

District 7120 Oratorical Contest

August 27, 2008

Dear Club Presidents:

District 7120 is now in its fourth year of offering our Oratorical Contest for high school juniors. It is open to public and private schools and home-schooled settings. It is an opportunity for young adults to reflect on the role of ethics in their every day lives and in their future.

A number of area colleges and universities in the Rochester Area Colleges organization have offered to provide generous scholarships to the three top orators in the District. One example is RIT with its \$20,000.00 scholarship and another is the U of R for \$30,000.

Again this year, every Rotary Club in the District has the opportunity to offer this incentive to high school juniors in its area to reflect on our 4 Way Test and how it can be applied in their future career. Developing the poise and skills of speaking in public is a very real benefit of participation. Pursuing the possible award of a monetary semifinalist award or a RAC scholarship is of course the obvious reason for participation.

***None of this can happen without YOUR CLUB'S FULL SUPPORT.* Please read the announcement attached here, discuss it with members of your Club, and make the commitment to "Make Dreams Real" by offering this great experience to your students.**

Any questions can be directed to me at the address below.

Thank you,

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