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On This Day: 1974 U.S. President Ford announced a conditional amnesty program for the draft-evaders and deserters during the Vietnam War.

Vision Facilitation Session: September 21st, Tuesday. Country Club Condos Clubhouse, 5pm to 9pm see bottom of newsletter for more

Today's Guest: Emily Marin, Department of Children and Family Services

Last Week's:

We sincerely thanked Bill Basel, Head of research at the Cheshire Public Library for his well structured time and information he gave us

We Rotarians, along with 4 guests, learned that family history research has been more prevalent during the last few years. Interest has helped some to learn about the struggles and life styles of their ancestors as well as birth, death and marriages. Anyone can be an amateur historian.

The largest groups are retirees who experience the need to fill their time and enjoy the opportunity to "fatten" the family album with information about long lost relatives or unsavory characters in the family's past.

Ancestry.com has free forms to enter info and it becomes easy to track and keep notes of sites you visit (even if you found nothing-it saves backtracking). Some information culled from death records is especially helpful in learning about any medical issues that person may have had.

Federal Heritage Quest for Ct. residents, Federal census records, NE Heritage Genealogical Society, www.familysearch.org/com, Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, Ellis Island are all sources which can be tapped. Most are available free of charge at the Cheshire Library.

Next time you are in the Library, stop by and thank Bill again.

We also had Jim McGregor's newest proposed member in attendance, Scott Schwartz. He has applied for membership and is employed as a Financial Service Professional for Charter Oak Insurance and Financial Services Co. (Mass. Mutual)

Upcoming Programs:

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| September 30 | Dinner | Club Assembly |
| October 7 | Lunch | Rabbi Josh Whinston, Temple Beth David |
| October 14 | Dinner | Gerald Sitko, Cheshire Economic Development Coordinator |
| October 21 | Lunch | Elizabeth Esty (Democratic candidate) and Al Adinolfi (Republican candidate) for State representative for the 103 District will be speakers. |
| Nov. 11 | Dinner | Ryan Dotsie, a Rotary Ambassadorial Cultural Scholar to Ireland for a three month tour, will speak on her experience there. |

More Upcoming Programs:

Cheshire Fall Festival: held Saturday at Bartlem Park was a great success. Our hats go off to Jim McGregor along with Wendy Farrell who pulled together a wonderful "board" and table showing the Rotary's fabulous achievements and ongoing support of both the local and national needs of our people. Also, thank you to all who participated throughout the day. We had several signatures for those who may be interested in joining.



SERVICE Above Self
Club 6714

Charter: Oct. 27, 1939

District 7980 Governor:
Julianne "Julie"
Reppenhagen of Danbury
Sunrise Club
'10-'11 theme: Light the
Way to Service

Asst. Governor:
Kenneth Vaughan of
Middletown Rotary

*Rotary International
President:*
Raymond Klingensmith,
Missouri
'10-'11 theme: Building
Communities, Bridging
Continents

The Four Way Test
*Of The Things We Think,
Say or Do...*

- ~Is it the Truth?
- ~Is it Fair to all
Concerned?
- ~Will it build Good Will and
Better Friendships?
- ~Will it be Beneficial to all
Concerned?

Past District Governors
Arnold Schroeder, 59-60
Richard H Miller, 70-71
Bernhardt W. Erk, 80-81

Items for the Spoke:
Needed by Monday prior to
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Roses-By-The-Dozen: Annual fund raiser to be same format as last year with all red or a mixed bouquet at \$12.00 per dozen. Target dates are Sept 30 and October 7 both are Thursday. Please start thinking about orders.

Thanksgiving Drive: October 12 through November 20th is the Liberty Bank/Rotary Club Thanksgiving Drive. More information to follow!

Upcoming Rotary Events:

September/October

Membership Seminars being held 10/5 in Westport, 9/28 in Branford, 9/22 in Wallingford, 9/30 in New London, and 9/21 in Newtown. Email jrepp@snet.net if you're interested in attending.

September

2010 Foundation Seminars-- Saturday September 25th at the United Methodist Church in Westport. \$40 includes lunch and morning coffee. See me for forms or contact Mac Leask

A fundraiser for the Mari Hall Family Foundation, Inc has been scheduled for September 25, 2010 here in Cheshire. This is a 10K and Family "Fun K" Road Race Event and all are invited. Sign-up link is www.marihallfoundation.org/our-events.html. Please pass the word along.

October

District 7980 2010 Public Seminars--Session A Tuesday, October 12 5:30 to 7:30 Blackstone Memorial Library in Branford.

Session B--Wednesday, October 30 9:00 to 11:00 am 4 Points by Sheraton in Meriden. See me for forms or contact Alpha Castro--\$10 fee for materials and refreshments

November

Foundation Dinner- November 3rd at Race Brook Country Club in Orange
President's Council- November 23rd, 8:30-2, graduate club for Presidents and Presidents-Elect.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, CLUB VISION PROGRAM

WHAT MAKES OUR CHESHIRE ROTARY CLUB UNIQUE IS IT'S PLURALITY!
WE ARE NOT ONE PERSON, BUT MANY!
IT IS OUR GREATEST STRENGTH!

YOUR APPEARANCE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US AT THIS MEETING!

- ❖ TUESDAY--5pm sharp to 9pm--Sept. 21--doors open 4:45pm
- ❖ The Country club Condos Clubhouse on St. Andrews* Dr , Cheshire
- ❖ Presenting team members:
 - Ed Davies, team leader, RC of Bridgeport
 - Ann Brignola, RC of Devon
 - Trish Pearson, RC of Orange
 - Chip Marsh, RC of Branford
- ❖ Equipment/Supplies will be provided
- ❖ Dinner--light meal with coffee etc. moderate charge to be determined
- ❖ No Thursday meeting

Think: *To err is human, to forgive unusual.*

Attendance: 9/9/2010 was 9 members and 4 outside guests.

