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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By now you should have received the Special Edition Tuesday with the news and photos of the President's /Paul Harris Fellows Dinner on Oct. 20th. It was a very happy occasion, an evening of fun and good fellowship. It also raised about \$5,000 when all the checks are in.

Best of all was the spirit of cooperation and help from so many people - board members, club members, friends, district officials and others, all pulling together to make the event a success. Many, many thanks to everyone who participated in this event - by coming and/or taking out ads in our journal.

Special thanks to the Rotary District 7230 officials who came: DG Helen Reisler, DG nominee Bob Cucinell, PDGs Gilda Chirafisi, Chuck Katze and Don Lee. And thanks to PDG Glen Nygreen for his remarks about What Is Rotary, straight from his heart to ours.

Thank you to Marguerite Chadwick-Juner for your two beautiful prints and to Bea Castiglia Catullo for donating items to our auction. Thanks also to Gilda Chirafisi, Shqipe Malushi and Anna Walsh for displaying diamonds and handmade jewelry and contributing part of the sales profits to the club.

And a very special note of thanks to Jim Romeo and the Hi-Speed Gang, who worked overtime to turn out beautiful journals for us, even when their machine broke down.

It is a joy to work together with such beautiful people. Alone, we can do very little. But look what we can do when we work together!

Yours in fellowship and service,  
Nancy Wallace, President

## REPORT ON TUESDAY'S MEETING

### GUEST SPEAKER ~ FATHER STEPHEN MOSHA

### OCTOBER 25, 2005

Rotary District 7230 has made providing clean water and sanitation to Tanzania, Honduras and Bangladesh a priority project this year. The District is attempting to raise funds for financial support of water projects in these countries and will be seeking matching funds from Rotary International and individual Clubs.

President Nancy Wallace introduced Father Stephen Moshia who hails from Tanzania and who came to our club to explain the pressing needs for water in his country.

Father Stephen works on projects to help the very poorest of his countrymen and because of the political climate in his country, he does so at great personal risk. Merely circulating a petition asking for help can be seen as an aggressive act against the government. He reminded us all what a great country we live in when our simple freedoms are seen through his eyes as so wonderful.

Father Stephen directs the Life Project for Africa, a program which started in Ossining, NY when people there saw the work he was doing and decided to help him save lives and give hope by providing water to the poor.

He used his hometown in Tanzania as an example, describing a difficult 8 mile walk to fetch water. Water is so scarce in the region that people can spend an entire day searching for water. Children have to do the same and as a result have no free time for school. Many times people will dig very deep holes and wait for hours for water to seep into it so that it can be collected. All water is used and reused many, many times. Water pipes that are run from rivers to the cities or wealthy, bypass the poor. When one of these pipes breaks, whether from age or desperate sabotage, crowds of the poor collect at the site to harvest the water.

The Father stated that he has already been able to drill 3 wells and build the accompanying water tanks in Dar



Photos courtesy of Jim Romeo

*Pictured above (l. to r.) are Glen Nygreen, guest speaker Father Stephen Moshia and President Nancy Wallace.*

es Salaam. He spoke about the positive impact it has on the people in the area, the uplifting in spirit, in quality of life. Water has helped these people help themselves. They now grow community vegetable gardens around the bases of the water tanks. Ultimately, Father Stephen would like to have 5 wells in Dar es Salaam. Each well costs about \$6,000-\$7,000 to drill, and in mountainous areas about \$3,000 more. He is also looking to buy a drilling rig eventually, at a cost of about \$50,000 used, or \$100,000 new.

Father Stephen has a long road ahead of him, but his progress has already been significant.

Thank you for the compelling slide show Father!

## DON'T FORGET!

Please come on time and bring guests to the special program honoring veterans and remembering Charlie Rasher on November 8th.

Club Assembly and Board Meeting November 15th. Board members please make a special effort to be there. We need you!

Be sure to keep in touch with all the latest happenings in our District at:  
[www.rotary7230.org](http://www.rotary7230.org) and worldwide Rotary news at: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

## OPENINGS...

President Nancy Wallace opened the meeting and the invocation was given by Glen Nygreen. Edgar Cornell led the Pledge of Allegiance, Prez. Nancy led us in singing the *God Bless America* and introduced the guest as well.

## THANKS FOR THE PASTRIES

A special "Thank You" to Jim Romeo for contributing the yummy Italian pastries for our Columbus Day celebration. They were delicious!



Photo courtesy of Jim Romeo

Club Board Member Hansraj Chaoudhary from Bombay, India exchanges Club flags with Prez. Nancy.

