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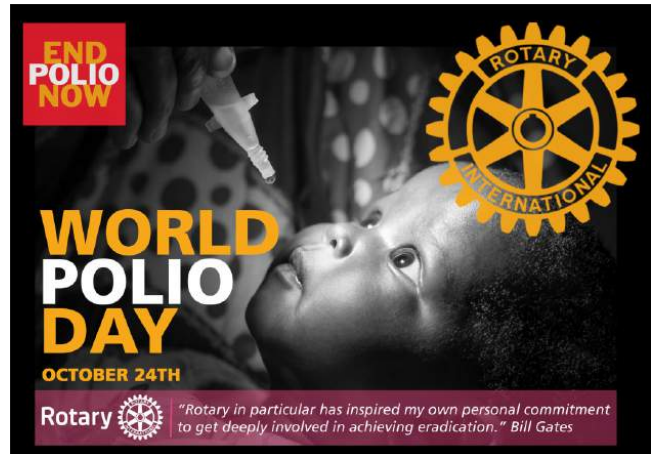
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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

BY GOVERNOR KATE SIMS

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Happy Fall!!



Reminders for the Month!!

October 24th – is World Polio Day!!! How to stay local but be a part of this very special day!! See the following page for information on how to watch the events of the day.

November 1st - Foundation Dinner

I hope to see you all there - details below!!!

Finally – Check out this Rotary Website – News and Features!!!

<https://www.rotary.org/en/news-features>

Thanks for the fabulous visits to date!! Looking forward to visiting each and all of you!

Kate

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# How to watch Rotary's World Polio Day Event on October 24

You don't have to travel to Philadelphia to take part in Rotary's World Polio Day event on 24 October. You can watch a livestream of the proceedings from your computer or smartphone starting at 18:30 Philadelphia time (UTC-4). A recording will be available shortly after the event on [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org).

Rotary will also stream the event in French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish.

This year's event will be livestreamed from the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, known as the birthplace of American medicine. It is one of the oldest professional medical organizations in the United States.

Global health experts and Rotary's celebrity polio ambassadors will discuss our remarkable progress toward a polio-free world. Patience Asimwe, the protagonist of Rotary's upcoming virtual reality film "Two Drops of Patience," will introduce the movie. A sneak peek from Rotary's documentary "Drop to Zero" will also be featured. Jeffrey Kluger, senior editor for Time magazine, will discuss his experience traveling to Nigeria with Rotary to report on polio eradication. And we'll celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

## How to watch the event live

### *On your computer:*

In Google Chrome, go to KUDO and complete the form, then click Submit.

On the next page, click Floor and select your language from the list.

### *On your smartphone:*

Download the KUDO app at the Apple App Store (for iPhones) or Google Play (for Android). Go to KUDO and tap Open in Kudo App.

Complete the form, then tap Join.

On the next screen, tap Floor and select your language from the list.

### *Need help?*

Contact

[support@kudoway.com](mailto:support@kudoway.com)

For more information, check out these step-by-step instructions with screenshots by clicking [here](#)



**END  
POLIO  
NOW**

# District Foundation Dinner



## Foundation Dinner Honoring our Unsung Heroes!!

*Rotarians have a tradition of supporting the Foundation by honoring others*

On November 1st, join District Governor Kate Sims as we celebrate the Unsung Heroes in our communities

Join us as we celebrate that special person who wakes up every morning and puts others before him or herself and dedicates their life to helping others in need, truly embodying the motto:

**“Service above Self”**

Each Club has been asked to select an Unsung Hero from their Club or Community to be awarded a Paul Harris Recognition at this event.

**November 1st, 2018 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM**

**\$55 a person**

**Chez Josef**

**176 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, MA**

Clubs may be seated at their own table of 8 or 10 or combined with other clubs should they have fewer attendees.

Please register for yourself, your club, and please note that there is a special registration for the honoree, as there will be no charge for them at this event.



District 7890



## Click here to Register!

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# Rotary Direct Frequently Asked Questions

## How can I sign up for Rotary Direct?

There are three ways to enroll in Rotary Direct, The Rotary Foundation's recurring giving program:

- At [www.rotary.org/give](http://www.rotary.org/give): Enrolling online is the easiest and most secure way to support Rotary with a recurring gift. Rotary members and friends can set up Rotary Direct accounts by clicking on the Give button from any part of Rotary's website, then choosing how to direct their donations. Rotary's online system can accept one-time or recurring contributions in a number of currencies. For a recurring gift, in Step 2 of the donation process, under Frequency, chose a monthly, quarterly or annual gift.
- By mail: Donors may enroll using one of the Foundation's various contribution forms, such as The Rotary Foundation Contribution Form or the Rotary Direct enrollment form.
- By phone: Enroll in Rotary Direct by calling 1-866-976-8279.

## Is there a minimum contribution?

Because we pay processing fees for credit card contributions, we ask for a minimum of \$10 per transaction (i.e., \$10 per month, \$10 per quarter, or \$10 per year).

## Can I have my donation debited directly from my checking account?

Direct debit using a checking account number is not an option for Rotary Direct. Donors can, however, donate using a credit card or a debit card that is associated with a personal checking account. Which card types can be used depends on the donor's country and currency.

## Can a club Treasurer establish recurring gifts for an entire club online?

No. Club leaders can make one-time contributions on behalf of the club or individual club members online, but they can't enroll their members in recurring giving. Each donor must enroll in Rotary Direct with his or her own credit or debit card.

## What frequency options are available for Rotary Direct gifts?

You can choose to make your gift every month, quarter or year. Monthly gifts are charged on the first day of the month. Quarterly gifts are charged July 1, October 1, January 1, and April 1. For annual gifts, you choose the month, and your card is charged on the first of that month.

## How do I change or stop my Rotary Direct contributions?

To change the amount or frequency of your gift, or your method of payment, or to stop your contributions, contact the Rotary International office that serves your area or Rotary's Support Center at 1-866-976-8279. For security reasons, do not send credit card information by email.

## Will The Rotary Foundation contact me if my credit card expires?

Yes, Rotary staff will contact you approximately two weeks before your credit card expires, first by email and later, if necessary, by phone.



