

## District Connections

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### DG Jamie

**Rotary Open Opportunities** - Holger Knaack, RI President's theme, Rotary Open Opportunities has proven to be the perfect theme this year. I'm excited to hear how clubs have adapted. For example, the Cambridge Rotary Club's Rail Trail Ramble (page 6) is virtual walking, running and biking event. A great event that gets people outside, offer socially distanced participation and does something fun as well as good for the community.

**Endowment/Major Gift Advisor** - Our District is honored to have Marilyn Bedell. Rotary is all about the ask, when a past RI Presidents reaches out and asks you to fill a role, it's an honor to be asked. Marilyn is perfect for the role. She and Ron are one of our Districts Foundation champions. If you don't know what a Zone is, no worries, I had never heard of "Zone" until about 10 years ago. Like clubs are under Districts, Districts are under Zones. District 7850 is a member of Zone 32.

**Masks** – With masks being mandated, the power of Rotary continues to shine. We just finished distributing our reusable masks to those clubs that requested masks. These masks were paid for with part of our Rotary Disaster Relief Grant (your Rotary Foundation at work). An appreciative school commented that these masks were the best they had received. Thank you Rotary, PDG Louisa Tripp, Ted Goulette of the Barre Rotary Club as well as all the participating clubs.

**Masks II** – But there's more, from the generosity of District 7870 and their Million Mask event. Ted Rossi (Rossi Family Foundation) is donating 1,000,000 masks, our District will shortly receive 100,000 disposable masks. See the link to request these masks at no charge (page 5).

**Rotary's Got Milk** – This is a fantastic program. Support NH Food Bank's efforts.

**New Members and Milestones** – Welcome Rotarians! I am happy to see my own club (St. Johnsbury) listed with new member Jay Miller, Jay lead our club's reusable mask program and is a perfect fit in his role as service chair.

**Club Happenings** – Our clubs are figuring out what's next. Highlighted at the end of this Newsletter are a sampling of club happenings. If this newsletter reaches you in time, two events this week. The Randolph Sunrise Club's Harmony Park dedication Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Wednesday, Mike McGovern, Rotary Foundation's Polio Chair is White Mountain Club's speaker, don't miss this opportunity to hear Mike's thoughts on Rotary and polio eradication.

**World Polio Day October 24<sup>th</sup>** - Is your club planning something for World Polio day? One idea is for all members to wear purple to your meeting and Happy Dollar/Fines go to Polio. Last year, the St. Johnsbury Club, watched the movie *Breathe*. From Wikipedia:

**Breathe** is a 2017 [biographical drama](#) film directed by [Andy Serkis](#) in his directorial debut, from a screenplay by [William Nicholson](#). It stars [Andrew Garfield](#), [Claire Foy](#), [Hugh Bonneville](#), [Tom Hollander](#), [Ed Speleers](#) and [Dean-Charles Chapman](#), and tells the story of [Robin Cavendish](#), who became [paralyzed](#) from the neck down by [polio](#) at age 28.

We raised \$600 and with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation match (2 to 1) provided \$1,800 to the Polio Foundation.

**RotaryHappy for sure.**

DG Jamie  
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## Legacy and The Rotary Foundation

**By Marilyn Bedell, PDG**

Many in District 7850 know I am passionate about Rotary and the Rotary Foundation. This is why I was happy to accept Past Rotary President Ravi Ravindran's invitation to be the Endowment/Major Gift Adviser for Rotary Zone 32. In this role, I cover all the clubs and Rotary districts in New England, parts of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania...and Bermuda.

In my new role, I will periodically share information with you about opportunities to make major gifts and endowments to the Rotary Foundation.

It is my hope that you already know about opportunities to give to our #1 priority PolioPlus and to our Annual Programs Fund/Share (the money that help fund global and district grants). I have found that not as many Rotarian know about opportunities to make outright larger gifts and endowments to the Rotary Foundation.

Maybe it is because of Covid-19, or maybe it is because of my background as an oncology nurse, I continue to think about what I want my legacy to be. How do I want to be remembered? By giving funds to the Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund, there is a chance that long after I leave this earth, others will remember me as they do the good work of Rotary around the world.

Through major gifts, and the endowment we have planned, my husband and I hope others will understand how much we have learned through Rotary; how Rotary has transformed our lives; and how being part of Rotary has been a blessing beyond compare.

We have designated some funds to go to Annual Programs Fund/Share. It is my hope that the interest from our endowed funds will continue to help Rotarians in my district do global and district grants that will make a difference in lives of people in my district



and around the world. In addition, we are giving some funds to support our [Rotary Peace Fellows](#). We are committed to prepare individuals to do the work of peace building rather than war. Giving to any charity will happen only if the gift has meaning to you.

