



District 7450 Rotary Leader



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Message from DG Joan



Spring brings a new awakening to the earth and to all creatures that inhabit our green planet. We Rotarians are no different.

We celebrated the beginning of our 100th year of service at the Rotary Club of Philadelphia's Centennial Celebration at the Ballroom at the Ben April 10th. Thirty five of our Rotary Clubs and three of our Rotaract Clubs proudly presented their Club banners to President Ray Klingensmith at a sold-out dinner attended by 200 Rotarians and guests. A swirl of tuxedos and gowns made this one of the most elegant Rotary affairs we have seen in some time.

Forty one of our 53 Rotary clubs participated in our first ever Rotarians at Work Day on April 30th. An estimated 1500 Rotarians and volunteers worked side by side making a significant difference in the six-county areas that we serve. What a wonderful manifestation of a century of service! And what a way to welcome the next century as our Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and EarlyAct Clubs grow and prosper.

We will begin a new cycle of Rotary as our 2011-2012 Club leaders and members will converge on the ACE Conference Center on May 10th to learn how to make their year "their Club's best year ever."

On May 11, we say good bye to our outstanding GSE team from Brazil at our farewell dinner at Cannstatter's hosted by the Frankford-Northeast Club on behalf of our District. They are such personable, charming and talented individuals that we will surely miss them when they leave. We can support our life-changing Rotaplast program by enjoying an evening at the Media Theater on May 12. Here's a great excuse for a Club pre-theater dinner party prior to seeing the highly acclaimed Broadway play, "Tommy."

Approximately 50 of us will travel to the International Convention in New Orleans and join 20, 000 Rotarians to celebrate our internationality and "let the good times roll- again. We are happy to be able to support the people of New Orleans by being there. We wish West Grove-Avondale Rotary Club members Dan Danese and Tom O'Neill Godspeed as they cycle their way to New Orleans to raise money for our Polio Challenge.

So many of our Clubs have met President Ray's challenge to be "Bigger, Bolder and Better". Now, we, too, can "let the good times roll- again."

Rotarians send \$21,000 for Japanese relief effort

An initial donation for \$21,000.00 has been received by the Rotary Club of Tokyo on behalf of the Japanese Disaster relief effort which represents donations from among the 53 Rotary Clubs in Rotary District #7450. Since the transfer of the initial check, additional funds have been received by the Ardmore Rotary Foundation which is serving as conduit for the funds. As additional funds are received, further checks will be sent.

"We are very impressed with the immediate response and generosity on the part of so many Rotary Clubs and local community members in such a short period of time." said Jami Whelan, president of the Ardmore Rotary Club.

On March 30, Whelan received an email from Yuza-buro Mogi, president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo, which stated, "...It is encouraging to know that Rotary friends overseas care about us. As you may know, several thousands of people have been found dead or are still missing from this devastating earthquake. The thoughts of this fill our members with great sadness ..."

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Motorcyclists seek pledges for ride to RI Convention.

Hello All,

I am writing to inform you of a great motorcycle journey that Dan Danese (the president of the West Grove-Avondale club) and Tom O'Neill will be taking in May. On the 18th, they will leave Pennsylvania and point their bikes towards New Orleans, the site of this year's Rotary International Convention.

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**Farewell Dinner for GSE Team is May 11.
Reservations deadline is May 3.
[See form on page 9.](#)**

District 7450 Rotarians welcome GSE team from Brazil



The Group Study Exchange (GSE) team from Brazil was welcomed to Chestnut Hill Rotary Club by Christian Mongrain (left) and Frank Hollick (third from left). The team includes leader Dulce Vasconcelos (second from left) and Luciana Silva, Greyce Vas, Juliana Manques and Luciano Ribero. Philadelphia Rotarian Cristy Halliday (right) is District GSE chair.

The Group Study Exchange (GSE) team attended the April 14 Philadelphia Rotary Club meeting and explained Brazilian culture, geography, economics, and demographics and fielded questions. The team will leave following a May 14 farewell dinner hosted by Frankford-Northeast Philadelphia Rotary Club. (See page 9 for details.)

ShelterBox on the scene following earthquake in Japan

A team of Rotarians from the USA, UK, Australia and France have been working with fellow Rotarians in Japan to bring emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies to families who lost everything after the devastating earthquake and subsequent tsunami in March.

