news of all problems of Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation.

So you see, we have many ways to get any Rotary Information that we want.

One last bit of information – District 7500 Conference will be held April 25-28 in Williamsburg, Virginia. There is still time to register and there will be a wealth of Rotary Information to gain at the conference.

***NOTE:** Bill Skidmore served as District 7500 First District Governor in 1994/95 and again in 1999/2000. Bill is a member of the Rotary Club of Point Pleasant Boro and continues to be active in the District and Club level.*

# Fear of Going Away

WRITTEN BY MARJAN HALSBERGHE,  
A BELGIUM EXCHANGE STUDENT CURRENTLY WITH THE MT. HOLLY CLUB

Two suitcases and a backpack, that's all I had and all I needed. My whole life was packed. My bedroom felt cold, so empty. The night before I left, I said good-bye to my friends as if I were going to see them the next day.

I didn't have a farewell party, because I was just going for one year. No big deal. Though, at the airport, leaving Belgium behind with everything and everyone that I'm familiar with never seemed scarier. I was leaving all that to become an exchange student in the States.

It was in 10<sup>th</sup> grade that I decided I wanted to be a part of an exchange program. I thought that I wouldn't be ready for college, right after finishing high school. I needed a time out, more time to think about what I wanted. My mom supported me all the way.

In my senior year I filled in the application. I still felt the same about college, but I also fell in love (with Dave). He knew it was my dream and respected my decision. I can't say for sure that I would have gone through with this if I had met him before I filled in the application. I'm the everlasting doubter, so maybe it was better that I didn't have the choice anymore. We talked about it for hours to prepare ourselves for the hard and long separation. I feel our relationship is strong enough to survive this. There are ten months and an ocean between us, but love has no borders or time limit.

In February 2001, I got the official papers. Signing them was just a

formality, but it took me a few hours to finally do it. All I could think of was what I was leaving behind for something completely new. I didn't understand myself, because this was my dream coming true. I talked to a lot of friends who had done this. They told me about how much I was going to change and I wasn't sure I wanted that, but I also remember one of them saying: "It was like I took a little step out of my life and just walked back in." They all said it was the best year in their life.

A few days before I left, I got lost in some little streets in Antwerp, where I've always lived. I saw some nice places, which I had never seen before or paid attention to. So even before I left I already a lesson: never take things for granted, because you will miss a lot.

My first night was a nightmare. I was exhausted from the long trip. When I entered my new room, I started crying. I always felt that this was something I had to do, but suddenly I couldn't remember any of the reasons I was doing this for.

I've been here for 2 months. I'm supposed to grow out of the "homesick phase", but I still have troubles letting my other life go. I miss my boyfriend greatly, chatting with my mom, going out with my friends, playing and coaching basketball, even my brothers a bit. There are so many things, but I also realize that I didn't lose them, I just have to miss them for a while.

The attacks on September 11<sup>th</sup> definitely were hard on me too: it

didn't make things easier. I was scared and wanted to be home, safe. I still hardly watch the news or read the newspapers, because it makes me nervous. I try not to think about it too much and enjoy myself.

School has been a huge change, because I graduated in June with 60 people. My whole school had 400 people, junior high and high school together. I enjoy learning new things, like being a student trainer, because we don't have that in Belgium. I have the luxury being able to choose the subjects I want, because I'm already graduated. There's no pressure anymore.

Sure, my friends start college, but I just start a year later. I don't lose a year; I win one. I visit places my friends have never been to and maybe never will. I learn a lot about myself, because I have time to think everything over. I also met a whole bunch of people from all over the world and made some good friends with other exchange students. We understand each other the best, because we're in the same situation, but we're still so different.

I will be glad to go home again in June, but I will have had this great experience to take with me. Everyone who is thinking about becoming an exchange student: do it. It definitely won't be easy, but it'll be worth it.