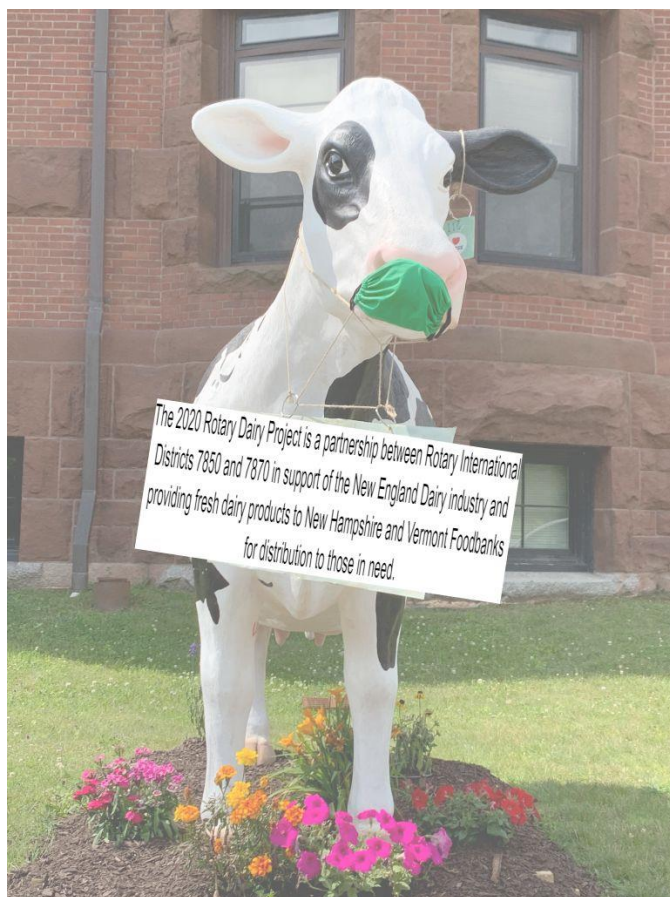
As you may already know, Rotary has seven areas of focus:

- Promoting peace
- Fighting disease,
- Providing clean water, sanitation and hygiene
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting basic education and literacy
- Growing local economies
- Supporting the environment.

Consider the area of focus that brings you the most joy, and then consider supporting it via donations to the Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund. Can't make up your mind which area of focus is your priority as you think they are all important, you can always make a gift to the World Fund which will be used to support all areas of focus. Please remember, gifts of any size are welcomed.

For information about becoming a Major Donor or a Bequest Society member, [click here](#)

PDG Marilyn Bedell  
Endowment/Major Gift Advisor for Rotary Zone 32



## Still time to help with New Hampshire dairy recovery and food assistance

As reported in last newsletter "Thanks to a donation from Vermont Rotary Clubs across the state, Vermonters in need will continue to receive fresh dairy products from the Vermont Foodbank for weeks to come. Continuing a collaboration begun earlier this year to connect Vermont dairy assistance to Vermonters, the Foodbank will receive food donations of Vermont yogurt and butter in support of their food assistance efforts. Ten Vermont rotary clubs joined forces to raise more than \$10,000, adding more financial support to the effort already in place to recover Vermont milk. In collaboration with Dairy

Farmers of America, Commonwealth Dairy LLC and Ploughgate Creamery are turning milk from Vermont dairies into yogurt and butter. "

**The next step in this project** is to raise \$30,000 with District 7870 in support of Dairy Farms in New Hampshire to distribute cheese to the New Hampshire Food Shelf. Contributions of any size are welcome! **If you or your club are interested in helping with this next phase of the Dairy Project visit:**

<https://rotary7850.org/page/2020dairyproject/>

For more information contact : [rotarydistrict7850@gmail.com](mailto:rotarydistrict7850@gmail.com)





## Masks are still available for distribution in your community!



Disposable masks are still available at no cost through a generous donor in district 7870. **On October 6 we have several thousand disposable masks** coming to our district for distribution by clubs to schools, health centers, first responders, anywhere your club would like to distribute them. There is no cost to your club. These masks were generously donated by The Ted Rossi Family Foundation to Rotary Districts in New England and Canada.

Visit <https://bit.ly/district7850ppe> to request masks for distribution by your club.



## Cambridge Area Rotary Rail Trail Ramble Event

Greetings,

The Cambridge Area Rotary is sponsoring the Rail Trail Ramble.

A Community FUNdraising Event for all to enjoy on the scenic Lamoille Valley Rail Trail!

What will the monies raised be used for?

This is a Cambridge Area Rotary general fundraiser - benefiting Lamoille County Human Service Organizations/Events as well as Rotary International Service Projects.

Participants can walk, run, or bike a length of their choice on the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail.  
(<https://www.lvrt.org/>)

What are the time frames?