Bill Decker, chair of ShelterBox USA, ShelterBox Response Team member and Philadelphia Rotarian, reports past RI director, John Lawrence delivered ShelterBoxes in Kesenuma and Ofunato, two of the hardest hit towns in Japan's Iwate Prefecture.

"The ShelterBox Response Team has been working closely with Rotary clubs across Japan to provide assistance following this terrible tragedy," said Lawrence. "Many Clubs had suspended meetings as they tried to come to terms with the situation – particularly in the worst hit areas where up to half of the Club members have tragically lost their lives and many more are missing.

"We're doing all we can to support our fellow Rotarians in Japan as they work tirelessly to support their own communities. They're deeply grateful to the Rotary Clubs

around the world whose ongoing support of ShelterBox makes this response possible."

The ShelterBox Response Team has been working in the areas that bore the full brunt of the tsunami's force and reported that whole towns have been 'annihilated' and thousands of families are in need.



Children play ioutside ShelterBox tents in temporary village in Japan. (Rotary International photo)

In District 7450, the LibertyMe Foundation of Bryn Mawr made doted \$5,000 to ShelterBox. The 7450 ShelterBox Team members, Tom Lloyd and Jim Ryal, as part of a national partnership with Neiman Marcus department stores, set up a tent in the King of Prussia store to raise awareness and funds to assist with the effort in Japan.

Several Rotary Clubs in 7450 have made donations directly to ShelterBox. "The Rotaract Club of Philadelphia's February donation of \$1000 for a ShelterBox was also a timely gift, given the tragedy in Japan," says Bill Decker, chairman of ShelterBox USA.

To keep up-to-date on ShelterBox's deployments, visit www.shelterboxusa.org.

Consensus: Wonderful, amazing, superb, awesome fabulous, delightful!

Philadelphia Rotary Club hosts 100th celebration; RI president Ray Klinginsmith an honored guest



RI president Ray Klinginsmith.

Erika Leittia photography

More than 200 Rotarians and guests celebrated Philadelphia Rotary Club's Centennial at a gala dinner Sunday, April 10, at the beautiful Ballroom at the Ben in the historic section of Philadelphia.

Representatives of 34 District 7450 Rotary Clubs participated in a "Grand March" complete with Rotary banners to open the evening.

The "sold out" event featured RI president Ray Klinginsmith as the guest of honor. RI director Ken Gra-

beau and his wife, Ruth, also attended as did Rotary District 7450 outgoing Ambassadorial Scholar David Gau and District 7450 outgoing Peace Fellow D. F. Pace, a decorated lieutenant from the Philadelphia Police Department.

Two visiting Rotary District Governors and ten District 7450 PDGs attended along with 14 past presidents of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia. Rotaractors from three District Rotaract Clubs also attended the dinner.

Tuxedo-clad men and women in beautiful gowns enjoyed a steak and seafood dinner preceded by hors d'oeuvres with an open bar all evening long.

District 7450 Governor Joan Batory, member and past president of the Philadelphia Rotary Club, presided over much of the formal ceremonies. District 7450 PDG Jefry Cadorette introduced PDG Dan Bronson, chairman of District 7450 Rotaplast Commit-

tee, who was awarded the "Service Above Self" medal, RI's highest honor, by President Klinginsmith.

A full-color 28-page Centennial Program memento was created by Philadelphia Rotary Club President Joe Batory with technical expertise provided by Glen Mills Rotarian Jay Childress.

A group of Philadelphia Mummies welcomed guests as they arrived. Perhaps the biggest surprise of the evening was the many Rotarians and guests who flooded the dance floor to



Philadelphia Rotary Club president Joseph Batory.

Erika Leittia photography

the music of Simple Commotion, a youthful jazz combo that turned on the audience.

Award-winning Upper Darby Encore Singers concluded the festivities with a mini-concert that drew a lengthy standing ovation. RI president Klinginsmith presented a Paul Harris medallion to director Barbara Benglian, Pennsylvania's Teacher of the Year in 2006.

"This was of course a celebration of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia's 100th Anniversary but it was so much more than that!" said Batory. "It was a celebration for all of the Rotary District 7450 Rotary Clubs that do so much for so many

different causes. Having representatives of 34 Rotary Clubs in attendance, many tracing their lineage to the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, truly made this evening very special!"



Dignitaries at the head table hold hands and bid farewell via "Auld Land Syne" at end of the gala.

Polio Update: 2010: 42 cases reported; 2011: one case

The year 2010 was one of the most successful in the history of the polio eradication program in India. Only 42 Polio cases were reported worldwide. To date, in the year 2011, only one case has been reported.

