# The Original Charter Day for the Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club

September 12, 1980

## JAMES R. BUTTERFIELD AND ASSOCIATES

BUILDING INSPECTION CONSULTANTS 4419 EAST WEST HWY. BETHESDA, MD. 20014 (301) 986-8484

March 12, 1980

Dear

As you may be aware, the new Rotary Club has been meeting every Thursday night since last April 4th. The experience of meeting all the new members has been most memorable for me and I hope likewise for you. We have been able to gather together nineteen members at his point, and while the progress may seem slow to some, those new members have developed the ability to work together. In doing so they have established friendships within the membership of the club and beyond, with some of the regular visitors.

Pleasant as this has been, it is time to get our act together and get on with the regular business of a Rotary Club. I say "our" because while I am not a prospective member, I never-the-less do feel a certain sense of membership through my participation in these months of formative meetings.

To bring you up to date, an election was held months ago and certain individuals were elected to office. In the ensuing period of time, Bill Brewer, the Interim President found it impossible to continue with the club. Next in line, Tobie Surprenant, as President-Elect, has served as President up to the present time. Tobie told us at a meeting a couple of weeks ago that his time would not allow him to serve as President and that he wished to relinquish the position to the next in line. On that basis, Jack Leonard, who holds the office of Vice President, will serve as presiding officer at the meetings until a new slate of officers is elected.

The Club has adopted a set of by-laws (copied after the Rotary Club of North Bethesda), has established a dues structure, has acheived "Provisional" status from Rotary International, and all the members have established good attendance habits at our Thursday night meetings, now held at Bethesda Country Club.

It is my opinion that we have a sufficient number of members upon which to build the operating machine. Therefore, it is appropriate to have a meeting at which a slate of officers will be nominated and at which dither pressing business will be discussed.

Clubs do not conduct business at regular weekly meetings for two reasons. First, the operation of the club is turned over to the officers and directors. The by-laws delegate the authority to set policy to the officers and directors and further charge them with the responsibility of implementing said policy. Second, it is generally not good procedure to discuss "family business" in the presence of non members and guests. The exception to this policy is the election of the officers and directors which is normally done in the fall on the occasion of the Amnual Meeting, with due notification

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having been published that the meeting is for that purpose. (One other exception is the vote to change the club constitution or by-laws.)

Up to this time the operation of the club during this provisional status has been formally informal as it has been desirable for all members to take part in all activities in accordance with their desires and time commitments.

As I see it, at this point the two most important duties of the membership are to increase the number of members to obtain a charter from Rotary International and to get the club functioning as a Rotary Club in order to educate the members in the ways of Rotary. To move in these two directions, I am calling a general meeting to be held on Monday evening March 31st at 7:30 PM (the place to be announced). The agenda for this meeting will be:

- -1. Report Jack Leonard Incoming Presidents' meeting held 3/8/80
- 2. Treasurer's Report Dave Hunt
- 3. Nomination of new officers and directors Elections to be held on April 10th at the regular meeting. The slate will be read to the membership on April 3rd at the regular meeting and the meeting will be open to nominations from the floor.
- 4. Development of membership through
  - a. Weekly bulletin
  - b. Mug book

  - c. Club bannerd. Rotary Information speaker's program
- 5. Other business proper to this meeting

Nominations will be accepted for the following offices:

President President Elect Vice President Secretary Treasurer

Director of Club Service Director of International Serivce Director of Community Service Director of Vocational Service

Present Holder Bill Brewer Tobie Surprenant Jack Leonard Dick Alsmeyer Dave Hunt Joe Jennette

In preparation for this meeting, members should consider how they may contribute to the success of the club. The two most time consuming activities are probably President (estimated at 3 hours a week) and Bulleting Editor (also estimated at three hours per week). The other positions should consume no more than two hours per week at the most. It is desirable for all the members to attend the Annual District Conference (Washingtonian Motel- April 18th and 19th) and for officers and directors to attend the District Assembly (one Saturday in June), and for the President and Secretary to attend a one day seminar in the fall. All of these meetings are open to every Rotarian and every Rotarian will benefit from the knowledge gained at these meetings. The secret to successful club

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operation is to separate the responsibilities into manageable segments. That means everyone contributes!

For the meeting we will need all financial records, a complete mailing list of members and minutes of past board meetings. Please bring enough copies for distribution.

I look forward to seeing you on March 31st at 7:30 PM.

