



Rotary Review

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OFFICERS INDUCTED FOR 2007-08

Linda Persichino New Club President

District Deputy Governor Designate Maria Winter officiated at the annual induction of officers on Thursday, June 28.

The setting for the event was the Club's Annual Dinner, held at Giovanna's Restaurant.

Beginning with a "happy hour", the dinner meeting was well-attended, with 18 Club members and guests present.

A key part of the celebration was the opportunity for members to say "thank you" to the many people who volunteered to help us at our

various fundraising events this past year.

From staffing the concession stand at Rutgers basketball games, to officiating at the Track and Field Meet, to selling food to a hungry crowd at the state lacrosse championships, these *Rotary friends* played a key role in us achieving our fundraising goals.

Linda Persichino was inducted as our new president, along with her slate of officers.

Bill Parenti thanked the Club for its support during his year as president, telling all that the job was not as hard as he expected, especially because of Club members' support.

Door prizes were won by Janet Townley, Sue Tobier, and Harry Allen.



Deputy District Governor Maria Winter addresses the dinner guests.



Tom Reedy presents Bill Parenti with his "Past President" plaque.

What Paul Harris Said...

"What should Rotarians do to back up the United Nations?...Rotarians were chairmen of seven national delegations at the San Francisco Conference, and in all, as delegates or consultants there were fifty Rotarians. Thus the spirit of Rotary was very definitely in evidence in San Francisco during the writing of the United Nations Charter."

From Paul Harris's message to the 1919 RI Convention in Salt Lake City.

Need more information? Have comments, questions or suggestions? All are welcome. Contact the Editor at 908-822-1441 or at RotaryPNP@comcast.net.

Why I Am A Rotarian

If you look at the membership of any Rotary Club, you will see the diversity of backgrounds from which our members come; from industry, service, supply, and the community. A real cross section of society exists within each club.

But all these people, from the moment the meeting starts, from the moment the fund-raising event begins, from the moment the fellowship meeting takes place, have the ideals of Rotary in common, and none more so than 'Service Above Self.'

And out of this we form lasting personal friendships and meet more people, through our help and support, broadening our lives and improving our understanding.

Going the extra mile, filling the unforgiving minute, has benefited people all round the world and will continue to do so as long as Rotary continues.



And while there is a hungry mouth, a deprived community, a disease that has to be stopped, there will always be Rotary, there to help and support.

The tradition is safe. The work will go on. I am thankful that I am a part of it.

PP Jim Silver
Rotary Club of West
Bridgford,
Nottingham,
District 1220



SERVICE Above Self

Interact Club News and Activity

District 7510 will hold Interact Leadership Training on October , 2007 for in-coming officers of the Interact Clubs in the District.

This one-day event will be held at the Somerset Holiday Inn on Davidson Road in Somerset.

Amy Six, NPHS Interact advisor, will arrange for election of officers prior to that date.

Also, we have asked the Interact Club to assist us with our Dictionary Project in September and October.

YMCA Dinner

Club members served dinner on Monday, June 18 to the residents at the Plainfield Area YMCA.

Working with the local KFC restaurants, Rotarians Linda Persichino, Linda Hawkins-Todman, Addy Bonet, Paul Henry, and Frank Rainear served up a meal of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, and corn bread for thirty women, men, and children at the YMCA. Rotarians also supplied salad, desserts and soft drinks to round out the meal.

"As one of our community service projects, we offer a dinner four times a year at the Y", said Linda Persichino, in-coming President of the local Rotary club. "We try to partner with local businesses for the dinners, and this time we were pleased to have the enthusiastic support of Percy Fennell, franchise owner of the local restaurants. The residents enjoyed a filling, hot meal, with enough available to serve seconds."

Bev Howard picked up the food from KFC and Janice Allen provided the desserts, always a hit!



Linda Todman serves up the mashed potatoes, gravy and vegetables while Frank Rainear waits to pile on the fried chicken..

2006 Council on Legislation News

The 2007 Council on Legislation adopted 97 items, 59 of which were enactments that change the RI constitutional documents.

All policy changes take effect on 1 July. Clubs have the opportunity to register opposition to any of the enactments or resolutions. Some of the changes that affect membership administration are summarized below.

ATTENDANCE

- 07-11: The club board can cancel a meeting for com-

monly recognized holidays.

[*Note: The holiday cancellation does not count against the currently allowable 4 cancellations per year.*]

- 07-14: Club members are required to attend or make up 50 % rather than 60 % of regular meetings in each half of the Rotary year.
- 07-334: Assistant governors are excused from the requirement of attending at least 30 percent of their own club's regular meetings in each half of the Rotary year.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

- 07-329: Clubs can elect into active membership people with good reputations in the community who have demonstrated a commitment to service and the Object of Rotary through personal involvement in local affairs.

[*Note: Membership is currently limited to business and*

professional people.]

DUES

- 07-283: RI per capita dues will be \$23.50 per half year in 2007-08, \$24.00 per half year in 2008-09, \$24.50 per half year in 2009-10, and \$25.00 per half year in 2010-11. Dues will remain at \$25.00 per half year until changed by the Council on Legislation.
- 07-287: For each new member, clubs will pay prorated per capita dues (one-twelfth per month) until the beginning of the next semiannual period for which dues are payable.

The *Manual of Procedure* will be updated with all revised constitutional documents and mailed to all clubs and districts. The English version should be available by the end of October, and versions in other languages should be available by March.

TEAM Rotary

District Governor Julie Ann has re-instated the monthly *Team Rotary Newsletter*.

