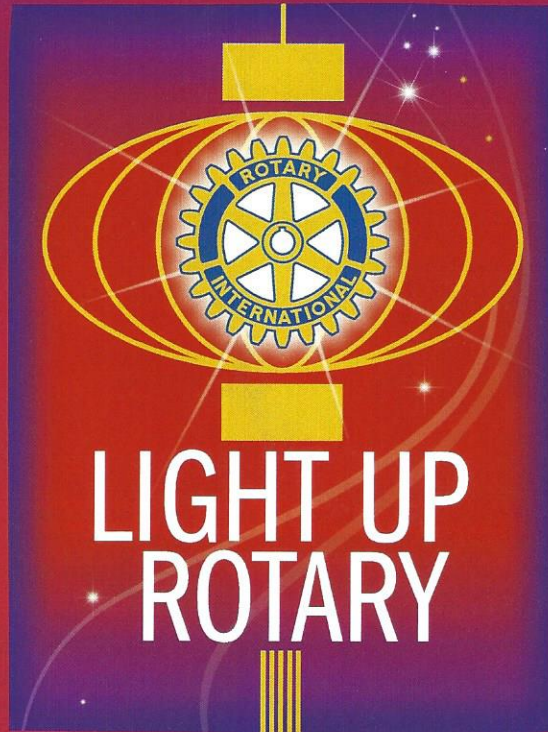


2015 District Conference



Wentworth by the Sea
New Castle, New Hampshire
April 24 - 26, 2015

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GREETINGS FROM RI PRESIDENT GARY C. K. HUANG



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Dear Fellow Rotarians and Friends:

I am very pleased to welcome you to this 2014-15 District Conference. A District Conference is a wonderful opportunity for Rotarians and friends of Rotary to enjoy good fellowship, to be inspired by the formal program and the interaction with other Rotarians, and to celebrate the success of your District's many activities and initiatives. I recall the wonderful experiences Corinna and I have had at such conferences and I wish you all the best as you take advantage of this special time together.

The Chinese philosopher Confucius said, "It is better to light a single candle, than to sit and curse the darkness." This is a message that I have taken to heart. Rotarians demonstrate this philosophy everyday as they carry out projects in their communities and around the world, lighting candles of hope through their actions.

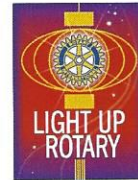
My challenge to all of you this year is to **Light Up Rotary** by making Rotary fun, by growing our membership, by doing more and better projects, and by reaching more people with Rotary's message. **Light Up Rotary** is our theme for the year – but it is more than our theme. It is how we live in Rotary, how we think in Rotary, how we feel, how we work. It is how we make a difference – every day, in every club, every district, and every country where we serve.

I hope you have a wonderful time during your conference and that you leave here inspired to even greater heights of service and with a renewed commitment to the work we need to do to help Rotary grow and do even more good in the world. Please **Light Up Rotary!**

Sincerely,

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Gary C.K. Huang
2014-15 President



"The Best Class"



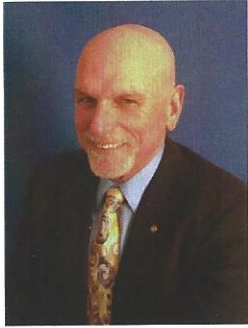
**RI PRESIDENT'S
REPRESENTATIVE
Young Suk Yoon**

Rotary International Trustee
Rotary Club of Seoul-Hoehyon
Seoul, South Korea

Y.S. Yoon has held the positions of chair and CEO at Daewoo Corporation, Daewoo Heavy Industries & Machinery Ltd., Korea Heavy Industries & Machinery, and Doosan Heavy Industries & Machinery, respectively. He currently serves as founder and chair of Heam Management Consulting. He has received various awards recognizing his outstanding leadership and contributions to the global trade industry, including the Order of the Knight Officer from the Italian government, the Order of Industrial Service Merit Gold Tower, the Award for International Trade, and the Grand Award for Ethical International Trade.

A Rotarian since 1990, Yoon has served RI as committee member, RI training leader, district Rotary Foundation committee chair, and district governor. He also served as a member of the Rotary Peace Centers Major Gifts Initiative.

Yoon and his wife, Seung Ja, are Major Donors, Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation, and Paul Harris Society members.



DISTRICT 7780 GOVERNOR Lawrence Furbish

Welcome to the 2015 Rotary District 7780 District Conference. Our District Conference Committee, chaired by PDG Elias Thomas and assisted by PDG Marie Williams, has been working hard for almost two years to make this Conference a memorable experience for all of you. I am very grateful for all that they have done.

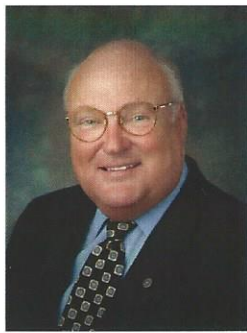
It has been a real pleasure for me to be your District Governor this year. Barbara and I have had such a terrific time visiting clubs, attending fund raisers, helping with projects, and getting to know so many wonderful Rotarians throughout the length and breadth of this District. You are all such good people.

