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The Rotary Four-Way Test Is it the **truth**? Is it **fair** to all concerned? Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships?** Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

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LITTLETON ROTARY CLUB Club #6418 ~ District #7850 Chartered July 1926 www.LittletonNHRotary.org

Meets at 12:15 pm on Wednesdays at the Topic of the Town Restaurant 25 Main Street, Littleton, NH 03561

PROGRAMS

February 1st Club Updates / Potpourri

Visitors and Guests: Dave Adams (Russ)

February Rotary Club Anniversaries: Mike Claflin (2001)

Member February Birthdays:

Tina Lunderville (6th), Steven Nilhas (8th), Barbara Ashley (15th), Chad Stearns (15th), Tonya St. Cyr (20th), Russ Gaitskill (26th).

Community Announcements, Brags/Senior Moments & Happy Dollars:

Chris arranged a Boston Birthday for his bride that included the famous Aquarium, 14 friends and relatives, and street navigation through the Women's March.

Doug celebrated the successful completion of the Team O'Neil Rally School Winter Driving Course. Graduation included a certificate suitable for framing and no red rubber cones dragging from the bumpers of his Subaru. With a few friends, **Tonya** chose to get locked into a room close to, but not inside Schillings Brewery (who would want to escape from there?) Time Quest NH is a live action escape room game recently opened on Mill St. Tonya had one hour to solve clues, puzzles, and tasks to unlock the secrets, solve the mystery in order to escape in time to make the Rotary Meeting.

Rotary Business

Russ noted that the Auction Steering Committee has held two meetings and is addressing early action items. The National Sponsors Committee continues to develop its list of company foundations with local ties and/or records of supporting the auction's educational goals. A draft letter has been crafted that summarizes the project appeal. He encouraged everyone to think about personal contacts he or she may have made over the years with individuals in a position to boost auction funds. Attended a college reunion or business seminar recently or discovered a well healed uncle on Ancestry.Com? Call Russ.

The Community Sponsors Committee is well underway. The Marketing and Communications group has prepared Save the Date notices, press releases, and arranged for a powerful social media presence. Placement of ads in web searches is also being explored.

Recruitment and Retention remain a key focus of the Membership Committee. **Ray** offered a check list to be consulted that will help to engage new members in club activities. When you've been around for a while, it's difficult to remember the early days in the club when it was nice to have a mentor to answer questions and make you feel at home. Committee has not yet considered "Family" memberships but is looking at the implications of a "Corporate" membership.

In further discussion:

- Everyone is reminded and encouraged to contact Ray with ideas for speakers.
- **Russ** has represented Rotary on the "Better Together" effort coordinated by Nancy for United Way. Kathy noted that the community has many opportunities for involvement in small projects.
- Visits to other clubs support Rotary fellowship and knowledge of our projects.
- Matching opportunity for members to support Camp Mayhew's Rotary Foundation solar power grant.
- Literacy Committee feedback noted that experience has shown that the North Country Boys & Girls Club is much more reliable than the schools in being prepared and fulfilling a schedule when volunteers show up.
- Consider ways in which the club meetings can be more welcoming.

In case you missed it:

Welcoming the club's newest member, Jill Kimball, Ammonoosuc Community Health Services ③



Worth Remembering: <u>Lincoln, NH</u> 2017 District Conference June 2nd – 4th Registration is Now Open!!





Visit: http://7850conference2017.org/ David Adams of Burndy has been proposed as a member in the classification Manufacturing by Russ Gaitskill. Members have seven (7) days in which to object in writing to the Secretary.

In what context is this future Rotary President smiling (sort of)?



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