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Gilford Rotary Newsletter August 2025 Edition

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings Gilford Rotarians!

Well it's month one of the changing of the gavel and we haven't messed anything up yet (except maybe misplacing the gavel).

We are excited about our initiative, to become the largest non-city club in the district, and we are off to a good start with new membership!

Please keep the ideas flowing regarding any additional fundraisers for next year. So far a rotary talent gong show, a music trivia game show, and a bingo night at Funspot have been ideas floated.

Please keep the ideas coming! We are also looking for a larger community project to take on as a club.

It will be fun as we tackle these initiatives to give back to our community.

See you soon!

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Above: a recent Gilford Rotary meeting was full of promise and inspiration as the 2025 Cheryl Lynn Walsh Scholarship recipients were there to share their future plans with club members.

The Gilford Rotary Club is proud to support these bright young minds on to their next exciting chapter!

Congratulations to Andrew (top right) and Kaitlyn (bottom right)!





COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES SINCE 1965

SUMMER FOOD DRIVE
AUGUST 1 - 31

Help CAPBM stock their shelves for families and pets in need!

Items Needed:
Cereal * Bread * Jelly * Rice
Tuna * Canned Goods * Kids Snacks
Instant Coffee * Dog & Cat Food

Items will be collected at Friday meetings and can be dropped-off Mon-Fri from 9am-4pm at:

CAPBM Laconia Area Resource Center
522 Main Street, Laconia, NH

Every donation makes a difference.

Below: Executive Director Jeff Ladieu, a retired Captain of the NH State Police and US Army Ranger, spoke to the club about Run For Resilience which highlights the mental health crisis facing Veterans and First Responders and with funds raised going to support them.



Ramblin' Rotarians

We are changing things up for the new Rotary Year! This section will now feature images of "Ramblin' Rotarians" doing activities and/or making contributions out, about and around the community.

Check out these Gilford Rotary golfers and please send in a picture of you and/or your fellow Rotarians in action on the golf course, at the lake, volunteering, or anything else you'd like to have shared with the club....





Kudos to Larry Wahlstrom and Kevin Keohan for grilling at the HATT BBQ on July 16th (a rather hot night) to bring smiles to the HATT diners and guests, a huge thank you to Nancy Carsen as well for organizing this opportunity!



The Nashua Rotary Club hosted several area clubs as well as honored many Rotarians for such achievements as PHF, 100% attendance, Major Donors and with a special recognition for PRID Ken Grabeau and his wife Ruth.

Pictured from left to right: current DG Donna Deos, DGE Ruth Clough, PDG Carolyn Meub on the screen via zoom, PDG Alley Boucher and PDG Sandy McGonagle, with this being the first time that Rotary District 7870 will have back to back women DGs. Additionally, Gilford is the only club that has two women PDGs within its membership.



Friday, August 1
Speaker(s) will be Tammy Stevens, Director of Admissions at Taylor Community

Friday, August 8
Speaker(s) will be visiting Rotary District Governor Donna Deos

Friday, August 15
Speaker(s) will be Chandler Jones answering questions from Rotary members that they've always wanted to ask their dentist

Friday, August 22
Speaker(s) will be provided by Chris Ray, please note this meeting WILL NOT be held at the church, that week's email will have the location for this meeting

Saturday, August 23
Annual Cheryl Walsh Scholarship Fund Blueberry Pancake Breakfast at the Gilford Youth Center, serving from 7:00am to 10:00am

Tuesday, August 26
Board of Director's Meeting

Friday, August 29
Business Meeting

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