



FROM THE GOV...



Dear Rotarians, One and All,

With the month of Birthdays almost behind us, I have been collecting in a cardboard box all the club's February weekly newsletters & bulletins. The winning clubs will be recognized and rewarded at my Recognition and Awards banquet on June 20th.

I have set up three categories for judging: First, Second and Honorable Mention. These will be further broken down by club size:

- A. Clubs of up to 50 members
- B. Clubs of 51 to 100 in size
- C. Clubs of over 100 members

This hopefully will provide a more "level playing field".

Five areas will be scrutinized on the grading system to be used during the judgement process with respect to:

- 1. Eye appeal and attractiveness
- 2. How well written
- 3. Timely items
- 4. Broad use of names
- 5. Basic and District information

Independent judges will be used to rate the newsletters by this criteria. Hopefully they will critique or at least grade each club's weekly bulletin as an attempt for each club to improve its performance.

Any club that has not provided this office with each and every February issue, please get them in to me by March 15th.

Yours with respect and anticipation

Bob Patten

"Partner Power" Update

With the partners of seven clubs already at their fund-raiser goal, and another seven clubs with fund-raisers underway, I feel confident that by June we will have over half the clubs successfully participating in this exciting cause; in this down economy I feel this is pretty good. Clubs already competing are Oxford Hills, Kittery, Exeter, Newburyport, Sanford-Springvale, South Portland-Cape Elizabeth and Windam.

Those who have reported said that it wasn't all that difficult (food sales, auctions, raffles are a few examples of their efforts), but more importantly it was a chance to meet other partners and fun to work with Rotarians.

During February and March I will be working with the clubs that have plans underway, and I'm hoping to encourage the bigger clubs to join the project. I have samples of letters to "rally the troops"; I have a sign which you can borrow for the day of your fundraiser; and I'd like to be present, if possible, to help out on that day, too. Please do not hesitate to call me if you need help. And keep in mind that our "partner power" project is meant to assist, not compete, with the Rotary Club's ongoing activities.

Logistically, for every six clubs sending in \$250 each (\$1,500) we can offer one full Paul Harris Fellowship of \$1,000, and the five remaining clubs will have sustaining members @ \$100/each. We want those Paul Harris nominees in and ready for the drawing in May if possible so we will be able to present the award at Fellowship Day, June 20th.

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Welcome New Members



BIDDEFORD - SACO, ME

Joseph J. Chapin
Donna Murphy
Carlton D. Pendleton
Roger Spugnardi

BRUNSWICK, ME

Lenora H. Burke
James S. Pierce

OXFORD HILLS, ME

Paul Thornfeldt

PORTLAND, ME

Mary E. Finnegan
Bruce P. Johnson
Bruce R. Maynard
Donald N. Zillman

SACO BAY, ME

Judith N. Harrison

SANFORD- SPRINGVALE, ME

John M. Shandorf

SEABROOK- HAMPTON FALLS, NH

William S. Sawyer

YORK, ME

Randall E. Dunham
Jeffrey H. Furbish
Brooks S. Kennedy
Katherine V. Tucker
Dr. James P. Wilton

MID TERM MEETINGS HELD WITH CLUB PRESIDENTS

Gov Bob has held his Mid-Term Meetings with Club Presidents, the first occurring on January 5, 1992. These meetings were called by the respective Area Reps in order to give current Presidents and Bob the opportunity to talk about how the clubs are doing, check on progress with respect to the Governor's Cup Challenge, and to visit with each other discussing such things as "Of Cabbages and Kings".

Topics of interest to all Club Presidents were the following: current needs of the Intercultural Nursing Program, the RVIA Jewell Island Project, the Cumberland County Pilot Functional Literacy Project, Planned Ecumenical Services for February 23rd, and the Paul Harris Banquet to be held on March 21st (rather than February 21st) at Verrillo's Convention Center, Portland.

Further discussions included Ambassadorial Scholarships, RYLA Project (the need for a chair and a vice chair in each club to work with the District RYLA Committee and securing sophomore candidates for the conference), Group Study Exchange (plans for this year and next), and the Fellowship Conference.

