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Governor's Newsletter



Lend a Hand

May 2004

When People Bloom *by District Governor Andrea Ives*

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DG Andrea Ives



We all know the nursery rhyme *April showers/Bring May flowers* and we certainly have some amazing floral displays in central New York right now. Most of us can recognize the difference between a rose and a daisy, or a dandelion and a pansy. Tulips and lilies are easy to distinguish apart, too. The main idea, though, is that they are all flowers. We may not all know an iris from a lilac, but we can still appreciate their fragrances, their nuance of color, the responses they evoke. **We may overlook a flower when it's just a green stem, but we recognize and appreciate it when it blooms! *It's the same with people.***

May is the time for recognition. Our senses are geared up for the great changes Mother Nature is creating, and we notice these harbingers of spring and summer everywhere. We recognize the purpose of birds flying about with bits of twigs in their beaks. We are dismayed at the first crop of dandelions in the lawn. We get out the lawnmower. We recognize that we have tasks to perform that are different from what we have been doing for the past several winter months. We recognize we must get ready for a change.

In Rotary, May is definitely about recognition. I have attended several celebrations in clubs that honored individuals for vocational excellence, community contributions, and club commitment. For instance,

in the last few weeks Oriskany Falls, Chittenango, Baldwinsville, Hamilton, Cazenovia and Fulton bestowed recognition on Rotarians and non-Rotarians.

These Rotary clubs, and many others I have not mentioned, *are showing that they recognize* the important contributions of members of their communities. They have singled out men and women who have striven to make a difference, to Lend A Hand. **At the Changing of the Guard Dinner on Thursday, June 24th, we will be giving out awards, and bestowing honors on those who have excelled as Rotarians. I ask each club to send me the name of one member of their club who can be identified as a ***Rotarian of Excellence***. **We will honor them** at the dinner for their contributions to their community, their home Rotary club, and to the work of Rotary International. Their names will be printed in the program, and those in attendance will be introduced.**

It is human nature to want recognition for what we are proud of having done. **It is only fitting that Rotary clubs say "thank you" to those** who go the extra mile, give the extra dollar, make the extra effort. I urge each club to set aside a few minutes at one of the meetings during the last few weeks of this Rotary year. I ask you to think about this year's "Lend a Hand" motto, recognize members of your club who have exemplified this theme, and show them their contributions have been noted and appreciated. ***Let them know we have seen them in bloom!***

Last Chance to “Tie One On!” - by DG Andrea Ives

One of many “firsts” this Rotary year was the **Necktie/Scarf Sale**. In case you haven’t heard about it, here’s the spiel!

The District has available for purchase a limited number of custom-designed, limited edition silk scarves and neckties with this year’s theme, “Lend A Hand” in tasteful gold letters on a blue background, featuring a discreet outstretched hand in navy blue.

This attractive, useful Rotary memento **can be had for a mere \$15.00 each**, and can be purchased by check or credit card.

These make a terrific gift for presentation to a new Paul Harris Fellow or as a tangible recognition for an outstanding Rotarian in your club, or for this year’s Officers.

The Dolgeville Rotary Club was so impressed and motivated, they ordered one for every member! **Don’t delay in acquiring your piece of Rotary history!**

These silk, custom-designed, limited edition LEND A HAND neckties and scarves are unique to Rotary District 7150.

Show your pride in being a Rotarian from District 7150, and your belief in the Theme for 2003-04, Lend a Hand!

Send orders to District Treasurer, John Wolle, 125 W. Seneca St., Manlius, NY 13104 or download the order form on our district website. **View pictures of necktie & scarf here:** www.rotarydistrict7150.org/tiescarf.htm



D7150 Rotary GSE Team to D9270 & 2004-05 Rotary Theme & Logo

View information on www.rotarydistrict7150.org/GSE-SAfrica.htm
Dist 7150’s GSE team outbound to South Africa April 3-May 10, '04, to Dist 9270
View diary & pictures on <http://moraviarotary.com/gse>
Rotary International’s 2004-05 Rotary Theme & Logo “Celebrate Rotary”.
View larger image on website: www.rotarydistrict7150.org/RotaryThemes.htm



Request from UK Rotary Club - by Sadieann Spear (former GSE Team Leader)

Dear Sadieann I hope you are well, it is a long time since your GSE Trip to the UK. I am writing to ask you a favour - We are fortunate enough to live in the world famous Potteries Region of the UK, home to many fine bone china manufacturers: Wedgwood, Royal Doulton and Spode.

Our club has teamed up with a local company to produce a whole range of fine bone china products to help us all celebrate the cente-

nary of Rotary International. This is not a commercial venture but a club project with all the profits going to the Rotary Foundation.