I really love President Gary's theme of "Light Up Rotary" and feel lucky to be the District Governor during his year. In each of my talks to clubs during my official Governor's visits, I used the quotation from Confucius about lighting a single candle. That whole image of one small act combining with others to light up the world is very powerful, not to mention all of the symbolism associated with images of light and darkness. I think there is great magic in lighting candles and bringing light into the world.

For me, the magic of Rotary is how the small actions of one or two Rotarians can blossom into something so much bigger and more powerful. I think about how, in 1917, there was \$26.50 left over from that year's Rotary Convention. Arch Klumph, Rotary International's sixth president, decided it should be put into the bank and used for "doing good in the world." That was the whole beginning of the Rotary Foundation. Think about how much good it has done over the years - amazing!

I also think there is magic in just being a Rotarian. I have been privileged over the past few years to meet many Rotarians from all over the world, and they are such a wonderful, caring group of people. I have seen and experienced such great fellowship, hospitality and warmth. If we could bottle that love and concern for others and spread it around to some of the violent, sad, dark corners of the world, what a difference it could make. As I think about it, that is exactly what we try to do every day as Rotarians.

Please accept my sincere thanks for all of the help and assistance you have given me this year. You have made this a truly memorable year, and I'm glad we could work together to "Light Up Rotary."



**DISTRICT CONFERENCE
CHAIRMAN
Elias Thomas III**

Fellow Rotarians, friends and guests... it gives me particular honor and pleasure to welcome all of you to what will be remembered as one of the most exciting and inspirational District Conferences ever. When DG Lawrence asked me to serve as chair of this event, I was humbled, yet energized to work to assemble the best of the

best! I am sure once the conference draws to a close on Sunday, you will agree that we have succeeded in this effort. We have invited world-class leaders to share their experiences and expertise with us.

Among these are Tami Bonnell, CEO of EXIT Realty Corporation, International. Tami has years of experience in the real estate industry, both as a producer, as well as someone who has helped to "build" three major brands in the industry. She is ranked #7 in the Top 100 Real Estate Executives in the world.

Next, we welcome Taylor Chace, a bit of a local celebrity, having been raised in nearby Hampton, New Hampshire. He is a member of two Paralympic Sled Hockey Teams for the United States, which won the Gold Medal, both in 2010 and 2014. Dealing with his own personal adversities, Taylor has skated to the top of the heap!

We have two discussion panels. On Friday, several "youngsters" in Rotary will share their stories and tell us why they joined Rotary and how they see Rotary growing in the future. Perhaps they will make suggestions to some of us "gray-haired dinosaurs" as to how we can keep Rotary vital and moving forward.

On Saturday, we welcome four leaders of faith to our second panel. We will have a Jewish Rabbi, a practicing Hindu, a Muslim Imam and an Episcopal Priest. We look forward to hearing about the differences and similarities of their respective religions, but more important, we look for them to focus on Rotary International and how, as Rotarians, we play a role on the world stage as we work for greater understanding and toward world peace.

Finally, we are in for a treat when we welcome Ramesh Ferris, to share his life story with us. Beginning his life in India and how, through adoption, he has cycled his way to spread the word about Rotary in its efforts to END POLIO NOW. As a member of the Whitehorse – Rendezvous Rotary Club in the Yukon Territory, Canada, Ramesh has been recognized by world leaders for his accomplishments.

Again, it is an honor for me to serve as your chair, and a pleasure to welcome you to the Wentworth by the Sea, one of America's most spectacular historic hotels from yesteryear.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Elias Thomas III, Chairman

Beth Abbott

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Mae Bradshaw

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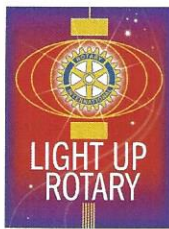
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Barbara Sutcliffe

David Underhill

Marie Williams



2015 DISTRICT CONFERENCE General Information

Conference Registration (located at the end of SALT restaurant)
Deb Marsolais, Conference Registrar

Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25
7:00 a.m.- 9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

House of Friendship (hallway outside of Wentworth Ballroom)
Kerstin Kirchner, Conference Coordinator

Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

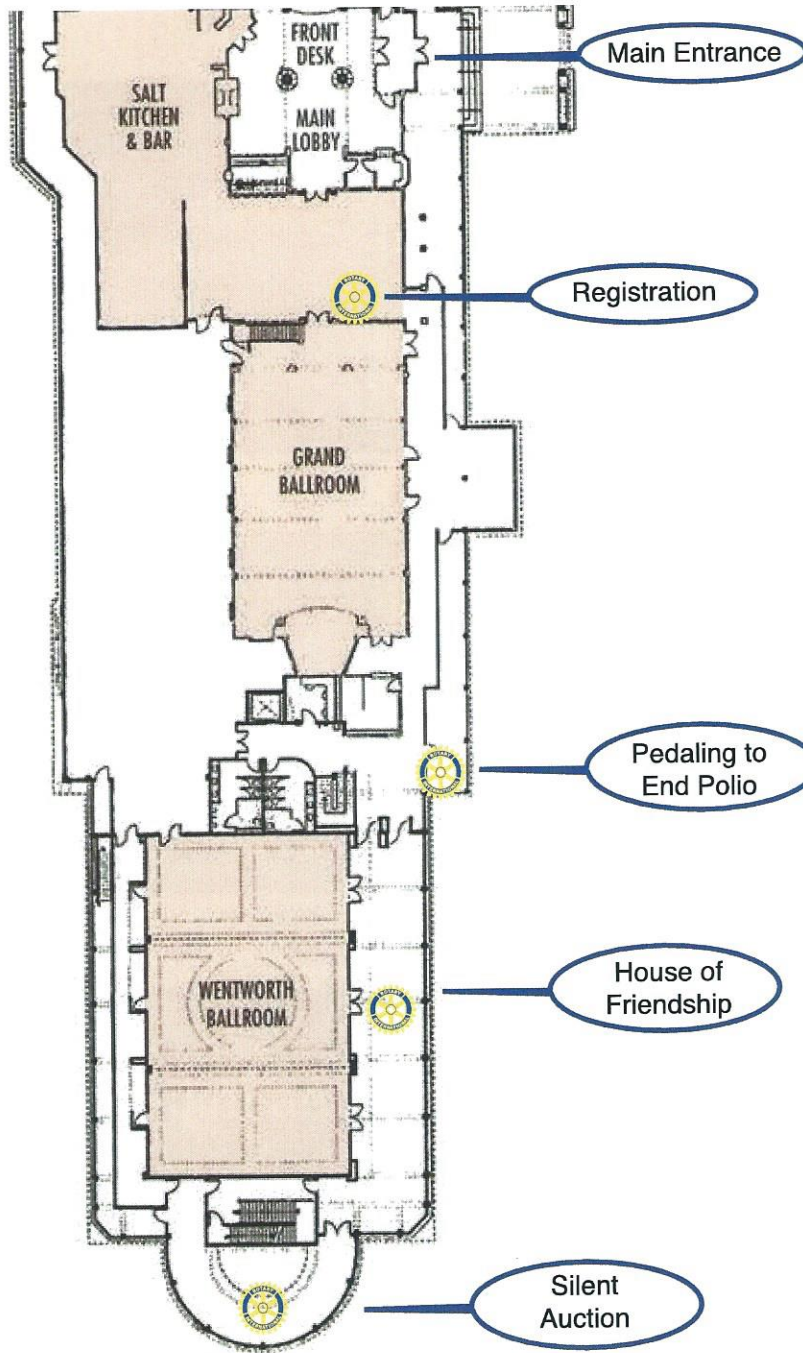
Portsmouth map and area information
Looking for Lawrence Scavenger Hunt
District Literacy Book Collection Project
District Conference Sponsors
Club and District Displays
Popcorn Machine

Silent Auction (located in the Solarium)
Mindy Dearborn, Conference Coordinator

Friday, April 24
10:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 25
9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy bidding on over 50 unique items donated by District 7780
Rotary Clubs and friends. Bid often, bid high to raise funds for The
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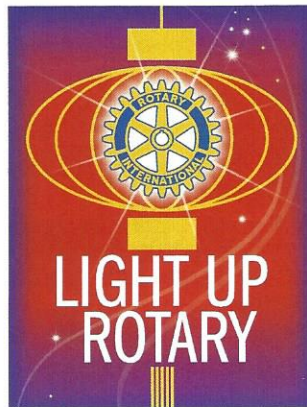
Wentworth by the Sea Main Floor





Walking Directions to Hospitality Suites

Take a right out of the front door.
Follow the driveway about 100 yards.
There will be a parking lot on your left for the Marina Suites.
On foot, follow the boardwalk on the left side of the suites towards
Latitudes Restaurant.
Ascend the stairs and you will see the entrance to the suites on your
right.



DISTRICT CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Friday morning, April 24, 2015, Grand Ballroom

7:30 a.m. All-American Breakfast

Friday morning, April 24, 2015, Wentworth Ballroom

8:30 a.m. Master of Ceremonies

*David Underhill, District Governor Nominee Designate
Portsmouth Rotary Club*

Opening Ceremonies

Presentation of Flags

*Sacopee Valley High School Jr. ROTC
Richard Simpson, Director*

National Anthem of the Republic of Korea

Barbara Sutcliffe, Treasurer, Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

National Anthem of the United States of America

Elias Thomas III, PDG, Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

The Pledge of Allegiance

Derek Peters, President, Rochester Rotary Club

Invocation

Joe Boyle, President, Ogunquit Rotary Club

Welcome to Portsmouth

*The Honorable Robert J. Lister, Mayor
City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Patricia Cummings, President, Portsmouth Rotary Club
Barbara Trimble, Vice President
Seacoast Portsmouth Rotary Club*

