

## Legacy/Share Your Club Story

**Club Name:** John R Mott Club

**Story Submitted by:** Bobby Eagle

**Current Position:** Club Member

**Club Member Since:** November 1967

**Number of chartered members:** 18

**Chartered Members:** Fletcher Freeze, OC Towell, Ed Hinson, Paul Griffith, Joe Cromer, Robert Ballard, Troy Washam, August Williams, Paul Peaterson, Freeman Johnson, Sig Fry, Gene Henderson, Herman Bostian, Stamey Fowler, Hoyt Sloop (VP), Ralph Powell (President), Charles Turner (Secretary), and Gene Smith (Treasurer).

**How Club Begin:** Club Chartered October 21, 1946

The Fesperman Club was already formed which was a group from Cannon Mills first shift. Mr. Fred Wilson, president of Cannon Mills Company, wanted a Y's Men club for the second shift employees as well. Mr. Wilson talked to one of his managers, Mr. Ralph Powell, and told him he wanted a second shift club and he, Mr. Powell, was going to be the president. A club was formed in June, 1946 and chartered October 21, 1946. The club was named Club #2 until later was changed to the John R. Mott Y's men club.

**How has club impact our community:**

Through our contributions from our fund raisers we can support many programs that affect our community. Some such programs are the local school bible class, after school program, programs offered by the Y such as sports and swimming. We support the swim team and the 5k run sponsored by the Y. We also support the Y cares program that offer memberships to families and the empty stocking fund that supplies Christmas to families.

**How club impacted local YMCA:**

Through our fundraisers we have been able to purchase items that help different programs the Y offers. Such as equipment for the swim team, afterschool program, fitness program, and supply appliances for their kitchen area. Through our Dollars of Scholars program we can help Y staff receive money for trainings to enhance their work at the Y.

**How club impact the Y's Mens International programs:**

Through our support of the Brotherhood Fund, Time of Fast, Dollars of Scholars, Endowment Fund and Alex Fund.

**Photos/videos:**

See attached