Rotarily,

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ROTARY CLUB OF POTOMAC - BETHESDA ( md. ) Jan.21 / 22, 1980 A.D. HUNT

A.D. HUNT Editor. . . tel 301-258-0798 day but better night

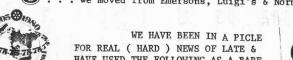
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## We meet @ 6:00 but bet & we dine @ 6:30 Sharp

THE KINGS MESSENGER - A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF SUNDRY CLUB NEWS, OTHER TIDBITS AND THE PUBLISHERS IMAGINATION.

Our Club meets on Thursdays @ Bethesda
Country Club in bueatiful Beth for all of 1980. . .
we moved from Emersons, Luigi's & Normandy Farms VISITORS



FOR REAL ( HARD ) NEWS OF LATE &
HAVE USED THE FOLLOWING AS A BAREBONES SORT OF FRONT PAGE STUFF
TO REEP YOUR INTEREST ALIVE



Keeping Up

ABOUT 2 WEEKS AGO MR.
HARLEY MACNAIR ROBERTS WHO
CLABRATES HIS BIRTHDAY EVERY
JULY 23rd THEREABOUTS SINCE
1928 (APPROX) GAVE A ROUSING
CLASSIFICATION TALK. HE
COVEARED BOYHOOD IN SHANGHI
CHINA TO MANHOOD - SO tO SPEAKWITH HIS WIFE LEBLIE & THREE
FANTASTIC KIDS + A PROMISING
CHANCE AHEAD AT A NEW CAREER

% / OR A NEW BOOK WHICH HE
IS IN THE PROCESS OF WRITING,
OUR VERY OWN - Harley THAT
IS, LOVES TO TRAVEL AND
LOVES THE LOCAL LANGUAGES
MOST OF WHICH HE SPEAKS INCLD:
HINDI, ARABIC, PROTUGUESE,
CHINESE, INDONESIAN & SPANISH.

What's next Harley ? ? FRENCH AND LATIN.

Keeping up has led our Ace Reporter to discover the Prez & J.A. Buchannan together but not necessisarily in cahoots with Jose Muniz + Gabby & Sir Luca Nelli were all missing. We had such a fabulous meeting that the other persons not named here FFF may assume they will have to come this next week to hear Dave Hunt's extra spec guest speaker = DIANE. We note he love s ladies + Jai, Sara, Darice & more= MOM

75th ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES
Elsewhere in this newsletter are listed many social and service programs or projects designed to increase the visibility of Rotary and its 75th birthday. Almost one-half of the clubs in the District have not notified me of their special programs or projects for our diamond jubilee year.

I hope every club in the District will plan a program or project in celebration of Rotary's 75th birthday, and will forward to me a complete report, including agenda, participants and support.

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March 25th

Dear

The meeting discussed in my last letter will be held at the home of Joe Jennette. The time and place as follows:

Time: 7:30 P.M.
Place: 11524 Gauguin Lane(Seven Locks, Mary Cassatt Dr.) \*

Date: Monday, March 31, 1980

Items scheduled for that meeting are:

- 1. Report Jack Leonard Incoming Presidents meeting of 3/8/80
- 2. Treasurer's Report Dave Hunt
- 3. Nominations of O's and D's
- Election to be held on April 10th. 4. Developement of membership
  - a. Weekly bulletin
  - b. Mug book
  - c. Clubmbanner
  - d. Rotary information speakers program
- 5. Other business appropriate to this meeting

I am enclosing a copy of a typical Rotary Club organization chart. Hopefully we will nominate nine members to the elected offices listed across the top of the chart as well as those along the left margin plus a President Elect. As noted befo re, our frist President found it necessary to withdraw from the club and the present acting President, Tobie, has stated that it will not be possible for him to continue to act in that capacity. It should be realized that being elected to office constitutes an agreement to actively engage in and support District functions when invited. And, of course, membership in the club means you will support and take part in club activities as well

We need good attendance on the 31st and positive thinking. We also need up to date financial records(money always creeps into the conversation) and minutes of past meetings (Board meetings).

Rotary has a rich history of accomplishments through sharing and contributing efforts towrds common goals. One hour a week in addition to the regular weekly meeting will build Potomac-Bethesda into one of the strongest clubs in the area. (The other clubs have a few "knife and fork" members among their

See you at Joe Jennette's on the 31st at 7:30.

Rotarily,

\*Need directions? Call Joe at 983-1518 (home) or 897-0310 (office)

# Charter Members The Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda

Richard H. Alsmeyer, Secretary

A. G. Bacas, Treasurer

Charles V. Brewer

Carson Browning, Jr.

