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IS IN YOUR HANDS

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District Governor
2009-2010
CAROL TOOMEY
Rotary District
7910

Message from the GOV

Rotarians continue to astonish me with all the things they do. The month started with a celebration of 80 years of Rotary in Clinton. They did a program book with their history as well as a great evening at the Chocksett Inn. I attended two PETS, one in Florida and our own in Nashua. Over 50 people worked to make our Nashua PETS a success. I have full confidence that Governor Elect Mike Ellis will have a great team as his presidents were trained well by Rotarians from eight districts.

The District Conference committee lead by Jim Fusco has been working hard on the 2009-10 Presidents' celebration May 14-16. Watch for proxy forms which must be filled out by your president if he/she is unable to attend the business meeting on Friday at 10 AM. Many have registered already for the very low priced weekend. Others will register for single meals or for \$0 when they choose to just attend the educational sessions lead by PDG Klaus Hachfeld. Bill Lasko will be "serving up" a great lunch on Friday. Many clubs make this meal their club meeting. New members who have joined since June 1 will be reimbursed for their lunch when they attend.

The PR committee is celebrating another good year. Notice the billboards in your area or the bus advertising you may see in your travels. We had a great foundation meeting last Thursday. Thanks Greg Roche. Unfortunately, the giving dried up after the Haiti earthquake. There are long term needs and hopefully we can get this year's giving up so that we can do worthwhile projects in the next couple of years. Grant money from foundation will then be there when we need to use it.

Last Friday night Chelmsford had a very successful concert featuring Syncopation (lead by a previous Rotary ambassadorial scholar) and Beantown. Coming up is a pancake breakfast in Brookline, a Paul Harris night in Fitchburg, and RLI in Lebanon, NH. We will be welcoming a diplomat from Japan at Neponset Valley on Wednesday and a Hockey Rotaract Club in Marlborough this weekend.

Committee meetings this month include GOLNE, Gemini, AG, Steering, DC, and GSE. If you don't know what these initials mean, check other newsletters. All of the last 3 years newsletters are archived on www.rotary7910.org

Well, that was just one month. I am very proud to be your leader for these 12 months and I am very proud of all the clubs in this district. In the last three months, I will be focusing on two things: Increasing the number of Rotarians in the district and making sure there is enough money sent to foundation to continue the good work of Rotary. Your help is needed. Remember, the Future of Rotary Is In Your Hands.

District Governor

2010 GOAL
\$200,000

RI & District Dues are Due. Two different bills. Two different addresses.

ROTARACT CLUB/NATIONAL-QUALIFYING HOCKEY TEAM COMING TO MARLBOROUGH

Last August one Rotarian enlisted 28 young adults with the Northern Lights Junior Hockey team located in Minnesota USA and mobilized them to serve alongside government, schools, city leaders, the private sector and Rotarians to make a positive difference. These young men chartered the Rotaract Club of the Athlete Village (Rotary for 18-29 year olds) in September. The club has added new members from the community and now attracting female members and non-hockey players. This Rotaract club-starting model can be replicated in your district and we'd like to share our story with you.

The team has had great success on and off the ice, and recently returned from the Winter Olympics where they served as Goodwill Peace Ambassadors for several weeks. The purpose of their trip was to build international goodwill through their games and service projects during the Torch Relay, to raise awareness about Polio Plus through a massive PR campaign and to share this club-starting model with other junior hockey teams based in British Columbia. The group distributed 80,000 Canada flag tattoos that said "End Polio: Thanks Rotary" during the Olympics which were proudly displayed by Canada fans young and old. The team's Purple Pinkie campaign and Rotary "End Polio" Hockey Jerseys also captured the public and media's attention as they raised money for polio vaccines at each hockey game. These games also allowed local BC children the opportunity to see a live international competition who were unable to get Olympic tickets.

SAVE THESE DATES: You are warmly invited to attend a "Rotary "End Polio" Hockey Game" Friday March 26 at the New England Sports Center. Come join District 7190 Governor Carol Toomey at the game, enjoy a night out with other Rotarians and cheer on this Rotaract Club's members as they participate in the USA Hockey National Junior Hockey Tournament in Marlborough Mass. We are still working out details with the tournament hosts about ticket price group rate and the exact schedule but it would begin after 5:00 PM. The team will be available to meet with you during a post game reception with details to be announced shortly at our site: www.athletevillage.com.

Although Northern Lights players and staff are quick to say that the team is "hockey first," the partnership with Rotary clubs across states and borders in "service above self" has been a big part of our team culture this year. Rotaract Club Advisor/Hockey Board President Stephanie Smith will be sharing her story at the Sudbury Club on Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 AM and the Marlborough Rotary Club on Thursday March 25 at Noon. You can also meet/hear??? Stephanie at the Marlborough Club 12:00 at the Coral Seafood. Come be energized about all things Rotary as you come learn about this exciting success story and support these young members in our Rotary family.