We ask that you have a look at our web site to see what we have produced and subject to your DG's approval, pass this message on to all clubs in your district.

www.alsagerrotary.org

We think the souvenirs are very special. You may obtain discount on large orders which you

could either pocket the savings or use our products to raise your own funds. Please pass this message on amongst your Rotary Friends.

The bottom line is: IF every Rotarian in the world purchased one souvenir from our Centenary China Range then the Foundation will receive \$13m!

So Please Help us to help you. This project is a licensed Rotary Project. - Rtn Martin Baker - Rotary Club of Alsagerd.



District 7150 2004 Calendar of Events

May 22nd, District Assembly, Tully High School, Tully **Contact:** DGE Jim Austin

June 11th, Cyber Club Charter Celebration, Children's Museum, Utica **Contact:** Marlene Brown

June 24th, Changing of the Guard, Rusty Rail **Contact:** DG Andrea Ives/DGND Carol Anthony

RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe addressed the National Press Club in Washington, DC, USA, on 10 May at the weekly luncheon broadcast to millions on public affairs television C-SPAN and National Public Radio and their affiliate stations across the United States, and a live audience of Press Club members, diplomats, journalists, Rotarians, business executives. *"Today for the first time in Press Club history, we welcome to our podium a president of Rotary International, one of the world's oldest and largest humanitarian service organizations,"* said National Press Club President Sheila Cherry, while introducing the RI president. President Majiyagbe updated attendees on Rotary's mission and key humanitarian initiatives, gave a preview of the forthcoming RI Convention in Japan, and the Rotary centennial anniversary in 2005. Rotary's efforts in health, peace, and poverty alleviation, especially, contribute immensely to improving the quality of life for millions across the world, he said.



D-7150's Cyber Club Chartered - Come to the Celebration! by Club President Marlene Brown



It's official!
Rotary eClub of NY1 of D7150 has been issued its official Charter by Rotary International!

Jan. 2002, almost a century after Paul Harris founded the first Rotary club, a group of Colorado Rotarians made history by forming a club RI's founder could never have imagined, Rotary e-Club One of D5450.

June 2002, the 2001-02 RI Board of Directors, authorized by the 2001 Council on Legislation, agreed to implement a cyber Rotary clubs pilot project whereby up to 75 new clubs worldwide may operate online for a four-year trial. Rotary leaders hope the program will create different types of Rotary clubs to better meet the needs of Rotary in the 21st century, attract more young professionals, increase membership.

Nov 2002, the Board selected clubs for the pilot. *District 7150's submission for a Rotary e-Club was 1 of 15 worldwide to be accepted.* Marlene B. Brown, Past President of the Rotary Club of New Hartford, NY, appointed by the Dist Gov as District 7150 Cyber Club Committee Chairperson, is President and webmaster of the new Cyber Club.

Rotary cyber clubs are just like traditional Rotary clubs in many

respects. However, rather than having a set meeting time and place, *the club meets on the Internet, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.* Members log on to the website and review topics under discussion. Club members participate in at least 20 online meetings, asking questions, and sharing views and suggestions with other members.

Attendance is measured by a minimum average of 10 hours of hands-on community service per quarter in place of 'seat time' in a club, with members determining the activity, time and place. **A bold high-tech step for Rotary**, the idea came out of the desire to reach out to those who, for a variety of legitimate reasons, cannot regularly attend Rotary clubs that meet weekly at a physical location.

Clubs chosen by R.I. are from these Zones & Countries: Zone 15, Finland; Zone 5, India; Zone 6, Kuala Lumpur; Zone 6, Singapore; Zone 4, Hong Kong; Zone 4, Taiwan; Zone 9, Korea; Zone 21, Latin-America; Zone 20, Brasil (2); Zone 28, MI/USA; Zone 34, FL/USA; Zone 31, NY/USA; Zone 31, CT/USA; Zone 7, Australia.

The "earthly" headquarters for Rotary eClub NY1 is located at The Children's Museum in Utica, NY. Club members will be performing their hands-on community service projects at the museum. They already are at work on our Centennial Project, a

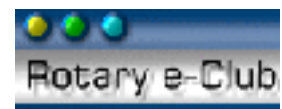
Rotary Resource Reading Room for kids and adults, located at the museum.

Now come celebrate with us at our Charter Party Celebration, scheduled to take place from **5:00pm to 7:00pm on Friday, June 11th** at The Children's Museum, 311 Main Street in Utica, NY (next door to train station).

