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Greetings From Your District Governor



Rotary is about fun, enjoyment and the opportunities, both outward and internally. Outwardly, we do some amazing things, locally and internationally. Internally, there is self-development that we each get from the organization.

Every Sunday morning I take a walk around a pond near my home. Every time I walk there I see the same elderly woman sitting at the water's edge with a small metal cage sitting beside her.

This past Sunday my curiosity got the best of me, so I stopped and walked over to her. As I got closer, I realized that the metal cage was in fact a small trap. There were three turtles, unharmed, slowly walking around the base of the trap. She had a fourth turtle in her lap that she was carefully scrubbing with a spongy brush.

"Hello," I said. "I see you here every Sunday. If you don't mind my nosiness, I'd love to know what you're doing with those turtles." She smiled. "I'm cleaning off their shells," she replied.



"Anything on a turtle's shell, like algae or scum, reduces the turtle's ability to absorb heat and impedes its ability to swim. It can also corrode and weaken the shell over time."

"Wow! That's really nice of you!" I said.

She went on: "I spend a couple of hours each Sunday morning relaxing by this pond and helping these little guys out. It's my own strange way of making a difference."

"But don't most freshwater turtles live their whole lives with algae and scum hanging from their shells?" I ask.

"Yep, sadly they do." She replied.

I scratched my head. "Well then, don't you think your time could be better spent? I mean, I think your efforts are kind and all, but there are fresh water turtles living in ponds all around the world. And 99% of these turtles don't have kind, people like you to help them clean off their shells. So, no offense...but how exactly are your localized efforts here truly making a difference?"

The woman giggled aloud, she then looked down at the turtle in her lap, scrubbed off the last piece of algae from its shell, and said, "Sweetie, if this little guy could talk, he'd tell you I just made all the difference in the world."

If I can do one thing this year, it is to ensure Rotarians in this district feel good about being Rotarians, knowing you can and do make a difference.

DG Nancy Russell

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District News

International Conference 2020- SAVE THE DATES

WHEN: Saturday, June 6, 2020 - Thursday, June 11, 2020

WHERE: Honolulu, Hawaii

HOW TO REGISTER: <https://www.riconvention.org/en>

LAST DAY FOR EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT:
December 15, 2019



Janice H. McElroy Scholarship Winner 2019 Chelsea Ogden

Stephen Neuboff, President of Henniker Rotary Club and PDG Sandra McGonagle present the Jan McElroy Scholarship to Chelsea Ogden

Rotary District 7870, the Henniker Rotary Club, and the Janice H. McElroy Scholarship Committee comprised of Jim McElroy, Jan's husband, and Mary Krotzer from the Henniker Rotary Club, Peter Powers from the Hopkinton Rotary Club, Jay Burgess from the Concord Rotary Club, Dave Saturley from the White River Junction Rotary Club, and Sandra McGonagle from the Gilford Rotary Club are pleased to announce the third recipient of the Janice H. McElroy Scholarship. Jan was a Past District 7870 Governor and Past President of the Henniker Rotary Club. Prior to her death in 2014, she requested that any donations in her memory be dedicated to establishing a scholarship fund for non-traditional students.

The 2019 scholarship recipient is Chelsea Ogden, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Brattleboro. Chelsea Ogden has a goal of becoming a registered nurse. She completed the LPN Program in 2013 at Vermont Tech in Brattleboro. Only 19 years old at the



time, she decided to take a break from education so that she could gain some experience as a nurse before she continued with her education.

Chelsea admits that there have many times that she has regretted her decision, because getting back into school has been difficult when the rest of her life seemed to engulf her time and energy. It has taken five years of working hard and climbing the ladder as a young nurse. But, she feels she is ready to take the next step and complete her Associate's Degree in Nursing.

