

May 14, 2008

Awarded at the District Conference

Flemington Rotary came away with two awards following the annual conference of Rotary District 7510, held last weekend in Mystic, Conn. Bob Burgard accepted awards in our behalf.

- For the second year in a row, Flemington Rotary received the Care & Share Award for creating the Hunterdon County Soup Cook-Off. Last year we received it for working with the Flemington Area Food Pantry, including the First Friday truck unloading project.

- Flemington Rotary won second place in the "Large Club Website" category.

- Brian Fischer, a Clinton Sunrise Rotary member and sometime visitor at our meetings, received the F.S. "Matty" Mathewson Award, the district equivalent of our club's Rotarian of the Year Award. (Last year, the recipient was Flemington's Harrie Copeland.)

First Friday at the Widico's

Karen Widico and her husband Mike have kindly offered to host our next First Friday fellowship event at their home, 17 Copper Hill Road in Ringoes. Just come to the country club and drive a bit further down the road. The gathering will be Friday, June 6, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Come out for some great Rotary fellowship!

Member News

- Take a look across the room. Where you see that bright beaming glow, that's Bob Newland. His son Mike, a freshman at DeSales University in Pennsylvania, was just named Rookie of the Year by his school baseball team! Not only is Mike a starting pitcher, he's also a starting centerfielder. Pretty impressive!

- Karen Widico is recovering from knee surgery to repair her miniscus and cartilage -- her fourth (count 'em, fourth!) surgery on those poor knees. No more running, says Karen, but you may spot her out and about doing speed walking.

- Harry Mazujian's son Mike recently broke both heels. Harry drove to the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, NY, last week to be with his son on surgery day. Mike is a petty officer first class whose next assignment will be instructing at the Navy's nuclear training center near Saratoga, NY.

Rotary brings instant relief in Myanmar

In cyclone-devastated Myanmar, Rotary International achieved what many other charities could not because of border hassles with the country's military. Relief supplies that Rotary provided were already in the country for instant distribution.

The cyclone hit May 3 and five days later, four specially trained volunteers moved into devastated areas to distribute more than 800 ShelterBox containers. Each container includes a tent, stove, water purification kit, blankets, tools, and other necessities to help a family of 10 survive for six months. The initial deployment is benefiting more than 10,000 survivors.

ShelterBox is a grassroots disaster relief organization, half of whose funding comes from Rotary clubs around the world. To date, the nonprofit has raised \$29 million and delivered aid to more than 40 countries. Each ShelterBox costs \$1,000 to sponsor.

With no Rotary presence in Myanmar, Rotarians' direct involvement in the relief effort is limited. But ShelterBox USA reports a spike in online contributions from Rotary members. Another 850 containers are en route to Myanmar.

IMPORTANT DATES & PROGRAMS

- May 14** - George Muller, Project Lifesaver
- May 21** - Scholarship Committee Presentation
District Assembly, Pines Manor, Edison, 2-8 p.m.
- May 28** - Clay McEldowney, Mission of Africa
- May 31** - Pedals for Progress Bicycle Collection at
Flemington Presbyterian Church, 9 a.m. to noon
- June 4** - Club Assembly, Feedback, Small Group Meetings
- June 11** - Leena Shah, Alzheimer's

Monthly Events

- **First Friday** - Flemington Food Pantry, truck unloading, 9 a.m.
- **First Wednesday** - Free lunch for prospective member

Hunterdon explores shared services

Nobody in New Jersey is talking about shared services more than Mike Capabianco. As coordinator of the Hunterdon County Chamber's Shared Services initiative, he spends his days meeting with municipal, county and school officials, discussing ways to double up on services and save money overall.

At last week's Rotary meeting, Capabianco discussed the followed ideas for shared services:

- Towns could share one tax assessor instead of having multiple part-timers.
- Schools could buy natural gas in bulk to reduce energy costs.

- Twelve out of 26 Hunterdon County towns use State Police services at a cost of \$110 to \$287 per home. The state has proposed that residents begin paying the cost themselves. Lambertville, East Amwell and West Amwell are taking the lead in considering a shared police department instead of relying on the State Police.

