THE MONTHLY MUDDLE

Gilford Rotary Newsletter December 2025 & January 2026 Edition

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fellow Rotarians,

As we move through this Rotary year, I want to anchor us in Rotary International's 2025-2026 theme: "Unite for Good." It's more than a slogan – it is a reminder that when we bring our talents together, our impact grows exponentially.

And Gilford Rotary has been doing exactly that.

We should all be genuinely proud of what our club has accomplished lately. Our Senior Dinner was a tremendous success - welcoming, warm, and a perfect example of service with heart. And our Christmas Tree Sale was fantastic, not only running smoothly but also beating expectations. That doesn't happen by accident. It happens because this club shows up, steps in, and works together - every time.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, organized, prepped, cooked, sold, carried, cleaned up, donated, and encouraged others to get involved. These successes reflect the best of Rotary and the best of our community.

Let's carry this momentum forward and keep finding ways to "Unite for Good" - for Gilford, for our neighbors, and for the causes we care about.

With gratitude,

CHRIS



Left: Congrats to Christine Holmes who received her first Paul Harris Award (from left to right is David Pereira, Christine, Alley Boucher, & Chris Collias)



Right: Operation Smile from Gilford High School presented at a meeting

Below: Kurt Webber (left) thanks Chris Collias (right) for the club sponsorship of $2500 to the "Green Beret With A Mission Challenge" for Camp Resilience





Above: Rwanda Children's Educational Foundation (RCEF) recently presented at a meeting and provided with a donation to aid in their continued work

"UNITE FOR GOOD"

As we enter the second half of the 2025-2026 Rotary Year, we re-affirm our commitment to "Unite for Good" which has been the identified theme by Rotary International for this year.

This theme emphasizes the power of unity and collaboration to cultivate and create positive change while also encouraging Rotarians to work together, build relationships, and expand their global impact and inspiration.

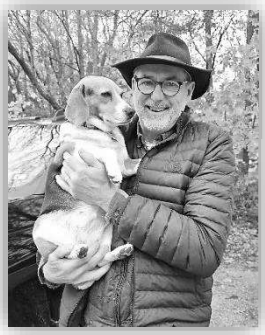
Lastly, this theme aims to inspire Rotarians and communities to join together in service projects as well as address collectively and effectively global challenges and/or calamities.

TOGETHER, WE END POLIO

www.endpolio.org



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Polio Plus Campaign last month, where we collected a record amount of $5260.00 that will go on to help save over 5,000 children from polio.



FALL ROAD SIDE CLEAN-UP







CHRISTMAS TREE SALE









HOLIDAY SENIOR DINNER

































ANNUAL YANKEE SWAP







WELCOME 2026



Friday, January 9, 2026
Speaker(s) will be from Neighbors In Need (NIN) presenting on their charitable efforts within the Lakes Region of NH

Friday, January 16, 2026
Speaker(s) will be provided by Kirk Beitler

Friday, January 23, 2026
Speaker(s) will be provided by Kurt Webber

Wed., January 28, 2026
Board of Director's Meeting

Friday, January 30, 2026
Business Meeting

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