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At first look, Nottingham Insurance is a thriving insurance company with 7,500 clients and offices in NJ and PA. But talk with Partner Jack Blair, great-grandson of agency founder Major Voorhees Nutt, and you will find that Nottingham Insurance is so much more; they are a philanthropic company that focuses on supporting their community through volunteer efforts and contributions to more than 30 organizations, including the Hamilton Area YMCA.

"We have always supported the Y since it started, both in terms of financially and also in terms of our time and energy. Our whole philosophy is giving back to the community we serve," says Jack Blair.

Since its inception in 1951, The Hamilton Area YMCA has been a client of Nottingham Insurance. But the relationship between the two entities is clearly more than just business. Jack learned to swim at the Y before the current facility was built, and swim lessons took place at a publicly-run pool. As time went on, Jack followed in his father's footsteps, not only running the company but also becoming a Hamilton Area YMCA board member in 1998 and eventually Chairman of the Board of Directors in 2010. Jack's kids were also involved with the Y playing soccer and learning to swim.

When asked how the community benefits from having the Y, Jack's answer is simple, "It's just what we talk about during the Strong Communities Campaign – we have stronger kids and stronger communities. We have healthier kids and healthier families because of the Y. It's a building block. People can be part of something that's good and wholesome in a nice family environment."

Jack looks forward to the Y providing additional programs and services to specific populations within its service area, such as the Salsa, Sabor Y Salud program which is offered for free and geared specifically towards fitness and nutrition for Hispanic/Latino families. "That's why the fundraising that we do is critical--to do things that are within our mission, whether or not they make money," says Blair.

Jack's brother Greg, also a partner at Nottingham Insurance, serves on a variety of local boards and supports the Y personally through a variety of fundraising events. Jack's sister, Janet Engelke, Commercial Lines Manager at Nottingham, was at one time the Hamilton Area YMCA's Aquatics Director and currently remains involved as a member of the Spring Fling event committee. Janet's children were also involved with the Y growing up, as program participants and volunteers, and eventually as staff.

Nottingham Insurance has been serving the community since 1917 through four generations of family ownership. To learn more about Nottingham Insurance, visit www.nottinghaminsurance.com.