Attendance Report for the Month of February 2002						Attendance Report for the Month of February 2002							
Rank	Club	%Attend	Mtgs	Mbrs New	RGQ YTD	Rank	Club	%Attend	Mtgs	Mbrs New	RGQ YTD		
1	MEDFORD-VINCENTOWN	100	4	27	1	5	22	LAKESWOOD	67	4	42	2	2
2	WRIGHTSTOWN	96	4	24	0	2	23	SPRING LAKE/BRIELLE	66	4	36	1	13
3	FORKED RIVER	86	4	46	1	5	24	MATAWAN	65	4	26	0	5
4	RIVERSIDE, DELRAN, DELANCO	84	4	13	0	2	25	HAZLET	64	4	21	0	4
5	MAPLE SHADE	82	4	42	0	5	26	BORDENTOWN	61	4	30	2	2
6	BEVERLY	81	4	42	0	5	27	TINTON FALLS	60	4	24	0	3
7	MOORESTOWN BREAKFAST	81	4	47	0	4	28	BRICK MORNING	59	4	58	?	1
8	BEACHWOOD-BERKELEY	80	4	13	0	0	29	RED BANK	58	4	75	0	7
9	TOMS RIVER	80	4	41	1	5	30	SOUTHERN OCEAN	58	3	52	0	7
10	PALMYRA-RIVERTON-CINN	77	4	38	1	3	31	TOMS RIVER SUNRISE	56	4	28	0	1
11	PT. PLEASANT BORO	75	4	41	0	6	32	LONG BRANCH	54	4	58	1	3
12	JACKSON	75	4	21	0	7	33	PEMBERTON	54	3	37	0	2
13	POINT PLEASANT	75	4	27	0	2	34	HOLMDEL	53	4	13	0	0
14	LONG BEACH ISLAND	74	4	39	0	9	35	LAKEHURST/MANCHESTER	52	4	22	3	4
15	BRICK TWP.	73	4	62	3	16	36	GREAT BAY	49	4	22	0	3
16	MT. LAUREL	73	3	25	1	7	37	MT. HOLLY	40	5	69	2	?
17	ASBURY PARK	73	4	31	1	11	38	CENTRAL OCEAN	NO REPT		31	0	4
18	MARLTON	73	4	17	2	6	39	WALL	NO REPT		9	-	-
19	SEASIDE	70	4	24	0	3	40	MOORESTOWN	NO REPT		85	0	15
20	FREEHOLD	68	4	60	?	1	41	BURLINGTON	NO REPT	5	47	0	0
21	WILLINGBORO	67	4	62	?	3							

**Susan's Healthful Hints**  
*The Daffodil Principal*

Several times my daughter called to say, "Mother, you must come to see the daffodils before they are over." I wanted to go, but it is a 2 hour drive and I have a busy life. After the third request, I relented and drove the 2 hours for a visit.

My daughter took me for a drive saying, "Mother, you will never forgive yourself if you miss this experience." After a 2 hour drive, I found it difficult to agree. After driving for 30 minutes, we went up a small gravel drive to a sign that said "Daffodil Garden." Before me lay the most glorious sight. It looked like someone had taken a great vat of gold and poured it down over a mountain peak and slopes. Flowers were planted in swirling majestic patterns, like ribbons of gold, orange, white, pink and saffron. They extended for 5 acres. There were 50,000 bulbs, planted one at a time by one woman who began this labor of love in 1958. Before me was a vision of beauty, inspiration and joy created by one woman for the pleasure of everyone.

It inspires one to think what can be accomplished if we never lose sight of our goals.

**The Daffodil Principle**



*Stop waiting!!! Until your home is paid off, until you get a new car, until your kids leave the house, until you retire, until you get married or divorced, until you lose 10 lbs., until you gain 10 lbs., until spring, until summer, until fall, until winter, until you die.*

*There is no better time than now to be happy. Happiness is a journey not a destination. Work like you don't need the money, love like you've never been hurt, and dance like no one's watching.*

**DISTRICT 7500 WELCOMES OUR  
NEW MEMBERS  
INSTALLED IN JANUARY 2002**

CLUB	MEMBER	SPONSOR
Asbury Park	Eva Cavallo	Jim Jeffries
Asbury Park	Roland Collins	Vince Alvino
Asbury Park	Michelle Stalker	Mike Fornino
Asbury Park	Lisa Carta	Joel Popkin
Central Ocean	?	?
Forked River	Cathie Plescia	Rich Hauswirth
Freehold	?	?
Hazlet	?	?
Lakewood	Judith DiLauro	?
Lakewood	Justin Martys	?
Long Beach I	Bruce McPherson	?
Long Beach I	William Power, Jr.	?
Long Beach I	Amy Williams	?
Long Beach I	Helene Koseff	?
Long Branch	Claude Bennett	Mike Schwartzstein
Maple Shade	?	?
Matawan	Frank DeBlase	Jeff Donoghue
Medford-Vince.	Jeff Turner	Gary Ley
Moorestown	John Costa	Spence Scheckter
Moorestown Breakfast	?	?
Pemberton	Hal Eisenstein	Michael Kay
Red Bank	Cheryl Richardt (Dec)	Jim Fusco
Red Bank	Magne Gunderson (Dec)	Jim Fusco
Red Bank	George Mardinly	Addie Schmidt
Seaside	?	?
Southern Ocean	Jayne Richmond	Tom Smith
Spring Lake-Brielle	Robert Braker	Richard Haith

