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## Greetings From Your District Governor Donna Deos

Creating Lasting Change

Hello Rotary Family!

I cannot believe we are half way through the Rotary year and at the beginning of the new calendar year. The time has been flying. I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and found happy, light and loving times with people you care for and who care for you. I hope you had time to relax and recharge as well.



The New Year brings us many good things!

First, thank you for the fantastic response to the latest survey request that went out a couple days ago. We will now have some statistically significant results to share with you and move forward with. (Yes, the reminders and nagging for that phase are over.)

Second, we gear up for some wonderful District events:

PELS (President Elect Learning Seminar) Registration is open! The date is March 20-21, 2026. Please have your PE (President Elect) and whomever is in line behind them sign up now! All clubs are allowed two (2) representatives at the event. I strongly encourage you to send 2! It only costs you/the club their hotel room(s) if they stay over.

The reason for two is so you have people working together to move the club forward – this helps foster lasting change and works with our Unite for Good Presidential Message for the year. If you don't know who is in line after your PE, pick another aspiring leader from your club to go. The idea is to share the knowledge and foster growth in Rotarians throughout the District. Plus, you meet all of the other folks on this journey with you.

I am still friends with my fellow Presidents from 2014-2015!

District Conference is May 30, 2026 – I know there is lots more great info in this newsletter on this one. Please, plan to come and sign up as a sponsor if you are able. This is our end of year celebration. It is going to be wonderful. The District Conference committee and the Keene Clubs (all 3 of them) have been working hard on making it so!



The other potential event we are considering is District Assembly, tentatively scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup>. This is historically where all other club training happens (beyond club Presidents). Last year's was well attended and much enjoyed. As we develop the vast amounts of information we want to share at PELS we will determine if there is enough for us to warrant placing the overflow into District Assembly (without hurting attendance for District Conference). With how active and enthusiastic our District Learning Committee is, I think this is very likely to happen. More to come on that!

Please know, we live and breathe how best to serve you from the District Leadership level. It is why we exist – to serve the clubs and members. We are passionate about helping you ignite your clubs to do all the good that you do for our communities.

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

I'd like to remind you of the Rotary International Vision Statement: Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Please keep that very last part in mind – in ourselves! Attending meetings, events, working with other clubs, going to District events and meeting other Rotarians – these are all things that are here to fill our cups. They are the fellowship portion of what makes Rotary great. Please remember to create lasting change in yourself along the way.

To You & to Us!

DG Donna & the District Leadership Team



## District News

### **President Elect Learning Seminar (PELS) 3/20-21/26**

Welcome to President Elect Learning Seminar 2026! It is a wonderful opportunity for our future Presidents to meet the District Leaders and learn from each other. Service Above Self takes on a whole new meaning when you learn how Clubs achieve amazing goals and are inspired to move your Club into the future.



Please sign up for registration (click [here](#)) now. We fill up quickly and want to make sure we have room for everyone!

The Hilton Garden Inn has set special pricing of \$165 for Friday night. The rate expires on February 19. Click [here](#) to register for your room.

The PELS Team looks forward to seeing you in March! If you have any questions please contact us at [district7870@gmail.com](mailto:district7870@gmail.com).

### **Save the Date: District Conference Set for May 30, 2026**

**Save the Date!** District Governor Donna invites all Rotarians to come together for an engaging one-day District Conference on **Saturday, May 30, 2026**, at the **Best Western Hotel in Keene, New Hampshire**. The Conference Committee is hard at work creating an inspiring experience filled with fellowship, learning, and hands-on service.



#### **What to Expect**

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Randy Pierce** : Get ready to be inspired. Dr. Randy Pierce will share his extraordinary journey of choosing a life of adventure after losing his vision at age 22. His compelling story and powerful message are sure to motivate and uplift every attendee.



**4-Way Test Speech Contest Finals:** Hear from the top finalists in this year's 4-Way Test Speech Contest as they deliver their concluding presentations. These outstanding young speakers consistently impress with their insight, passion, and leadership—reminding us why the future is bright.

**District 7870 Exchange Students:** Our exchange students will reflect on their experiences of growth, courage, and connection. Their stories highlight the life-changing impact of Rotary Youth Exchange and are sure to entertain, inspire, and move you.

**Additional Speakers & Presentations:** Explore the many dimensions of Rotary through a variety of sessions led by dedicated Rotarians and valued partner organizations.

**Catered Lunch by Tempesta Restaurant:** Enjoy a delicious catered lunch while reconnecting with friends and meeting fellow Rotarians from across the district.

