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# GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## Governor's Message 1992

August 1992

Think for a moment of the person who proposed you for membership in Rotary... What if that person had not invited you to become a Rotarian? Would you have ever felt the satisfaction you shared when your club completed a project to better your community? How many friendships would you have missed making while others worked side by side with fellow Rotarians on a worthy project? Would you have ever had the opportunity to know the real happiness that comes from helping others?

Fortunately, someone did propose you for membership. In fact, you can proudly say, "I am a Rotarian," and understand the pride that "service above self" brings to those who have served Rotary through club, community, and international service projects.

August is **Membership Development & Extension Month**. There are many people in many communities who are qualified and service-minded, but the reason they are not Rotarians is that they have not been asked to join and share Rotary. In Rotary, *growing* and *sharing* are synonymous. We need to share Rotary through membership growth. Someone shared Rotary with you, why not share Rotary with someone you know will be a *good* Rotarian.

We also need to pay attention to what I call membership loss, or more specifically retention. Do you know if every club worked at membership retention and saved just one member it may have otherwise lost, that Rotary would have the largest membership growth in one year that it has ever had before? We need to save our members. We need to find out the cause of why they are leaving us and prevent it from happening over and over again.

Fortunately, many Rotary Clubs recognize that they are not the "right" size. For those members who say their club is just the "right size" now, I can only say how lucky they are that their sponsor did not have this attitude. Why should your club grow? The Rotary Basic Library puts it well, "The more hands Rotary has, the better and more effectively the ideal of Service will be achieved."

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As Brenda and I have been traveling around the District, we have seen many hands enjoying and sharing the spirit and deep appreciation we all have of Rotary and for the dedication and work through humanitarian services of the clubs and their Rotarians. We have seen many hands demonstrating the simple truth of Rotary service -REAL HAPPINESS IS HELPING OTHERS.

Membership growth is every Rotarian's business. When will you propose a new member?

Yours in Rotary, *Maat Schmitt*

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

### MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.....IT'S A BIG JOB.

Just because your club has a membership development committee, it doesn't mean that the rest of the members are absolved of the responsibility of proposing qualified new members. Read carefully Gov. Mort's message this month on the front page. If your club is to remain strong, it is imperative that each member in each club does his/her share. By bringing new people into your club you increase your potential for service and fellowship while decreasing the odds of being called upon to serve on the membership development committee. Lets face it, that committee has a tough job. It's responsible for finding all those new members!!! Let's help them out!

### IF ROTARY IS NOT SHARED

Richard Evans Past President of R. I. once said:

"A man may have a great truth, he may make a great discovery; he may produce a great product and yet die without anybody being benefitted by it, if he doesn't share it, if he doesn't find a way to sell it."

And so it is with Rotary...a great truth...a great discovery for all mankind...a great product for all to share in. But who will benefit from it if Rotary is not shared? Who will know of the good works of Rotary if we, as Rotarians, do not find a way to tell them.

### GOV. MORT WANTS TO SHOWCASE OUR DISTRICT BUT HE NEEDS YOUR HELP

In October Brenda and I will attend the Rotary Zone Institute in Bermuda. Rotary International Director Lynmar Brock and Operations Chairman Louis Piconi have asked me to bring a display poster showing Club activities in our District depicting the 1992-1993 Rotary theme, REAL HAPPINESS IS HELPING OTHERS. Would you please send Photograph (s) and discription (s) of a successful project or activity from your club so I may prepare a 24"x36" District Poster of Club projects to be placed on the wall at the Convention Center next to our District banner.

As I will have a deadline to meet, could you please send your materials to my address by September 1, 1992. This will be an excellent opportunity for your Club and our District to show Rotary what we are doing in our part of the Rotary world.

**Are you working on this project?? Have you sent in your material??  
We hope you will participate in this worthy project....**

## AUSTRALIA HERE WE COME

The 1992-93 District 7780 Group Study Exchange Committee met on Saturday August 1, 1992 and is well on its way to a successful G.S.E. with R.I. District 9700 in New South Wales, Australia. Where is District 9700? You will find it on Page D-193 of the 1992-93 Official Directory. Every Club Secretary has a copy.

Applications for Group Team Leaders (a male or female Rotarian) as well as Group Membership (5 Non-Rotarian male or female between the ages 25 and 35 when they travel) has been sent to each Club President including a map of New South Wales and a set of proposed press releases in order to encourage as many applications as possible from the private sector.

The U.S. Team will leave on April 12, 1993 and return on May 17, 1993. While in Australia, our U.S. team will enjoy the hospitality of Australian Rotarians and will attend the District 9700 Conference with the Australian Group coming here. On May 17, 1993 both the U.S. and Australian team will travel together and arrive here to be hosted by our U.S. Rotarians. While here, both Teams will be our guests at District 7780 Conference. The Australian Team will leave for home on June 27, 1993.

Once again, Rotary International is giving us a terrific opportunity to make friends with people of a different culture and to establish lasting friendships aimed toward world understanding and peace.

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## AT THE ROTARY CLUB IN SCARBOROUGH

Bingo night is proving to be a big success. After the first night's poor showing, the last couple of bingo nights for the club have been successful. Thanks to the hard work of some of the Rotarians and the great attendance figures as each week passes.

### BULL CHIP

This year, Beaver, Oklahoma hosted the World Cow Chip Throwing Championship. The tournament had a special division for politicians and lawyers, who are considered professionals at slinging such materials.

