



**Rotary Club of Flemington, NJ, USA**

*Service Above Self*

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March 22, 2011

Hey Everyone,

**Meeting Program:** The program for tomorrow’s Rotary meeting (**Wed, 3/16**) is Club Assembly / Classification Talks / New Member Inductions. This is a regular lunch meeting at Copper Hill Country Club at 12:15pm. The following is the agenda:

- **David Johnston** will be inducted as a new member, as officiated by Wayne Randolph.
- **Lynn Hyman** will be giving her Classification Talk.
- **Sheila Fernekes** and the Membership Committee will also give a short program.

**New Member – David W. Johnston:** The Membership Committee, Board and Club have approved **David Johnston** for membership in the Rotary Club of Flemington. His induction will occur at tomorrow’s club meeting (**Wed, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**). David has been proposed by Darren Loew and will have the classification of “**Financial Advisor**”. David is a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) and partner with Amwell Ridge Wealth Management, which is located on Main Street in Flemington. David and his wife also reside here in Flemington, along with their three children. David’s hobbies include NY Football Giants, sprinting triathlons, soccer and youth sports coaching.

**Bark in the Park Committee Meeting (Wed, 3/23):** Jim Davidson called a meeting for tomorrow (Wed, 3/23) at 1:30pm following the regular club meeting. Anyone interested in helping is welcome to attend.

**Member News (Terry Ownes & Family):** Please keep Terry Ownes and his family in your thoughts. They are dealing with several items at this time.

**Officers & Board Members for the 2011-2012 Flemington Rotary Year:** At the 3/16/2011 club meeting, President-Elect Chris proposed his full slate of Officers & Board members for the upcoming Rotary year. Bob Chittenden made a motion to close nominations & accept the proposed officers, which was seconded by Ted Weinstein. All other attending members voted “yes”. Therefore, the slate of 2011-12 Officers & Board Members will be as follows:

- President ..... **Chris Venditti**
- President Elect ..... **R. Wayne Randolph**
- Secretary ..... **John Hyman**
- Treasurer, General ..... **Karen Widico**
- Treasurer, Lunch..... **D.J. Wright**
- Assistant Treasurer, Lunch ..... **Rich Hennessy**
- Board Members ..... **Darren Loew (past president),**
- ..... **Sheila Fernekes**
- ..... **Nancy McWilliams**
- ..... **Terry Ownes**
- ..... **Joe Ziegler**
- Sergeant-at-Arms..... **To be Announced at Changing of the Guard Dinner**

**Incoming GSE Team Visit (April 16<sup>th</sup> to April 24<sup>th</sup>):** Gwen Williams has shared some preliminary information on the incoming GSE Team (Group Study Exchange). The Group Study Exchange (GSE) program of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women between the ages of 25 and 40 in the initial years of their professional life. The program provides travel grants for teams of participants to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. For four to six weeks, team members study the host country's institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas. Team members can come from corporations, small businesses, community organizations, medical and educational facilities, government offices, and nonprofit agencies.

**On April 16<sup>th</sup>,** the incoming GSE Team will be flying in from **Lebanon** and **Cyprus**. After landing, they will stay overnight in a hotel and have their orientation. They will be visiting and staying in Hunterdon County from April 17<sup>th</sup> through April 24<sup>th</sup>. **They will be the presenting program at the April 20<sup>th</sup> Flemington Rotary Club Meeting.** During their visit, they will stay with fellow Rotarians and their families, tour Hunterdon County and have a 2-day trip to Washington, D.C. A very special thanks to Gwen & Jim Williams and all of the host families. The following are some brief bios of the incoming team:

**Team Leader:** **Nagi Boulos** (called Naajee) – 49 year old married male with two children, –LEBANON, Arabic / English

**Work:** General Manager of family owned company that deals with electronics supplier (Grundig) and DIEBOLD safes, ATM and banking security. Also co-owner of touring cable car project and represents GALAXY pianos in all of Lebanon and Syria.

