



August 2026

Club News

Rotary
District 7780



Boothbay Harbor

Boothbay Harbor Stands Out in Windjammer Parade!

The Boothbay Harbor Rotary Club participated in the Windjammer Parade on Wednesday, June 24. It was a blast, waving at everyone, playing "Anchors Aweigh" since this year the Parade theme was "Honoring the US Navy". Club President Alden Wood said he was amazed by the positive reception the BBH Rotary Club float received. A tribute to the impact Rotary has in our communities.



Biddeford-Saco

Mini-Golf for Good Event Coming Soon!

Our Biddeford-Saco Club is abuzz with sponsors and participants eager to participate in our Annual Mini-Golf For Good event on Thursday, August 20th.

The event will take place at two locations: Pirates Cove Adventure in OOB and Raptor Falls in Arundel.

Proceeds from this fun-filled day will be dedicated to supporting Rotary Community Projects. We are thrilled to provide an enjoyable experience for all participants.



Bridgton-Lake Region

Rotary Charity Golf Classic: Sponsors & Golfers Welcome!

Bridgton–Lake Region Rotary is gearing up for the 17th Annual Rotary Charity Golf Classic on **Saturday, September 19** at Bridgton Highlands Country Club. Golfers can look forward to peak fall weather, great camaraderie, and a chance to win a **20 ft. pontoon boat** in our Harrison Marina–sponsored hole-in-one contest (or the cash equivalent).

Sponsorship support is already strong, with **CMHC – Bridgton & Rumford Hospitals, Norway Savings Bank, and Dragonfly Barn /Hayloft** joining **Harrison Marina** as Platinum Sponsors. Additional sponsors across Gold, Silver, and Bronze levels are helping build momentum for a terrific event.

Golfers and sponsors from other Rotary clubs are encouraged to sign on now—your partnership would make a real difference. **Join us for a great day of golf and community impact! FMI – LakeRegionRotary@gmail.com**



Rotary
Bridgton-Lake Region

17th Annual
GOLF CLASSIC

★ SEPTEMBER 19, 2026 ★

WIN A BOAT!

HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZE



★ WIN A ★
2026
GODFREY
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2086 CPSE

PONTOON BOAT!

GODFREY
PONTOON BOATS



BRIDGTON HIGHLANDS
GOLF & TENNIS CLUB



REGISTRATION
7:45 AM



SHOTGUN START
8:30 AM

4-PERSON SCRAMBLE

\$150
PER PLAYER

\$600
PER TEAM

INCLUDES:

- GOLF & CART
- BREAKFAST
- LUNCH
- CONTESTS & PRIZES
- GAMES ON THE COURSE

TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

Team Name _____

Captain _____ Cell _____

Email _____

PLAYER	PLAYER NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS
CAPTAIN		
PLAYER 2		
PLAYER 3		
PLAYER 4		

☐ By signing below, I acknowledge that all players are aware of the risks involved in golf and agree to release and hold harmless the Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary, Bridgton Highlands Golf & Tennis Club, and all sponsors and volunteers from any liability for injury or loss that may occur during the tournament.

Captain Signature _____ Date _____

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

- ★ 18 Holes of Golf
- ★ Format: 4-Person Scramble
- ★ Prizes, Contests & Course Games
- ★ Rain or Shine! (Tournament will be played unless course conditions prohibit play.)
- ★ Limited to the first 36 Teams
- ★ Register by September 10, 2026



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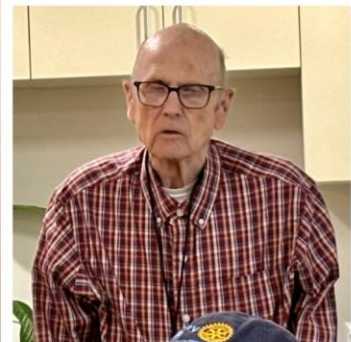
Damariscotta-Newcastle

New Member David James Receives D-N StepUp Award!

Congratulations to David James for receiving the 2026 Rotary Club of Damariscotta-Newcastle StepUp Award from President Tom Anderson. These colorful boots, decorated with signatures of prior recipients, were created several years ago by Past President Bob Duke.

Chosen by the club president, the award goes to a club member who has truly stepped up to support the club in the prior Rotary Year. Although Dave is a new member, he attended as a guest for years with his late father-in-law member, Bill Murdoch.