# Rotary Direct Frequently Asked Questions

## **Will The Rotary Foundation contact me if my card is rejected and I miss a scheduled contribution?**

Yes, TRF will notify you by email if a scheduled transaction fails. If we are unable to reach you by email, we will attempt to notify you by phone and then by mail. If you miss a scheduled contribution, we can arrange a one-time make-up gift to help you meet your annual contribution goal.

## **My credit card is about to expire or has expired. What information do you need in order to update my account?**

To update your account, we need your complete credit card number, expiration date, and the three or four digit security number. Remember not to send credit card information by email; instead, call the Rotary International office that serves your area or Rotary's Support Center at 1-866-976-8279.

## **Do I have to notify Rotary if I transfer to a different Rotary club?**

Yes, please do. Notifying the Foundation of your transfer allows your new club to receive credit for your contributions.

## **Do I have to be a Rotary member to enroll in Rotary Direct?**

No, you do not need to be a Rotarian to give through Rotary Direct. Anyone who wishes to support the Foundation's mission is welcome to do so with a recurring contribution.

## **How will my Rotary Direct contributions be acknowledged?**

Upon enrollment, new Rotary Direct participants will receive an acknowledgement letter confirming the amount and frequency of their contributions. Gifts made to The Rotary Foundation via Rotary Direct will be receipted individually at the time of contribution. Each scheduled contribution will be credited to a donor's individual account, Rotary club and district and will be used wisely on quality Rotary projects.



# Rotary Foundation Fun Facts

## PROGRAMS (All figures are as of 30 June 2017 and in U.S. dollars.)

**PolioPlus.** Since 1985, Rotary members have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio. As of June 2017, Rotary had committed more than \$1.6 billion to global polio eradication, seeking to eliminate the virus in the last three countries where it remains endemic and to ensure that it does not return elsewhere. **In 2016-17, program awards, including PolioPlus Partners grants, totaled \$108.3 million.**

**Rotary Peace Centers.** Each year, the Foundation supports the training of peace fellows at six Rotary Peace Centers, where they earn master's degrees or professional development certificates. Since 2002-03, 1,177 fellows from more than 120 countries have participated. **In 2016-17, 95 fellows from 41 countries began their studies at the Rotary Peace Centers, and program awards for the fellows and centers totaled \$4.6 million.**

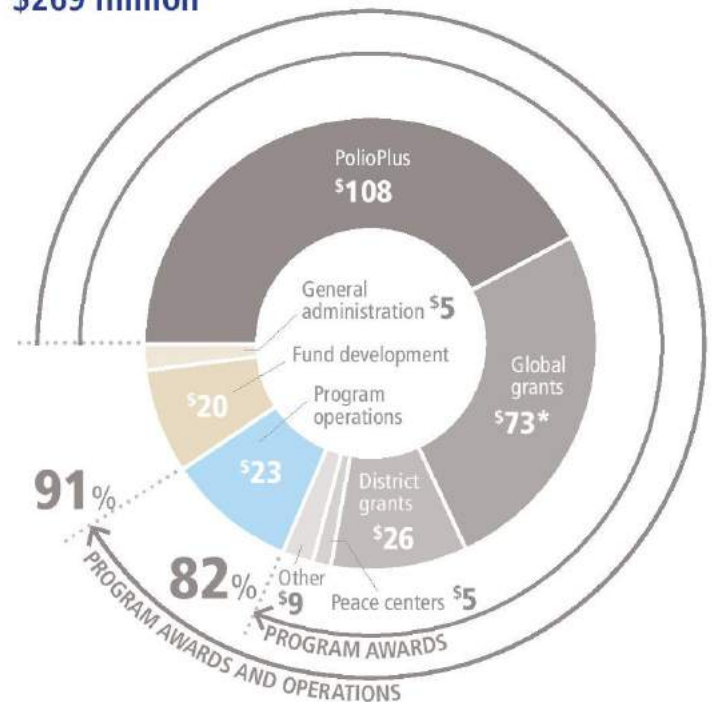
**District grants.** District grants support small-scale, short-term projects related to the Foundation's mission. **In 2016-17, the Foundation approved 494 district grants, and project awards totaled \$25.8 million.**

**Global grants.** Global grants fund large-scale international activities with sustainable, measurable results that support Rotary's six areas of focus. Activities include humanitarian projects, scholarships, and vocational training teams. **In 2016-17, the Foundation approved 1,260 global grants, and program awards totaled \$72.9 million.**

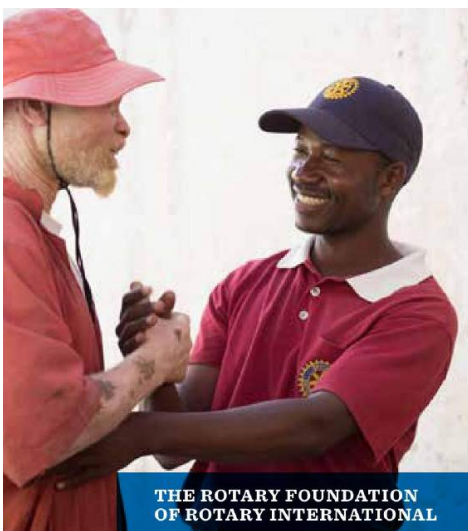
## 2016-17 TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (in millions) \$304.4 million



## 2016-17 TOTAL EXPENSES (in millions) \$269 million



\*Net of returned funds and other adjustments



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION  
OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

2017 FACTS

## SUMMARY STATISTICS

	2016-17	Cumulative
Annual Fund	\$140.2 million	\$2.5 billion
Endowment Fund	\$28.4 million	\$320.1 million
PolioPlus Fund	\$107.9 million	\$1.4 billion
Other	\$27.9 million	\$157 million
<b>Total contributions</b>	<b>\$304.4 million</b>	<b>\$4.4 billion</b>
<b>Program awards and operations</b>	<b>\$244.4 million</b>	<b>Since 1947: \$3.95 billion</b>





# Polio Eradication Update

By: Prasad Menon, District PolioPlus Chair

Rotary's crusade against polio is probably the longest concerted effort to eradicate any disease by any organization. Our accomplishments have been phenomenal but, until we cross the '0' line, we need to keep the fight going. As of the end of September there are 17 cases of wild polio virus cases, 4 in Pakistan and 13 in Afghanistan. Nigeria continues their '0' wild polio virus cases status since August 2016.

