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(That's Rotarian Spelled Backwards)



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September 2021

August Birthdays

Katy Francis - Sept 6
Tom McSherry - Sept 19
Laura Abbott - Sept 20

August Anniversaries

Jim & Betsy Hauser - Sept 4
Katherine & Robert Okeefe - Sept 20



September Upcoming Meetings & Events

October 3rd—Great Housatonic Duck Race

October 2-3 New Milford Riverfest

September is BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY Month

Rotary supports activities and training to improve education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

The Rotary Foundation enables Rotarians to ensure that all people have sustainable access to basic education and literacy by:

1. Involving the community to support programs that strengthen the capacity of communities to provide basic education and literacy to all;
2. Increasing adult literacy in communities;
3. Working to reduce gender disparity in education;
4. Supporting studies for career-minded professionals related to basic education and literacy.

Rotary Thoughts for September

I can not remember when a Rotary international president sent an email to the entire membership. But in this digital age I suppose it is not much of a stretch. Our RI president, Shekhar Mehta, is a dynamo. His email was addressed not to “Fellow Rotarians” but to “Change Makers”.

To quote from his email letter “Our *Action Plan*, Rotary's strategic road map, sets our course and strengthens us for the future by focusing on four priorities: increasing our impact, expanding our reach, enhancing participant engagement, and increasing our ability to adapt..... Rotary is an organization that has spread to nearly 200 countries.... Don't you think we could have a greater impact on the world if more people were practicing Service Above Self?.....for the last 20 years Rotary membership has remained stagnant.....through a program I am calling Each One Bring One, I ask each of you to commit to welcoming one new person into Rotary.....As we welcome new members, let us continue to ensure that diversity, equality, and inclusion are ingrained into all aspects of Rotary..... Service is at the heart of my own connection to Rotary, which is why I want all of us to showcase Rotary's good work by hosting Rotary Days of Service.”

As you can see our president is a man with a fierce desire to make Rotary and our world a better place.

Don't forget that World Polio day is October 24, 2021

After a year off because of Covid our district will again be hosting a district wide golf tournament. It will be on September 28, 2021 at Twin Hills Golf Course in Agawam, Ma. Frank Wargo is our resident golfer and our “go to guy,” if you have any questions about the tournament.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN - Luis Abella

Where were you born ? New York City

Who introduced to Rotary ? Initially member of Washington CT Rotary Club

Your favorite sport team ? NY Mets

Your favorite dessert ? Chocolate anything

Your dream vacation ? Barcelona, Spain

If I won a million dollars, I'd Buy a weekend house on the coast

Where do you hope to be 5 years from now ? New Milford CT and I love what I do.

Do you have any hobbies ? Love music

How did you get your current job ? Friend worked at Edward Jones