**1/3
to our
goal**

**APF
\$72,730**

GUEST SPEAKER: CONSUL GENERAL OF JAPAN, MASARU TSUJI

Date: Wednesday, March 24th

Time: 7:30-8:30 am

Place: Hilton-Boston/Dedham: 25 Allied Drive, Dedham

RSVP to 781-326-1800 x16 or to my email by March 22, 2010

The Neponset Valley Sunrise Rotary Club invites all Rotary Members to a special presentation by Consul General Masaru Tsuji. The Neponset Valley Sunrise Rotary Club will host speaker Masaru Tsuji, the Consul General of Japan. The event will take place at the Neponset Valley Sunrise Rotary group's morning breakfast meeting at the Hilton-Boston/Dedham on Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 am.

Consul General Masaru Tsuji believes it is important to maintain a good relationship between Japan and the U.S. — for the prosperity of both countries and for stability and development in East Asia and the World.

**All
Invited**

100% PAUL HARRIS FELLOW CLUB

Rotary clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows can be certified as a 100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club and are eligible to receive a one-time special recognition banner from The Rotary Foundation. To obtain this recognition

1. A club representative must contact the district governor after determining that all current, dues-paying club members are Paul Harris Fellows.
 2. The district governor must confirm that all members are Paul Harris Fellows and notify: The Rotary Foundation OA400; One Rotary Center; 1560 Sherman Ave.; Evanston, IL 60201-3698 USA. Confirmation and banner requests can be made by email to: apf@rotary.org
- Honorary Rotarians and former club members do not need to be Paul Harris Fellows for clubs to receive this recognition.

2010 GOAL
\$54,000

**Polio Plus
\$21,492**

BIG ROTARY WEEKEND COMING UP

Wednesday, March 24 - Consul General of Japan, Masaru Tsuji (Neponset Valley club)

Wednesday, March 24 - Rotaract Club/National Qualifying Hockey Team (Sudbury club)

... THIS WEEK'S DISTRICT 7910 NEWS ...

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **March 23** -
DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING
- **March 24** -
Consul General of Japan, Masaru Tsuji (Neponset Valley club)
- **March 24** -
Rotaract Club/National Qualifying Hockey Team (Sudbury club)
- **March 25** -
RYLA Committee Meeting
- **March 25** -
Rotaract Club/National Qualifying Hockey Team (Marlboro club)
- **March 26** -
Rotaract Club/National Qualifying Hockey Team Plays (Marlboro)
- **March 27** -
Brookline Pancake Breakfast
- **March 27** -
RLI, Lebanon, NH
- **April 1** -
Council Board Meeting for District Governors Past
- **April 3** -
Franklin Texas Hold'em
- **April 7** -
Assistant Governors Meeting
- **April 13** -
DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING
- **April 14** -
RYLA Committee Meeting
- **April 24** -
District Assembly
- **April 26** -
Rotary Alumni Event (Includes four districts)
- **April 26** -
Food Tasting & Charity Auction, Dedham
- **April 27** -
District Conference Meeting
- **April 27** -
Membership Award Dinner
- **May 4** -
District Conference Meeting
- **May 6** -
Foundation Committee Meeting
- May 14-16, 2010**
DISTRICT CONFERENCE
- **May 18** -
District Trustee Meeting
- **May 19** -
District Trustee's Meeting
- **June 3** -
RYLA Meeting
- **June 7** -
Assistant Governors Meeting
- **June 19** -
Montreal Convention
- **June 20-23** -
RI Convention Montreal
- **June 25** -
RYLA 2010



Speaker 3/17/10 Georgi Kardzhaliyski a Student at Worcester Polytechnic Institute President elect of the Rotaract club of WPI and Past President and founder at The Interact club, Pazardzhik as our speaker. He also is a National Finalist "The National Achievement Award", presented by The Dimitar Berbatov Foundation, based on abilities, skills, and accomplishments, 01/2008-06/2009 and a Appointed Member, The United States Student Achievers Program (USAP) of The Fulbright Commission, 02/2008-06/2009. I think Georgi has the makings of a great future Rotarian. Georgi was presented with a laptop and printer from the Rotary club of westborough and Rotaract club of UMASS medical school



Dear D7910 Rotarians,
Greetings from Uganda! As I mentioned in a previous newsletter article, I am currently living in Kisoro, Uganda, a rural area in the southwestern corner of Uganda. I am working with Doctors for Global Health to expand and improve a village health worker program. If you are interested in reading more about my experiences here, I am keeping a blog: www.jay-miller.blogspot.com. Next year, I will be pursuing a Masters in Public Health in England.

