



NEWSLETTER

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By DG David Hoopes



Hello from the District Staff - the folks who are here to help you and your club!

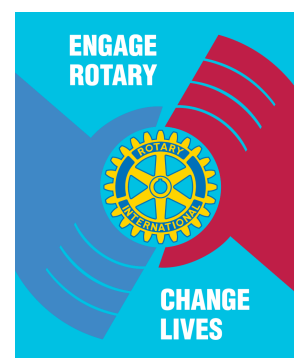
October is upon us and it is the month we are asked by Evanston to speak out about Vocational Service but you will see plenty of good stuff on that in this month's Rotarian magazine. Here in District 7870 we are about the Membership Conference, preparing for the Rotary Leadership Institute and bringing together our Foundation Programs for presentation at the two Foundation dinners.

On October 19th in Brattleboro, VT Membership Chair June Howe and her very able team will put on a one day seminar for us all on the best and most successful techniques, what works, how it works and why it works with interactive discussions and pragmatic examples and discussions. Do not fail to send at least one club rep to this important and excellent event. Last year's conference - also run by June and her crew - was regarded as the best training event in the District in many years! No kidding! Absolutely!

On November 9th in Rutland at the Technical Institute we are fortunate enough to have an RLI Training Day. The Rotary Leadership Institute consisting of three levels - will provide you - in one day - with more exposure, more understanding, more breadth and depth of how to run a club, how to build a fund raiser, how to manage a grant than you will normally acquire in three years of club experience. And all for a mere \$75 (which your club normally pays) and includes breakfast, lunch, training materials and exposure to up and coming colleagues as well as exceptional training officers and PDG's from throughout New England who run the Institute. Why do you think every PDG you know and half the other District leaders have an RLI graduate pin? It's an excellent program in highly focused and condensed form. It's open to all of you. Go on line and register today!

On November 12th in Nashua and November 14th in Ludlow our outstanding Foundation Dinners take place. Do not miss these! This year we have an abundance of active, ordinary Global Grants being created and managed by 7870 lead Clubs with participation by dozens of other clubs. You need to be amazed and excited by what some of our colleagues are doing and how very well and very passionately they are doing it. Sign up today. Bring your spouse. Your Youth Exchange student. Your Interactors. Be there! Aloha.

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IF YOU WANT PEACE, WORK FOR JUSTICE, POPE PAUL VI

By Jeanice Garfield, President, Rotary Club of Springfield

Using the Rotary International annual theme, *Engage Rotary, Change Lives* as a guide post, we have chosen Peace and Justice as our theme. This exciting theme is appropriate to our community which is struggling with many social issues at this time.

Our program committee has planned several programs for the past two months that address our theme.

We have started the year focusing on our schools. Beginning with the youngest learners, we have heard how our primary school (grades K to 2), teaches "the beginnings of children making good choices for themselves and their school community." The school has embraced Responsive Classroom which is a research-based way of teaching expected behavior to help children build academic and social-emotional skills every day. Elm Hill school also has a planning room for students who are having difficulties with behavior. Each classroom has a 'peace chair' for the student to take a short break when needed and who can then return to the larger group.

The guidance counselor in Union Street School, our elementary school (grades 3 to 5), teaches mediation tactics to take the next step of learning how to deal with social challenges in the classroom or on the playground. The school has also incorporated Responsive Classroom strategies at a higher developmental level.

Our middle school Life Skills teacher and Assistant Principal 'keeps the peace' by incorporating different strategies. These include Life Skills, Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS), a passport level of acknowledgement where every child gets a passport that can be stamped by anyone in the school who sees them performing positively. Students continue to learn how important the harassment and bullying policies are which are in line with the VT State. Cyberbullying over the weekend and off campus away from the school is addressed and not tolerated. The middle school has an acknowledgement system with businesses that support those young people whose behavior is acceptable...3 R's = being respectful, being responsible and being ready.

We have a well-established Justice Center with community members who are involved in the volunteer programs it hosts. The director has told us of how the program was established and where it is going which will enable it to work with those who are possibly entering or leaving the justice system. It is now serving those who are being released from our correctional facilities by providing mentors who work with the men and women to help them transition back into our community.

We are looking forward to continuing our exploration and support for Peace and Justice in our Community with additional programming.

JUSTICE IS TRUTH IN ACTION, Benjamin Disraeli

Calendar

For additional information go to the district website calendar

October

8. Spaghetti City Nashua West
Nashua Senior Center

11. Pumpkin Festival Milford
Milford Oval

12. Octoberfest Multi-Club Fellowship
Anheuser-Busch Brewery, Merrimack, NH

19. District Membership Conference
Brattleboro Retreat, Brattleboro, VT

28. International Dinner Bethel Area
Bethel VT

November

12. NH District Foundation Dinner
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Nashua, NH

14. VT District Foundation Dinner
Jackson Gore Inn, Ludlow, VT

28. Turkey Trot 5k Merrimack
Merrimack High School



DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CONFERENCE

By June Howe, AG, District Membership Chair

You are invited to the District Membership Conference detailed below. To register for this event click on "Register Online" below. You can also book family and friends.

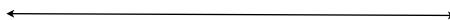
Event: District Membership Conference
Date: Oct 19, 2013 at 08:30 AM - 01:45 PM
Fee: \$20.00
Location: Brattleboro Retreat
[View Map](#) Anna Marsh Lane
Brattleboro, VT
United States

Details: Join fellow Rotarians in Brattleboro, VT to share experiences, ideas, best practices in an open forum style in a peaceful setting at a gorgeous time of year. Expect to return to your Clubs refreshed, with new ideas and thoughts that will revitalize you and your Club.

This Conference is about you, for you and, if you are open, will help you create amazing changes in your Club. Every Rotarian should consider attending from newbies to the 50+ year members. You will share good food including a continental breakfast and healthy lunch and good times as we seek to put the "I" in Rotary and bring new meaning to "Service above Self."

The cost of this transformation is \$20.00 per person. You may pay online or send checks payable to Rotary District 7870 at the following address:

June Howe, District Membership Chair
548 Old Ferry Rd.
Dummerston, VT 05301. [Register Online](#)



COLORADO FLOOD RELIEF UPDATE

As of today, BRCF has received 9 contributions from your area, totaling over \$1000, all due to your fine support. Will send you details as of the end of the month, if that will be suitable.

Things keep coming up here to show that the damage throughout the community was more severe and the repercussions longer-lasting than we could tell earlier.

Bolder Rotary Club has been temporarily - may have been permanently - displaced from our Usual weekly meeting venue. That's kept me scrambling, also to find venues for two evening events in October. Much as many other community organizations are at loose ends for their usual functions. No doubt you hear something of the families and individuals severely affected, and the infrastructure up and down the Colorado Front Range.

We'll all make it, but there's that unsettled feeling meanwhile - as you know only too well. We are so very much indebted to District 7870! I hope to visit you and have the opportunity of thanking everyone in person by this time next year!



FUND RAISING FOR AMIGOS DE HONDURAS PROJECTS

By Chris Parkinson, PDG, Chair Amigos de Honduras



*Celebration of School Repairs
at El Pozo Bendito*

I have been a part of the Amigos De Honduras program for the past thirteen years. We take great pride in the fact that over that time numerous teams of Rotarians from 30 of our clubs, have constructed 5 schools, expanded 2 schools, converted 2 buildings into schools, painted and repaired 8 schools, and have worked on a youth center. We have also repaired hospitals and constructed a Dental Clinic. Also over that period, we have had 18 medical and dental missions and have served more than 23,000 people. Finally, we have installed more than 10,000 water filters and more than 50,000 people now have pure water to drink which has greatly improved their health status.

This past year I was privileged to lead a great team of 28 Rotarians and Friends of Rotarians that ventured to Danli, Honduras (my ninth trip). The projects that this team was involved with concentrated on three main areas 1) Repairing and replacing the roofs on 4 school buildings in El Pozo Bendito: 2) Medical Care and Dental Teams which saw more than 1800 people; and, 3) Pure Water Projects in the villages of Linaca, La Comunidad, El Portillo, and Mapachin.

As we look ahead to 2014, we are in great need for funding for our projects and are requesting donations from Rotary Clubs, from Business, and from individuals. The Rotary International District 7870 Foundation is a not-for-profit 501c3 charitable organization under the rules of the Internal Revenue Service. Our Tax Id is 26-0197796. Checks should be made out to "Amigos De Honduras". I would note that all administrative and travel costs are paid for by the volunteers and, therefore, 100% of the funds you contribute will go to the projects.

Please send contributions to our Foundation Treasurer, Alan Kanegsberg at 9 Old Coach Rd, Bow, NH 03304. Also, if you would like to have me do a presentation for your club, or if you would like to go on next year's trip (2/1-2/9/14) which I will again be serving as leader, my e-mail is cep617@comcast.net.

I would very much like to thank you in advance for your support of the Amigos De Honduras program. In closing, let me share with you one of my favorite quotes from Margaret Mead:

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."



THE ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS EVENT NOVEMBER 9, 2013

By Cassie Cleverly, RYLA Chair, Monadnock Rotary Club

RYLA 2013 will be Held at Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center in Hancock, NH. This is the same site it was held at last year. See this great facility at: <http://www.naturesclassroom.org/sargent/>.

Registration Deadline: October 26, 2013



Your club is invited to sponsor students to the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) event being sponsored by the Monadnock Rotary Club this fall. This year's event will be held on November

9th at Nature's Classroom Sargent Center for Outdoor Education.

This leadership program is comprised of three interactive conference-style sessions. Topics explored and practiced in this event will include communication, conflict resolution, and team-building. This day-long event also provides an opportunity for the participants to experience the fellowship of meeting and working with their peers from around the district. For many years this event has been successful in providing high school students an opportunity to further themselves as leaders.

Space is limited and will fill up, so please register your students as soon as possible. Each club is encouraged to select and sponsor high school Juniors and Seniors who are interested in attending. The cost of the program is \$95 per student. Participants will be registered on a first come first served basis. Please note the event capacity is no more than 60 teens.

Who is eligible to attend?

Clubs may design their own process to select high school Juniors and Seniors from their local schools. They should be students who want to develop an understanding of themselves as leaders and who want to learn more about the leadership process. We would like to suggest that Interact members be given preference, but any Junior or Senior who would benefit from this highly interactive leadership program is welcome. This day

is appropriate for both active leaders and teens who need some encouragement to reach their leadership potential.

What is the program?

This year's program will include three sessions: Communication, Team-Building and Conflict Resolution. Our one-day event also provides an opportunity for these teen leaders to network by meeting and working with their peers from around the district.

Who are the presenters?

Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center staff will facilitate the conference sessions. Sargent Center has provided the staff and programming for this leadership day for several years and the feedback from the RYLA participants has been very positive. We are excited to partner with them again for this year's event.

Register your leaders!

Participants must be available to attend the entire conference day.

Please complete the registration form and return it with the tuition of \$95 *per student* made payable to the Monadnock Rotary Club **before October 26th**. Send your registration materials to *Cassie Cleverly, RYLA Chair, 88 Pierce Rd., Dublin, NH 03444*. The registration information can also be emailed to cassi.cleverly@gmail.com.

Each registered participant will be directly contacted via a confirmation email regarding the details they will need for the event, including directions.

We appreciate your support and enthusiasm for our district youth and the RYLA program. Your role in sponsoring teens to this event is important in making this a successful experience. We look forward to working with you as we prepare for another great conference.

If you have questions, please contact Cassie Cleverly by phone at 603.203.6673 or by email at cassie.cleverly@gmail.com.

RYLA Participant Form

We are happy to invite you to join us on November 9th, 2013, at Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center. Please assist us by completing this form and having a parent or guardian sign where indicated if you are under 18 years of age.

General Information:

Participant Name: _____

Participant Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town/City: _____

State: _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone Number: _____

Emergency Information: In the event of an emergency RYLA organizers will make every effort to contact your parent or guardian. Please provide us with the name and phone number of an **additional emergency contact** (other than parent/guardian) for the day of the event in the case that we cannot reach your parent or guardian.

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Relationship to You: _____

For Students Under 18 Years of Age: If the participating student is under 18 years of age the following must be signed by a legal parent or guardian.

I, _____, the legal parent or guardian of, _____, give permission for him/her to participate in the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) event, including all associated activities, sponsored by the Monadnock Rotary Club in Dublin, New Hampshire on November 9th, 2013.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Please mail this form to Cassie Cleverly, RYLA, 88 Pierce Rd, Dublin, New Hampshire 03444 or email it to cassie.cleverly@gmail.com