According to latest report, Rotarians have raised

\$167.7 Million towards the \$200 Million Dollar Challenge initiated by Bill Gates, but we still have that final push to reach the finish line by June 30, 2012! We are far ahead of our timetable and with a little more effort, we can get this done.

Rotary International Service Above Self Award presented to Daniel Bronson by RI president

The Rotary Club of Philadelphia is proud to have hosted the awarding of Rotary's highest honor for an individual Rotarian, the Service Above Self Award, at the Club's April 10 Centennial Gala.

Recipients of the award must have demonstrated exemplary humanitarian service with an emphasis on personal volunteer efforts and active involvement in helping others through Rotary. Service rendered through Rotary must have been on a continuing basis.

The recipient this year is Daniel Bronson of the West Grove-Avondale Club. This award recognizes Dan's exemplary humanitarian service with an emphasis on personal volunteer efforts and was presented by Rotary International (RI) President Ray Klinginsmith.

As District 7450 Governor in 2000-2001, Dan promoted the creation of the District website and strongly promoted the use of the Internet for directory, newsletter and various other promotions.

During his tenure, he organized a Rotary Foundation fund-raising dinner attended by RI President Frank Devlyn and more than 500 Rotarians and guests.

Dan served as District chair of the Youth Exchange Program from 1988 to 2008. He has chaired the committee for the District 7450 Leadership Plan and served more than 10 years on the executive board of the Eastern States Student Exchange (ESSEX, 36 Districts in the eastern United States, Canada and Bermuda).

Dan is president-elect of the USA-Canada Youth Exchange Network. He has been president and a director for the North American Youth Exchange Network (NAYN) and chaired the committee for inclusion of Mexico in the network with the United States and Canada.

Involved in numerous areas of service over a long period of years, Dan has led District 7450 cleft lip and cleft palate teams since 1999. He has served on the board of directors of Rotaplast and evaluates future sites for cleft surgery teams. He has arranged several matching grants and other service projects with India, Nigeria, Argentina, Peru, Bolivia, Brazil and Paraguay.

Dan and his wife, Carol, both Paul Harris Fellows, have hosted more than 20 Rotary Youth Exchange students. He has attended ten International Conventions where he has served as exhibitor, facilitator and speaker.

(Joseph Batory)



West Grove-Avondale Rotarian PDG Dan Bronson (left) receives the RI Service Above Self Award from RI president Ray Klinginsmith during the April 10 Centennial Gala marking Philadelphia Rotary Club's 100th anniversary. Sharing the moment are DG Joan Batory, past president of the Philadelphia Rotary Club, and PDG Jefry Caddorette of Media Rotary Club.



May 12 show in Media benefits Rotaplast team

Rotary District 7450 Rotaplast Committee presents a night at the Media Theater with "The Who's Tommy The Musical:" featuring the music of The Who, Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each

and every penny goes to support surgery and change the lives of kids with cleft lips and palates. A Rotaplast reception will precede the show at 6:30 p.m.

Rotaplast chair Dan Bronson invites Rotarians and guests to , "Please join us for this great night of musical entertainment as we raise funds for our cleft lip and cleft palate surgery team that will go to change the lives of needy children in Venezuela." Go to Rotary7450.org for ticket information.

WC Downtown Rotary Club dress sale benefits shelter for survivors of slave trafficking in India



At "Dress for a Good Cause" at Westtown School March 26, Sabine Westfahl-Cirone (left) and Nicole Cirone watch a video about child slavery and trafficking in India.

The Rotary Club of West Chester Downtown transformed gently worn dresses and jewelry into something else March 26: special: funds for projects that help survivors of trafficking and slavery.

Girls who attended the event at Westtown School created fashion statements for proms, picnics and graduation festivities without spending a fortune. They were also making social statements by keeping gently worn clothing out of landfills and helping rescued slaves.

Funds will go toward an outdoor gazebo-type shelter for a female survivors' center in India and new furniture for a local program for victims of trafficking. In previous years, funds have helped provide a motorcycle and SUV for a rescued boys' center and cattle and bio-gas system for a female center.

Central Chester County, Greater West Chester Sunrise, West Chester, Longwood, and Philadelphia Rotary Clubs along with general public donated dresses and jewelry.

(Carol Metzger)

10 Rotary exchange students announced

The District 7450 Rotary Youth Exchange committee has selected 10 high school students as 2011-2012 Rotary exchange students.

