



Governor's Monthly Letter

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THE BALSAMS -- Dixville Notch, NH

If your reservations have not been mailed, you might be too late -- Please check on it. The Balsams will confirm reservations about May 22, 1987.

My first comment is stolen from the Boothbay Harbor ROTARY STAR:

"There is for me, no individual who I would not consider to be a friend, and share the good times and the bad. There is no individual, who I would not work with and for. There is no individual who I would not sit down with and share a meal. I consider all people to be my equal, none better, none worse. I may not also agree with, like or admire a person as a person, but I respect the rights of that individual to be different from myself. The recent supreme court ruling only affirms that which is self evident, that all "people" are created equal and that it is the individual that creates the difference."

Secondly, in the ten days that have passed, two Rotarian lawyers have assured me that the Maine Human Rights Act is similar enough to assure Maine Rotary Clubs are affected by this ruling. I can also share with you the fact that eleven club presidents have called to tell me they either have or soon expect to have properly completed nomination forms for female members.

In that respect, I will repeat what I've been saying at district assemblies and conferences, year after year. Your criteria for membership should closely follow the guidelines set forth in the Rotary Constitution insofar as the classification system and type of individual you nominate. They should be "of good character and good business or professional reputation, and:

- 1-engaged as proprietor, partner, corporate officer, or manager of any worthy and recognized business and profession;
- OR 2-holding an important position in an executive capacity with discretionary authority in any worthy and recognized business or profession;
- OR 3-acting as the local agent or branch representative of any worthy and recognized business or profession having charge, of such agency or branch in an executive capacity.....

There is also only one way to propose an individual for membership, and that is spelled out in your club's by-laws; and includes the provision that "THE PROPOSAL FOR THE TIME BEING SHALL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS PROCEDURE."

What else can I say to convince you???????

POLIOPLUS QUOTES

"Accepting these 3 1/2 million (vaccine-preventable) deaths per year is akin to tolerating another Holocaust. Any nation that aspires to basic human decency can no longer allow these children to perish." --Coretta Scott King--

"In taking on the enormous challenge of eliminating polio, Rotarians are truly demonstrating the full extent of their vision of a better future, their courage to create it and their dedication to the world's children." --James P. Grant, Exec Dir, UNICEF--

MORE POLIOPLUS

In a letter to me dated May 8th, PolioPlus Executive Director, Walter Maddocks offers his thanks and congratulations to the Rotarians of District 779 for their outstanding leadership in already raising over \$29,600 for PolioPlus -- and the real effort doesn't even start until after July 1st.

I've said it all along, the Rotarians of 779 are the best in the world -- keep it up!!!

-- AND MORE --

In response to a question at the District Assembly, I noted that the District 779 original share was \$399,960. As a result of my meeting with some of the area coordinators, the share was established at a little over \$600,000.

But, if every Rotarian in the district would obligate himself to \$100 per year for three years (and this could be pledged as part of a Paul Harris Sustaining Membership), the District would raise over \$1,100,000!!!!!! And then we go to work to raise additional funds from our communities.....

I DO READ CLUB NEWSLETTERS!!!

And what I read is sometimes surprising. Contrary to published reports, I am not going to make another visit to the 67 clubs in the district!! The schedule passed out at Trois Rivières is for DG Marcel Girardeau who takes over from me on July 1st.

AWARDS → BE PRESENTED AT THE BALSAMS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE BUSINESS

In addition to the learning experience we will witness at our District Conference, there will be a certain amount of business that must be considered. Please be prepared to discuss them. They include:

a. The District Code of Acts. Several revisions have been under consideration and they are all included with this newsletter for your consideration. Review and be prepared to discuss at a workshop, if you have comments. In summary, substantial revisions include:

1) Change the District Finance Committee from the last five Past District Governors to the last six; and provision to always include four U.S. and two Canadian Past District Governors.

2) Require quarterly financial reports from the District Treasurer to the District Finance Comm.

3) Change the District Fellowship Committee to the District Rotary Foundation Committee - and expand their areas of concern.

4) Change the District Fellowship Fund to the District Rotary Foundation Fund, change the annual per capita assessment from \$2 to \$1 for this fund, and change the purpose of the fund from providing annual graduate fellowships and/or undergraduate scholarships to providing funding for the District Rotary Foundation Committee.

