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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

June 27, 2007

In Salt Lake City, A Convention Of Firsts

By Marla Donato and Ryan Hyland
Rotary International News

Salt Lake City — The 2007 RI Convention in Salt Lake City drew to a close 20 June, capping off a four-day celebration of the many faces of Rotary service, from peacemaking to grassroots projects to international friendship.

Calling it the “single most important thing you can do to ensure Rotary’s second century,” incoming RI President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson sent RI convention-goers home on Wednesday with a directive to “found new clubs wherever the soil is fertile.”

“Without new members, nothing else matters,” he said during the closing plenary. “It will only take a few decades for Rotary to disappear.”

The largest convention ever to be held in Salt Lake City, the event drew more than 16,500 Rotarians from 147 nations, some from as far away as Katmandu, Nepal.

The first RI convention in Utah since 1919 was also the site of several other Rotary firsts: the Rotary Foundation’s first-ever 100% Major Donor Club and the first Rotary World Peace Symposium, held just before the convention.

Peace was also a theme in the House of Friendship, where a 16x32 foot “Peace Wall,” inspired by the fallen Berlin Wall, was erected. Attendees of all ages painted a kaleidoscope of colorful messages of peace on the wall and received friendship passports.



RI President-elect Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, who will become president on 1 July, greeted the crowd with his wife, Joan

Rotary Foundation alumni who now work as diplomats played a prominent role at the event. Former White House Deputy Chief of Staff Philip Lader was awarded the Foundation’s highest alumni honor, the Global Service to Humanity Award. And Francis Moloi, a South African ambassador to India, who also spoke during a convention plenary session, credited his Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship with opening his eyes to a new world of possibilities.

Inside the Salt Palace Convention Center, the House of Friendship provided a forum for fellowships, action groups, and project booths, while outside, the Rocky Mountains served as a scenic backdrop to the American western-themed convention that featured a rodeo, dances by Native Americans, and lots of homegrown hospitality.

Trustee Chair Luis V. Giay joined RI President William B. Boyd to present the Polio Eradication Champion Award to Wil-

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Points to Ponder

A stitch in time saves nine what?

Are part-time band leaders semi-conductors?

Before they invented drawing boards, what did they go back to?

Can you buy an entire chess set in a pawnshop?

The Scarecrow got a brain, Tin Man got a heart, Lion got courage, Dorothy got home, what did Toto get?

What are imitation rhinestones?

What hair color do they put on the driver's license of a bald man?

What happens to an 18 hour bra after 18 hours?

What is the speed of dark?

What was the best thing before sliced bread?

What's the synonym for thesaurus?

Do you realize how many holes there could be if people would just take the time to take the dirt out of them?

Send Meeting Make-Ups to:


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Japanese Short-term Exchange Program

Submitted by Amsale Malaku

Our Short-term exchange students from Japan will be arriving into this area on August 16 around 5:30 pm; and we're in need of host families! We like to house 2 per home, but if you have room for more and are willing, please let me know.

You will pick up your students at the Park Avenue Club that Thursday night. Friday morning you would drop them back there for their day trip and then pick them up again at 5:30pm that night. Saturday is our Morristown Rotary Picnic at Jockey Hollow where there will be fun for all. You could bring them to that and they would be yours until Wednesday with pick up and drop offs each day. They will lunch at our Rotary Luncheon Meeting on Wednesday the 22nd of August and they will be transported at that time to their hotel and leaving the next day from there.

Please call or email me (amsalemalaku@yahoo.com or 973-997-0142-cell) on how many students that you would be able to house. There are 18 girls and 8 boys. Sign ups will start this at this week's morning and noon meetings. Please let me know ASAP. We need to know this early on for you will have to fill out a quick security check to able to do this. 

Installation Dinner

Our annual Club Installation Dinner is upcoming this week, on June 27th at the Spring Brook Country Club. If you have not as yet signed up for the dinner, and are planning to attend please email Carl Badenhauen (Cbadenhau@aol.com) immediately. As a club member your dinner cost is covered by the club, the cost for guests is \$60. If you have not turned in your check yet (made payable to Morristown Rotary Club) please bring it to the dinner and turn it in at the registration table.

Please direct any questions to Bill Weiss: weisscap@verizon.net



The Torch Will Pass



President Tom Lanahan and President-Elect Dolores Bagish from our 85th Birthday celebration two week's ago. Due to the convention, this was their last official meeting with these titles.



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Iam Gates Sr., the keynote speaker at the third plenary. Gates co-chairs the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which has been a major ally in fighting polio alongside Rotary and its partners, contributing US\$150 million to the polio eradication effort.

Emine Yüzay, a young woman from Turkey who learned as a teen to read through a Rotary-sponsored Concentrated Language Encounter program, drew applause during the final plenary when she recounted how after she delved into the world of books, she laughed and cried and felt as if "books are like an ocean and I am in a small boat in the middle of it floating in all directions." Yüzay, who now teaches others to read and write, was born without arms, and learned to write with her feet, but recently the Rotary Club of Istanbul arranged for Yüzay to be fitted with prosthetic arms, which she is still learning to use.

Yüzay's story was one of thousands that were on the lips of Rotarians as they left the convention hall to head back to their communities with a new sense of purpose and inspiration for the year ahead. 🌀

Visit www.rotary.org for further articles about the Convention and great Convention photos like these!



Independence Day July 4, 2007

July 4th 2007 falls on a Wednesday this year, and as such there will be NO REGULAR MEETINGS this day in observation of the holiday. Please have a safe and happy holiday, and take a moment to remember our Troops and Veterans who keep safe our independence on this, the birthday of American freedom. 🌀



Quote of the Week

There is as yet no civilized society, but only a society in the process of becoming civilized. There is as yet no civilized nation, but only nations in the process of becoming civilized. From this standpoint, we can now speak of a collective task of humankind. The task of humanity is to build a genuine civilization.

Felix Adler

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Calendar of Events

June 27	Installation Dinner at Spring Brook Country Club - No regular Meetings.	Aug 18	Morristown Rotary Picnic - Jockey Hollow Girl Scout Camp - Details to Come!
July 4	Independence Day - No Regular Meetings	Sept 17	Morristown Rotary Golf Outing - Lake Mohawk Country Club

UPCOMING LUNCH PROGRAMS

At the Spring Brook Country Club, Morris Township.

This Week:

No Meeting -
Morristown Rotary
Installation Dinner
at SBCC - 6pm

UPCOMING BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

At the Morris Center
YMCA, Cedar Knolls

This Week:

No Meeting -
Morristown Rotary
Installation Dinner
at SBCC - 6pm



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Morristown Rotary
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Randolph, NJ 07869

Thanks to the club officers for their continued management of this fund. Balance as of 12/31/2006 is \$134,600