Best wishes,
Jay Miller, 2010-11 D7910 Ambassadorial Scholar

52 Weekly Rotary Foundation Thoughts

Educating Rotarians about the work of The Rotary Foundation is one of the most effective tools for gaining and broadening support of our Annual Programs Fund and the Every Rotarian, Every Year effort. The Weekly Rotary Foundation Thought is designed to inform our members of the many ways in which we impact the world — there's always something new and exciting going on in Rotary. The club president can begin the tradition by opening each meeting with a brief moment on The Rotary Foundation, but consider rotating ownership of the weekly reading among club members. In fact, didn't Paul Harris have a similar idea about rotating?

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/trf_weekly_thoughts_en.pdf

District Conference is May 14-16

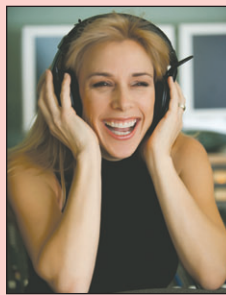
DEADLINE April 22, 2010 for reserving your Hospitality Room is FAST approaching. Call Dave Moquin, Hospitality Chair, Fitchburg, Club @ 978-537-9214 978-537-9214 or E-mail dmoquin@yahoo.com for details. Board games so far taken are; Monopoly, Checkers, Life, Operation, CSI, Clue and Pictionary. What will be yours ?? All Fun & Games at this years conference May 14-16, 2010.

Notice for insertion in District Newsletter

Special note to club presidents and secretaries: You are reminded that new club members initiated into your club since July 1, 2009 are invited to attend the Paul Harris Luncheon at the District Conference, May 14 at no cost. Each new member must register and pay for the luncheon in advance. Payments will be refunded when the member signs in at the conference registration desk.

Also, if you wish to have Paul Harris recognition awards presented at the luncheon, please e-mail your request to luncheon chair Bill Lakso at Billakso@aol.com. Be certain that you have presentation materials available at the luncheon. Five openings remain. First come, first served!

ROTARY CLUB OF CONCORD'S 35TH ANNUAL POPS APRIL 9



Picture: Vocalist Amanda Carr

The Rotary Club of Concord invites you to its 35th Annual Pops Night featuring renowned jazz vocalist Amanda Carr and the Concord Band on April 9, 2010 at 8 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center, 51 Walden Street, Concord. Hailed by Nat Hentoff in the Wall Street Journal as "a true jazz singer in a time of wannabes," Amanda will sing selections from her recently released CD, Common Thread. In fresh new big band arrangements by Dr. William McManus, Director Emeritus of the Concord Band, Ms. Carr's renditions of Porter's Night and Day, Gershwin's They All Laughed and

Deivroes/Bushkin's Something Wonderful Happens in Summer are sure to bring the audience to its feet. In addition to Carr's numbers, the Concord Band, under the direction of Music Director James O'Dell, will entertain with a selection of light classical and toe tapping show tunes. A pops-style concert, with table seating, refreshments, and a silent auction, affords the audience a chance to unwind, visit with friends, and celebrate the coming of Spring. Tickets are \$25 a person and may be purchased from members of the Rotary Club of Concord, or by calling Dick Hale at 978-369-1500. All seats are reserved.

Plan now to treat yourself and your friends to an enjoyable evening of spirited music while you support Rotary's many humanitarian projects. For more information about the Rotary Club of Concord, visit www.rotaryclubofconcord.org.



Pictured: Val Callahan, Foundation Chair, Rodney White, PHS recipient, Jay Garee, President of the Rotary Club of Worcester

Ambassadorial Scholar Alum Tsunenori "Lee" Abe, who was hosted by our D-7910 in 2002-2003, while studying Jazz Composition at the Berklee College of Music in Boston. He created the group, Syncopation. He was originally from Japan, and is now married. Lee is now studying for a Masters Degree while also working full-time.



2010 District Conference

THEME: *Fun & Games* MAY 14-15-16 • BOXBORO

**DEADLINE APPROACHING!!
DON'T MISS OUT!**

\$1,000 in cash prizes will be given out at the District Conference to Essay Contest winners! Make sure YOUR local schools get their chance to compete! Please contact District Literacy Chair **Gloria Maybury** at 508-265-1142 as soon as possible!

Deadline for sending news items, pictures, and events for this newsletter is Sunday at 6 PM
Carol Toomey, DG; Action Unlimited, 100-1 Domino Drive, Concord, MA 01542
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