For virtual fundraising - open now until 10/11/20

To maintain social distancing, participants can choose the day and time they would like to get out on the LVRT.

Although we recommend the weekends of 10/3 - 10/4 or 10/10 - 10/11 to complete your walk, run or bike run!

The leaves will be at peak and that will give you plenty of time to fund raise!

Fabulous prizes for top fundraisers!

We have three categories for fundraisers - individual, family, and team!

For more information, to the registrar, or donate please click on this link!

[www.RailTrailRamble2020.com](http://www.RailTrailRamble2020.com)

If it the calendar lines up - could you please post this event in the next District newsletter  
Also attached is the event poster.

If you have questions or need any further information - please reach out.

Thanks much,

Sam Lotto - Cambridge Area Rotary

## **Welcome new Rotarians to District 7850!**

### **Members new since July 1, 2020!**

Pierre Couture	Bristol, NH	Tracey Paul	Newport
David Harlow	Bristol, NH	Lynn Petrucelli	Randolph
Debbie Hart	Bristol, NH	Pamela Overstrom	Randolph Sunrise
Monica Zulauf	Bristol, NH	Jason Miller	St. Johnsbury
Elaine Haney	Essex Rotary	Linda Levin	Valley Rotary Club
Brian Shelden	Essex Rotary	Phyllis Arsenault-Berry	Waterbury
Michelle Sun	Hanover	Gwenna Peters	Waterbury
Jane Durning	Lincoln-Woodstock	Angela Arsenault	Williston-Richmond
Tonja Elkins	Lincoln-Woodstock	Terence Macaig	Williston-Richmond
Brenda Corliss-Simon	Littleton	Erik Wells	Williston-Richmond
Winnie Tseng	Littleton	Jamie Glidden	Wolfeboro
Todd Thomas	Morrisville Rotary Club		

## **September and October Anniversaries**

### **20+ years of service**

Kerry Mattson	Bristol, NH
Ronald Quigley	Boundary Club
Brian Eagan	Montpelier
Wallace Rennie	Lincoln-Woodstock
Graeme Boswall	Boundary Club
Rosilyn Smith	St. Johnsbury
James Mount	Colchester-Milton
Robert Hersey	St. Johnsbury

### **15-19 years of service**

Peter Ricker	Montpelier
Pamela Cummings Rice	Williston-Richmond
Carrie Johnson	St. Albans
Allen (Al) Barillaro	Valley Rotary Club
Arthur Gardiner	Hanover
Martha Davis	St. Johnsbury
Pierre Lambert	Drummondville
Linda Gilbert	CSH Rotary Club
Louisa Tripp	Northfield



## Many Happy Returns to those born in October!

Brian Aitchison	Montpelier	Andre Gauthier	Drummondville
David Allen	Hanover	Linda Gilbert	CSH Rotary Club
Stuart Anderson	Lincoln-Woodstock	Reginald Godin	St. Albans
Kevin Aremburg	St. Johnsbury	David Gold	Waterbury
Gert Assmus	Hanover	Jeanne Graham	St. Johnsbury
Tom Ayres	Randolph	Robert (Bob) Grant	Valley Rotary Club
Chris Bancroft	South Burlington	Marge Gulyas	Waterbury
Adam Bartsch	CSH Rotary Club	C. Scott Haines	Bristol, NH
Daniel Bennett	Randolph Sunrise	Bonnie Ham	Lincoln-Woodstock
Shirley Bentley	Wolfeboro	Christopher Hanfield	Middlebury
Colleen Blood	Cambridge Area	Helmut Hietzker	Middlebury
A. Richard Boera	Lyndonville	Robert (Bob) Holden	Valley Rotary Club
Timothy Boudreau	Lancaster Rotary Club	Nils Johnson	Hanover
Julie Brown	Cambridge Area	Rolland Lafayette	Montpelier
Suzanne Brown	Colchester-Milton	Roni Leach	Lyndonville
Benoit Brunel	Saint-Hyacinthe	Alex Lehning	St. Albans
John Buechler	South Burlington	Christopher Lenox	Cambridge Area
Jesse Bugbee	St. Albans	Leslie Leonard	North Conway
Scott Campbell	St. Johnsbury	Edward Levite	South Burlington
Thomas Chittenden	South Burlington	Ron Line	Essex Rotary
Joseph Choquette	Montpelier	Terence Macaig	Williston-Richmond
Harman Clark	Lyndonville	Maryse Manseau	Saint-Hyacinthe
Greg Cloutier	Lancaster Rotary Club	Erica Marks	Colchester-Milton
Beth Cobb	Essex Rotary	Philip McCaull	Hanover
Peter Colgan	Valley Rotary Club	Dan McKibben	Waterbury
Brenda Corliss-Simon	Littleton	Terrie McQuillen	Newport
Robin Coulter	Newport	Mary Lou Mees	Ossipee Valley
Robert Daniels	St. Johnsbury	William Miles	Montpelier
Linda Dobbins	Valley Rotary Club	Jason Miller	St. Johnsbury
Lisa Doner	Plymouth Rotary	Jane Mitchell	South Burlington
Robert Donin	Hanover	Sue Mohr	Colchester-Milton
John Duddie	Randolph	Robert Mohr	Colchester-Milton
Jennifer Eastman	Hanover	Richard Mosher	Wolfeboro
William English	Middlebury	Robert Mulcahy	Essex Rotary
Carrie Fenn	CSH Rotary Club	Daniel Nash	Lebanon
Jody Fried	St. Johnsbury	Richard Neal	Wolfeboro