When Janice H. McElroy dreamed of a scholarship fund in her name, Chelsea was exactly the candidate that Jan had in mind. She wanted to help students who had completed high school or earned a G.E.D. and, for whatever reason, had been away from education for at least 3 years. She wanted to give students the opportunity to return to school and fulfill their educational dreams.

For the past five years, Chelsea has been working in geriatric and palliative care, and she shares that she really loves it! She is quoted as saying, "There is no greater feeling that kneeling next to my 90 year old resident, holding their hands and intently listening to the stories of the life they have lived, the things that have seen, and the people they have loved."

Chelsea works as a Resident Assessment Coordinator at Thompson House Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Brattleboro. She runs weekly care meetings with residents, their families, and their interdisciplinary teams.

Chelsea shares that her personal qualities that make her a great nurse are her attention to detail, her compassion, and her 13th generation Vermont work ethic. She shared with us that this scholarship could be the difference between going back to school at Vermont Technical College or putting it off for another year.

We have no doubt that Janice H. McElroy would say, "You go, girl! The time is now."

It is with great pleasure that we present to Chelsea Ogden the 2019 Janice H. McElroy Scholarship, and we wish her continued success in her chosen career path of nursing.

Past District Governors in Action

To the right is a picture of Past District Governors showing their support to DG Nancy at the Rotary Club of White River Junction.



To the left is a picture of PDG Jon Springer showing his support of the Rotary Club of Gilford at their concession fundraiser at the NH Speedway.



Club News

Rotary Cares, Episode 19 - Passing the Gavel

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On episode 19 of the award-winning, monthly show, Rotary Cares, Brattleboro Rotary Club past president Marty Cohn discusses “passing the gavel”, a time when a club president steps down, with Brattleboro Rotary Club Past President Mara Willams and Brattleboro Sunrise Club Past President Sandy Shriver. Directed by Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club past president Kevin Yager in the studio of Brattleboro Community Television.



To view the show, visit:

<https://www.brattleborotv.org/rotary-cares/ep-19-mara-willams-and-sandy-shriver>

To listen to the podcast, visit:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-402413535/passing-the-gavel>

Peterborough Rotary Club Announces Winners

The Peterborough Rotary Club is pleased to announce that ConVal High School seniors Benjamin Garfinkle and Carly Kimball are recipients of the 2019 Peterborough Rotary Club Scholarship. Both students received a \$2,500 scholarship through their demonstrated commitment to community service.

Benjamin Garfinkle will be attending the University of New Hampshire where he will major in Recreation Management. At ConVal, Ben was a leader in the athletic program through his participation in the varsity golf, hockey, and baseball teams. Ben was selected as captain of the ice hockey team and received NHIAA All-State Honorable mention. Ben is a certified lifeguard and has volunteered his time working with the Peterborough Recreation Department, Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Program and Special Olympics. He is a member



of the Student Athletic Leadership Team, received two ACE Awards through the Chamber of Commerce and received NHIAA Award for being a three sport athlete throughout high school. Ben is the son of Geoffrey Garfinkle and Gretchen Booth-Thibault, both of Peterborough.



Carly Kimball will be attending Plymouth State University where she will study Elementary Education. Carly was a four year member and co-captain of the ConVal Equestrian Team. She was a member of the Robotics Team, Art Club, active member of Educator's Rising, ACE Award recipient through the Chamber of Commerce, and an active participant in raising money for substance abuse treatment through "Chucky's Fight." Carly studied at Phillips Exeter Academy last summer and has worked part-time throughout high school. Carly is the daughter of Bill and Theresa Kimball of Bennington.

The Peterborough Rotary Club works closely with the school district to sponsor programs like Operation Santa, ConVal Quest, Interact, Rotary Youth Exchange Program, and scholarships. Through fundraisers such as the Pancake Breakfast and the Cruz-In, the Rotary is able to offer scholarships to ConVal seniors to support them in their post-secondary plans.

In choosing the recipients, the Rotary reflects on the mission statement for Rotary International: to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through fellowship of business, professional and community service. The factors considered in choosing the recipients were scholastic achievement, work and extra curricular activities, financial need and community service.