Bill Skinner (Vice-Chair of the District Foundation Committee) assembled fifty-five small yellow buckets for the District Governor which were redistributed to the 34 District Clubs. These will be used in conjunction with the 75th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation. Each Club will ask its members during February meetings to drop 75 cents into the bucket, each and every meeting during that month. Money raised will go to the Rotary Foundation.

It is noteworthy that the Dover-Durham Club sent Franklin Biehl to represent Dick Clark who was away in Florida, and Dick Poulin (President of the Rochester Club) brought Wayne Brockway, his President-Elect, to the meeting. South Portland-Cape Elizabeth President Bill Kourakos was not able to make the Area Five meeting but arranged for a follow-up session later which constitutes Area Five Rep, Don McGuire, and Area Seven Rep, George Rice, the only two regions with 100% turnout of Club Presidents.

The Massachusetts Club represented was Newburyport.

New Hampshire representation was the following: Dover-Durham, Durham-Great Bay, Hampton, Rochester, Seabrook-Hampton Falls, and Somersworth.

Maine Clubs represented were the following: Bath, Bethel, Bridgton, Brunswick, Brunswick Costal, Casco Bay Sunrise, Freeport, Kennebunk, Kennebunk Portside, Kittery, Oxford Hills, Portland, Rumford, Scarborough, South Berwick, South Portland, Wells, Westbrook, Windham, and York.

CELEBRATE "WORLD ROTARACT DAY" 13 MARCH

The Rotary International Board of Directors has designated 13 March of each year as World Rotaract Day, to recognize and celebrate the wealth of international understanding and humanitarian service accomplished by these young professionals aged 18-30. As a special focus for World Rotaract Day in 1992, President Rajendra Saboo urges Rotaract and Rotary clubs to join in common activities of international scope and visibility, such as literacy training seminars, walking marathons to raise funds for joint service projects, special outings for elderly people, a rally promoting better health care for children, and activities for drug abuse prevention. Also, Rotarians are asked to devote at least one weekly meeting to the projects of their local Rotaract club, or use a meeting to begin the process of organizing a Rotaract club. Rotaractors and Rotarians are asked to publicize the day in local media, and to take this opportunity to improve communication between the two clubs.

Bill Francis

Headed Ecumenical Sunday Service



Bill Francis

Major William W. Francis headed the Rotary District 7780's Ecumenical Sunday Services in tribute to world understanding and peace on February 23, the 87th birthday of Rotary International.

Rotarian Francis was appointed Divisional Commander for the Northern New England Division of the Salvation Army, with headquarters in Portland, Maine, in May 1989. As Divisional Commander, he is responsible for the administrative and ecclesiastical oversight of Salvation Army operations in Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine.

A second generation Salvationist, the Major was born and raised in Troy, New York, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in '66 from Houghton College, a Master Divinity degree in '69 from Asbury Theological Seminary and is currently enrolled in a doctoral program at Fuller Theological Seminary.



1991 Rotary Foundation Club Recognition Summary Published

As of December 31, 1991, here is the all time giving summary of District 7780 club total to date:

Club and Members:	\$871,001.42
Total available for Paul Harris and sustaining members <u>Matching Credit</u> :	\$114,776.29
Total PH Sustaining Members	116
Total Paul Harris Fellows	630
Total Benefactors	19

Matching Credits are contributions still eligible to be applied to Paul Harris or Sustaining Member recognition. The donor may designate how the matching credit may be employed to gain new contributions.

Donor matching credit amounts are available from your Club President.

For example, a Rotarian contributes \$500 and his/her club matches it with \$500 recognition credit.

Endowment gifts are not eligible.

Twenty four clubs in the District have matching contributions available with fifteen of the group also having Club contributions for matching purposes.

