



Rotary Profile

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LITTLETON ROTARY CLUB
Club #6418 ~ District #7850
Chartered July 1926
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*Meets at 12:15 pm on Wednesdays at
the Topic of the Town Restaurant
25 Main Street, Littleton, NH 03561*

Officers 2017-2018

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| President | Chris Tyler |
| President Elect | Tonya St. Cyr |
| Vice President | Amanda Simino |
| Secretary | Richard Bielefield |
| Treasurer | Shannon McKee |
| Past President | Bob Muh |

Directors

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| Kevin Low | Russ Gaitskill |
| Heather Porter | Nanci Carney |
| Carmen Menard | Joe Ransmeier |

Sergeant-at-Arms *Rusty Talbot*

Rotary International President

John F. Germ Chattanooga, TN

7850 District Governor

Eric Denu
Jamie Milne, ADG

The Rotary Four-Way Test

*Is it the **truth**?*

*Is it **fair** to all concerned?*

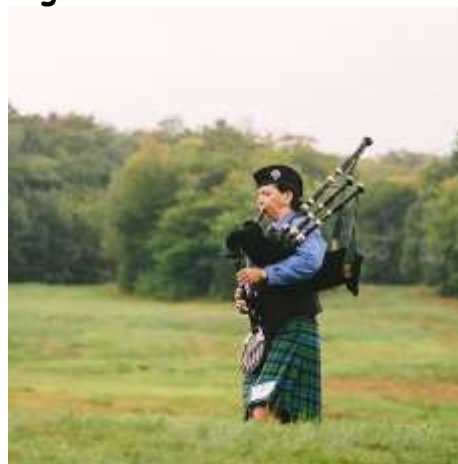
*Will it build **goodwill** and **better**
friendships?*

*Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?*

Proudly serving Bethlehem, Carroll, Dalton, Easton, Franconia, Landaff, Lisbon, Littleton, Lyman, Monroe, Sugar Hill and Whitefield.

PROGRAMS

**Today: Lois Meredith, New Hampshire
Highland Games and Festival**



Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Tony Ilacqua, Past President, Lincoln-Woodstock Rotary Club; Tim Boudreau, Lancaster Rotary Club.

August Rotary Club Anniversaries:

Amanda Simino (2015), Tonya St. Cyr (2016).

August Birthdays:

Rusty Talbot (8th).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tony Ilacqua invited one and all to the August 1st N. Woodstock/Lincoln free celebration of community that includes an afternoon cookout, "Night Out" on the Hobo Railroad, and fireworks. He also noted that the Lincoln-Woodstock Rotary Club is continuing its long standing automobile raffle fundraiser this year offering a 2017 Corvette. Only 500 tickets will be sold and the drawing will be held after Labor Day.

ROTARY BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Chris

Look to next month for further discussion on the feedback prompted by the possibility of changes raised in Chris' recent email regarding the frequency of meetings and social events. If there was agreement, the club could try meeting for 2 lunch meetings per month held on the 1st and the 3rd Wednesdays, for example. A social meeting would be held on the 4th week of the month and could consist of a gathering of available members at an establishment, an outing to one of the communities within our service area, a cookout, a service project or any other ideas we want to explore. The thought being for members to participate in as many meetings as they can, but at least two a month would be a target. This may give people more flexibility to be present and possibly get others to accompany them such as friends, significant others or families when the occasion is viable. Chris welcomes any comments or thoughts since this is new and a departure from tradition. He encouraged everyone to think about it over the next couple of weeks so the Board can

have further discussion about it at the August board meeting.

On the subject of new service projects, Chris mentioned Centennial and Harmony Parks and promised further details next week.

KUDOS CASH & GLAD BUCKS:

Kathy Jablonski noted that when Dick returned from his travels he would behold whatever was left from the family yard sale for which she was pleased to receive the help of her neighbor in moving massive quantity of items.

Chrissy Smith was proud to announce that daughter Siobhan achieved the Principal's List at Lisbon High School and that she and Tom were pleased to close on a Dodge Pond property.

Jill Kimball's son is following in his mother's footsteps, recently paying for lunch for a disadvantaged individual.

Russ Gaitskill and Linda celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary touring the Pacific Northwest and cruising the waters of Alaska for two and a half weeks. It was a thoroughly enjoyable experience and highly recommended addition to bucket lists. Mike Claflin immediately donated a dollar in honor and sympathy of Linda for marrying Russ.

Tony Ilacqua offered kudos to Lancaster Rotary Club visitor Timothy Boudreau for "Saturday Night", his new collection of short

stories set mainly in the shadow of New Hampshire's White Mountains.

Chris Tyler contributed five Glad Bucks in gratitude that there would be a Profile chronicling today's meeting.

Russ Gaitskill was pleased to provide a Glad Buck in recognition of Tonya St. Cyr's ascent to the Chair of the Auction Committee.

SARGEANT AT ARMS:

Rusty Talbot imposed a fine for anyone who did not attend "Jerry Jam" in Bath.

NHScot Highland Games and Festival



Lois Meredith's association with the New Hampshire Highland Games and Festival spans many decades and may be attributable to her father's presence on the Board of Directors years ago. He made it clear to his daughter that she would volunteer. The 3

day September event started with a family Clan Picnic at Loon Mountain 42 years ago and has grown to become one of the largest and most diverse commemorations of Scottish art and culture in North America.

The mission of NHScot is preserving and promoting Scottish culture for future generations. To that end, the NHScot Fund has awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants and scholarships.



NHScot has only two full time and one part time employee and Meredith emphasized the crucial role of volunteer help. Simply put, without the outpouring of community support, the Games would not exist. More than 250 individuals step up to make it a success and have fun at the same time. Throughout the Festival, members of the Lincoln Police Department add kilts to their uniforms.

Music, dance and heavy athletic competitions are staged against the backdrop of Loon Mountain and visitors are treated to an impressive array of sights and sounds. Meredith noted that this year one of the

registered athletic competitors is 6'9", 400 pound "Mountain", perhaps better known for his role on the *Game of Thrones* series.

Dates for this year's Highland Games and Festival are September 15, 16, 17th.



In case you missed it:

**October 21st is the date set for
Lobsterfest.**

We are committed to doing it at Bretton Woods one last time this year. This is the only date that Bretton Woods would offer to us and they are slowly squeezing us out. So, the Board is already looking ahead to future years and alternatives to this event. Please forward ideas to Chris to pass along. Ribfest anyone? Any suggestions to make this year's event more family friendly are welcome.