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YOU ARE THE MISSING PIECE! 

JOIN ROTARY AND FIND OUT WHY.

“ROTARY IS A MAGNET FOR LEADERS- ROTARY IS A SERVICE ORGANIZATION WHERE ONE CAN NETWORK, SHARE IDEAS, SERVE OTHERS AND TAKE ACTION!”

MISSION OF ROTARY: Rotary is a civic minded group of business people that enjoy and organized way to contribute to the community and needy areas around the world. Rotary members use their skills and expertise to enhance cross-cultural understandings, create professional networks and do good in the world by serving others less fortunate. Rotary is a non-religious and non-governmental group that is open to all races, cultures and creed.

Rotary is a responsible organization that uses nearly 90% of funding for program expenses – check out Charity Navigator!

BENEFIT OF ROTARY: Rotary helps develop and enhance leadership skills and is committed to some of the world’s most challenging causes. Rotary areas of service aim to promote peace, prevent disease, provide access to clean water and sanitization, enhance maternal and child health, and improve basic education and literacy.

Rotary has approximately 1,200,000 members and 34,000 clubs around the world!

HISTORY OF ROTARY: Rotary started in 1905 by a man named Paul Harris. The Rotary name came from the first Rotary Club that rotated their meeting locations to different members’ office or business location.

MOTTO: *“Service Above Self” and the Four Way Test is “Is it the Truth, Is it Fair to all Concerned, Will it build goodwill and better friendships and it is fair to all Concerned.”*

ROTARY’S POLIO PLUS ENDEAVOR: Rotary is committed to the eradication of Polio. Please visit www.endpolionow.org – **After more than 25 years Polio is now only in 2 countries!**

In 1985 there were over 350,000 cases of Polio - in 2015 there were only 51 cases!

“WE CAN NOT GO BACK” - The “war on Polio” is as strong as ever!!

YOUTH: Rotary has college aged groups called Rotaract, High school age groups called Interact, Youth Leadership exchanges, etc.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary foundation was started in 1917 and formally organized in 1929. It has today received donations totally more than 1 billion.

The Foundation transformed your financial gifts into projects that can change lives both close to home and around the world.

District Grants: Smaller, short term action grants (Such as the Rotary Club of Concord building a putting green or taking Veterans on Fishing Trips)

Global Grants: Supports larger International activities that are sustainable (Such as the Cleft palate project)

In 1929 the first gift of \$500 was given from the Rotary Foundation to the International Society for Crippled Children that later grew into Easter Seals!

Join Rotary and see if it can change you live and the lives of others!!



Rotary Club of Concord, MA
General and Recurring Projects and Background of the Club
(Updated October 2015)

Rotary Club of Concord is a group of approximately 83 men and women committed to serving others less fortunate

**We meet Thursday at 12:15 pm at the Colonial Inn located at
48 Monument Square in Concord
and
7:30 am on Tuesday mornings at the Colonial Inn**

Please visit us at www.rotaryclubofconcord.org

The Objective of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal for service as a basis of worthy enterprise in a perspective to foster the opportunity for service, retain high ethical standards, further the advancement of International understanding, goodwill and peace through business and professionals united in the ideal of service.

Project Summary:

- First Appreciation Breakfast for our local Concord Police and Fire Departments with awards for courage and service for a fire fighter and police officer with a donation to their charity of choice
- Back Drive and hat and mitten drive through Cradles To Crayons
- Dinner meal served at a shelter for folks struggling with hunger and homelessness at the Bristol Lodge in Waltham (every other month)
- Food Drive for Open Table Food Pantry in Concord twice a year
- Carnival for folks with developmental disabilities through Minuteman Arc- popcorn, bean bag toss, card art machine, ring toss, bowling and more!
- Bowling for consumers at Minuteman Arc at Acton Bowladrome twice a year
- Lunch at Bedford Veterans Hospital for Veterans on Memorial Day and Veterans Day
- Flowers planted in abandoned flower bed at Bedford Veterans Hospital
- Care packages for the troops overseas through Operation American Soldier
- Interact Club, High School Rotary Club where students host their own service projects and work on Rotary projects and speak twice a year at the Rotary Club meetings
- Picnic in the Park and Hot Chocolate stand- Serving the community

