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OUR WELCOME SONG

We welcome you to Morristown
Where freedom's wars were fought.
We welcome you to Morristown
Where liberty was wrought.
Come join our age old comradeship,
Break bread with us today.
In real Rotarian fellowship
Our greetings we convey.

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:
1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all
concerned?

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THE RAMBLER

January 18, 2005

Rotarians Brave Rain to Grab Priceless PR Opportunity at Rose Parade

By Vanessa N. Glavinskas
Rotary International News
Photo by John D. Alexander
Rotary International Website

Rotary's float in the 2006 Rose Parade survived the California rains over New Year's weekend to bring the "Magic of Caring" message to millions of television viewers around the world.

Since 1980, Rotary has entered a float in the famous Tournament of Roses parade as a way to raise awareness and promote the organization. Every year, the float is entirely funded by Rotarian donations and decorated by volunteers who are a part of the worldwide Rotary family, including Interactors, Rotaractors, and scholarship recipients.

"This year, we had 1,400 volunteers decorating the float in prearranged sessions," says Rotarian Jim Miceli, chair of the Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee. He explained that the float's theme, the Magic of Caring, was designed to appeal to children and adults alike and spread awareness of Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio while matching the overall parade theme "It's Magical." Eight Interactors were also invited to be riders in the parade, representing the Rotary International districts of Southern California.

Although Miceli is a member of the Rotary Club of Universal City-Sunrise, California, USA, he is careful to point out that the float is not a club- or RI-sponsored project.

"The float is a separate entity," he notes,



Rotary's float entry had to bear some bad weather during the 2006 Rose Parade.

"though we do have the blessing of Rotary International."

To express Rotary's approval, RI Directors David Hossler and Ken Morgan braved the downpour to join nearly 100 other Rotarians cheering from the curbs of Colorado Boulevard, where more than a million onlookers traditionally line up to watch the parade.

"I was sitting up there in the rain with a Rotary ball cap on, my raincoat, my Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar tie, and wool slacks getting soaked," says Hossler. "But it was worth it. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

The directors also helped work the line of people who pay to see the float up close the day before the parade.

"Hundreds of thousands of people pay \$5 to get into the float-building areas, which

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Happening In Morristown!

The Murtoth D. Guinness Collection at Morris Museum

The Morris Museum was recently awarded The Murtoth D. Guinness Collection of 700 historic mechanical musical instruments and automata (mechanical figures). The extraordinary collection represents one of the most significant of its kind in the world. The museum is currently showcasing 60 of these objects in the exhibition *Musical Machines and Living Dolls: Mechanical Musical Instruments and Automata from the Murtoth D. Guinness Collection*.

As a vibrant educational and cultural center in New Jersey, the Morris Museum is honored to share this world-class collection with the public. The museum looks forward to being an international destination for the unique subject of mechanical musical instruments and automata.

Live demonstrations of several of the objects from the Guinness Collection are currently being done at the following times:

Tuesday - Friday at 3 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday at 2 p.m.

Visit the Morris Museum website (www.morrismuseum.org) for more information. ☺

Send Make-Ups to:

John Kuschke
26 Lynnfield Dr.
Morristown, NJ
07960

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are great, circus-size tents . . . and we show the people walking by how the float is made," explains Hossler. "It seemed to me that I had something to talk about with everyone - they either are a Rotarian, were a Rotarian, interested in being a Rotarian, or they had suffered from polio."

But it wasn't just parade goers who learned about Rotary's service work. This year, 40 million Americans watched the Rose Parade on TV, in addition to the millions of international viewers in 89 territories around the world. ☺

How to Maintain a Healthy Level of Insanity at Work

- Page yourself over the intercom. Don't disguise your voice.
- Find out where your boss shops and buy exactly the same outfits. Wear them one day after your boss does. This is especially effective if your boss is of a different gender than you.
- Make up nicknames for all your coworkers and refer to them only by these names. "That's a good point, Sparky." "No, I'm sorry, but I'm going to have to disagree with you there, Cha-cha."
- Send e-mail to the rest of the company telling them exactly what you're doing. For example: "If anyone needs me, I'll be in the bathroom."
- Hi-Lite your shoes. Tell people you haven't lost them as much since you did this.

Quote of the Week:

"You are not here merely to make a living. You are here in order to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world, and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand."

