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Information

Jean Morford Elected as Vice Chairperson of ROAM Board

On March 25, the ROAM board elected Jean Morford as Vice Chair to fill the position vacated by Tom Barr's passing in February 2011. She and her husband, Duane, have served on the ROAM board since January 2010. Jean taught school for two years, worked in the banking industry for several years and twenty-one years in the Farm Service Agency of the US Department of Agriculture where she retired in June 2008 as a software-testing manager. Duane and Jean joined ROAM as associate members in 2007 and became active in January 2009. They have worked several different ROAM projects including Alaska Maranatha District Camp, Scottsville Camp in Texas, Rolling Hills Camp in Alabama and Mt. Hope in Kentucky. They have also participated in Work & Witness projects in Argentina and Alaska. The Morfords felt God's call to a full-time volunteer ministry and see the ROAM organization as an avenue to fulfill that call.

We welcome Jean into this position as she brings a fresh new dimension to the ROAM board.

Tax-free transfers from IRAs to charity

On December 17th the President signed legislation encouraging tax-free charitable transfers directly from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or Roth IRA to qualified charities during 2010 and 2011. ROAM is a qualified charity. Here is a quick summary of the provisions:

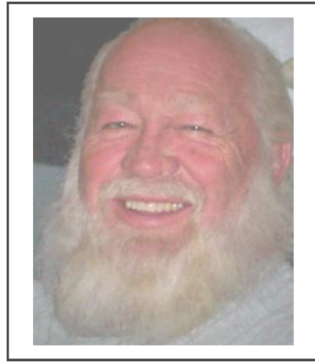
- Donors must be 70 ½ years of age or older at the time of the transfer.
- Transfers must be direct from the IRA to qualified charities.
- Transfers are limited to \$100,000 per taxpayer per year.
- The transfer is not included in taxable income and no charitable income tax deduction is created.
- Transfers will count toward your annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD).

To take advantage of this opportunity you will need to give written instructions to your IRA custodian. Here are the instructions your IRA custodian will need:

Make a check payable to:
ROAM, PO Box 480876
Kansas City, MO 64148

Send the distribution to ROAM at the above address.

The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing. (Psalm 65:13 NIV).



Winkle's Wrinkle

JOIN THE CHORUS

Spring has sprung in Stone Mountain, GA. Wild flowers, like a coat of many colors, adorn the ground. The mountains seem taller and the vistas more commanding. It is as though Creation is singing the praises of God — all around me, a swelling chorus of joyous song. “Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.”

I think of Luke 19 and the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. People were singing and shouting and covering the pathway with coats and flowers and whatever else they could find. Palm branches fanned the air. “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”

Some of the Pharisees were troubled with the show of exuberance and exaltation. “Rebuke your disciples!” they instructed Jesus. The Lord of creation replied, “I tell you, if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

We are surrounded with the handiwork of God -- rocks, trees,

flowers, streams, lakes, mountains, sunsets and on and on -- all pouring forth speech, all declaring the glories of God.

“Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy” (Psalm 98:8).

“Sing for joy, O heavens, for the Lord has done this; shout aloud, O earth beneath. Burst into song, you mountains, you forests and all your trees” (Isaiah 44:23).

“The mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands” (Isaiah 55:12). Jesus said of his disciples, “If they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

Am I keeping quiet? Am I letting the inanimate creation bear the load of witness?

God help me join the chorus and sing! Help me raise my voice and declare through word and deed the glories of my God and King. Let me sing of my redeemer and his wondrous love to me.

Mert Winkle, Chairman

Request your summer and fall projects now to assure an RV parking space and a place on the team. Check out many more details on these and other projects on the ROAM website.

www.rvsonamission.org

Click on the **PROJECTS** tab.

Welcome New Members—Apr-May

Thomas and Margaret Piper

Florence, AZ

ROAMer Profile Meet Jerry and Dorine Nichols

Written by Yolanda Willis



Jerry and Dorine Nichols

“Pretty dull...our lives seem to be so unexciting and yet so full of everything.” *Dorine*

Are you kidding me? Your lives are so blessed and you can't help sharing your blessings with others!

