



## Barry's Blog

District Governor 7470 2013-2014 Barry Kroll

The District Goal is to increase membership by 10%. All clubs need to endeavor to meet or exceed this goal. Currently we have 1230 members in our District. The minimum number of members needed to qualify as a district is 1300. By the end of Rotary year 2013-2014 we face the possibility of having our district merged with a neighboring district or split apart with portions of our clubs going to neighboring districts.

It has been 10 years since we have seen any membership growth in our district. It is the responsibility of every Rotarian to help increase membership. Every club needs a Membership Committee or group that is working on Membership development. A goal needs to be set and a plan action implemented to achieve the goal.

I have appointed Bob Button, Lake Hopatcong Club, and Bob Coultas, Morristown Cub, as Co-Membership Development Committee chairs. The goal is to provide all Clubs in the District with tools and resources to engage existing members as well as attract new members.

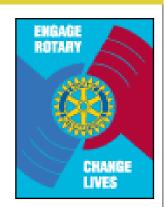
In order to grow membership, we have to ask people to join Rotary. Have you asked someone recently to join or attend a meeting or participate

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in a Rotary event? Remember, membership is everyone's job.

On Saturday, October 12th our district will participate in a multi-district Membership Seminar sponsored by District 7230. The seminar will be held at the Double Tree Hilton in Tarrytown form 10 am to 4 pm. Cost is \$65.00 and includes all materials and lunch.

Click Here for Details and to Register or visit our district website at www.rotarydistrict7470.org

Rick King and Ken Boyd, two of the membership development leaders in the Rotary world, will be the presenters. The workshop is designed for all Rotarian and will teach a hands on approach to not only retain but attract new members to your club.



#### Save the Date

Rotary Day at the United Nations

Details - www.riunday.org

## Easter Seal's Camp Merry Heart Celebrates Service Club Day

The Rotary Clubs of our district joined together recently at Camp Merry Heart to participate in the camp's annual "Thank You" celebration for the organizations that help support the camp.

The day began in the afternoon with a carnival for the campers provided and manned by Rotarians. After a brief "Thank You" ceremony where the visiting Rotarians were presented with certificates of appreciation, a BBQ dinner was provided, with all cooking and serving performed by Rotarians for the campers and their guests.

Founded in the mid 1950's by a group of northern NJ businessmen (including several Rotarians) who wanted to provide a camping experience for disabled children, and a respite for their families. Camp Merry Heart became part of the Easter Seals organization in the early 1960's.

The Rotary Clubs of our District have been involved with the support of the camp from the very beginning, providing both funds for campers who can't afford the cost, and "hands-on" work with the maintenance of the facility.





























## **Spotlight**

## FRANK GERAGHTY

#### 2013-2014 ASSISTANT GOVERNOR

I joined the Phillipsburg Rotary Club in February 1996 nearly 18 years ago. However, my relationship with Rotary began much earlier. In 1976 I went as a Rotary exchange student to Brazil.

In 2002 I led a Group Study Exchange Team to Brazil. Another wonderful opportunity provided by Rotary. Although the program will be changing under the Rotary Foundation's new Future Vision model, the Vocational Training Teams will remain an important Rotary program.

In June of 2004 I led the STYEP group to Japan. Spending 3 weeks with 23 students is an interesting challenge They were great ambassadors for our district, state, and nation.

I also enjoy hosting incoming students from Japan each year.

More recently I took on a new Rotary challenge as Assistant Governor. I love visiting my clubs and seeing all the great things they are doing in their communities.



In the last month four of my clubs have inducted or proposed new members. With this level of recruitment we should be able to reach Governor Barry's goal for membership.

I recommend that all Rotarians new and veterans get involved. Learn about the programs that Rotary offers. Learn what makes the Rotary Foundation great: 100% of every dollar contributed goes to programs, it's the largest private scholarship provider in the world, it has nearly eliminated polio from our planet.

Find your passion and try new things. It amazes me how members who have been around for 30 years get involved in a new program and become reenergized or how new members can become absolutely passionate about a Rotary program.

I once heard a Rotary International President say that "Rotary does God's work." and I couldn't agree more.

### **Protecting Those Who Protect Our 4 Legged Friends**

A matching grant project launched by the Jefferson Township Rotary Club, and including the Rotary Clubs of Lake Hopatcong, Netcong-Stanhope, Denville Sunrise, Chatham Millburn, Pequannock, Par-Troy, Belvidere, Phillipsburg, Irvington, Sopron Hungary, and our International partners in India combined to raise \$20,000 to purchase 29 bullet proof vests for the Officers of the NJSPCA better known as the "Animal Cops".

