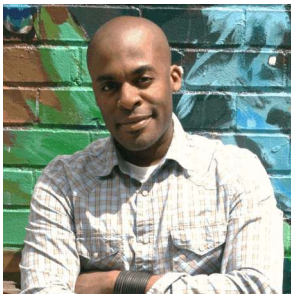


## District 7650 2011 GSE Team to Punjab India



Mary Lynne Reynolds

The Outbound Group Study Exchange Team to RI District 3070 in Punjab India will depart on January 15th. Team leader, Mary Lynne Reynolds (Camden Club) glowingly reports that the team is a diversified group of accomplished young professionals who are enthusiastically preparing for this once in a life time experience in India. Team members include:



Devan Blackwell

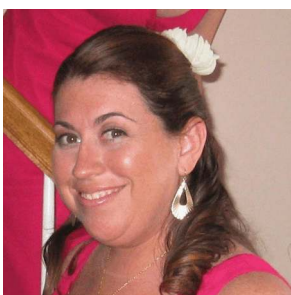
Devan Blackwell (age 38), resides in Mays Landing and was nominated by the Rotary Club of Atlantic City. Devan is an educator in the Atlantic City school district. His

personal mission has always been to assist young people reach their highest potential. For his efforts in youth advocacy, Devan has earned recognition from The Rainbow Coalition/PUSH and the National Campaign for Tolerance. He has also been presented with an Award of Congressional recognition from the Governor of New Jersey and an award from the National Business Association. Devan is seeking opportunities to learn about educational initiatives to promote healthy adolescent development in India.



Fenix Manning-Bowman

Fenix Manning-Bowman (age 32) resides in Cherry Hill and was nominated by the Voorhees Breakfast Club. Fenix is an attorney with the NJ Public Advocate/Defender for the Division of Mental Health Advocacy. Fenix left private practice and joined the Public Defender's office in order to fulfill her dream of utilizing her legal skills to aid those with no access to legal representation. She anticipates that the GSE experience will expose her to a myriad of ways that a very different culture addresses its legal issues and views the judicial process.



Shannon Burke

Shannon Burke (age 32) resides in Westmont and was nominated by the Camden Club. Shannon is a social worker for Family Service and supervises the Intensive Supervised Visitation program that provides case management services to parents that are seeking reunification with their DYFS involved children. Shannon is the recipient of the Alethea R Wright Scholarship for Community Service as well as the recipient of the Americorps Community Service award for Outstanding Americorps member. She has traveled as a volunteer to the Dominican Republic on several occasions. Shannon anticipates that her GSE experience in India will familiarize her with people of different backgrounds and allow her to understand the customs, faith and values of another culture, which will contribute to her work with diverse populations.



Shaun Stephenson

Shaun Stephenson (age 40) resides in Mantua and was nominated by the Washington Township Club. Shaun is an entrepreneur who has founded a non-profit organization "The Circle of Ten" to inspire and empower women to live their full potential as they transform their lives. She is currently working with women troops returning from tours of duty in Afghanistan and Pakistan. As a naturalized American citizen (Shaun was born in Guyana) she appreciates the benefits one gains when being opened to new relationships of shared ideas.