5) Change the annual per capita assessment to the district treasury from \$9 to \$10. (Note that this change combined with the change in the paragraph above will result in a total per capita assessment of \$11; which is the same as the past several years.)

b. Approval of the 1987-88 District Budget (see copy)

c. Group Study Exchange for the year 1988-1989.

d. Resolution submitted by Exeter Rotary last year to sponsor an amendment regarding women in Rotary.

e. Redistricting -- a report from District Governor.

Not all will be business -- the conference is also expected to feature:

a. Plenary sessions that will contain something of interest for everyone attending, Rotarians and their wives, including "Bring and Brag" and a lesson on organ transplants by a woman who has been through it.

b. International Fellowship Dinner with seating assigned by lottery -- an opportunity to make new friends in the true Rotary Spirit.

c. Special ladies' workshops on:

Entertaining with non-alcoholic drinks
A culinary demonstration with tour of the kitchen
Inner Wheel (one session for Canadian and one session for U.S. wives)

d. A road race for the young at heart.

e. And the usual Balsams assortment of golf, tennis, swimming, boating, fishing, walking, dancing, etc...

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE -- a permanent award for greatest percentage of membership growth. Windham won it last year.

ATTENDANCE - Best average attendance with reports submitted on time

BEST CLUB NEWSLETTER

-- PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIPS --

PUBLIC RELATIONS = PR = PUBLICIZE ROTARY

Photography is a good way to try to gain some extra media attention. But it is also expensive and takes someone who has a reasonable photojournalistic eye. Papers like to get 5X7 black and white glossy finish photographs ... but technology has improved to the point where they can now accept nearly any size, such as the standard prints that come back from normal snapshot processing. The picture must have good composition, good contrast, and not have a lot of "junk" in the background. Two people shaking hands (a "grip and grin" photo) should be avoided; look for something more interesting.

ATTENTION PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

New information regarding the Zone 2 institute -- It will be held November 13-15 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Vancouver. You will all be receiving additional information at a later date.

YOU WERE LOOKING FOR A PROGRAM??

You may remember my mentioning the possibility of organ donations as a club project when I spoke at your club. Now I've heard from Ruth Farabee Cobb from Windham who would like to speak to your club on that subject. Ruth was the recipient of a kidney transplant eight years ago and today, at 37, she's an active athlete. She boasts of several Rotary connections and she'd like to visit clubs within a reasonable distance to speak about organ transplants. If you are interested, reach her at 20 Haven Road, Windham, ME 04062, or by phone on 207-892-2293.

IN MEMORIAM

Since last month, I have been informed of the deaths of the following Rotarians who will be remembered again at our District Conference:

Bath	Thomas Landers
Belfast	Kenneth S. Taylor
Camden	Hervey C. Allen, Jr.
Grand'Mere	Lionel Pellerin
Lewiston-Auburn	Bertrand Cote
	Dr. John Milazzo
	Dr. Russell A. Morissette
Montmagny	Dr. Claude Gagne
Rockland	Irving C. Keene

HARD TO BELIEVE DEPARTMENT

Three clubs have not paid the District 779 dues which was due to be paid six months ago!!!

Somersworth -- Exeter -- Ste Anne des Monts

Two clubs have not paid the Rotary International dues which was due prior to January 31, 1987!!!!