- Reality Fair - provide high school students the opportunity to have a selected job with salary benefits and learn to live on this with expenses like rent, food, insurance, car payments, phone expense, college loans, etc.
- Gift at the NE Correctional Institute for children of the inmates
- BBQ at the Council on Aging
- Cookie and Book Swap for Seniors and the community at large
- Purple Pinkie Day – provide information on Polio Eradication
- Golf tournament to raise money for scholarships for students- raised 28,000 this year
- Work at Gaining Ground Farm to give up lunch meal and raise money for Polio Plus
- Concord Carlisle Class Act awards and Rotary youth Leadership
- Middle School Awards
- Driving range event – take folks from Minuteman Arc to Stone meadow Golf

Also....

- Speaker program for Razia Jan who runs a school for girls in Afghanistan and is opening the first college for women in rural Afghanistan
- New Putting Green at Minuteman Arc in Concord
- Speaker program with Krish Dhanam of which proceeds went to purchase Cop Cards for the Local Police Department in Concord, MA
- Food packaging Event – Stop Hunger Now
- Provided cake for Orchard House run/walk
- Co-sponsored Human Service Guide for Concord Family Service

Concord Rotary Charitable Endowment

Concord Rotary Charitable Endowment is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit that can accept tax deductible donations.

Rotary Club of Concord, MA, Inc.
MONEY TALK
November 2014

DUES, INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Dues are currently \$1,000 per year, payable in installments on the first of each month (if paying by credit card) or first of each quarter. Included in your dues are dues to Rotary International, dues to District 7910, local dues, and the cost of your weekly meals, currently at \$17 per meal. The Club Treasurer will contact you to determine how you would like to pay your dues. If you choose to pay via credit card, you will be billed \$80 a month, a \$40 annual savings over paying quarterly by check. There is a one-time joining fee of \$30. Bills are distributed via email.

When you make up a meeting at another club or event where you pay for your meal, you will receive a credit of the current weekly meal charge toward your bill. (If you report the makeup to the Treasurer!). A credit will also be applied when you attend the Sunrise Satellite meeting, where you can report the date of your paid makeup on the attendance sheet. Attendance at a Sunrise Satellite meeting currently generates a bill for \$10 and if it is a makeup, a credit for the current weekly meals charge.

When the Club holds special events, for example, the Holiday Party or the Installation Banquet, there is usually an extra charge. Special events are currently charged at \$35 per adult guest, \$18 per member (\$35 less the current weekly meals charge) and \$5 per child. Please don't let that keep you from bringing a guest to a social event! It is a great way to get to know your fellow club members and you will get your money's worth!

If you have someone whom you think would be a good Rotarian, ask him/her to lunch or breakfast as the club's guest. There is a meal charge for personal guests. The charge for children at events where a meal is served is only \$5. So bring you kids once in a while!

Kevin McConnell is our Treasurer. You may reach him at kevinmcc.rotary@verizon.net

CONCORD ROTARY CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT, INC. (CRCE)

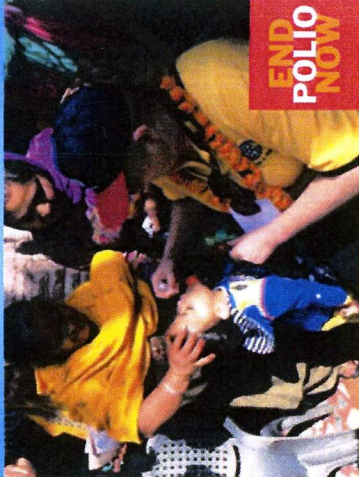
The Concord Rotary Charitable Endowment offers donors an entity that accepts tax-deductible donations for the Rotary Club of Concord's charitable outreach. Monies raised by the Golf Tournament for scholarships and donations toward other charitable endeavors, for example, work in Haiti or with local non-profits, are received and distributed by CRCE. Donors may choose to designate CRCE for memorial and legacy gifts.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION (TRF)

Rotary International has a foundation, The Rotary Foundation, that provides enormous benefits worldwide through Rotary projects. Every Rotarian is encouraged to make a gift to the Foundation every year (Every Rotarian Every Year). Our Club alone has completed \$231,283 in international projects, the majority of the funds coming from Rotary Foundation grants and only \$87,982 coming from Concord. In order to qualify for such grants, however, we must average a donation of \$100 per member to the Foundation each year. Minimum gift is \$10. For 2014-2015 the goal for Rotarians in District 7910 is \$125. Whatever you give will reap a huge reward in world understanding and peace.