Woodrow Wilson
28th President of the United States

- While sitting at your desk, soak your fingers in Palmolive liquid. Call everyone Madge.
- Hang mosquito netting around your cubicle. When you emerge to get coffee or a printout or whatever, slap yourself randomly the whole way.
- Put a chair facing a printer. Sit there all day and tell people you're waiting for your document.
- Every time someone asks you to do something, anything, ask him or her if they want fries with that.
- Send e-mail back and forth to yourself engaging yourself in an intellectual debate. Forward the mail to a co-worker and ask her to settle the disagreement.
- Encourage your colleagues to join you in a little synchronized chair-dancing.
- Put your trash can on your desk. Label it "IN."
- Feign an unnatural & hysterical fear of staplers.
- Send e-mail messages saying there's free pizza or donuts or cake in the lunchroom. When people drift back to work complaining that they found none, lean back, pat your stomach and say, "Oh you've got to be faster than that."
- Put decaf in the coffee maker for three weeks. Once everyone has withdrawn from caffeine addiction, switch to espresso. ☺

A Reminder about Parking at The Hyatt

Just a reminder, the club has up to three parking spots per week reserved in front of the Hyatt. If you would like to use one of these parking spots at a Wednesday Rotary Meeting, you just need to let Dolores Bagish know by the Monday or Tuesday before the Wednesday meeting.

Want to Add a Great Start to Your Day?


The Breakfast Meeting is up and running, and would love your support! Meetings are every Wednesday morning, 7:30 a.m. sharp, at The Hyatt at Headquarters Plaza. This meeting is a great way to makeup for those times you just can't make the Luncheon Meeting; and an opportunity to invite prospective Rotarians who might not be able to make the Luncheon Meeting. Enjoy breakfast with us and help us build the Club! ☺

Morristown Rotary Bowling Tournament Fundraiser!

Sunday, January 29, 2006 - 2pm to 4pm

The Rotary Club of Morristown will sponsor a Bowling Tournament for all ages at Hanover Lanes (East Hanover) to benefit the Jersey Battered Women's Services organization.

- ❖ Unlimited Bowling
- ❖ Prizes for top scores in each division
- ❖ Lunch Included
- ❖ Cash bar

Tickets \$45 per adult (\$25 per child)
Please come for an afternoon of bowling and fun to benefit this important organization!
Please see Walt Taylor, Chris Flanagan or Gary Reppen for Tickets. 



SERVICE Above Self

From The Sunshine Committee

Submitted by Dolores Bagish

Harry Wenner is now living at CareOne at 151 Madison Ave. in Morristown. You know for sure that cards are welcome!!

For those driving by Footes Pond, Harry is always in mind.

Help Fill These Pages!!

Please send stories, news, jokes, photographs, and gossip for *The Rambler* to:
P.J. Thurkauf at turk11042@hotmail.com or 973.538.2040 (fax)

Calendar of Events


January 17 STAR Program Presentation - Evening Program 5:30 - 7:00pm - 95 Madison Ave, Ste 305. A light meal and drinks will be

January 29 Rotary Bowling Event at Havover Lanes, East Hanover

Are You Resolving to Lose Weight this New Year?

Lose 10 pounds in 12 weeks! Join Gary Reppen for a Morristown Rotary Club New Year's Weight Loss Challenge!

The proposition is this; a Rotarian states their intent to lose 10 pounds in 12 weeks. The Rotarian then gathers sponsors who pledge an amount of money of their choice for each pound the Rotarian intends to lose. At the end of the Challenge, for each pound lost, the sponsor donates their pledge per pound to the club. For each pound **NOT** lost, the Rotarian must pay \$10 per pound to the club.

So everyone is comfortable, instead of a "weigh in," each participating Rotarian will be responsible on their honor to track results. The start date was January 11th, but contact Gary Reppen if you would still like to participate! 

A Note From Glenn Garth

Dear Rotary Club of Morristown,

Thank you all for your support during my knee surgery. It means a lot to have a support group calling, emailing, visiting, sending cards, etc.

Also thanks for the Wine & Cheese & Other Things Basket. We used it for our Holiday Dinner.

Thanks Again --- Hope I see you soon.

Rotarian Glenn Garth 

UPCOMING LUNCH PROGRAMS

This Week:
Don Kuhn, on Habitat for Humanity

Next Week:
Paul Hostetter, Conductor of the Colonial Symphony

UPCOMING STAR PROGRAMS

January 17:
Evening Program
5:30pm - 7:00pm
95 Madison Ave, Ste. 305. A light meal and drinks will be served.



Contributions to the Endowment Fund should be addressed to:

Morristown Rotary Endowment Fund
c/o Jonathan Taylor
2 Tulip Lane
Randolph, NJ 07869

Thanks to the club officers for their continued management of this fund. Balance as of 6/30/05 is \$86,631