Rotary Moment

Cornelia Stockman, President, Kennebunk Portside Rotary Club

Announcements

*John Caramihalis, Sergeant-At-Arms
Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club*

Introduction of Dignitaries

*Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor
Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club*

9:15 a.m. Welcome Remarks

Young Suk Yoon, RI President's Representative

9:30 a.m. Introduction

Rick Coyne, Owner, Exit Oceanside Realty, Wells Rotary Club

Keynote Address

A Beacon for the Millennials

*Tami Bonnell
CEO, Exit Realty Corporation International*

Friday morning, April 24, Wentworth Ballroom

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Introduction

Brad Paige, President and CEO, Kennebunk Savings Bank

Keynote Speaker

Overtime

Taylor Chace

Gold Medal U.S. Paralympic Sled Hockey Team Member

11:45 a.m. Panel Discussion

Millennials - and Why Rotary Needs Them

Sam Heck, Discussion Leader, Portland Sunrise Rotary Club

Jacob Kallgren, Hampton Rotary Club

Israel Collins, Saco Bay Rotary Club

Ember Earl, Scarborough Rotary Club

Michele Watley, Kansas City (MO) Rotaract Club (by Skype)

Friday afternoon, April 24, Grand Ballroom

12:30 p.m. Corner Store Deli Lunch

12:45 p.m. Introduction

Peter Simonsen, District 7930 Governor

Hamilton-Wenham (MA) Rotary Club

Luncheon Speaker

Bicycling Across America - Pedaling for a Purpose

Keith Harris, Past President, Ipswich (MA) Rotary Club

1:30 p.m. Award Presentations

Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor

Announcements

John Caramihalis, Sergeant-At-Arms

Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

2:00 p.m. Free time in Portsmouth/Kittery area

Looking for Lawrence Scavenger Hunt

Friday evening, April 24, Wentworth Ballroom

5:30 p.m. Cocktails

6:30 p.m. Master of Ceremonies

Andrew Glazier, Kittery Rotary Club

Introduction

Marge Barker, District Governor Nominee

South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club

Friday evening, April 24, Wentworth Ballroom

Address

Young Suk Yoon, RI President's Representative

Recitation of the Four Way Test

Heather Matlosz, President, Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

7:15 p.m. Dinner

Viewing of 4 Way Test Video Contest Entries

Award Presentations

Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor

8:30 p.m. Introduction

Leigh Willett, President, Exeter Rotary Club

Entertainment

Magician and Illusionist

Robert Fellows, Exeter Rotary Club

Announcements

John Caramihalis, Sergeant-At-Arms

Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

Hospitality Suites

Saturday morning, April 25, Grand Ballroom

7:30 a.m. All-American Breakfast

Saturday morning, April 25, Wentworth Ballroom

8:15 a.m. Master of Ceremonies

Bonnie Gould, President, Fryeburg Area Rotary Club

Rotary Moment

Ken Farley, President, Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club

Announcements

Keith Patterson, Sergeant-At-Arms

Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

8:30 a.m. Introduction

Elias Thomas III, PDG, Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

Keynote Speaker

Why we must END POLIO NOW

Ramesh Ferris, Whitehorse Rendezvous Rotary Club

Yukon Territory, Canada

Saturday morning, April 25, Wentworth Ballroom

- 9:30 a.m. Panel Discussion
Conflict Resolution - Religion, Politics & Rotary International
*Bonnie Gould, Discussion Leader
President, Fryeburg Area Rotary Club
Rabbi William Leffler, Kennebunk Portside Rotary Club
The Reverend Anne Williamson, Associate Pastor
Episcopal Church of St. John, Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Mohamed Ibrahim, PhD., Imam and Director
Islamic Society of the Seacoast Area, ISSA
Krishna Bhatta, M.D., Chairman of Urology Department
Eastern Maine Medical Center*
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. Introduction
*John LoBosco, District Cultural Exchange Coordinator
South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club*
District Cultural Exchange with Bulgaria
Outbound Team Report
*David Kitchen, Team Leader, Yarmouth Rotary Club
Catherine Callahan
South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club
Israel Collins, Saco Bay Rotary Club
Mike Lassel, South Berwick-Eliot Rotary Club
Martha Netsch, Seacoast Portsmouth Rotary
Annamaria Gonzalez-Salguero
South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club*
- 11:00 a.m. Announcement of District Business Meeting
- 11:30 a.m. 4-Way Test Video Contest
*Carl Lakari, Project Aware Coordinator
Consultant to District 7780 4 Way Test Video Contest*
- 12:00 noon District Business Meeting (continued)
Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor

Saturday afternoon, April 25, Grand Ballroom

- 12:30 p.m. Flatbread Pizza Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Introduction
Claudia Frost, Past President, Brunswick Rotary Club
Luncheon Speaker
Rotary Global Grant - Children's Health Initiative in Zambia
Lonnie Hackett
- 1:30 p.m. District Business Meeting (continued)
Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor
Announcements
*Keith Patterson, Sergeant-At-Arms
Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club*

Saturday afternoon, April 25, Grand Ballroom

2:00 p.m. Free time in Portsmouth/Kittery area
Looking for Lawrence Scavenger Hunt

Saturday evening, April 25, Wentworth Ballroom

5:30 p.m. Cocktails

6:30 p.m. Master of Ceremonies
Christopher Jacques, Saco Bay Rotary Club

Rotary Moment
Larry Marsolais, President, Hampton Rotary Club

Dinner

7:30 p.m. Presentation of 2016 District Conference
Sheila Rollins, District Governor Elect
Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary Club

7:45 p.m. Looking for Lawrence Scavenger Hunt Winner
Midge Nelson, Assistant Governor
Seacoast Portsmouth Rotary Club

Presentation of Awards
Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor

Video Retrospective

8:15 p.m. Entertainment
Rotary Jeopardy!
Liz Cullen, PDG, Newburyport (MA) Rotary Club

Announcements
Keith Patterson, Sergeant-At-Arms
Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club

Hospitality Suites

Sunday morning, April 26, Solarium and Wentworth Ballroom

8:30 a.m. Memorial Service
Jeffrey Pelkey, PDG, Kittery After-Hours Provisional Club

9:00 a.m. Farewell Brunch
Music by Portsmouth Music and Arts Center
(PMAC) Jazz Ensemble
Russ Grazier Jr., PMAC Executive Director
Matt Langley, Instructor

9:45 a.m. Introduction
Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor

Farewell Remarks
Young Suk Yoon, RI President's Representative

10:15 a.m. Closing Remarks
Lawrence K. Furbish, District Governor



Tami Bonnell

CEO EXIT Realty Corporation
International

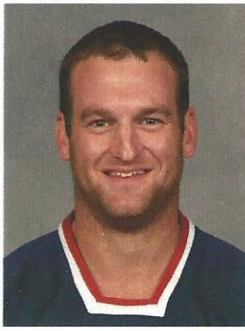
Tami Bonnell is a 30+ year veteran of the real estate industry and was instrumental in building three major brands. Among her many achievements, she was recently recognized by Leading Researcher Real Estate trend watcher, Stephan Swanepoel, as one of the “200 most powerful people in residential real estate, included in the top 10 most powerful women in real estate and she was ranked among the top 10 most powerful real estate franchise executives for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015.”

Ms. Bonnell has been a featured speaker at the National Association of Realtor’s general session as well as National Women’s Council of Realtors in New Orleans in 2014.

She has spoken to RIS Media’s top 500 Power Brokers and at their leadership conferences, National and State Women’s Council Realtors across the country, National Association of Real Estate Brokers, Inman News Connect Conference, Xplode Conference, and the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act & Mass Fair Housing Conference.

In 2012, she was named a finalist in the category of Best Executive in a Service Business by the Stevie Awards for women in business, the world’s premier awards for women in the workplace. She is a recipient of “The Women of Fire” award presented by the Warren Group/Banker & Tradesman (Boston) to the top 20 women in finance, insurance and real estate trail blazers, leaders and visionaries. Most recently, she was honored with the 2014 TALKIE award sponsored by the National Association of Women in the Real Estate NAWRB Roaring Twenties edition of SHE Magazine for making her mark in the world of marketing.

Along with several other national and local engagements, Ms. Bonnell hosts quarterly webinars educating the general public on real estate issues. She is a wife and mother of three and a grandmother of three. In her spare time, she is a martial artist, coach, judge and referee.



Taylor Chace

U.S. Paralympic Gold Medal
Sled Hockey Team Member

Taylor has been an integral part of the United States Sled Hockey Team's success since 2005. He scored the game-winning goal for the Bronze Medal in the 2006 Paralympic Games in Torino, Italy. He has won back-to-back Gold Medals in the Vancouver, British Columbia and Sochi, Russia Paralympic Games, a first in Paralympic Sled Hockey history.

In Vancouver, Taylor was named the tournament's top defenseman and was named 2010 Paralympic Sportsman of the Year by the United States Olympic Committee. He is a four-time International Paralympic Committee World Championship medalist, named top defenseman in 2013 and all-tournament team in 2012. He was one of the team's longstanding leaders having served as alternate captain in the 2007-2008 season, the team captain from 2011-2013 and as an alternate captain in 2014.

Taylor graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 2011, majoring in Sports Studies. Since his return from Sochi, he worked as the Director of Public Relations and Communications for the *Portland Pirates* in Maine. He is exploring full-time opportunities as a strength and conditioning coach at the university level. He continues to work for Northeast Passage, where he coaches sled hockey and speaks to groups promoting awareness of recreation and competitive opportunities for youth and adult athletes with disabilities. He enjoys motivational speaking throughout the country. He is certified by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a strength and conditioning specialist. In 2011, Taylor and his family established the Taylor Bent Chace '11 Fund for Athlete Development, the purpose of which is to provide support for athlete development at Northeast Passage.



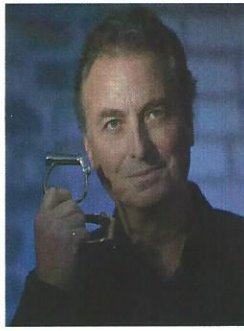
Keith Harris

Pedaling for a Purpose
Ipswich (MA) Rotary Club

Keith Harris joined the Ipswich Rotary club in 1995. He served as President in 2000-2001. He continues to be actively involved in his club, serving in various capacities over the years including Foundation Chair, Interact Chair and Youth Services Chair.

He served as the District 7930 Foundation Chair from 2002-2004, and again from 2005-2008. He has also served two stints as an Assistant Governor, and as New Generations Chair in 2012-2013.

His wife of 22 years, Christina, joined the Ipswich Rotary club in 2001. Together they have hosted several Ambassadorial Scholars, and have been RYLA 'parents'. They are both members of the Ipswich Rotary Circles of Gold, and belong to the Bequest Society of the Rotary Foundation. This year they have both become Major Donors of the Rotary Foundation. For Keith, belonging to Rotary is a privilege. Being able to share Rotary with his spouse has made it all the more meaningful.



Bob Fellows

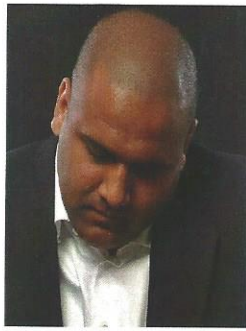
Magician and Illusionist

Bob Fellows has an extensive background as an entertainer who specializes in mentalism, illusions, and escape artistry. He has performed in 50 states and a dozen foreign countries, and was asked by the Department of Defense to tour his full evening illusion show to all the Air Force bases in the United States. He has performed on national television with Jay Leno, David Letterman, and many others. He often blends his magic with a message for corporations, hospitals, schools, and the government.

Fellows was a regular performer at the Magic Castle in Hollywood for many years. He also developed an original performance of mentalism for a three-week show at Caesar's Palace with Lance Burton. Fellows took his performance of mentalism to the Phil Donahue show, Leeza, Mike & Maty (with repeat appearances on all of those shows), the Home show, David Letterman and more. He appeared on national television in Canada and Australia including Canada AM, Good Morning Australia, and three appearances on Australia's Midday Show with Ray Martin.

Fellows taught at a school for magicians called the "Mystery School" with noted magicians Jeff McBride and Eugene Burger, and is published in The Mystery School Book, plus in his own book, Easily Fooled. He performed illusions and lectured to magicians at Tannen's Jubilee in New York, received awards at several magic conventions, and was contracted with Royal Caribbean Cruise Line for over two years.

As an escape artist, Fellows recreated Houdini's Water Torture Cell on PBS's "American Experience: Houdini," TLC's "Mysteries of Magic," "Masters of Illusion XV," and "Impossible Escapes" which aired in 2008 and 2012.



Ramesh Ferris

Polio Survivor
Rotary Club of Whitehorse Rendezvous
Yukon Territory, Canada

Ramesh Ferris is a 35-year-old polio survivor and Rotarian who resides in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada.

Ramesh has travelled throughout Canada, India, the United States of America, Puerto Rico, Australia, South Africa, France, Denmark, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Portugal, and Switzerland to convince more people to support the eradication of polio.

Ramesh has had opportunities to share the message of polio eradication to delegates of the Rotary International Conventions in both Montreal and Lisbon, and with many world leaders, including the Prime Ministers of Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, Pakistan, and the Presidents of Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan.

To buy his book, [Better than a Cure - One Man's Journey to Free the World of Polio](#), please go to www.amazon.com.

If you're interested in having Ramesh speak at your Rotary polio awareness events, he can be reached either by email at rameshferris@gmail.com or by phone at 867-335-6920.

Ramesh Ferris looks forward to sharing the important message of polio eradication, education, and rehabilitation with you.



Lonnie Hackett

Zambia Global Grant Project
Healthy Kids/Brighter Future

In the summer of 2011, a budding Bowdoin College football star, Lonnie Hackett, received a grant to work as a volunteer teacher at a school in Zambia serving orphans and vulnerable children. He soon realized that few of his students were able to take advantage of even the meager opportunities the school offered. Nearly all were afflicted by malnutrition, infections and childhood diseases, which are generally addressed effectively and inexpensively in the developed world. He wondered: "Why not here?"

