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The ROTARY CLUB of MORRIS, NY

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District 7170



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Meetings every Monday at 6:00 PM in the Town House, Morris, NY

Last Meeting – February 09, 2009

The regular weekly meeting at the Morris Town House was called to order by President **Jeffrey Conroe**. The meal for 18 members and guests was prepared by **Juanita Brown** and Vicky Pegg. Newsletter notes were taken by **Teresa DeLaurentiis**. A new card contest was started with the Ace of Hearts as the featured card.

Rotary Planning Calendar

March 2, 2009 — Regular Rotary Meeting
Speakers – Ray Howland
Topic – Boy Scout Trout Derby

March 2, 2009 — District 7170 Meeting
Regional Membership Meeting In Cooperstown

March 9, 2009 — Regular Morris Rotary Meeting
Club Assembly & Directors' Meeting

May 13-14, 2009 — Rotary Multi-District PETS

March 16, 2009 — Regular Rotary Meeting
Speaker – Edmeston's **Christine Lindberg**
Topic – Words In The Oxford Dictionary

March 23, 2009 — Regular Morris Rotary Event
Speakers – Stacia Norman & Robert Eklund
Topic – Butternut Valley Alliance

March 27, 2009 — Winter Social Bash
Canasawacta Country Club
Cocktails at 6 PM; Dinner at 7 PM

March 30, 2009 — Regular Rotary Meeting
Speakers – Laurene Reichardt
Topic – Catskill Center For Independence

April 6, 2009 — Regular Morris Rotary Meeting
Speaker & Topic – TBD

April 13, 2009 — Regular Rotary Meeting
Club Assembly & Directors' Meeting

April 20, 2009 — Regular Rotary Meeting No
Speaker — Prep For Chicken & Biscuit Dinner

April 21, 2009 — Special Morris Rotary Event
Dinner To Benefit Scout Activities

April 27, 2009 — Regular Morris Rotary Meeting
Speaker & Topic – TBD

May 2-3, 2009 — Rotary District Conference
Binghamton Regency Conference Center

Gerry Bourgeois drew the Two of Clubs.

Teresa's Rotary Moment was a short quiz on famous American Rotarians including 3 presidents, an aviation pioneer, a food-freezing pioneer, a drug store magnate, and a former famous MLB manager. **Fred Schwarzhans** will give next week's Rotary Moment.

Guests — None

Make-Ups — None this week.

Announcements — A "thank you" card was received from **Ron Halbert** thanking the club for making him an honorary member; he will help out with activities when he can once he and Lorraine return from their winter quarters in Florida. --- Members were reminded of the club's winter bash at the Canasawacta Country Club in Norwich on Friday evening, March 27. Tickets are \$35 per person for choice of dinners (roast beef, Cornish hen, or Stuffed Sole) and there will be a one hour open bar. Music will be provided by a DJ service. The event will be open to friends of the club, family members, and guests. --- **Dick Keene** needs an immediate phone call with your citrus fruit sales. --- The Superbowl Sunday chicken barbecue was reviewed. A quantity of left-over charcoal increases our profit by off-setting what we will need to spend next year. The consensus was that even though it was a smallish profit, it was more money than we had before February 1st. The fellowship made it worth repeating but that we should identify a cause to commit the funds to in advance.

Birthdays & Anniversaries — None.

Happiness — **Juanita Brown's** great grandson is home from the hospital. **Jeff Conroe** met up with a nephew for lunch on a recent trip to Maryland. --- **Teresa DeLaurentiis** and Bill had a wonderful weekend visit from old friends and their 4 month old son. --- **Fred Johnson** was happy that DG Lana put Bill's Rotary moment in the district newsletter. --- **Lois Miller-Ballard** went to Miller's Mills on Harry's suggestion and had a great time. She also thanked Matt for his help with the Knickerbockers. --- **Bill Pickens** was just happy.

Active Members

Bosco, Sharon *
Bourgeois, Gerard *
Breuninger, Mary *
Brown, Juanita *
Burdick, William
Conroe, Jeffrey +
D'Amico, Michael +
DeLaurentiis, Teresa
Frankel, George +
Fusco, Nancy *
Graves, Harry *
Hay, Ronald *
Johnson, Fred *
Johnson, Gary *
Keene, Richard *
Kranbuhl, Maureen
Lander, Robert +
Marlier, Felice *
Matteson, John *
Meyers, Matthew
Miller, Joan
Miller, Roger *
Miller-Ballard, Lois *
Panek, Nicole
Pasternak, James *
Pegg, Patrick
Phillips, CarrieLynn +
Pickens, William *
Rehrmann, Henry *
Schwarzhans, Fred
Schwarzhans, Marg
Tiffany, Norman *
Townsend, Neil *
Virgil, Michael *
Webster, Royce *