There is an increase in circulating vaccine derived polio virus cases (cVDPV) in the African continent led by DRC with 15 and Papua New Guinea with 14 for a total of 50 compared to 48 last year. The live oral vaccine (OPV) is being steadily replaced with inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) to combat the occurrence of cVDPV. Nationwide mass immunizations continue in all endemic countries and also in the neighboring countries.

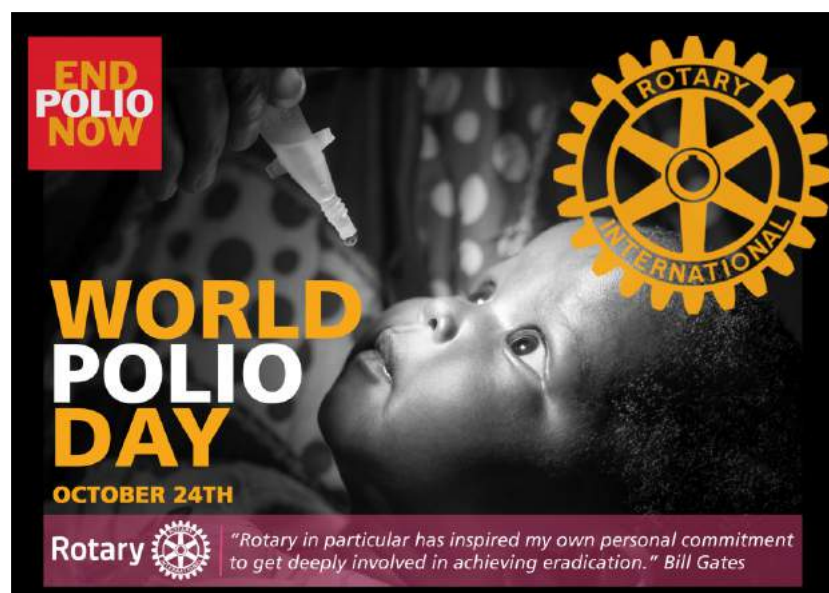
Steady flow of donations and other financial supports continue to reinforce the eradication initiatives led by Rotary. The Gates Foundation continues to match on a 2:1 basis all Rotary contributions. The END-GAME is getting nearer and nearer with the solid support from Rotarians around the world and our partners like Gates Foundation, CDC and the UNICEF.

## World Polio Day - October 24

Are you ready to celebrate? World Polio Day, 24 October, is just a few days away. As you make your final preparations, remember to share your club event with us at [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org). Already, hundreds of clubs around the world have planned local events to raise awareness in their communities.

In the U.S., the Rotary Clubs of Evanston and Evanston Lighthouse are screening Rotary's latest virtual reality film, Two Drops of Patience, at their event so attendees can experience what it's like to immunize children against polio.

This year we're encouraging all 35,000 Rotary clubs to create an event and promote it at [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org).



# Rotarians partner with the Elks to create a television program addressing the Opiate Addiction Crisis

By: Dave Mangs

The Rotary District 7890 Addiction Task Force partnered with the Elks to present an educational program at Manchester Community College Thursday 10/4/2018 on the Manchester community's response to the addiction crisis, and an explanation of how the disease of addiction takes hold of our brain and destroys the lives of addicts. In 2017 there were 72,000 deaths from drug overdoses in America, and nearly half of Americans have a family member or close friend who has been addicted to drugs. This epidemic cuts across all sex, race, age, educational levels and every socio-economic status. As Rotarians we have a responsibility to address this epidemic by doing what we do best: education, collaboration, and advocacy. The Rotary District 7890 Addiction Task Force has established three main areas of focus: CREATE AWARENESS of the crisis, INCREASE AND IMPROVE ACCESS to needed and successful services, and REDUCE THE STIGMA OF THIS DISEASE.

Manchester Rotarian and Police Chief Marc Montminy, the Rotary District 7890 Addiction Task Force Chair, and Sarah Howroyd, MSW Co-Founder of the Manchester, CT Hope Initiative described the shocking and rapid growth of the addiction crisis and overdose deaths in our country and our state.

They then went on to explain how the MANCHESTER, CT HOPE INITIATIVE has successfully linked law enforcement with treatment services to provide an alternative to arrest and incarceration, while creating a path to recovery for those afflicted with the disease of addiction.

Our second presentation was made possible by the Elks who brought in a nationally recognized speaker from California: Ray Lozano is a Prevention Specialist and Youth Speaker. Ray, described how the reward system used by our brain leads to an obsessive craving of mind and body that results in our pursuit and use of substances which then takes precedence over all other healthy activities and drives. When the video program becomes available, please share it with your local service clubs- Rotary, Elks, Lions and Kiwanis, local public access television, our schools, police, and other community organizations. Many thanks to those who are working to "Make A Difference" in their communities to address our Addiction Crises.



From left to right- Dave Mangs PDG, Marc Montminy Manchester Rotarian and Police Chief, Marc Glass Rotary District 7890 DGN, Ray Lozano Elks member and national speaker on Addiction Prevention, Sarah Howroyd, MSW Co-Founder Manchest , CT HOPE Initiative, and members of the Manchester Elks Lodge.





# Build Stronger Clubs Through Rotary Education

*By: Eileen Rau*

## **What is the Rotary Leadership Institute?**

- A leadership and development program to strengthen Rotary clubs through education, collaboration and the exchange of ideas among its future leaders.
- A three-part curriculum facilitated by experienced, trained faculty members engaging participants through open discussion, problem solving and creative role-play.
- Rotary International recommends Rotary Leadership Institute for new and seasoned members. RLI and RI are collaborating to write the "History of Rotary". Over 360 districts throughout the world now offer RLI to their members.

## **How does it work?**

- Parts I, II or III 6-7 hours each, divided into 50 minute segments. Each part builds on the previous one.
  - Discussion and participation. Not a lecture!
- Many clubs reimburse the participant registration fee.

## **Who should attend?**

- Future club leaders
  - New members
- Active Rotarians

## **When will courses be held in our area?**

- Enfield, CT, Nov. 10, 2018, Holiday inn 7:30 am to 3:30 pm  
How do I register?
- Go to [rlinea.org](http://rlinea.org). On the left side dialogue box under "Events"
  - Scroll down to Enfield. Click and follow instructions.

