



2007-08 RI Theme

## Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries

### Birthdays

-Rtn Vince Militello (11<sup>th</sup>)  
-Rtn LaRoy Bowden (13<sup>th</sup>)

### Spouse's Birthdays

-Alyce 14<sup>th</sup> (PP Dave Peterson)  
-Pegi 23<sup>rd</sup> (PP Tom Hoffman)

### Anniversaries

Rotary Club of Fremont, Ohio, USA \* Chartered April 28, 1926 \* Club No. 2332 \* District 6600

## MARCH IS R.I. DESIGNATED "LITERACY MONTH"

*a time for clubs to develop their own literacy projects  
and raise awareness of Rotarians' efforts worldwide to eliminate illiteracy*

## PROGRAM FOR TODAY

**Speaker:** Ms. Sherri Sprouse

**Topic:** "Overview of Heartbeat of Fremont"

**Rtn-in-charge:** Rtn Vince Militello

## Program for March 24, 2008

**Speakers–** Mr. Dave Bensch & Mr. Andrew Hemminger

**Topic–** "Destination Basketball"

**Rtn-in-charge–** Rtn Tim Piercefield

## PROCEEDINGS ON MONDAY – March 10, 2008

### VISITING ROTARIANS - Nil

### CLUB GUESTS

*Students of the Month – Feb 2008*

Mr. Bradley Osborne –Fremont Ross High

*Students of the Month – Mar 2008*

Mr. Scott Widman –SJCC

### CLUB PROCEEDINGS

President Helene called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm. She led members in the Rotary Prayer and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sgt-at-arms (SAA) Rtn Tim Piercefield welcomed all Visiting Rotarian and Guests.

### HAPPY BUCKS

SAA Rtn Tim Piercefield collected money from the following members:

Rtn Holly Stacy for the following ...

- her son turning 18,
- her 20th wedding anniversary,
- her daughter's cheerleading team getting first place and being undefeated, and
- the planning of the upcoming "Pizza Challenge" going well.

IPP Kay Reiter for her cruise to Nassau and for the Energy Summit at Terra being a success.

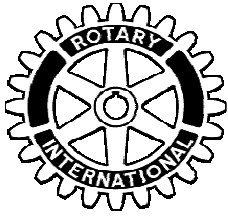
PP Bill Goad for his North Carolina basketball team's win over Duke and for the perpetrator in the murder of the North Carolina student body president being tracked down.

PP Tom Hoffman for getting to use his snowmobiles and 4-wheelers this weekend, and for the swim fundraiser this past weekend.

Rtn Marlene Ellis for the levy passing. Rtn Jim Ellis also for the levy passing and for people being able to ride their snowmobiles.

PP Gary Perkins for the Christian men's retreat he attended this past weekend.

Rtn Tim Piercefield for his daughter driving safely to Miami in time to make her cruise.



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***Forthcoming Events...***

**MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**  
**BOARD MEMBERS** – next board meeting is scheduled immediately after regular weekly meeting at Fremont Country Club.

**APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
**S.T.R.I.V.E. Monthly Meeting at Fremont Ross High School’s Library, at 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.**

**MAY 13TH -15TH** – World Community Workshop “Cultures of Africa” at Defiance College, open to sophomores, juniors and seniors in good academic standing and have a genuine interest in learning about different regions of the world.  
*Further details will be provided at a later date.*

**MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
[All Ohio PETS - Renaissance Hotel, Columbus](#)

**MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>**  
[District Assembly - Owens College, Findlay](#)

**APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>-26<sup>TH</sup>**  
[District Conference 2008 - Kalahari, Sandusky](#)

**JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
[International Convention - Los Angeles](#)

**JULY 2008**  
[4th Annual MESA bike ride - July 13-19](#)

**About Interact**

Interact is Rotary International’s service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single gender or mixed, large or small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of:

- Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- Advancing international understanding and goodwill

As one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and geographical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Almost 200,000 young people are involved in Interact.

For more information about Interact in your area, contact your local Rotary club, or ask RI staff. Read the Interact Handbook and the Interact Brochure.

**FOUR-WAY TEST**

**Of the things we think, say or do:**

**Is it the TRUTH?**

**Is it FAIR to all concerned?**

**Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**

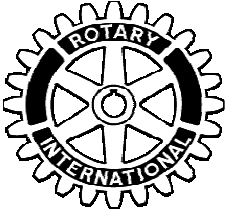
**Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

**Lottery Winner**

There was no lottery at this lunch meeting.

**Secret Hand Shaker**

There was no secret hand shaker at this lunch meeting.



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Rtn Angelica Rinehart

## PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Helene made the following announcements:

1) Students of the Month Recognition – Rtn John Lauer introduced and President Helene presented Certificates of Recognition to the students from February & March 2008. The students introduced themselves, and thanked the club and their sponsors. *Details of these students will be published at a later date.*

2) There will be a Fremont Rotary Foundation Board Meeting following today's lunch meeting.

3) Fremont Rotary Polo Shirt – Rtn Linda Havens on behalf of Rtn Angelica Rinehart passed around an order sheet; \$30 each, and available in various colors.

4) MESA Bike Tour 2008 Hosting – PE Rob Lytle on behalf of Angelica Rinehart presented a proposal to raise money for hosting the MESA bike tour 2008. Suggestions proposed were to be assessed, to pass around a sheet to opt out of an assessment, pass around form at lunch meeting which lists all options and each Rtn can choose.

## PROGRAM OF THE DAY

Speaker – Rtn Chasity O'Neill  
Topic – "Major Canine Rescue in Wood County"

President Helene invited PP Bob Woolf to introduce fellow Rotarian Chasity O'Neill to speak on her volunteer work with the Wood County Humane Society.

Rtn Chasity's involvement with the Wood Co Humane Society became of interest to the club when Chasity spoke on the recent rescue of 117 dogs, 22 cats and 2 birds, all from the same house.

After rescuing this many animals from one home, the shelter, which normally holds roughly 20 dogs and 80 cats, was forced to shut down simply to maintain and nurse back to health the large quantity of animals in need from this one rescue. Many of these animals were badly injured, emaciated and had mange and none of them were spayed or neutered.

After participating in such a large scale rescue, it became evident that this was not the first time something like this had happened and Chasity decided to look further into why a person would house so many animals when all that was being done was harm to the animals.

The people who house this many animals are typically called "animal hoarders," and believe they are doing nothing wrong, they are merely trying to protect these animals from going to pounds and potentially being killed.

Animal hoarders do not give the animals access to food, water or the proper vet care, nor can they even financially provide for this sort of expense. Some animal hoarders even seek out specific breeds of animals and hoard only those animals. Studies of cases of animal hoarding show that the rate of repeat offense is close to 100% and the only real way to try to prevent the repeat offense is to get counseling.

The Wood Co Humane Society has been successful in adopting out nearly 60 animals and aiding in all of the rescued animals' vaccinations, socialization, cleaning and feeding. Adoption events are being held every weekend to get the animals into safe, nurturing homes.

For more info please visit <http://www.woodcountyhumanesociety.org/>

President Helene thanked Rtn Chasity O'Neill with a gift as a token of appreciation.

### Fremont Rotary PRAYER

*(written by*  
*William B. Gavitt)*

**Almighty Father,  
whose bounteous love  
has brought us to this  
time and place,  
Grant that we may  
serve Thee by service  
to others,  
Bless this food,  
our club and our  
program to this end  
Amen**

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**I pledge allegiance to  
the Flag of the United  
States of America  
and to the Republic  
for which it stands  
one Nation under  
God, indivisible  
with Liberty and  
Justice for all**