Waldoboro and Ste Anne des Monts

DISTRICT 779 BUDGET 7/1/87 - 6/30/88

ITEM	86-87 BUDGET UNRESTRICTED	86-87 ACTUAL UNRESTRICTED	86-87 YEAR END ESTIMATE	87-88 BUDGET UNRESTRICTED	86-87 ACTUAL GRADUATE	86-87 YEAR END ESTIMATE	87-88 BUDGET GRADUATE	86-87 ACTUAL RESERVE	86-87 ACTUAL WCS
6/30/86 Balance Sheet									
Cash		\$461	\$461		\$12,492	\$12,492		\$2,828	\$884
Accounts Receivable		\$213	\$213						
Prepaid Expenses		\$2,000	\$2,000		\$357	\$357			
Due from other fund					\$8,221	\$8,221			
Due to other fund		(\$8,221)	(\$8,221)						
Fund balance		(\$5,547)	(\$5,547)	(\$7,244)	\$21,070	\$21,070	\$16,769	\$2,828	\$700
Income									
Dues	\$34,200	\$32,252	\$33,377	\$38,000	\$7,200	\$7,450	\$3,800	\$126	\$37
Interest	\$300	\$611	\$700	\$1,000	\$554	\$600	\$600		
District Assembly	\$2,500		\$2,500	\$2,500					
Total Income	\$37,000	\$32,863	\$36,577	\$41,500	\$7,754	\$8,050	\$4,400	\$126	\$37
Total available for use	\$37,000	\$27,316	\$31,030	\$34,256	\$28,824	\$29,120	\$21,169	\$2,954	\$921
David Bragdon									
Calvin Riley	\$8,000		\$8,000	\$8,000					
Dist. Conf (Host Club)		\$4,000	\$8,000	\$8,000					
Insurance (last year)		\$240	\$240						
Dist. Conf (Off. & Guests)	\$5,700		\$4,700	\$5,700					
Last year		\$150	\$150						
Dist. Conf (PDG)	\$9,500		\$9,500	\$9,500					
Dist. Gov Expenses	\$4,000		\$4,000	\$4,000					
Dist Assembly & PETS	\$2,500		\$2,500	\$2,500					
Treasurer	\$200	\$51	\$51	\$75					
Audit	\$900	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200					
Secretary	\$200		\$200	\$200					
Committees									
Foundation		\$1,258	\$1,500				\$2,000		
Joe Grandin (Last Year)		\$933	\$933						
Group Study Exchange		\$1,230	\$2,000				\$200		
Youth Exchange		\$570	\$700				\$700		
Finance		\$413	\$1,400	\$1,400					
Nominating			\$300	\$500					
Governor's Council									
Dist Gov's Rep		\$100	\$400	\$800					
Zone Institute	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600					
Miscellaneous	\$5,400	\$2	\$100	\$100					
Total Expenses	\$37,000	\$14,747	\$38,274	\$34,575	\$11,751	\$12,351	\$2,900	\$0	\$0
Balance Available	\$0	\$12,569	(\$7,244)	(\$319)	\$17,073	\$16,769	\$18,269	\$2,954	\$921