For more information about the Peterborough Rotary Club, please visit <http://peterbororotary.org>

Brattleboro Rotary Club Awards 18K in Scholarships

The Brattleboro Rotary Club recently awarded a total of \$18,000 in scholarships to six local high school students who will attend college this fall. The Gateway Foundation, an affiliate of the Brattleboro Rotary Club, funds the scholarships.

This year's recipients include Julia Barton of South Newfane, VT, who will attend the University of New Haven; Alexis Johnson of Hinsdale, NH, who will attend Keene State University; Alexis LeClair of Hinsdale, NH, who will attend River Valley Community College; Malick Mane of Brattleboro, who will attend the University of Vermont; Lucas Newton of Townshend, VT, who will attend the University of Vermont; and Jack Price of Brattleboro, who will attend the University of Vermont. Each student received \$3,000.

"We are happy to be able to offer these scholarships each year, and hope the assistance will help lead each student a step closer to his or her goals," said Scholarship Committee Chair John C. Mabie. The Brattleboro Rotary Club established The Gateway Foundation in 1986 to create a fund to support scholarships awarded annually to local students pursuing college. The Foundation, which is a nonprofit and tax-exempt organization, has awarded close to \$500,000 in scholarships to area students. It is funded by the Brattleboro Rotary Club and individual contributions. Applications are accepted each spring from graduating seniors at Brattleboro Union, Hinsdale, and Leland & Gray High Schools. Criteria for the awards are academic achievement, financial need, and community service, all of which are weighed evenly.

Earlier in the year, Community College of Vermont student Sandra Sherman received the \$2,500 Jesse M. Corum IV Scholarship from the Brattleboro Rotary Club Gateway Foundation. Sherman is the fifth recipient of the scholarship created to help students complete their medical assisting degree.

The Brattleboro Rotary Club, founded in 1950, is an active community service club of over 60 members who engage in community and human service projects both locally and internationally. For more information please visit <http://www.brattleboro-rotaryclub.org>. Meetings are held at noon on Thursdays at the American Legion Home on Linden Street. Guests are welcome.

PHOTO: (l-r) Brattleboro Rotary Club Scholarship Committee Chair John C. Mabie, Jack Price, Malick Mane, Julia Barton, and Lucas Newton.



Volunteers for Peace in Newport

Six young members of the international organization, Volunteers For Peace were in Newport. The young people do various kinds of work in the community during their stay. They were hosted for lunch by the Newport Rotary Club on July 31. At the far left of the photo is Newport Rotarian, Damon Contois and on the far right is Newport Rotary secretary.

Photo Caption: Domenico DeMattia, Zhang Lantian (Sky), Yiran Shen (Sarah), Anastasia Chalenko, Lena Franik, Paolo Corti.



School's Out, But Volunteering Continues

The day after the last day of school, the HB Rotary Interact finally had a chance to fulfill a request from Nashua PAL: to supply some new toys for the children. Oh, there was a list, too. The Interact Club had fundraised, so they had the money available to help their PAL friends.

After meeting at Walmart, Hollis Brookline Rotary Interact volunteers went shopping. Two very full shopping carts later, they were done. As they were on their way to the check out, they noticed a wonderful corn hole bean bag game, but they had no money left. WalMart to the rescue! Walmart donated a gift card for the price of the game. Total score!! Thank you, WalMart!

From there, there was nothing to do but deliver the toys to the Nashua PAL children. It was with great



pride that these Interactors gave of their time, funds, and enthusiasm.