An engineering professor, he and Beth moved back to Maine from Nevada immediately upon retirement! He comes early and leaves late, helping with meeting logistics, volunteers for service and fundraising projects. A well-deserved choice for the 2026 boots!!!!



Dover

Dover Rotary Welcomes New Member and Celebrates a New Rotary Year!

The Rotary Club of Dover celebrated a meaningful evening of connection and renewal at our annual Changeover. Outgoing President Cathy Beaudoin reflected on a year filled with impactful service, new members, and strong community partnerships, expressing heartfelt gratitude to every volunteer who helped make the year a success. As the ceremonial gavel passed, we proudly welcomed incoming President **Rob Gagnon**, who shared his vision for continued growth, fellowship, and community impact.

The same night, President Rob and Membership Chair Steve Pappajohn inducted new member Pati Frew-Waters. We are excited for the passion and ideas she brings to our Rotary family. With new leadership and new members, Dover Rotary enters another year of Service Above Self with energy and optimism.



Exeter

Exeter Rotarians Serve & Celebrate in the Community!

Exeter Rotarians were out in full force this summer, lending hands and lifting spirits at two beloved local traditions. At the **Special Olympics Summer Games at UNH**, members helped serve lunch to hundreds of athletes, families, and volunteers — a service project the club proudly supports year after year. It was a joyful day of teamwork and connection, with Rotarians Barbara MacDonald, Lois Kfoury, Dennis Carignan, Maureen Pecora, Bob Hamilton, and Mark Harrison among those volunteered and pictured above.



The club also joined Exeter's annual celebration of the **250th Anniversary of America**, staffing a Rotary booth during the town's historic festivities. Rotarians Lois Kfoury, Bob Hamilton, and Candace Dietz greeted visitors, shared Rotary's mission, and cheered on community members filling out raffle tickets.

Both events showcased Exeter Rotary's commitment to service, fellowship, and being present where the community gathers.



Kennebunk

An Irony Worth Celebrating!

Kennebunk Rotary had a surprise moment recently—one that only past president and current Board Member **Tom Bradbury** saw coming. As he prepared to welcome the club's newest president, Tom stepped forward with a plaque honoring **Betsy Ross** in this 250th birthday year. Then came the twist: Kennebunk's incoming president is *our very own* **Betsy Ross**, owner of The Wine House on Main.

Tom added a playful nod to technology, noting that artificial intelligence confirmed in seconds that she is the **only Rotary president named Betsy Ross in the United States**—a coincidence too good not to celebrate.

The moment sparked laughter, pride, and curiosity about other members' historical connections.

Congratulations to Kennebunk Rotary's new president, Betsy Ross!



