

Summer, 2008

Dear Friend of Rotary:

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Once a year, the Rotary Club of Asbury Park reaches out to raise support for our Scholarship Fund and Rotary Giving Projects. This year we are asking you to help us by being a sponsor of our annual concert featuring the **STARLITE CHORALE**, scheduled to perform on Sunday, **September 28, 2008**, 4:30 pm, at the Ocean Grove Tabernacle. The success of last year's concert enabled us to present six students from each of our area's High Schools with a \$1000 scholarship.

Our goal for 2008 is to raise enough funds to award six \$1000 scholarships to the class of 2009. As in the past, the Rotary Club grants scholarships to graduating seniors who exhibit academic achievement and service to the community. Since 1987, we have awarded one scholarship to a deserving graduate from Asbury Park, Neptune and Ocean Township High Schools. In 2002, we were able to add a scholarship to a senior attending the Academy Charter High School located in Lake Como. The students who received scholarship awards for 2008 are:

- Shacana Smith** of Academy Charter School
- Mary Daniely and Erica Marshall** of Asbury Park High School,
- Sikaya Alston** of Neptune High School,
- Amelia Steelman and Kyle Sokolowski** of Ocean Township High School

Once we have funded scholarships for the new school year, the remaining funds will be used for our Rotary Giving Projects, which include our annual "**Dictionary Project**" and **Water Wells in Vietnam**. Since 2005, our club has distributed over 1600 dictionaries annually to every third-grade student in the schools within our service area. Our current international project provides funding for drilling water wells in Vietnam. This year we have started a new project called **Rotary Eye Rescue** to help patients that need corneal transplants. We still continue to support Rotary International's **PolioPlus** program to eliminate the Polio virus from the face of the earth. **Polio has been eradicated from all but four third world countries.**

Our purpose in contacting you is to solicit your generosity by purchasing a block of tickets and being a sponsor of our Starlite Chorale Concert. Your name and/or business will be recognized in the evening's program and distributed to other local sponsors as well as local businesses. Sponsor donations are as follows:

Diamond Sponsor	\$1000	Silver Sponsor	\$150
Platinum Sponsor	\$ 500	Bronze Sponsor	\$100
Gold Sponsor	\$ 200	Sponsor	\$ 50

In addition to providing scholarships, you will be helping us reach out to senior citizens and disadvantaged friends to whom we will distribute whatever tickets you do not want. Here is how our program works:

- A. Your sponsorship entitles you to receive a group of tickets at \$10 each.
- B. Indicate the number of tickets you want sent to you. Tickets not needed will be distributed to our local friends.
- C. Your name and sponsorship will be recognized in our program.
- D. 100% of the proceeds will be exclusively used for our Scholarship Fund and Rotary Giving Projects.

With your help, the program will provide an enjoyable evening of music for our friends and neighbors, provide scholarships to deserving high school students, and fund our Rotary Giving Projects. Thank you for your support.

Enclosed is \$_____ for our Sponsorship.

- Please send me #_____ tickets at the address below.
- Distribute my tickets to Senior Citizens and other friends of Rotary **courtesy of:**

NAME _____
COMPANY _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

Please send your check payable to the "**ROTARY CLUB OF ASBURY PARK**" by **September 24, 2008** to **Rotary Club of Asbury Park P.O. Box 512 Asbury Park, NJ 07712.**

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