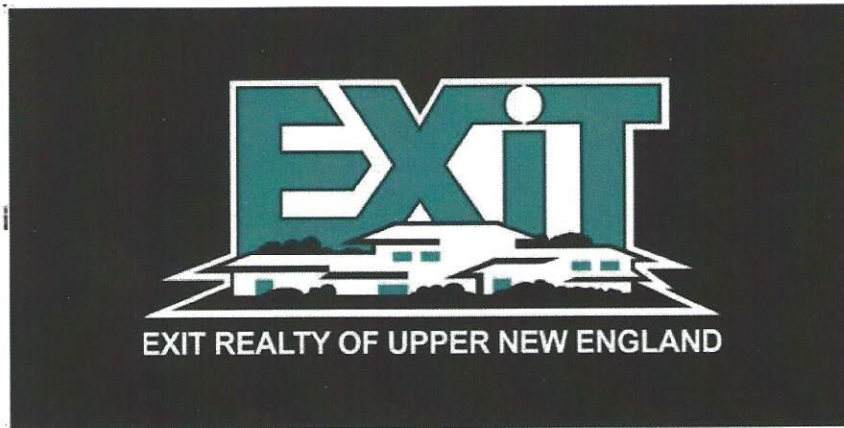
With a rare imagination for simple solutions to complex problems and the understanding that the issue was distribution, Lonnie thought, "Since more than 80% of Zambia's children attend primary school every day, why not deliver health education and medical care where children spend most of their time - in school?" Thus, was born the idea of Healthy Kids/Brighter Future (HK/BF), a not-for-profit organization working to improve the health of low-income young people in Zambia.

Today, HK/BF provides thousands of vulnerable children critical health examinations, the medications needed to eliminate chronic conditions, and the education required to maintain their health. HK/BF is building a model that can serve not only Zambia but also much of the developing world.

Lonnie graduated Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude from Bowdoin College in 2014, where he majored in biochemistry and lettered on the varsity football and track and field teams. He is a National Truman Scholar, a College Football Hall of Fame National Scholar Athlete, and a two-time finalist for the Rhodes Scholarship. In his rare downtime, Lonnie enjoys spending time at his family's camp in Northern Maine.

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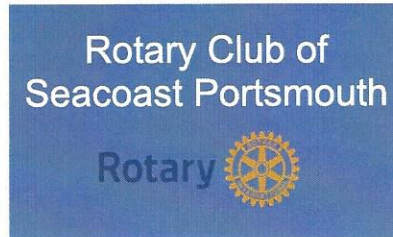
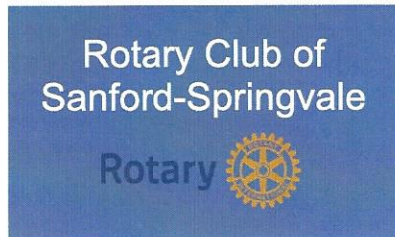
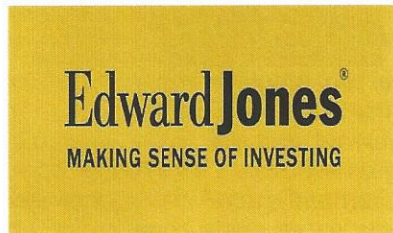
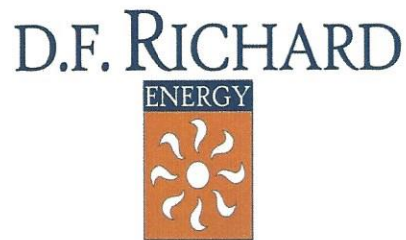
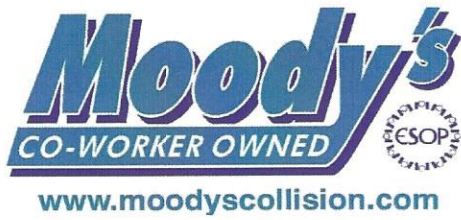
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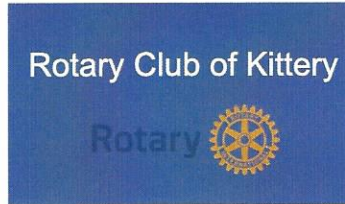
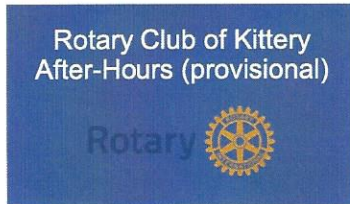
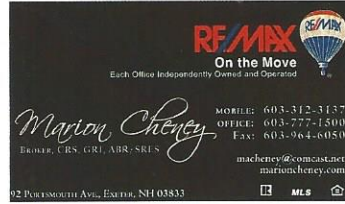
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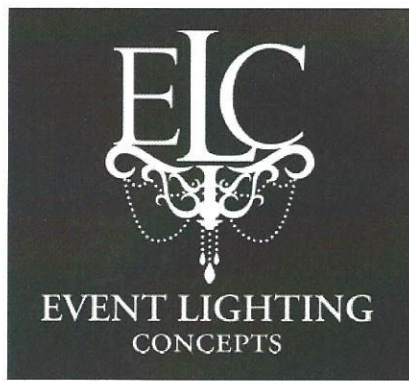


