

Leadership Morris *Newsletter*

Leadership within Morris County

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“Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”
John Fitzgerald Kennedy

2013 Upcoming events. . . .

April 12, 2013
Good Morning, Morris!
Leadership Morris
Alumni Achievement Award

July 18, 2013
Leadership Picnic

October 2013
Wine Tasting

Save these Dates!

Leadership Morris is Helping Hurricane Sandy Victims

By Dena Moscola

The Morris County Chamber’s Leadership Morris Graduating Class of 2012 continues to serve those rebuilding after Hurricane Sandy. The first efforts began with a food drive in December, lead by Dena Moscola, CEO of Resolutions Coaching & Training. Thanks to a Book Signing/ Networking Event and www.YouGiveGoods.com, lots of healthy food was donated to NJ’s Salvation Army.

The next adventure was volunteering on 1/19, coordinated by Eric Gabrielson, Business Development for ReCommunity Recycling and Dena Moscola. Joining Eric and Dena were Michael Lupton of Wells Fargo Advisors, Doug Lippin of Wyndham Worldwide Corporation, Mary Manser of Picatinny Arsenal, Mark Spaldo of Boy Scouts of America, Michael Goldberg of A Shoulder to Cry On. The group volunteered at NJ’s Salvation Army’s Disaster Recovery Center in Hazlet for a very interesting, educational and heart-warming day. The Center provides food, baby supplies, household goods and clothing to about 100 families per day - double the anticipated amount. The group set-up storage rooms, restocked shelves, organized displays, assisted and comforted citizens approved by FEMA to receive goods donated by various businesses.

At day’s end, the center’s full time staff shared that prior to that day the most they served in 10 hours was 104 families. Thanks to Leadership Morris assistance, 84 families were served in less than half the time = >50% increase over their record. The Salvation Army expressed extreme gratitude for the Leadership Morris efforts, results and willingness. “It would have taken 2- 3 days for them to do what we did in a short period. They will be the first to tell you, they always need volunteers”, says Gabrielson.

Gabrielson added, “ I got to help a family of 4 with 2 kids not far in age from my own. It wasn’t hard to see myself in their position having lost most of their belongings in 1 day. Remarkably, most did not seem burdened, expressing continuous gratitude to the Salvation Army and even sharing a few laughs. It was a great experience!”

The stories encountered that day were shocking, sad and humbling. Witnessing the devastation was frightening. One couple with 2 small children shared that they had only returned to their home for 2 months after losing it to Hurricane Irene before Sandy came and destroyed it AGAIN. After they found temporary housing, the husband suffered TWO strokes. They do not have much money but thanks to the Salvation Army, they have hope and are smiling.

The Leadership Morris graduates will continue to serve. It is critical that we keep our neighbors victimized by Sandy close in mind because they still need immeasurable assistance, and will for some time. After 3 months, many are still without homes, jobs, heat and electric. Call to help: NJ’s Salvation Army 908.851.9300.

Message from the Program Director



Leadership in the Ranks

We don't have to look too far to recognize how transformational leadership can result in positive change in our community.

Following our guiding principle "To Lead is to Serve", we saw Sheriff Ed Rochford (LM '01) named as Grand Marshall of the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade in recognition of his leadership and years of service to our community. On that same day, our Leadership Morris Alumni Association under the leadership of Lee Moreau (LM '99) and Jill Knaus (LM '10) saw us conduct a moving ceremony on the hallowed and historic Green in Morristown, honoring a contingent of Gold Star Mothers recognizing their collective loss in the service of our Country. The vision and hard work of Lee and Jill brought about a lasting tribute to these fallen heroes, paid to them not only by leadership Morris Alumni, but also by a General, a Lt. Colonel, two Captains, a squad of National Guard enlistees, active military, retired military and an assortment of local business members. That successful event changed lives and brought tremendous benefit to our community in ways that cannot be easily measured.

Our next event, the "Good Morning Morris" breakfast on April 12th will honor yet another Leadership Morris community volunteer, Nancy Delaney (LM '07), who through dedicated leadership, led Employment Horizons through a highly successful capital campaign enabling the organization to complete a building expansion resulting in their ability to serve many more clients changing their lives and impacting our community in many positive ways. We had a great turnout for the parade, now let's show Nancy our support by attending the breakfast on April 12th at the Park Avenue Club. See you there

Dr. Joseph P. Nazzaro

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Featured Alumni

Bonnie Lynn Nadzeika
Class of 2009



Bonnie-Lynn Nadzeika (Leadership Morris '09) is a lifelong Morris County resident and fan of local history. Childhood trips to Washington's Headquarters and Fosterfields Living Historical Farm turned into a career in museums and she spent 12 years as Director of the Morris County Historical Society and is currently a member of the Morris County Heritage Commission. In 2012 she wrote her first book for Arcadia Publishing's Images of America series. Nadzeika's book is entitled *Morristown* and utilizes postcard images to tell the story of the community.

There have been many books written on the history of Morristown and there will certainly be many more. The seat of Morris County, the history of Morristown is synonymous with the history of America. Whether it's the history of the Revolutionary War or the Industrial Revolution, Morristown played a part. Drawing on postcards from both public and private collections, the text covers both familiar and new territory. Chapters range from George Washington Slept Here to the Gilded Age. Images of a more recent vintage, familiar to Morristownians, are also included. The work seeks to appeal to both long time students of Morristown history and the armchair reader who wants to learn the highlights of local history.

Even chapters tracing the familiar stories of Washington's two winter encampments, and the rich and famous of the Gilded Age, include lesser known stories and facts. George Washington Slept here not only includes images of well-known sites like the Ford Mansion, but lesser known sites such as Leddell's (or Liddell's) Mill. Stories from the Gilded Age not only include details of the lives of the wealthy, but also of the servant class that supported their lavish lifestyle. There are tales of the various immigrant groups that worked for the well-to-do. Included are also lesser known stories of the wealthy, such as the political work of Alice Hopkins, a member of Morristown's elite and a tireless worker for women's right to vote.

Readers will also enjoy a virtual historical tour of downtown Morristown. Using postcard images from the 1890s to the 1960s, the town is portrayed as it existed 100 years ago as well as 50 years ago. Starting on South Street and tracing a route around the Green, up Speedwell Avenue and down Washington Avenue, readers will learn about the stores and businesses that once lined these streets. From the offices of the Pocono Mountain Ice Company to the "skyscraper" Babbitt Building, numerous buildings were carefully identified through extensive research in historic Morristown directories.

The book is \$21.99 and is available at several Morristown retailers and from the author's website www.oldmorristownpostcards.com.

Leadership Morris 2013 Opening Retreat

This year's retreat was held on February 1, 2013 at the Brooklake Country Club in Florham Park and was led by Dr. Joseph P. Nazzaro, Executive Director. The retreat got underway with class introductions and an overview of the 2013 program. Through the course of the afternoon, there were presentations given by **Carol McKinney**, LM '93, Volunteers Management Center and **Angela Kubisky**, LM '08, Morris County Chamber of Commerce, and **Jim DelGiudice**, LM '91, and a team building segment directed by the Unirec.

Following the retreat there was a cocktail reception with a light buffet with 75 alumni registered to attend. Everyone enjoyed socializing with their fellow classmates.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 9, 2013 was a great day for the St. Patrick's Day parade, with mother nature providing great weather. At 11:00am the Leadership alumni, members from the current class, and Picatinny military/National Guard met for a memorial service to honor the Gold Star Mothers by placing a wreath on the Morristown Green. Several Gold Star Mothers also marched with us in the parade. The wreath was donated by Hanover Floral.

We had support from the Military at Picatinny, the current Leadership Morris class and alumni with their family and friends. When the parade ended we all gathered on the front lawn near the court house to finish watching the parade and indulge in some delicious food and desserts. Many thanks to everyone who donated the desserts and to Alan Verbeke and Chuck Picciuti for setting up and supplying the food and beverages.



Thanks to the alumni who were generous with contributions for supporting Leadership and the community! To date, 115 graduates have joined the LMAA. Eighteen alumni signed on to provide leadership to the organization as members of the Leadership Morris Alumni Council.

SUPPORTING 2013: To date, 19 graduates have made additional donations to support scholarship assistance to non-profit applicants for the Leadership Morris class. Special thanks to these alumni for their scholarship donations:

John Fialcowitz, LM'11
Pat Giammarinaro, LM'99
Mary Halliwell, LM'10
John Hendricks, LM '98
Pam Hogan, LM '10
Donna Jakubowski, LM '10
Wade Kirby, LM '06

Sid Kohn, LM '98
David Kramer, LM '11
Jasmine Lim, LM '98
Doug Lippin, LM '12
John Marcelliano, LM '05
Lou Monari, LM '03
Lee Moreau, LM '99

Tom Quigley, LM '08
Ed Rochford, LM '00
Glenn Schweizer, LM '96
Alan Verbeke, LM '98
Brian Voynick, LM '08



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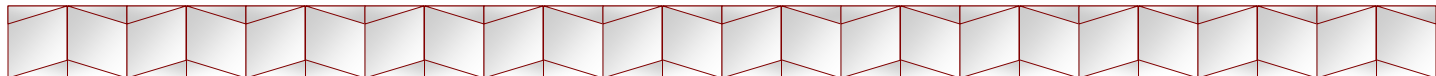
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The Class of 2013: presents the twenty-second year of Leadership Morris. We have a great year planned thanks to our program Director, **Dr. Joseph P. Nazzaro**. Once again the class will be split up into four teams with projects they will be working on throughout the year. One of the projects is for each group to come up with a slogan and a team name.

Economic Development Day was a huge success with our session at Picatinny Arsenal. Our guest speakers for the morning session were **Jim Jones**, Executive Director, Morris County Economic Development Corp., and **Christine Marion**, LM '96, Planning Director, Morris County Dept. of Planning and Development. Our Panel speakers were **Art Ondish**, Mayor of Mt. Arlington, **Deena Leary**, Director of the Morris County Dept. of Planning and Development and **Ann Grossi**, Morris County Freeholder. After lunch the class toured Picatinny including their weapons simulators & laboratories. We then met back at Sam's Pub for a social with drinks and appetizers. The teams presented their slogans and the winner was the team **4-Sight**. Their slogan is *Leadership Morris - Historic Past, Bright Future*.

Criminal Justice Day was a unique experience provided to the Class of 2013, with their visit to the Morris County Prosecutor's Office and Correctional facility. Presentations were given by Chief of Investigations **William Schievella** and Detective **Leah Atterbury** from the Community Affairs Unit. At the afternoon session there was a presentation by **Sheriff Ed Rochford**, LM '00 and a guided tour of the jail by **Undersheriff John Kowalski**, Leadership Morris class of 2013 and his staff.



Send your "newsmaker" notes (job changes, promotions, community board placements, awards and activities) to Laura Cust at the address below. Also, if you have any changes (i.e.: name change, job change, e-mail or phone)

Alumni Update

Name _____ LM Class _____

Current Job Title _____ Email _____

Current Community Service Board (s) _____

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