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Rotary Profile

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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

Today

Louisa Tripp, PDG "Rotary Foundation".

May 31st

Conservation Officer Bob Mancini, whose on the job activities were presented in recent episodes of Animal Planet's "North Woods Law - New Hampshire". K9 Ruger may or may not be there.



Future Programs: 6/7 Lyn Winter; 6/21 Ken Kunhart, New Hampshire Community Loan Fund; 6/28 Change Over Dinner.

Visiting Rotarians: PDG Harley Jordan (Northfield, VT); PDG & current Vice Governor Louisa Tripp (Northfield, VT)

Guests: Pierre Couture

May Rotary Club Anniversaries:

Marlene Gallinelli (1989), Nellie Nelson (1991), Andy Smith (1991), Dave Ernsberger (2015), Rusty Talbot (2016) Kate Vaughan (2013).

May Birthdays:

None on record

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

spoke about the 2017 "Champions for Children" Celebration in Concord, at which superintendents from around the state honored volunteers who have undertaken remarkable things in support of schools and students. More locally, he highlighted today's North Country Scholars recognition ceremony at WMRHS, at which North Country valedictorians, salutatorians and top CTE (vocational) students were honored.

Bob was pleased to note the return of **Ed King**, who has spent the better part of the past two years planning and overseeing the expansion of the Littleton Food Coop, which enjoyed perfect weather and robust sales over last weekend's grand opening event. Ed spoke briefly about the expansion and noted that the Coop will be sponsoring Business After Hours on June 14.

Jill Kimball advertised the 5th Annual "Tee It Up For Kids" golf tournament, which is a fundraiser for the Boys and Girls Club of the North Country. The tournament will be on Sunday, June 4 at the Maplewood Golf Club; 8:00 a.m. shotgun start, scramble

format. The cost is \$90 per person or \$340 for a foursome.

Kate Vaughan noted the success of the annual March for Meals Walkathon on May 20, sponsored by the Littleton Area Senior Center. Over \$23,000 in sponsorships and donations had been raised prior to the walkathon itself.

ROTARY BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob welcomed our newest member, Littleton Town Manager Andrew Dorsett.

Bob shared thank you notes from Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country and the New Hampshire Children's Trust for grants made recently from 2016 LobsterFest proceeds.

The memorial service for Bob Whitney has been scheduled for Monday, May 29th at 11am at the Sugar Hill Meeting House and all Rotarians are encouraged to attend. In lieu of flowers, Bob's family has asked that memorial donations be made to Copper Cannon Camp.

BRAGS & SENIOR MOMENTS:

Acting Sergeant at Arms Sylvie Weber assessed a \$5 fine against Jill Kimball, whose smiling face has graced numerous local publications in connection with her runner-up status in the district Toastmasters "Table Topics" competition.

Jill's fine prompted **Ray Dionne** to confess that he, too, had been in the news recently in a <u>Courier</u> photo with the Mascoma Bank team and Ed King at the Littleton Food Coop grand opening.

Chrissy Smith bragged about a <u>Caledonian</u> Record article highlighting Lisbon High School math teacher Greg Superchi, the "integrated curriculum" model he utilizes, the many activities in which he participates and the numerous awards that he has received for his work.

GUEST SPEAKER: District 7850 Past District Governor/ Current Vice Governor Louisa Tripp.

Louisa offered an overview and update on The Rotary Foundation to coincide with this year's celebration of the 100^{th} anniversary of the Foundation, which began with a \$26.50 donation from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, representing funds left over from the 1917 international conference.

100% of Foundation giving last year came from 47% of Rotarians. This represents an improvement in participation, from 32% two years ago. Rotary International President John F. Germ and District 7850 Governor Jay Polimeno are requesting that every Rotarian contribute at least a symbolic \$26.50 more than they contributed last year.

Louisa spoke about the various component funds of the Rotary Foundation: the Annual Fund, which she likened to a

checking account; the Permanent Fund, comparable to a savings/retirement account (valuable to the financial health of Rotary International during periods of economic downturn); and Special Funds, the most notable of which is the PolioPlus Fund. Annual Fund is the source of grant monies; after a three-year investment cycle, clubs may apply for district grants up to 50% of the amount which has been contributed. Money donated to the Annual Fund is allocated at 50% to the World Fund and 50% to District Designated Funds; from District Designated Funds, dollars are further allocated: 50% to district grants and 50% to global grants. These grants include humanitarian causes, scholarships and funding for vocational training. Global grants are directed toward Rotary's six areas of focus: disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation, basic education and literacy, economic and community development, maternal and child health, and peace and conflict prevention/resolution.

Louisa enumerated a number of grants which have been used to fund projects by area clubs: Lincoln-Woodstock (medical waste incinerator in Succotz, Belize); Williston-Richmond, VT - dental equipment in Africa; Randolph Sunrise, VT - Jocelyn House, supportive housing for elderly and disabled; Lebanon Riverside - Little Free Libraries. Grants make possible a multitude of water projects worldwide. Locally, a global grant in 2012-2013 provided \$412,000 in funding to facilitate recovery from Hurricane Irene.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation provides a match of \$2 for every \$1 donated to PolioPlus.

Louisa also mentioned the EREY (Every Rotarian, Every Year) initiative, which recognizes clubs in which every member contributes at least \$100 per year to The Rotary Foundation: and Rotary Peace Scholars fellowships, yet another Foundation program.

This year, Littleton Rotary Club giving to the Rotary Foundation totals \$3,250 to date, against a stated goal of \$6,000. District-wide, Foundation giving is about 2/3 of the way to this year's goal of \$146,000. Contributions must be received by The Rotary Foundation no later than June 20, 2017 to be counted in 2016-2017 statistics.

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Marion (Resta) Detwiler has been proposed in the classification Accounting by Bob Muh, and Pierre Couture in the classification Education by Russ Gaitskill. Members have seven days during which to object in writing to the Secretary.