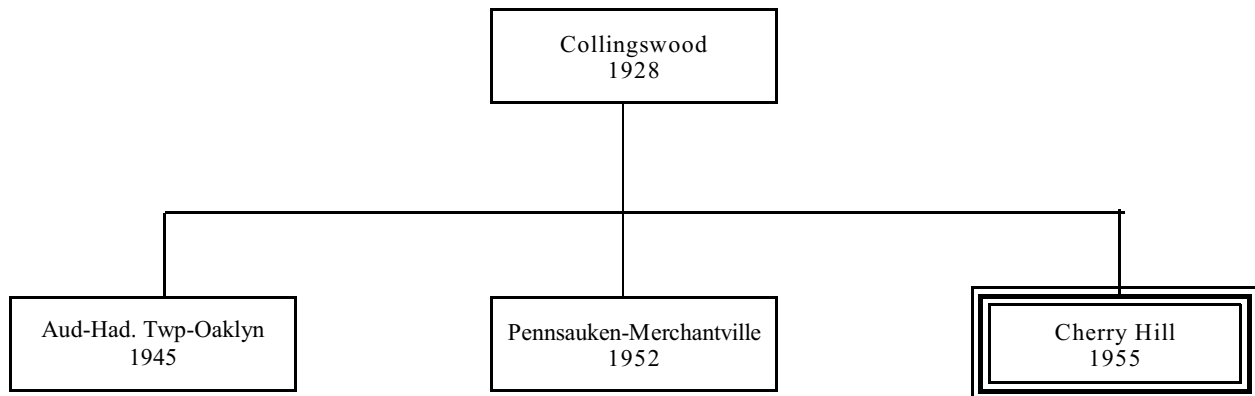


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## Rotary Club of Cherry Hill, N.J.



# 75th Anniversary History of District 764

Cherry Hill, NJ

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Chartered	February 3, 1955	Meets: Mondays at 6.30 pm at
Sponsored By	Collingswood	Greenbrier Restaurant
Clubs	Mt. Laurel (Co-Sponsor) Garden State of Cherry Hill	Route 70 & Haddonfield Rd., Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 (609) 662-0800

## Charter Members

OFFICE	NAME OF MEMBER	CLASSIFICATION
President	William A. Pascoe	General Law Practice
Vice President	Wesley B. Bleakly	Real Estate Agency
Secretary	Howard Plasket	Electrical. Construction
Treasurer	Charles F. Diesel	Accounting Service
Director	William M. Childs	Protestant-Christianity Baptist
Director	Carl A. Danella	General Contracting
Director	Aaron M. Rodgers	Plumbing
Director	Frank J. Schetter, Jr.	Masonry Construction
	Daniel Campbell	Plumbing & Heating Supplies Dist.
	Gordon M. Curren	Electronic Controlling Equip. Mfg.
	Edward Fleming	Fuel Oil Retailing
	James Lyon	Building, Construction
	Paul Midiri	Golf Instruction
	Matthew Morris	Electronic & Equip. Mfg.
	Arthur Piper	Alcoholic Beverages
	William A. Schetter	Funeral Director
	Albert E. Stohr	Precision Steel Parts Mfg,
	Weldon E. Stroud	Painting & Decorating
	Walter Sweigart	Linoleum Distributor
	Francis G. Young	Heating Equipment Installation
	Edward Zeltz	Foam Rubber Construction Mfg.



Cherry Hill Rotarians examine some of the more than 5,000 books that were donated to the club for U.S. Troops in South Vietnam in the fall of 1965. Left to right are: Leo Benash, club vice president; Frank Young, book drive chairman; and Dr. Ralph Skowron.

**Cherry Hill Collected Books for U.S. Troops in Vietnam**

The Rotary Club of Cherry Hill was chartered Feb. 3, 1955 as the Erlton Rotary Club because there was no Cherry Hill at the time, and Erlton was the local post office. The sponsoring club was Collingswood Rotary. Since its start 35 years ago, Cherry Hill in turn has co-sponsored the Mt. Laurel club as well as sponsored its neighboring Garden State Rotary Club of Cherry Hill.

The Cherry Hill Club has immersed itself deeply in activities to benefit its community.

In 1965, for example, Cherry Hill Rotarians collected more than 5,000 hard cover and paperback books to be sent to American troops stationed in the Saigon area of Vietnam. Dr. Ralph A. Skowron, a Rotarian who was a major and chief flight surgeon for the Delaware Air Guard, took it upon himself to personally fly the books to Vietnam.

On a rainy Saturday in 1966, Cherry Hill members planted 48 Chinese Scholar trees at the front entrance of the new Cherry Hill Library on Kings Highway in Cherry Hill. A quarter century later, the trees remain a beautiful enhancement to the library as well as a lasting monument to Cherry Hill Rotary.

On Christmas morning, it is a club tradition for members and their families to take time from their own festive days to visit St. Mary's Nursing Home in Cherry Hill. They bring holiday joy to the residents, many of whom have no families of their own. The Rotarians give poinsettias and Christmas cards to the residents and sing Christmas carols in the halls.

Among the numerous other Cherry Hill Rotary projects are these:

The club provided raincoats for local school safety guards.

It presented flags to schools that were certified to have flown over the Capitol in Washington\_

It was instrumental in getting the Delaware Township Little League recognized in Cooperstown, N.Y.'s Baseball Hall of Fame when a local pitcher tossed a no-hitter in post-season championship play,

It constructed a foot bridge at Pine Hill Boy Scouts Camp.

Since 1982, it has awarded on an annual basis college scholarships to high school students who best exemplify the ideals of Rotary International.

**Presidents**

1955-56	William Pascoe	1973-74	Gene Borish
1956-57	Wesley Bleakly	1974-75	Michael Kouvas
1957-58	Aaron Rodgers	1975-76	Norman Holt
1958-59	Gordon Curran	1976-77	Thomas Lennox
1959-60	Frank Schetter, Jr.	1977-78	Richard Budd
1960-61	Jack Sansom	1978-79	William Bradney
1961-62	Edward Zeltz	1979-80	Thomas Sheehan
1962-63	William Schetter, Sr.	1980-8.1	Mitchell Rabil
1963-64	Frank Young	1981-82	Douglas Betts
1964-65	William Lummis, Jr.	1982-83	William Turner
1965-66	Martin Behnke	1983-84	William Southwick
1966-67	Leo Benash	1984-85	Michael Orlando
1967-68	Ralph Willis	1985-86	William Schetter, Jr.
1968-69	Joseph Campbell	1986-87	Theodore Dreisbach
1969-70	Edward Kolbe, Jr.	1987-88	Leslie Gallagher
1970-71	James Trundle	1988-89	David Lummis
1971-72	Dennis McHenry	1989-90	Joseph Derise
1972-73	Nate Davis		