**Rotary Cares: Summer & School Support for Pine Ridge:** This year's conference includes a meaningful hands-on service project supporting families on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Together, we will assemble Summer Wellness Kits, Back-to-School Packs, and Teen Empowerment Bundles to be shipped to partner organizations serving the Oglala Lakota community.

Evening fellowship activities and special hotel rates are being arranged for those who wish to extend their stay. More details will be shared in the coming months—so mark your calendar now!

### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

**Gold Sponsor — \$250** ( \$125 supports the District Conference + \$125 supports the Pine Ridge service project)

**Silver Sponsor — \$150** (\$75 supports the District Conference + \$75 supports the Pine Ridge service project)

— *Chris Parkinson, PDG, District Conference Chair*



## Why Pine Ridge Matters: A Call to Rotary Service

At the May 30<sup>th</sup> Rotary District 7870 Conference, there will be an opportunity to participate in a hands-on service project that will directly benefit children, teens, and families living on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.



The Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in southwestern South Dakota is home to the Oglala Lakota Nation and represents both deep cultural strength and profound need. It is also a place where Rotary's values—service above self, community partnership, and sustainable impact—can make a meaningful difference.

Pine Ridge consistently ranks among the most economically challenged communities in the United States. Many families face persistent poverty, limited access to healthcare, food insecurity, and inadequate housing and infrastructure. Life expectancy on the reservation is significantly lower than the national average, and unemployment remains high. These challenges are not the result of a lack of resilience or effort, but rather the long-term effects of historic inequities, geographic isolation, and chronic underinvestment.

Despite these obstacles, Pine Ridge is a community rich in culture, history, and determination. The Lakota people maintain strong traditions of family, respect for elders, and care for children—values that closely align with Rotary's mission. Local leaders, schools, and nonprofits work tirelessly to support youth, strengthen education, and meet basic needs, often with very limited resources.

This is where Rotary can help—not by “fixing” a community, but by standing alongside it. Rotary's emphasis on partnership, hands-on service, and long-term solutions makes it uniquely suited to support Pine Ridge in meaningful ways. Whether through providing school supplies, supporting youth programs, addressing food insecurity, or improving access to basic necessities, Rotary projects can offer practical help while honoring local leadership and priorities.

### **Rotary District 7870: Hands-On Support for Pine Ridge**

Rotary District 7870 has been actively involved with Pine Ridge through several meaningful initiatives over the past decade:

- **Long-Term Projects and Partnerships**

District 7870 Rotarians have been contributing to Pine Ridge for over a decade, spanning multiple areas of need. Their work has included:



- Upgrading technology like laptops to support students' learning.
- Collaborating on health and wellness initiatives — such as providing wearable fitness trackers to encourage healthy habits among students and teachers.
- Providing materials to help sew traditional quilts
- Modernizing KILI Radio with new equipment and solar panels
- Helping to develop the Bear Project Safe Haven for youth
- Refurbishing the Millie Horn Community Building

These efforts reflect District 7870's commitment to sustained support that honors local needs and promotes opportunity for youth and families.

### **Broader Rotary Impact on Pine Ridge**

In addition to District 7870's involvement, Rotarians from across the United States and around the world have partnered with Pine Ridge in other major ways:

- **Global Grant Summit on Human Trafficking Awareness:** Rotary clubs, including partnerships across multiple districts and an international partner in Japan, secured a Global Grant to bring awareness and education about human trafficking to students, families, and community members on Pine Ridge. The summit empowered youth with information and leadership tools to help prevent exploitation and foster community safety.
- **Economic and Cultural Support through Makerspace Projects:** Rotary-backed global grants have helped fund creative economic opportunities such as the Whiteclay Arts Makerspace, enabling Native artists to expand their skills, produce artwork, and engage in cultural enterprise. These efforts build economic resilience and celebrate Lakota traditions.
- **Clean Water and Infrastructure Partnerships:** While not always led directly by Rotary clubs, collaborative efforts between Rotary districts and organizations like Running Strong for American Indian Youth have helped expand access to safe, reliable water by supporting infrastructure and community connections. These partnerships multiply Rotary's impact alongside local and regional efforts.
- **Disaster Response and Home Resiliency:** After severe winter storms and "bomb cyclone" weather events damaged hundreds of homes on the reservation, Rotary District 5610 supported the purchase of a foam sprayer machine to help waterproof and insulate damaged homes — equipping local emergency management and resiliency teams to better protect families from harsh conditions.



