



Rotary In Action

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ROTARY FACTOIDS

- Since Rotarians started their program to counter Polio in 1985, more than two billion children have received the oral polio vaccine.
- It costs \$60 to immunize 100 children against polio.
- \$190 million raised toward \$200 million Challenge

October 24-World Polio Day Starts Polio Awareness Push-November 5 Ends it

*We Are This Close To Ending
Polio- All We Need Is You*

Poliomyelitis is a viral disease that can affect nerves and can lead to partial or full paralysis. Between 1840 and the 1950s, polio was a worldwide epidemic. Although Polio has been almost completely eradicated in the Western Hemisphere due to vaccinations, outbreaks still occur in the developed world, usually in groups of people who have not been vaccinated. The tragic



thing about polio is that it can and has been prevented in most parts of the world, but still exists in four countries where it can still spread to others. Join the Rotary Clubs in our District and the Manchester Monarchs to give hope for life without polio to these endemic countries through our contributions.

Save November 5th for a district sponsored Polio Awareness Night at the Monarch's hockey game at the Verizon Arena in Manchester, NH beginning at 7:00 pm. For information and tickets, go to: <https://www.monarchsjungle.com/rotary-club> (Ctrl + click or paste into your browser) Gold tickets are \$25; Silver, \$20. 40% of gate goes to Polio Challenge. Come join the fun, fellowship and fundraising for Polio.

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GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE SEEKS YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FOR VOCATIONAL/CULTURAL TRIP TO GERMANY

Do you know someone who might be interested in an expense paid (travel, room and board) cultural/vocational exchange to northern Germany from May 13th to June 14th, 2012? This year a GSE team will be sent to a district in northern Germany in a high tech industrial area which in-

cludes the city of Bremen. See link to photos of Bremen on p. 4.

See <http://www.Rotary7870.org>. Click on Group Study Exchange in the left hand column on the home page and review the information provided. Download either the Team Member Application for non-Rotarians or the

Team Leader Application for Rotarians. This form must be endorsed and signed by the president of your local Rotary club. Team Leader applications are due by Oct. 15 and Team Members by Oct. 30 to Ruth Clough at P.O. Box 417, Bethel, VT 05032, or email to rclough_bethel@yahoo.com



Rotary Visibility



Anti-smoking Advocate



Informational Booths



Dog Training

Photos from Rotary Club of Monadnock's Wellness Festival



Governor's Schedule for Club

Visits

October 11-12	Raymond Area
October 12	Pittsfield
October 13	Merrimack
October 17	Wallingford
October 17	Bethel
October 18	Ludlow
October 19	Wantastiquet-Londonderry
October 19-20	Poultney
October 26-27	Bellows Falls
October 31	Manchester, NH
November 2	Hopkinton
November 9	Milford
November 9-10	Hudson-Litchfield

NEEDED: AA FRE-QUENT FLYER MILES
Amigos de Honduras is looking for American Airlines frequent flyer miles for two nurses from Concord Hospital who are volunteering to go to Honduras in February and are having trouble getting enough money for the flight. Miles transfer would be a big help. Mary Crooker with Amigos would put any potential donor together with the recipients. Contact her at: dmcrooker@juno.com

Governor's Byline-Jan McElroy



This is a photo of the flooding along Flat Street, in Brattleboro, VT where the Boys & Girls Club is located. The club is the bright red wall on the left. Greg Worden was one of many Rotarians who helped with some of the cleanup at the B&G Club and sent me this. "This photo will give you an idea of the outside of the building. The inside was much worse -- mucky water filled the basement area where the kitchen is and up to three feet inside the main floor where the basketball court and much of the skateboard facility is located. Rotarians responded with a generous

outpouring of labor and clean-up skills, including time by a Rotarian contractor and his men, who with a small excavator, removed several inches of muddy silt before other Rotarians went in with shovels, brooms, mops and buckets to further clean the site."

And this was salvageable, many homes and businesses were not. Approximately 1000 homes were destroyed or heavily damaged and families left homeless in Vermont.