The students, schools, destination and Rotary Club sponsor are: **Ian Campbell**, Penncrest High School, Chile, Media Rotary Club; **Claire Elliot**, Science Leadership High School, Thailand, Eastwick Rotary Club; **Amelia Hall**, Great Valley High School, Austria, Ardmore Rotary Club; **Austin Halligan**, Unionville High School, Netherlands, Longwood Rotary Club.

Also **Rika Hoffman**, Rustin High School, Taiwan, West Chester Rotary Club; **Michael Knaus**, Deven Prep, Germany, Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn Rotary Club; **Gabriela May Masak**, Twin Valley High School, Spain, Twin Valley Rotary Club; **Peter Rankin**, Great Valley High School, Ecuador, Exton-Frazier Rotary Club, **Asa Walker**, Conestoga High School, Italy, Chester Rotary Club; and **Casey Young**, Neshaminy High School, Brazil, Langhorne Rotary Club.

Exchange students attend Gundaker meeting



During the March Gundaker Foundation committee meeting at the Desmond Hotel, District 7450 Youth Exchange chair Frany Cross [left] introduced the Youth Exchange students and explained the significance of their badges and pins and reported the students refer to their American parents as "Mom" and "Dad".. On hand for the meeting were (from left) Clara from France, Estavan from Mexico..Bella from Brazil, Yasoo from Japan. , Jasper from Germany. Gut from Brazil, Carlos from Spain and Jody from Belgium with Youth Exchange co-chair Rob Newman. Gundaker Foundation provides funding for the Youth Exchange Program.

Vet shares personal story of impact of Vietnam Memorial Wall at P-M-B Rotary Club meeting

Members of the Rotary of Paoli-Malvern-Berwyn were joined by 12 guests who came to hear Paul Baffico tell his personal story about what the Vietnam Veterans Memorial means to him and why he chooses to fly from Chicago or California for one weekend each month to act as a docent at the Wall.

Baffico was introduced by Rotarian r Mike Alofsin, who became reacquainted with Baffico recently, after many years after they served as 2nd lieutenants at Fort Gordon, Georgia in the late 1960s.

Baffico is a Vietnam veteran who served as a signal platoon leader in the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam where he flew 206 combat assault missions in 1970. He received the Air Medal with seven oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster, and the Army Commendation Medal.

Prior to retiring, he served as the Automotive Group president of Sears and the CEO of Western Auto for six years until his retirement. He founded Invisible Intellect, a small management consulting in 1999 and is a senior consultant with another firm in Boston.

He volunteers as a licensed drug and alcohol peer support specialist for veterans with PTSD, chairman of the Lake and McHenry County Veterans and Family Services outreach program in Illinois, an advisor to The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, and a monthly National Park Service volunteer docent at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C.

Baffico carefully reviewed the history of the wall,

concept, the competition that determined its design, the controversy that surrounded it, the construction process, and finally, the sense of calm that it provides for so many.



P-M-B Rotarian Mike Alofsin welcomes Paul Baffico to dinner meeting last month. Both were 2nd lieutenants at Fort Gordon, Georgia in 1970s and served in Vietnam.

He said Jan Scruggs started the memorial with \$2,800 while he was a student at American University and was joined by other vets, and Senator John Warner, and his wife, Elizabeth Taylor. A total of 1,421 design entries were received. Maya Lin, now the foremost architect in the world, was chosen unanimously through a blind selection process. She was a 21-year old undergraduate at Yale at the time. Baffico noted she presented her submission as a school project and received a B+ for her design.

The construction took three and one-half years, and nearly \$9 million was raised through mostly corporate donations. No federal funds were needed. The Wall is made of polished black granite, which is not maintenance free. Every Saturday, 30 volunteers wash and polish the Wall so that visitors can see their reflection in the wall.

There are 58,267 names on The Wall currently, arranged in chronological order, and in alphabetical order for each day. The average age of the dead is 22.9 and there are eight women on The Wall. The Wall is the most visited memorial in the world, with 4.5 million guests each year.

Taggart School musicians entertain Rotarians



The choir and orchestra of Taggart Elementary School in Philadelphia, which was without a music program for 14 years until 2009-2010 when music education funds were restored, made their second appearance at the Philadelphia Rotary Club luncheon at the Union League last month. The first concert, after only four months instruction, was amazingly good and the performances in last month's concert were exceptional.

