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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

April 5, 2006

## Rotarians Mark World Water Day at Forum, on Streets

*By Joseph Derr  
Rotary International News*

Rotary International's participation at a recent global water forum as well as countless community initiatives worldwide underscore the organization's commitment to addressing the complex issue of access to clean water faced by some 1.1 billion people worldwide.

World Water Day on 22 March coincided with the final day of the World Water Forum in Mexico City. There, Ron Denham and Louis Marciano, coordinators of the RI Water, Health, and Hunger Concerns Resource Group joined Rotary Foundation Chair Frank Devlyn to discuss ideas with attendees from around the world. Several Mexico City Rotarians met hundreds of forum attendees at a Rotary booth highlighting water projects.

"Rotarians interacted and exchanged views with hundreds of groups," says Devlyn. "It was interesting to see that many of the groups present [included] Rotarians or persons having a great respect for Rotary and our work."

The group also participated in several informative sessions to learn the latest trends and developments related to water issues. Marciano learned about regional solutions to water challenges in places like Singapore, Mexico, and Saudi Arabia. "Recycling and reuse of water is a big concern," Marciano says.

Rotarians also met representatives from several large nongovernmental organizations, strengthening existing ties. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one of Rotary's partners in the drive to eradicate polio, was among them.

"Over the past few years, CDC has worked closely with Rotary clubs in the United States, Bolivia, Zambia, Japan, and Kenya, to develop and implement programs that are providing access to safe water, improved sanitation and hygiene to tens of thousands of families," said Daniele Lantagne, an environmental engineer at


the CDC. "In addition, CDC has served as an information resource for many more clubs interested in developing, implementing, and evaluating their own safe water programs. We look forward to continuing to work with individual Rotary clubs and with Rotary International."

In the U.S., Rotarians also commemorated World Water Day by participating in Walks for Water in Hartford, Connecticut; San Francisco, California; Washington, D.C.; Seattle, Washington; and several other cities. Recognizing the Rotary's commitment to community service and water issues, Ethos™ Water, part of the Starbucks Corporation, invited Rotarians to take part in three-mile walk to raise awareness of the world water crisis.

To help spread the word about the walk in Hartford, Susan Atkins, the incoming governor for RI District 7890 (Connecticut and Massachusetts), called up Eric Fahnoe of the Rotary Club of Bloomfield, Connecticut, who promoted the event on the radio station where he works. District Governor Karen Andrews kicked off the walk with a speech.

"I explained Rotary's focus on clean water and that one of my goals for this year was to have all clubs [in District 7890] involved in water projects," says Andrews. "With the help of a committee, six projects were chosen, and each club picked which project they were interested in. To date, we have collected almost US\$13,000, with much more to come."

Worldwide, hundreds of other ongoing water projects attest to Rotary's commitment and ability to address the problem in thousands of communities. In 2003-04 alone, Rotary International spent more than \$1.3 million on water projects.

Look for water initiatives to be highlighted on the Rotary International Web site. 

## Morristown Rotary Dinner Group Formed

Submitted by the Retention Committee

We are forming a dinner group to promote more friendship and social contact among the membership. Initially we will gather in groups of four member couples once each quarter at host homes for an evening of comradeship and dinner. For 2006 we have selected the following Saturday evenings: June 3, September 9, and December 9. The Dinner Group Guidelines and an Enrollment Form are posted on the Club website: [www.morristownrotary.com](http://www.morristownrotary.com). Look them over and sign up for a fun-filled evening with your fellow club members and their spouses/partners.

Sign-up deadline is April 28 so that we can get the master schedule for this year set. Return your enrollment form to Dick Betz or Dolores Bagish. See the form for fax number and addresses. ☺

Send Make-Ups to:

John Kuschke  
26 Lynnfield Dr.  
Morristown, NJ  
07960



Some of our Breakfast Meeting regulars in their new meeting location at the Morris Center YMCA. Photo by Bob Coultas

## April Birthdays!

(Look! The Editor remembered! Happy Birthdays folks!)



