NEWSLETTER

TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE

As we enter into May, we have two months left to ensure that you have made your contribution to Rotary's charity, our Rotary Foundation.

There is still time to ensure that it is greater than it was last year – our goal for the Annual Fund is US$123 million, the highest it's ever been. There's still time to ensure that we achieve our goal. And there's still time to ensure that your contribution enables our Foundation to continue to do good in the world – and that you can have the personal satisfaction of contributing to this in a meaningful way.

Remember that the good we can do is limited only by the contributions we receive.

May means that there's also just over one month until the Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, Brazil. Convention delegates like to know who will be speaking.

This year we have outstanding speakers on Foundation-related topics, both at the convention and at the Rotary Peace Symposium held immediately prior to the convention. They include Nobel Peace Prize winner Dr. Oscar Arias, Australian entrepreneur Steve Killelea, Rotary Peace Fellow Katia de Mello Dantas, and Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award winner Geetha Jayaram.

Arias was president of Costa Rica from 1986 to 1990 and 2006 to 2010, and received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1987 for his role as architect and peace-broker in ending multiple conflicts in Central America. Arias continues to be an international force for peace-building through his personal activities and the Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress.

Killelea is an Australian entrepreneur and philanthropist, known internationally as the developer of the Global Peace Index. In 2007, he established the Institute for Economics and Peace as a vehicle to build a greater understanding of the interconnection between business, peace, and economics.

Dantas received her master's degree in international development policy from Duke University in 2009. She works tirelessly on behalf of vulnerable children as the Latin America and Caribbean policy director for the International Centre for Missing and Exploited Children.

I look forward to seeing you in São Paulo.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

JIM THIESER 13TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL

ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, June 27th 2015

Lake St. Catherine Country Club

$300 / 4 person team

Shotgun 4 person scramble start at 1:00 pm

First Place Team:	**$500**	**AWARDS**
Second Place Team:	**$300**	**RAFFLES**
Third Place Team:	**$200**	

CASH BAR ~ DINNER AFTER TOURNAMENT

Pre-register: Shirley Thieser @ (802) 287-95
or sthieser@hotmail.com

District Calendar

May - Youth Services Month

May 02, 2015

Souhegan Valley Rotary Kentucky Derby Party

Boston Billiards Club, Nashua

Newport Rotary Penny Sale

Newport High School

May 11, 2015

Brattleboro Sunrise Battle of the Boards

American Legion

May 15-17,2015

Laconia Rotary WiniDerby -Weirs Beach

May 16, 2015

Bow Rotary Open Car Show, Concord Group Ins.

Bedford Rotary Memorial Road Race - BHS

Raymond Area Rotary Thunder Run Obstacle Race

New England Dragway. Epping

May 29 - 31, 2015

District Conference - Marriott Sable Oaks

S. Portland, ME

May 30, 2015

District 4-way Test Competition Finals

At District Conference

June

June 4, 2015

Brattleboro Rotary Golf Tournament

Brattle Country Club

June 6 - 9, 2015

Rotary International Convention, Sao Paulo, Brazil

June 19 - 21, 2015

Nashua West Rotary *Rock'en Ribfest*, Budweiser Brewery, Merrimack NH

June 27, 2015

Ludlow Rotary Okemo Bike Climb

June 29, 2015

District Passing of the Gavel LRSH

CLUB ACTIVITIES

RED SOX BASEBALL RAFFLE PACKAGE

$10.00 each or 3 for $20.00

- (4) great seats near the field on July 24th versus Detroit Tigers
- $50 Gas Card
- $200 Visa spending money

This package has a value of over $900!

Lucky winner to be drawn at conclusion of golf tournament.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Helping Rotary Help Others

$100 Tee Sponsor
$100 Green Sponsor
$150 Sponsor both Tee and Green

"Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated; it satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect. It is at the same time rewarding and maddening—and it is without a doubt the greatest game ever invented."
- Arnold Palmer

PLEASE JOIN US!

The Rotary Club of Rutland
PO Box 232
Rutland, VT 05702

We meet on Monday
at 12:15 PM
Palms Restaurant
36 Strongs Avenue
Rutland, VT 05701

Visit our website for additional information on The Rotary Club of Rutland and our Golf Tournament:
http://portal.clubrunner.ca/2954

For additional information or questions, contact Steve White at 802-236-1951or email Steve at Bmwwhitey@aol.com

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The Rotary Club of Rutland

proudly presents

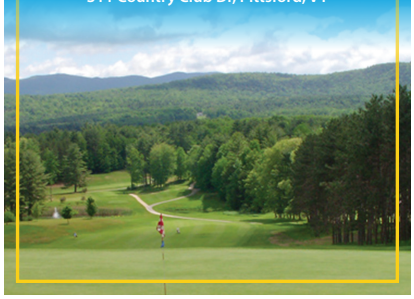
The Inaugural

TEN of NINE

GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 24TH, 2015

Shotgun Start at 8:50 AM
Proctor-Pittsford Country Club
311 Country Club Dr, Pittsford, VT



CLUB ACTIVITIES

WHY *TEN OF NINE* & WHY IS ROTARY HOSTING A GOLF EVENT?