In NJ there are over 5,000 reported cases of animal cruelty a year that these officers respond to. The unique part is that while they receive law enforcement training, most officers have regular day jobs and they volunteer their time to do this service around our district and around the state.

Formed in 1868, this is one of the oldest SPCA's in the nation and is not affiliated with the ASPCA which is largely associated with NYC. The organization receives zero funding from any state or federal tax dollars. Presentation of the body armor was made on Sunday August 4th at the Sussex County Fair Grounds with the help of District Governor Barry.

## **Vocational Training Teams**

Vocational Training Teams are the evolution of the Rotary Foundation's commitment to Vocational training. This format is essentially the successor to the Group Study Exchange. While the Group Study Exchange encouraged vocational days for the multidisciplined teams, it was very much a cultural exchange as well.

The objective of the Vocational Training Teams, VTT's, is to send teams to other Districts with a specific purpose that addresses one of Rotary's 6 Areas of Focus:

Peace and conflict prevention/resolution,

Disease prevention and treatment,

Water and sanitation,

Maternal and child health.

Basic education and literacy and

Economic and community development

There are 3 Grants that fund VTT's. We will concen-

trate on the 2 primary ones. District Grants and Global Grants.

A requirement for a District Grant is that the VTT must promote the Foundation's 6 Areas of Focus. The Team may be comprised of Rotarians and non-Rotarians of any age. The budget is determined by our District.

Global grants require the VTT to align with one of the areas of focus, have a measurable and sustainable outcome and be sponsored by 2 Districts. Only the Leader needs to be a Rotarian. Again, no age restrictions. The length of the visit is determined by the Sponsors. Global Grants must be at least \$30,000.

If there is a project that you would like to pursue, please make an inquiry. There is an application to be filled out

For more information or an application, please contact Ray Freaney at rfreaney@verizon.net.

District Governor Barry Kroll September - Official Club Visit Schedule				
Septe	mber - Official Club	Visit Schedule		
09/03/13 - 12:15 pm	Montclair	Marzullo Brothers		
09/03/13 - 07:00 pm	Vernon	George In		
09/04/13 - 12:15 pm	Parsippany	II Villaggio		
09/05/13 - 12:15 pm	South Orange	Giorgio's Ristorante		
09/06/13 - 07:47 am	Morris Plains	Bretton Woods Inn		
09/10/13 - 08:00 am	Livingston Sunrise	Eppes Essen		
09/11/13 - 12:15 pm	Phillipsburg	Flynn's on the Hill		
09/12/13 - 12:15 pm	Wallkill	Bella Vita		
09/13/13 - 12:15 pm	Wharton	La Dolce Vita		
09/17/13 - 12:15 pm	Hackettstown	The Pump House		
09/23/13 - 06:15 pm	Washington	VFW Hall		
09/24/13 - 06:30 pm	Belvidere	American Legion		
09/25/13 - 06:15 pm	Cedar Grove	Calandra Italian Village		
09/26/13 - 12:15 pm	Roxbury	La Strada		
09/27/13 - 12:15 pm	Branchville	Upper Sports Deck		
09/30/13 - 06:45 pm	Chester	Lamplighter Restaurant		

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#### Save the Date!

Rotary
Vocational Assembly
October 7, 2013

The Pines Manor, Edison, NJ

## **Attendance Report**

	Member Count	YTD Gain/ Loss	July% Attendance.
Lake Hopatcong	23	0	96.00%
Pequannock Valley	NR	52	96.00%
Belvidere	9	0	94.00%
Denville Sunrise	11	-2	93.00%
Morris Plains	59	1	92.20%
Wallkill Valley	22	-1	91.00%
Rockaway	21	0	90.20%
Blairstown	23	0	90.00%
Denville	47	0	90.00%
Jefferson Township	11	0	90.00%
Dover	17	1	88.00%
Wharton/Mine Hill	10	1	86.00%
Hampton Township	19	0	85.00%
Whippany	25	1	84.00%
Livingston	15	0	82.60%
West Orange	39	0	82.00%
Maplewood	22	0	80.00%
Nutley	26	1	80.00%
Caldwells	30	0	76.67%
Belleville	7	0	76.00%
Hackettstown	26	1	75.00%
Branchville	29	0	74.07%
Randolph	28	-1	72.00%
Netcong-Stanhope	14	-1	70.00%
Glen Ridge	22	0	68.18%
Boonton	12	1	67.00%
Florham Park	12	0	67.00%
Madison Rotary	80	0	66.50%
Bernardsville	36	2	63.07%
Irvington	14	-1	61.00%
Mendham Rotary	19	-2	60.00%
Livingston Sunrise	24	0	59.00% 59.00%
Newton Morristown	99 57	0 1	59.00% 58.75%
Phillipsburg	27	0	58.00%
Chatham Millburn	9	2	55.00%
Chester-Long Valley	8	0	55.00%
Montclair	23	Ö	53.00%
Par-Troy Rotary	22	Ö	48.81%
Bloomfield	14	3	38.00%
Butler - NR	12	0	0.00%
Cedar Grove - NR	18	0	0.00%
East Orange - NR	6	0	0.00%
Fairfiled - NR	7	0	0.00%
Montville - NR	5	0	0.00%
Mount Olive Township - NR	9	0	0.00%
Newark - NR	31	0	0.00%
Roseland - NR	4	0	0.00%
Roxbury - NR	22	0	0.00%
South Ornage - NR	10	0	0.00%
Vernon - NR	16	0	0.00%
Washington - NR	17	0	0.00%
Total	1220		53.22%



## Mary Ann's Marquee

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HURRY. HURRY .. put on your best bib and tucker .. DG Barry is on the move and will visit your club (if he hasn't already been there) and he'll tell you the plans for this Rotary year and R.I. President Buxton's vision for Rotary.

**Bernardsville** – Sounds like your President Cheryl provided you with a well-organized plan for your fund raising projects for this year. How is your giving garden? Still producing?

**Branchville** – How nice that you honored the band RENO as 'Citizens of the Year' for performing over 300 benefit concerts to help others. Service to others, that's what it is all about.

**Caldwell** – What a great turnout you had for Camp Merry Heart Service Day. 'Fess up Bill and Jonathan, you enjoyed the 'moonwalk' as much as the children.

**Denville** - Was your 32nd annual Denville Street Fair as successful as in years past?

**Denville Sunrise** – A young girl from Kenya will continue her education thanks to your donation to the Mugona Trust. Your member Pia works so diligently toward this worthwhile cause.

**Glen Ridge** – You already have next year's date for your High Honors

Dinner. Talk about planning ahead ...... How was your 'Pedals for Progress" project last year? Is this an annual project?

Hackettstown – Members, you've been given a 'heads-up' from your President Kevin about all the club's plans for next year. So put your thinking caps on and speak now or forever hold your peace if you want to offer any modifications.

Madison – Some of those Hurricane Sandy displaced young people from Union Beach will certainly appreciate the camperships paid for with the \$6,000 you raised at your Family Festival. Your President Camper set a goal of 25 new members for this year. Wow!

**Mendham** – How nice that you are planning more social events. Sometimes we forget to socialize in addition to working for Rotary. Way to go, Georgine – 24 years of perfect attendance!

**Morristown** – It was very gracious of Jim and Jan Koons to host a BBQ for the Ross Edmond Japanese Exchange group. I'm sure you all had a good time.

Morris Plains -Polish up those dancing shoes for the annual block dance/celebration and put those on.

Newton – Well .. did you make your goal of 100% attendance for the DG's visit? You had an early visit. Should I say WHEW! for you? The state fair is over. It's a loooong week. How many miles of sausages did you sell?

**Nutley** – I see you will have your 'teachers' reception' again. What a nice annual event for well-deserving professionals. I guess your motorcycle run will not be held this year. Too bad.

Rockaway – We heard you pop, pop, popped the popcorn for the carnival at Camp Merry Heart Service Club Day? Your participation in the nationwide crime and drug prevention event - "National Night Out" -has become an annual community service tradition in your club.

Wallkill Valley – I see you are now alternating meeting places. Alright! How many of you have gone to the wrong location and had to hurry and scoot up or down the highway so you wouldn't have to pay a late fine?

Whippany – Your program on the 'New Eyes' organization was very interesting and enlightening

"Summer is almost over and we are now into our new Rotary year. But I seem to be missing some club bulletins. Perhaps your new bulletin editors are not in the routine of sending them to the district. We want to know what you're doing. We love to hear about all your accomplishments and your plans for the ensuing year.

Please send me a copy of your weekly bulletins - HYPERLINK "mail to: seeko@embarqmail.com" seeko@embarqmail.com.

Thanks, Mary Ann."

