

The Toolb



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Please send submissions to: THETOOLBOX7190@GMAIL.COM Deadline: 15th of the month

MARCH GOVERNOR'S NOTES

March is Literacy Month! How does your club help to foster learning and literacy in the community?

Even in this age of technology, dictionaries are valued. Children need their own dictionaries to be able to develop their writing and reading skills and become resourceful learners. Paperback dictionaries can give all children access to information they need to be successful in school.

Other ideas include:

- Providing books and educational materials
- Building and supporting schools
- Mentoring students
- Training teachers
- Establishing literacy programs for children and adults

Please share your success stories around literacy.

Why go to the District Conference?

**Ignite Passion
Be Inspired
Connect with Friends
Celebrate Success
& It's FUN!**

I realize that many of you see district functions as obligatory and not entertaining. We are working hard to change that impression. The only way to know if it's working is for you to attend and provide feedback. YOU are the reason we work to

provide these events. We need these events to work for YOU - for you to feel that your time (and money) were put to good use and you perceive value in them. If you do not - the planners need to know why so we can fix it.

This years conference offers a lot of value. Your registration fee gets you all meals, access to all breakouts (Rotary and Non-Rotary topics) and what we hope to is a phenominal house of friendship.

The district conference is a perfect opportunity to see the bigger picture of Rotary. What do other clubs do, what do other districts do? How can we partner to have greater impact on our local and global community?

These are just some of the brainstorming items we hope to foster during the conference. I hope you will join us and add to the magic that is Rotary.

2012-2013 DG Melissa

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PEACE THROUGH SERVICE

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Spring arrives THIS month, on March 20th!

Welcome Sweet Springtime!

DISTRICT EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **March 10th** – Daylight Saving Time begins
- **March 17th** - Happy St Patrick's Day
- **March 20th** - Spring Arrives
- **March 24th** – Palm Sunday
- **March 25th** – Passover begins at sundown
- **March 29th** – Easter Sunday
- **April 6th** – District Assembly
- **May 31st, June 1st & 2nd** – Multi-District Conference
- **June 23rd-26th** – RI Convention

CLUB EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **March 1st-3rd** – Home & Lifestyles Show
Sponsored by Saratoga Rotary
- **March 15th & 16th** – Variety Show
Sponsored by Amsterdam Rotary
- **March 16th** – St Patrick's Day Party
Sponsored by Northville Rotary
- **April 7th** – Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by Schenectady East Rotary
- **April 19th** – Albany Rotary's 100 Birthday!
- **June 1st** – Wine & Beer Indulgences Tour
Sponsored by Glenville Rotary
- **July 19th-21st** – Woodworking & Fine Arts Weekend Sponsored by Northville Rotary
- **August 13th** – Golf Tournament Sponsored by Rotterdam Sunrise Rotary

Saratoga Rotary
presents its 40th Annual

Home & Lifestyles Show

Friday March 1 5-9 pm
Saturday March 2 9 am -7 pm
Sunday March 3 10 am - 4 pm

Admission: \$6 for adults, \$1 for kids 5-12, under 5 free.

City Center

522 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Attendees have the chance to win several types of prizes, including hourly door prizes, a \$250 certificate to Granite & Marble Works, and this year's grand prize, a 50-inch flat-screen TV.

Several local businesses have stepped forward to sponsor the show, helping the Rotary Club to boost its event proceeds in support of its charitable activities and donations.

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Amsterdam Rotary
presents its

Variety Show

March 15th & 16th

This years' show is the

Hot Rockin' Country Variety Show!

This popular event enjoyed by many throughout the community promises to be a great show.

This year all net proceeds will benefit the Inman Senior Center and the Rotary Scholarship Fund. These are outstanding beneficiaries that span the ages and great needs in our community.

Advance tickets are \$10.00

\$6.00 for students

and \$12.00 at the show

The show starts 7pm

at the Amsterdam High School

Bert DeRose Auditorium

Saratoga Avenue Amsterdam

Tickets can be purchased from any Amsterdam Rotarian.

For more information or tickets contact Jerri Cortese at 841-7162 or email cortesej@smha.org or Brent Phetteplace at 441-5473.

