

# Rotary

## The Rotary Club of Ellsworth Maine



March 2, 2018

Dear Friend and Colleague:

The Rotary Club of Ellsworth is excited to be hosting its 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Auction on Friday, May 18 at Big Cat's Event Center from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM. It will be a fun-filled evening with many wonderful live and silent auction items plus entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Every year, proceeds from our auction fulfill two key goals – to help raise monies for an auction partner organization doing good in our community and to fund our Rotary club grants for Ellsworth High School scholarships and local nonprofit groups. With help from local businesses and our auction patrons, we grossed \$40,000 in 2017 with net proceeds divided evenly between our Rotary endeavors and our community auction partner's project and are seeking to repeat that outcome this year.

Maine Coast Memorial Hospital (MCMH) will be Rotary's 2018 auction partner completing a two-year club focus on improving our local health resources. Last year, this partnership raised over \$16,000 to help with MCMH women's health initiatives. This year, our focus will be raising funds for men's health, specifically the Urology program.

Please consider a tax-deductible contribution of goods or services to this year's Rotary auction. For example, would your business package a special service or item that would showcase your work and bring excitement to this event? Or, consider becoming a sponsor which will directly support our community, while providing great publicity for your business at the same time.

Thank you for your full consideration this year and for your generosity in the past. A Rotary member will be contacting you about your 2018 donation. If you have any questions, please contact Rotary Auction Chair Tracy Shaffer at 973-287-9926, or JoAnn Brown at MCMH at 664-5548.

Sincerely,

Scott Kimball, President  
Rotary Club of Ellsworth



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**The Rotary Club of Ellsworth gives over \$20,000 annually to nonprofits and student scholarships and volunteers hundreds of hours on local and international service projects. Below is a sample of organizations that our Club has supported in recent years.**

- Downeast Family YMCA Sponsorship - Basketball Tournament and Little League Baseball
- Downeast Horizons – 2014 Auction Partner
- Ellsworth Public Library: Discovery Museum Pass and Rainbow Readers Race
- Emmaus Center - Holiday Baskets and Adopt-a-Family Christmas Program
- Everybody Eats Community Meal – Program Funds and Volunteer Staffing
- Frenchman Bay Area Girl Scouts
- Friends in Action – Senior Center and Program Support
- Friendship Cottage – Program Support and Grounds Spring Clean Up
- SPCA of Hancock County – 2015 Auction Partner
- The Grand – 2016 Auction Partner
- Hancock County Technical Center and Ellsworth High School Student Scholarships
- Hills House at Open Door Recovery
- Indian Point Preserve and Ellsworth Public Forest Annual Clean Up
- Rotary Wheelchair Projects: Belize, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic
- Katahdin Area Council of Boy Scouts
- Knowlton Community Park Campaign
- Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry – Program Support and Volunteer Staffing
- Maine Coast Memorial Hospital - Prescription Assistance Program
- Next Step Domestic Violence Project
- Open Door Recovery Center
- Sarah's House - Cancer Care Housing for Patients and their Families
- WHCA (Now DCP) THAW Fund – Heating Assistance Program
- Yesterday's Children