**Wishes:** Would like to visit companies similar to my own work.

Would like to attend Palm Sunday and Easter services. Also would love to meet young musicians or bands who might travel to Lebanon. I am professional Piano player and would entertain whenever opportunity exists. Occasionally smokes cigars

**Team Member:** **Tatiana Salbia** (can be called “t”) – 30 Years old single female – LEBANON, Arabic / English

**Work:** Facilitator for Management / Employees – speaks on team building, time management, coaching, leadership, communication

**Wishes:** visit management consultancy and training firms, professional consultants

Prefers to run 1 hour each day and enjoys ‘quiet’ time alone, nonsmoking, Vegetarian  
Enjoys meeting people of all ages and interacting with them.

**Team Member:** **Salid Saber** (pronounced as Saeed) – 31 year old single male – LEBANON, Arabic / English (advanced)

**Work:** Business Consultant & Trainer – Specialty – Supply Chain & logistics

**Wishes:** Would like to visit consulting and training companies in Supply Chain, Logistics or Operational Excellence

Would like to attend Palm Sunday and Easter services.

Loves to laugh and enjoys people with a good sense of humor, nonsmoking, prefers healthy foods

**Team Member:** **Alexis Hajipapaphotiou** – 29 Year old single male, - CYPRUS, Greek / English

**Work:** Construction Materials & Technologies – sourcing, transfer & sales

**Wishes:** visit Geophysical Survey Systems (ground penetrating RADAR) companies

Team Member: **Michael Viradi** – 39 Year old engaged male. – CYPRUS, Greek / English

Work: Motivational Speaker – Training and development of employees / management

Wishes: would like to interact with seminar leaders and motivational speakers and share our styles

**Pedals for Progress Bicycle, Sewing Machine & Sports Equipment Collection (Sat, June 4):** The annual Pedals for Progress collection will be held **on Saturday, June 4, 2011**. Items to be collected include **Used Bicycles** (adult and child), **Used Sewing Machines** (in working condition) and **Sports Equipment** (soccer balls, baseball gloves, etc. that can fit in the shipping containers between the bikes). The collection will take place at the **Flemington Presbyterian Church** located at 10 East Main Street in Flemington, NJ from **9am to 12noon**. If there are any questions, please contact Event Chair, Joe Ziegler.

Pedals for Progress, also known as P4P, collects over 11,000 bicycles annually and transfers this material wealth to those more needy. To date, more than 117,000 bicycles have been shipped to developing countries in Latin America, Africa, and the Pacific Islands. In these countries, the bikes are reconditioned by partner agencies and distributed at low cost to poor working adults. These bikes provide them with reliable transportation for commuting to work, transporting produce to market, or accessing health care and other services. Steady employment for these adults is vital to the development and success for these economies.

[Click this Link for the Photo Album of the 2010 Pedals for Progress collection:](#)



**8<sup>th</sup> Annual RIDE FOR ROTARY – Motorcycle Poker Run, Picnic & Clam Bake (Sat, 9/17):** The 8<sup>th</sup> annual family-oriented motorcycle "Poker Run" will be held on **Saturday, September 17, 2011**, followed by a community picnic and clam bake! The start and end location will be the [Clinton Elks Lodge](#), Sidney Road (County Route 617), Pittstown, NJ. Riders check in at the Clinton Elks Lodge between 9 and 11am before leaving on the motorcycle poker run through approximately 65 miles of scenic Hunterdon County and surrounding areas. Riders will drive their motorcycles along a pre-determined route and stop to select a playing card from each of five locations. After selecting the 5<sup>th</sup> card, each rider will have a "poker hand". The first prize for best poker hand is **\$250**, second prize is **\$100** and third prize is **\$50**. The ride ends with a community picnic and clam bake at the Clinton Elks Lodge. Everyone -- non-riders, families, friends, kids, adults -- is invited to the picnic and clam bake which runs from noon to 3pm. Food, beverages, prizes, 50/50 cash raffle (tickets are \$10 each), face painting for kids, vendors and music by [Krazy Kat](#) himself! For more information, contact Bob Chittenden at [RFR@jarengineering.com](mailto:RFR@jarengineering.com) or Tel(908) 284-9040 x104.