Special participants will include our District Governor, Andrea Ives; our 7 Charter members; and a program by a team from the U.S. Exploration & Space Center Rotary in Houston, TX, who will be introduced by Congressman Sherry Boehlert, Chairman of the House Science Committee.

We are inviting Rotarians from all 47 of our fellow District Clubs to attend, along with other local business folks, elected officials, and area media. The Charter Celebration Donations of \$10 per person are requested to cover the munchies and beverages. We'd be honored if each club would bring their club banner & any other items they wish to donate to display in our new Rotary Resource Reading Room.

In 2005, we will celebrate Rotary's 100th anniversary with pride, along with fellow D7150 & other cyber clubs. More information available on our cyber site.



Hi Team, it has been way more than a week since my last weekly update. My wife, Joanie, has threatened to have my office declared a disaster area, I'm afraid my postman is going to make me pay for his hernia operation and after three days of not being able to check my emails I had 103 waiting to be read. It forced me to do something very drastic; I got out my old organizational behavior notes and set up a plan for getting myself more organized. These are the 10 steps to being better organized that I have developed, hopefully you may find some useful also.

Steps to organizing my life:

- 1) Do the next thing- NOW. If it can be done in 15 minutes or less to it now.
- 2) Only handle each piece of mail once.
- 3) Find a place for everything and put it away as soon as you are done using it. Although clutter is some people's style, don't allow it to become an escape for getting things done
- 4) Delegate anything that can be delegated to someone else.
 - a) If establishing goals, objectives, criteria and time constraints will take longer than the project, don't delegate.
 - b) Trust that person to get it done and establish goals and objectives with definite time constraints.
 - c) Have evaluations scheduled to review progress
- 5) Establish a workable To-Do list
 - a) Due dates
 - b) Priorities
 - c) Do it before you begin non "to do" new tasks
 - b) To DO list for items due TODAY after Do-it NOWS
 - c) Remainder of to-do list in order established (High priority >date >medium >date >low >date)

d) Recognize that emergencies will happen and build into To-Dos break points

6) Stay current: make time to read and learn about current trends in whatever your priorities are because others have struggled and found solutions.

7) Have a schedule and attempt to stick to it. Log your day's activities to see how you did.

8) If you come to a block in what you are doing then:

- a) Pray for guidance
 - b) Get help don't just continue to struggle because you have to do it yourself
 - c) If all else fails, put it aside and come back to it later
- 9) If you don't need something and can't imagine using it in the next 6 months, sell it, give it away or throw it away.
- 10) Build relaxation, exercise and fun into you regime or you will burn out and not get the important things done

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CHOO! CHOO! That is the sound you will hear next June when the Northeast Rotary Train chugs its way to the Centennial Conference in Chicago. We have reserved a part of that train for Rotarians in our district that are planning on attending the 100th anniversary Rotary convention. I do not have the costs or dates but they will be coming during the late summer for all to see if they would like to get on board the Rota-Train.

We will look at another item at the upcoming Assembly on May 22nd. If we want to be assured decent housing for the Centennial Convention, we should reserve a block of rooms in our district's name. I have the costs of various hotels in the vicinity and they will be available for all that come to the Assembly. The other option is that all just make their own reservations, but it is reported

some hotels are already closed out and if we don't reserve a block soon, our district may be scattered all over Chicago and many will have to come in from quite a distance from the convention center.

I welcome your thoughts and ideas on how we should handle this and hope many of you will seriously consider setting aside June 17-23 to come Celebrate Rotary with others from the Northeast that get on board the Rota-Train and other Rotarians from around the world.

Make sure you get your registration in for the **District Assembly in Tully on May 22nd**. It will begin at 8:00 with coffee, donuts and fellowship and we will be out of there by 2:00 PM. It is at The Tully High School. A map and agenda are available on the district Website. Cost per family is only \$15 and that includes lunch. Make sure you check the official visit schedule and put it on your club's calendar. I am hoping to help you prepare better for your year at the upcoming. I asked you to tell me what you need for your year as President. What concerns you had as incoming president and we planned breakout agendas around your responses.

Download the **registration form** for The **District Assembly** and this years **Leadership TEAM listing** on Assembly page & my webpage.

Celebrate Rotary and plan on ways for your entire community to celebrate Rotary next year.

- **Rev. Jim Austin, District 7150 DGE Centennial Governor**; email: jaustin2@twcny.rr.com; Tel: (315) 696-8413 Fax: (315) 696-6883
District web address: www.rotarydistrict7150.org/
My Web address: www.rotarydistrict7150.org/dg2004-05.htm Centennial Conference www.rotarydistrict7150.org/conference.html District Assembly: www.rotarydistrict7150.org/Assembly.htm

Celebrate Rotary- Jim

District 7150 Awards Program Criteria by DG Andrea Ives

EXEMPLARY SERVICE

AWARD: To the club whose record of services throughout the year sets an exemplary standard & provides a model of excellence for other clubs.