YEP Students

DeForest, Chelsea
From G-MU to India
Endo, Thais Sayuri
From Brazil to MCS
Meyers, Kaitlin
From MCS to Belgium

Honoraries

Danielson, Walter *
Halbert, Ronald *
Norton, Bruce *
Sorensen, Herbert
Stowell, William *
Walicka, Terry *

* Paul Harris Fellows
+ Sustaining Members

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Next In Rotary Service: Apply Rotary's Four Way Test To Your Business Practices

Rotary District - Incoming officers will have the opportunity to increase their club administration skills in March at the multi-district PETS session. Details are available on the district website. [The Multi District President-Elect Training Seminar \(PETS\) involves Districts 7120, 7150, 7170 and 7190. The purpose of the seminar is to train you to be an informed, effective, and enthusiastic leader. You will have the opportunity to exchange ideas, ask questions and learn more about the inspiring organization of Rotary. For additional information and registration, please refer to the "Presidents-Elect Information" link.](#)

This Week – February 23, 2009

Before leaving for Florida, **Bill Stowell** challenged the club to assist the area hospice program. Bob Escher of Catskill Area Hospice will be here to tell the hospice story and to suggest ideas on how Rotary might lend a hand.

Next Week – March 02, 2009

We have been informed by Bill Pickens that the local Boy Scout troop is considering to resurrect its Trout Derby. Ray Howland will give us a Scouting update and provide details of the 2009 event.

YEP Report

Visiting Exchange Students To Tour Southern India



While the local folks are bundling up against our frigid February, our latest exchange student update might warm us. It comes from western India where the daytime highs are regularly topping 90 and approaching 100 degrees while the overnight lows range around 70.

Gilbertsville-Mount Upton CS's Chelsea DeForest traveled across India's north earlier in the fall. In a recent e-mail, she provided the itinerary for an upcoming tour that the exchange students will be taking through the country's south.

Here's the south India Tour itinerary! It's from March 17th until April 1st.

Day 1: (3/17) Baroda to Bangalore

All day in train at 16:45 hrs. Overnight stay on train.

Day 2 (3/18) Train

Full day in train, overnight in train. (ugh!)

Day 3 (3/19) Bangalore

Arrive at 4 AM in Bangalore City. Bangalore City local sightseeing. Overnight stay in Bangalore.

Day 4 (3/20) Bangalore to Mysore

[4 hour drive] En route visit to Sravanbelgola, Hassan and Helibid. Evening free at leisure. Overnight stay in Mysore.

Day 5 (3/21) Mysore

Local sightseeing. Evening visit to Brindavan Garden (B-E-A-U-TIFUL!!!). Overnight stay in Mysore.

Day 6 (3/22) Mysore to Mandurai

[9 hour drive] Sightseeing (if possible), visit to Meenakshi Temple. Overnight stay in Mandurai.

Day 7: (3/23) Mandurai to Thekkady

[Non-stop 5 hour drive] Visit Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary. Overnight stay in Thekkady.

Day 8 (3/24) Thekkady to Alleppy or Kottayam (Back Waters)

[3 hour drive to Alleppy] Same day, sunset boat ride manual hand boat in Vembanad Lake!!!! Overnight stay in either Alleppy or Kottayam.

Day 9 (3/25) Alleppy or Kottayam to Munnar

[4 hour drive] Local sightseeing. Overnight stay in Munnar.

Day 10: (3/26) Munnar

Half day more local sightseeing. Evening free at leisure. Overnight stay in Munnar.

Day 11: (3/27) Munnar to Cochin

[5 hour drive] Local sightseeing. Evening free at leisure. Overnight stay in Cochin.

Day 12: (3/28) Train to Goa

Morning, more local sightseeing, then depart to the train station and go to Goa (where we can eat some beefy BEEF!!!). Overnight on train ...again

Day 13: (3/29) Goa

Morning arrive in Goa, go to hotel by coach, sightseeing/shopping/eating/having a good time in Goa. Overnight in Goa.

Day 14:(3/30) Goa

Full day North and South Goa tour! Overnight again in Goa!

Day 15: (3/31) Goa to Baroda (Train)

Go to train. Depart for baroda.

Day 16: (4/1) Vapi, Surat, Bharuch, Baroda

Morning arrival to the convenient cities with lingering good memories of our fantastic tour!

Well, this is our tour!!! And guess how much it costs? Only 29,499 rupees! That's cheaper than the North India Tour because that was 32,000 rupees, and for only 14 days.

Chelsea