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Northville Rotary
presents its

St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday, March 16th

Sport Island Pub

\$20 includes tax and gratuity

Any questions please contact Sue Owens at sowens26@nycap.rr.com.

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Schenectady East Rotary
presents its *Annual*

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday April 7th

Adults \$6.00

Children 5-12 \$4.00

8:00 am - 12:30 pm

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIAN

1748 State Street, Schenectady

To Benefit:

Schenectady Inner City Ministry Food Pantry

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SAVE THE DATE!

Glenville Rotary
presents its 5th Annual
Wine & Beer Indulgences Tour
Saturday June 1, 2013

Details to follow in the April Toolbox
or contact Barb Wyllie at bw4rotary@gmail.com
or at 518/370-2214.

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Northville Rotary
presents its 5th Annual
Woodworking and Fine Arts Weekend
Bradt Building, Northville
Friday July 19th 5:30-8:30pm
Saturday July 20th 9-5pm
Sunday July 21st 10-3
Admission is free

Any questions please contact Sue Owens at
sowens26@nycap.rr.com.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Rotterdam Sunrise Rotary
presents its Annual
Tuesday August 13, 2013
at Briar Creek Golf Club
in Princetown

Details of the day, Sponsor info and Registration
information will be available soon.

The Chairperson for this years' event is Bill
Mather. He can be reached at 518-690-0360.

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**Hello Fellow Rotarians:**

Regarding the upcoming Rotary International Convention to be held in Lisbon, Portugal from June 23 to 26, 2013, many of you have registered already. If you have not yet registered, you should do so now while the cost is still discounted (\$315. until March 15 then the price will go up another \$50. to \$365). The site to register at is: www.riconvention.org

Our Zone is offering a dinner cruise as they have done in past years. The cost is \$70. per person but you will need to register and be placed in the 1st opening plenary session in order to take advantage of this great fellowship event. I will be forwarding more information to those of you that respond that you are interested, or you can go to the Zone website at <http://www.zones28-29.org/> and look under the information for Lisbon area.

I am attending and hope to see many of you there. I will be flying United Airlines out of Albany on June 20 around dinnertime and arriving in Lisbon on the morning of the 21st. The flight costs range from \$1,300. and up.

I am recommending you reserve your hotel in the next few days though as the rooms are going fast (there are plenty of rooms still available). If you would like to stay in the same hotel that some of our District 7190 people are using we are at the: VIP Grand Lisboa Hotel and Spa. Rooms are at 220 Euro (today's conversion shows that 1 US Dollar equals .76 Euro)

For the latest information you can use the following links: www.riconvention.org (latest program information, airline discounts) I have also attached the Travel Reference Guide for your convenience. More information is available through the Rotary International site under the "Convention" area at <http://rotaryinternational.org> Passports ARE required but VISAs are not for travel to Portugal.

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Show Reaches 40 Year Mark, Continuing to Give Back to Community

This year’s show marks the 40th anniversary of this important fundraiser, previously called the Home & Garden Show. The Rotary Club expects to raise close to \$100,000 from the event, with proceeds being distributed to community organizations, youth scholarships, and international humanitarian projects. Since the original show was held in 1973 at the Saratoga Armory, the Show has made possible the significant financial gifts of the Rotary Club, as well as strengthening the community spirit of Saratoga.

“The Rotary Club’s goals are to provide a venue for local businesses to reach out to the community, and to create a fun family event during the late winter season. The continued support the Saratoga Home & Lifestyle Show has received from our exhibitors, sponsors, and attendees has enabled our Club to be a generous contributor to a wide variety of local community projects and activities for the past 40 years,” notes Club President Matt Dorsey.

In addition to an annual Major Gift to a local non-profit organization, the Club makes smaller donations to a wide range of local organizations supporting youth recreation and education, food pantries and organizations that serve those in financial need, historical sites, and cultural activities.

As part of the Club’s continued dedication to helping local students pursue higher education, it now provides over \$40,000 annually in scholarships to high school seniors. This work is done in conjunction with the Saratoga Springs Rotary Education Foundation, which raises funds for scholarship purposes.

The Saratoga Springs Rotary Club also assists from time to time with disaster relief efforts, reflecting its belief of being involved global citizens. It also supports the efforts of Rotary International, and in particular Rotary’s effort to eradicate polio.