Paul Harris Fellow

Concordville-Chadds Ford Rotary Club President Jim Murphy presents Brad



Hendrixson of Garnet Ford a Paul Harris Fellow to honor him and Garnet Ford for continuous generosity not only toward the Rotary programs, but also in the community in general.



Media Rotary Club flips pancakes for fundraiser

Rotary Club of Media President Andy Hunt (on left), along with President—Elect Bryan Messick, Rotarians Scott Davidson, Bill Strine and Peter Mardinly are on the job in the kitchen preparing pancakes for the annual Pancake Breakfast at the Media Elementary School in Media April 9. The event was well attended by Rotarians and the local residents.

Photo by Rotarian Rick Trivane

District sends \$21,000 for Japan disaster relief effort

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Ardmore Rotary Club and Tokuo Rotary Club have a special long-standing relationship which goes back to 1973 when Ardmore Rotary Club sent 300 dogwood trees to Tokyo to replace trees that were damaged during World War II. Tokyo Rotarians in 1977, sent 12 Cherry trees which were planted in the Garden for the Blind and Children in Wynnewood Valley Park. These trees are 45 feet tall.

In 2004, incoming Ardmore Rotary President Dr. Douglas Klepfer attended the Rotary International convention in Osaka and traveled to Tokyo to deliver another 200 dogwood trees in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Rotary International. Klepfer notes:

“As the state of devastation in northern Japan continues to develop, each day in Japan is so much different than one before. The Tokyo Rotary Club has excellent resources, with the global support of the Rotary International organization; we are assured our community donations will make a powerful difference. We are grateful for the tremendous community support in helping us raise over \$21,000 to help those in great need.”

Rotary District #7450 Governor Joan Batory recognized the Ardmore Rotary Foundation as an excellent organization to collect the funds from the six counties including the City of Philadelphia for the disaster relief funds.

A \$250,000 refurbishing project at the Sensory Garden of Wynnewood Valley Park is a focal point in the Ardmore Rotary Club's history of horticultural exchange with the Rotary Club of Tokyo, Japan. The Tokyo Rotary Club donated \$10,000 to the Wynnewood Garden project in 2008.

Major infrastructure improvements have made the park handicapped-accessible, with a new walkway leading up from the parking lot and repair of the beautiful stone bridge. There will be a Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony marking completion of the project at the Sensory Garden of Wynnewood Valley Park on Remington Road, 5 P.M. Monday, May 9.

Checks on behalf of the disaster relief efforts in Japan are still being collected and may be made payable to the “Ardmore Rotary Foundation” (a tax deductible 501C-3 non-profit organization) and mailed to: Ardmore Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 5, Ardmore, PA 19003. Funds will be transferred to Tokyo Rotary Club on a timely basis.

Dear President ,Ms. Jami Whelan
Rotary Club of Ardmore

We express our sincere appreciation to you for your heartfelt letter message.

It is encouraging to know that Rotary friends overseas care about us.

As you may know, several thousands of people have been found dead or are still missing from this devastating earthquake. The thought of this fill our members with great sadness. However, the people of Japan will overcome this great tragedy and we are hopeful that we can get over the difficulties very soon.

The governors of 34 districts in Japan appealed to the Rotarian of the all over Japan for the contribution now. They are going to send the contribution to the governors of the disaster area.

Our weekly meetings are held on Wednesday from 12:30 to 13:30 at Hikari Room of the Imperial Hotel, and your members will be most cordially welcome to visit us.

I look forward to meeting you in the future.

Sincerely yours, Yuzaburo Mogi
President, Rotary Club of Tokyo
tokyo-rc@nifty.com

DEADLINE for the June District 7450 Rotary Leader is May 20. Please give names of all people in photos.



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Motorcyclists seek pledges for ride to RI Convention to ‘End Polio Now’

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They will get there by way of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and, of course, Louisiana. The return route will be by way of Mississippi, Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. This is approximately 1300-1400 miles each way. During their ride they will join up with many other riders who are members of the International Fellowship for Motorcycling Rotarians, who have organized rides which originate from Seattle, Sacramento, Chicago, and Albany. They will roll into New Orleans as one on May 20th—what a statement they will be making.



Dan Danese (president of the West Grove-Avondale Rotary Club) and Tom O'Neill will leave May.18 for RI Convention in New Orleans to raise funds for “End Polio Now” campaign.