PHOTO ON RIGHT: HB Rotary Interact on the stairs outside of the Nashua PAL building: Lauren Ingraham, Elizabeth Bonnette, Marshall Coutu, Ryan Coutu, Jared Sanborn, Camden Guay, Brian Holroyd, Connor Russell, Jenna Russell



PHOTO ON LEFT: HB Rotary Interact giving toys to some Nashua PAL children: Lauren Ingraham, Elizabeth Bonnette, Jared Sanborn, Brian Holroyd, Ryan Coutu, Camden Guay, Jenna Russell, Connor Russell, Marshall Coutu

Hollis Brookline Rotary Interact Winds Down the School Year

For the 3rd year in a row, the HB Rotary Interact has helped the HB Athletic Booster Club by taking on the task of organizing, grouping and handing out balloons for the graduating classes of HBHS. This year there were 333 balloons passed out. These volunteers pretty much have everything under control from attaching a personalized card to each balloon, alphabetically taping the balloons to the wall, and then systematically giving each one to their happy graduate on graduation day.

The HB Athletic Booster Club would like to recognize the following for their generous support to help complete this enormous project: The Milford Dollar Tree, Brendan LaFlamme, and Ricardo Porras with Custom View Property Maintenance.

The following are HB students who helped with this year's Balloon Festivities: Thomas Ackerly, Ryan Coutu, Meaghan Coutu, Marshall Coutu, Max Stapelfeld, Elise Stapelfeld, Jenna Russell, Rachel Brackett, Ellianna Jordan, Maren Anderson, Elizabeth Bonnette, Emily Sartell, Lydia Daskalos, Sreekar Chilakapati, Rory Klauber, Brian Holroyd, Jared Sanborn, Oliver



Hugh, Lauren Dattis, Nathaniel Sartell, Camden Guay, Eli Rasmussen, Julia Frugard, Cole Lorig, Ava Chretien



Laconia Rotary Announces Winner of Harley Davidson Raffle

John Goewey of Schenectady, New York is the winner of the 27th annual Motorcycle Raffle, the major fundraiser put on by the Rotary Club of Laconia. This year, the prize was a 2019 Harley Davidson FLHX Street Glide. The bike has the color of 'Wicked Red', has ABS braking, security, cruise control, GTS Boom Audio with GPS, and has a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$24,482. Goewey bought winning ticket #0295 in the opening hours of sales on Bike Week from the Rotary's raffle booth on Lakeside Avenue in the Weirs while attending with his son to celebrate his son's birthday. The winning ticket was drawn by a member of the Laconia Police Department at the close of Bike Week.

When he received the call, Goewey was attending a gathering of around eighty relatives. They were celebrating the uniting of previously unknown family members who were discovered through an ancestry program. "Hey everyone, I won a Harley!" he yelled to the crowd and was promptly answered by cheers. "It's been a weekend full of surprises, all of them blessings," he said later during the call.

Although he's been riding for over 35 years, this was only Goewey's second visit to Laconia's Bike Week. His first visit was in 2014 in order to put some miles on his first Harley Davidson, purchased after decades of riding on import models.

Goewey is an active member of his church and frequently supports charitable causes like Rotary, though when he bought the ticket, he was largely unaware of the work that Rotary does. After hearing that he had won the bike, he did some research about the club and learned more about their charity work and volunteerism.

"I'm very thankful to the Lord for this gift, and really appreciate the charity work that Rotary supports," Goewey said as he was picking up his new bike at Heritage Harley Davidson in Concord, who sponsors the raffle and assists the club with getting the bike ready for the winner. "I'm especially happy to learn about their international work helping people in need in third world countries, because as a member of my local church, we recently built an orphanage in Haiti."

In addition to supporting sustainable International projects, Laconia Rotary uses the funds raised through the Motorcycle Raffle and other fundraisers to provide approximately \$25,000 to support scholarships for Laconia students and grants to several Laconia charities. They also give back through volunteerism.

Laconia Rotary is part of an international network that values service above self, provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Laconia Rotary typically meets every Thursday at noon at the Belknap Mill

in Laconia. All are welcome. Please write to LaconiaRotary@gmail.com to let us know you'll be attending. Visit www.LaconiaRotary.org for more information about the club.



