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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

May 9, 2007

## Through Fellowship and Service Rotary Keeps a Community Connected

By Candy Isaac  
*Rotary International News*

In 1999, Ed Howes, DVM, semi-retired from his veterinary practice, but he still wanted to stay connected to his neighbors and contribute to the community. So he joined the local Rotary Club of Oregon, Illinois, USA.

In some ways, the club had a familiar feel to it. Howes already knew many of his fellow Rotarians through his work caring for their farm animals and pets. For example, Rotarian Larry Lillie brought in one of his first patients, a schnauzer pup. Howes wanted to do more, though, than just see familiar faces. The Rotary club provided a way for him to meet some new people, attend interesting weekly programs, and expand what he calls his educational network. Oregon Rotary club "members include a photographer, attorney, judge, chiropractor, nuclear scientist, engineer, financial planner, and insurance agent. The fellowship is wonderful," he says.

In rural Oregon, which is about 90 miles west of Chicago, most of the 4,000 residents live far apart in the sprawling town that hugs the Rock River. Being a member of the Rotary club brings them closer together. They "have a lot of fun and enjoy each others' company," says the club's president, Cyndi Byrd.

In the Oregon Rotary club, Rotarians also turn their love of fellowship into a way to

both entertain and serve the community.

The club's annual Angel Ball, a formal dinner dance and silent auction held in early December, is a popular local event. Rotarian David Smith, past club president, credits the event's continuing success to the fact that, "It's not only for the Rotarians, but something the community enjoys. It's a social outing, and everybody knows it raises funds for worthwhile projects."

The Angel Ball's silent auction is particularly popular. The donated handmade items include paintings, wooden rocking horses, and home-cooked special dinners for four that are served at Rotarians' homes. Last year, the 55-member club raised US\$33,000 from this event alone. The funds were equally divided among three beneficiaries: the Oregon Rotary Foundation, which, among other things, awards three \$2,000 scholarships to local college students; the Village of Progress, a day training center for the disabled, which serves adults 16 and older; and the local hospice.

Other club events that link members to each other and the community are the annual golf outing as well as Mark Twain Day, which is where dinner guests are serenaded by a Dixieland band while riding on a riverboat.

It's through these neighborly festivities, as well as fellowship and service, that the Rotary Club of Oregon helps make its community a better place to live. ☺

## Dinner Group Photos

Some photos from the April 28th Dinner Group at Jonathan and Dede Taylor's



Send Meeting  
Make-Ups to:

**John Kuschke**  
26 Lynnfield Dr.  
Morristown, NJ  
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## Recruitment!

A Recruitment contest sponsored by the District has as its prizes three Time Share Vacations. Each Sponsoring Rotarian's name will be entered in the drawing for each new Rotarian added to our rolls. The drawing will be held at the end of the Rotary year. Also, each Sponsor of a new Rotarian will receive a cash gift of \$1.

**A Cocktail Reception will be held again at Spring Brook Country Club for potential Rotary members on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, between 6 and 8 PM. If you bring a proposed new member, you and the proposed new Rotarian will attend free. If you attend without a proposed new member, the fee is \$35. Be thinking about which of your friends or relatives would make a good Rotarian and email their name and contact telephone number (as well as your own name so you get credit!) to: [greppen@jhnetwork.com](mailto:greppen@jhnetwork.com).**

Printed invitations are also available for you to hand out to prospective members, please see Gary Reppen for these invitations. Please still be sure to email Gary so we have an accurate headcount. ☺

## Change of Venue

This week's breakfast meeting will be held at Ginty Field (South Street to Woodland Ave; Field is on your right) to support the sendoff of the Police Unity Tour. The event starts at 7:00am and the riders leave at 9:00am. Breakfast (we are told) will be served. We encourage all Rotarians who are so inclined to join us in support of these inspiring riders!

All indications are that the weather will be beautiful Wednesday morning, however in the event of Heavy Rain, we will meet at the Morris Center YMCA. An email will be sent out in the case of a change in the event. ☺

## Job Shadow Day

Submitted by Linda Kostrowski



The second annual Job Shadow Day was a lot of fun and very rewarding. Our eleven students visited these Rotarians: David Walker, Harvey Gilbert, Scott Marum, Dan Conway, Lesley Hume, Jonathan Taylor, George McGuinness, and Herb and Gretchen Braunschweiger. We thank you heartily for allowing us to disrupt your day and teach us a little about the real world! Among the things we learned: everything is made in China, if you watch a chiropractor work for too long your neck hurts, a lot of money can be made in Morris County, and most important, the lunch at Spring Brook beats lunch at MHS any day!

We hope to continue the tradition next year, and we hope more Rotarians will share their day with us! ☺

### Quote of the Week

*Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it.*

*Henry David Thoreau*

# Relay For Life District Assembly

Submitted by Scott Marum

The annual Relay For Life to benefit The American Cancer Society will be held Friday, May 18, 2007 starting at 6:00 pm at the Morristown High School field (Atno Ave.).

Please help out by making a donation and/or join our Team Rotary and help us support the cause! We all have an interest in helping out, as nearly every American knows at least one person affected by this terrible condition. I hope as many Rotarians as possible can attend this very moving event, or at the very least donate to this worthy cause.

## WAYS TO DONATE:

1. You can buy a Company Track Sign for the event at \$100-\$150/each
2. You can buy luminaria memorial to be displayed at event for \$10/each
3. You can make a donation, provide a check to Scott Marum or donate through the Team Rotary website at: <http://tinyurl.com/38wztz>

Scott Marum will also have forms at our weekly Rotary meetings.

All former Team members from last year and any new potential Team members please also go to the Team Rotary website and register as a member for this year!

Thank you! For further information write or call, Scott Marum @ 973-631-7985 -or-sm.esq@verizon.net

This year's District Assembly will be May 22nd, at Mayfair Farms in West Orange. Registration begins at 3:00pm and the price is \$40 per person (make checks payable to Rotary District 7470 and sent with a note of the individuals attending and from which club and send to Ed Enginger at Llewellyn Edison Savings Bank, 474 Prospect Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052).

All incoming Officers and Directors should plan to attend the Assembly. If you are new Club member (those in their first 2 years of Rotary) you are encouraged to attend this educational event; and your enrollment fee will be paid by the Club. Please contact Dolores Bagish if you are interested in attending this event.



## Annual Spring Barrel Planting

The annual Spring Barrel Planting is upcoming Wednesday, May 16 at 6 pm. As in previous years we will meet at the Morristown Municipal Building and finish at The Dublin Pub. The Barrel Planting is also a great opportunity to get family and friends involved in Rotary! Feel free to invite spouses, children, and friends to come out and join us in beautifying Morristown. Also, if you have extra gardening tools (trowels, spading forks, water cans, etc) please bring them along. It is always better to have too many, than not enough!

## 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

May 16	Barrel Planting - Details to come!	June 9	Dinner Group
May 22	District Assembly-Officers and Directors should plan to attend. 3-7pm; Details Page 3	June 13	Installation Dinner at Spring Brook Country Club - No regular Meetings.
May 23	Recruitment Reception at SBCC 6:00pm		

## UPCOMING LUNCH PROGRAMS

At the Spring Brook Country Club, Morris Township.

### This Week:

Carol Delia - American Cancer Society

## UPCOMING BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

At the Morris Center YMCA, Cedar Knolls

### This Week:

Breakfast Meeting will be held at Ginty Field to support the send off of the Police Unity Tour.



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 12/31/2006 is \$134,600