• **Resource Mapping and Service Network Support:** Rotary's Omniciye Multi-Cultural Club created a Services Request Directory outlining local social services and needs across Pine Ridge, funded through a district grant. This resource helps Rotary clubs and volunteers navigate existing organizations and partner more effectively with community leaders to address priority needs collaboratively.

Service at Pine Ridge offers Rotarians an opportunity to learn. It invites us to better understand the history and lived experiences of Native communities in our own country and to build relationships rooted in respect and trust. These connections strengthen Rotary itself, reminding us why service matters and how powerful it can be when done thoughtfully.

Supporting Pine Ridge is not about charity, it is about solidarity. It reflects Rotary's belief that every community deserves opportunity, dignity, and hope. By choosing to engage with Pine Ridge, Rotarians affirm that service has no borders, and that even the most remote communities are worthy of our time, compassion, and commitment.

When Rotary shows up, listens, and acts with purpose, lives are changed.

The international service project planned at the Rotary District 7870 May 30, 2026 conference will help bridge gaps in resources for youth and families, while building awareness and engagement among Rotarians in New Hampshire and Vermont communities. To learn more about the project, click [here](#).

Questions? Contact Rotarian Martin Cohn at [martin@cohnpr.com](mailto:martin@cohnpr.com).



## Club News

### **Rutland South Rotary Hosts Guest Speakers on Polio**

Rutland South Rotary Club made history this December by hosting back-to-back guest speakers on related topics for the first time in 50 years: the polio virus and Rotary's global role in its eradication. The connection is especially meaningful to Rutland. Paul Harris, founder of Rotary International, grew up in nearby Wallingford, Vermont. In addition, Dr. Charles Caverly, a Rutland physician, identified and investigated the first polio epidemic in the United States in 1883 in the Otter Creek Valley. Both men are honored with statues on Rutland's Sculpture Trail.



On December 4, Mary Beth Growney-Selene joined via Zoom from Wisconsin to discuss Rotary's PolioPlus campaign. A past Rotary International Director and Foundation trustee, she highlighted how Rotary helped immunize over 2.5 billion children, reducing global polio cases by 99 percent. On December 11, Dr. Fred Bagley and Dr. John Cotter presented on Dr. Caverly's pioneering work and modern public health perspectives on polio.

PHOTO (l-r): Carolyn Crowley-Meub (RSR Speaker Chair), Dr. John Cotter, and Dr. Fred Bagley

### **Rotary Brings Christmas Cheer to Kurn Hattin Homes for Children**

Members of the Rotary Club of Springfield, Vermont and the Bellows Falls Rotary Club helped bring the spirit of Christmas to the children of Kurn Hattin Homes for Children in Westminster, Vermont on December 17, 2025.

Founded in 1894, Kurn Hattin is a year-round charitable residential and day program serving children ages 5–15 from across the Northeast. For more than two decades, local Rotary Clubs have continued a cherished tradition of collecting donations and purchasing individual gifts for each child—often the only Christmas presents they receive.



Following the gift distribution, Rotary members joined children and staff for pizza in each cottage, sharing an evening of warmth, celebration, and community.



## **A Glimpse into Austria Through Ludlow Rotary Youth Exchange Student**

The Ludlow Rotary Club also recently welcomed guest speaker and exchange student Mia, who shared an engaging and informative slideshow about her home country of Austria. Located in the heart of Europe, Austria borders seven countries and serves as a crossroads of cultures, languages, and history.

Austria is made up of nine federal states, and residents can often identify where someone is from simply by their regional accent. Its capital city, Vienna, is known for its efficient public transportation system, rich musical heritage, and high quality of life, frequently earning recognition as one of the world's most livable cities. Austrian teens often rely on public transit or motorcycles, as a license is required to drive a car but not a motorcycle—an interesting contrast to life in the United States.

Mia also shared a unique holiday tradition: Krampus parades, where participants dress as the horned folkloric figure known as Krampus, often described as an “evil” counterpart to Santa Claus. These lively and slightly spooky parades are a popular Christmas-time tradition and draw large crowds each year.

Austria's education system differs significantly from that of the U.S. Students typically attend schools of about 800 students and follow academic tracks aligned with their interests for up to eight years. Rather than moving between classrooms, students remain in one room while teachers rotate throughout the day. Another surprise for many was that it is common for entire families to attend prom celebrations together. While German is Austria's primary language, English instruction is required in schools.