**Japan Disaster Relief – Response from Rotary International:** The following is a letter that we received from Rotary International Director, Ken Grabeau on Sunday, March 13, 2011:

Dear Rotary Friends:

I have received communications from many of you inquiring as to the status of our fellow Rotarians and Rotary friends in Japan, and as to what Rotary is doing in response to these tragic events and what your clubs and districts can do to help.

While I regret to advise that we do not have full assurances of the safety of all our fellow Rotarians and their families, we do have encouraging information with respect to a large percentage of our Youth Exchange students in that country. We have received confirmation of the safety of over 70% of the North American students living in Japan, and are aggressively pursuing information on the remaining students. We will continue to keep all of you appraised as we receive further information on both Rotarians and students. In the meantime, please keep all of these friends foremost in your thoughts and prayers as we offer our heartfelt prayers for all affected by this unthinkable tragedy.

Within hours of the first word of the earthquake and subsequent tsunami, The Rotary Foundation took the following action:

TRF Chairman Stenhammar, on behalf of the TRF Trustees, decided on Friday, 11 March 2011 to::

- Immediately establish a Rotary Japan and Pacific Islands 2011 Disaster Recovery Fund through TRF to be used in lieu of the regular World Fund match for Matching Grants and Global Grants for disaster recovery projects related to the earthquake and tsunami impacting districts in Japan and other Pacific island nations; this also applies to donations from corporations and non-Rotarians.
- Permit the fund to accept both cash contributions and DDF donations.
- Clarify that TRF will not provide Paul Harris Fellow recognition for donations to the fund.
- Confirm that all Matching Grants and Global Grants related to disaster recovery in Japan and other Pacific island nations must adhere to the policies and guidelines stipulated in the TRF Code of Policies and grant terms and conditions; this includes the restrictions on construction.
- Request the general secretary to provide a recommendation for consideration at the April 2011 Trustees meeting in regards to how the disaster recovery funds will be utilized among the affected districts, e.g. even percentage split, weighted percentage split, first come/first served, etc.
- Extend the 2011-12 Matching Grants application deadline to 30 April 2011 for grants related to these disaster recovery projects.
- Waive the minimum percentage of funding requirement of the international (overseas) sponsors for Matching Grants related to these disaster recovery projects, thereby permitting districts in the affected areas to contribute more than 50% of the total DDF and/or cash designated for the grant project.

For those of you with further questions regarding this action, I would encourage you to contact Harvey Newcomb in TRF Programs directly for the most accurate and current information.

All of Rotary's senior leadership is very aware that this action is not totally what you want for our organization's immediate response. It is the very nature of Rotarians to want to help and to be at the forefront of taking the most immediate and effective action possible in response to any need. However, we must respect the fact that we are not first responders, and that we are not equipped to provide the services required in these critical early days. For that, we must all look to and support as each of us sees fit, the agencies that ARE capable of providing crucial aid and services appropriate at this time.

I would encourage each of you to share this message with your clubs, and to in turn recognize the monumental task ahead to rebuild this devastated country. The long term sustainable projects that will restore fundamental infrastructure and human services are what we do better than anyone else. Please promote this awareness and encourage both financial support and programmatic planning by all clubs to be prepared to conduct the rebuilding that will restore some acceptable standard of living for these devastated families in the longer term.

Thank you all for your magnificent display of compassion and urgent desire to help. You demonstrate all that is special about Rotary and the Rotarians that comprise our membership.