PolioPlus Code No.	Club Name	%	7/1/86	4/30/87	+/-	Rank(over 80%)	PP Goal	PP 3/31/87	RF 3/31/87
05-59-779-09-06288	Augusta	81.51	71	74	3	25	\$15000		
06-73-779-03-06272	Boie-Comeau		23	24	1		\$2000		
05-59-779-10-06289	Bangor	67.85	169	165	-4		\$25000		\$3000.00
05-59-779-10-06290	Bar Harbor	69.41	51	51	0				
05-59-779-08-06291	Bath	77.38	67	60	-7				\$1000.00
06-73-779-04-06270	Beauceville	76.56	38	38	0				
06-73-779-02-22507	Beauport	62	28	32	4				
05-59-779-08-06292	Belfast	79.8	55	56	1				\$4000.00
05-59-779-09-06293	Bethel	83.93	25	29	4	17	\$10000		\$1000.00
05-59-779-07-06294	Biddeford-Saco	84.76	107	107	0	14	\$16000	\$3000.00	\$1100.00
05-59-779-08-06295	Boothbay Harbor	96.15	61	57	-4	1			\$2000.00
05-59-779-08-06296	Brunswick	89.5	136	124	-12	4		\$125.00	\$5475.00
05-59-779-08-06297	Camden	85.87	78	76	-2	13			\$3000.00
05-59-779-08-06298	Damariscotta-Newcastle	82	45	57	12	24			\$1759.66
05-59-779-05-06323	Dover-Durham	82.19	101	102	1	22			
05-59-779-05-24197	Durham (Great Bay)	75.4	0	23	23		\$2000		
05-59-779-10-06299	Ellsworth	73.73	66	66	0				\$1200.00
05-59-779-05-06324	Exeter		46	42	-4				
05-59-779-09-06300	Farmington	82.58	32	33	1	21		\$200.00	
05-59-779-08-21498	Freeport	76.3	26	27	1				
05-59-779-09-06301	Gardiner	86	40	36	-4	11		\$1000.00	
06-73-779-01-06271	Grand Mere	96	36	39	3	2			\$1000.11
05-59-779-05-06320	Hampton	78	65	72	7				\$13.00
06-73-779-01-06269	Iqaluit	78.53	26	24	-2				
06-73-779-02-06273	Jonquiere	62.4	31	25	-6				
05-59-779-06-06302	Kennebunk	78.68	89	85	-4				
06-73-779-01-06275	La Tuque	84.4	22	25	3	15			
06-73-779-04-06274	Lac Megantic		21	22	1				
05-59-779-08-06303	Lewiston-Auburn	80.24	206	209	3	27			\$3250.00
05-59-779-10-06304	Lincoln	68	20	18	-2				
05-59-779-08-06305	Lisbon		18	21	3				
05-59-779-09-06306	Livermore Falls	78.54	15	14	-1		\$2000		
06-73-779-03-22585	Matane	86	19	20	1	12	\$2000		
06-73-779-03-06276	Mont Joli	83.75	31	32	1	18	\$3500		
06-73-779-02-06277	Montmagny	72.83	22	24	2		\$7500	\$100.00	
05-59-779-05-06287	Newburyport	83	94	91	-3	20			\$3000.00
05-59-779-06-06318	Ogunquit	74.23	49	48	-1				\$1600.00
05-59-779-10-06307	Old Town	87.08	57	61	4	7	\$1000		\$1000.00
05-59-779-09-21414	Oxford Hills	86.1	32	36	4	10		\$1000.00	\$1000.00
05-59-779-07-06308	Portland	80.37	203	197	-6	26		\$7275.00	\$1400.00
05-59-779-05-06326	Portsmouth	76.79	198	206	8			\$3220.00	\$900.00
06-73-779-02-06278	Quebec	69.3	73	65	-8				\$1000.00
06-73-779-02-06279	Quebec Est	65.13	42	39	-3				\$1000.00
05-59-779-09-06309	Rangleley	72.04	36	32	-4				\$1000.00
06-73-779-03-06280	Rimouski	83.5	32	34	2	19	\$5000		\$1016.01
06-73-779-03-06281	Riviere du Loup	71	33	32	-1		\$6000		
05-59-779-05-06327	Rochester	82.14	54	56	2	23		\$2500.00	\$1900.00
05-59-779-08-06310	Rockland	89.11	105	111	6	5			
05-59-779-09-06311	Rumford	86.36	37	31	-6	9			
06-73-779-03-06285	Ste Anne des Monts		21	21	0				
06-73-779-04-06283	St George des Beauce	86.9	51	53	2	8			
05-59-779-06-06312	Sanford-Springvale	73.48	71	75	4				
05-59-779-07-06313	Scarborough	75	37	37	0				
06-73-779-01-22240	Shawinigan		16	0	-16				
05-59-779-09-06314	Skowhegan	71.32	45	52	7		\$5000	\$1050.00	\$1000.00
05-59-779-05-06325	Somersworth	71.11	45	45	0				
05-59-779-06-06315	South Berwick		28	28	0				\$1000.00
05-59-779-07-06316	So Portland-Cape Elizabeth	87.14	51	56	5	6	\$25000	\$2000.00	\$1000.00
06-73-779-04-06285	Thetford Mines	92.55	45	46	1	3			\$1000.00
06-73-779-01-06286	Trois Rivieres	78.2	56	47	-9				
05-59-779-08-22174	Waldoboro		11	11	0		\$2000		
05-59-779-09-06317	Waterville	70	124	122	-2		\$22500	\$4972.54	\$2810.00
05-59-779-06-23334	Wells	78.5	38	32	-6		\$3000		
05-59-779-08-23575	West Bay (Camden)	83.98	32	47	15	16			
05-59-779-07-06319	Westbrook	70	61	55	-6				
05-59-779-07-06320	Windham		30	36	6			\$3100.00	
05-59-779-09-06321	Winthrop	77.02	47	43	-4				\$100.00
05-59-779-06-06322	York		58	59	1		\$13500		\$900.00

Average attendance 78.99 3798 3813 15 \$168000 \$29542.54 \$50423.78
 ** When calculating year-end membership, add 22 from Durham (Great Ba \$399,960
 ## Report received after RI report mailed.