Each Club member should have received a copy within the past week or so.

If you did not receive one, please send Michael an email, and he will check into it. The District mailing list may not be up to date.

2007-08-09

YMCA Shelter Dinner -

Next dinner is Monday, September 17 - co-chairs Linda P. and Beverly will again have a great dinner arranged. Volunteer now to help with this important community service project.

Wine Tasting Dinner -

the annual fundraiser for our scholarship program will be coming up soon. Get your business to buy a table this year and help raise our scholarship commitment of \$5,000. More to come soon!

Jack Townley's Words of Wisdom



Jack is on vacation, enjoying his new portable DVD player on his trip to sunny Florida and Disney World!

YWCA Summer Program

The YWCA of Central NJ has announced its Early Childhood Learning Center is offering Special Summer Programming

While other Daycare and Childcare facilities in the area are winding down to close during the summer months, the YWCA's Early Childhood Learning Center is ramping up for a very busy season.

Director of the ECLC, Renee Abdullah, and her highly qualified staff have planned a special summer program for all levels of childcare.

The primary focus of summer will be on language skills and social development for infants and toddlers, while older children will be able to have fun while learning computers, music appreciation and science exploration.

Additionally, the Early Childhood Learning Center (ECDC) is offering a special summer discount for new students enrolling in the facility. Space is limited so interested families should call the YWCA of Central NJ at (908) 756-3500 x 175.

Located in the historic YWCA building at 232 East Front Street, the Early Childhood Center,



opened in October, 2006.

The Center offers exceptional, affordable childcare and education for infants, toddlers and preschoolers from birth to 5 years old. Early and extended care is also available.

The ECDC is the newest addition to programs already enjoying success at the YWCA.

Parents will find it extremely convenient for their entire families because older siblings can take part in the YWCA's Summer Camp programs for kids in Grades K through 6, and adolescent and teen programs are all available at the same location.

The newly expanded co-educational Health and Fitness Center with Pool is available for teens and adults and the Center for Career Options is open to men and women aged 18+, making the YWCA of Central NJ a true "one-stop" for Central New Jersey families.

Students of the Month Program



April: Arkor Kalubah, NPHS and Malcolm Moye, PHS



May: Theresa Huynh, NPHS and Larry Peterman, PHS.



June: Caleb Williams PHS and Dondre Stuetley NPHS.

July 2006
Rotary Club of Plainfield North-Horseshoe

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Calendar Don't forget to check the website for your program assignments. The current and next months' assignments are listed on the next page.

One source for speakers is the local papers; the local section of the Courier News, for one. Another source is the District list in the Members Area on the website (www.RotaryPNP.org). Remember - speakers are potential members, so give some thought to your choices.

Annual Meeting Photos



President Bill presents "Rotarian of the Year Award" to Michael.



Linda, Addy and Tom enjoying the "happy" part of "Happy Hour".



Officers for 2007-08 include Treasurer Linda, Secretary Michael, Vice-President Bill, President Elect Addy, President Linda and Sgt. at Arms Tom, with Deputy Governor Maria Winter, our inducting officer.



Janice Allen presents Michael with a "thank you" gift for...everything!.



Deputy Governor Maria, Linda and Bill during the ceremonial passing of the gavel



July/August Meeting Schedule

- ◇ July 4 - No meeting!
- ◇ July 11 - Program by Jackie Glock - YWCA staffer will speak on hiring the disabled.
- ◇ July 18 - No speaker yet
- ◇ July 25 - Same; also, Board meeting
- ◇ Aug. 1 - Club Assembly
- ◇ Aug. 8 - No speaker yet
- ◇ Aug. 15 - No speaker yet
- ◇ Aug. 22 - No speaker yet
- ◇ Aug. 29 - No speaker yet; also, Board meeting

[Note: If you have a program, please contact Dave Hollod and let him know. Dave is working on the schedule for the coming year.]

District 7510 Events/News

- Aug. 27 New member breakfasts, Quality Inn, Somerset.
- Sept. 29 Rotary Foundation Seminar, Quality Inn, Somerset.
- Sept. 29 Membership Seminar, Quality Inn, Somerset
- Oct. 8 Multi-district Vocational Assembly, Atlantic City
- Nov. 12 District "Eat, Drink and Share" at the Pines Manor, Edison.
- Feb. 9, '08 PR & Fundraising Seminar, Quality Inn, Somerset.

<i>Current Members and Classifications</i>	
Allen, Janice	Child care administration
Alparone, Helena	Banking
Birnbaum, Marilyn	Public education
Bonet, Addy	Social service
Glock, Jackie	Social service
Griswold, Vicky	Music retail
Hawkins-Todman, Linda	Real estate
Henry, Paul	Financial planning/CPA
Hollod, David	Public administration
Howard, Beverly	Cardiac care
Kosin, Ivan	Chiropractic
McNally, Richard	Office machine sales
Parenti, William	Municipal police service

<i>Current Members and Classifications</i>	
Persichino, Linda	Banking
Rainear, Frank	Funeral home
Reedy, Thomas	Social service
Scarlett, Mindy	Mentoring services
Townley, Michael	Stained and leaded glass
Honorary Members and Former Classifications	
Harvey, William	Clergy - presbyterian
Gindin, William	General law
Herting, Frank	Public education
Perrone, Ralph	Social service
Ridzy, Edward	Mortgage banking

THE FOUR WAY TEST 1. Is it the truth? 2. Is it Fair to All Concerned? 3. Will it Build Goodwill
of things we say and do... and Better Friendships? 4. Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?



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