Austria has a deep and complex history, having played major roles in World War I and World War II. Annexed by Nazi Germany in 1938, Austria was home to several concentration camps, including Mauthausen, a sobering reminder of the Holocaust. Today, Austria is also known for its excellence in winter sports, particularly Olympic alpine skiing, as well as its strong presence in Formula One racing.

Mia's presentation highlighted the value of cultural understanding made possible through Rotary International's Youth Exchange Program, which fosters global awareness, leadership, and lifelong connections.



Rotary International's Youth Exchange Program allows students ages 15–19 to learn a new language, experience another culture, and become true global citizens. Exchanges are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries.

For more information about the Youth Exchange Program or the Ludlow Rotary Club, please contact any Rotarian or write to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow, VT.

## Ludlow Rotary Supports Chester Teen Center

The Ludlow Rotary Club recently presented a check to Andrew Moore, Creative Arts Director for BRACC (Black River Action Community Coalition), in support of the new Chester Teen Center. The center is spearheaded by Lauren Ingersoll and is located at Green Mountain Church, 469 Main Street in Chester.



The Chester Teen Center provides a safe, welcoming space for youth ages 13 and up, offering a balance of fun and enrichment. The center is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3:00–5:30 pm, and features homework tutoring, creative workshops, and opportunities for teens to socialize and build friendships.

Operating year-round, the Teen Center also offers seasonal activities, including mountain biking in the summer and skiing in the winter, helping teens stay active and engaged throughout the year. For more information about the Chester Teen Center, visit [braccvt.org](http://braccvt.org).

*PHOTO (r-l): Rotarian Brigid Sullivan and BRACC's Andrew Moore (Photo courtesy of Kim Lampert)*



## Greater Keene Rotaract Holds Annual Operation Elves

The Greater Keene Rotaract held its 8th annual Operation Elves holiday assistance event this past December. Through the program, 68 local children from 30 families received new clothes, hats and mittens, hygiene supplies, and gifts selected by their guardians in our "store." Operation Elves benefited significantly from the support of Rotarians from both the Keene and Keene Elm City clubs, with Rotarians donating both gifts for children and time to the event as personal shoppers and gift wrappers. We extend our deepest thanks to our community partners — 21 Bar & Grill, Birdies - the Place to Gather, the Cheshire Children's Museum, Montshire Pediatric Dentistry, and Douglas Co. — for their support of this meaningful program that brings holiday magic and joy to children in our community.



## Director of Philanthropy at ACLU Addresses Capital City Sunrise Rotary

Sarah Palermo, Director of Philanthropy with the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in New Hampshire, addressed members of the Capital City Sunrise Rotary on December 18th, 2025.

She spoke of the ACLU's role defending the Constitutionally guaranteed freedoms of free speech and due process afforded our nations residents amidst the dozens of lawsuits filed against the Trump administration's executive orders challenging these American birthrights.



Sarah further addressed questions regarding the concept of "Diversity, Equity and Inclusion" ...an imbedded principle of today's Rotary International's mission, and the ACLU's position countering policies and initiatives diminishing these humanistic ideals.

A children's book, from a list provided to her, was chosen by Sarah to be donated, in her name, to the Children's Room at the Concord Public Library.

She was warmly received, applauded and invited to return for a repeat speaking engagement.



## Hopkinton Rotary Hosts First Annual “Winter Wonderland Tea”

Hopkinton, NH (December 15, 2025) – Rotary Club of Hopkinton NH is pleased to announce that we successfully held our first annual “Winter Wonderland Tea” social event on December 7, 2025. Through the hard work of many club members, there was an assortment of desserts and a variety of teas for the guests to enjoy. In our first year we had over 40 guests and they also were able to enjoy live music and engage with others in the community.



Sallie Mungle, club secretary and the visionary of this event, indicated that the event was very successful, having the community coming together for a greater cause with everyone looking forward to next year. Funds raised will benefit the Hopkinton Food Pantry.

## Six Area Rotary Clubs Honor Veterans

Veterans Day, November 11, 2025...On this day members from 6 area Rotary Clubs, Concord, Bow, Hopkinton, Capital City Sunrise, Franklin Falls and Milford convened a joint meeting at the Veterans and Military Campus in Franklin, New Hampshire.

The meeting served a dual purpose ... to facilitate an opportunity for area Club members to meet one another, share ideas and educate ourselves about our neighbor Clubs successes...and to celebrate and learn of a new, “one of a kind “ facility for veterans and family members in the nation.



Rotary District 7870 Governor Donna Deos and Veterans and Military Campus Executive Director/ Chief Military Services Director Easter Seals NH, Brigadier General Allen Aldenberg were the Key Note Speakers.

