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**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL YEAR 107      LIMA ROTARY YEAR 74**

**Officers for 2011 – 2012**

RI President Kaylan Banerjee	District Governor Norma Reilly	Assistant Governor Bill Moehle	President Wanda Tubbs	President Elect	Secretary/Treasurer Amanda Hayes

**For meeting of August 18, 2011**

**Members Absent:** Amanda Hayes, Mike Hayes, April Morsch, Pat Reynolds and Paul Tilly

**Guests:** Gov. Norma Madayag Reilly, Gary Reilly, Doug Forge (visiting Newark Rotarian), Fran Gotcsik and Jerry Tubbs

**Fines:** President Wanda fined Jim Murray \$2 for being late and having the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful piece of pie. George Gotcsik also arrived a bit late and was fined \$1 for this. He also was fined an additional \$1 by President Wanda for not following the 4 Way Test when trying to explain why he was late.

Bill Redden donated \$5 for a day long trip he made to Fishkill, NY to be trained as a faculty member for the Rotary Leadership Institute.

**Club Business:** President Wanda reminded the members of our Yard Sale on Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> and the work

detail on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. She also read a letter from the HFL Community Youth Court asking for someone from our club to attend a meeting they are holding next Thursday night.

**Program:** Tonight we welcomed our District Governor, Norma Madayag Reilly, to our meeting.



Gov. Norma talked to us about what our 2011/2012 Rotary theme, Reach Within to Embrace Humanity, should mean to all of us. She encouraged each of us to look within ourselves to find what we find enjoyable, to see how we connect with our family and to see what we can do

to better serve our community. Gov. Norma told us that RI President Banerjee wants each club to look for potential new members by trying to find younger

members, more women and to diversify with more people from different business backgrounds and races. She encouraged each of us to have a Rotary story to tell to anyone who asks us “What is Rotary”. She told us of her most important Rotary moment that occurred in the Philippines. Gov. Norma, who was born in the Philippines, had returned there to oversee a Rotary Foundation grant that her club had put together to help the handicap children. It was while talking to one of the young girls, who was crippled from polio, that she heard how thankful this person was to Rotary for giving her the opportunity to become more independent by offering her the chance to get a better education. Even though she felt ashamed to have to be carried to and from school it was more important for her to get a good education to make sure she could support herself in the future. This is the type of story that Gov. Norma wants each of us to be ready to tell to someone who wants to know what is Rotary. She reminded us that people are looking to work toward a cause that they feel is important to them and we need to foster this when we ask them to join us. Gov. Norma also told us that she believes that our District will have no problem in reaching our goal of \$400,000 to be donated to the RI Polio Plus campaign by the end of this Rotary year. We are within about \$47,000 of this goal and the clubs had pledged more than that already. She also told us of some of the other Rotary Foundation projects such as Group Study Exchanges, Ambassadorial Scholars (which she is an alumnus of) and Matching Grants. We were all encouraged to contribute something to the Rotary Foundation and hopefully to all of us reach the goal of Rotary that **Every Rotarian Every Year** donates \$100. This is less than 28 cents a day. Gov. Norma told us of how the Seneca Falls Club was challenged by one of their members to take home a water bottle and put two pennies in it every time they open a faucet for water. Then bring the bottles back to each meeting to donate what they deposited in the bottles to the Polio Plus campaign. She encouraged us to find other ways to raise the money we want to donate to the Polio Plus campaign as well as to the annual fund. Gov. Norma asked each of us to try to attend the Eastern Cities Dinner on Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> to hear RI President Kaylan Banerjee speak to us. She told us that she has heard him twice and that he is a very motivating speaker that we all will enjoy. We all were also encouraged to attend the District Conference that will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> at the Rochester Hyatt Hotel.



Pictured from left to right is: Gary Reilly (Executive Assistant to the Governor), Gov. Norma Madayag Reilly and President Wanda Tubbs.



The **Queen of Hearts** jackpot has grown to \$236 tonight. Gov. Norma was asked to pull out the winning ticket, She pulled one of Bill Redden tickets and Bill then pulled the **Queen of Hearts** from the deck. This means he won the jackpot and it will have to start all over again next week.

### Club Activities & Events

Aug. 25	Open
Sept. 1	Open
Sept. 8	Board Meeting
Sept. 15	Open
Sept. 17	Work detail
Sept. 22	Open
Sept. 29	Rte. 15A cleanup

### District & RI Events

Sept. 9	District 7120 Golf Tournament @ Lima Country Club
Oct. 4	Eastern Cities Dinner with RI President Kaylan Banerjee

## Quote of the Week

"The postulate that all people had been created free and equal had so natural a part in the thinking of the first of Rotarians that it was accepted without discussion."

*Paul Harris*

## Jokes of the Week

### IDIOT SIGHTING

I live in a semi rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road.

The reason: 'Too many deer are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'

From Kingman , KS

**For those of us getting a wee bit older**