Kittery

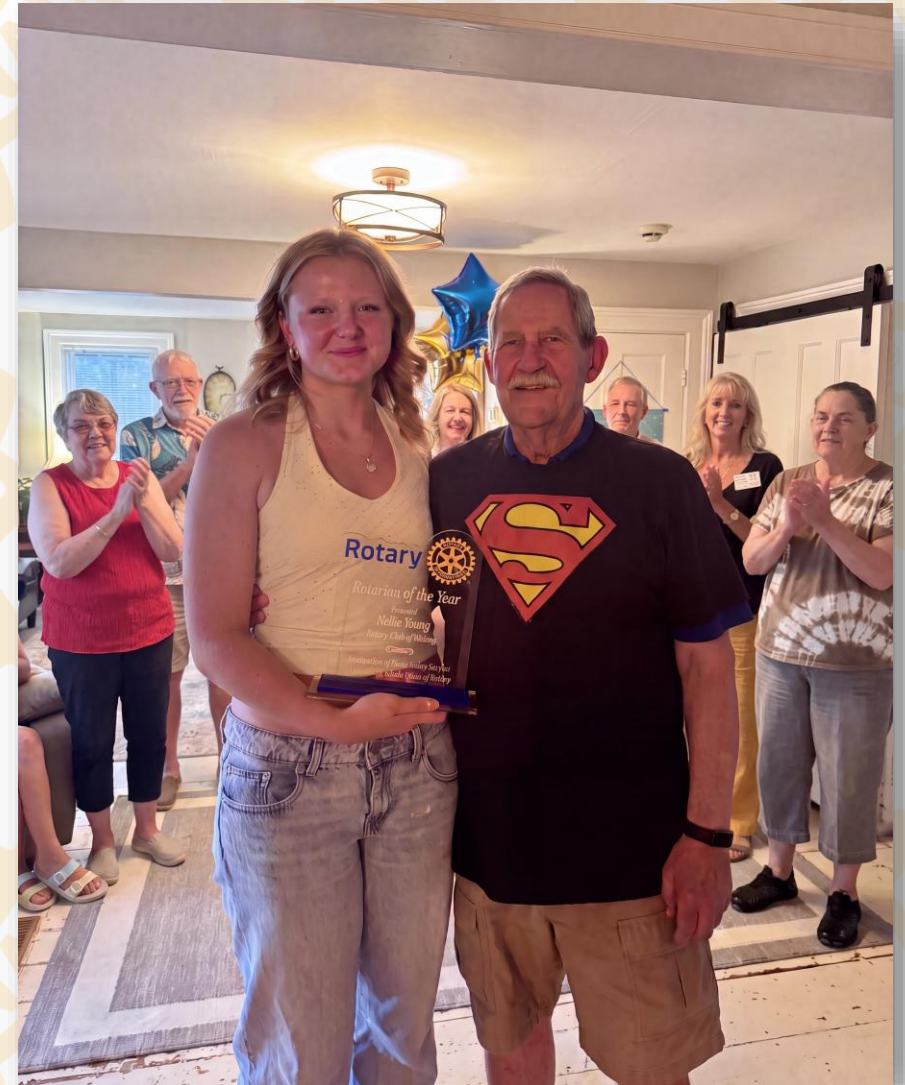
Rotarian of the Year Awarded to Youth Leader!

The Rotary Club of Kittery held its year-end meeting in June with a potluck get-together, and we were honored to welcome our outgoing District Governor, Emma Bodwell. We celebrated another successful year of giving back to our community and communities abroad.

Nellie Young earned our Rotarian of the Year Award for her amazing work both here and in Peru where she first raised \$18K for a nursery school and now is raising \$10k for a culinary school.

Nellie is President of the Rotary Interact Club at Marshwood High School and an accomplished student-athlete. She received the 2026 Maine Governor's Young Volunteer of the Year Award and was also a 2026 Maine Principal's Award recipient for Academic Excellence and Citizenship.

Presenting her with the Rotarian of the Year Award is our outgoing and re-elected Club President, Andy Glazier—our very own superhero!



Oxford Hills

Save the date! Oxford Hills Rotary to hold their Annual Cornhole Tourney!

On Sunday, August 23, 2026, Oxford Hills Rotary will hold their Annual Cornhole Tourney at the Paris Hill Country Club, 455 Paris Hill Road, Paris ME 04271. Action starts at 12 pm for doubles team play with entry fees of \$25 for social teams and \$35 for advanced team players. Lots of prizes including door prizes. Proceeds will go to support local senior citizen and veteran projects. FMI or to register, contact Event Chair Dave Preble at 207.890.6794 or preb@roadrunner.com. FMI go to oxfordhillsrotary.org or on FB.

Shown in pic: L to R President Connor Burnam, Event Chair Dave Preble and PE Bob Schott.



Westbrook-Gorham

Summer Means Field Trips and Fun!

During the months of June-August, our Club takes a few weeks off from our regular weekly meeting schedule. Folks liked it so well the first year we tried it that we are now in our third summer with a reduced meeting schedule.

The summer schedule includes “field trips” to locations outside of our regular meeting venue at the WRVC in Westbrook. So far this summer, we’ve visited the Baxter House Museum, the Rotary House under construction by the WRVC students (see last month’s Club News), held our Changeover event *inside* the brewery at Sebago Tasting Room, and enjoyed our annual lobster bake at the lakeside home of Steve & Patty Rand in Raymond.

We’re now back at WRVC for most of the rest of the summer, although we will be taking another field trip to the Westbrook Historical Society before school starts up again for the fall.

For our new President’s first official meeting, we welcomed Tom Spencer, Chairman of the Board for Honor Flight Maine. We were pleased to make our first “big check” donation of the new Rotary year to this wonderful organization.

