



E-NEWSLETTER

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Hello Fellow Rotarians,

Yes, time passes on. It is the month of December. It is the family month for both the Rotarians and non Rotarians. Throughout the world there are some festivals or functions are celebrated during this month.

For us in the United States it is Christmas season and Hanukkah and other ethnic festivals. It is a time to reflect on all the good fortune that we are fortunate to enjoy with our family and Rotary family.

It is a time to exchange gifts with each other and give gifts to children and other family members. As Rotarians we share this good fortune by taking part in community activities, participating in food banks, donating clothes and food for individuals and families who are less fortunate than ourselves.

We also take part in ringing the Salvation Army kettle.

From our district perspective I am happy to report different clubs are engaged in their favorite charitable activities. Some of them are having comedy nights, stage shows to enjoy with family and friends as well as to raise funds for their clubs. One club does a masquerade ball. Others are helping the seniors in need, in their community.

Our DGE Terri Kidder is preparing to leave for San Diego for the incoming Governor's training.

I am happy to report I have been forwarding information about prospective new members to various clubs.

Wish you all a Happy Merry Christmas, and Seasons Greetings.

Wish you all a Happy Fruitful prosperous New Year.

Let us reach within and Embrace Humanity.

With warm Regards,

Swami

Marblehead Rotary Club



The Marblehead Rotary Club is pleased to award Julie Livingston, its club secretary, past president, and longstanding Paul Harris Fellow, her third ruby pin to mark her sustained support of the Rotary Foundation.

Photo legend: (from left to right): Marblehead Rotary Club President Bill Coolidge awards Julie Livingston, a long standing Paul Harris Fellow her third ruby pin. Article and photo submitted by: Tanya S. DeGenova, Chairman Marblehead Rotary Club.



Chelsea Rotary Club

Two installations were conducted by the Chelsea Rotary Club at the November 22, 2011 meeting.



Pictured left at the installation of the Club's newest member Beth Anderson. Pictured Left: L-R: Installing Officer PP Bruce Mauch, President Ken Webber, Beth Anderson, Sponsor PP Patrick Monkiewicz

Pictured right at the installation of the Chelsea High School Interact Club officers for the 2011 - 2012 year. Chelsea High School Rotary Interact Club members. Pictured left to right: Erica



Guzman - President, Monique Puig-Antich - Rotary Adviser, Connie Beck-Treadway - Vice President, Ken Webber - Rotary President, Monica Rubio - Secretary, Ilana Ascher - Interact Club Adviser, Patrick Monkiewicz - Rotary Adviser, Ingrid Jovel - Secretary, and Robert Connors - Treasurer. Article & photos submitted by Chelsea Rotary Club Secretary Douglas B. Mauch



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DOES YOUR CLUB HAVE NEWS?

Please Email your club news
articles & photos to
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THE DEADLINE IS THE 15TH OF THE MONTH!!

DANVERS ROTARY SENDS KIDS TO CAMP

DRC President Jason presents DRC Past President & CEO of the Danvers Y, Lenny Mercier a check for \$9,000 to pay for the Danvers Youth that attended the Y's Camp on Stiles Pond in Boxford.

A long tradition of sponsorship, our Danvers Rotary Club has funded sending many kids to summer camp, that would not be able to participate without Rotary's help. History goes back to the 1950s when Rotarians helped build the camp, later to sell fudge at the Topsfield Fair to help fund the program and has continued to be the lead sponsor of helping kids



to camp.

It makes me proud to be a Rotarian and also to be connected with the Y during my entire life. This program has helped mold many kids and give each of them something to look forward to. The check was a bit bigger than the deposit slip for the bank but we did manage to put it to good use. A heart felt thank you goes to each and every Rotarian for this sponsorship. *Photo & article by Lenny Mercier, Editor of the Danvers Rotary Club Newsletter, "The Rotoracle"*

ANDOVER ROTARY CONTINUES TO GROW

The Rotary Club of Andover continues to add new members, business leaders from around the Merrimack Valley. Shown here, Al Getler, Club President (far right) and Club Secretary Peter Johnston (second from right) welcome new members (left to right) J.J. Huggins, SNAP Infusion; Don Gottfried, The Bulfinch Group; Dr. Raj Gohel, family dentistry; and Jack Daniel, Pastor, Free Christian Church. Not pictured is Ryan Sylvia, Symphony Services.