## Life Around 74.70 The District



Jefferson Rotary Club members in blue shirts, Margit Rahill, Clark Perry, Christine Murray, Governor Barry and wife Judy presented the bulletproof vest-the result of a multi club district grant- to the SSPCA officers.

# Attention Club Foundation Chairs and Club Presidents

District Grant Information (formerly known as District Simplified Grants) was emailed to all clubs on August 15th.

There are nine \$1,000 and three \$2,000 grants available for club use. Deadline for submitting grant applications for review is September 30, 2013

Complete information is available on the District
Website at
www.rotarydistrict7470.org

We look forward to you club's participation and wish you success in receiving a grant

## **Bowling News**



Time to get your bowling gear out of Storage Rotary League starts

#### Wednesday, September 4th

Boonton Lanes
6:00 PM.
Mixed League –
Come and join the fun
Additional info
Turul1@aol.com



# Lets Think About Rotary Membership Again!

Each month it's good to review some of the promises about our Rotary membership. When we joined Rotary we were given a talk about our Rotary membership responsibilities.

Things like dues, attendance, participation etc. You may not have been told that it is your job to bring in good members also, but it is one of the most important elements of your membership. Each year our clubs regularly lose ten percent of the members, and the club is asked to replace them and even more; so it might require 12-15% new members each and every year. You may think it would be easier to tell all the members they can't move, retire, get old, or for that matter ever die! But life being what it is, we all must help the club with reality when it comes to membership. Perhaps in the future the 5P's can help us all to remember our Membership promise.

Projects ALL members need to participate in the club projects every year. Provide a project list for our Club and make sure every member knows about the many Rotary International Projects.

Programs Have all members know that we expect them to be participating in providing speakers to assure excellent club programs every week. Programs give the members a chance to find out about the needs of others. We also need a good brochure for every club that describes what we say about being a Rotarian and our history so our guest speakers will know who they are talking to.

People We must reach out every year and bring at least one new potential member to our club. We need to remember that fundamentally it is the fellowship in Rotary that brings us together. The wanting to be with likeminded people and sharing in the experience in doing good for others. It is a compliment to ask someone to join!

Public Relations We need to be an advocate of the work of Rotary. Tell the Rotary Story to our friends, fellow workers, children, neighbors and others. They will want to join good projects!

Persistence We must take action that will move our goals forward in a constant way. We all must take on a quality of continuing steadily progress despite problems or obstacles.

# Ross Redmond Exchange A Huge Success Thanks To Host Families And Club Support

I want to take this opportunity to thank the 35 host families and the 20 Rotary clubs who helped make the Ross Redmond Youth Exchange program a huge success again this year.

Our exchange ended with the Farewell Party at Hanover Manor which was spectacular. The students from Japan stole the show as usual. They provided the entertainment that featured a rap song that taught us to count in Japanese and a great rendition of "Gangnam style" dance and song with the American students joining in.

This program, which fosters international understanding and helps promote peace, has been going on for 35 years. Since its inception thousands of students from both countries have taken part. Without the host families and the support of our Rotary clubs this cultural exchange would not continue. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY 5 APRIL, 2014

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# What is a 100% Sustaining Member Club?

Every active member of your Rotary Club must give at least \$100 per year (July 1st - June 30th) to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund - SHARE. Contributions are held for three years. During that period, the Foundation utilizes only the interest gained for administrative expenses. At the end of three years, 50% of the contributions raised goes to the World Fund and the other 50% comes back to our district as District Designated Funds (DDF).

#### Your Foundation at work...

The Annual Fund is the primary source of funding for Foundation activities.

Why should you become a Sustainable Member? Your generous support provides Rotary with the ability to transform lives. When you give to the Foundation, you help with Rotary's sustainable service projects...

Peace and conflict prevention/resolution

Disease prevention and treatment

Water and sanitation

Maternal and child care

Basic education and literacy

Economic and community development

Commit today, contribute \$2 per week and become a Sustaining Member!

#### President's Ball Saturday, September 28, 2013 6:00 – 10:00 pm

Register now to attend the President's Ball and help honor, celebrate and recognize you Club President.

The Ball will be held at Mayfair Farms in West Orange. There will be dinner, entertainment, dancing, recognitions, minimal speeches, with fun ad fellowship for all.

Details at www.rotarydistrict7470.org

# Plan Now to Attend the District Conference April 25, 26, 2014



## **Hanover Marriott**

Whippany, New Jersey

We have listened to your suggestions:

The conference is local, reasonable cost, shorter time period, involves youth, focus on Clubs and more!

Let Rotary Help You Make A Difference