Caption for picture: John Goewey, winner of the Laconia Rotary 2019 Motorcycle Raffle, sits atop his new 2019 StreetGlide. Standing l-r are Kevin Conway, President of Laconia Rotary Club, Pat Anderson, Rotary Club Secretary, and Andy Segalini, General Manager of Heritage Harley Davidson, who sponsored the raffle.

Hudson-Litchfield Club Hosts Pancake Breakfast and Art Show

This year's Pancake Breakfast and Art Show went smoothly thanks to lots of help from members, friends of members, kids of members, and scholarship winners. Thank you to them and to all of you who stopped in to enjoy some pancakes and fellowship. We had a grand time greeting old friends and meeting new friends. All proceeds go to our Rotary Club's scholarship fund for Alvirne and Campbell High School graduating seniors.

Winners of the art show voting were: Alvirne High School: Emma Tate; Campbell High School: Robbie Cook; Hudson Middle School: Anastacia Rousseau.





Hollis-Brookline Interact Fill Backpacks for Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter

There will be hundreds of New Hampshire students who will go to school this year with new backpacks and supplies, thanks to The Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter and many, many volunteers. The Hollis Brookline Rotary Interact spent Wednesday morning filling many of these backpacks, for the 3rd year in a row. This project is a very important one to them, with the second day of service coming next week when the Interactors will help to distribute these backpacks to children in need.



Brooke Robbins, Julia Frugard, Hailey Timer, Jared Sanborn, Martin Brennan, Brian Holroyd, Max Stapelfeld, Elisabeth Stapelfeld, Oliver Hugh, Jake Klauber, Rory Klauber and Tate Klauber

White River Junction Donates 60 Backpacks of School Supplies for Kids in Foster Care

By Margo Howland
Secretary, White River Junction Rotary Club

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION -- Last month White River Junction Rotary Club members, led by P.J. Skehan, embarked on a drive to purchase or get donated backpacks and school supplies for children in foster care. This is the fourth year that White River Rotary has participated in the backpack drive, which also included area churches and other community organizations. Rotarians donated a total of 60 backpacks plus school supplies to the effort. The backpacks were delivered to Deanna Rounds, Family Services Resource Coordinator for the Vermont Department of Children and Family Services (DCF), at a recent Rotary Club meeting.

Rounds offered an update about the number of children in DCF custody this year, a differentiated from last year. "Last year we had 120 kids and now it's down to sixty. A lot of children have been adopted and we've had a lot of kids go home," she said. The ratio of children that go home to those that get adopted is 60:40, she said.

A backpack filled with school supplies makes a difference to a child, Rounds said. "We have so many kids that have never had backpacks. Their faces light up and they say, "This is so cool," she stated.

Rounds also disclosed that she is planning to retire next year, after forty years of working with DCF in New Hampshire and Vermont. "I retired once, from my job in New Hampshire. That lasted about a week," she said.

Rotary President Jeremy Greeley symbolically handed Rounds a carton with two backpacks in it, and at the conclusion of the meeting, co-president-elect P.J. Skehan helped Rounds to load the remainder of the backpacks into her car.



ShelterBox News

ShelterBox Delivering Aid in Flood Ravaged Paraguay

ShelterBox is helping 3,000 families displaced by flooding with the tools and training they need to rebuild their lives. Our partners; Rotary Club of Asuncion (D4845), Habitat for Humanity, Red Cross and local government officials helped to assess the need for shelter and begin the response process.

