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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

September 12, 2007

First U.S. ShelterBox Response Team Members Deliver Landmark Aid

By Janice Chambers
Rotary International News

On her first trip delivering disaster relief for ShelterBox, Trannie Lacquey encountered Maoist guerillas, crossed swollen rivers on foot, and hiked miles in a remote, tension-filled corner of Nepal.

But the toughest challenge, says the grandmother of five, was clearing customs at the airport for 410 ShelterBox relief kits, which would help hundreds of families trapped by the monsoon floods that swept Nepal in August. It took 10 days.

"It was tedious and very frustrating. We knew people were waiting," she says. Fortunately, extensive training at a ShelterBox Response Team training camp in Cornwall, England, paid off, she says. Lacquey and her husband, John, members of the Rotary Club of Branford, Florida, USA, and Gary Boe, a member of the Rotary Club of Lewis River, Washington, USA, were the first U.S. ShelterBox Response Team members sent on a disaster relief mission.

They also made history, as they delivered the ShelterBox that marked 500,000 disaster victims aided by the Rotarian-sponsored nonprofit. Shelterbox started as a small project by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard, England, in 2001, but it took off quickly. To date, it has raised £15 million and delivered aid in 33 countries. Recently, the Duchess of Cornwall, Prince Charles's wife, Camilla, agreed to serve as president of ShelterBox. She is be-

lieved to be the first Royal Patron of a Rotary club project in the United Kingdom.

Each ShelterBox costs about US\$900 and is intended to help a family of 10 survive for six months. It contains custom supplies that typically include a large tent, blankets, water purification and cooking equipment, basic tools, and a multi-fuel stove. Rotary clubs provide more than half the funding, and private donors contribute the rest. The effort also depends on energetic volunteers like the Lacqueys, who arrived home 1 September after three weeks in Nepal and are now repacking for a weekend in Blackwater River State Park in Florida, where they'll help train more response team recruits.

They'll also tell stories from their recent trip. "The rice paddies were still flooded," John Trannie recalls. "People lost everything. They were living under tarps in the rain. The living conditions were just horrible." But through it all, he says, "People would help their neighbors. It was a very humbling experience for us."

Recently, ShelterBox enjoyed another first. It received its first Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation, allowing 24 boxes to be delivered to northern Ethiopia in October, providing desperately needed shelter for Sudanese refugees. The grant was funded by the Rotary clubs of Beaverton, Oregon, USA, and Bahir Dar, Ethiopia. It is part of a massive effort by ShelterBox, called A Million in Africa, which intends to provide shelter for one million of Africa's eight million refugees. ☺

What Is An Engaged Rotarian?

A blog entry by Chris Offer

Rotarians who are disengaged speak negatively about Rotary, programs and Rotary leaders. This does not mean there should not be critical discussion of Rotary topics but when a Rotarian is always negative it indicates they are not engaged in Rotary. Rotarians who are disengaged in Rotary can become engaged Rotarians. Effective Rotary leaders challenge Rotarians with interesting projects, assignments and programs. Engaged Rotarians feel they are part of the Rotary team and they are included in decisions. Rotary leaders who invest in training Rotarians will ensure a large number of engaged Rotarians. A mentor for new Rotarians is key to keeping them engaged. Just as important is the right mentor.

You're an engaged Rotarian if:

- You have a meaningful bond to Rotary.
- You celebrate Rotary's successes and are saddened by its problems or setbacks.
- You're an evangelist, telling others how wonderful Rotary is.
- You go the extra mile for Rotary, doing more than what's expected of you.

You're a satisfied with Rotary if:

- You have a rational bond to Rotary.
- You do your Rotary job dependably.
- You like what you do for Rotary and find Rotary work interesting.
- You believe you are adequately rewarded for the time you give Rotary.

You're disengaged if:

- You hold negative attitudes about Rotary.
- You complain about Rotary with club members and others.