Well, what are two things you can count on in Rutland?

The Ten of Nine Whistle, of course, and the Rotary Club of Rutland giving back to the community.

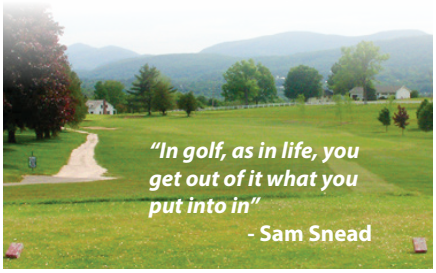
We are combining the two for the Ten of Nine Rutland Rotary Golf Tournament. As Rotary in Rutland approaches 100 years since the formation of the club, this tournament will assist to raise funds for a special centennial celebration and a special contribution that will enhance the lives of those living in and around Rutland and also impact future generations who will call the Rutland Region home.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

We are 1.2 million neighbors, friends and community leaders who come together to create positive lasting change in our communities and around the world. Our commitment to service is ongoing. Our differing occupations, cultures, and countries give us a unique perspective. Our shared passion for service helps us to accomplish the remarkable.

WHO HAS THE ROTARY CLUB OF RUTLAND HELPED?

ARC Rutland Area
CVPS Share Heat
Emergency Funds Tropical Storm Irene
Girl Scouts
Killington Music Festival
Make A Wish Foundation
Meals on Wheels
Mentor Connector
Northwest Primary School
Open Door Mission
Paramount Theatre
Rotary Park
Rutland Bike Path
Rutland County Women's Network
Rutland County Parent Child Center
Rutland High School Library
Rutland Recreation Department
Rutland Region Workforce Investment Board
Stafford Technical Center
United Way
VAC



TEN OF NINE REGISTRATION

$75 per golfer • $300 per team

Includes green fees, cart, player gift, lunch, awards and prizes.

_____ Sign us up as a team

_____ I don't have a team, please assign me to one.

Team Name: _____

Hndcp

1. _____ ____
Email: _____
2. _____ ____
Email: _____
3. _____ ____
Email: _____
4. _____ ____
Email: _____

Please complete the above information and return with your check to:
Rotary Club of Rutland,
PO Box 232, Rutland, VT 05702
Or give to a Rotarian.

See reverse for Sponsorship Opportunities.

Proctor-Pittsford Country Club offers scenic views of the Green Mountains that rival any in the state of Vermont.

Lodging & Meal Discounts for out of towners!

Rotary Club of Hollis-Brookline

Noah Worcester Peace Celebration

Please join us on Saturday, May 16th at the Lawrence Barn in Hollis to celebrate peace in our world and to recognize Noah Worcester, a leading figure in American pacifism. The evening's program includes a talk by Dr. Lewis M. Feldstein and musical entertainment with Dodi Mitchell.

2015 Hollis Fast 5K

Even Bigger and Better This Year! You are cordially invited to participate in the 11th annual Hollis Fast 5K road race to be held on Thursday evening, June 11th starting at 6:30 p.m. On-line registration is up for 2015. Visit www.hollisfast5k.com to register or to get all the race details. Runners and volunteers are needed!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

The 2015 Rotary Mission Trips and Projects *– By Chris Parkinson (Trip Coordinator)*

Over the last fifteen years, Rotary District 7870 (60 Rotary Clubs in Southern NH and Southern VT) have had 26 mission trips and provided aid to Honduras which is the second poorest country in the western hemisphere. Twenty(20) trips to Danli and Six(6) to San Pedro Sula.

Amigos De Honduras is a program of the Rotary District 7870 Foundation, which is a non-profit corporation, and two of the trustees of the foundation are Dr. Rich Berryman and Chris Parkinson.

Since 2001, Amigos De Honduras has concentrated its efforts in four areas:

- Medical Care - We have seen approximately 23,000 medical and dental patients.

- Medical Equipment and Supplies
  -- Over 11 Tons of Medical Supplies Transported by Team Members
  -- 7 – 40' Containers of Medical Equip. & Supplies
  -- 3 Ambulances shipped

- School Construction & Education – We have constructed 6 schools, expanded 2 schools, and converted 2 other buildings into schools. We have repaired and painted 18 schools, and have also worked on a youth center and a drug rehabilitation facility. We have also provided school uniforms to over 600 students – which are required for children to attend school.

- Pure Water - Working with another 501c3 Rotary partner, Pure Water for the World, we have installed or funded over 10,000 water filters, which provide clean water to more than 50,000 people. We have also provided wells and latrines to several villages.

