

Snowbirds Return Welcome Back, Hank!

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Chartered February, 1938 Charter #4887 Gary Johnson, President Selean "Sam" Koury, Governor District 7170



2009-2010 Rotary Theme

Active Members

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

YEP Students

Dlouhy, Jaroslav "Jaro" From Slovakia to G-MU No Outbound Students

<u>Honoraries</u>

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

Paul Harris Fellows + Sustaining Members

Send Newsletter Items To Harry Graves, Editor skierharry@yahoo.com

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

April 05, 2010

Last Meeting – March 29, 2010

The regular weekly meeting at the Morris Town House was called to order by President Gary Johnson. The meal for 23 Rotarians and quests was prepared by Carrie Lvnn Phillips. Patrick Pegg drew the Queen of Clubs in the Ace of Spades contest.

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Planning Calendar

April 05, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Club Assembly & Directors' Meeting

April 10, 2010 — Rotary District Assembly at Homer High School, Homer, NY

April 12, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting C&B Dinner Work Session

April 13, 2010 — Special Morris Rotary Event Chicken & Biscuit Dinner For Scouting

April 19, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Speaker – Steve Pindar Topic – New Oneonta Outlaws Baseball Team

April 26, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Speakers – Jeremy Matviak & Tim Hayes Topic – GSE Trip To England

April 30, 2010 — Rotary District Conference at the Owego Tredway Inn, Owego, NY

May 03, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Speaker – Ron Nimblett Topic – Medical Helicopter Service

May 10, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting **Rotary Auction Work Session**

May 14, 2010 — Special Morris Rotary Event Annual Rotary Auction

May 17, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Club Assembly & Directors' Meeting

May 22, 2010 — Special Morris Rotary Event Golf Tournament at Colonial Ridge

May 24, 2010 — Regular Rotary Meeting Speaker – Jaro Dlouhy Topic – Report On His Year In Gilbertsville

May 31, 2010 — No Meeting Memorial Day **Guests** — Visitors included Rotarian **Dick** Breuninger (Oneonta), outbound YEP selection Jen Meyers, and favorite daughter McKenzie Ballard.

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Make-Ups — None this week.

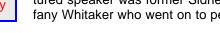
Announcements — President Gary thanked Lois for organizing the club's winter social at the Oneonta Holiday Inn. --- Dick Keene made a slight revision to his final report for the profits from the citrus fruit sale. Some late sales pushed the net income to \$2,159.

Birthdays & Anniversaries — None.

Happiness — Gerry Bourgeois didn't stay that late at Friday's party. But his kids enjoyed the full evening at the Holiday Inn. ---- Dick Breuninger admitted that the Breuningers have a new Subaru. --- This will be Mike Chase's third year of making the trophies for Norwich's Rolling Antiquers Old Car Show. And his prized new account is the Sherburne Pageant of Bands. --- The Earlyille Opera House opened its 2010 season on Friday evening. Harry Graves encouraged all members to take advantage of this local arts treasure. The full schedule for the summer season is posted on their website (www.earlvilleoperahouse.com). --- Carl Harris thanked Royce for helping him get his car back on the highway. ---- Gary Johnson still has his eyes on basketball. Duke is his only favorite team in the NCAA tournament. --- Dick Keene had the chance to watch a play-off game at the Carrier Dome. --- Felice Marlier complimented Carrie Lynn on the delicious Easter dinner. --- John Matteson, fresh back from Florida, recounted a visit with Nancy Payton. --- Lois Miller-Ballard says McKenzie has survived her first day with braces. ---Royce Webster got a call from son Kevin in California. He told Dad he's getting married.

Neighbors — The new inductees to the Sidney High School chapter of the National Honor Society were honored by the **Sidney Rotary Club.** More than 100 attended the banquet, including DG Governor Sam Kourv. The featured speaker was former Sidney resident Tiffany Whitaker who went on to perform with the

Next In Rotary Service: Support DG Sam By Attending His District Conference In Owego.



Morris Rotary Club Newsletter

April 05, 2010

Radio City Rockettes. She is the daughter of popular Sidney Rotarian **Whit Whitaker**.

YEP Report — Rotarian **Mike Virgil** reports that former exchange student Muk Thamsiripong became the victim of an internet scam following her recent studies in London. Without going into details, her former e-mail account has been closed. She says she didn't lose a large amount of money in the scheme ... but her computer files were wiped clean, including the contact information for her friends around the world. Muk is now asking the club's help.

I lost everyone's e-mail from USA (You, Barbara, third host family, Morris Rotary Club, etc.) Do you have their e-mail? Can you please send to me?

Mike is providing Muk's newest e-mail address and asks that individuals write to her so she can rebuild her contact list. She wants to be able to stay in touch with her friends in the Butternut Valley. Future messages can be sent to Muk's college account at mukkio_uk@hotmail.com.

The pictures sent by Muk are of her graduation ceremonies from Assumption University of Thailand following her studies abroad in London. Her progress has been reported in the Morris Rotary newsletter since she was a student at Morris Central School in 2003-2004.

This Week – April 05 , 2010

Club Assembly. Board of Directors meeting.

<u>Next Week – April 12, 2010</u>

Work session to prepare for the Chicken & Biscuit dinner. Bring your potato peeler.



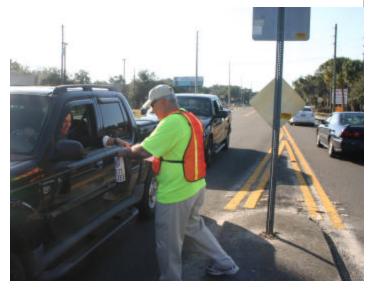
Family Of Rotary

Florida Rotarians Help Haiti Earthquake Victims

About one-quarter of the Morris Rotary Club's members spend at least part of the winter at homes in Florida. There's a cluster on the east coast near Deland/Daytona. Another group resides on the Gulf Coast north of Tampa. Often, our members visit the Florida Rotary clubs and keep us informed of their activities.

Jim Pasternak passed along a newspaper clipping detailing a project of the two clubs in Zephyrhills. Members of the Rotary Club of Zephyrhills held a "boot drive" at one busy intersection in town. A few blocks away, volunteers from the Rotary Club of Zephyrhills Daybreak manned another major location. Members of the East Pasco Rotoract club helped out. By the end of the day, they had collected \$6,300 in donations. Later, an additional check for \$1,500 was received from Rotarians in nearby Dade City. The event was organized by 70 year old **Nelson Ryman** of the Daybreak club. He has visited Haiti several times in recent years, supporting an orphanage there.

Thanks to Rotarian Jim for keeping us informed. Also, thanks to the folks at *The Zephyrhills News* for sharing their picture and to Joe Potter for his reporting.



Buff Johnson of the Rotary Club of Zephyrhills accepts a donation from a person Friday for a fund-raising effort to help build homes and feed starving people in earthquake ravaged Haiti. Johnson is principal of the local middle school.