

Chapter 37

Rotary Club of Runnemedede-Bellmawr- Glendora, N.J.



75th Anniversary History of District 764

Runnemede-Bellmawr-Glendora, NJ

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Chartered	December 13, 1954	Meets:	Mondays at 12:15 pm at Holiday Inn, 109 Ninth Ave., Runnemede, NJ 08078 (609) 939-4200
Sponsored By	Haddon Heights		

Presidents

1955-56	Gordon Cundiff	1973-74	John Interlante
1956-57	Jim Campbell	1974-75	Bill Gallagher
1957-58	Jack Wray	1975-76	Bob Ruoff
1958-59	Robert Goodwin	1976-77	Ray Jester
1959-60	Earl Bennett	1977-78	Larry Foy
1960-61	Norman Zane	1978-79	Arnold Capriotti
1961-62	Vincent Palmisano,	1979-80	Pete Baldwin
1962-63	David Greenberg	1980-81	John Pera7zelli
1963-64	Seymour Feldman	1981-82	Joe Pennisi
1964-65	Bud Peters	1982-83	Steve Martorano
1965-66	Harry Lovitt	1983-84	Len Butterworth
1966-67	Walter Johnson	1984-85	Stan Tomczyk
1967-68	Albert Ruoff	1985-86	Jim Johnson
1968-69	Joseph Brogan	1986-87	Paul Cooper
1969-70	James Magrann	1987-88	Frank Birmingham
1970-71	Tony Fanelli	1988-89	Ray Bellows
1971-72	Roy Robinson	1989-90	Ray Jester
1972-73	Nate Weinraub		

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Runnemede-Bellmawr-Glendora: Plenty of Good Causes

Chartered Dec. 13, 1954 as the Rotary Club of Runnemede, the club name was changed to Runnemede-Bellmawr-Glendora Rotary on Sept. 22, 1960. Gordon Cundiff was first president of the charter group of 23 which was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Haddon Heights during Frank, J. Quigley's (Atlantic City) tenure as District Governor.

Runnemede-Bellmawr-Glendora has been a solid participant in a seemingly endless array of community projects during its history. Here is just a small part of the list:

Runnemede Rotarians contributed the manpower for the building of a new field house at Triton Regional High School.



RBG Club President 89-90 Ray Jester (left) and DG 89-90 Herb Budd with Runnemede's wheel. The wheel is used to determine whether or not a person pays a fine. Members can be fined for things such as not wearing pins, badges, or leaving early.

A house, donated by Joe Brogan of Runnemede Supply Co., was moved approximately three blocks and was totally renovated by Rotarians for use by the Senior Citizens Club of Runnemede. And the club also helped out in later years when there was an addition to the building.

Rotarians supplied materials and labor on another occasion for renovation of the Boy Scouts Meeting Hall in Runnemede. Non-Rotarians also contributed to the success of the project.

In 1976, club members were actively involved in festivities for the Runnemede Bicentennial Day celebration.

The club started an Interact Club at Triton High School. Today, the all-female

organization is thriving as among the most active in the district with 40 members.

Each year, Runnemede-Bellmawr

Glendora Rotary awards three \$1,000 scholarships to graduates of Triton High. One of the three is presented, appropriately, to an outstanding member of the school's Interact Club.

Prizes are awarded on "kite Day" to all participants who have a kite to fly.

The club has sponsored a contestant in the Mrs. New Jersey Pageant.

One of the club's most rewarding projects has been providing, and delivering, food baskets for the area's needy citizens at both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

One of the top projects is a relatively new one - support of Lark School in Bellmawr. The Rotarians have donated funds to make necessary purchases for the school for handicapped children. But more importantly, Runnemede-Bellmawr-Glendora Rotarians have donated their time and energy to assist projects around the school. Club members agree that the project is among the most heartwarming, and most meaningful, in club history.

There have been countless fund-raising ventures through the years including suit clubs; golf tournaments; 50/50 drawings; 500 clubs; turkey shoots; nights at the races; casino bus trips; lotto drawings; and a '50s dance.

The club has maintained its membership through the years, but has needed several members to go beyond the call of duty to serve more than once, as president. For example, Ray Jester was president in 1976-77, during the Bicentennial celebration, and again in 1989-90. And Ray Bellows served a full term in 1988-89 after a partial term, succeeding Frank Birmingham, during the 1987-88 Rotary year.