Our District 7870 and the one to the north of us are working on raising funds for a \$250,000 matching grant from Rotary to help

address the basic needs for temporary housing, heat, fuel, water and food of those impacted by Hurricane Irene that are not addressed by insurance, FEMA or other resources.

A \$15,000 pledge from a district in Taiwan which will be matched with \$15,000 has moved us over half way to our goal. We need 5 more districts pledging \$10,000 each or 33 clubs pledging \$2,000 each to reach it. Some clubs have held special fund raisers to reach this goal with individuals contributing as well through their club. Can you help?

We need the pledges by Oct. 29th. I am grateful to everyone who has assisted or will assist in dealing with this humanitarian crisis.



District Foundation Dinners-November 8th (NH) and 10th (VT)

November is the Month for Celebrating the Rotary Foundation

This is your invitation to put together a group of Rotarians, family members or prospective members for a fun evening of fellowship to celebrate the great things you and your club are doing through Rotary.

When/Where: Tuesday, November 8th at the Crowne Plaza, Nashua and Thursday, November 10th at

Jackson Gore Inn, Okemo, Ludlow
Times: 5:30-9:00 pm. Cost: \$35
Registration can be done through the District website.

The program will feature three members of the **2011 Group Study Exchange** who went to Turkey in District 2430, James Key-Wallace, Noah Lefebvre and Chris Parkinson have put a special presentation together on this ancient and exotic land.

Additionally, PDG Julia Phelps will share with us a first hand overview of **Future Vision and What Changes to Expect in 2014**. As District 7930's Foundation Chair, she is leading them through the Future Vision Pilot. She has been appointed to serve as the Rotary Foundation Alumni Chair (RFAC) for Zone 32 through 2012.

Foundation awards will be presented at the Dinners.

News from RI

Social Media

Learn how to use social media to promote your club or district in a social media webinar. You will learn the basics of getting started with social networks and how to maintain and effectively use social media sites, such as Facebook, Twitter, or LinkedIn.

English Sessions: Basics

Wednesday, 12 October, at 11 a.m. (Central Time)

Wednesday, 19 October, at 6 p.m. (Central Time)

Rotary-UN Day

The annual Rotary-UN Day will be held on Saturday, 5 November, at United Nations headquarters in New York City. Organized by the RI representatives to the UN, this year's event will feature presentations from senior UN staff and Rotary leaders as well as panel discussions on health, water, literacy, and youth.

Speakers include the Honorable Timothy E. Wirth, president of the United Nations Foundation and Better World Fund; Jacob Ku-

maresan, executive director of WHO; and Paul Edwards, chief water, sanitation, and hygiene at UNICEF.

High school-age students, including Interactors and Rotary Youth Exchange participants, can attend a special youth program in the morning and join the adult program in the afternoon.

Download the registration form for [RI-UN Day](#) and the [youth program](#). For more information contact [Brad Jenkins](#).



Staff Benda Bilili, which means "look beyond appearances" in Lingala, is a band of eight former street musicians from Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo. Five are polio survivors. Their song "Polio" speaks of the disease that changed their lives and urges parents to immunize their children.

Can you identify these folks? →



An Eagle Scout project by a Concord Rotarian's Son



Those persevering folks who loaded the Medical Equipment for Honduras

For the latest on the number of polio cases, progress reports on polio-endemic countries, and other information, go to www.polioeradication.org

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI): Send Your New Members



What is the Rotary Leadership Institute of Northeast America?

The Rotary Leadership Institute of Northeast America includes the original area where the RLI was founded in 1992. It now includes 28 districts in the northeastern part of the USA and Bermuda. The RLI is a recommended unofficial affiliate of Rotary International, but not an official program

of R. I. nor under its control.

The institute offers a training program in three full-day sessions, followed by graduate seminars. Faculty are carefully selected from among Rotarians with outstanding leadership abilities, prepared to conduct innovative participatory course sessions.

