

RICHMOND, VA, October 02, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Westchester Commons in Midlothian is home to the 25th Annual Magnificent Midlothian Food Festival on Wednesday, October 2nd from 4:30pm to 8:30pm. Sponsored by the Midlothian Rotary and five other local Rotary clubs, this year's proceeds will benefit 12 local charities. The popular festival will feature live music from En'Novation, all-you-can-eat crab cakes, beef tenderloin, grilled salmon, gourmet cheesecake and more. Tickets are \$35 each and available for purchase online, at your local Village Bank, or privately through a Rotary Club Member.

The Magnificent Midlothian Food Festival is an all-you-can-eat party/fundraiser/block party staffed by Rotarians and volunteers from area Rotaract and Interact student groups, in order to maximize their charitable donation.

The Festival's inception came after four Midlothian Rotarians attended a Seafood festival in Gloucester, Virginia and a few weeks later, they came up with a similar idea for a festival in Midlothian. The first event was held at Moorefield Office park in 1988 with several hundred attendees. Since the first food festival 25 years ago, the Midlothian Food Festival has raised over 1 million dollars for local charities, and gets more than 4,000 attendees each year and is gearing up for the largest turnout to date, an expected crowd of more than 5,000.

For more information regarding which charities the Midlothian Rotary club supports, or how to apply for Charitable funding visit <http://www.midlothianrotary.org/charity>.

Details regarding The Magnificent Midlothian Food Festival, including sponsorships, venues and food options visit <http://www.midlothianfoodfestival.com>

On September 18th, 2013 the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors recognized the Midlothian Rotary Club for it's outstanding charitable efforts, as founders of the Magnificent Midlothian Food Festival.

About Midlothian Rotary ClubThe Midlothian Rotary is comprised of business, government and community leaders, dedicated to the community and the world. Since it's inception in 1983, Midlothian Rotary Club has raised over \$1.6 Million in charity dollars. Their major annual fund raising event each year is the Magnificent Midlothian Food Festival, in this event the club regularly raises over \$50,000 with all proceeds going to local charities.