



Rotary Week in your community – FAQ

SHARING YOUR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS WITH YOUR COMMUNITY DURING DISTRICT ROTARY WEEK



1. What is Rotary Week?

By the proclamations from the State Governors of New Hampshire and Vermont, October 22 to 28 will be recognized as **the *Rotary Week of New Hampshire and Rotary Week of Vermont.***

All Rotarians are volunteers. They come from various walks of life. They excel in their own professions. They bring their talent, time and treasure to help their fellow human beings.

In New Hampshire and Vermont, as Rotarians in District 7870 we have been supporting community projects with monetary grants, scholarships to students, hosting exchange students to foster international understanding and in countless hours of voluntary service in various community organizations such as local soup kitchens, schools, senior centers, etc. Our district has also supported clean water initiatives, community development projects, medical assistance programs etc. in several countries such as Honduras, Haiti, India, Nicaragua, Mongolia and Cambodia.

During the Rotary Week, all the Rotary Clubs in Rotary District 7870 will, in their communities, celebrate and share all the good they do in helping their fellow human beings.

2. When is Rotary Week?

Seven days starting on October 22nd to 28th have been designated as the District Rotary Week. This coincides with “World Polio Day” which is October 24th.

3. What are the goals of Rotary Week?

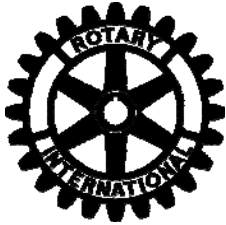
The idea of celebrating Rotary in the community was conceived to make communities aware of what we do as Rotarians.

Rotary International has 537 Districts across the globe. Our RI District 7870 has 59 clubs spread over Southern VT and Southern NH with over 2100 Rotarians. Our 59 clubs raise over TWO million dollars a year and donate almost all of it to local causes. In addition, our 2100 Rotarians also give over 120,000 hours of personal time to local communities’ service projects.

4. How can your club participate in Rotary Week?

To celebrate Rotary Week, pick a day during the Rotary Week to host an event in your community. Invite friends, families, teachers, press, community leaders (police, fire department, political reps, etc.), partners who have supported us, etc. During this week:

- **Publish articles in print media and online:** Clubs submit articles for publication explaining the funds that you raise, the charities you support, money awarded to student scholarships every year and the total for the last ten years. Publish the article in all your



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local news media. Let your local communities know the amount of money you raise and spend in your own local communities

- **Place Rotary banners in your community:** work with your city to place banners across Main Street in your town for the entire Rotary Week. Rotary District will share half the cost of the banner. If there are more than one Rotary Clubs in a town or city, you can work together and share the cost.
- **Organize a Rotary social in your community:** Every club, pick one day during the Rotary Week to have a Social and invite all the leaders in your town. Invite Selectmen, School Board Members, School Superintendent, High School Principal, Police Chief, Fire Chief, State Representative, State Senator, etc., Tell them how much money you raised and how much of it is given away as charities in your local communities, not just in one year, but in the last ten yours.

5. How will Rotary Week be funded?

The events are expected to be funded by individual clubs, but there is some funding available in the district to support cost of banners. Reach out to the district contacts to find out more about this.

6. Can more than one club work together for Rotary Week?

Yes, several local clubs can cooperate to host Rotary Week in the community. For larger towns, that have more than one Rotary club, such as Concord, Manchester, Nashua, and Rutland VT it is recommended that the clubs work cooperatively to host the event in their towns.

7. How does the district Public Awareness committee support the celebration of Rotary Week?

The Rotary District has formed a Public Awareness committee to support this event. The contacts and sources of information are listed below. They will be your source for information about the event or questions that you may have about this event.

Contacts

Contact	Role	For Information / Questions
Krishna Mangipudi	District Contact	For questions about the event and support for planning the event
prrotary7870@gmail.com	District Public Awareness Team	For questions about Public Relations material