For those of you who don't know Jerry & Dorine Nichols, let me tell you a few things about them. It's has been our pleasure to work beside both of them in the past. They aren't afraid of anything. There is no project too small or too large for Jerry to take on.

Their fathers were both ministers. Dorine's father started several churches in Washington. Leavenworth and Harrington were two of them. Her family moved to Nampa to put the children in Northwest Nazarene Academy, where she attended the 6th through the 11th grades. Her parents bought a grocery store, KK (Kampus Korner) right on the edge of Northwest Nazarene College (NNC) campus. Since she lived so close, she wanted to attend another college. Dorine went to Olivet Nazarene College to finish her last two subjects in

high school and attend college at the same time.

While walking across Olivet campus, Dorine met the man that was Olivet's carpenter. He told her his name was C. C. Nichols. He then asked where her home was. After talking a short time, he asked for her name. She said “Dorine Nichols.” He went home and told his family he met a girl from Nampa, ID with the same last name as his. They invited her over for Thanksgiving dinner. Dorine made an excuse not to go, however, as she knew they had a very good-looking son. Later she began dating a friend of Jerry's, but Jerry talked her into skipping that date and going out with him. The rest is history. They dated for two and half years, and were married in 1954 and yes, she lucked out by not having to change her last name. They have traced their families, and never found any relationship. Genealogy has been one of Dorine's hobbies, along with crocheting.

Jerry grew up in Wisconsin where his father pastored home mission churches in Sturgeon Bay and Chipewewa Falls, WI. He then accepted a position at Olivet Nazarene College to put their children in a Christian academy. Jerry worked at several jobs (construction, welding shop, etc.) until 1960 when they moved to Idaho. He was a Mutual of Omaha Insurance agent for 15 years as area manager in Pocatello and Boise, ID. Then he started building houses, became part owner of a Jasper Mine, and later became a county member

of Planning & Zoning and served as chairman for several years. In 1985, at age 50, they purchased their first Dutch Inn Restaurant, operated a second coffee shop, and then Jerry built a larger Dutch Inn Restaurant, which they opened in 1992.

They greatly enjoyed this, meeting wonderful customers and gathering all of the Dutch collectibles and memorabilia for decoration. The Lord truly blessed them in business. They sold out and retired in 2000. Jerry then helped build a restaurant for their son, while working at Trinity Pines, their church campground. They started doing volunteer work in 1995 when their son came to work for them, and later joined ROAM. They still enjoy helping build churches and camps.

The Nichols have six children, 19 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and two more coming soon. When Jerry suffered a heart attack in June 2010, most of the family arrived at the University Hospital in Portland on the same day that it happened. The Lord spared his life and he has spent the past 10 months recovering. He is already working again helping to build the Kingdom.

The Lord has blessed Jerry and Dorine with many wonderful friends and a great group of ROAM volunteers in the Northwest. They feel it has been a privilege to serve the Lord in this ministry and are currently the ROAM NNU Area Representatives living in Nampa, ID.

Thank you, Jerry and Dorine. You shine with God's blessings.

Project Report

Nyssa Church of the Nazarene, Nyssa OR

ROAM project at Nyssa, Oregon, May 2011

Arlen and Lail Berglund and Jerry and Dorine Nichols were the team for this ROAM project and it was a good project.

Jerry has now worked his first project since having a heart attack last June. He has done well and is gaining more strength each day. Thank you all for your prayers for him.

We painted the kitchen, fireside room, and lower part of the gym. Also refinished 84 kitchen cabinets, and repaired a wall in a bathroom. These are just some of the items completed.

We worshiped with this congregation and although the church is small, they are a very caring group, with a wonderful pastor. They have a beautiful facility comprised of four buildings. The White Satin Sugar plant here closed and that was the main source of industry for this small town. But we have found good restaurants and a grocery store very close by with a wonderful bakery.

