

November 12, 2008

Holiday Planning

- *Christmas Tree Lighting*, Friday, Dec. 5 at the monument on Main Street in Flemington. Dick and Priscilla Stothoff will host the post-lighting party at their home immediately after the down town ceremony.
- Flemington Rotary *Holiday Party*, Wednesday, Dec. 10. at Copper Hill Country Club. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. No regular lunch meeting that day.
- *No meetings* Dec. 24 or Dec. 31 due to the holidays.

Soup Cook-Off Goes Pro

All five Hunterdon County Rotary clubs will be involved in planning this year's Hunterdon County Soup Cook-Off and the focus will change from amateur to professional chefs. Planners expect to double last year's attendance of 175 tasters.

The 2008 inaugural event showcased the cooking talents of 50 home chefs and the friendly competition was hailed as a soul- and belly-warming success. For next year, planners are heeding government regulations on sales of home-cooked foods in a public venue. Instead, the 2009 event will feature professional chefs from restaurants across the county. Twenty-five chefs will each provide a minimum five gallons of soup. (Last year's chefs brought one gallon containers.)

A simultaneous contest will be held for up to 10 student chefs enrolled in school-based culinary programs.

A two-tiered judging process will include public votes and a panel of five Rotarian judges, one each from the five county clubs.

The event is scheduled for Rotary Day, Monday, Feb. 23, at Hunterdon Central High School.

Member Notes

- Condolences to Gwen Williams whose mother died on Sunday, Nov. 2.
- Congratulations to Sarah and Bob Chittenden who are expecting their second child next spring.
- Bob Weiss scored a hole-in-one for a hand mashie on the Copper Hill putting green before last week's meeting. He spotted a forgotten ball on the edge of the walkway while heading into the meeting and decided to take a shot at a 50-footer. Hmmm, clubless golf. Could be a new way to run a charitable golf outing.

Recruit Young Members by the Pack

R.I. runs a problem-solving chat room on its website and September's topic was recruiting younger members. Here's a response from one whippersnapper named Dale Roberts.

"Our club (Comox, BC) is currently embarked on an attempt to bring in a group of young members in one cohort. I have seen this work in the past. I joined Rotary at the age of 23. The average member in that club (Fairview, Alberta) at that time was in the 60s. Those members had the foresight to bring in about 10 new members in their 20s and 30s, all within a short period of time. It allowed us to feel comfortable,

IMPORTANT DATES & PROGRAMS

- Nov. 12 - Bob Taylor, Organ Transplants
- Nov. 19 - Fiddle Club
- Nov. 26 - Club Assembly
- Dec. 3 - Open
- Dec. 12 - Club Holiday Party at Copper Hill

Monthly Events

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

since we had other people who shared our age group, our interests and our concerns.

Be warned: it will change your club. We did get rid of the song books. We did change from writing checks to getting our hands dirty. There is a club (sorry, can't remember which one) in California that started a RIOT (Rotarians in our Twenties and Thirties) in their club and they have become a very dynamic group. If you would like some ideas about how to bring in a group of new members at one time, go to www.clubinaclub.com."

New Wetlands Emerge in Our Midst

Two acres of new wetland will be created next year along Walnut Brook in Raritan Township, all of it enhanced by hundreds of new plantings. Grace Messinger, guest speaker at last week's meeting, said her agency, the North Jersey Resource Conservation and Development Council, has developed a restoration project to stabilize 670 feet of streambank from Mine Brook Park to Dvoor Farm.

Part of the work is already completed. A \$51,000 project in the park itself included stabilizing the stream bank that was severely undercut by erosion and hazardous to people using the park. The walkway along the stream was moved back, the embankment was tapered and stabilized with stone, and native plantings were added.

Similar work will be completed downstream from the park and into the Dvoor Farm. The newly created wetlands will provide an improved wildlife habitat as will the new native trees and bushes.

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.

"Make Dreams Real"
RI President's Call for Action in 2008-2009



Our 86th Year
Founded October 3, 1923 • Charter #1529 • District 7510

Rotary Club of Flemington

President..... Bob Burgard
President Elect Jim Davidson
Secretary Bob Chittenden
Treasurer, General..... Tom Cunningham
Treasurer, Lunch Tom Thatcher
Assistant Treasurer, Lunch Kim Metz
Board Members..... Harry Mazujian (past president),
Sandy Clark, Nancy McWilliams, Steve Parente,
and Ted Weinstein
Sergeant-at-Arms..... Jim Davidson
RI President Dong Kurn Lee
District Governor Joseph M. (Joe) Scandarato, Sr.
District Governor Elect..... Alexander Cauwels

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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CLUB ADMINISTRATION - Bob Chittenden

FELLOWSHIP - Venditti, Cunningham, Fuzo, Kregg, Proctor, Shallo, Sivilli, Zanetti, Zullo
HISTORIAN - Bohler, C.Fisher, Langley
GREETERS - Sivilli, all new members
INVOCATIONS - Reinbacher, Mazujian, Martin, Proctor
PROGRAMS - Schaible, Ownes, Proctor, Widico, Woske, Zullo
BUDGET & FINANCE - Burgard, Chittenden, Cunningham, Mazujian, Ownes

SERVICE PROJECTS - Jim Davidson

RIDE FOR ROTARY (2004) - Chittenden, Burgard, Cox, Ferrari, Harrison, Langley, Mazujian, Metz, Nastasi, Newland, Ownes, Patric, Reinbacher, Tufo, Widico, Ziegler
PANCAKE DAY (1974) - Cunningham, Brown, Burgard, Chittenden, Cox, Langley, Lupo, Ownes, Shallo, Widico, Zullo
GOLF OUTING (1995) - Cunningham, Loew, Lupo, Parente, Venditti, Widico, Wise
DONATIONS - Martin, Davidson, Langley, Liebross, Mazujian, Wise, Zullo
FOOD DISTRIBUTION (1989) - Sivilli, Deardorff, Herr, Zullo
FRESH AIR PROGRAM (1931) - Williams, Clark, Metz
PEDALS FOR PROGRESS (1991) - Ziegler, Deardorff, C.Fisher, Herr, Sivilli, Thatcher
READING WITH KIDS (1992) - Parente, Martin, Mazujian, Stess, Weinstein, Woske
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

MEMBERSHIP - Copeland, Burgard, Ownes, Randolph, Wise, Woske
FAMILY OF ROTARY - Harrison, Burgard, McWilliams, Stess, Williams
PAUL HARRIS - Stothoff, all recipients
ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR - Sollner, all recipients

ROTARY FOUNDATION - Tom Thatcher

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION - Reinbacher, Burgard, Liebross, Thatcher
YOUTH EXCHANGE (1931) - Widico, Reed
INTERACT (1967) and **ROTARACT** (2004) - Wright, Davidson, Skowronek, Tufo

PR / PUBLICITY - Tom Thatcher

NEWSMONGER (1950) - Patric, Burgard, Chittenden, Clark
PUBLIC RELATIONS - Brady, Patric
WEBSITE - Chittenden, Burgard, Langley, J.Williams
ROTARY DAY EVENT - Soup Cook-Off

FLEMINGTON ROTARY CLUB • 2008-2009 • MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

- Alte, Dan** 2008Contractor - Roofing
- Black, Bruce** 2007Health & Fitness
- Bohler, Herb** 1977 ●.....Specialty Advertising
- Brady, Lisa** 2007High School Administration
- Brisby, Byron** 2008Car Sales
- Burgard, Bob** 1992 ■▲.....Ins. Benefits Planning
- Chittenden, Bob** 2003 ▲●.....Consulting Engineering
- Clark, Sandy** 1987 ■▲.....Printing
- Copeland, Harrie III** 1976 ●■▲.....Auctioneering
- Cunningham, Tom** 1991 ●■▲.....Floral Sales
- Davidson, Jim** 2002Rubber Products
- Deardorff, Floyd** 1978 s.....Retail, Pharmacy
- Ferrari, Fred** 1964.....Orthodontics
- Fisher, Charlie** 1961 ●■.....Funeral Services
- Harrison, Jeff** 1996Psychotherapy
- Herr, Cowles** 1959General Law
- Kamnitsis, Chris** 2001.....Financial Planning
- Langley, Catherine** 1994 ●▲.....Newspaper Publ.
- Liebross, Ira** 1997Family Medicine
- Loew, Darren** 2002Orthodontics
- Lupo, Gene** 1977 ■.....Food Packaging
- Martin, Terry** 1993 ■.....Solid Waste/Recycling

- Mazujian, Harry** 2004 ●■.....Clergy
- McWilliams, Nancy** 1992 ●.....Psychotherapy
- Metz, Kim** 2007Technical Education
- Morris, Michael** 1984.....Real Estate Appraisal
- Muller, George** 1964 ●■.....Cut Glass Mfg.
- Nastasi, Bill** 1996.....General Contracting
- Newland, Bob** 1998Insurance
- Ownes, Terry** 1987 ●■▲.....Floor Covering
- Pagan, Lourdes** 2008Retail Banking
- Parente, Steve** 2004.....Sports Therapy
- Patric, Robin** 2007.....Business Communications
- Pfefferle, Chris** 2008Commercial Banking
- Proctor, Craig** 1975 ●.....Real Estate Consulting
- Randolph, R. Wayne** 1982.....Veterinary Medicine
- Reinbacher, Otto** 1997 ▲■.....Clergy
- Rogow, Steve** 1973.....Orthodontics
- Schaible, Mick** 1998 ▲.....Appraisal Services
- Shallo, Evelyn** 2000Interior Design
- Sivilli, Larry** 2002.....Financial Advice
- Skowronek, Ken** 1994.....Family Law
- Sollner, Dick** 1962 ●■▲.....Air Transportation
- Stess, Marty** 1993Family Dentistry

- Stothoff, Dick** 1966 ●■▲.....Sanitary Engineering
- Thatcher, Tom** 2006●.....Professional Planning
- Todd, Warren** 2008Disease Management
- Tufo, Ernie** 2007Car Sales
- Venditti, Chris** 2002Retail Banking
- Weinstein, Ted** 1994 ■.....Pulmonary Medicine
- Widico, Karen** 1997 ●■▲s..... Public Health Services
- Williams, Gwen** 1991 ■▲.....Purch./Mfg.
- Wise, Bob** 1992.....Hospital Administration
- Woske, Harry** 1977.....Cardiology
- Wright, D.J.** 2003.....Funeral Services
- Zanetti, Ed** 1971 ■.....Plumbing & Heating
- Ziegler, Joe** 1988 ●.....Investment Advice
- Zullo, John** 1987 ■▲..... Chemical Engineering

HONORARY MEMBERS

- Bowlby, Don** 1966 ■Dairy Farming
- Brown, Fred** 1997 ●.....Law Enforcement
- Fisher, Bob** 1978Chiropractics
- Green O'Brien, Ruth** 1995 ●.....Community Banking
- Kraus, Bill** 1991 ●■▲.....General Dentistry
- Mattison, Jeff** 2003Commercial Banking