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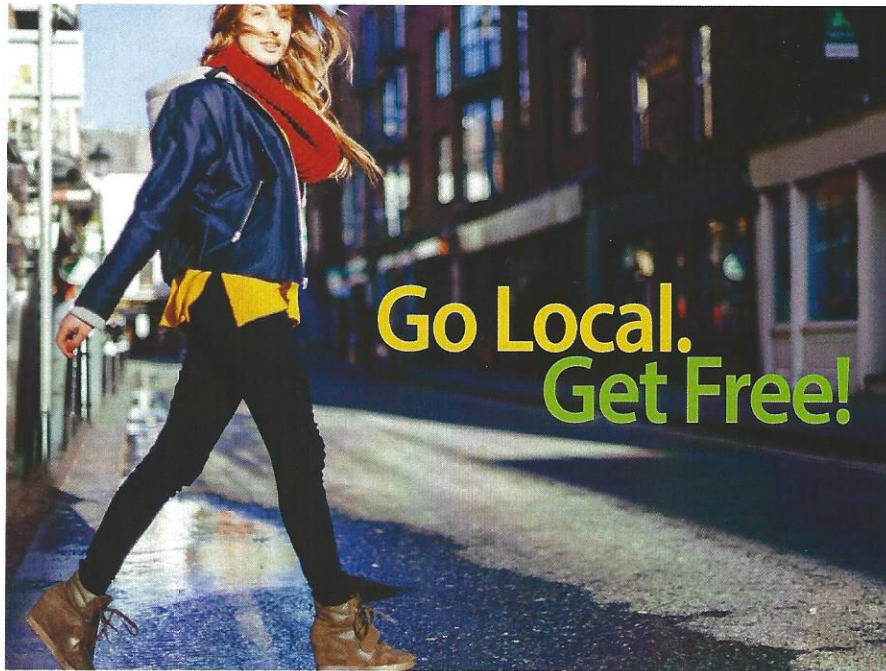
A member of the Historic Hotels of America, Wentworth by the Sea Hotel & Spa, is the crown jewel of Portsmouth, New Hampshire - named to the National Trust's list of Distinctive Destinations®. Constructed by the Campbell family in 1874, the Victorian "wedding cake" building guests see today was created by local ale tycoon Frank Jones, starting in 1888. After painting the building a mossy green, Jones and his professional management team modernized the hotel with bathrooms, steam-powered elevators and large elegant rooms that attracted guests from around the world. The central portion of our Portsmouth hotel, beneath the three mansard-roofed towers, is what remains of the original Wentworth, including the main entrance and lobby fireplace.

Wentworth by the Sea was once one of 400 grand hotels situated along the coast and mountains of New Hampshire, and the hotel maintained its international reputation as a premier resort for much of the 20th century. During this time the hotel hosted dignitaries and celebrities such as Annie Oakley, Gloria Swanson, Harry Truman and Prince Charles. By the early 1980s, the idea of the grand hotel had fallen out of fashion just as its then-owners, the Smiths, were ready to retire. At its lowest point, the hotel was a backdrop for the thriller, "In Dreams" starring Robert Downey, Jr., Aiden Quinn and Annette Bening.

Wentworth by the Sea closed in 1982 after falling into disrepair and was almost demolished to make way for private homes. Fortunately, the 'grand hotel' was reborn after a non-profit organization, Friends of the Wentworth, helped save the endangered building from extinction and captured the imagination of local hotel company Ocean Properties, Ltd.

Rescued from the wrecking ball and its place on the National Trust's "Most Endangered Sites" list, Wentworth reopened in 2003, just in time to serve as the focal point for the 2005 celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty, which helped end the Russo-Japanese War. In 1905, Judge Calvin Page, executor of Frank Jones' estate, had agreed to the New Hampshire Governor's request to host the 25 Russian and Japanese peace conference delegates at no charge for as long as their deliberations lasted. For 30 days in August, the delegates shuttled back and forth to the nearby Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for the formal negotiations; meanwhile many of the pivotal meetings and back-channel diplomacy, for which President Theodore Roosevelt earned the 1906 Nobel Peace Prize, took place through the telephones and telegraph wires of the hotel. Though the Treaty was signed at the Shipyard on September 5th, the armistice that ended the actual fighting was negotiated and signed at our historic Portsmouth hotel.

A six-year, \$30 million reconstruction of Wentworth by the Sea Hotel & Spa incorporated as many original architectural details as could be salvaged, and saw the addition of the 8,500-square-foot spa wing and indoor pool as well as the luxurious Little Harbor Marina Suites. Awarded the American Institute of Architects' "Award of Excellence," AAA Four-Diamond Award, and National Trust for Historic Preservation recognition, the Wentworth is once again an unrivaled destination among luxury hotels of Portsmouth and an unforgettable setting for vacations and celebrating milestone occasions.



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