## **Graduate Course 2018-2019: Motivating volunteers and membership issues**

- The graduate course is open to all who have completed Parts I, II and III.
- The topic changes yearly. Rotarians may take the Graduate course more than once.

# A note on Council on Legislation and Resolutions from Sue Klock, your District 7890 delegate to the Council on Legislation and Council on Resolutions

The resolutions for the 2018 Council on Resolutions have been transmitted and published. To begin reviewing the proposed resolutions, please go to: [my.rotary.org/cor/vote](https://my.rotary.org/cor/vote). Resolutions are available for all Rotarians to read.

Representatives will begin voting on 15 October.

The voting period ends on 15 November 2018, midnight central standard time. Results should be made available by November 20th. I will share with you all a link to the results when they are available.

A resolution is a request to the RI Board or The Rotary Foundation Trustees to take an action that is outside the purview of the constitutional documents. Constitutional documents are The Rotary International Constitution, Bylaws and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution. Ideally, a resolution should affect the Rotary world, rather than address local or administrative issues.

Recently, at the Zone Conference in Montreal, I attended a mandatory training session for Council representatives. We discussed procedures at the Council on Legislation to be held in Chicago April 2019. We had an opportunity to critique some of our peers who will be defending their proposals during the Council. I believe it was a valuable, learning experience for all of us.

Contact me this month if you have concerns or recommendations, so I can consider them when I vote in early November. Sue Klock, [suehklock@gmail.com](mailto:suehklock@gmail.com). If you have questions about the Council on Legislation, the Council on Resolutions, please review the Council on Resolutions resources available on [rotary.org](https://rotary.org) or contact [council\\_services@rotary.org](mailto:council_services@rotary.org).



# Spread the word about Rotary Exchange to your schools and community!

For more information, contact Rich Friedman at  
[richefriedman@yahoo.com](mailto:richefriedman@yahoo.com)



## STUDY ABROAD

**The Youth Exchange Scholarship**  
provided by your local Rotary Club



**Valued at over \$24,000:** Room, board, tuition, and monthly stipend for a high school year abroad.

### HAVE YOU EVER DREAMED OF...

- ▶ TRAVELING THE WORLD?
- ▶ LIVING IN ANOTHER COUNTRY?
- ▶ BEING FLUENT IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE?

The Youth Exchange Scholarship for one academic year covers room, board, tuition, and a monthly stipend. The student/family pays for airfare, medical insurance, personal and optional expenses.

*THE YOUTH EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE MADE POSSIBLE BY THE GENEROSITY OF OUR ROTARY PARTNERS OVERSEAS AND LOCAL ROTARY CLUBS. QUALIFIED APPLICANTS MUST BE AGES 15-18 ½ AT THE TIME OF DEPARTURE.*



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Contact:

Student/Parent Information Meetings:



# Foreign Exchange Students enjoy activities at Springfield College

District 7890 Exchange Students got a taste of college life last weekend at Springfield College. They kicked off activities with a wet tour of the campus and then a lunch with the President of the college at her home. Since it was Homecoming Weekend, there were lots of alumni roaming the campus.

Our four inbound girls from Mexico, Chile, France, and Thailand passed on watching a football game because Catalina from Chile said, "All those guys do, is roll around in the grass". Well, that's one interpretation of American football but one probably not shared by enthusiastic football fans everywhere. They opted instead, to watch afternoon movies at their host's home. After an all American dinner at "99", they attended the 109th annual Springfield College Gymnastics Exhibition. More of a Cirque du Soleil type of show, the girls enjoyed it and even tried their hand on several of the apparatuses.

If your club would like to invite our exchange students to a club function or entertain them at a sporting or theatrical event, just contact Rich Friedman at [richefriedman@yahoo.com](mailto:richefriedman@yahoo.com) for more information.



# East Longmeadow Rotary launches 'Read with a Rotarian'

The Rotary Club of East Longmeadow collaborated with the East Longmeadow Children's Library toward the Rotary International Support Education area of focus for one of their 2019 community service projects. With the award of a 2019 Rotary District 7890 Grant, the club was able to support the purchase of 18+ Launchpads to increase availability of educational-based devices for science, math and reading in five different languages. In addition to the purchase of the Launchpads, the club started the "Read with a Rotarian" on October 9, 2018.

East Longmeadow Rotarians are attending the scheduled Tuesday PJ Reading nights four times between October 9th and November 13th to read to the children and talk about Rotary. Wearing an END POLIO NOW hat, this East Longmeadow Rotarian entertained children, their parents and the library staff reading "There's a Dragon in Your Book" by Tom Fletcher.

A formal announcement of the donation for the Launchpads will be made during Celebrate East Longmeadow on October 20th at Center Field at 3pm. The event will run from 10am to 4pm and includes a "Showcase Your Talent" event with local performers and companies, a visit from Forest Park Zoo with some of their furry, feathery and scaly friends, drone demonstration, tractor hay rides, bounce houses, paint your pumpkin, touch and truck, costume parade and contest and great food!

High school students are being invited to help at the event for community service time toward graduation. Children will be invited to participate in a scavenger hunt to find the 5 big facts about polio and receive a goody bag of Halloween treats and END POLIO NOW bracelet when they turn in their scavenger hunts fact finders. Please accept this as an invitation to join us! Email [eltogether@aol.com](mailto:eltogether@aol.com) to let us know you are coming!