DG Deos spoke of the opportunity afforded Rotary members of this local business venture that posed the potential to spawn a “Veterans “ Rotary Club.

General Aldenberg, a Military “Bronze Star” recipient addressed the Rotary and family member audience of the Veterans and Military Campus stated primary mission, as promoted by Easter Seals NH , was to serve the needs of the Veteran residents and their families in the residential complex and Hotel accommodations adjacent to the resident living quarters .



He outlined future facility expansion goals including an indoor swimming pool and recreational facilities for veterans slated for completion by 2028.

General Aldenberg was applauded for his leadership in the fruition of the Campus' current offerings.

Notably visible throughout the evenings' proceedings was an apparent, sincere dedication by General Aldenberg of the primary mission of the Campus also promoted by Easter Seals NH , to attend, and "give back" to our Veterans with a state of the art community living facility.

The attached photo is that of the back side of the Generals' pullover ... snapped while he led a tour of the Hotel, capturing the spirit of the evening.

Notable is the quotation, quietly worn by a career, decorated Military Veteran and current Assistant Adjutant General of the NH Army National Guard.

*"Dear person behind me ,  
the world is a better place  
with you in it.*

*love,  
the person in front of you."*



# International

## International Coffee with JB - An Informal Zoom Get Together

The next International Coffee With JB will be held at **8:30AM** on **Friday, Feb. 6th**. You can join by using the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/78773960966?pwd=QkFlTTZkdDJyRzJIa3phTmhzam1kQT09>

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 6, 2026, as Charlene Lovett from Rotary Club of Claremont/Sugar River is our featured speaker. She will discuss her recent trip to Warsaw and Bialystok Poland and her visits with our friends there.

This is a very interesting and impactful relationship that has been built between District 7870 and District 2231 Poland and District 2232 Ukraine since the start of the War in Ukraine. See the quote below from Past Club President and Current Assistant Governor Charlene:

“Rotary offers us the ability to build international relationships, creating new opportunities for advancing good in the world. Join me on Feb 6 and learn how the Claremont-Sugar River Rotary Club became a “sister” to the Bialystok Rotary Club in Poland, and how that connection is changing what we do.”

Please consider joining us for a firsthand experience of international service beyond your local rotary club in district 7870.

**Rotary**  
District 7870

**COFFEE WITH JB**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026  
8:30 - 9:30 AM

**ONLINE CHAT AND Q&A WITH**  
**CHARLENE LOVETT**

Assistant Governor, District 7870

<b>PRESENTATION</b> Charlene will be talking about the relationship between the Rotary Clubs in Claremont, Poland and Ukraine.	<b>Q&amp;A PERIOD</b> There will be a Question and Answer period for about 20 additional minutes.	<b>QUESTIONS</b> Questions should be submitted in advance to ensure timeliness and guest preparation.
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**CONTACT** [charlovet@claremontrotary.com](mailto:charlovet@claremontrotary.com)

**ZOOM LINK** [Zoom Link](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/78773960966?pwd=QkFlTTZkdDJyRzJIa3phTmhzam1kQT09)

**Charlene Lovett,**  
**Rotary Club of Claremont, NH**

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**UNITE FOR GOOD**



## **Amigo de Honduras Mission Team Trip - Jan. 31-Feb. 7, 2026**

As noted previously, the 2026 Amigos de Honduras mission team is beginning preparation for their mission trip which is scheduled to leave on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> and return on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.

The team roster has been filled and, under the guidance of Vice Chair, Jill Pierson, the planning for the mission is well underway.

As in the past, our team requires medical supplies and many of these items can be purchased over the counter. Attached is a list of needed supplies and if your club, or your club members, would like to donate supplies, go to the attached list and click on the item and it will tell you where these can be purchased. If you do this, we'd ask that you contact our Medical Supplies Coordinator, Jeanne Conde, at [jeannec@simpleportals.com](mailto:jeannec@simpleportals.com) to let her know which supplies you are going to acquire so we don't over purchase any items.

If instead you'd like to make a cash donation for medical supplies, but would prefer the Amigos Committee to make the purchases, that would be great. Please make checks payable to Amigos de Honduras and send your donations to my address which is noted in the header above. Whichever approach you choose, we need to have this completed by the end of September due to the documentation requirements.

Last year, my Bow club had already made a generous donation for the projects. But, then they passed the hat and members generously contributed toward the purchase of medical supplies and the club matched those donations. This resulted in a second donation being made with the express purpose of purchasing medical supplies.