* Must earn the RI Presidential Citation for balanced service

* At least one "exemplary" service project must be started, completed or on-going during the Rotary year

* Must have achieved all or nearly all of the Clubs Goals & Objectives for this Rotary Year. *(This is 1 singular award selected by the District Governor-fill out separate form).*

AVENUE AWARDS: Awarded to clubs on the basis of excellence in a given Avenue of Service

COMMUNITY AWARDS: For that club whose program of service has made a significant impact on its local community or another community within the USA thereby fulfilling the ideals of the third element in the Object of Rotary: The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to personal, business, community life.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

For that club whose program has made the most significant impact on at least one community beyond the national borders of the USA in support of the forth element of the Object of Rotary: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and professional leaders united in the ideal of service.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: For that club whose program of service has best forwarded the ideal represented by the second element in the Object of Rotary: The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations: and the dignifying by all Rotarians of their occupations as opportunities to serve society.

CLUB SERVICE: For that club whose success in building membership and/or developing enthusiasm for Rotary among its members best fulfills the ideals of the first element of the Object of Rotary: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

Attendance & membership results are key areas of consideration.

THE DISTRICT 7150 AWARD FOR INNOVATION: Presented to the club which had implemented a

new service project within the last three years which is judged to represent a novel and effective idea either in the world of Rotary itself or within our local district boundaries.

THE DISTRICT 7150 COMMUNICATION AWARD: Presented to the club, which has created and maintained the most innovative and effective communication medium during the Rotary year.

CLUB ROTARIAN OF EXCELLENCE: New this year will be recognition of a Rotarian from each club in the district. This person is recommended by the Board of Director's of each club

New this year the District Governor would like to recognize any member in attendance who has perfect attendance, as well as any 25 year plus members.

DEADLINE: June 1, 2004.

* **Download the form on District website's Club Info Forms on the Club Correspondance Page and mail to Ann Smiley, District Awards Committee Chair.**

www.rotarydistrict7150.org/clubcorr.html



Important Polio Eradication Reminder by PDG Ed Paparella, Chair

We are now into the month of May with only one short month away from completion of another Rotary Year. You may remember the *District Polio Eradication Campaign Team suggested to all Clubs* that the Club Commitment be spread over 3 years to avoid a push in the final year to honor your Commitment in full. Several Clubs are well on their way in complet-

ing near 67% of their 3 year commitment, putting them on target as we march toward 6/30/04, a fast 2 years into the Campaign.

May we suggest each Club Leadership review the Polio Eradication Campaign progress for your Club and develop a plan to ensure your Club will be close to honoring 67% of your Commitment by 6/30/04 if it appears you will fall short. If you need any guidance, please contact your Club Polio

Eradication Campaign Coordinator or your Asst Gov for assistance.

Many thanks to all of you for your support and generosity in helping our District reach our \$330,000 Goal by 6/30/05. Let's continue to work together toward a Polio-Free World and take pride in this Global Rotary Humanitarian accomplishment soon to be history.



Annual Fund Contributions - by DGN Jerry Gortner, Chair

Your gifts to the Annual Fund have clothed, fed, and provided educational materials for children around the world. You have helped install new medical equipment in struggling communities, afforded students the opportunity to experience new languages, cultures, and people. You can be proud of what you have helped to accomplish, but much remains to be done.

Our Annual Fund objective is “Every Rotarian \$100 Every Year”. If you have yet to make your \$100 gift to our Annual Fund, see your Foundation chair at your meeting this week and give your Foundation chair you \$100 check for our Annual Fund, made payable to “The Rotary Foundation”.

The Annual Fund is the main source of unrestricted contributions that fuels the Foundation’s humanitarian, educational programs, matching grants, group study exchanges, and ambassadorial scholarships. Annual Fund contributions are essential to continuing our Rotary Foundation’s good work in the world.

Please recognize our District pace setting clubs when you do make-ups:

Annual Giving

Skaneateles	\$4,675.00
Utica	4,500.00
Baldwinsville	3,365.00

Annual Giving per Rotarian

Baldwinsville	\$116.03
Greater Utica Sunrise	90.38
Skaneateles	89.90

Total Foundation Giving

Utica	\$16,174.74
Chittenango	10,430.00
Baldwinsville	6,065.00

We were fortunate to have as our *speaker at our annual Paul Harris Fellow dinner*, Robert A. Coultas, Past Rotary International Director. He updated us on what our Rotary Foundation has achieved and what we currently see as the needs of Our World as we go forward. This was an excellent opportunity to learn more about our Rotary International Foundation right here in our District.

We celebrated and thanked our District 7150 Rotarians that received a Paul Harris Fellow recognition, folks who have gifted \$1,000 or more to our Rotary Foundation. We also recognized and thanked our Bequest Society members, who have either given \$10,000 to the Foundation or have committed \$10,000 of their estate to our Foundation.

View pictures of the PHF dinner celebration on our district website’s Foundation page.



More information available on our district website’s Polio Plus & Foundation webpages.

District 7150 Attendance and Membership Form for March, 2004

Club Mar Name Attendance	SAR Baseline		Total	New	Terminated	Membership change from July			
	7/1/2003	Mar	Leading District Clubs Membership			#	%	% Attendance	
Adirondack Foothills	31	32	1	0	1	3%	56%	Clay,Cicero,N Syracuse	92%
Auburn	29	29			0	0%		Oswego Sunrise	88%
Aurora	14	13	0	0	(1)	-7%	72%	Syracuse Inner City	88%
Baldwinsville	29	32	0	1	3	10%	70%	Marcellus	87%
Camden	23	18			(5)	-22%		Moravia	87%
Camillus	21	25			4	19%	56%	Eastwood (Syracuse)	86%
Canastota	24	28	0	0	4	17%	81%	Hamilton	86%
Cato	19	18	0	0	(1)	-5%	75%	Kuyahoorra Valley	86%
Cazenovia	23	27	2	0	4	17%	68%		81%
Chittenango	55	55	0	0	0	0%	76%		
Clay,Cicero,N Syracuse	5	5	0	0	0	0%	92%	Most New Members	#
DeWitt	86	90	2	0	4	5%	72%	Syracuse Inner City	2
Dolgeville	14	14			0	0%		Eastwood (Syracuse)	2
Eastwood (Syracuse)	39	39	2	0	0	0%	86%	Solvay-Geddes	2
Fayetteville-Manlius	22	22			0	0%		DeWitt	2
Fulton	40	36	0	0	(4)	-10%	63%	Waterville	2
Fulton Sunrise	17	16	1	0	(1)	-6%	80%	Cazenovia	2
Greater Utica Sunrise	26	27	0	0	1	4%	76%	Utica	2
Hamilton	30	43	1	0	13	43%	86%		
Herkimer	26	26			0	0%		Membership Net Gain	#
Kuyahoorra Valley	25	20	0	0	(5)	-20%	86%	Hamilton	13
Little Falls	28	24	0	0	(4)	-14%	73%	Rome	9
Liverpool	17	17			0	0%		DeWitt	4
Marcellus	14	14	0	0	0	0%	87%	Cazenovia	4
Moravia	16	17	0	0	1	6%	87%	Canastota	4
Morrisville	20	23	0	0	3	15%	55%	Camillus	4
New Hartford	36	36			0	0%			
North Utica	18	18			0	0%			
Oneida	91	87			(4)	-4%	73%	Membership Net Gain	%
Oneida Shores	17	18			1	6%		Hamilton	43%
Oriskany Falls	20	22	0	0	2	10%	77%	Camillus	19%
Oriskany-Whitestown	25	21	0	0	(4)	-16%	53%	Cazenovia	17%
Oswego	46	46			0	0%		Canastota	17%
Oswego Sunrise	20	21	0	0	1	5%	88%	Morrisville	15%
Rome	95	104	1	0	9	9%	58%	Syracuse Inner City	14%
Sauquoit	22	22	0	0	0	0%	70%	Skaneateles Sunrise	14%
Sherrill	16	16			0	0%		Baldwinsville	10%
Skaneateles	52	54	0	0	2	4%	59%	Syracuse Sunrise	10%
Skaneateles Sunrise	22	25	0	0	3	14%	56%	Waterville	10%
Solvay-Geddes	22	23	2	0	1	5%	78%	Oriskany Falls	10%
Syracuse	116	116			0	0%		Total Membership	#
Syracuse Inner City	21	24	2	0	3	14%	88%	Utica	150
Syracuse Sunrise	29	32	0	0	3	10%	65%	Syracuse	116
Tully	24	24			0	0%		Rome	104
Utica	153	150	2	4	(3)	-2%	60%	DeWitt	90
Waterville	20	22	2	0	2	10%	72%	Oneida	87
West Winfield	25	23			(2)	-8%		Chittenango	55
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Submit reports: www.rotarydistrict7150.org/reports.html



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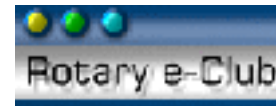


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