Raj Dogra

John H. Farrell

Bouis &. Fettig

Erwin E. Fetzer

Foster F. Frable, Secretary-Elect

George B. Gerrish, Vice President

John Greenwood

Richard J. Gordon, Director

Joseph E. Jennette, President-Elect

Art Johnson

John A. Beonard, Jr., President

George K. Meszaros

Jose Carlos Muniz

Buca Ceccherini Xelli

Bawrence W. Rapley

Harry Ritsch

Harley Roberts

Jobie O. Surprenant

Richard H. Janenbaum, Director

John G. Jurk, Director

Jan West

Edward V. Zaucha

# The Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda Charter Presentation Dinner Dance

Chairman

Richard H. Janenbaum

Director of Community Service Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda

Committee

Walter B. Marshall

John B. Sever, M.D.

James R. Butterfield

Beonard S. Homa

John A. Beonard, Jr.

George B. Gerrish

Jan West

District 762 Governor, 1980-1981

District Governor, 1978-1979

Rotary Club of Potomac

District Governor's Special Representative

Rotary Club of North Bethesda

President-Elect

Rotary Club of North Bethesda

President

Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda

Vice President, Director of Club Service

Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda

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Picture 1



Picture 2 – Dick Alsmeyer (l)



Picture 3



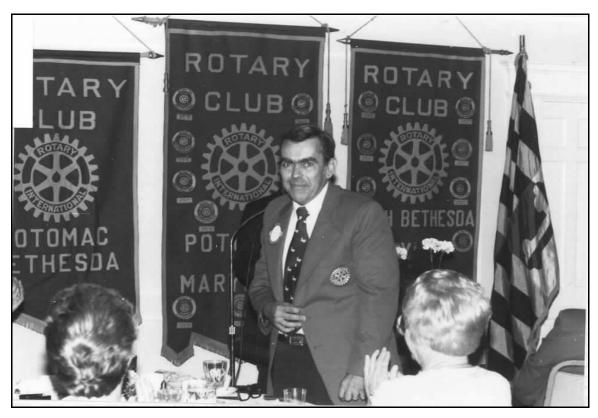
Picture 4 – L to R – Dick Alsmeyer, Jim Butterfield, John Severs, and Incoming President Jack Leonard



Picture 5



Picture 6 – Incoming President Jack Leonard (rt)



Picture 7 – Jim Butterfield (at mike)



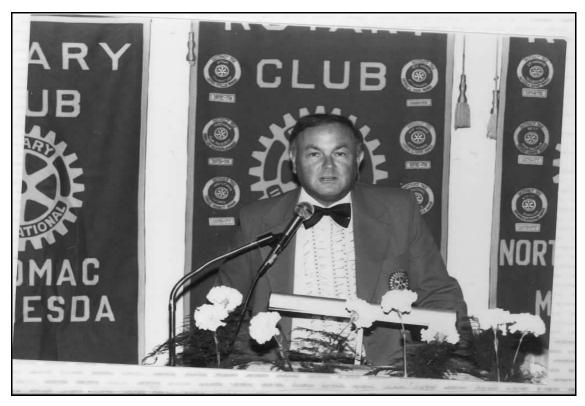
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Picture 9 – Jack Leonard



Picture 10 – Jim Butterfield, John Severs, Jack Leonard (1 to r)



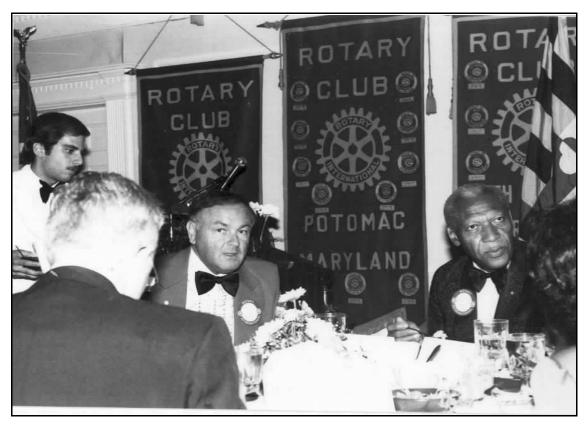
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Picture 12 -- (r) Guest speaker, Maryland State Senator, Aris J. Allen, MD



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Picture 14 – (r) Guest speaker, Maryland State Senator, Aris J. Allen, MD