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### OCTOBER

Edward Hicks - 10th  
Eric J. Oppenheimer - 12th  
Hedy Marin-Mänzke - 24th  
Dr. Kathleen Quinn-Miller - 26th

### NOVEMBER

Beatrice Castiglia-Catullo - 1st  
Mary Frances Barrett - 2nd  
Cheryl Simmons-Oliver - 4th  
Rev. Andrew M. Pane - 10th  
Ram P. Gupta - 12th  
George W. Fennell - 19th  
Caroline Pitts - 19th  
Arthur Wolstein, D.P.M. - 22nd

## DR. HAPPINESS

Igina DeMichele collected the Happy Dollars from happy Rotarians and guests.

## CHUCK-A-BUCK

Bea Castiglia-Catullo was the happy winner of \$17 in the 50/50 this week.

## MAKE UPS

None today.

## VISITORS & GUESTS

Father Steven Mosha was our speaker and a guest of the Club.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

11/4- Exhibition of the artworks of Marguerite Chadwick-Juner at Focal Point Gallery on City Island.

11/9- Fundraiser for hurricane Katrina victims hosted by the Mount Vernon Rotary Club. Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 6-10 p.m. at Galitos restaurant in Mount Vernon.



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**By Special Appeal!!**

Meetings start Promptly  
 at 12:15 pm and need to end at 1:30  
 pm. As a consideration to our  
 speakers please come and  
**BE ON TIME!**

**OPENINGS...**

Pres. Nancy Wallace opened the meeting, Edgar Cornell led the Pledge of Allegiance and Hedy Marin-Manzke led the singing of the *God Bless America*. The invocation was given by Glen Nygreen and the many guests were introduced by Hedy Marin-Manzke.

**CHUCK-A-BUCK**

Maurice Nwokolo was the ecstatic winner of the \$62 50/50.

**MAKE UPS**

None today.

**COMING UP NEXT WEEK...**

*Observance of Veteran's Day*, James E. Connell III, Public Affairs Officer, Bronx VA Medical Center. Arranged by Rev. Bill Kalaidjian,

**THANK YOU**

Bea Castiglia-Catullo celebrated her birthday with us today and made it extra special by donating a gift of \$500 from her children to the Gift of Life program. Wow!



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**REPORT ON TUESDAY'S MEETING**  
**GUEST SPEAKER ~ CURTIS SLIWA**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2005**

Dr. Arthur Wolstein had the pleasure of introducing our distinguished guest, Guardian Angels founder, Curtis Sliwa.

Mr. Sliwa started as a night manager in a MacDonald's on Webster Ave. in the Bronx. It was the crime and violence that he saw around him here as well as the era that heralded the "Son of Sam" killings and the 2 day blackout of NYC that triggered widespread looting and burning that prompted him to start the Guardian Angels. His idea was for a weapons-free, voluntary patrol of NYC subways and streets to promote safety and empowerment.

Before diving into his impassioned talk about children and the Guardian Angels he jokingly thanked Jim Romeo for picking him up at Penn Station and driving him to the meeting. He said most people would be hesitant to drive him anywhere in the Boroughs given that he has been attacked more than once.

He then reminisced about his early years growing up in the Bronx, going to Orchard Beach or "Tar Beach" up on the rooftop of his apartment building, memories of the Grand Concourse and Fordham Road and changes that have occurred over the years.

He spoke of the hard work of his parents and grandparents and how they were his role models and heroes. He feels strongly that the older generations

are the rock solid foundation of any culture.

He talked about the disintegration of the family in the inner city, which makes the "I & Me" culture of the criminal element appeal to young people. He and the Guardian Angels are working toward restoring an "Us and We" culture where children are taught to be positive influences in their own spheres and the

world at large. He believes in motivating troubled kids and turning potential "enemies" of society into protectors of society. and thereby changing society's preconception of them.

He faced much skepticism at the beginning, but now, 25 years later, the GA exists in over 60 cities all over the world and continues to spread its ultimate message of hope to "lost" young people and to make the cities safer for the citizenry. He came up with the name Guardian Angels as a counterpoint to the Hell's Angels, a group bent on destructive acts.

Mr. Sliwa spoke of the many forms that GA take. There are Cyber Angels who guard against online pedophiles, molesters/abductors of women and scams against the elderly. There are Junior GA's in schools who are aged 8-11 years old and Urban GA's who are 12-15 years old.

He wants us to know that he has found "pearls" in the Bronx in the young men and women here and he feels all children deserve to have a fair shot at the American dream.

