



Governor's Monthly Letter

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 2 - District Assembly at Auberge des Gouverneurs, Trois Rivieres, Quebec, Canada
- June - Rotary International International Convention in Munich, Germany
- June 18-21 - District 779 Conference - The Balsams, NH



THE GOVERNOR'S CORNER

(Stolen from 504 DG Dick Metcalf's newsletter)

MY CONTRIBUTION --

During this year I am definitely going to do something about my own personal contribution to Rotary.

I am going to look around and see if I can find someone to propose for membership in my club.

I am going to spend just a few minutes each week being personally friendly to two or three members with whom I normally have no contact. I am going to let them know I am personally interested in them as fellow citizens with ideals in common with mine, even though I never meet them elsewhere, socially or in business, and can gain nothing tangible from them.

I know that the success of my Rotary club is my personal obligation, not just something I can leave to a committee.

I myself am Rotary. I cannot neglect it without missing the benefits that give Rotary its many facets that cause it to grow in size and usefulness all over the world.

I need to do this for my own good.

I owe it to my fellow Rotarians, for their good.

-- THE FELLOES --

TEXARKANA, ARK-TEX

PUBLIC RELATIONS = PR = PUBLICIZE ROTARY

Look for ways to encourage media coverage. You might invite media to your special events, as we mentioned before. You might recognize someone outside of Rotary with a special Rotary honor such as a Paul Harris Fellowship. I recently saw an Elks' Club announcement in a newspaper in which the club had given a "Citizen of the Year" award. The information about the award, plus a picture of the individual who received the award, was printed in the local paper.

THE BALSAMS

For those planning to attend the District Conference at The Balsams on June 18-21, I've learned you have a treat in store for you. President MAT Caparas has named PDG Frank M. Rasbury, District 725, to be his official representative.

Frank and his lovely wife, Naida, have been friends of Betty and I for a while - we first met at the Rotary International Convention in Kansas City in 1985, and have enjoyed meeting them again at several different Rotary functions.

He recently retired as executive director of the Nassau County chapter of the American Red Cross and founder of F&N Management Associates, Inc. He retired from the U.S. Army as a Lieutenant-Colonel after 20 years of service, with the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Commendation Medal; and is a past director of the Nassau Children's House, Cornell University's cooperative extension, and a member of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers. Frank is currently serving as President of the Retired Officers Association of Long Island. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of Hempstead since 1975, is R.I.'s observer to the United Nations in New York and has served as an international assembly instructor for both Sam Giftos and I.

PROXIES FOR MUNICH CONVENTION

Club secretaries received credential/proxy forms some time ago. If you desire that your club be represented, and a club member is not going, complete the proxy and pass it on to a Rotarian who is going.

ATTENDANCE REPORTS

One way or another, all clubs have provided all attendance reports for all months from July through February, except Ste Anne des Monts which has not provided any, YET!!!

At the PETS last year, I invited all club presidents to take part in competition for the Presidential Citation Program. This challenge was repeated at our District Assembly and again when I made my club visits. The requirements to win this citation are to complete any four of the following six:

a. Achieve a three percent net gain of members in your club. Membership gains will be computed on the basis of increases from 1 July, 1986 to 30 June 1987. Your club's 1 July 1986 membership appears each month in this newsletter on the attendance page. When your club secretary sends in the 30 June 1987 membership, I'll be able to figure which clubs have a 3% gain. On 28 February, 23 clubs had attained this growth, or better.

b. Sponsor a new Rotary, Rotaract or Interact club. As far as I know, only Augusta and Dover/Durham have achieved this distinction this year.

c. Initiate at least one New Service Project in vocational service, community service, or international service, during your year. Many of the clubs have already done this, but I'LL NEED YOUR WRITTEN REPORT OF IT.

d. Participation by Club President and Secretary in the District Assembly (My interpretation is that this is intended for the Club President-elect and Club Secretary-elect). Only your presence at Trois-Rivieres on May 2nd will complete this requirement.

e. Increase Club Representation at the District Conference by Ten Percent over last year's representation.

f. Increase Contributions to the Rotary Foundation by 10% over last year's contributions.

Club Presidents are reminded that I have until the end of July to submit your club's name to R.I. for this award. If you believe your club qualifies, PLEASE NOTIFY ME AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE (in writing, please).

DECEASED ROTARIANS

During the course of every Rotary year, some of our fellow Rotarians go on to their eternal reward. At the conference at the Balsams we will remember each of them in an appropriate manner by celebrating their lives. During the course of the year, the Governor learns about these deaths, but I'm sure I do know about all of them. If a member of your club has died since June 18, 1986, and he is not listed below, please notify the District Secretary, Floyd Carter, as soon as possible.