See the full trip report on the District website Home Page Stories

Laconia Rotary Club Visioning

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Tilton-Northfield Rotary Club Holds Four-Way Speech Contest

Deb Tessier, Club President presents First Place award of $200 to Jeremy Wentworth and $100 award to Second Place contestant, Glen Bardsley. (middle)

On April 6, 2015, the Tilton-Northfield Rotary Club held its second annual 4-Way Test Speech contest at the Winnisquam Regional High School. The competition challenges local high school student so combine public speaking skills and ethics. The 4-Way Test is one of the world's most widely printed and quoted statement of business ethics, which was created in 1032 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. This 24 word test for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy. The 4-Way Test was adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into more than 1 hundred languages. The Rotary 4-Way Test is: of all the things we think, say or do, Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Congratulations to first place winner, Jeremy Wentworth and second place winner, Glen Bardsley. Both students are juniors from WRHS. Jeremy will be advancing to the semi-finals that will take place in Henniker on April 19th. For more information please visit our web site at www.tnrotary.org.

9th Annual Bowl for Kids' Sake Rotary Challenge

Join members from the Hollis-Brookline, Hudson-Litchfield, Merrimack, Milford, Nashua, Nashua West and Souhegan Valley Rotaries as they compete for the Rotary Club Bowling Champion Trophy at the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Nashua 9th Annual Bowl for Kids' Sake Rotary Challenge.!

Date: Thursday, May 7th 2015
Time: 6pm-8pm
Location: Merrimack Ten Pin

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MOMENTS

By Richard S. Rohe, District Membership Chair, Rotary Club of Rutland, VT

Don't Waste Time Re-Inventing the (Rotary) Wheel

Many years ago an incoming president of my club said he was proud to "lead this club of leaders." That assessment is probably the case in all our clubs. Rotarians are leaders in their chosen vocation, often strengthened with years of experience that builds personal confidence. It is second nature for them to assess challenges, evaluate viable alternatives and make decisions that are delegated for others to implement. Patience is not a virtue for the goal-oriented leader.

However, when these leaders become Rotarians among other leaders, none of whom are employees, quite the contrary, all are volunteers, unilateral decision making is not an option. Delegation is replaced by motivation. That dreaded of all decision-making options, the committee, becomes a necessary means to engage well-meaning members in their area of either expertise or interest in order to develop a consensus of view or a recommendation for action.

In that tedious time consuming process, sometimes voices are raised, personal egos erupt and confrontations occur that risk eroding the fellowship core value we seek to nurture. Too often time, that most precious of our assets, is wasted, meeting after meeting, trying to develop a better plan from zero when that process has already been done.

If you are a District or Club leader with an interest in Membership Development it is imperative that you log onto MY ROTARY Learning & Reference. At the top of the list of Learn by Topic is Membership. What follows is a consultant's condensed guide to achieving membership success.

Resist the temptation to think that you or your fellow members know how to evaluate the club, find new members and engage them all in a more efficient, club-tested way than what is offered here, merely for the clicking.

Time is not your friend. Make the most of it. The resource materials available on the MY ROTARY Membership section will optimize your probability of success. Review and select what you feel is appropriate for your club. But at least, conduct due diligence; click on the page and read the resources.

Your basic materials should be the Club Membership Committee Manual and the New Member Orientation How-to Guide for Clubs. And there are other resource links waiting for you.

A good place to start is Club Assessment Tools. Its 47 pages include worksheets, checklists and surveys that will help quantify how reflective your club is of your community, the levels of satisfaction of your members, retention models and what one can learn from the provided termination interview.

New for 2015 and must reading is the idea-packed 30-page brochure Strengthening Your Membership. This guide that replaces the former Membership Development Guide explains the process of creating a membership development plan and offers alternative strategies you can consider to attract and engage members. Terse, informative, action oriented blurbs on each page will motivate the reader to start building a plan. This one brochure integrates the many library of Rotary resources available on-line or on order.

Subject matter includes Club Evaluation, Creating a Vision for Your Club, Attracting New Members, Engaging Club Members and much more. If you only read one Rotary brochure, read this one!

Your energy combined with the facts and experience of thousands of Rotary clubs around the world, as expressed in these guides, should at least warrant your review and consideration as you begin to build the membership in your club.

There is no need to re-invent our Rotary wheel. Use your time wisely and build your club on the best practices that have been successfully tested.

Richard S. Rohe, journal@sover.net

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

Bethel	Kent Hower	Springfield	Juliann Corliss
			Jerry Rohrbach
Chester	Heather Chase		
	David Nanfeidt		
Milford	Jane Stewart	Woodstock	Darren Williams
			Alita Wilson
Nashua	Michael Fitzgibbon		
	Mark Hutchinson	Souhegan Valley	Kurt Norris
New London	Barbara Altman		
Raymond Area	David Downes		
	Erin Downes		
	Dennis Garnham		
Rutland	Matt Parker		

2015 District 7870 District Conference

Please join us for the annual District 7870 Conference at the Marriott Sable Oaks in Portland Maine.

Only $700 per couple or $525 per single for two nights, meals, and a lot of fun.

Click here to register online: REGISTER ONLINE

Click here to download a hard copy Registration Form

HAVE SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE ENTIRE DISTRICT?

Updates and short articles, along with images may be submitted to the Newsletter Editor, Dennis McMann, at dennis@mcmann.net to be included in our Monthly Newsletter. The District Newsletter is a means of communicating to other clubs in our district; items of interest, upcoming events, fundraisers or opportunities for service.

Deadline for next Newsletter Submissions: May 25th.