We agree! Kudos and thanks to you Mr. Sliwa!



*Curtis Sliwa addressed the Club with his usual animation.*



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*No one could resist a photo-op with Curtis Sliwa! Pictured above (l. to r.): Bea Castiglia-Catullo, Dr. Arthur Wolstein, Curtis Sliwa, President Nancy Wallace and Edgar Cornell.*

# DR. HAPPINESS

Ram Gupta collected a whopping \$310 from happy Rotarians and guests.

# VISITORS & GUESTS

Our speaker, Curtis Sliwa was a guest of the Club. Jim Goldsmith was a guest of Igina DeMichele, Claire Cardillo, Anna Walsh and Maria Uzovich were guests of Shqipe Malushi, Mary Springman and Carmen Roa were guests of Jim Romeo and Jocelyn Krystal was a guest of Nancy Wallace. Pat Bolawski was a guest of Bea Castiglia-Catullo and Maria Uzovich visited from Aging in America. Ann Battle, President of the Mt. Vernon Rotary Club and India Rotarian Hansraj Chaudhary also joined us.

# LOOKING AHEAD

Some really special programs are coming up in November. You won't want to miss these!

- 11/8 Observance of Veteran's Day. James E. Connell III, Public Affairs Officer, Bronx VA Medical Center. Arranged by Rev. Bill Kalaidjian, honoring Charles Rasher, Frank Capasso and Martin Healy, veterans and former Club members.
- 11/15 Club Assembly: Tips for Membership Growth and Retention from District Workshop. Also, info on R.I. Foundation funding for international projects. Board of Directors meeting.
- 11/22 Janet DiBenedetto, PDG, presenting program on refurbishing schools in South Africa.

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MEETING TIMES & PLACES of ROTARY CLUBS in DISTRICT 7230			
<b>SATURDAY</b>			
Central Bronx	7:30p	Office of Muhammed Mujumber	Harrison 12:15p Emilio's Restaurant
<b>MONDAY</b>			Hartsdale 12:15p Mitty's Restaurant
Bronxville	12:15p	Town Tavern	Metro NYC 7:30p Maharaja Indian Restaurant
Chappaqua	12:15p	Crabtree's Kettle House	Mid-Island 7:30a Dakota Diner
St. George's	6:30p	Mulligan's, St. Georges' Golf Club	Mount Kisco 12:15p Mt. Kisco Holiday Inn
<b>TUESDAY</b>			Mount Vernon 12:15p Galitos Restaurant
Bronx	12:15p	The Harbor Restaurant	New Rochelle 6:15p Davenport Club
Chinatown	1:00p	Sweet-n-Tart Restaurant	Ossining 12:30p Cambridge House
Croton-on-Hudson	12:15p	Mark's Cafe	Pelhams 12:15p Rockwells
East Yonkers	12:00p	Ramada Inn	Sandys 6:30p Henry VIII Restaurant
Hamilton	12:15p	Mariners Club	Scarsdale 12:15p Central Square Cafe
Hastings, Dobbs Ferry, Ardsley & Irvington	6:15p	Rudy's Beau Rivage	Tarrytowns 12:15p Doubletree Hotel
Katonah 1st & 3rd Tues	6:15p	Katonah Memorial House	Yorktown 8:00a Doubletree Hotel
2nd & 4th Tues	12:15p	Katonah Memorial House	12:15p The Heights Bistro & Bar
Mount Pleasant	12:15p	Casa Rina Restaurant	<b>THURSDAY</b>
New York	12:00p	Princeton Club	Elmsford 12:15p Tony's La Stazione
Port Chester-Rye Brook	12:05p	T&J Villaggio	Mamaroneck 12:15p Chief Antonio Restaurant
Somers	6:30p	Pinnacle Restaurant	North Shore 7:00p Staaten Restaurant
Staten Island	12:30p	Ligreci's Staaten Restaurant	Peekskill 12:15p Cortlandt Colonial Restaurant
Upper Manhattan	12:30p	International House	Pembroke 7:30a Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
White Plains	12:15p	Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza	Pleasantville 12:15p Riviera Restaurant
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			Riverdale 6:30p Josepina's Restaurant
Armonk	6:15p	Beehive	South Shore 12:15p Marina Grand
Eastchester	12:15p	CIAO Restaurant	Yonkers 12:00p Ramada Inn
Gateway	7:15p	Bocelli Restaurant	<b>FRIDAY</b>
			Briarcliff 12:15p Briarcliff Recreation Center
			Larchmont 12:15p Larchmont Yacht Club
			Rye 12:15p Whitby Castle

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