Previously installed were: Carrie Anderson, Merrimack Valley YMCA; Dan Fallon, Georgetown Savings Bank; Matthew



Ferrara, Matthew Ferrara's Learning Network; Donna Laconti, NEADS – Dogs for Deaf & Disabled Americans; and Chris Wilson, Head of School, Esperanza Academy.

The Rotary Club of Andover is a group of area business and professional leaders, dedicated to the idea of "Service Above Self." The Club meets Friday mornings at 7:30AM at the Lanam Club, 260 N. Main Street. Please join us to learn more about Rotary. *Article & photos submitted by Andover RC PR Chair Katharine Barr.*

Marblehead Rotary Club

MarbleheadCARES Coalition Coordinator, Susan Hauck, briefed Marblehead Rotarians on the easy access to illegal drugs and alcohol by Marblehead at risk youth, at their luncheon on Thursday, December 2, 2011.

During her recent presentation at the Marblehead Rotary Club, Susan Hauck, the MarbleheadCARES Coalition Coordinator, told local Rotarians, that the increased availability of alcohol and hard drugs, such as cocaine, to at risk youth in Marblehead is a growing problem! She explained, that MarbleheadCARES, a community-wide coalition, set up back in the 1970s, has made some inroads by working together with town officials, local law enforcement, the Marblehead Counseling Center, local businesses and individuals serving youth and families, but that it's not enough. In her estimation, the problem has grown since the 70s with drugs becoming more prevalent through drug dealers now on our streets and with kids easy access to drugs and alcohol via the internet and by credit card. Hauck described several cases of local middle school children being recently taken to the hospital for alcohol poisoning and of middle school children being more knowledgeable than their parents about different types of marijuana and its bi-products, to include marijuana suppositories. Hauck also spoke of the growing number of local teens having to attend the regional "Recovery High School" in Beverly, MA, which was created to help teens recovering from drug and alcohol abuse. Hauck and her coalition team stressed the fact that parents needs more information on how to detect drug usage by their children, their classmates, friends and by the kids on our streets and on how to get help for them. She said, "Our youth is our future and it's everyone's responsibility to guide them into growing up into a healthy, responsible, and productive members of our society. It is also our collective responsibility to ensure that our community remains safe!"

The Rotary Club of Marblehead meets Thursdays at 12:15 at the Boston Yacht Club, and has been actively involved in supporting our community since 1923. The "Welcome to Marblehead" sign at the Maple Street intersection was a gift to the Town by the Club, who also supports the holiday lights on Marblehead's Light Tower over the 4th of July and Christmas holidays. For more information about the Club, or membership, e-mail the Club's secretary at llivingston@marblebank.com, or visit their web site at www.marbleheadrotary.com. Submitted by Tanya S. DeGenova, PR Committee Chair, Marblehead RC.

Photo legend: (From left to right): (front row) Marblehead Rotary Club coalition members: Ellen Petersen, Ellen Winkler, MarbleheadCARES Youth Committee Chair Mike Lane; Marblehead Rotary Club President Bill Coolidge, MRC member Paul Crosby who also chairs the Marblehead Counseling Center. (Second row) MarbleheadCARES Coalition Coordinator Susan Hauck and Coalition Educational Outreach Chair Dave Selden.





ROTARY DISTRICT 7930



POLAR PLUNGE



**END
POLIO
NOW**

CAPE ANN MOTOR INN

ON LONG BEACH

33 ROCKPORT RD, GLOUCESTER

After 20 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

Your contribution will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

SAT FEB 11

PLUNGE TIME: 11:30AM

Please join your fellow District 7930 Rotarians for this important regional fundraiser. See reverse for pledge sheet. Together we can put an end to polio!



ROTARY DISTRICT 7930 2012 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

HIT THE JACKPOT WITH ROTARY



June 1 – 3, 2012

Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa

Groton, Connecticut



Near beautiful Mystic Seaport, Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun Casinos

This is a true weekend get-away!