Families are being provided trained on the use of ShelterKits, mosquito nets, solar lights, thermal blankets and cotton blankets to assist through the cold season in their emergency shelters while they wait for the river to recede so they can return home. Each ShelterKits contains: Tarpaulin (2), Hoe (1), Shovel (1), Hammer (1), Nails (1 Bag), Rope (1), Tie Wire (1), Bag (1). The total cost to support 3,000 displaced families (12,000 children, women, and men) is \$760,100. Help fund this response:

https://www.shelterboxusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Paraguay_Proposal_Rotary_lowres.pdf



Syrian Displacements Increase with New Violence in Idlib

Since 2011, 13.1 million people have been forced to flee their homes as a result of the Syrian civil war. ShelterBox has been responding to the Syrian crisis for seven years, providing over 50,000 families with life-saving shelter and the essential aid they need to survive the continuous displacement.

Until recently, Idlib governorate had been the last haven for the 3 million civilians living there. But, since April, ceasefire agreements have been broken.

It is estimated that upward of 700,000 children, women, and men will be forced to flee their shelters in Idlib governorate and flee to the Turkish border to the northwest in the coming months.

ShelterBox's goal is to implement two responses in the area in the coming months.

For information on funding this response:

https://www.shelterboxusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Syria_Program-Proposal-2019_Rotary_071219_lowres.pdf



Conflict and Natural Disaster Displacing Families in Somaliland

Somaliland is the fourth poorest region in our world, with a per capita GDP of \$347. Located in semi-desert on the Horn of Africa, the children, women, and men who call Somaliland home are primarily pastoralists and subsistence farmers. In 2017, ongoing drought killed 85% of all livestock in the region. The continuing drought has forced communities to move increasingly large distances to seek fresh food for their animals.



Consequently, these communities are now displaced and destitute. With an estimated 2.7 million people internally displaced across the region, there is an enormous need for humanitarian assistance. Government and humanitarian agencies are struggling to respond. ShelterBox is responding to this crisis.

For an in depth report and analysis and how you can help visit https://www.shelterboxusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Somaliland_CaseForSupport_Rotary_071219_lowres.pdf

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Rotary HERO Clubs Help to Deliver Crucial Aid to Disasters

Last month, Rotary Clubs from across the USA joined our HERO Club program. A HERO club donates \$1,000 for Bronze, \$3,000 for Silver, or \$5,000 for Gold level in any given Rotary year. Above is the Rotary Club of Dublin CA. (D5170) presenting a check and becoming a 2019 HERO club at the bronze (\$1,000) level.



Other HERO clubs in July include:

GOLD- Ashland Lithia Springs OR (D5110), Tucson AZ (D5500)

SILVER- Point West CA (D5180), St. Albans VT (D7850)

BRONZE- Fairbanks Golden Heart AK (D5010), Leavenworth WA (D5060), Forest Grove OR (D5100), N. Clackamas Sunrise OR (D5100), Seaside OR (D5100), Santa Rosa CA (D5130), Davis Sunrise CA (D5160), Dublin CA (D5170), Lincoln CA (D5180), Los Olivos CA (D5240), Big Bear Lake CA (D5330), La Mesa Sunrise CA (D5340), Sedona Red Rocks AZ (D5495), Ardmore OK (D5770), Denton TX (D5790), NW Austin (D5870), Lake Minnetonka-Excelsior MN (5950), Westland MI (D6400), Libertyville Sunrise IL (D6440), Burton Middlefield OH (D6630), Fairlawn OH (D6630), Bridgeport CT (D6690), Largo FL (D6950), Murdock FL (D6960), Pompano Beach FL (D6990), Watertown Sunrise NY (D7040), Twin Bridges NY (D7190), Hyde Park NY (D7210), Hagerstown MD (D7360), Doylestown PA (D7430), Montgomery-Rocky Hill NJ (D7475), Cherry Hill NJ (D7505), Moorestown NJ (D7505), Toms River NJ (D7505). **THANK YOU, HERO CLUBS!**

Every Club can be a HERO! www.shelterboxusa.org/hero

Every donation helps, visit www.shelterboxusa.org to donate or learn more.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report.

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Pure Water for the World

Pure Water for the World Celebrates 20 Years of Improving Lives with Safe Water

Pure Water for the World, Inc. (PWW) hosted an event to celebrate 20 years of bringing life-changing safe water and sanitation programs to children and families across Haiti and Central America.