# Rotary Club of West Hartford 16th Annual Jazz Brunch to Honor Hap Leabman

*Rotary Club of West Hartford presents*

## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz Brunch**

**Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 4:00 pm**

**The Hartford Club**

*46 Prospect Street, Hartford, CT 06103*

A Tribute to Rotarian and Former Assistant District Governor Hap Leabman  
Jazz Brunch Chairman 2011-2017

### *Featuring*



## **The Chris Flory & Harry Allen Quartet**

Chris Flory – Guitar [chrisfloryjazz.com](http://chrisfloryjazz.com)

Harry Allen – Saxophone [harryallenjazz.com](http://harryallenjazz.com)

Neal Miner – Bass [nealminer.com](http://nealminer.com)

Tom Melito – Drums [ccsu.edu/faculty/MelitoT](http://ccsu.edu/faculty/MelitoT)

The Jazz Brunch benefits Gifts of Music\* and other local charities

### *PLUS:*

**“A Taste of France” Gourmet Brunch by Chef Leslie Tripp**

**Tickets: \$85 per person / \$850 for a table of 10**

*Free parking at the Hartford Club is included*

**For tickets & info, contact Tony Rodriguez**

**(860) 573-0440 or [tonyr@danielpenn.com](mailto:tonyr@danielpenn.com)**

**Or buy tickets online at [westhartfordrotary.org](http://westhartfordrotary.org)**

Seating is limited. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

\*Gifts of Music is a non-profit organization providing musical instruments and private lessons to gifted and talented West Hartford public school students with limited financial resources

The West Hartford Rotary Club will be honoring our dearly departed Assistant Governor Hap Leabman by dedicating to Hap his favorite fundraiser:

The West Hartford Rotary Jazz Brunch. We hope Rotarians from throughout the District will join us to support "Gifts of Music" so that disadvantaged youth can receive musical instruments and lessons, and to support Rotary Service Projects that meant so much to Hap. Join us Sunday November 4th from Noon to 4 PM at the elegant Hartford Club for an outstanding brunch - enjoy world class Jazz musicians, and help us honor Hap Leabman's memory.





# Rotary of Avon-Canton Mission in Uganda

Rotary of Avon-Canton became involved in the Masindi, Uganda program in 2014, when Guiding Light Orphans (GLO) held its first medical camp supported by staff from Masindi Hospital and the Masindi Rotary Club. The medical camp included vaccinations, education for pregnant women, HIV-Aids testing, cervical cancer testing, distribution of multi-vitamins and mosquito nets, and various health training and preventive education sessions. That first camp served more than 400 people, which at the time represented the outstanding results of an ambitious first program.

In 2015 GLO held its second medical camp with a second generous donation from Rotary of Avon-Canton. Leadership at the Club encouraged GLO to think not only of expansion but also sustainability. Long-term sustainability is one of the biggest challenges faced by missions of this nature; many experience initial success but do not continue past a few years. It would take time to establish a relationship with their community, church, and Ministry of Health. In 2016 the idea of building a permanent clinic structure was born. GLO expanded their fundraising circle but Rotary of Avon-Canton continued to be the cornerstone of their fundraising efforts. Rotary of Avon-Canton funded a clean water-tank system for the community and a shipping container "Clinic-in-a-Can" which GLO converted into three medical offices.

In 2017 Rotary of Avon-Canton provided important medical equipment to help the clinic's development. As GLO's reach and impact evolves, our Rotary Club stands side-by-side as an international partner. We recently initiated an International Committee, through which Jolly continues to share her expertise.

In 2018, continuing to push for long-term sustainability, Rotary of Avon-Canton helped to fund a GLO women's project that trained women to make menstruation kits for personal use and sale to other women. The project creates a woman-led industry that employs and supports the needs of women. Other initiatives in progress include a micro-economics program and a community garden.

Since the first mission in 2014, GLO has provided medical services to more than 24,000 people. The program continues this October with a mission trip including four medical staff and a member of our own Rotary of Avon-Canton and his wife, who wished to assist GLO in its latest mission trip!

The Rotary of Avon-Canton is immensely proud to support GLO and is humbled and inspired by the services that they provide to the Masindi community. Together we have learned, grown and served.

Can Rotary make a Difference? In more ways than you can ever imagine. Thank you so much to all Rotarians everywhere and a very special THANK YOU to the Rotary of Avon-Canton family, whose boundless passion and commitment truly exemplifies "Service above Self".



# West Springfield Rotary 1st Annual Data Destruction & Electronics Recycling Day



**Rotary Club of West Springfield**

**Presents**

**1st Annual**



## **Data Destruction & Electronics Recycling Day**

*\*Bring your old electronics & suggested donation to the  
Boys & Girls Club at 615 Main Street, West Springfield*

**Saturday, October 27th • 9 AM - 1 PM**

*All Proceeds Benefit the Boys & Girls Club of West Springfield*



### **\*BRING...**

- Computers/Laptops
- Monitors/Televisions
- Phones/Cellphones
- Stereos/VCRs/DVD/Blu-ray
- Wire/Cables
- Printers
- Batteries

### **\*DON'T BRING...**

- Paint
- Household hazardous waste
- Construction materials
- Yard waste
- ANY fluids (oil, coolant etc.)
- Washers/Dryers
- Appliances



*For More Information, visit the WSBGClub Facebook Page or our website at [wsbgclub.org](http://wsbgclub.org)*



## West Springfield Presents First Annual Donut Dash 5k



The Rotary Club of West Springfield presents the first annual Donut Dash 5k at Mittineague Park, a 3.1 mile trail run, hike or walk, Sunday Oct 21, at 10 am. This course takes you through beautiful Mittineague Park in West Springfield. Sign up individually or as a team early to reserve your "I run for donuts" T-shirt! You don't have to be a runner; if you like to walk or hike, and enjoy nature, this course is for you. Following the race enjoy cider and donuts from The Donut Dip. Title sponsor is Westfield Bank. Visit [www.rotarydonutdash.com](http://www.rotarydonutdash.com) for information.

# Membership Rally - November 14th

**WHO:** Rotary D7890 Area 10 Presidents, PE's, Membership Chairs, and district/club leadership and members

**WHAT:** Rotary Membership Rally

**WHERE:** The Pineloft, 1474 Berlin Turnpike, Berlin, CT 06037

**WHEN:** Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 6-8pm

**WHY:** To learn strategies on how to create a more vibrant and relevant club that will lead to an increase in membership and retention

...and we promise it will be great fun!!!

**COST:** No cost for the rally - meal optional (order off menu if desired)

**RSVP:** to Judith Green by Nov. 9 –

judith@netmarkassociates.com; 860-810-5735

We need more  
**#Rotarians**



## Thomaston honors Student of the Month

Congratulations to the October 2018, Rotary Club of Thomaston Student of the Month, Jack McMahon!