- Towns with animal shelters spend an average \$10,000 per year providing services. Capabianco is encouraging towns to pass resolutions asking the freeholders to study countywide service.

- County agencies and municipalities could share information technology (i.e., Websites) with area schools.

Capabianco wants people to question "things as they are," to help make positive changes instead of raising taxes to pay for services. His constant aim is to reduce redundancy and save taxpayer dollars.

AREA ROTARY MEETINGS

- Branchburg** Wednesdays 7:30 a.m., Loukas Last American Diner
- Clinton Sunrise** Thursdays 7:15 a.m., Clinton Holiday Inn
- Lambertville-New Hope** Mondays 6:30 p.m., Lambertville Station
- North Hunterdon** Fridays 12:15 p.m., Beaver Brook Country Club
- Somerville-Bridgewater** Thursdays 12:15 p.m., Bridgewater Manor
- Whitehouse** Tuesdays 12:15 p.m., Flamangos

ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST


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?

*Service
Above
Self*

ROTARY ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Attend at least **60%** of club meetings in each half of the Rotary year, including make-ups.
2. Attend at least **30%** of the meetings in one's home club in each half of the Rotary year.
3. Make up missed meetings within **14 days** before or after absence.

**RI President's Call for Action in 2007-2008
"Rotary Shares"**



Our 85th Year
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Rotary Club of Flemington

President..... Harry Mazujian
President-Elect..... Bob Burgard
Secretary..... Bob Burgard
Treasurer, General..... Tom Cunningham
Treasurer, Lunch..... Terry Ownes
Assistant Treasurer, Lunch..... Tom Thatcher
Board Members..... Bob Chittenden, Steve Parente
Chris Venditti, Karen Widico, Harry Woske
Sergeant-at-Arms..... Lisa Reed
District Governor..... Julie Ann Juliano
RI President..... Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

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

Board Meetings: Fourth Tuesday of the month,
5:45 pm at Commerce Bank
1 Royal Road

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2007 • Committees & Projects • 2008	
CLUB ADMINISTRATION	FAMILY OF ROTARY Harrison, Burgard, McWilliams, Stess, Williams
INVOCAIONS Reinbacher, Mazujian, Martin, Proctor	FELLOWSHIP Venditti, Cunningham, Fuzo, Krieg, Proctor, Shallo, Sivilli, Zanetti, Zullo
HISTORIAN Bohler, C. Fisher, Langley	GREETERS Sivilli, all new members
PROGRAMS Schaible, Proctor, Zullo	ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR Sollner, all recipients
WEBSITE Chittenden, Burgard, Langley, J. Williams	BUDGET & FINANCE Burgard, Chittenden, Cunningham, Mazujian, Ownes
MEMBERSHIP Copeland, Burgard, Ownes, Randolph, Wise, Woske	PUBLIC RELATIONS Brady, Patric
DONATIONS Martin, Davidson, Langley, Liebross, Mazujian, Wise, Zullo	FOOD DISTRIBUTION (1989) Sivilli, Deardorff, Herr, Zullo
SERVICE PROJECTS	FRESH AIR PROGRAM (1931) Williams, Reed, Clark, Metz
	FUNDRAISING Wise, Loew, Venditti
	GOLF OUTING (1995) Cunningham, Loew, Lupo, Parente, Venditti, Widico, Wise
	INTERACT (1967) and ROTARACT (2004) Wright, Davidson, Skowronek, Tufo
	PANCAKE DAY (1974) Cunningham, Brown, Burgard, Chittenden, Cox, Langley, Lupo, Ownes, Reed, Shallo, Widico, Zullo
	PEDALS FOR PROGRESS (1991) Ziegler, Deardorff, C. Fisher, Herr, Patric, Sivilli, Thatcher
	READING WITH KIDS (1992) Parente, Martin, Mazujian, Reed, Stess, Weinstein, Woske
	RIDE FOR ROTARY (2004) Chittenden, Burgard, Cox, Fuzo, Kraus, Krieg, Langley, Newland, Ownes, Reinbacher, Tufo, Widico
	THE ROTARY FOUNDATION Reinbacher, Liebross
	SCHOLARSHIP (1927) Weinstein, Davidson, Kamnitsis, Metz, Morris, Newland, Reinbacher, Skowronek, Stess, Zullo
	SERVICE ACTION COMMITTEE (1982) Widico, G. Williams, Mazujian, Stothoff
	TREE LIGHTING (1923) Stothoff, Chittenden, Clark, Deardorff, Lupo, Morris, Ownes, Zanetti
	YOUTH EXCHANGE (1931) Widico, Reed

FLEMINGTON ROTARY CLUB • 2007-2008 • MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Birkner, Scott 2002Commercial Banking	Loew, Darren 2002Orthodontics	Sollner, Dick 1962 ●■▲Air Transportation
Black, Bruce 2007Health & Fitness	Lupo, Gene 1977 ■Food Packaging	Stess, Marty 1993Family Dentistry
Bohler, Herb 1977 ●Specialty Advertising	Martin, Terry 1993 ■Solid Waste/Recycling	Stothoff, Dick 1966 ●■▲Sanitary Engineering
Brady, Lisa 2007High School Administration	Mazujian, Harry 2004Clergy	Thatcher, Tom 2006 ●Professional Planning
Brisby, Byron 2008Car Sales	McWilliams, Nancy 1992 ●Psychotherapy	Tufo, Ernie 2007Car Sales
Burgard, Bob 1992 ■▲Ins. Benefits Planning	Metz, Kim 2007Technical Education	Venditti, Chris 2002Pre-Owned Car Sales
Chittenden, Bob 2003 ▲●Consulting Engineering	Morris, Michael 1984Real Estate Appraisal	Weinstein, Ted 1994 ■Pulmonary Medicine
Clark, Sandy 1987 ■▲Printing	Muller, George 1964 ●■Cut Glass Mfg.	Widico, Karen 1997 ●■▲ s Public Health Services
Copeland, Harrie III 1976 ●■▲Auctioneering	Nastasi, Bill 1996General Contracting	Williams, Gwen 1991 ■▲Purch./Mfg.
Cox, Dennis 2001State Education Administration	Newland, Bob 1998Insurance	Wise, Bob 1992Hospital Administration
Cunningham, Tom 1991 ●■▲Floral Sales	Ownes, Terry 1987 ●■Floor Covering	Woske, Harry 1977Cardiology
Davidson, Jim 2002Rubber Products	Pagan, Lourdes 2008Retail Banking	Wright, D.J. 2003Funeral Services
Deardorff, Floyd 1978 sRetail, Pharmacy	Parente, Steve 2004Sports Therapy	Zanetti, Ed 1971 ■Plumbing & Heating
Ferrari, Fred 1964Orthodontics	Patric, Robin 2007Business Communications	Ziegler, Joe 1988 ●Investment Advice
Fisher, Charlie 1961 ●■Funeral Services	Proctor, Craig 1975 ●Real Estate Consulting	Zullo, John 1987 ■▲ Chemical Engineering
Fuzo, Frank 2003Banking Operations	Randolph, R. Wayne 1982Veterinary Medicine	
Harrison, Jeff 1996Psychotherapy	Reed, Lisa 2006Private Investigation	HONORARY MEMBERS
Herr, Cowles 1959General Law	Reinbacher, Otto 1997 ▲■Clergy	Bowlby, Don 1966 ■Dairy Farming
Kamnitsis, Chris 2001Financial Planning	Rogow, Steve 1973Orthodontics	Brown, Fred 1997 ●Law Enforcement
Kraus, Bill 1999 ● s ■General Dentistry	Schaible, Mick 1998 ▲Appraisal Services	Fisher, Bob 1978Chiropractics
Krieg, Joni 2004Work Force Development	Shallo, Evelyn 2000Interior Design	Green O'Brien, Ruth 1995 ●Community Banking
Langley, Catherine 1994 ●▲Newspaper Publ.	Sivilli, Larry 2002Financial Advice	Mattison, Jeff 2003Commercial Banking
Liebross, Ira 1997Family Medicine	Skowronek, Ken 1994Family Law	

● Past President ■ Paul Harris Fellow ▲ Rotarian of the Year s Distinguished Service ● Silent Sneaker