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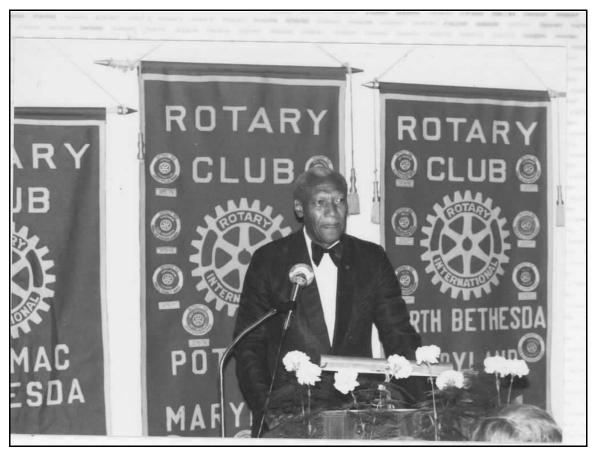
Picture 16 – (l to r) JimButterfield and Helen Alsmeyer



Picture 17 – (l) Jack Leonard



Picture 18 – (r) Jack Leonard



Picture 19 – Guest speaker, Maryland State Senator, Aris J Allen, MD (member of Annapolis Rotary Club)

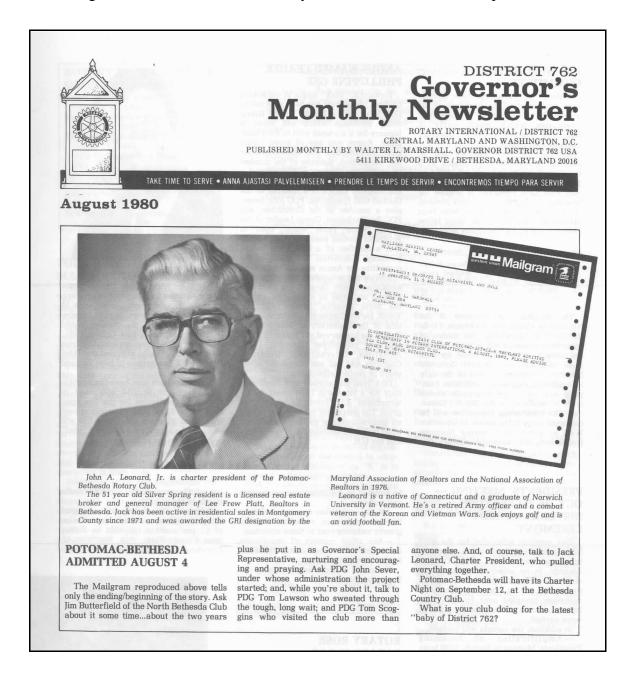
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1600 Ridge Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60201, U.S.A.

Witikonerstrasse 15, 8032 Zurich, Switzerland

No application for membership in R. I. will be considered unless accompanied by this form duly filled in and signed by the District Governor.

Transmitting Application for Membership in Rotary International	
To the General Secretary of Rotary Interi	
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for membership in Rotary International:  1) Application form incl	luding information re constitution and by-laws
2) List of charter memb 3) Special Representative	ve's Report
4) Check for \$150 (US.C USCB, receipt of pa account should be at:	A Currency, or its equivalent) in favor of Rotary International (Outside syment of equivalent amount to Rotary International fiscal agent or bank tached in lieu of check)
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Walter B. Marshall

Sovernor of Rotary District 762

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the members of

The Rotary Club of North Bethesda

request the pleasure of your company at

The Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda

Charter Presentation Dinner Dance

with an address by

The Honorable Aris J. Allen, M.D.

Maryland State Senator

Friday, the twelfth of September

Nineteen hundred and eighty

Bethesda Country Club

7601 Bradley Boulevard

Bethesda, Maryland

S. V. P.

Black Tie Optional

NEW ROTARY CLUB - Potomac-Bethesda

On September 12th, the new Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda will receive a charter from Rotary International.

This new club occupies the territory now occupied by North Bethesda, Potomac and Bethesda Chevy Chase. The new club is a dinner club, meeting at Bethesda Country Club every Thursday evening at 6:30.

Potomac-Bethesda was sponsored by the Rotary Club of North Bethesda and the first meeting was held on April 5th, 1979. Dr. John Sever was the District Governor who started the procedure necessary to create this club by encouraging the three clubs involved to cede their territory for the purpose of allowing a dinner club.

Rotary Clubs in District 762 are encouraged to consider presenting the new club with various Rotary articles. The new club has already received a club banner from S.S., podium flags from Rockville, and a bell from B-CC. They have purchased pins, badge box, secretary and treasurer cases and four way test plaques with the \$200 donated by North Bethesda. If your club would like to make a gift, please call Jack Leonard, President, at 654-2700 (o) or 622-1289 (h).

The new members are:

Toby Surprenant Jack Leonard Joe Jennette John Ferrel Foster Frable Ed Zaucha George Gerrish Luca Nelli Rick Tanenbaum John Turk Irvyn Fetzer Raj Dogra

Dick Alsmeyer Gus Bacas Harley Roberts Lou Fettig Jose Muniz Art Johnson Dick Gordan John Greenwood Carson Browning George Mosers

Charter membership will be held open until the charter is granted so if you know of someone that you would like to open the door of Rotary for, bring him any Thursday evening. The club has already established a typical Rotary meeting format.

ROTARY CLUB OF POTOMAC - BETHESDA ( Md. ) DEC. 31st, 1979 Happy New Year
To All . . D.
Hunt . .editor



## We meet @ 6:00 P.M and We Dine @ 6:30 Sharp.

DINNER FIT FOR A KING & OTHER DISTINGUISHED PEOPLE.

Come and dine with us Jan 3rd, 1980 at an all new place = LUIGI'S OF BETHESDA 4919 Fairmont Ave ( see page 4 )

For the fortunate 10 who made it in the cold, snow & ice to dine with us at beautiful Bethesda Country Club, it was indeed, a dinner fit for a King. And at least one member, A. Hunt thought he was treated like a king for his birthday & for 4 ¢ got all the members, special guests & waiters to sing him happy wishes.

Other more dist-inguished guests: Past Prez\*Bill Hofmann & PDG Sir Thomas Scoggins & JOHN MASHER, a world renown reporter for US News & W.R. all feasted on wild rice & turkey, tomatoes stuffed with creamed spinach and potatoes in a deluxe cream sauce not to mention a delicious pecan pie desert (sorry ADH, no cake for such a psaltry sum).

Our Seargent-At-Arms, Prince Frable, returned for an encore and raised \$ 11.00 for the 50 / 50, then turned around and gave it ( the wimming # ) to last weeks # 2 winners, Helen & Dick Almmeyer, who most graciously, following in the foot steps of \* , gave it all as a Christmas donation to the hurrican victims fof the Dominican Republic.

### RETRACTION

Our article on Guest speakers for 12/20/1979 said PDG J. A. Buchannan spoke gloriously. Well, he does when he does but he didn't. At least that night. Our reporter was remembering another time when he spoke of such wonderful things before a group of charming ladies. And with the same result.

### CORRECTION

In a recent issue of the King's Reporter we gave various numbers as the total clubs and # of Rotarians in Japan. The corrected numbers, totals etc appear on either page # 2 or # 3. Page four was crowded by a story dealing with a squelched rumor.

#### NOTED

At least one of our members who signed in last week wrote his name as "Bob Hagget" whereas we have seen it elsewhere as R.G. Haggett. Does he know his own name? DO WE??



FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT (Central Office) 1600 RIDGE AVENUE EVANSTON, ILL. 60201, U.S.A.

This copy is for information and file of:

Walter L. Marshall Governor, District 762, R.I. James R. Butterfield Special Representative

9 September, 1980

Mr. John A. Leonard, Jr. President, The Rotary Club Potomac-Bethesda, Maryland

Dear President Leonard:

It is a pleasure to welcome you and all charter members of the Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda, Maryland to the worldwide association of Rotary International. Today, as I write this letter, there are 18,871 Rotary clubs with 873,000 members in 154 countries.

You join a select group of men who share the goal of service to others. The diversity of Rotary service is truly amazing, and it is well documented in the publications and other materials which will be made available to you by District Governor Walt Marshall and from the secretariat staff.

As the first president of the Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda, you play a significant part in developing the fellowship and service efforts of your club. I would like to suggest that one of your earliest Rotary meetings be devoted to a discussion among the members of the object of Rotary. This brief statement is well worth study and discussion by each individual Rotarian.

I wish you every success in your leadership task this year.

Sincerely,

Herbert A. Pigman General Secretary

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Service Above Self - He Profits Most Who Serves Best

11901 LEDGEROCK CT. POTOMAC, MARYLAND 20854

DR. JOHN L. SEVER GOVERNOR DISTRICT 762 1978-1979 March 10, 1979

AREA CODE 301 RESIDENCE - 340-0067 OFFICE - 496-5881

Mr. James R. Butterfield

We are all very pleased that you are willing to be the Governor's Rep in starting the new "Sundowner" club. I am sure this will be the most important thing we do in this District this Rotary year.

I understand you plan your first meeting on April 5. I hope we can have the club chartered by mid May! I will support this in any way I can.

As you know, North Bethesda, Potomac, and Bethesda have agreeded to share areas with the new club. I have contacted R.I. and they are sending the three forms for the clubs to complete and sign. I will take care of that and get the forms back to R.I.

I talked to Winn Pendelton about forming a new club (305/876-2627). Winn "wrote the book" we are using on starting a club. If you want to talk to him at any time just call him and we will cover the costs.

Winn suggests the following schedule-

#### Meeting #1

Gov. Rep, Presidents of sponsoring clubs, two men who will be in new club, several members from sponsoring clubs (Who know possible members) Call meeting and meet at same date, time and place as you want the new club to meet. Discuss-

Date and time of meeting (Same as this meeting) Dues (Keep same as sponsoring club) Set next meeting - 3 weeks from now Go out and get 15 members

We will have a rip, roaring Rotary meeting Line up 10 members from sponsoring clubs to be present at next meeting Meeting #2 (3 weeks)
Min. of 10 members from sponsoring clubs

Call for checks (Personal and company) Active, enthusiastic, meeting-

Elect Board (Get most from former Rotarians) Elect officers (Get most from former Rotarians)

Complete R.I. papers NOW - fill in all items in detail- type list of charter members - no omissions- call Gordon Moyer R.I. and read each item and make corrects now.

Meeting #3,4,5,6
Min of 10 members from sponsoring clubs Complete above as soon as possible

Bring sponsoring club banner to each meeting - but call Russell Hampton at m first meeting and have them mekd new club banner NOW - present with excitement!

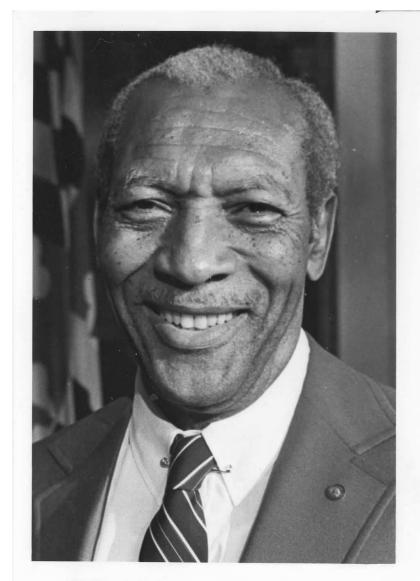
A MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF POTOMAC, MARYLAND, DISTRICT 762

Schedule a "Big" charter night at the end of May (Wahingtonian or Sheraton or new Marriott?) - District clubs bring guifts for new club - dinner dance etc.

Please keep in touch with me as things progress. I will be glad to attend any meetings which you think I can assist.

Sincerely.

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POTOMAC-BETHESDA CHARTER NIGHT SPEAKER
THE HONORABLE ARIS T. ALLEN, M.D.

Maryland State Senate

(Annapolis Rotarian) September 12, 1980

September 12, 1980

ARIS T. ALLEN, Republican, Anne Arundel County, District 30. Born in San Antonio, Texas, December 27, 1910. Attended public schools in San Antonio and Washington, D.C.: Howard University, M.D.. 1944. Medical doctor. Served with the U.S. Air Force. Former member, Anne Arundel County Board of Education; Anne Arundel County Planning Advisory Board; Maryland Commission on the Capital City. Past Board of Directors, Citizens Housing and Planning Association; Boy Scouts of America; Anne Arundel County Community College Board of Trustees; NAACP (life member). Alternate, Republican National Convention, 1968; chairman, Maryland delegation, Republican National Convention, 1972. Republican Party candidate for Lieutentant Governor of Maryland, 1972. Republican Party candidate for Lieutentant Governor of Maryland, 1978. Member, Governor's Comprehensive Health Planning Committee; Governor's Medical Examiners of Maryland, Maryland State Prosecutor Selection and Disabilities Commission. Recipient of numerous professional, civic, and service awards. Married: two children. Maryland House of Delegates, 1967–1975 (Minority Whip, 1967–1973; Ainraman, Subcommittee on Abortions). Member of the Senate since 1978. Annapolis office: 404 James Bldg., 21401: tel. 269-3816.