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1 Spelling bee thanks

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3 TEXT BODY:

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4 On behalf of everyone involved in the Bellows Falls
5 Rotary Club's Second Annual Adult Spelling Bee, we sincerely
6 thank the many sponsors, donors, volunteers, participants, and
7 community members who made this year's event such a
8 tremendous success.

9 What began as a fun and friendly competition is
10 becoming a meaningful community tradition — one filled with
11 laughter, camaraderie, and an incredible spirit of generosity. The

12 enthusiasm shown by local businesses, organizations, teams, and
13 audience members reminds us just how strong and connected
14 our community truly is.

15 Most importantly, support for the Spelling Bee is also
16 support for the work Rotary does throughout our community. All
17 funds raised through Rotary events help support local service
18 projects, student scholarships, youth and literacy initiatives,
19 community programs, and so much more. Rotary's mission is
20 rooted in "service above self," and every sponsorship, donation,
21 bribe purchased, and team registration helps us continue to give
22 back.

23 We are especially grateful to our sponsors, whose
24 generosity helped make the event possible. Their support reflects
25 the generosity and community spirit that helps our community
26 thrive. We are also incredibly grateful to the Bellows Falls Moose
27 for the generous use of their facility and for helping provide such
28 a welcoming space for this community event.

29 Thank you as well to the brave spelling teams who took
30 on weird, complicated, and difficult words, the audience
31 members who cheered them on, and the volunteers who worked
32 behind the scenes to ensure the evening ran smoothly.

33 Community events like this only succeed because so
34 many people are willing to come together in support of one
35 another.

36 We deeply appreciate the community's continued
37 support and are already looking forward to next year's Bee.

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