*Travel foreign lands. Meet exotic people. Learn a new language.  
Widen your horizons. Make new friends. Share your culture. Learn a new one.  
Be a Foreign Exchange Student. Rotary Youth Exchange can show you how...*

**What is this Program?**

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is the largest program of its kind, offering more than 10,000 exchanges worldwide annually. It offers two types of exchange programs: the Summer Youth Exchange, and the One-Year Youth Exchange.

During these exchanges, students advance their education and world understanding by living with host families and attending school. Students are sponsored and supervised by a local host Rotary Club.

**Why should I do this?**

Five good reasons:

1. To experience life in a different culture.
2. To learn a new language
3. To build lasting relationships with host families and friends.
4. To expand your horizons and become a more interesting person.
5. To challenge yourself and develop self-confidence.

(Plus, college admissions counselors love it!)

**So, where can I go?**

Rotary offers opportunities for youth exchanges in more than 155 countries on all seven continents. A partial list of countries that participate in exchanges is available below. If you have a questions about countries that offer exchanges, contact the youth exchange chairmen listed below.

Rotarians strive to place students in their country of preference. However, placements depend on available openings, so it's best to apply early. For an application, visit our Website at <http://www.exchangestudent.org>.

Applications are preferred by January 1.

**SUMMER YOUTH EXCHANGE**

**Program Duration - 3 to 6 weeks**

Any U.S. high school student between the ages of 15 and 19 years may visit any of these countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, India, Italy, Japan, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Philippines, Portugal,

Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey.

In return, a child of the family hosting you will visit your home in the U.S. for the final four weeks of the summer.

Remember, hosting a foreign student provides an excellent opportunity to introduce your family to another culture, and to share American culture.

**How much will all this cost me?**

Unlike some other youth-exchange programs, Rotary International doesn't charge placement fees and doesn't profit financially from its exchange program. However, the program does ask that the student's family cover some basic costs of the exchange. Your family is responsible for:

- \$160.00 in administrative and insurance costs.
- Round-trip airfare to and from your destination

For more information or for an application, visit our Website at <http://www.exchangestudent.org>.

**ONE-YEAR YOUTH EXCHANGE**

**Program Duration - 12 months**

Any U.S. high-school student between the ages of 15 and 18-1/2 years may visit any of the countries listed previously. Additional countries, including many in Eastern Europe and Asia, also participate in exchanges.

Exchange students typically live with between one and three host families during the year. Many families of the U.S. exchange students also host a foreign exchange student for about four months. However, this is not required to participate in the program.

In many instances, exchange students from several countries live and study in the same host city, giving students from diverse backgrounds and cultures the opportunity to meet and socialize.

Outbound American students are recruited in the fall and winter. Students leave in August for one full year in their host country.

Students may apply well into the spring of each year, but the widest selection of

countries goes to those who apply early. Applications are preferred by January 1.

**How much will all this cost me?**

Your family is responsible for:

- Round-trip airfare to and from your destination
- Insurance (amount depends on country of study)
- \$300.00 emergency fund (Given to your host Rotary Club counselor for safekeeping. It's returned at the end of your stay.)

This hosting Rotary Club also provides a small allowance of about \$75.

**How do I qualify?**

Almost any high school student may qualify for a Rotary Youth Exchange. You do *not* need to be a Rotarian's child to participate, although Rotarians' children may apply, too.

**OK, I'm interested, where should I start?**

1. Download an application from our Website at <http://www.exchangestudent.org>
2. Submit your application and materials to the appropriate local Rotarian.
3. Applicants who qualify will be interviewed by members of local Rotary Clubs during the winter and spring. Contact your local Rotary Club members, or those listed below for help with submitting your application.
4. Mandatory personal interviews with a panel of Rotarians will include both students and parent(s).
5. Selection requires attendance at group orientation meetings for outbound students.

**DISTRICT 7500 CONTACT INFO**

If you live in Burlington, Monmouth, or Ocean Counties (NJ) and have additional questions about applying for either youth exchange program, contact: Walt Haworth - [whaworth@erols.com](mailto:whaworth@erols.com) or (609) 387-1615.

If you would like to host a foreign student, contact: John Hammer at 609-871-1721 (home) or 609-386-3666 (office)