The Shenendehowa Rotary Club has started evening club meetings that are extra & can be used for make-ups. The meetings are being held at Powers Inn & Pub in Clifton Park on the corner of Rt. 9 & Farm to Market Rd. The address is - 130 Meyers Rd. ph. # 518 – 406-5561

We meet every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month with dinner starting @ 6-6:30 pm, meeting from 6:30-7:30 pm the meals, choice of 2 entrées of delicious foods including water & ice tea, are \$13.00 includes tip & tax.

We hold these meetings in the best interest of Rotary to help with retention, foster membership, and a creative way to help with makeup meetings.

Everyone is welcome, so please join us in an evening of fellowship with fellow Rotarians, exchange ideas, stories, help with club memberships, share club supports.

If you would like to join us you may contact me:
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Shenendehowa Rotary *President 2012/2013*
Photographer/Videographer
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Northville Rotary Celebrates History



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Rotary celebrated its 108th anniversary in February. At our meeting at the Pub on February 21st, our Assistant Governor Jeanne So reviewed the progression of Rotary from the first meeting in Chicago led by Paul Harris to a worldwide organization that involves over 2 million people. As part of the celebration, a display of the history of the Northville Club chartered in 1950 was shared. Many of the present members have fathers who were members in the past such as Robin Morrison, Jim Groff, Chas and Carol Owens as well as Dan and Jim Casey, whose father was a District governor. To celebrate our present day club, our President Barbara Sperry recognized members Sue Owens and Linda Kinum for all the work they do behind the scenes. Theo Horesco was recognized as the longest acting member and Joan Kenyon as our newest member. A special thanks to Jeanne So for a great presentation and to our president Barbara for putting together such special gifts.

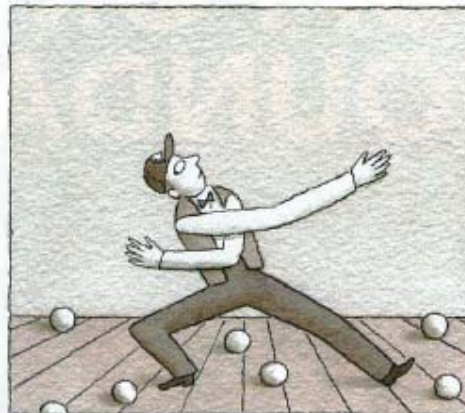


REASONS TO LOVE ROTARY'S NEW GRANTS

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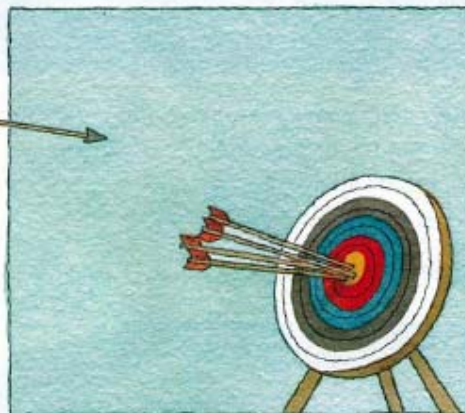
Grants funded all kinds of projects and activities...



...but without global coordination, many fell short.



Under Future Vision, global grants fund projects in six areas of focus...



...so the collective impact is far more powerful.

The Rotary Foundation's new grants will be available to clubs everywhere 1 July 2013.

www.rotary.org/futurevision

80 Thimbleberry Road
Ballston Spa, NY 12020



Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State & Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Club: _____

District: 7170 7190 Number of Attendees: Adults _____ Children _____

The conference opens Friday with an optional Golf outing from 11am to 4 pm at Turning Stone's premier golf course for \$115. Golf Registrations _____ (# of people) x \$115

Single registrations: \$200 until May 1st and \$225 thereafter

Buy 2 and SAVE: \$375 until May 1st and \$425 thereafter

Conference fee includes Friday diner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast, plus all plenary sessions, breakouts and House of Friendship.

Teens and Children are welcome at the rate of \$140 (children under 5 are free)

Contact Turning Stone to make your room reservations: 800-771-7711 ask for Rotary Conference Rate.

Total Enclosed: \$_____ (make checks payable to your district)

Mail To District Conference Registrar

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You can also register online at www.7190events.com - program details will be added soon