RLI is for everyone, but especially new members and those on the Presidential Track and Committee Chairs.

Go to: <http://www.rlinea.com/Calendar.htm>

for a complete listing of the course dates and locations. The one in our district is: Saturday, November 5, 2011, Rutland, VT, Stafford Technical Center, Part I, II, III. Near by ones are: Saturday, March 3, 2012, Wells, ME, York County Community College, Part I, II, III, Graduate and Saturday, March 31, 2012, Lebanon, NH, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Part I, II, III.

Calendar– See District and Club Websites for Details

Visit the RI Website:

www.Rotary.org

Register for Member

Access to contribute online
to the Foundation or check
out your contributions.

Visit the District Website:

www.Rotary7870.org

Secretaries should update their
membership and club officers
data. **Semi-annual Report (SAR)**
and dues to RI and District are
overdue!



District Golf Tournament

A record number, 72, golfers competed and raised a new record amount for the Polio Challenge. Congratulations to the winning team, who were not all Rotarians: Brian Dodge, Fred Baybutt, Mike Kirtsy and Jim Kirtsy. Team Concord took 2nd and won the Rotary Trophy: Ken Robinson, Dick Holden, John Fraser, and Randy Guay.

Thanks to Keene Rotary Club President Bill Stevens for hosting the event, and Chair Chris Parkinson and his committee for all their work in organizing it.

21st Ludlow Rotary Club Chili Cook off	Ludlow	Oct 8
Annual Spaghetti City	Nashua West	Oct 11
Rotary Harvest Dance	Capital City Sunrise-Concord	Oct 15
Ride for a Rink	Raymond Area	Oct 15
GSE Rotarian Team Leader Application due	See District Website	Oct 15
Polio Day and Polio Awareness Week Begins	For All Clubs	Oct 24
Killington-Pico 40th Birthday	Killington-Pico	Oct 28
GSE Team Member Application due	See District Website	Oct 30
Polio Awareness Night at Monarch's Hockey Game	Verizon Arena-District Event	Nov 5
Rotary Auction	Bow	Nov 5
Bethel International Dinner	Bethel	Nov 7
Foundation Dinner in NH	Crowne Plaza, Nashua	Nov 8
Foundation Dinner in VT	Jackson Gore Inn, Okemo, Ludlow	Nov 10
Peterborough's 40th Birthday	Peterborough	Nov 10
RYLA at Sargent Center, Hancock, NH	Monadnock	Nov 19
Polar Express	White River Junction	Dec 10-11

If you want your events listed, you need to submit the information early to Dennis@mcmann.net and include what it is, where it is, when it is and other details important to your event. For additional details, see www.Rotary7870.org – Calendar– and click on event to get the club's event description, time and location.

PHOTOS of District 1850 including Bremen, Germany-Click + ctrl link to see Description, Map and Photos http://www.rotary1850.de/distrikt/00_distriktAktuell/District_1850_engl.php

RYLA CONFERENCE ON NOVEMBER 19

The Monadnock Rotary Club invites each club in Rotary District 7870 to participate in this year's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Conference. Each club is encouraged to select and sponsor high school Juniors and Seniors who are interested in attending. They should be students who want to develop their understanding of themselves as leaders and who want to learn more about the leadership process. The conference is open to 60 high school Juniors and Seniors

and it is recommend that each participating club register a maximum of 4 students. Participants will be registered on a first come, first served basis.

RYLA 2011 will be held at Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center in Hancock, NH. See this great facility at: <http://www.naturesclassroom.org/sargent/>

The program focuses on aspects of leadership such as *communication, leadership styles, and public speaking*. This one-day event also provides

an opportunity for these students to experience fellowship by meeting and working with their peers from around the district. Meals for the day are provided.

Contact Cassie Cleverly, Monadnock Rotary RYLA Committee, for registration information: cassie.cleverly@gmail.com -(603) 563-7046 or Swift Corwin at swift.corwin@gmail.com -(603)562-5620

**Reach within to Embrace
Humanity.**