Mark O'Sullivan	12	Tom Torzewski	14
Jill Savage	17	Wm. D Bruen, Sr.	26

## '05-'06 Super Cash 50/50 Raffle Update

Submitted by Tom Lanahan, 50/50 Chairman

### Sales Leaders as of Wednesday 03/29

D&D Bagish 47	H. Braunschweiger 6
Jonathan Taylor 30	Bill Bruen 6
Chance on a Chance 23	Bill Bruen Jr. 6
Tom Lanahan 22	Geoffery Close 6
Bob Miller 18	Bob Coultas 6
Harvey Gilbert 16	Glen Coutts 6
Mike Moore 15	Mike Franchino 6
Bill Cunningham 13	Roger Flanagan 6
Jon Notestein 12	Doug Fromberg 6
Glen Garth 11	Tom Harrigan 6
Charlie Eggert 9	Marco Lima 6
Jim Mongey 9	L. Honeker-Payne 6
Roy Bumiller 7	Tom Slutsker 6
Paul Bagiola 6	Scott Rosenbush 6
	Bill Weiss 6

We have just **One week** until the drawing on April 12, 2006. Please bring your returns to the meeting this week. I would like to have all the money turned in by Wednesday April 5, 2006. If you need help call me or look at our web site all the instructions and the 50/50 Flyer are on our Morristown Rotary Club's website.

[www.morristownrotary.com](http://www.morristownrotary.com) ☺

## Looking to Add a Great Start to Your Wednesdays?

The Breakfast Meeting is up and running, and would love your support! Meetings are every Wednesday morning, 7:30 a.m. sharp, at The Morris Center YMCA (79 Horsehill Rd., Cedar Knolls). 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! ☺

## Dine Out for Charity

Submitted by Chris Flanagan

**When:** April 4, 2006; between 5 & 9pm

**Where:** Chevy's Fresh Mex in Parsippany. (Corner of Route 10 and Route 202)

**What:** If you place your receipt in the bucket at the concierge counter, Chevy's will donate 20% of your meal's cost to the Youth United Build on Hazel Street in Morristown.

The Flanagan family will be there! Look for us if you come! ☺

## From Our Northern Correspondent

Submitted by Finbarr Corr

I am beginning to feel like the late famous comedian Rodney Dangerfield, who always opened his presentation with "I don't get no respect." All of my Republican friends in Morristown have to admit that I have showed a lot of restraint, not even commenting on the disastrous decisions of the administration in Washington over the past few years. I will let that pass. But when my friend, Tom Lanahan, excludes my name from those who sold six 50/50 tickets, I have to raise my voice and say "What the H... is going on Tom? Did Mongey take credit for my sales?" ☺

# Change Of Venue!

## Breakfast Meeting

Morris Center YMCA

79 Horsehill Rd.  
Cedar Knolls, NJ

7:30am

## Lunch Meeting

Spring Brook Country Club

7 Spring Brook Road  
Morris Township, NJ

12:15pm

**Directions to Spring Brook Country Club:** From Rt. 287 South - take exit 33 for Harter Road, bear left at exit, bear left again at stop sign at Harter Road. Go 1/4 mile and go right onto Old Harter Road, go 100 yds, go right onto Alford Road. Go straight ahead (Alford becomes Spring Brook Road) into the property of the clubhouse. **Lunch Meeting for April 12th will be back at the Hyatt for the Morristown Rotary Super Cash 50/50 Raffle!!!** ☺

## The New Faces of The Sunshine Committee

Photo Submitted by David Bagish



Our New Sunshine Committee Co-Chairs Sara Wilkes and Joan Shulman; and Lori Konya who will be handling *The Rambler* mailings! Thank you for volunteering your time and efforts to the Club ladies! ☺

## Help Fill These Pages!!

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

## Calendar of Events

- April 25 STAR Program-5:30-7:00pm. 95 Madison Ave., Ste 305; a light meal and drinks will be served. June 21  
May 21 Walk for the World at Loantaka Park.

Morristown Rotary Installation Dinner at the Westin Governor Morris. There will be no Breakfast or Lunch meetings this Wednesday.



**SERVICE Above Self**

## Walk for the World

Submitted by Leslie Honeker-Payne

Spring is coming so let's get outside and stretch our legs! Walk for the World is a perfect opportunity to do just that! Come walk with us in an effort to raise money for the Rotary International Foundation. The date is Sunday May 21st and will be at Loantaka Park. We will need walkers (bike riders, rollerbladers, joggers...) and sponsors. As well if any Rotarians know of any other groups that want to walk to raise money for their cause we can reach out to them to get them information on the walk and they can join us that day as well. If you have any questions, please contact Harvey Gilbert or Leslie Payne. ☺

UPCOMING  
LUNCH  
PROGRAMS

This Week:

\*\*Note Change of  
Venue

UPCOMING  
BREAKFAST  
PROGRAMS

This Week:

UPCOMING  
STAR  
PROGRAMS

**April 25:**  
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 12/31/05 is \$93,118.09