Registration opens for the June Annual Conference on September 1, 2011. **\$199 per person** Conference Registration includes all events on Saturday and Sunday Brunch. Saturday's events are; Breakfast, Annual Meeting, Breakouts, Awards Lunch, free afternoon, Cocktail Party and Awards Banquet. You can register on line at www.rotary7930.org starting September 1, 2011, or email District Registrar Bob Wood @ rcwood@chiltonclub.org. Rooms are not included in the registration.

You can book now for the Marriott by following this link, [Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa](#), or you can call the reservation center at 866-449-7390. Make sure you reference that you are with Rotary District 7930. The rates are discounted from \$219 to **\$159**.

Future Vision Global Grant 25252: A Safe Water and Hand Washing Program in the Northern Region of Ghana



District 7930 has been awarded a Future Vision Global Grant to provide ceramic water filters and hand washing stations to 1250 poor households living near the city of Tamale in Northern Ghana. The Malden Rotary Club is the International Host Sponsor

and the Sunyani Central Rotary Club in Sunyani, Ghana is the Host Sponsor. The project is expected to begin in January, 2012 and be completed by June 30, 2012.

Ghana is on the west coast of Africa with a population of 24 M. It is a democracy and English is the official language. Although oil has recently been discovered off the coast of Ghana, the per capita income is less than \$2/day. Only half of the people have access to safe drinking water; few (25%) have access to sanitation facilities; and over 15% of the children do not live to age 5. Most children die from respiratory diseases, waterborne diseases or diseases related to poor sanitation.

Approximately 9400 people will benefit from this project (average household size is 7.5). The benefits extend beyond the reduction in infant deaths and infectious diseases to improvements in education and standard of living. Fewer children will miss school because of diarrhea and dehydration and more adults will be healthy enough to work productively without unnecessary absences related to illness.

The water filters and hand washing stations (Tippy Taps) will be made by a Ghanaian non-profit organization called Pure Home Water (PHW). Pure Home Water was co-founded in 2005 by an Susan Murcott, an environmental engineer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), an American minister working in Ghana, and local Ghanaians. PHW employs and trains local villagers to make, sell, distribute and test ceramic filters that are 95% effective in removing harmful bacteria and parasites.

Major contributors to this grant include: The Malden Rotary Club (RC) (\$12,840), The Cambridge RC (\$5000), The Melrose RC (\$2500), The Dunwoody, GA RC (\$2500), The Everett RC (\$2000), and The Malden H.S. Interact Club (\$1000), the N. Reading RC and the Sunyani Central RC. Rotary District 7930 has pledged \$7500 in DDF matching funds and the Rotary International Foundation will provide a match of \$19,970. The total grant budget is \$52,410.

For more information, please contact Malden Rotarian Joanne Cohn at joanne.cohn@comcast.net.

On November 19th the [Rockport Elementary School EarlyAct Club](#) held their international fundraiser: "Fashions For Rations...Fighting Hunger is Our Passion!" They had 26 models

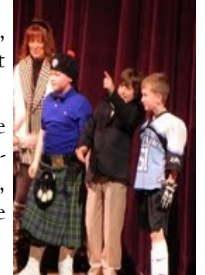


who participated, along with a few dedicated Rotarians, provided refreshments at half time, and raised \$290. for Stop Hunger Now. They also held a collection of non-perishable items for the Cape Ann Food Pantry.

Pictured above: Rockport Rotary President Bob Gillis, EarlyAct President Eamon Wheeler and EarlyAct Secretary Isabelle Jackson.



Pictured right: Rotarian Daphne Congelosi, EarlyAct Vice-President Camden Wheeler, EarlyAct President-Elect Kyle Marek & Alex Strzemilowski.



Pictured left: All the models

November 28th marked their Polio Plus fundraiser at Jalapeno's Restaurant in Gloucester. With the help of local families, and Rockport Rotarians, who were encouraged to eat Mexican for that night, the restaurant returned a percentage of the evening's take. Between the restaurant's generosity and the raffle items available, they raised \$433.61, which will be applied to Rockport Rotary Club's Polio Plus commitment for this year. (Article & photos submitted by RDG Ingrid Brown)

Andover Rotary Celebrates the Holidays in Style!