Ken Grabeau  
Rotary International Director 2010-2012

**BUSINESSES CAN HIRE POLYTECH ART STUDENTS - Bridging The Gap Program (Tues, March**

**29th)**: High School art students at the Hunterdon County Polytech will participate in the Clinton Rotary “Bridging the Gap” job fair set for Tuesday, March 29th. This event is for business owners and individual clients that need custom creative marketing materials. Students in the Commercial Arts-Advertising, Graphic Design and Multimedia programs will be selected by participating businesses for paid professional creative marketing projects.

Polytech students have been working with Rotary mentors who are helping them with interviewing, presentation skills, writing of business plans and developing creative portfolios to prepare for the event. Teresa Diaz, the Commercial Arts/Advertising and 3D animation instructor, explained the job fair as “an amazing opportunity for these students. They are talented and excited to provide a wide variety of creative services to business owners including the design of menus, brochures, logos, websites, banners, murals, and business cards.”

Businesses that want to participate in this job fair can contact Megan Jones-Holt, Rotary coordinator for the event. For more detailed information about the fair, its location and time please contact her at [meganjh@embarqmail.com](mailto:meganjh@embarqmail.com)

**Laugh Out Loud with Jay Mohr & Friends (Sat, April 9 at 7pm)**: The multi-talented and generous Jay Mohr will perform an evening of comedy again this year to benefit Anderson House. The event will take place on **Saturday, April 9, 2011** at 7:00 pm at the **Hunterdon Central Regional High School Auditorium**. Jay's career has spanned over two decades. He first walked on stage to do stand-up comedy at the age of 16, is a veteran of Last Comic Standing and Saturday Night Live and most recently appeared in the film, *HEREAFTER* directed by Clint Eastwood. For more information, [click here](#).

**District 7510 Team Rotary Newsletter (March 2011 Edition)**: [Click Here to View the Newsletter](#)

### **Rotary District 7510 Events & Functions:**

3/24 ..... College of Governors at The Raddison Hotel  
4/10 to 5/8/11 ..... GSE Team trip to Egypt, Cyprus, Jordan, and the United Arab Emirates, along with six other countries  
4/14 ..... District Staff Meeting at The Raddison Hotel at 6pm  
4/29 to 5/01 ..... [District Conference at the Mystic Marriot Spa & Hotel](#); Mystic, CT  
5/19 ..... District Assembly will be held at the Bridgewater Marriott.

### **Upcoming Rotary Fellowship Events:**

None to Date.

### **Summary of Upcoming Rotary Meetings / Programs:**

Wed, 3/23 ..... Club Assembly / Classification Talks / New Member Inductions: **Lynn Hyman** will be giving her Classification Talk. Also, **David Johnston** will be inducted as a new member. **Sheila Fernekes** and the Membership Committee will also give a short program.  
Wed, 3/30 ..... Tara Shepherd: HART Commuter Services (**5<sup>th</sup> Wed Meeting**: Spouses & Significant Others Invited)  
  
Wed, 4/6 ..... Tulsi Maharjan: Nepal Orphan Project  
Wed, 4/13 ..... TBA  
Wed, 4/20 ..... Incoming **GSE Team** Presentation  
Wed, 4/27 ..... Club Assembly / Classification Talks / New Member Inductions

**Next RCOF Board Meeting**: Tues, 4/19/2011 @ 5:45 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month)

**Next Membership Committee Meeting**: Wed, 4/13/2011 @ 1:30 PM (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month)

### **Upcoming RCOF Club Events, Fundraisers, Etc.:**

Sat, 6/4/2011 ..... **Pedals for Progress** Collection  
Sun, 6/5/2011 ..... [3rd Annual "Rotary Bark in the Park" Dog Walk](#)  
Sat, 9/17/2011 ..... 8<sup>th</sup> Annual **Ride for Rotary – Motorcycle Poker Run, Picnic & Clam Bake**  
Sat, October TBD ..... 37<sup>th</sup> Annual **Pancake Day & Bake Sale** at the H.C.R.H.S. Commons

**COMMITTEE LIST**: Click the link for a listing of all current Club Committee's and its members.

### **Login-In to the "Members Only" Section of the website to view:**

- 1) [Past E-MONGER & NEWSMONGER ISSUES](#): Click to view past issues. Began Aug. 9, 1950.
- 2) [New Member Information](#): Do you have someone you think would be a good potential member? If so, please contact Membership Committee Chair [Sheila Fernekes](#) to learn the process. In the meanwhile, click the link for information on the club and financial requirements.
- 3) [RCOF Membership Proposal Form](#): If you are interested in proposing someone for potential membership, please first contact Membership Committee Chair [Sheila Fernekes](#) for the necessary steps to be taken.



**The Rotary Club of Flemington is now on Facebook**: Publicity chair, John Hyman, is keeping the club's Facebook page up to date. There is also a Facebook link on the club website. [Click here to access our new Facebook page](#). John asks that everyone that uses Facebook "**become a fan**" of this page.



Yours in Rotary Service!

Bob Chittenden  
Rotary Club of Flemington

RI President's Call for Action in **2010-2011: "Building Communities, Building Continents"**  
**Rotary Club of Flemington - Our 87<sup>th</sup> Year**

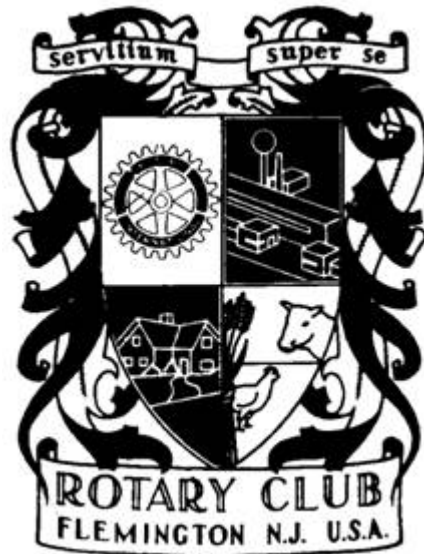
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President .....	<a href="#"><u>Darren Loew</u></a>
President Elect .....	<a href="#"><u>Chris Venditti</u></a>
Secretary .....	<a href="#"><u>Lisa Brady</u></a>
Treasurer, General .....	<a href="#"><u>Terry Ownes</u></a>
Treasurer, Lunch.....	<a href="#"><u>D.J. Wright</u></a>
Assistant Treasurer, Lunch.....	<a href="#"><u>Steve Parente</u></a>
Board Members .....	<b>Jim Davidson (past president),</b> <b>Bob Chittenden, John Hyman,</b> <b>Chris Kamnitsis and Nancy McWilliams</b>
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	<a href="#"><u>Steve Parente</u></a>
RI President .....	<b>Ray Klinginsmith (Kirksville, Missouri, USA)</b>
District Governor.....	<a href="#"><u>Ahmed Azmy</u></a>
District Governor Elect.....	<a href="#"><u>Megan Jones-Holt</u></a>

Meetings:           **Wednesday, 12:15 pm, [Copper Hill Country Club](#)**

100 Copper Hill Road, Ringoes 08551

Board Meetings:   **Third Tuesday of the month, 5:45 pm**



**MISSION STATEMENT:** The mission of Rotary International is to assist and guide Rotarians and Rotary clubs to accomplish the Object of Rotary to ensure Rotary's continuing relevance and to help build a better world, emphasizing service activities by individuals and groups that enhance the quality of life and human dignity, encouraging high ethical standards, and creating greater understanding among all people to advance the search for peace in the world.

**THE OBJECT OF ROTARY:** The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
- 4<sup>th</sup>: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**THE 4-WAY TEST:** "Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Is it the Truth?
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Is it Fair to all concerned?
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4<sup>th</sup>: Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

**2010-2011 CLUB MEMBERSHIP ROSTER – Rotary Club of Flemington, NJ:**  
**Current Number of Members: 58 (including Dave Johnston; to be inducted on 3/23/11)**

<b>Rotarian</b>	<b>Member Since</b>	<b>Classification</b>
Alte, Daniel C. (Dan)	2008	Contractor - Roofing
Black, Bruce B.	2007	Health and Fitness
Bohler, Herbert C. (Herb)	1977	Specialty Advertising
Brady, Lisa	2007	High School Administration
Brisby, Jr., Byron	2008	Car Sales
Brown, Frederick W. (Fred)	2010	Law Enforcement
Burgard, Robert L. (Bob)	1992	Financial Consultant
Chittenden, Robert L. (Bob)	2003	M.E.F.P. Consulting Engineering
Clark, Arthur L. (Sandy)	1987	Printing
Copeland, Harrie E. III	1976	Auctioneering/Banking
Davidson, James G. (Jim)	2002	Rubber Products
Farrell, Jarrett	2009	Property & Casualty Insurance
Fernekes, Sheila	2009	Artisan
Ferrari, Frederick J. (Fred)	1964	Orthodontia
Fisher, Charles H. (Charlie)	1961	Funeral Services
Hanigan, Jay	2010	Health and Fitness
Harrison, Jeffrey (Jeff)	1996	Psychotherapy
Hennessy, Jr., Richard (Rich)	2010	Financial Advisor
Hermanowski, Tara	2010	Community Banking
Holden, Rose	2008	Public Relations
Hyman, John	2009	Business Coaching
Hyman, Lynn	2010	Retail Banking
<b>Johnston, David (Dave)</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>Financial Advisor</b>
Kamnitsis, Christopher P. (Chris)	2001	Financial Planning
Karnoff, Laura	2011	Accounting



Kraus, William (Bill)	2009	General Dentistry
Liebross, Ira	1997	Family Medicine
Loew, Darren	2002	Orthodontics
Martin, Teresa (Terry)	1993	Solid Waste/Recycling
Mazujian, Harry	2004	Clergy
McWilliams, Nancy	1992	Psychotherapy
Metz, Kim	2007	Technical Education
Muller, George	1964	Cut Glass Manufacturing
Nastasi, William (Bill)	1996	General Contracting
Newland, Robert (Bob)	1998	Insurance
Owens, Terry M.	1987	Floor Covering
Parente, Steven (Steve)	2005	Classification
Pfefferle, R Christian (Chris)	2008	Business Banking
Phelan, Christopher J. (Chris)	2009	Chamber Of Commerce
Randolph, R. Wayne	1982	Veterinary Medicine
Reinbacher, Otto A.	1997	Clergy
Rogow, Stephen S. (Steve)	1973	Orthodontics
Schaible, R. Michael (Mick)	1998	Appraisal Services
Shallo, Evelyn	2000	Interior Design
Skowronek, Kenneth (Ken)	1994	Family Law
Sollner, Richard F. (Dick)	1962	Air Transportation
Stothoff, Richard H. (Dick)	1966	Sanitary Engineering
Thatcher, Thomas (Tom)	2006	Professional Planning
Venditti, Christopher (Chris)	2009	Automotive Distribution
Weinstein, Theodore (Ted)	1994	Pulmonary Medicine
Widico, Karen	1997	Public Health Services
Williams, Gwen	1991	Purchasing/Manufacturing
Wise, Robert (Bob)	1992	Hospital Administration
Woske, Harry	1977	Cardiology
Wright, Daniel J. (D.J.)	2003	Funeral Services
Zanetti, Edward (Ed)	1971	Plumbing & Heating
Ziegler, Joseph (Joe)	1988	Investment Advisor
Zullo, John J. (Johnnie)	1987	Chemical Engineering