

## Weapons and Rotary Clubs, districts and other Rotary entities policy clarification

In January 2017, Rotary International's Board of Directors clarified its existing policy regarding guns in relation to the use of the Rotary logo and sponsorships.

The wording of this long-standing policy was unclear, and as a result, Rotary members told our board they were often unsure what the policy did and did not allow. A key consideration was Rotary's risk if a weapon was purchased at a Rotary event and then caused serious injury or death. Another objective was to ensure consistency in how the Rotary logo is used in the 200 countries and regions where we have clubs.

The policy modifications made do not indicate an organizational stance on the appropriateness of gun use or ownership, nor do they limit anyone's right to own or use guns. This policy does not prohibit clubs from organizing sporting events such as duck hunts or skeet shooting. Instead, these policy clarifications address the questions raised by our members and provide clarity on our sponsorship guidelines and use of the Rotary mark.

Rotary is an international, non-political humanitarian service organization whose mission is advancing world understanding, goodwill and peace. We focus our efforts in six key areas including preventing diseases, providing access to clean water and sanitation, promoting peace, enhancing maternal and child health, improving basic education and literacy, and helping communities develop. We are especially dedicated to eradicating polio worldwide. Rotary members have persevered in this fight for more than 30 years, and have helped

decrease the number of polio-affected countries from 125 to just three.

Rotary does not take positions on government policy in the United States or elsewhere, and the Board did not make the recent policy modifications for political purposes or effect. This policy was reviewed and modified by Rotary members elected to act in the best interests of clubs throughout the world.

## Ashton Kutcher to speak at Atlanta convention

Ashton Kutcher, co-founder of Thorn, actor, tech investor, and philanthropist will join the End of Modern Slavery panel discussion at this year's Rotary International Convention. The discussion will take place during the second general session on Monday, 12 June.

Thorn partners with nonprofits and academic institutions to gather new insights into the role technology plays in child sex trafficking, the creation and proliferation of child pornography, and the normalization of child sexual exploitation. Thorn then goes beyond insight to action to develop the tools, systems, and approaches to help address these issues.

Other panelists include moderator Bob Hope, Atlanta Convention Promotion Committee adviser; U.S. Senator Bob Corker; and Gary Haugen, CEO of International Justice Mission; Nathan Deal, Governor of the State of Georgia; Bill Gates, Co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; Jack Nicklaus, Golf icon, philanthropist, and Rotary ambassador for polio eradication; James Quincey, President and Chief Executive Officer, Coca-Cola

## Lotteries



Last week **Pete Zarras** won the 50/50 drawing.

Last week the Members Only raffle was up to \$344. **Jim Colavito** won \$3.

## Birthday



Last week we did not sing happy birthday to **Sam Smith**.

## Guests

Last week our guests were:

- **Samantha Leone**
- **Gianna Leone**

## Program Schedule

June 2 **Debbie Lewinson**

June 9 **Kim Deckert**

June 16 **Jim Colavito**

June 23 **Robert Donahue**

June 30 **Dave King**

**NOTE:** Each member is responsible for engaging a guest speaker on his/her designated day. Should a guest speaker be unavailable, it is requested that the member make his own presentation (on family, business backgrounds, humorous anecdotes, inspirational thoughts, etc.) or ask a fellow Rotarian to speak. We MUST fill a 15-minute time slot each week.

If you are unable to attend the meeting on your designated day, please ask another Rotarian to switch dates with you and kindly advise Barbara Freda of the schedule change.

## District and Club Events

**Friday, June 2, 7:30am**

Interfaith Food Pantry collection

**Thursday, June 1, 6:00pm**

Sort and count ducks at Dick Kitchell's house – 180 Whippany Rd., Whippany

**Saturday, June 3**

Hanover Rotary Duck Race at Malapardis Park



**Friday, June 16 – Sunday, June 18**

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) at Drew University

**Thursday, June 22**

Installation Dinner at the Hanover Marriott

**Monday, June 26, 7:00pm**

Board Meeting at the Hanover Township Community Center. All members are welcome.

**Wednesday, Oct 4, 3:30pm – 8:30pm**

Vocational Assembly at Pines Manor, Edison, NJ. Keynote speaker will be **Buzz Aldrin**, honorary Rotarian. Go to [rotarydistrict7470.org](http://rotarydistrict7470.org) for details.

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**Charter Date July 1, 2015**

Miss a meeting? Make it up at:  
[www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) or  
[www.oneworldrotary.org](http://www.oneworldrotary.org).  
Hanover Rotary's Club number is 5564

Go to **[www.HanoverRotaryClub.org](http://www.HanoverRotaryClub.org)** and  
look for **Hanover Rotary** on **Facebook**.

The District 7470 web site is:  
[www.RotaryDistrict7470.org](http://www.RotaryDistrict7470.org)  
Look for **Rotary District 7470 New Jersey**  
group on **LinkedIn**.

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May is Youth Service Month

## 2016-2017 Club Officers and Directors

President	Fred Meola
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Community Service	King, Siino
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Youth Service	Nancy Leone
Gift of Life	Brian Romanowsky
Foundation	Bob Greenwald
Programs	
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Camp Merry Heart	Fred Meola
Interact	Leone
Membership	Carol Palk
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Club Newsletter	Ken Lemanowicz
Interfaith Food Pantry	Marc Lebowitz
Historian	Bob Greenwald
Web	Lauren Hansch
Corporate Sponsors	Marc Lebowitz
Quiz	Leone
Dictionary Project	Chris Lisewski
Casino Night	Kostenko, Deckert
Duck Race	L. Hansch/N. Leone
Blood Drive	James Colavito
Cruise	Robert Weger



## The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

**EVERY**  
**ROTARIAN**  
**EVERY**  
**YEAR**



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