However, your club and your club members decide to contribute, we very much appreciate your support.

This year's trip will have the same three areas of focus as with previous trips: medical and dental brigade, school construction, and a water and sanitation project. Typically the projects on these mission trips require funds of between \$12,000 and \$18,000.



Please know that 100% of the funds that are contributed will go to the projects, as our team members fund their own travel expenses and the administrative costs are donated.

The Rotary International District 7870 Foundation is a 501c3 charitable organization under the rules of the Internal Revenue Service. Our Tax ID is 26-0197796.

If you would like a copy of our 2025 report, please email me at [cep617@comcast.net](mailto:cep617@comcast.net) The report highlights this past mission trip, but also provides an overview of our activities over the past 25 years. Also, please let me know if you would like one of us to present to your Rotary Club.

Sincerely,  
Christopher E. Parkinson, Past District Governor and Chair of Amigos De Honduras

## **Fundraisers**

### **Raffle Tickets Still Available to Support Ukrainian Humanitarian Projects**

Raffle tickets are still available to support Ukrainian humanitarian projects.

If you like to ski and are interested in supporting Ukrainian humanitarian projects, this raffle is for you! The Claremont-Sugar River Rotary Club is raffling a \$200 gift certificate for a one-night getaway at the Common Man Inn and Restaurant in Claremont. Located on the banks of the Sugar River, the Inn is within 30 minutes of ski resorts in both New Hampshire and Vermont. Ski a day in one state, enjoy a stay in a luxurious room, and wake up fresh for another day of skiing elsewhere.

Raffle tickets are \$10 each and the drawing will be held once 100 tickets are sold. All proceeds will benefit club or district projects for Ukrainians who are facing another winter in wartime. Raffle tickets can be purchased online at [Common Man Inn Getaway](https://www.commonmann.com) The gift certificate is valid for a mid-week stay, subject to availability and date restrictions.

For more information about the Common Man Inn and Restaurant in Claremont, please visit their website at [Home - The Common Man Inn Claremont](https://www.commonmann.com)



Together we can make a difference!

Charlene Lovett, Claremont-Sugar River Rotary, Past President

## Rotary Club of Nashua - Charity Car Raffle - Grand Prize on March 4, 2026



**Rotary Club of Nashua**  
6th Annual **Charity Car Raffle**

**2026 BMW X3 30 xDrive OR \$40,000 CASH!**

**THREE \$500 EARLYBIRD DRAWINGS!**  
Nov 3, Dec 1 & Jan 5  
Winning tickets remain in drawing for Grand Prize

**ONLY 1000 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!**  
Ticket Price: \$100

PURCHASE TICKETS & MORE INFO  
**[www.NashuaRotary.org](http://www.NashuaRotary.org)**

**GRAND PRIZE DRAWING**  
**March 4, 2026 @ Tulley BMW of Nashua**

More information and tickets purchases at [www.nashuarotary.org](http://www.nashuarotary.org)



## Miscellaneous

### District Calendar

So much going on within the clubs in the district! Be sure to regularly check this District Calendar of Events: <http://rotary7870.org/events/calendar>

Do you have an entry for the District online calendar? Please email your entry to: [prrotary7870@gmail.com](mailto:prrotary7870@gmail.com).

### Months of the Rotary Year

Many months of the year are designated by Rotary International for special significance.

**July** – Maternal and Child Health Month

**August** – Membership & Extension Month

**September** – Basic Education and Literacy Month

**October** – Economic and Community Development Month

**November** – Rotary Foundation Month

**December** – Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

**January** – Vocational Service Month

**February** – Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

**March** – Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

**April** – Environment Month

**May** – Youth Service Month

**June** – Rotary Fellowships Month

### Have Something You'd Like to Share with the Entire District?

Updates and short (1 page) articles, along with images (**Word and JPEGs only. NO PDFs please**) may be submitted to Martin Cohn and Maureen Mooney at [prrotary7870@gmail.com](mailto:prrotary7870@gmail.com) to be included in the Monthly Newsletter. **Please limit your photos to one per article.** The District Newsletter is a means of communicating with other clubs in our district: items of interest, upcoming events, fundraisers or opportunities for service. **Deadline for next newsletter submissions: February 14th, 2026 at 6 PM.**



## Website and Social Media

Be sure to check (and share) the Rotary District 7870 **website** at: [www.rotary7870.org](http://www.rotary7870.org).

Be sure to join (and share) the Rotary District 7870 **Facebook page** here:

