



Rotary Club of Flemington, NJ, USA

Service Above Self

P.O. Box #751 - Flemington, NJ 08822

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January 29, 2013

Hey Everyone,

Off-Site Meeting Location: Tomorrow's Rotary meeting (**Wed, 1/30**) is a Special **OFFSITE Meeting** that will held at the **Hunterdon Medical Center**. The program will be the **Committee for Change**. The meeting will be held in Meeting Rooms A & B, which are located directly off the main entrance lobby of the hospital. The meeting will begin at 12:15pm.

Committee for Change Agenda for Tomorrow's Meeting (Wed, 1/30): At the end of this E-Monger, please find (2) documents that Terry Ownes prepared for tomorrow's meeting. Terry asks that everyone take a few minutes to read these (2) documents prior to the meeting, which will be the topic of discussion for tomorrow.

Which Restaurant Makes your Favorite Soup??? The Soup Cook Off is on Monday, February 25th and we need your help getting your favorite Restaurants signed up to participate! [Click to download the Restaurant Registration Form](#). Restaurant entry deadline is February 8, 2013. A limit of 20 participating restaurants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. One soup entry per restaurant. Please pass this on!

It's A Boy!! – Cameron Andrew Phelan: Congratulations to Chris & Antonietta Phelan on the birth of their baby boy, Cameron Andrew! Cameron was born on Friday, January 18th; 9.1 pounds, 22.5" long. Chris says Cameron and Mom are doing great! Natalie is now a big sister! Below is a photo from the proud Papa!!!

Cameron Andrew Phelan (Born, Friday, 1/18/2013)



3rd Quarter Inter-County Rotary Meeting for Hunterdon Clubs (Thurs, 2/21 at 6pm): Flemington Rotary will be hosting the 3rd Quarter Inter-County Rotary Meeting for Hunterdon Clubs on **Thursday, February 21st** at the Copper Hill Country Club. [Click Here to download the Flyer](#) complete with the evenings agenda. The following are the various details:

Location:..... [Copper Hill Country Club](#), 100 Copper Hill Road, Ringoes, NJ 08851

Date: **Thursday, February 21st**

Time:..... **6pm to 9pm**

Cost:..... **\$16 per person for Quarterly Paying Flemington Rotary Members** (Note the actual price is \$30 per person, which is reduced by \$14 for members that pay quarterly due to the canceled club meeting on 2/20.

The dinner is \$30 per person for Members that pay weekly and for all other guests.

Checks shall be payable to **“Rotary Club of Flemington”** and given to Lunch Treasurer, D.J. Wright.

RSVP by: **Friday, February 15th**

RSVP to: **Bob Chittenden** at Tel(908) 284-9040 x104 or bchittenden@jarengineering.com.

Please Join Us!

**3RD QUARTER INTER-COUNTY
ROTARY MEETING
FOR HUNTERDON CLUBS**

Thursday, February 21st

Copper Hill Country Club
100 Copper Hill Road, Ringoes, NJ 08851

Agenda

6:00 TO 6:30 PM • COCKTAILS / CASH BAR

6:30 TO 7:15 PM • BUFFET DINNER

7:15 TO 8:40 PM • REBECCA MAGRON & MASTER GARDENER
VOLUNTEERS FROM THE RUTGERS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF
HUNTERDON COUNTY

They will speak about the Rotary and Rutgers Enabling Garden Initiative, the progress that has been made, and the type of support needed from each Rotary Club.

8:40 TO 9:00 PM • ROTARY “GAME SHOW”

Test your knowledge of Rotary and Hunterdon County.
The winning club will receive a \$500 donation to the charity of their choice in HC!

COST • \$30 PER PERSON

RSVP BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

Clubs are requested to RSVP as a group and send one check, payable to:
Rotary Club of Flemington, PO Box 751, Flemington, NJ 08822.

Any questions, please email bchittenden@jarengineering.com.

6th Annual Hunterdon Rotary Soup Cook-Off (Mon, 2/25/2013): The 6th Annual Hunterdon County Rotary Soup Cook-Off will be held on **Monday, February 25, 2013** at the **HCRHS Commons** located at 29 Junction Road, Flemington. It will run from **5 to 7:00pm**. The entrance fee is: \$10 per person, plus a non-perishable item for donation to the food pantry; Children ages 5-8 are \$5; and Children 4 and younger are free. There is no snow date. The event is hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Hunterdon County. Once again, congratulations to the Mountain View Chalet, who was voted the “Best Soup” at the 2012 event. A very special thanks to ShopRite for being the events Major Sponsor!!! All proceeds will go to the Foods Banks of Hunterdon County. For more information or contact Event Chair, Mick Schaible, at mickschaible@yahoo.com or (609) 460-4530. [Click Here to Read More](#), download the registration form and see the list of registered restaurants.



A Special Thanks to the Aberdeen Rotary Club + Play it Forward: On January 7, 2013, President Karen wrote a Thank You letter to the Rotary Club of Aberdeen, MD for their \$2500 donation towards Hurricane Sandy relief here in Hunterdon County. [Click Here to Read More](#)

Off-Site Meetings for January 2013: In typical fashion, Copper Hill Country Club will be closed during the month of January. Therefore, the January 2013 meetings will be held off-site. We will resume meetings back at Copper Hill on Wed, February 6. The following is a list of off-site meetings for January:

- Wed, 1/2 **Off-Site Meeting** at [Bensi Ristorante Italiano](#) located in the Shoppes at Flemington.
- Wed, 1/9 **Off-Site Meeting** at [Matt's Red Rooster Grill](#) located at 22 Bloomfield Avenue here in Flemington.
- Wed, 1/16 **Off-Site Meeting** at the [Hunterdon County Polytech](#) in the Career Café. Polytech will be the program.
- Wed, 1/23 **Off-Site Meeting** at the [Hunterdon Medical Center](#). The meeting will be held in Meeting Rooms A & B, which are located directly off the main lobby of the hospital. (This is the same room as prior years.) The hospital will put on a program.
- Wed, 1/30 **Off-Site Meeting** at the [Hunterdon Medical Center](#). The meeting will be held in Meeting Rooms A & B, which are located directly off the main lobby of the hospital. (This is the same room as prior years.) The program will be the Committee of Change.

Ves Berg – Flemington Rotary’s Youth Exchange Student: RCOF is hosting **Ves Berg** as our Youth Exchange Student for the 2012-13 school year. Please consider inviting Ves to do something fun with you and your family. She is a delightful, smart and fun young lady. Ves can be reached on her cell phone at (908) 303-7189.

Host Family:
 Vanderborght Family
 60 Hamp Road - Lambertville, NJ 08530
 Tel(609) 397-3638
 Ves Cell(908) 303-7189

Pictured Below is **Ves Berg**, our 2012-13 Exchange Student. (Photo by Herb Bohler)



Flemington Rotary Club Assists Local Families: The Rotary Club of Flemington, through the assistance of two Hunterdon County agencies, donated \$5,000 for local community members who suffered losses due to the recent hurricane. [Click Here to Read More](#)

93rd Annual District Conference (April 12-14, 2013): Our District 7510 would like all Rotarians to consider signing up to attend the 93rd Annual District Conference, which will be held from Friday to Sunday, April 12-14, 2013. This will be held at the Bedford Springs Resort located in Bedford, PA. [Click Here for More Information](#). As an encouragement to signup, every month from September 2012 through March 2013, there will be a drawing from all of the current registrants for the District Conference for a fabulous Rotary related prize. All registrations received will be entered into current and future drawings, so the earlier you register the more drawings in which you are entered. Here are the prizes:

- **January:** (2) tickets to “Falling Water”, a Frank Lloyd-Wright designed house located 30 minutes for Bedford Springs.
- **February:** A box of handmade chocolates made by a local Rotarian chocolatier.
- **March:** A twosome for golf at Bedford Springs.