PWW began as a project of the Brattleboro Rotary Club. Founders included Peter Abel, Dart Everett, Jesse Corum, Phil Huber and Tristram Johnston. Ken Grabeau, past Director of Rotary International, was PWW's initial financial benefactor.

Peter and Ken joined PWW board of directors, staff, volunteers, donors, supporters, and partners for the celebration. Senator Patrick Leahy and his wife, Marcelle, long-time friends of PWW, also attended.

Bob Mohr, PWW Board President, thanked supporters who helped PWW reach this milestone. "Without you, there is no 20 years of changing lives. This is a celebration of you and Pure Water for the World."

He talked about the evolution of the organization over the past 20 years, from simply providing access to clean water, to empowering communities with comprehensive WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) solutions.

"But the mission remains the same," Bob explained, "improving the health and livelihood of children and families living in underserved communities."

This was also an evening to honor PWW's Executive Director, Carolyn Crowley Meub, who retired after 17 years. Bob presented Carolyn with a proclamation for PWW and a certificate of congratulations from Governor Philip Scott.

Senator Leahy called PWW "one of the great success stories in the world" and offered words of gratitude to all who have supported PWW. "You'll never know the people you save. They'll never know who you are," he said. "All they know is their lives are better, and their lives have been saved because of what you've done."

Jamin Gelder, PWW Deputy Director, presented the Carolyn Crowley Meub Women Empowerment Scholarship. Created in Carolyn's honor, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a student looking to make a difference in the lives of girls and women in developing countries.

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Carolyn shared her heartfelt gratitude and appreciation, saying, “I stand here today on your shoulders.”

Peter Abel closed the evening by saying, “Who would’ve thought that from a simple international service project, all of this would come.”

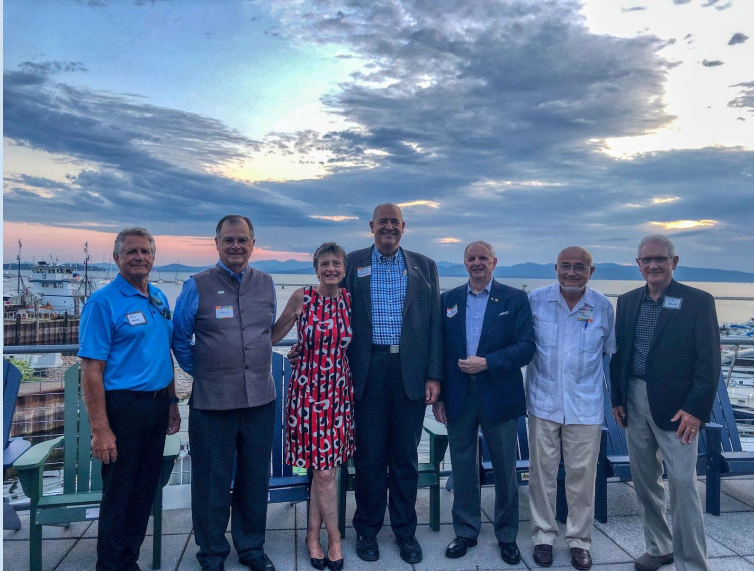


Photo caption:
Past PWW Board Members. Pictured left to right: Bob Mohr, Tony Gilmore, Carolyn Meub, Rick Manganello, Ken Grabeau, Peter Abel, Bob Moles

Events and Fundraisers

Meredith Rotary Casino Night - October 17, 2019

MEREDITH ROTARY CASINO NIGHT



Supporting many local organizations

Hosted By: Meredith Rotary Club

Church Landing in Meredith

October 17, 2019, 7-10 pm

Come join Meredith Rotary Club members as they entertain you with a fun filled night!