**Sampling of Projects for Rotary Foundation / Rotary Club of Concord /
Concord Rotary Charitable Endowment**

- 1997** Nepal literacy projects 1997 \$1,000/\$3,500 Foundation
- 2003** Pakistan Woman's Health Clinic \$3,837/\$15,350 Foundation
- 2004** Textbooks for Guatemala \$3,000/\$12,000 Foundation
- 2005** Bedford/Concord USAF project \$1,000/\$2,000 Foundation
- 2006** Concord Project concern at Hanscom \$1,500/\$7,779 Foundation
- 2007** Nepal Water Purification System \$3,300/ \$11,701 Foundation
- 2008** Philippines for Literacy training and Library Building \$3,115/\$11,885 Foundation
- 2009** Nepal Water Project \$5,580/\$20,002 Foundation
- 2010** Uganda Rural University Classroom Equipment \$1,000/\$3,500 Foundation
- 2010** Uganda, computers for a technology center \$1,000/ \$3,500 Foundation
- 2010** Haiti 11 Seat Land Cruiser vehicle for St Joseph's School Foundation
- 2010** Scout House in Concord \$3,500 / Rotary Club of Concord
- 2010** Aurel Education for Hearing Impaired Children in Mumbai, India \$1,000 / Endowment
- 2011** Concord River Boater and Stewardship Trail Map \$750/\$4,500 Foundation
- 2011** Haiti, Technology Center for three schools \$9,970/\$35,045 Foundation
- 2011** Peru, Cleft Palate Work through Project Smile \$9,970/\$35,746 Foundation
- 2011** Japan Tsunami and Earthquake Relief \$5,945. Rotary Club of Concord
- 2011** Domestic Services Network \$1,022 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2011** Class Act and Middle School awards \$2,789.82/ Rotary Club of Concord
- 2012** Class Act and Middle School Awards \$894.86/Rotary Club of Concord
- 2012** Cooperative for Education in Guatemala \$1,000 / Endowment
- 2012** Communities for Restorative Justice \$1,550 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2013** Tornado Relief, Henrysville, \$2,000 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2013** Domestic Violence Services Network \$1,830/ Rotary Club of Concord
- 2013** Class Act and Middle School Awards \$1,934.13/ Rotary Club of Concord
- 2013** Group Study Exchange \$413.74 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2013** Sharing Foundation in Cambodia Music Program \$4,625 / Endowment
- 2014** Concord Veterans Fishing Program \$1,099/\$2,198 Foundation
- 2014** Concord Interact Teddy Bear Project \$863/ \$1,726 Foundation
- 2014** Christmas Tree/ Private Rotarian Donation
- 2015** Kenya water Project \$10,000/\$35,000 Foundation
- 2015** Cop Cards \$3,800 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2015** Putting Green for Minuteman Arc \$2,500/ \$6,290 Foundation
- 2015** Tibet Project for sports equipment and school supplies \$1,500/\$3,000 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2015** 9/11 First Responder Breakfast \$500 Rotary Club of Concord
- 2015** Stop Hunger Now Food Packaging Project with Rotary Club of Lexington \$1,500 Rotary Club of Concord



PolioPlus, Rotary's most ambitious program to date, focuses on global immunization efforts and has played a leadership role with the World Health Organization, CDC, and UNICEF in bringing the world to the brink of polio eradication. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has contributed over \$355 million to Rotary to support PolioPlus activities.

Here in Concord, Rotarians sponsor **Purple Pinkie Day** to help support this important endeavor.

We are 1.2 million neighbors, friends, and community leaders who come together to create positive lasting change in our communities and around the world.