As many of you know, Rotary is largely responsible for the near eradication of polio; currently, it only exists in Pakistan, Afghanistan, India, and Nigeria. The Gates Foundation has extended a matching grant opportunity of \$255 million to stomp it out for good. Rotary has met \$167.7 million of that obligation internationally but Dan and Tom aim to do their parts during this ride by requesting pledges for each mile we ride (one way to New Orleans). A nickel would be about \$60, a dime \$130, a quarter \$325, and so on.

If you would like to play a role in doing away with this terrible disease, then please fill out the attached pledge form and email it to ddanese@legacysolutions.org or fax it to 610-444-9918. This initiative is endorsed by Rotary International and the District TRF Committee and the Rotary Foundation will be the recipient of all donated funds.

The United States population no longer fears polio but many who had it in their childhood still suffer from polio related pain and diseases. Although the problem seems a world away, we should remember that a new epidemic is only a plane ride away... and this is why we must eradicate it once and for all.

[DG] Joan Batory [Polio Plus Chair] Carol Metzker and [President of West Grove Rotary Club] Dan Danese

Ardmore Rotary to dedicate Garden for Blind

Ardmore Rotary Club will join township officials and the community to dedicate the refurbished Garden for the Blind in Wynnewood Valley Park May 9 at 5 p.m. All are invited to participate.

Sixth Paul Harris pin



Kennett Square Rotary Club president Al Schmitt presents Kennett Square Rotary Club vice-president Bronwyn Martin with another Paul Harris Fellow pin, The presentation last month marks six plus Paul Harris Fellow awards for Martin.



GSE FAREWELL DINNER



WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011

Time: 6:00 Cocktails (cash bar)
6:30 Dinner

Cannstatter Volksfest-Verein
9130 Academy Road
Philadelphia, PA 19114
215.332.0120; www.cvvphilly.com

German Menu

Sauerbraten or Roast Chicken,
Spaetzle, Red Cabbage, German Green Beans, German Potato Salad
Strudel, Rolls/butter, Coffee, Tea, Decaf

Program

Philadelphia Police and Fire Pipe and Drums
Presentation by GSE Team

Registration/Payment

Cost: \$25 per person: Click on the following link
<http://www.directory-online.com/Rotary/Login.cfm?EventID=77161402>
to Electronic Registration and pay via Credit Card

Or call Margaret Kelly 267.341.3343 to arrange payment by check

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 3, 2011

Note: This event counts as a Make-up Meeting

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**INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF
MOTORCYCLING ROTARIANS (IFMR),
Motorcycle Ride to 2011 Rotary Convention in New Orleans
To Benefit POLIO PLUS**

Members of IFMR are planning a series of motorcycle rides to the New Orleans Rotary Convention to raise awareness of and donations for Rotary's **POLIO PLUS** campaign. **The eastern US group will be leaving from Albany, NY, on May 15** and plans to arrive in Baton Rouge, LA, on May 19 where it will rendezvous with other IFMR riders from other parts of the continent for a Grand Entrance into New Orleans on May 20. Riders are hoping to raise an average of \$1/mile for the distance they travel to New Orleans. Proceeds will go to the **POLIO PLUS** campaign and help complete the \$200 million matching grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help **END POLIO NOW**.

You can be part of this campaign by joining the ride, either all or part way to New Orleans, or by helping sponsor a rider who is making the trip. You can donate a penny a mile, a nickel a mile, 25 cents a mile, or any amount you are able to donate to support this vital cause. Riders will send daily updates to those who donate \$50 or more. All Rotarian donations will be credited to their Paul Harris account if they provide their Rotary member number.

If you're interested in joining the ride, or would like more information about the ride or the POLIO PLUS campaign, contact Dan Danese at (C) (610) 585-7636 or fill out the form below and email it to ddanese@legacysolutions.org or fax it to 610-444-9918.

You can make a difference!

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address: _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____ Donation to Polio Plus: _____ per mile x _____ miles

Total Amount Donated \$ _____

For Rotarians (necessary for PHF credit):

Rotary Club of _____ Rotary Member # _____

(Your Rotary member # can be found on the front page of the Rotarian Magazine or ask your club secretary.)

Please make checks payable to The Rotary Foundation, memo for "IFMR POLIO PLUS"

Please attach your check to this form and return to IFMR Member:

Name: _____

Rotary Club of _____

Address: _____

City, ST, Zip: _____

Thank You for all that you do to help Rotary END POLIO NOW!