Pictured with Jack are Rotary Club of Thomaston Members, Thomaston High School Principal, John Perrucci, Thomaston School Superintendent, Francine Coss and his Parents Maureen and Paul McMahon, as well as Rotary Club of Thomaston President Breia Pinette





# Simsbury-Granby completes Global Grant

The Rotary Club of Simsbury-Granby successfully completed a \$35,000 grant from the Rotary Foundation in partnership with Club Rotario Riobamba in Ecuador. The grant was used to support the ophthalmology program at a Riobamba foundation and ambulatory surgical and health clinic that serves the poor throughout Ecuador. The clinic is called Clinico Quirurgico Ambulatorio Fibuspam and is located high in the Andes in Riobamba. The grant supported the purchase of two important and sophisticated instruments to support the diagnosis and treatment of eye disease. Eye disease such as cataracts and pterygium is widespread in the Ecuadorian Andes due to the high altitude and proximity to the sun and its radiation. The clubs together acquired a Topcon “Alladin” cataract workstation with corneal topography, a sophisticated instrument that allows for precise corneal measurement to support cataract and laser surgery. They also purchased a portable slit lamp to support the extensive work that Fibuspam does in remote communities throughout Ecuador. This allows more sophisticated examination and diagnosis in the field which could not be done before. Both of these instruments will improve the sight of thousands of Ecuadorians and particularly those who have no ability to pay or no access to health care. Fibuspam is immensely grateful and looks forward to changing more lives with this new equipment. Seventy percent of the population of their province, Chimborazo, is indigenous; A population that is extremely poor with historically little or no access to health care. As many as 4 million people (25% of Ecuador’s current population) have fled the country seeking opportunity elsewhere and the majority is from this region. The members of the Simsbury-Granby club are thrilled to be able to improve health care delivery and sight for the poor of Chimborazo Province and beyond. The equipment was received at the clinic on September 5th and is now in full use helping to restore the sight of and provide hope for thousands of Ecuadorians. The Club is grateful to the Rotary Foundation for their support. For more information on Fibuspam’s work in Ecuador, visit [www.fibuspam.org](http://www.fibuspam.org).



# Two Global Grants will provide Clean Water & Sanitation Facilities to Guatemalan Villages

Applications are in the process of being submitted to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) for two more Global Grants (GG) to support the funds necessary to purchase materials and supplies for sustainable clean water and sanitation facilities in the Mayan villages of Chajalajya and Simajulehu. As with the 22 previous projects sponsored by District 7890, all labor will be provided by the men and women in the communities. 765 families (approximately 4,743 people) will benefit from these improvements.

District Chair for Water & Sanitation Projects Rick Lawrence is gathering the required documents, MOU's, training templates, pro-forma cost estimates and other information that must accompany the GG Applications. This information is being obtained from the Cooperating Organization, ALDEA, and the Host Rotary Club in La Antigua, Guatemala.

District 7890 has been the leader by providing District Designated Funds (DDF) since GG's were initiated by TRF six years ago. Yearly, close to half the clubs in our District have assisted in the funding and this notice is intended to remind those clubs that their support has been so instrumental in achieving the required funding.

In March 2019 Rick and his wife, Elin, have scheduled their yearly visit to participate in the completion and dedication of the three villages funded by last RY's GG's – Pamezul, Vista Hermosa and San Vicente. Upon their return to New England in late April, they will once again offer to be the guest speaker at clubs in CT, MA and RI in order to show how these projects improve immeasurably the lives of these people. Any club desiring more information, or to schedule such a presentation, should contact Rick by cell phone (860) 558-2793 or email: [elawrlaw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elawrlaw@sbcglobal.net).

Photos show the potable running water and sanitation facilities (improved pit latrines) at each household in the 3 villages visited in March 2018 – Xesajbin, Cojulya & Pachaj.





# Watertown cares for the homeless

This past month Watertown Rotary Club members donated items for a great cause - BOHP (Brian O'Connell Homeless Project) in memory of Brian 1961 - 2016 his twin sister runs this non-profit organization and makes these bag to destitute to unfortunate people living on the our streets. <http://brianoc.org/>



## Farmington Rotary Announces Successful Trail Race

The Farmington Club's first 5K Trail Race was held on Sunday morning, September 23rd, along the Farmington River trails beginning in Tunxis Mead Park. This was our 11th 5K Race, but our first TRAIL race, and the 127 runners who completed the course were happy with our location. We also included a Fun Run for kids.

We thank the 20 sponsors for this race and many contributors to our race prizes, which included gift certificates, toys, hats, wines (for adults only!), jewelry and other items. The race winners were very happy with our prize selection. All registered runners also received a race t-shirt. We are planning to repeat this event at this location next year.

This year's First Place Runner Dan Fields exits the wooded trail for a run to the Finish Line.

Photographer:  
Farmington Rotarian Augusto Russell





# Holyoke welcomes returning member

The Holyoke Rotary Club would like to welcome back Jeff Hayden. He has rejoined the Club after a couple of years absence and we're thrilled to have him. Seen here with President, Bob McKay and Vice president Helen Arnold.

Welcome Jeff!

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# Thomaston Enjoys Steak & Golf

The annual Rotary Club of Thomaston, Steak & Golf event took place Thursday 9/27/18. It was a day and evening of fellowship and much fun golfing. The steak dinner afterwards is always so good!



# Simsbury-Granby Rugged Maniac

On Saturday, September 29, 2018, three Rotarians from the Simsbury Granby Rotary Club ran the Rugged Maniac Obstacle Course Race under the name Ruggedly Rotary. It was a great day of fellow through mud.

(Pictured from left to right, President Patrick Slater, President Elect Sarah Lindsay, and Immediate Past President Brian Liss)



# Southington enjoys Apple Harvest Festival

Southington Rotarians, with a little help from Interact, spend 2 weekends at the local Apple Harvest Festival selling French fries! This is one of the club's biggest fundraisers.





# North Adams Fall Foliage Parade

On Sunday, September 30, 2018 the Rotary Club of North Adams had a concession stand at the beginning of the North Adams Fall Foliage Parade. Club President, Joanne DeRose, was asked by the parade committee if the club could set up the stand after two years of there being no food available for parade participants, who are often looking for a quick lunch before they begin marching. The club kept their prices reasonable, selling hot dogs for \$2, hamburgers for \$2.50, and cheeseburgers for \$3. In 90 minutes of sales the club was able to make a profit of \$370, which will be used to sponsor youth sports teams in North Adams. After cleaning up the stand, the club members that helped that morning enjoyed their front row seats for the parade as the floats, bands and other parade participants began their 2 mile journey through the city.



## Call for District Governor Nominees

It is that time of the year for nominations for our District Governor for the year of 2021-22! Below is the nomination form which should be filled out and sent back to Dick Borden. Dick is coordinating the interview and selection process and will keep us all informed to next steps and progress.

Questions can be directed to Governor Kate Sims. Kate is also the NEPETS Chair for the year of 21-22 and will be working directly with our DGND during this year.

**[Click here to access the nomination form](#)**

## Rotary Foundation Report on Operations

The Rotary Foundation 2017-18 Report on Operations offers a comprehensive look at the progress and achievements of the Foundation's programs in response to the world's wide range of humanitarian needs. The Foundation marked its first year of its second century of service in 2017-18.

2017-18 TRF Annual Report of Operations



# Putnam celebrates 95th anniversary

In September the Putnam Rotary Club celebrated its 95th anniversary. The Putnam Rotary Club was sponsored by the Willimantic Rotary Club in 1923.

It's been 95 years --- every day --- of members putting service above self: supporting every local organization from Boy Scouts to hospital programs to youth sports to the arts to helping those less fortunate and more.

Nationally, the Putnam Rotary Club has supported clubs in states hit hard by hurricanes and other natural disasters.

The club and its foundation have helped send hundreds of local students to college through its strong scholarship program.

The Putnam Rotaract Club and the Quinebaug Regional Interact Club were sponsored by the Putnam Rotary Club.

On the international side, the club has hosted and sent dozens of Exchange students around the globe. It has supported international projects including water wells, schools, cottage industries, ShelterBoxes and more.

Following a devastating flood in 1955, the Putnam Rotary Club was at the forefront of rebuilding --- helping to create Rotary Park where once there was mud and debris. Recently the club got behind a renaissance of the park, funding new "tough" grass and an irrigation system, benches, tree-trimming and planting, a freestanding Victorian-styled clock, a beautiful new sign, and even 1,500 spring flower bulbs.

Creative and "just a wee bit" competitive, club members put the "fun" in fundraising. Golf tournaments, rose sales, a 20-20 drawing and many more fundraisers help the club serve --- locally, nationally and globally.

For 95 years! Though we be small, we are fierce!



# September Attendance

Club	Members	Percentage	Club	Members	Percentage
Agawam	28	59	Stafford	28	44.64
Amherst	64	53.02	Suffield	34	76.47
Avon-Canton	79	51.21	Terryville	12	83.30
Bloomfield	21	*	Thomaston	39	56.09
Bristol	36	57.33	Torrington-Winsted	65	*
Chicopee	25	54.67	Tri-Town	7	*
Dalton	10	*	Ware	11	*
Easthampton	30	*	Washington	13	*
East Hartford	48	51.16	Watertown	38	*
East Longmeadow	23	70.64	Westfield	29	0
East Windsor	12	75	West Hartford	51	*
Enfield	51	66.97	West Springfield	63	60.58
Farmington	36	*	Wethersfield/Rocky Hill	16	*
Franklin County	26	*	Wilbraham-Hampden	23	76.00
Glastonbury	75	*	Williamstown	30	*
Great Barrington	48	68.75	Willimantic	26	31.73
Hartford	32	*	Windsor/Windsor Locks	20	57
Holyoke	59	39.41			
Kensington-Berlin	16	*			
Killingly-Brooklyn	20	*			
Litchfield Morris	25	*			
Ludlow	22	81.39			
Manchester	34	*			
Monson	8	90			
New Britain-Berlin	44	*			
New Milford	45	*			
Newington	22	62.01			
North Adams	12	*			
Northampton	28	54.76			
Palmer	22	*			
Pittsfield	59	61.95			
Plainfield	19	66			
Plainville	37	56.22			
Putnam	54	67.54			
Rockville	19	*			
Salisbury	34	29.41			
Simsbury-Granby	67	*			
Somers	31	80			
Southington	43	*			
Southwick	12	*			
South Windsor	56	*			
Springfield	46	34.75			

Please be sure to  
input your club's  
attendance into  
Clubrunner. Speak  
with your AG if you  
need assistance.

# New Members

Mark Byers, *Thomaston*  
Hector Camacho, *Amherst*  
Derrick Feuerstein, *East Longmeadow*  
AnneMary Gordon, *Avon-Canton*  
Darren Katz, *Pittsfield*  
Elaine Kurasinski, *Monson*  
Rauf Majidian, *Avon-Canton*  
Rebecca Martinez, *Plainville*  
Lisa Musick, *Ludlow*  
Jayshree Patel, *Thomaston*  
Kelley Pouloupoulos, *Monson*  
Maria-Judith Rodriguez, *Amherst*  
Mechilia Slazar, *Ludlow*  
Hailey Verelst, *Monson*

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# Anniversaries

Lee Tri-Town, September 29, 1927

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# In Memoriam

Wilfred Fredette, Monson  
Rabbi Harold Salzmman, Pittsfield

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# Membership Resources

These materials are immensely helpful in retaining and attracting members. Please share with your membership chairs and your entire club. The last attachment is what the Manchester Club is using for Corporate Membership – feel free to tailor it for your club's needs. Membership Chair Judith Green will be coordinating with the Assistant Governors on arranging Area membership meetings starting in the fall. Please do not hesitate to contact her if you have any immediate questions.

**New Membership Committee Checklist**  
**Rotary Alternate Forms of Membership**  
**New Member Checklist and Profile**  
**Rotary Club Health Check**  
**MRC Corporate Membership Application**



# Springfield Rotary announces Service Above Self Luncheon Honorees

The Basketball Hall of Fame and The Rotary Club of Springfield have announced the honorees for the ninth annual Basketball Hall of Fame / Springfield Rotary "Service Above Self" Luncheon.

This year's distinguished honorees are Jeb Balise and John Calipari. A special Lifetime Achievement Award will be given to long time Rotarian, Jim A. Russell. Since 2010, the annual luncheon and awards have highlighted some of the remarkable individuals within the Western Mass. community and the larger basketball family who have truly lived out the motto of Rotary International, "Service Above Self."

The event will be held at the Basketball Hall of Fame's Center Court on Thursday, November 15th at noon.

"The Rotary Club of Springfield is proud to honor such deserving individuals as Jeb Balise, John Calipari and Rotarian Jim Russell," said Sue Mastroianni, President of The Rotary Club of Springfield. "Jim has been a Rotarian for over 50 years and a member of Shriner's for over 40. He is a special person who has never let a significant disability affect his devotion to his friends and fellow members of the greater Springfield community. All three of this year's recipients exemplify Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self".

James E. "Jeb" Balise, Jr., is a West Springfield resident and the third-generation owner of Balise Motor Sales. Throughout his life, Balise has remained committed, both personally and professionally, to community service and ensuring that Balise is both a good corporate citizen and neighbor. His ongoing commitment to bettering the communities in which he works, and lives is reflected by Balise's long history of charitable giving, focusing primarily on programs that support youth and families and community enrichment. Balise sponsors numerous youth sports teams across the region, supports mentoring programs with local high schools and colleges, and is a regular contributor to the Boys & Girls Clubs, Baystate Children's Hospital, the United Way, and the American Red Cross.

National Honoree, John Calipari, is a Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Famer known as a "players-first" coach with a penchant for helping people reach their dreams. He has guided six teams to the NCAA Final Four, one to a national championship and helped 46 players earn selection in the NBA Draft during his 26-year college coaching career. During his success spanning UMass, Memphis and Kentucky, Calipari has continued to give credit to his players and use his platform to do good in the communities in which he has coached and across the world.

In 2012, The Calipari Foundation was founded by John and his wife Ellen to support educational, social and spiritual communities with a particular focus on enriching the lives of children. The foundation aims to inspire philanthropy in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and has teamed up with several charities including Samaritan's Feet, the West Liberty Recovery Fund, 4 Paws for Ability, the Starkey Hearing Foundation, the Urban League of Lexington and the V Foundation. Calipari continues to motivate his players and others by living and preaching the motto, "it's never a matter of how far you have fallen, but instead it's about how high you bounce back."

Tickets and sponsorship opportunities to the luncheon are still available. Individual tickets are \$75. For more information on sponsorships or to purchase tickets to the luncheon, contact Paul Lambert with the Basketball Hall of Fame at 413-231-5502 or [plambert@hoophall.com](mailto:plambert@hoophall.com).



# Southwick Rotary names recipients of the 2018 Outstanding Vocational and Community Service Awards

Ray Fox, President, Rotary Club of Southwick, has announced the recipients of the 2018 Outstanding Vocational and Community Service Awards as follows:

Michael McMahon – Chairman, Economic Development, Town of Southwick  
Christopher D. Boyd, Director and Former President, Rotary Club of Southwick  
Southwick Police K-9 Unit, Town of Southwick  
John Jeneral, Major Donor, Southwick K-9 Unit

The objective of the award is to recognize individuals or groups who have embodied the characteristics of Rotary's motto of "Service above Self." In making the announcement, Fox said "Rotary selects individuals and groups who have demonstrated excellence and have performed service that results in long-lasting value to the community, programs that support the elderly, the less fortunate, the environment, and most importantly our youth and future leaders of the community." The awards program was introduced in 1996 and to date has recognized 64 individuals and five nonprofit organizations from Southwick and the surrounding communities.

The event takes place October 24 at Tucker's Restaurant, 625 College Highway, Southwick, starting with a social hour at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.00 and must be purchased in advance by contacting any Rotarian or Bob Fox at 413 579 4585. Deadline for tickets is October 22nd. For more information on the program, contact Rotarian Ellen Miles at [ellen.c.miles@comcast.net](mailto:ellen.c.miles@comcast.net), or call 413 237 3553.

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## Mission Statement

Rotary Means Business encourages Rotarians to support the success of their fellow Rotarians by doing business with them, and by referring others to them.

"If any one tells you that it is reprehensible to make a dollar or two for the wife and babies from club associates in straightforward business transactions, tell that person that some foreign substance has gotten into his carburetor." (Paul P. Harris, January 1911)

**To learn more about Rotary Means Business and arrange your own meeting, contact RMB Chair Bennett Forrest at [bennettforrest@kw.com](mailto:bennettforrest@kw.com)**

## Rotary Club of Chicopee contributes to RiverMills Senior Center Enhancements

The Rotary Club of Chicopee is stepping in to help the Chicopee RiverMills Senior Center enhance their outdoor living spaces with a multi-tiered Dinner/Gardens/Benches project this Fall. The club received a District Grant for \$2,400 and will match it at 50% with a \$1,200 local donation and volunteer efforts. The activities began on September 27 with the Club serving dinner to approximately 125 guests at the Center which was a great success, but only phase one of the Club's project contribution. Next, Rotary volunteers will be planting flowers and procuring benches to complete the beautified outdoor patio space at the Center. A big "Thank You" to RiverMills Executive Director Sherry Manyak, Holly Angelo and their staff for their help, as well as to Chicopee Rotary Club's Community Outreach Chair Cheri Mills for successfully attaining the grant and organizing this great event.

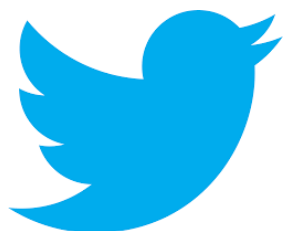
Chicopee Rotary Club members at the Chicopee RiverMills Senior Center, Sept. 27, 2018

LtoR: President Kirk Burnham, Treasurer Marc Dugre, Francine Jasinski Hayward, John Michon, Linda Januszkiewicz, Kurt Toegel, Cherlynnne Mills and John Arthur. Volunteers not pictured: Chicopee Rotary Secretary Jason Ouellette and his lovely daughter Meg.





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## Have some news to share?

Send news and information about your Club's activities, news and events. Sharing your 'Good in the World' may Be the Inspiration for others to start their own projects and activities.

Your new contact information or newsletter submissions (including graphics, photos or files as attachments) should be sent by the 10th of the month to: Jennifer Gruszka, Newsletter Editor, at [jennifergruszka45@gmail.com](mailto:jennifergruszka45@gmail.com)

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