# Rotary Rotary Opens Opportunities

James Needham	Middlebury	Peter Ricker	Montpelier
Russell Niquette	Colchester-Milton	Peter Roessiger	Wolfeboro
Peter Perrinez, Jr.	Hanover	Reta Sanders	Barre, VT
Lynn Petrucelli	Randolph	Jason Schnoor	Middlebury
PJ Pfeifenberger	South Burlington	Joseph Shadroui	Barre, VT
George Pierce	Waterbury	Tim Shea	Essex Rotary
Elizabeth Poulin	Essex Rotary	Chrisara Smith	Littleton
Donovan Quarmby	Newport	David Stackpole	Stowe
Tyler Rancourt	Lancaster Rotary Club	Lise Veronneau	Burlington Rotary
Steven Rand	Plymouth Rotary	Herb Vinnicombe	Wolfeboro
Thomas Raub	Colchester-Milton	Erik Wells	Williston-Richmond
Brian Ricca	St. Johnsbury	Theresa Wood	Waterbury
Bob Richardson	Boundary Club		

## *Got something to Say? Publish it Here!*

- **Do you have an event to announce?**
- **Do you want to promote a project?**
- **Celebrate an achievement?**

**For events, announcements and articles, please forward the information to [rotarydistrict7850@gmail.com](mailto:rotarydistrict7850@gmail.com) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.**



## HOST

- Organize a community event with club members, friends, and family members to observe World Polio Day. Invite local media representatives, officials, and other leaders to participate, and use the opportunity to introduce them to Rotary. **See the next page for event ideas!**
- Create a fundraiser to **collect donations** for Rotary's PolioPlus Fund. Every dollar raised is matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
- **Register your event** and tell us how you're participating with the global Rotary community.

## WRITE

- Propose a story about World Polio Day and your club's contributions toward eradicating polio to your local newspaper and other media outlets. Submit your World Polio Day event to the calendar section of local publications or newsletters.
- Send a letter about the importance of ending polio to the opinion or features editor at local media outlets.
- Write to your government officials and ask them to continue supporting polio eradication efforts.

## SHARE

- Use the sample posts from the **World Polio Day Toolkit** on your social media pages.
- Use the #EndPolio and #WorldPolioDay hashtags to follow and join the global conversation on social media.
- Follow @EndPolioNow on **Facebook** and **Twitter**, and visit the **World Polio Day page** on endpolio.org for updates.
- Use Rotary's **Brand Center** to create a People of Action social media post about ending polio that promotes your club's events. Just sign in, hover over Ads, and choose Online. In the options on the left, choose Fighting Polio.

## VIEW

- Mark your calendar to watch the Rotary International Online Global Update on 24 October and share the event on your social media pages.
- RSVP to the Online Global Update on **Facebook** and see who else is participating.
- Get early access to see a downloadable program by **registering your World Polio Day event** by 15 October.



Rotary Club volunteers dig holes for footings at the soon-to-be finished Harmony Park project at the Randolph recreation field. (Provided / Adolfo Bailon)

- **Ward Vuillemot, of Skaneateles, New York, USA**, decided to use his hobby to further the cause of polio eradication and carve special wood bottle stoppers to give to every member who made a new contribution of \$100 or more to PolioPlus. After trying it out on his own club, he expanded the effort district-wide, and at the end of two years in June, had prompted \$13,000 in new donations to PolioPlus. Vuillemot donated the materials, labor, and other expenses associated with making the “PolioStoppers.”
- **The Rotary Club of Bangor, Gwynedd, Wales**, will be turning the Menai Strait purple from 22-26 October, using special floodlights to create a purple glow that will stretch from Caernarfon Castle along the water to Beaumaris Castle. The Pontio Building in Bangor will also be splashed in purple light, along with other projected messages, for a local event on 24 October to mark World Polio Day.
- “Club members kicked off the fundraising events in August with a Pizza for Polio promotion at the local Pizza Inn. The local Rotarians worked the floor that night for tips and a percentage of the buffet sales”.