The breakdown is as follows:

<u>Club</u> Contribution Credit	\$46,784.75
<u>Donor</u> Credit	67,991.54
Total Matching Credit	\$114,776.29

Example:

A Rotarian donated \$234 to Polio Plus. The Rotarian's Club has Club Contribution Credits. With an additional donation of \$266, a total of \$500 is available for a matching credit of \$500 from the Club which creates a new Paul Harris Fellow or a multiple Paul Harris Fellow if the donor is already a PHF.

News From District Assembly Chair R.C. "Bud" Watt Concerning The Upcoming District Assembly April 25, 1992

The annual District Assembly is scheduled for April 25th, 1992 at the New England Center, UNH, Durham New Hampshire. Registration is scheduled for 8:00 am, with the Assembly getting underway by 8:45 am. The purpose of a District Assembly is to motivate, educate and train incoming club officers, including presidents, vp's, treasurers, secretaries and the Chairs of major Rotary Service committees. It's also important to note that new Rotarians benefit greatly from a District Assembly, and are encouraged to attend. A seminar format with group leaders provides the major assembly core. More details about the day's scheduled events will follow in the March Newsletter. Lunch is scheduled for 1:30 with the Assembly adjourning right after lunch.

DISTRICT 7780 ATTENDANCE

Club	--- Membership ---			-- Attendance % ---	
	06/30/91	01/31/92	+/-	January	7/91-YTD
Bath	71	65.00	-6.00	80.25%	83.34%
Bath (Sunrise)	42	41.00	-1.00	75.20%	73.46%
Bethel	37	34.00	-3.00	96.69%	93.03%
Biddeford-Saco	109	112.00	3.00	77.30%	82.94%
Bridgton-Lake Region	0	27.00	27.00	81.56%	82.64%
Brunswick	144	141.00	-3.00	80.70%	76.49%
Brunswick-Coastal	17	14.00	-3.00	74.00%	70.00%
Casco Bay Sunrise	28	19.00	-9.00	63.00%	66.90%
Dover-Durham	91	93.00	2.00	76.00%	73.37%
Durham-Great Bay	44	41.00	-3.00	77.88%	73.93%
Exeter	43	42.00	-1.00	70.50%	75.84%
Freeport	24	26.00	2.00	79.10%	80.54%
Hampton	60	54.00	-6.00	84.00%	69.64%
Kennebunk	99	97.00	-2.00	81.65%	80.65%
Kennebunk Portside	29	35.00	6.00	85.00%	72.06%
Kittery	32	31.00	-1.00	90.00%	79.00%
Newburyport	80	80.00	0.00	81.80%	79.13%
Ogunquit	46	47.00	1.00	73.45%	77.19%
Oxford Hills	54	55.00	1.00	92.80%	83.13%
Portland	218	217.00	-1.00	78.99%	75.46%
Portsmouth	212	219.00	7.00	85.21%	79.18%
Rochester	67	61.00	-6.00	76.64%	72.73%
Rumford	39	44.00	5.00	65.08%	37.62%
Saco Bay	49	51.00	2.00	88.18%	88.50%
Sanford-Springvale	69	70.00	1.00	71.67%	75.05%
Scarborough	28	28.00	0.00	68.96%	77.11%
Seabrook-Hampton Falls	32	29.00	-3.00	72.40%	73.06%
Somersworth	33	29.00	-4.00	60.40%	58.43%
South Berwick	29	27.00	-2.00	90.69%	91.62%
South Portland-Cape Elizabeth	46	50.00	4.00	72.58%	78.16%
Wells	30	32.00	2.00	90.62%	86.35%
Westbrook-Gorham	59	54.00	-5.00	74.00%	72.17%
Windham	42	40.00	-2.00	88.00%	88.57%
York	49	57.00	8.00	87.86%	85.70%
TOTALS	2,052	2,062	10		