Rotary and Rutgers Project - “Growing Lives One Seed at a Time” is a unique garden pilot initiative involving the partnership of Rotary International and Rutgers University and its Entities in 5 counties throughout Central New Jersey. The partnership is committed to focusing on providing opportunities for accommodating a broad spectrum of audiences, with varying and diverse limitations, ages, and abilities via Enabling Gardens. The partnership will plan, design, introduce, and implement Enabling Garden Spaces, which by definition are growing environments that invite and permit participation by various individuals or groups. Who can benefit? Answer: People of all ages at any stage of life. [Click Here to Read More](#)

District 7510 News: [Click Here to View the Current 2013 District News](#)

Summary of Upcoming Rotary Meetings / Programs:

Wed, 2/6 Club Assembly (meetings are back at Copper Hill Country Club)
Wed, 2/13 Georgann Occhipinti: Chamber of Commerce - Leadership Hunterdon
Wed, 2/20 **NO LUNCH Meeting This Day**
Thurs, 2/21 **Hunterdon Inter-County Meeting** (3rd Quarter) – Flemington Rotary Hosting
Wed, 2/27 Dan Hendi: Hunterdon Outreach

Wed, 3/6 Club Assembly
Wed, 3/13 Open
Wed, 3/20 Chamber of Commerce: Leadership Hunterdon - Individual participants will present their thesis
Wed, 3/27 Open

Next RCOF Board Meeting: Thurs, 2/14/2013 @ 6:00 PM (usually the 1st Thursday of the month).

Next Membership Committee Meeting: Wed, 2/13/2013 at 1:30 PM (usually the 2nd Wednesday).

Upcoming RCOF Club Events, Fundraisers, Fellowship Events, Etc.:

TBA Possible RCOF Fellowship Event (50's Party Theme)
Mon, 2/25/13 6th Annual **Hunterdon Rotary Soup Cook-Off**
March TBA..... RCOF Hands-On Project
March TBA..... Possible RCOF Fellowship Event
Sun, 6/2/13..... 5th Annual **“Rotary Bark in the Park” Dog & Pet Walk**
TBA **Pedals for Progress Bicycle, Sewing Machine & Sports Equipment Collection**
Wed, 6/26/13 **Changing of the Guard Dinner** at Copper Hill Country Club (6-10pm)

Rotary District 7510 Events & Functions:

Thurs, 2/21/2013..... **Hunterdon Inter-County Meeting** (3rd Quarter) – **Flemington Hosting**
..... (No RCOF Lunch Meeting on Wed, Feb. 20^h)
Thurs, 4/11/2013..... **Hunterdon Inter-County Meeting** (4th Quarter) – Whitehouse Club Hosting
..... (No RCOF Lunch Meeting on Wed, April 10th)
Fri-Sun, 4/12 to 4/14.. District Conference – Omni Bedford Springs Golf & Spa (Bedford Springs, PA)

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 **Joe Ziegler** to learn the process prior to initiating an application. In the meanwhile, click the link for information on the club and financial requirements.
- 3) **RCOF Membership Proposal Form:** Click the link to download the “Membership Proposal Form”.



The Rotary Club of Flemington is 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.](#)

Rotary Website Links:

Rotary International: www.Rotary.org
Rotary District 7510: www.RotaryNJ.org

Nearest Rotary Club Meetings: As A Rotarian, you are Welcome to attend a Rotary Club meeting anywhere in the world. Click here for the [Rotary Club Locator App](#). Below are some local meetings:

Mondays

Lambertville/New Hope (6:30 pm) - Lambertville Station Restaurant; 11 Bridge Street, Lambertville NJ 08530
Piscataway (12:15 pm) - Radisson Hotel; 21 Kingsbridge Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854

Tuesdays

Whitehouse (12:15 pm) - Max's 22; 456 Route 22 West, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889
Princeton (12:15 pm) - The Nassau Club; 6 Mercer Street, Princeton, NJ 08540
Bridgewater-Bound Brook (12:15 pm) – Arbor Glenn; 100 Monroe St, Bridgewater 08807

Wednesdays

Branchburg Township (7:30 am): Stoney Brook Grille; 1285 Route 28, North Branch, NJ 08876
Flemington (12:15pm): Copper Hill Country Club; 100 Copper Hill Road, Ringoes, NJ 08851
Hillsborough Township (6:15 pm): Pheasant’s Landing; 311 Amwell Road (Rt. 514), Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Thursdays

Clinton Sunrise (7:30 am): Clinton Fire Department; New Street, Clinton, NJ 08809
Somerville/Bridgewater (12:15 pm): Bridgewater Manor; 1251 US Highway 202/206, Bridgewater, NJ 08807
Trenton (12:15 pm): Freddie’s Tavern; 12 Railroad Avenue, West Trenton, NJ 08628

Fridays

North Hunterdon (12:15 pm): Beaver Brook County Club; 25 County Club Drive, Annandale, NJ 08801
Princeton Corridor (12:15pm): Hyatt Regency; 102 Carnegie Center, Rt. 1 North, Princeton, NJ 08540

Yours in Rotary Service!

Bob Chittenden
Rotary Club of Flemington

RI President’s Call for Action in **2012-2013: “Peace Through Service”**

Rotary Club of Flemington - Our 89th Year

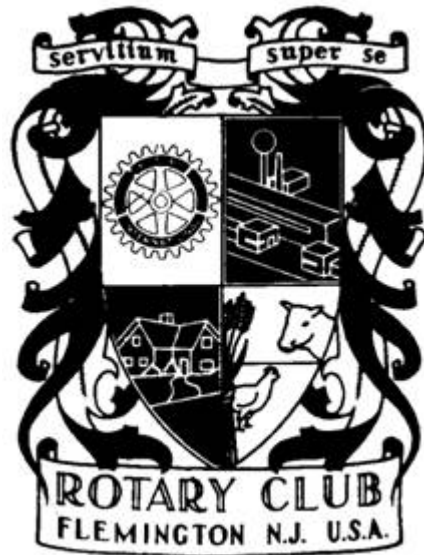
Founded October 3, 1923 • Charter #1529 • District 7510

President **Karen Widico**
President Elect **Ira Liebross**
Secretary **John Hyman**
Treasurer, General **Laura Karnoff**
Treasurer, Lunch..... **D.J. Wright**
Assistant Treasurer, Lunch..... **Rich Hennessy**
Board Members **Chris Venditti (immediate past president),**
..... **Jim Davidson, Bob Newland,**
..... **Ken Skowronek, Bob Wise & Joe Ziegler.**
Sergeant-at-Arms..... **Harrie Copeland**
RI President **Sakuji Tanaka (Saitama, Japan)**
District Governor (DG) **Dwight Leeper** (Fanwood-Scotch Plains)
District Governor Elect (DGE)..... **Tulsi R. Maharjan** (Branchburg)
District Governor Nominee (DGN)..... **Melvin I. Kevoe “Mel” (Springfield)**
Assistant Governor (AG)..... **Michael Toscani (Lambertville-New Hope, PA)**

Club Meetings: **Wednesday, 12:15 pm, Copper Hill Country Club**
100 Copper Hill Road, Ringoes 08551

Board Meetings: **First Thursday of the month, 6:00 pm**

Rotary Club of Flemington, NJ



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:

- 1st: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2nd: 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;
- 3rd: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business and community life;
- 4th: 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:

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

ROTARY’S AVENUE’S OF SERVICE:

- 1) Through **Club Service**, we have fun, build lasting friendships, and make sure that our club runs well.
- 2) Through **Vocational Service**, we volunteer our professional skills to serve others and promote integrity in everything we do.
- 3) Through **Community Service**, we address local needs and work with our community to bring lasting improvements.
- 4) Through **International Service**, we meet humanitarian needs around the globe and promote world understanding and peace.
- 5) Through **New Generations Service**, we work with young people to help them become the next generation of leaders, visionaries, and peacemakers.

2012-2013 CLUB MEMBERSHIP ROSTER – Rotary Club of Flemington, NJ:

Current Number of Members: 50 (Includes the induction of Tom Fisher on 9/5/2012. Includes the resignation of Sheila Fernekes as of 12/19/2012.)

Rotarian	Member Since	Classification
Bernard, Linda K.	2012	Retail Banking
Black, Bruce B.	2007	Health and Fitness
Bohler, Herbert C. (Herb)	1977	Specialty Advertising
Brisby, Jr., Byron	2008	Car Sales
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
Ferrari, Frederick J. (Fred)	1964	Orthodontia
Fisher, Charles H. (Charlie)	1961	Funeral Services
Fisher, Thomas H. (Tom)	2012	Property & Casualty Insurance
Harrison, Jeffrey (Jeff)	1996	Psychotherapy
Hennessy, Jr., Richard (Rich)	2010	Financial Advisor
Hermanowski, Tara	2010	Community Banking
Hyman, John	2009	Business Coaching
Hyman, Lynn	2010	Retail Banking
Johnston, David W. (Dave)	2011	Financial Advisor
Kahl, Nancy	2012	Massage Therapy
Kamnitsis, Christopher P. (Chris)	2001	Financial Planning
Karnoff, Laura	2011	Accounting
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 D.	1964	Cut Glass Manufacturing
Nastasi, William (Bill)	1996	General Contracting
Newland, Robert D. (Bob)	1998	Insurance
Ownes, Terry M.	1987	Floor Covering
Parente, Steven (Steve)	2005	Classification
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
Skowronek, Kenneth J. (Ken)	1994	Family Law
Sollner, Richard F. (Dick)	1962	Air Transportation

Stothoff, Richard H. (Dick)	1966	Sanitary Engineering
Thatcher, Thomas P. (Tom)	2006	Professional Planning
Venditti, Christopher (Chris)	2009	Automotive Distribution
Weinstein, Theodore H. (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 G. (Ed)	1971	Plumbing & Heating
Ziegler, Joseph E. (Joe)	1988	Investment Advisor
Zullo, John J. (Johnnie)	1987	Chemical Engineering

To: Rotary Club of Flemington Board of Directors

From: The Committee for Change, Lynn Hyman, Terry Ownes and Mick Schaible

Date: December 13, 2012

The committee has met and discussed areas of possible enhancement in club operations and protocol. To begin, we identified some core concepts to consider in making the recommendations.

- The COC recognizes the importance of membership, both in the area of member retention as well as new member recruitment. There is an inherent benefit to keep existing members engaged as well as attracting new members with direct vision and stimulating purpose.
- The COC recognizes that the club may need to evolve and adapt its policies and procedures to be more aligned with the current times.
- The COC recognizes the member's need and desire to receive actual as well as perceived value for their contributions, both monetary as well as time.

After much deliberation, the COC power ranked the top four topics that we felt could easily be addressed. Change could be easily implemented.

- Financial – Reduce the yearly financial commitment requirement by only charging members for the benefits received. Club fundraisers primary source of revenue should not be sourced predominantly from members. Pay as you go applies to all members for meals consumed. Being a member of RCOF should not present a financial burden to current and prospective members.
- Communication – Increase downstream communication from the board to the general membership. Board reports should be given at the regular club meeting following the board meeting. Committee chairs should report to board and to the general membership. Bring back the club assembly.
- Off Site Meetings – Schedule once a month or at least a quarter to have an evening meeting where spouses and significant others can attend. Promote fellowship and camaraderie. This does not need to be a formal dinner but should be run as a formatted meeting.
- Hands On Projects – Schedule a service project or hands on project as the regular club meeting once a month or quarter.

The main objective of Rotary is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development. The Rotary motto is Service Above Self. So, what have we done lately?

So I ask, why did I / You join Rotary ? (in no particular order)

Networking
Fellowship / Social
Service to Community, International
Structure
Enjoy doing hands on Projects
A sense of belonging
A feeling of accomplishment
Lunch out once a week
A friend asked me to

Why did I leave Rotary ?

Lack of feeling complete
Did not meet my expectations
Conflict of schedule
Moved, Job relocation
My friend left the club or does not go anymore
Can't afford the cost
No Value received for what I pay in.
Unable to meet every week
Food was un-inspiring
Got tired of the same place week after week
Lack of fellowship events, would like spouse or S.A. to be involved
Don't know what is going on in the club behind the scenes, no business meetings
No hand on projects
Did not share common interests with Rotary or the Club
Didn't feel I was part of the Group / did not like the other people
Really did not understand what Rotary was when I joined

Why should we think of change?

Member Recruitment is harder
Member Retention is more important than ever
The E-Club is coming
Individual's lives and schedules are more complicated
There are not 8 days in the week
Economy is in decline, Money is tight
Spend more time @ work, can't take time off
Spend more time with family
People want to belong, they pine for fulfillment

What can be changed or adapted?

Meet for Lunch 2'x a month, one meeting with a super speaker, one meeting for club assembly
Meet for fellowship 1x's a month – an evening that would involve the spouse or S.A.
Light dinner, cocktail hour, change the venue monthly & pay as you go
Community project 1x's a month – involve spouse, family, and children for hands on
Bill for 50% of lunch dues, just what the attendance requirement is. Give Value for \$

Is it attainable?

Berkley Heights – example
President and the board got behind it. Membership looks to leadership for direction.