Bangor	Bernard C. Stout
	Henry I. Baron
Biddeford-Saco	H. Lewis Cutler
Boothbay Harbor	Allan W. Furber
	Richard F. Smith
	Elliott F. Smith
Farmington	Richard E. Williams
Portsmouth	Rupert S. Harvey
St. Georges Beauce	Jules Venne

Each club has been mailed registration forms for the District Conference to be held at the Balsams June 18-21. If you haven't received them, it's now time to INVESTIGATE. Two rooms will be held for each club until May 5th -- then all rooms will be made available to all clubs on a first come, first served basis. Please get your reservations in early and send along the appropriate deposit.

MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

We all know what a make-up opportunity is -- and most Rotarians enjoy these opportunities to visit another Rotary club and learn how other Rotarians are conducting their business of "Service above Self."

There are a few, however, who have a BAD habit of visiting other clubs for make-up, but not staying for the entire meeting!! It is always somewhat insulting to me when a Rotarian leaves the meeting prior to the speaker finishing his program. What the Rotarian is saying is "I am needed on my job more than you are needed on yours!" Although that might be occasionally true for a few individuals, it often gets out of hand.

In one club, eight men from two tables in the front row got up and left as the speaker rose for his presentation. They were all "making up" from a neighboring club. We can call them "HIT AND RUN" make ups.

Clubs are requested to publicize the fact that it is certainly proper to visit other clubs to make up missed meetings; but when Rotarians do this, it is only proper that they have the courtesy to remain for the program.

ENCLOSURES FOR CLUB PRESIDENTS

Credential forms for the District Conference are enclosed in each club president and club secretary's envelope. Please complete them and see that they are brought to the District Conference with whoever attends from your club. In the event of certain votes, only those with credentials may be recognized.

ROTARY FOUNDATION SCHOLARS

My sincere thanks to the four Rotarians who have volunteered their service to act as counselors for the four Rotary International Scholars from District 779. They are:

Paul Turbide, Newburyport, MA, counselor for
REBECCA ELIZABETH BRADSHAW

Armand Ferland, Quebec Est, counselor for
JEAN RABY

Jean-Guy Bonneau, Jonquiere, counselor for
FRANQUE GRIMARD

Joseph G. Grondin, Biddeford-Saco, counselor for
NANCY ANN DRAPEAU

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 779

Attendance report for March 19

PolioPlus Code No.	Club Name	%	7/1/86	3/31/87	+/-	Rank(over 80%)	PP Goal	PP 3/31/87	RF 3/31/87
05-59-779-09-06288	Augusta	84.28	71	73	2	16			
06-73-779-03-06272	Baie-Comeau	72	23	24	1				
05-59-779-10-06289	Bangor	64.5	169	171	2			\$3000.00	
05-59-779-10-06290	Bar Harbor	64.9	51	51	0				
05-59-779-08-06291	Bath	77.9	67	64	-3				\$1000.00
06-73-779-04-06270	Beauceville	73.12	38	38	0				
06-73-779-02-22507	Beauport		28	26	-2				
05-59-779-08-06292	Belfast	78.84	55	54	-1			\$4000.00	
05-59-779-09-06293	Bethel	74.81	25	28	3			\$1000.00	
05-59-779-07-06294	Biddeford-Saco	95.81	107	106	-1	1		\$3000.00	\$1100.00
05-59-779-08-06295	Boothbay Harbor	92.46	61	56	-5	5			\$2000.00
05-59-779-08-06296	Brunswick	82.48	136	136	0	21		\$125.00	\$5475.00
05-59-779-08-06297	Camden	80.36	78	76	-2	25			\$3000.00
05-59-779-08-06298	Damariscotta-Newcastle	88	45	55	10	**			\$1759.66
05-59-779-05-06323	Dover-Durham	85.12	101	102	1	15			
05-59-779-05-24197	Durham (Great Bay)	94	0	23	23	3			
05-59-779-10-06299	Ellsworth	73.95	66	66	0				\$1200.00
05-59-779-05-06324	Exeter		46	42	-4				
05-59-779-09-06300	Farmington	89.52	32	33	1	8		\$200.00	
05-59-779-08-21498	Freeport		26	27	1				
05-59-779-09-06301	Gardiner	80	40	36	-4	26		\$1000.00	
06-73-779-01-06271	Grand Mere	77.4	36	38	2				\$1000.11
05-59-779-05-06320	Hampton	89	65	70	5	9			\$13.00
06-73-779-01-06269	Iqaluit	79.75	26	24	-2				
06-73-779-02-06273	Jonquiere	56	31	25	-6				
05-59-779-06-06302	Kennebunk	85.18	89	86	-3	14			
06-73-779-01-06275	La Tuque	76.4	22	25	3				
06-73-779-04-06274	Lac Megantic	58	21	22	1				
05-59-779-08-06303	Lewiston-Auburn	82	206	208	2	22			\$3250.00
05-59-779-10-06304	Lincoln	64	20	18	-2				
05-59-779-08-06305	Lisbon	70.4	18	21	3				
05-59-779-09-06306	Livermore Falls	54.7	15	15	0				
06-73-779-03-22585	Matane	87.8	19	18	-1	11			
06-73-779-03-06276	Mont Joli		31	32	1				
06-73-779-02-06277	Montmagny	76.16	22	24	2			\$100.00	
05-59-779-05-06287	Newburyport	81.56	94	90	-4	23			\$3000.00
05-59-779-06-06318	Ogunquit	72	49	49	0				\$1600.00
05-59-779-10-06307	Old Town	85.44	57	60	3	13	\$1000.00		\$1000.00
05-59-779-09-21414	Oxford Hills	84.1	32	35	3	18	\$1000.00		\$1000.00
05-59-779-07-06308	Portland	78.06	203	200	-3		\$7275.00		\$1400.00
05-59-779-05-06326	Portsmouth	79.22	198	206	8		\$3220.00		\$900.00
06-73-779-02-06278	Quebec	68.8	73	65	-8				\$1000.00
06-73-779-02-06279	Quebec Est	69.45	42	39	-3				\$1000.00
05-59-779-09-06309	Rangely		36	31	-5	**			\$1000.00
06-73-779-03-06280	Rimouski	93.9	32	32	0	43			\$1016.01
06-73-779-03-06281	Riviere du Loup		33	34	1				
05-59-779-05-06327	Rochester	86.42	54	56	2	12		\$2500.00	\$1900.00
05-59-779-08-06310	Rockland	95	105	111	6	2			
05-59-779-09-06311	Rumford	88.18	37	31	-6	10			
06-73-779-03-06285	Ste Anne des Monts		21	21	0				
06-73-779-04-06283	St George des Beauce	75.5	51	53	2				
05-59-779-06-06312	Sanford-Springvale	84.12	71	74	3	17			
05-59-779-07-06313	Scarborough	72.4	37	41	4				
06-73-779-01-22240	Shawinigan	0	16	0	-16				
05-59-779-09-06314	Skowhegan	71.94	45	50	5		\$5000.00	\$1050.00	\$1000.00
05-59-779-05-06325	Somersworth	74.96	45	45	0				
05-59-779-06-06315	South Berwick	77.8	28	28	0				\$1000.00
05-59-779-07-06316	So Portland-Cape Elizabeth	80.8	51	56	5	24	\$2000.00		\$1000.00
06-73-779-04-06285	Thetford Mines	72.63	45	45	0				\$1000.00
06-73-779-01-06286	Trois Rivieres	78.1	56	49	-7				
05-59-779-08-22174	Waldoboro	89.5	11	11	0	**			
05-59-779-09-06317	Waterville	74	124	121	-3			\$4972.54	\$2810.00
05-59-779-06-23334	Wells	71	38	35	-3				
05-59-779-08-23575	West Bay (Camden)	89.67	32	46	14	7			
05-59-779-07-06319	Westbrook	83	61	53	-8	20			
05-59-779-07-06320	Windham	83.57	30	36	6	19		\$3100.00	
05-59-779-09-06321	Winthrop	78.97	47	43	-4				\$100.00
05-59-779-06322	York	90.68	58	59	1	6	\$13500.00		\$900.00

Average attendance 78.99 3798 3818 20 \$19500.00 \$29542.54 \$50423.78
 ** When calculating year-end membership, add 22 from Durham (Great Ba \$399,960 = District Share
 ** Report received after RI report mailed.

The American Red Cross has been on the scene around-the-clock since disastrous floods hit portions of Maine in early April. Red Cross officials and volunteers from Maine and other regions will remain on duty for several additional weeks rendering necessary services.

Red Cross officials estimate that this effort will cost approximately \$750,000. These funds were not available in Maine's local chapters and has had to be drawn from the national organization. Maine businesses and organizations are being asked to help replenish those funds.

Contributions ranging from \$500 to \$40,00 have already been made by some Maine businesses and groups, but obviously much more will be needed to reach the \$750,000 goal. If your business or organization can help, checks should be made payable to the American Red Cross - Maine Flood Disaster Relief Fund, c/o your local Red Cross chapter.

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795-4004

Bath/Brunswick Chapter
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Brunswick, ME 04011
729-6779

Hancock County Chapter
City Hall
Ellsworth, ME 04605
667-4737

Kennebec Valley Chapter
280 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
622-1532

Lincoln County Chapter
P.O. Box 385, Main Street
Damariscotta, ME 04543
563-3115

Mid-Maine Chapter
179 Main Street, Room 401
Waterville, ME 04901
873-6176

Mount Desert Chapter
P.O. Box 397
Northeast Harbor, ME 04662
276-5184

Penobscot Bay Chapter
385 Main Street
Rockland, ME 04841
594-4576

Pine Tree Chapter
12 Stillwater Avenue
Bangor, ME 04401
947-3393

Portland Chapter
524 Forest Avenue
Portland, ME 04101
874-1192

Sanford/Springvale Chapter
Norstar Bank Room 315
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Sanford, ME 04073
324-4071

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258 Main Street
Saco, ME 04072
283-3081