### PDG AL COURTNEY APPOINTED TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM

President Cliff Dochterman has asked PDG Al Courtney of the Portsmouth Rotary Club to serve on the RI Drug Abuse Task Force. This group consists of 43 Rotarians from around the world. They will formulate policy and advance RI's commitment to participate actively in the war on drugs.

PDG Courtney was District Governor in the year 88-89 in District 7190 and had worked extensively with the DARE program before his retirement and move to Stratham, NH. He recently gave an excellent program on the DARE project to the Portsmouth Club.

### FROM THE EDITOR...CLIFF TAYLOR

Keep those club bulletins coming!! It's our only source of what's happening in your club and the only way we can keep the District informed of what each club is involved in to make your respective communities better.

We read them, they're enjoyed and used!!

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7780**  
**JUNE ATTENDANCE REPORT**

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>MEMBERS</u> <u>6/30/92</u>	<u>CURRENT</u> <u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>+/-</u>	<u>MEETINGS</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u> %
BATH	65	65	0	5	84.66
BATH SUNRISE	36	36	0	4	80.45
BETHEL	34	34	0	5	95.63
BIDDEFORD-SACO	104	104	0	4	84.43
BRIDGTON-LAKE REGION	27	27	0	4	83.33
BRUNSWICK	147	147	0	5	75.13
BRUNSWICK COASTAL	15	15	0	5	79.00
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	22	22	0	4	68.25
DOVER	92	92	0	4	72.19
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	37	37	0	4	81.09
EXETER	41	41	0	5	66.00
FREEPORT	28	28	0	4	80.31
HAMPTON	57	57	0	4	74.20
KENNEBUNK	100	100	0	4	81.71
KENNEBUNK PORTSIDE	34	34	0	5	76.78
KITTERY	29	29	0	5	84.00
NEWBURYPORT	75	75	0	5	71.42
OGUNQUIT	45	45	0	4	79.40
OXFORD HILLS	55	55	0	4	89.12
PORTLAND	215	215	0	4	74.38
PORTSMOUTH	224	224	0	4	77.19
ROCHESTER	60	60	0	5	80.00
RUMFORD	42	42	0	5	68.99
S. PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZ.	47	47	0	3	76.15
SACO BAY	52	52	0	4	84.14
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	70	70	0	4	68.64
SCARBOROUGH	27	27	0	5	89.93
SEABROOK-HAMPTON FALL	29	29	0	4	61.00
SOMERSWORTH	30	30	0	5	43.30
SOUTH BERWICK	30	30	0	4	93.44
WELLS	34	34	0	5	84.20
WESTBROOK-GORHAM	52	52	0	5	78.60
WINDHAM	39	39	0	4	89.00
YORK	54	54	0	4	88.81
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<b>Total:</b>	2,048	2,048	0		78.38
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## **MORE DISTRICT NEWS**

### **DID YOU SEE IT IN THE ROTARY MAGAZINE.....**

Past District Governor Dan Mooers was featured in THE ROTARIAN. Dan made a donation to the Rotary Life Endowment, a new Rotary program, which is a dedicated group universal life insurance program. All of the proceeds go to the Rotary Foundation, where they will be used on all of the educational and humanitarian programs that make members of Rotary so proud around the world.

### **REMINDER FROM THE KENNEBUNK CLUB**

Americans do not appear to blame business for their mood. However, businesses can improve their image by being proactive in helping to meet the service needs of their community.

**ALSO...** Chet Oiler presented Rotary Information about fundraising ideas used in other clubs:

- \* A New Hampshire club runs a Rotary Fish Derby with tagged trout...
- \* A Vienna, Austria club sponsors an operetta...
- \* A club in Oregon sells 3,000 boxes of locally grown apples.

### **FROM THE PORTLAND CLUB**

We are told that David Putman introduced the OUTBOUND EXCHANGE STUDENTS to the club. Erica Smith will be going to Budapest and Elizebeth Trice will be heading out to Costa Rica.

During the same meeting Gov. Mort had the opportunity to start his round of official visitations. He reminded all to start thinking DISTRICT CONFERENCE. It is not too early to create the interest in your club. It will be held at the fantastic CLIFF HOUSE in Ogunquit, (but we have been told it is really in York), from June 17th to the 20th in 1993. You'll hear more as the Rotary year progresses.

### **CONGRATS GOING OUT TO THE OXFORD HILLS CLUB**

For a super successful "Bean Hole Bean Supper". They were able to raise \$8,000.00 with entertainment and a flea market. A good time was had by all.

## **WOMEN IN ROTARY**

The R.I. Media Relations Department is gathering information on women in Rotary and would greatly appreciate your help.

Please provide by fax the following information by **AUGUST 31:**

1. Names and phone # of outstanding women in Rotary.
2. Names and phone# of husbands and wives in same clubs.
3. Names and phone # of daughters of Rotarians who are following in their mother's or father's footsteps.
4. Any information you think we need. (Number of women club presidents or district officers....)

FAX INFORMATION TO:  
(708) 866-9732 ATTN. MARTHA WILSON

## **FROM THE ROCHESTER N.H. CLUB**

New President Wayne Brockney takes over after 10 years in the club. He is looking forward to doing something for the elderly. Some of the other projects that will continue are; The golf tourney, The annual road race, A Christmas parade float, The DARE program, and a foreign Exchange Student. Things will be hopping this year in Rochester.

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