In Concord, we are a great group of over 70 members, men and women, young and old. **We hold two meeting each week...**

breakfast on Tuesdays from

7:30 until 8:15 AM and lunch on

Thursdays from 12:15 until

1:30 PM. Both are held at the

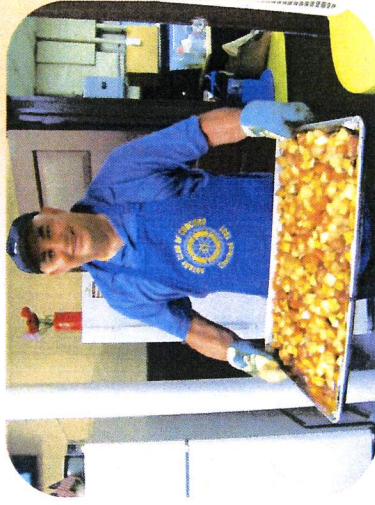
Colonial Inn in Concord. Our projects focus on giving back to our community both here and beyond.

You are invited to attend a meeting. With interesting speakers and an energized group every week, you will come away inspired.



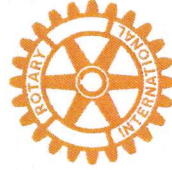
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Club of Concord



We're here to give

**“SERVICE
ABOVE SELF”**



ROTARY CLUB OF CONCORD MA, INC.

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Serving Concord, Carlisle and surrounding communities

What is Rotary?

Rotary is a global network of community volunteers.

Rotary club members are business, professional, and community leaders in your locality who meet regularly to plan and implement community service activities and network with other professionals. For those interested, members can also choose to become involved in international humanitarian service efforts. More than 1.2 million men and women in over 200 countries and geographical areas belong to over 33,000 Rotary clubs.

Rotary builds international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs, and humanitarian grants. Throughout the world, Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of educational, intercultural, and humanitarian activities designed to improve the lives of others.

Benefits of Membership

Belonging to a Rotary club provides members with an opportunity to give back to their communities and to connect with like-minded leaders and friends.

People join Rotary for many reasons, including community involvement, personal development, professional networking, and camaraderie. But perhaps the most important benefit is the satisfaction you gain from making a real difference in your community and in the world.



Rotary Club of Concord Supports:

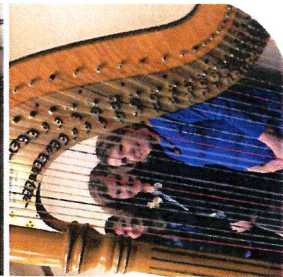
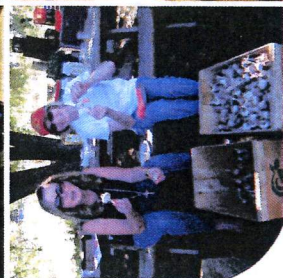
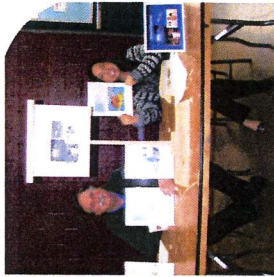
Annual Events

- Hot Chocolate at Holiday Night in Concord
- Spring Pops to benefit Community and International Projects
- Slush Stand at Picnic in the Park
- Golf Tournament to benefit Scholarships
- Patriot's Day Parade



Scholarships/Youth Programs

- Middle School Awards
- CCHS Scholarship Funds
- Class Act Awards for Juniors and Seniors
- International Exchange HS Students
- Sponsor CCHS Rotary Interact Club
- Earlyact



Project Examples:

Local

- Helicopter Pad at Emerson Hospital
- Veterans' Memorial in Concord
- Skateboard Park at CCHS
- River Trail at Thoreau School
- Rideout Playground Building
- Gardening at Gaining Ground
- Habitat for Humanity "Builds"
- Support Hanscom Troops and Vets
- Prison Outreach
- Putting Green installed for Minuteman Arc
- 9/11 Appreciation Breakfast for first responders

International

- ShelterBox Tents to Haiti
- Technology Center at Haiti Schools
- Cleft Palate Project Smile, Peru
- Earthquake Response - Japan
- School for Hearing Impaired, India
- Clean Water Project, Nepal
- Sharing Foundation in Cambodia
- Gift of Life Open Heart Surgery
- School Supplies for Tibet
- Building wells in Kenya
- Science Education for girls in Ivory Coast

