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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

October 17, 2007

## Oral Polio Vaccine Remains Tool Of Choice In Eradication

By Wayne Hearn  
Rotary International News

Rotary and its spearheading partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative remain committed to reaching all children with the oral polio vaccine (OPV).

Experts with the World Health Organization (WHO) say a recently reported outbreak of vaccine-derived polio in northern Nigeria is an extremely rare occurrence that happens when the weakened form of the virus used in the oral vaccine mutates to a point where it regains its ability to spread and to paralyze children. Such outbreaks are most likely to occur in communities with low childhood immunization rates and poor sanitation, circumstances that give the virus more opportunities to mutate as it circulates among unprotected children.

“Some recent media reports have been misinterpreted as implying that oral polio vaccine has paralyzed 69 children in northern Nigeria,” WHO says in a statement. “In fact, these children were paralyzed by a vaccine-derived poliovirus to which they were vulnerable because they were not sufficiently vaccinated.”

“This is a reflection of low vaccine coverage in this part of Nigeria,” explains Dr. David Heymann, WHO’s representative of the director-general for polio eradication. He notes that of the children paralyzed, 60 were either unvaccinated or insufficiently vaccinated.



“The only solution is to step up our efforts to immunize all of Nigeria’s children,” says Robert S. Scott, chair of The Rotary Foundation Trustees and the International PolioPlus Committee. “It would be tragic if parents kept their children from receiving the vaccine based on unwarranted fears about its safety. OPV is the best, most effective weapon we have to fight our real enemy: the wild poliovirus.”

According to WHO, “only OPV is proven to rapidly provide very high immunity in the (human) gut and stop polio transmission in a tropical, developing-country setting.”

Nigeria is one of only four countries where spread of the wild poliovirus has not been stopped. Since the outbreak was identified in August 2006, four mass immunization campaigns have been completed, and more are scheduled.



## Interact Club Used Bike Collection

Submitted by Linda Kostrowski

On Saturday, October 27th, 9am - 12 noon, the Morristown High School Interact Club will hold its annual Used Bicycle Collection. We accept used bikes in repairable condition. Bikes should be dropped off behind the high school. I know many members have bikes in their garages which their kids have outgrown or which just don't get ridden any more. We'd be glad to have them!

We work with Pedals 4 Progress, an organization which ships the bikes to countries where they are used for transportation to school or work. They train a member of the receiving community to service the bikes, so it's a win-win deal. We also ask a \$10 donation to help with the expense of shipping the bikes to their destination. Members should hold on to their bikes until the collection day - we don't have any storage facilities to stockpile them. We thank you! ☺

Send Meeting  
Make-Ups to:

John Kuschke  
26 Lynnfield Dr.  
Morristown, NJ  
07960

## Halloween Party

**Date:** Saturday, October 27, 2007

**Time:** From 7:00 PM

**Where:** The haunted house of Cindy and Chris Flanagan,  
122 Washington Ave,  
Morristown, NJ 07960

**Cost:** Nothing, \$0, nada, not a dime.

### The Rules

Come in Costume

Bring what beer, wine or soda you would consume. You can either share this with everyone or you can drink your own (though considering the theme this year is Rotary Shares - hint hint!)

Sign up for a food item to bring.

RSVP to Chris Flanagan ([cflanagan@gmail.com](mailto:cflanagan@gmail.com))

When you RSVP please indicate what food item you can bring (from the list on our web site). This list will be updated with changes as they come. ☺

## Presentation to the Trustees of the Green



*A presentation to Glenn Coutts, representing the Trustees of The Morristown Green, of the final installment of our \$100,000 commitment to the Green Renovation Project. Glenn Coutts spoke later that same day at the rededication ceremony on the Green.*



## Dictionary Project

Submitted by Tom Lanahan

The week of October 15-19 is Dictionary Week! As in past years, we will be delivering dictionaries into the hands of every third grade student in the Morristown and Morris Township school districts. The schools, times, and team captains are as follows:

### **Sussex Avenue School**

Fri. 10/26 - 9:30am

Dave Bagish & Breakfast Meeting

### **Alexander Hamilton School**

Thurs. 10/18 - 9:15am

Jonathan Taylor

### **Thomas Jefferson School**

Fri. 10/19 - 10:30am

Jim Mongey

### **Normandy Park School**

Mon. 10/15 - 10:00am

Bill Weiss

### **The Peck School**

Tues. 10/16 - 12:10pm

Gary Reppen

### **The Charter School**

Wed. 10/17 - 9:15am

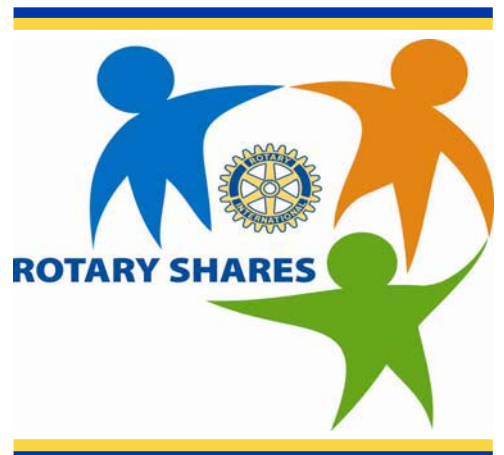
Gary Reppen & Breakfast Meeting

### **Red Oaks School**

Fri. 10/19 - 9:00am

Tom Lanahan

Anyone with children or grandchildren at a school listed, and anyone that would like to participate at a particular school should contact the captain and volunteer!



6th Annual  
**A Taste of Morristown**  
A CHARITABLE FUNDRAISER  
Monday, November 19, 2007  
6:00-9:00 p.m.  
Hosted at Morristown Armory  
Wine Tasting courtesy of Gary's Wine & Marketplace  
Showcasing the fine and diverse restaurants of the Morristown area

**NEW FEATURE: SCOTCH TASTING PRESENTED BY THE WHISKEY GUILD**

Proceeds benefit Morristown Rotary Club's local and international service projects.  
Live Music & Silent Auction  
**\$70 Per Ticket**

Tickets on sale in Morristown at King's Supermarket, UPB, Dublin Pub, Braunschweiger Jewellers, in Madison at Gary's Wine and Marketplace, or by contacting St. Marum at (973) 631-7985; e-mail am.esq@verizon.net

For information regarding participation, tickets and sponsorship, e-mail tasteofmorristown@morristownrotary.com Telephone (973) 631-7985

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# The Taste of Morristown

Reminder to all Rotarians: Monday night; November 19, 2007 is coming around quickly... and The Taste of Morristown Committee can not do everything all on its own!

Please give us a hand by helping out on the following:

- Reach out to all business contacts to see if you can obtain **SPONSORSHIPS**.
- Start the sales process by reaching out to all potential **TICKET BUYERS**.
- Solicit donations of Silent Auction items

Sponsorship and Silent Auction forms will be available on the Morristown Rotary Website in the "Forms and Documents" section.

Visit [www.tasteofmorristown.org](http://www.tasteofmorristown.org) for more details!

## UPCOMING LUNCH PROGRAMS

At the Spring Brook Country Club, Morris Township.

### This Week:

Howard Meltzer - Music Composer

## UPCOMING BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

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

### This Week:

Howard Meltzer - Music Composer

### Quote of the Week

*The main dangers in this life are the people who want to change everything - or nothing.*

Nancy Astor (1879 - 1964)

## New Member!



*We wish congratulations to Carol Delia on her induction into our Club two weeks ago. Welcome to Rotary, Carol!*

## 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

Oct 10	Morristown Club Assembly	Nov 2	Rotary Seminar on Pure Water Initiatives - FDU Madison Campus - 9am-12pm
Oct 27	Morristown Interact Club Used Bicycle Collection at MHS. 9am - Noon.	Nov 3	Rotary Day at the UN
Oct 27	Annual Halloween Party @ The Flanagan's. Details on Page 2.		



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 09/10/2007 is \$154,800