

# The Rotary Foundation



## **District 7255 Annual Foundation Fundraiser**

This year at our District Foundation Luncheon, held every year in November- the Rotary International theme month supporting Foundation awareness, we will be celebrating our most dedicated Foundation supporters. Our Paul Harris Sustaining members who donate at least \$1,000 annually, our Major Donors who have donated at least \$10,000 in their lifetime and our members who have created Endowments to benefit the Foundation, will be our special honorees.

The event is scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at the Sterling in Hicksville. It will be a day of fellowship and fun and an opportunity to learn more about our Foundation and the incredibly good works it funds around the world. It also will be a chance to recognize our District members who are devoted to the Foundation. I hope you all will join us.

Each year at the Foundation luncheon we conduct a small fundraiser that supports the Foundation. We usually ask clubs to donate a "basket" which we then raffle or auction off. This year we are going to go in a different direction. We are asking members from across the district to host dinner for 4 at their home, cooking their specialty, their favorite meal. The four guests for each dinner offered will be the winning bidders in the silent auction we conduct during the week leading up to the luncheon and concluding at the luncheon both live and online.

This fundraiser will accomplish a few things: it will raise money for the Foundation, it will create Fellowship opportunities for our members, and it will allow our donors to enjoy a meal in return for their contribution- hopefully a spectacular meal, that is a reflection of the culture of the member donating the meal and hosting the group. We have an extremely diverse group of Rotarians in our District and this will be a fabulous experience for those of us who like to eat and who like to cook!

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## **Foundation Fundraiser Food Experience Submission Sheet**

**Host:** Will prepare a meal for the four winners in the host's home with the host and partner (if applicable) joining the meal. The host will describe the meal in detail and any restrictions to be aware of (vegetarian, no alcohol, lots of alcohol, gluten free, house has cats or dogs etc.). The bid sheet may be elaborate or simple. Do not feel pressured to make it gourmet- good food cooked with love is all that is needed.

**Winning bidders:** Are entitled to dinner for four people at the host's home at a mutually agreeable date and time. They are welcome to ask if they can bring wine or a beverage, but they are not required to. They should make the host aware of food allergies but should read the bid sheet prior to bidding and be aware some allergies or preferences may not be able to be catered to.

**Hosts:** Tom and Julie Crowley

**Location:** 23 Foster Crossing, East Quogue, NY 11942

### **The Meal:**

**1<sup>st</sup> course:** Fluke carpaccio with melon, sea salt and mint/basil oil emulsion

Paired with Vino Verde

**2<sup>nd</sup> course:** Smoked and grilled duck breast with cherry sauce, wild rice, and brussels sprouts. Paired with Pinot Noir

**3<sup>rd</sup> course:** Poached pears with a mascarpone and ricotta and honey whipped cream.

Paired with Tawny port.

**Opening Bid: \$200**

**About the Host(s):** DG Tom is an avid foodie and cook and looks forward, along with his wife Julie, to welcoming the winning bidders for a decadent meal and a fun evening.

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