More than 40 Andover Rotarians, their families and friends, enjoyed the hospitality of Atty. Raymond Cannon and his wife Joan with a lavish dinner buffet at their home on December 8th. The evening also continued a tradition of inducting new members at this festive occasion. They included: Jan McClure-Brown, self-employed interior designer; Ryan Silvia, Director, Symphony Services, Westford; and Ann C. Liotta, Human Resources Executive (retired). In addition to the good time which was had by all, toys and clothing were collected for more than 40 needy children in the Merrimack Valley, distributed through the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC), Lawrence branch.

Pictured right: Club President Al Getler, Publisher, the Eagle-Tribune, introduces new Rotarian Jan McClure-Brown, one of three new members inducted at the Club's holiday party.



Pictured left: Al Getler and Club Community Service Chair Chris Krupa, flank Joan and Ray Cannon, in front of the Cannon's gorgeous Christmas tree. (Article & photos submitted by Andover RC PR Chair Katharine Barr)



WORLD PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING DINNER

February 8, 2012

Featured Speaker

CHRISTINE CLOONAN

Christine Cloonan earned a Master of Finance from la Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires, Argentina as a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar. She is currently a Senior Financial Analyst – International at American Tower Corporation, a leading wireless and broadcast communications infrastructure company. Christine holds her MA from Middlebury College and has an AB with Honors from Bowdoin College. Please join her and learn how valuable your contributions to the Rotary Foundation are.

DANVERSPORT YACHT CLUB – 161 ELLIOTT STREET/ROUTE 62 – DANVERS, MA 01923

6:00 PM FELLOWSHIP - 7:00 PM DINNER

REGISTRATION FORM

Rotary Club of _____

(Please fill in the names of members attending below. (Rotarians listed should attend.)

President (2011 – 2012) _____

President – Elect (2012 – 2013) _____

Foundation Chair _____

Foundation Committee _____

Members _____

\$ 60.00 per person x _____ = \$ _____

Registration Deadline – February 2, 2012

Make checks payable to Rotary District 7930 and mail to:

Robert C. Wood, 11 Rainbow Ridge Way, Georgetown, MA 01833-1836

Telephone: 617-266-4860 or rwwood@chiltonclub.org

Club	% Attended	Members	Membership Change Since
			Last Reported by Club
Amesbury	79%	37	No change
Andover	NR	48	No report
Arlington	60%	24	No change
Belmont	NR	17	No report
Beverly	NR	99	No report
Boston	25%	36	-1
Burlington	61%	40	No change
Burlington Breakfast	57%	21	+1
Cambridge	NR	48	No report
Chelsea	58%	47	-1
Danvers	NR	61	No report
East Boston/Revere	80%	15	No change
Evening Downtown Boston	NR	27	No report
Everett	70%	29	No change
Gloucester	70%	71	+2
Gr. Salem/NH	85%	31	No change
Hamilton/Wenham	64%	54	No change
Haverhill	NR	74	No report
Ipswich	77%	68	+1
Lawrence	55%	63	+1
Lexington	82%	40	- 1
Lynn	75%	30	No change
Lynnfield	71%	35	No change
Malden	NR	41	No report
Manchester/Essex		24	No change
Marblehead	NR	67	No report
Marblehead Harbor	92%	53	No change
Medford	48%	65	No change
Melrose	94%	77	-2
Methuen/Salem	NR	32	No report
No. Andover	NR	20	No report
No. Reading	72%	16	-2
Peabody	77%	23	No change
Reading	75%	32	No change
Rockport	70%	85	+1
Salem, MA	79%	69	- 7
Saugus	62%	29	No change
Somerville	63%	30	No change
Stoneham	50%	37	- 1
Swampscott	66%	32	No change
Topsfield/Boxford/Middleton	52%	21	No change
Wakefield	77%	36	+4
West Roxbury	56%	22	No change
Wilmington	83%	46	No change
Winchester	71%	58	No change
Winthrop	NR	18	No change
Woburn	62%	32	No change
TOTAL DISTRICT MEMBERS		1980	