



## District 7910 2021 Conference Brochure



**Friday, May 21, 2021**

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

### **6:00 pm: FELLOWSHIP & SOCIAL TIME**

Bring your beverage of choice and join fellow Rotarians as we socialize together. Some novel activities are planned but the purpose is simply to “gather together” and enjoy the virtual company of fellow Rotarians. Meet old friends, and make new ones along the way. Fellowship, partnership and FUN are core values of Rotary.

### **6:30 pm: ROUND-UP TIME: OPENING CEREMONY**

We officially open the Conference weekend, starting with the Opening remarks, Words of Wisdom, and a Toast. We'll also call the numbers for R-O-T-A-R-Y Bingo, and introduce the items in the live auction which will start around 8:30 pm.

### **7:00 pm: WESTERN ADVENTURE: CAPTURE THE OUTLAWS**

Each Registrant will be assigned to a team. Each team will be a western 'Posse' that must catch the notorious 'Cavendish Gang' as they attempt to rob the 'Dry Gulch National Bank and Delicatessen'. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team.

### **7:45 pm: WESTERN HAT CONTEST**

For our Hat Challenge Contest, wear your favorite hat for a chance to win a prize! Western, Mexican, or any decorated hat would do!

### **8:00 pm: CLUB AWARDS & INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITIONS**

Achievements of the Year Awards, recognition of Clubs and Rotarians:

- RI Significant Service Award
- TRF District Service Award
- Avenues of Service Award
- Club of the year awards (Bronze, Silver and Gold);
- Rotarian of the Year
- AG of the year
- Edward C. Hall Foundation Achievement Award
- Unsung Hero
- Membership Growth Awards - top 3 clubs with net growth of membership since 1/1/21

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Club Citation – the inaugural award in this category  
Milestone Club anniversaries will be celebrated

Share the excitement of receiving the awards! Celebrate the magnitude of the District's accomplishments while overcoming enormous obstacles during this difficult pandemic year.

**8:30 pm: LIVE AUCTION**

### Featured Items

**Foliage Weekend in New Hampshire at a Country Inn** – a room with a view of the mountains!!!  
*October 1 -3, 2021*, at the Stonehurst Manor in North Conway!!! Breakfast and Dinner for 2 persons is included for both days!!! The room has a king-size bed, flat screen TV, a whirlpool tub, and it looks out at the Moat Mountain Range.



For more information and photos of this charming and romantic venue, visit the hotel website at [www.stonehurstmanor.com](http://www.stonehurstmanor.com). *Estimated Value: \$400*

**New Hampshire Winter Adventure** – for a Rotarian and up to 3 guests. 2 nights and 3 days. All guests must accompany the Rotarian. Winter 2022 (dates determined by local weather conditions – **holidays excluded**). Hearty home cooked meals and typical comforts provided.

*Be my guest at my private lakefront cabin located in New Durham NH – a true winter paradise for the adventurous and nature lovers.*  
**Snowmobiling** on 2 - 2 Up Polaris 2020 Indy Sleds through the beautiful Powder Hill and local trails according to experience levels. (18 years or older with a valid driver's license – online safety course will be required prior to operating the machines)



*Not a snowmobile lover? - 100s of miles of snow shoe or X country ski trails are out the door*

*Estimated Value: \$2,000*

**Autographed Rotary Theme Scarf 2020-2021:** "Rotary Opens Opportunities", signed by Rotary International President Holgar Knaack. *Estimated Value: **Priceless***

**Autographed Rotary Theme Tie 2020-2021:** "Rotary Opens Opportunities", signed by Rotary International President Holgar Knaack. *Estimated Value: **Priceless***

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**Saturday, May 22, 2021**

12:30 to 2:30 pm

**12:30 pm: DAY 2: OPENING CEREMONY**

Today's session will begin with Opening remarks, Words of Wisdom, and a Toast. We'll also call the numbers for R-O-T-A-R-Y Bingo. At 2 pm, we will announce the winners of the Silent Auction

**1:00 pm: CLUB PROJECTS and NEW COMMITTEES**

**Unique projects and accomplishments.** See and hear some of the most innovative and effective projects of this past year, AND hear what is planned and has already begun for future activity at the District level. Attend this session, and join the future!!

**New membership and Club models.** Rotary's rapid adoption of technology and modern team methods will make us more connected and effective than ever before. And, in our tradition, we're tackling the big issues of the day, including diversity & equity, and climate change. There's never been a more exciting time to be a Rotarian! Don't miss this presentation!!!

**1:20 pm: KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Stephano McGhee, Director, Toastmasters General**



Your Conference Committee is excited to announce that Toastmasters Director Stefano McGhee will be our keynote speaker. Without any hesitation, we guarantee that you will enjoy his presentation.

*Stefano attained the DTM, Distinguished Toastmasters Designation -- the highest level of educational achievement in the organization.*

**1:50 pm: RECOGNITION OF PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS & MAJOR DONORS**

District Governor Diana will acknowledge those who support our Foundation, our Paul Harris Fellows and Major Donors. You still have time to donate to The Rotary Foundation and be recognized.

Meet the recipient of the 2020-2021 Morley Endowed Global Grant scholarship for studies and research at the graduate level abroad.

**2:00 pm: SILENT AUCTION WINNERS ANNOUNCED – Bidding opens on May 14**

**2:10 pm: LAUGHTER SESSION – Dr. Sushil Bhatia**

We are fortunate to have as our guest Dr. Sushil Bhatia, President of Laughter Club of America. This is another guaranteed enjoyable Conference feature.

**Art of laughter is laughter without joke**

While we use jokes to stimulate laughter, the ‘art of laughter’ is being creative and changing how we look at the dishes that life throws at us, and finding the funny side of those situations.

Through this method we learn that 10 seconds of laughter is as effective as 3 minutes on a rowing machine. This technique provides internal massage, reduces pain by releasing happy hormones, endorphins which provide temporary pain relief and overcome negative emotions related to illness.



Art of Laughter guides us to “THINK NEUTRAL and focus on MOM\* helping to improve our immune system, help with chronic breathing problems and reduce stress resulting in happiness, relaxation, improved memory and being more alert.

\*MOM= Managing Of Mind.

*Dr. Bhatia is an innovator/Entrepreneur and a professor and Executive in Residence Emeritus at Suffolk University, Boston. He teaches Innovation, new product development and Happiness courses. Sushil has innovated many everyday use products and has several patents to his name.*

**2:20 pm: CLOSING CEREMONY**

We know you’ll enjoy this! Our usual conference closing of Auld Land Syne, preceded by a few surprises!!