* = Report not received
 INC = One monthly report missing
 @ = Provisional Club

District Attendance Average 80.62% 77.98%

TOP TEN CLUBS IN ATTENDANCE

	--- Membership ---			-- Attendance % ---	
	06/30/91	01/31/92	+/-	January	7/91-YTD
****Bethel	37	34.00	-3.00	96.69%	93.03%
****Oxford Hills	54	55.00	1.00	92.80%	83.13%
****South Berwick	29	27.00	-2.00	90.69%	91.62%
****Wells	30	32.00	2.00	90.62%	86.35%
****Kittery	32	31.00	-1.00	90.00%	79.00%
****Saco Bay	49	51.00	2.00	88.18%	88.50%
****Windham	42	40.00	-2.00	88.00%	88.57%
****York	49	57.00	8.00	87.86%	85.70%
****Portsmouth	212	219.00	7.00	85.21%	79.18%
****Kennebunk Portside	29	35.00	6.00	85.00%	72.06%

Thanks to all secretaries for your cooperation!
 Please remember - Attendance reports must be sent to Don McGuire

Beverly Braaten

Rotary Foundation Scholar,
District 5050
Reports her Progress

*The following are excerpts
from her letter to
Robyn Francis,
Rotary scholarship Coordinator.*

Dear Robyn,

My studies here at UNH are proceeding quite nicely. I am enrolled in four courses: Urban and Metropolitan Politics, Comparative Political Economy, Theories and Processes of Public Administration, and US Foreign Relations. I have been able to keep on top of things and have received some very good grades... the students enrolled have become a tight knit group of colleagues and friends.

As for my involvement with Rotary, it has been kept to a very manageable level in relation to my studies. Professor Murdoch, my Rotary host from the Durham-Great Bay Club, has been extremely helpful in assisting my transition to graduate school and to New Hampshire. I greatly appreciate his input and ideas, and I am very fortunate to have him as my Rotary host. I have also really enjoyed building acquaintances with a number of the other members of the Durham-Great Bay Club... Since I have been here I have attended a number of Rotary functions; a breakfast meeting with the Durham-Great Bay Rotary Club. A potluck dinner held in honor of a visit by District Governor Robert Patten and his wife Stella, the District Conference held in Portland, a luncheon with the Dover-Durham Rotary Club, and my first presentation to the Durham-Great Bay Club.

I hope all is well and I wish you a very Happy New Year. God Yul!

Sincerely,
Beverly Braaten
BA (HONS)



Dick Hansen Heading Up International Convention Home Stays In Our District

Rotary Fellowship Exchange Committee Chair, Rotarian Dick Hansen of the Hampton, New Hampshire Club, is sending out applications to all club presidents who will pass on the invitation for local Rotarians to open up their homes for Rotarian couples from around the world before or after the International Convention in Orlando, Florida. The application forms for home stays will be available from your club president and club members are urged to make that link with Rotarians from other corners of the world going or coming from the Florida Convention.

These home stays generally are for two, three, maybe four days and offer a great opportunity for international friendship and goodwill to be demonstrated when your welcome mat is out.

Final deadline for application to be received in Evanston is March 31, 1992

Club News



"Two Presidents are pictured together at the Portsmouth Rotary Club, next to President Bush is Portsmouth President William L. Holt."



"Sharing Community Service and Fellowship, the Durham-Great Bay Rotary Club"



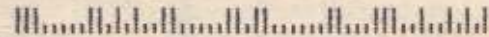
News from Oxford Hills Rotary

"High School Interact President Jessica Carver, Interact Director Liz Hatch and Rotary Interact Chair Tom Kennison gather together arm loads of canned food that they donated to the local Food Pantry following a successful Canned Food Drive by the members of the Interact club."

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**Calendar of Events
District 7780
1991-1992**

- February 28 - Rotary at the United Nations, NYC, with RI President Raja Saboo leading discussion on worldwide literacy problems
- March 21 - Paul Harris Recognition Banquet - Verrillo's Convention Center, Portland, ME
- April 3 & 4 - PETS for all incoming club presidents at Fitchburg, MA
- April 25 - District Assembly, at the New England Center, UNH, Durham, NH
- June 14-17 - RI International Convention, Orlando, FL
- June 20 - Fellowship Field Day and Awards Recognition Banquet
- June 26, 27, 28 - District RYLA Conference, Bridgton Academy, for high school sophomores

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