Reminder!

The Morristown Rotary morning meeting has officially moved to the Richard F. Blake Children's Center. The Blake Children's center is located next to the Morris Center YMCA. The meeting will be held in the "Busy Bee" all purpose conference room. Please enter up the ramp to the back door where a Rotarian will open the door.

If a Rotarian is late, they can also enter through the front doors of the childcare center and walk all the way back to the conference room. ☺

From The Sunshine Committee

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Rusty Schommer, on the passing of his father.

Also, we extend get well wishes to Glenn Garth who is recovering from knee surgery. He sounds wonderful, and is up and making phone calls. They are hoping to let him go home on this coming Wednesday. We all miss you Glenn, get well soon! ☺

...And More Volunteers Needed

Calling All Rotarians, we are looking for a few good men and women to canvass the streets of Morristown prospecting for Silent Auction Donations. Many hands make light work so please come out and help us canvass the town. Date is set for Wednesday September 12th from 5 - 6pm, please contact Mike Moore (973-898-0777 or mike.moore@agedwards.com) to let me know if you can commit to the hour. The more the merrier! This will be our first canvassing effort so please make every effort to support our largest fundraiser! ☺

Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of more volunteers to help out during the Golf Outing on September 17. We need people to observe our "hole-in-one" holes as spotters, folks to sell "pot-of-gold" tickets, and people to help out with the putting contest. Volunteers are invited to stay for the dinner after the Outing for an evening of fellowship.

We need at least two people per position, so a total of 8-10 volunteers is ideal. We're only about half way there. If you can volunteer for all or part of the day at the event please contact P.J. (turk11042@hotmail.com). **Keep in mind we welcome spouses, friends, and associates to help out as volunteers!** ☺

Rotary Golf Outing

The Morristown Rotary Golf Outing will be Monday, September 17th this year. This is truly a fun event (even if you don't play golf!) that helps support the many programs the Club sponsors. If you have a four-some together for the event, or are planning to put one together, please contact Liz Colquhoun with the names of your group ASAP. Also, if you would like brochures to hand out to prospective golfers please see Liz or P.J.

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September Birthdays!



Jim Deak 1
Terrance Gallagher 5
Thomas Lanahan 20
Scott Marum 27

Happy Birthdays to all!

Membership Candidate Profile

Name: Carol Delia
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 Parsippany, NJ 07054
 Bus. Phone: 908-930-9568
 Bus. Fax: 973-331-5911
 Bus. Email: Carol.delia@cancer.org
 Birthday: July 11
 Hobbies: Tennis, travel, international studies/politics, busing daughter around
 Sponsor: Jill Savage

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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

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| Sept 11 | Morristown Rotary Board Meeting | Sept 30 | Fall Festival |
| Sept 17 | Morristown Rotary Golf Outing - Lake Mohawk Golf Club | | |
| Sept 29 | Dinner Club | | |

Morristown Rotary Dinner Group 2007

The Morristown Rotary Club Dinner Group will hold the last Dinner of 2007 on September 29. For anyone unfamiliar, our Rotary Dinner Club meetings gather in groups of no more than four couples at host homes for an evening of socializing and good cheer. It's a great way to get to know your fellow Rotarians better. If you have not yet participated in this very enjoyable Rotary activity and would like to sign up for next year, please contact Dick Betz at erbetz@attglobal.net or 609-860-7904.



Rotary UN Day

Rotary Day at the United Nations will be on November 3rd this year in New York City. As in past years, we hope to have a contingent of Morristown Rotarians in attendance. Details will be forthcoming, but please mark your calendars!

UPCOMING LUNCH PROGRAMS

At the Spring Brook Country Club, Morris Township.

This Week:

Brad Jenkins - Rotary UN Day

UPCOMING BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

At the Morris Center YMCA's Richard F. Blake Children's Center, Cedar Knolls.

This Week:

Brad Jenkins - Rotary UN Day



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