A limited number of entry tickets are available for \$50 and include casino chips, raffle tickets, appetizers and entertainment. Participants can purchase additional chips during the event and raffle prizes will be awarded throughout the night. You will have the opportunity to bid on silent and live auctions featuring exceptional prizes!

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR \$50

www.meredithrotary.com

*Please note: due to New Hampshire gaming rules for non-profit organizations, casino chips cannot be exchanged for cash or prizes. However, the player accumulating the most chips will be awarded a handsome rotary trophy as Top Winner for Charities.

Thunder Run

The Raymond Area Rotary Club will be holding its 6th annual Thunder Run on Saturday, September 7, 2019. It's a 5K Obstacle/Mud/Fun Run held in the woods and fields surrounding the New England Dragway in Epping, NH.

With over 25 obstacles, free parking, food & drink, and spectators welcome, it's fun for all ages. Many participants run as teams supporting and helping each other through the course.



Go to www.THUNDERRUNNH.COM for photos and registration. See us on Facebook



Manchester, Vermont Cow Plop Bingo

Mark your calendar August 31 at 3 PM for the Manchester Rotary hosted event Cow Plop Bingo with delicious wood fired pizza, peruse the Taylor farm stand, and enjoy live music. All are welcome to attend for free. A Taylor farm cow selects the winning ticket. Tickets are \$15/ea or 2/\$25. Win up to \$1,000 jackpot if your numbered ticket square is picked! At Taylor Farm Londonderry, tickets available from Manchester Rotary members and at Manchester office of Cota & Cota.



On the Road Again - Queen City Rotary Road Rally

On Saturday, October 12th, don't be surprised to see lots of activity throughout greater Manchester as the Queen City Rotary Club's annual Road Rally takes place! This event is a "scavenger hunt on wheels," where teams compete against each other to figure out clues and puzzles to find their next destination in the quickest time with the most correct answers.

The event starts at 4:00pm at St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral at 650 Hanover Street in Manchester and ends at the same location where teams enjoy a great buffet of homemade food, an awards ceremony and continued fun!

This event has been organized for over 30 years by the Queen City Rotary Club. Old and new teams alike love the challenge! So, what skills do you need to have fun and win? Puzzle solving skills, a good imagination, team work, a vehicle to navigate through Manchester and most of all...a sense of humor! All proceeds benefit Greater Manchester youth in need, with the club recently

donating over \$50,000 to 40 youth related charities this past May. So, you're not only having fun but you're giving back to your local community.

For more information on the event and registration form, please visit the Queen City Rotary's website at www.queencityrotary.org.

Calendars

District 7870 Calendar

So much going on within the clubs in the district! Be sure to regular 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.

Months of the Rotary Year

Many months of the year are designated by Rotary International for special significance. Here are the ones for this [Rotary year](#):

August 2019

Membership and New Club Development Month

September 2019

Basic Education and Literacy Month

October 2019

Economic and Community Development Month

7-13 October — Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week

24 October — World Polio Day

November 2019

Rotary Foundation Month

4-10 World Interact Week

December 2019

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

January 2020

Vocational Service Month

19-25 January — [International Assembly](#), San Diego, California, USA

February 2020

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

23 February — Rotary's anniversary

March 2020

Water and Sanitation Month

9-15 March — World Rotaract Week

31 March — Preregistration discount ends for the [Rotary International Convention](#)

April 2020

Maternal and Child Health Month

30 April — [Rotary International Convention](#) registrations and ticket cancellations are due

May 2020

Youth Service Month

1-3 [District 7870](#) Conference at Sable Oaks in Portland, Maine (Friday begins at 2pm and ends Sunday at 11am)

June 2020

Rotary Fellowships Month

6-10 June — [Rotary International Convention](#), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

Miscellaneous

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, Dick Mills, Robert Schaumann, and Maureen Mooney at prrotary7870@gmail.com to be included in the Monthly Newsletter. 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: **August 15th, 2019.**

Website and Social Media

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

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