Dorine & Jerry Nichols, Team Leaders



ROAM -- RV'ers On a Mission

By: Tom Cook, Nyssa Church of the Nazarene

Have you seen the big RV's parked in the Church of the Nazarene parking lot? No, Pastor Tom Cook did not get a pay raise! These RV's are part of a Nazarene mission group called RVers On A Mission – or ROAM. ROAM is an outreach ministry of the Church of the Nazarene. ROAM provides the opportunity for persons to volunteer their time and skills in meaningful Christian service through Church of the Nazarene related mission agencies, camps, churches, disaster relief, compassionate ministries projects and other designated areas of service. Their motto comes from I Peter 4:10 – “Each of you

should use whatever gift you have received to serve others.” These past two weeks, Jerry and Dorine Nichols, Arlen and Lail Berglund, all from Nampa, Idaho, have been giving a badly needed facelift to the Fellowship Hall. They have repaired and painted the kitchen, meeting room and gymnasium. They did all this at their own expense.

“We are truly grateful for people like ROAM that choose to assist a smaller church with these types of projects” reports Pastor Tom Cook. “Our gymnasium and kitchen is used year round by various community groups. The kitchen in particular was looking well used. ROAM has done a fantastic job in their ministry!”

Project Report

Mt. Hope Flemingsburg, KY

For those who think that not much work can be accomplished in only one week, think again! A group of ROAMers, heading north from working in Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center (LPCCC) in Lake Placid FL, stopped to work at Mt. Hope for a short time and really made a difference!

You receive many blessings when you hear the call and go! Our team has proven that when we do this for Kingdom building, God supplies the health and strength to do all for Jesus.

Dale & Beverly Balcom, Mark & Sharon Sanger, Ross & Carol Wilkinson worked a week plus a couple of days. Joe & Ruth Sanger worked two weeks and George and Joan, team leaders, worked through April.

We started the much-needed remodel on the men's bath house and Joe Sanger stayed the extra week finishing the showers. He also did some work on the altar in the tabernacle.

George came behind him with his help in the bathhouse and sanded the altars to be painted.

Ross and Joe completed new plumbing of the showers with the help of Mark and George.

Dale built a complete new sound booth in the tabernacle. His wife, Beverly, helped by painting the finished work.

The ladies, Carol, Ruth, Beverly, Sharon and Joan sewed 12 new curtains for the dining area. Three windows in the kitchen received new valances and six new valances were sewed out of bedspreads for the upstairs dorm.

All this work was done under some cold weather conditions. Rainy and windy weather was intense for almost all the time.

This group has been excellent working together with a wonderful atmosphere and great fellowship. These four couples had spent three months working



Team pictured by covered bridge

at LPCCC on ROAM projects. This was the second year they have been to Florida. Some have been on Work & Witness trips.

If anyone wants to be a blessing and also receive a blessing, then plan a trip to these camps along the route back from the warm south. This has been a tremendous opportunity and those who came said they want to come back.

I challenge any ROAM member to seek the out-of-the-way places to serve.

We are all needed to volunteer so if you are able, find a camp and give of your best. They need your help!

As we work for His Kingdom, we can find joy in serving Jesus.

Servants of the Most High God,

*Joan & George Arndt,
Team Leaders*

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Membership Fee Remains at \$35/year for 2011.

If you are an active member and do not have an FBI background check on file in the ROAM office, please include an additional \$5 per person with your full name and date of birth to enable the ROAM office in getting this clearance for you. We will notify you by email when the clearance is in your file.

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Project Report**Northwestern Ohio District Church of the Nazarene****Lighthouse Camp and Conference Center****St. Marys, Ohio****April, 2011**

We again had the privilege to be volunteering in our own district camp. Jerry and I were alone this time.

Jerry worked on the new hotel, pulling wires, putting in insulation etc. We also helped clean the tabernacle in preparation for upcoming conventions. It was a very rainy month so most of the work was limited to inside jobs.

Ronnie "spring cleaned" 10 cabins, one hotel, shower houses, prepped the dorms for a weekend group and helped clean the foyer of the tabernacle.

There is always a lot of work that needs to doing. We would love to be able to work at least one or two months a year at our own district camp. Rev. John Dodds is a wonderful camp director and we enjoyed working with him and his staff.

Jerry and Ronnie Payne
Team Leaders