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1993-94



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## Governor's Newsletter

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*Rotary International District 7780*

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### Governor's Message ...

As Rotarians we are continually aware of the many great programs of "our" Rotary Foundation. This level of awareness comes from our personal and club's involvement directly in those programs where we provide support. While we do this throughout the entire year it is important to note that during November, each year, R.I. provides an opportunity to focus directly on the Rotary Foundation.

The Foundation was set in motion on June 18, 1917 when R.I. President Arch Klump proposed it to the delegates of the Atlanta Convention. It was not until 1947, after the death of our founder Paul Harris, and the establishment of the Paul Harris Fellow recognition program, as a memorial, that the Foundation began to receive the financial support that allowed for its growth and development.

1993 marks the 76th year of our Foundation's forward motion to carry out its objectives of furthering "understanding and friendly relations between peoples of different nations."

We know the achievement of these objectives, in our District and throughout Rotary, through our support of our programs such as: Group Study Exchange,

Ambassadorial Scholarships, Rotary Volunteers, Rotary Peace Programs, Health, Hunger, and Humanity (3-H) Grants, and Polio Plus to name a few. The continued success of these programs depends on our support. We need to point out these achievements to gather the support of newer Rotarians, and also those non-Rotarians that would share in our objectives of Service to Others. Look around you and identify such individuals and ask for their support.

Our District Foundation Committee has designated Sat., Nov. 13, 1993 as the date for our District Foundation Seminar. Registration forms are already in the hands of your club President and Secretary. Please plan to join fellow Rotarians in obtaining the latest information on Foundation activities. This program is of particular importance to Foundation chairpersons and international service chairpersons. With this information you will be better prepared to inform others and encourage their support of these worthy programs.

See you Nov. 13!

*Dick*

### Calendar of Events ▶▶▶

Nov. 13 - District Foundation Seminar  
Verillo's Restaurant at  
Howard Johnson's,  
Portland, ME (Ext 8)  
Feb. 19, 1994 - District Fellowship  
Banquet, Place TBA

Apr. 30, 1994 - District Assembly -  
Univ. of New England, Biddeford, ME  
Apr. 15 & 16, 1994 - President-Elects  
Training Seminar (PETS), Nashua, NH  
June 23-26 - District Conference -  
Sheraton Hotel, Portsmouth, NH

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## Enthusiasm - It's Contagious

► Have you ever wondered why some Rotarians are so enthusiastic about their membership? Did it ever occur to you that Rotary can be one of the most rewarding experiences in your life? Is it possible that you are somewhat unaware of the many benefits available through Rotary membership?

I spent some time with one enthusiastic Rotarian this month trying to find out what it is that turns him on about Rotary. I had only the slightest inkling of what I was going to learn.

To start with, he's a chronic volunteer. He takes great pleasure in lending a hand wherever it is needed. He pointed out that Dr. Karl Menninger, a famous psychiatrist, was once lecturing and opened up to questions from the audience. One person asked, "If you knew a person was nearing a nervous breakdown, what would be your recommendation?" The audience was sure the doctor would recommend some time with a psychiatrist, but instead he offered this advice: "Have that person lock up their house, go across the tracks, find someone in need - and help that person."

In Rotary, there are many opportunities to volunteer, on the local, national, and even on the

international level. Countless doors are open to Rotarians to serve as foster parents to foreign students - on the high school and college level - to open homes to Group Study Exchanges - and even to lead an exchange - to serve in a literacy program - and so many others.

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Then, to act more in one's own personal interest, there are at least forty World Fellowship Activities - activities organized and administered by Rotarians for the purpose of enjoying similar hobbies, interests, and recreational pursuits.

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Please submit all news items, club bulletins and information on special activities of interest for district publication to:

Editor  
Chuck Mancuso  
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My enthusiastic Rotarian told me he belongs to three of the fellowships and has an active interest in joining some others. He is an active member in the Genealogy/Heraldry, Railroading and Roaming Fellowships - and has an interest in Coin Collecting, Computer Users, Cycling, Home Exchange, License Plate Collecting and Wine Appreciation. You can probably imagine that this Rotarian doesn't spend a lot of time vegetating in front of his television!

► Each club president recently received a coupon which can be filled out by interested Rotarians and sent to Rotary International to obtain more information on World Fellowships. If there is not a fellowship currently interested in your hobby, I encourage you to look into starting one. I know one Rotarian in district 7780 interested in starting the "International Fellowship of Hookers," for those Rotarians around the world whose hobby is making hooked rugs.

If you believe in service to others - if you believe in actively pursuing your hobby/hobbies - then do what you believe in and get more involved in Rotary.

- PDG Joe Hahn, District Chair  
World Fellowship Activities

### Correction

September's District 7780 Governor's Newsletter was incorrectly labeled "October 1993."





## Saco Club Helps Preserve PLANET EARTH



► All of us in District 7780 can be proud of the environmental commitment of the Saco Bay Rotary Club, which has pledged, over a 5-year period, to furnish the necessary labor, equipment and cash (\$20,000) to construct a parking area, a nature trail and a boardwalk in the unique Saco Heath. This effort, in association with the Maine Chapter of The Nature Conservancy, will open this native peatland to the public, bringing to school children and other visitors a special awareness of its significant environmental features.

Similar ecological involvement of other clubs may be going unnoticed within our district, for Rotari-

ans continue to 'hide their light under a bushel'. We have, however, been challenged by an important resolution of the 1992 Council on Legislation, which recognized "the responsibility of every Rotarian to support action directed at improving the environment and protecting animals and plants from extinction." (92-287 — see the manual of Procedure, page 101).

Please notify Governor Dick or me of your club's environmental involvement so that we and others throughout the district may share in your successes and in your pride.

Art Richardson, PRID  
Chair, Preserve Planet Earth

## GSE Team & Leader Chosen

► PDG Orville T. Ranger, Brunswick, ME, was chosen as Team Leader for the Group Study Exchange with District 3050 in India. The outgoing team will travel to India from Jan. 15 through Feb. 20, 1994. District 7780 will in turn host a group from India from May 25 through June 28, 1994.

The 1994 Team Members include: Linda M. Langley, Portsmouth, NH

(South Berwick Club); Heidi N. Halpin, Kennebunkport, ME (Kennebunk-Portside Club); Michael B. Reynold, Old Orchard Beach, ME (Portland Club); Roger E. Strong, Windham, ME (Bridgton Club).

Alternates: Carol J. Post, Bethel, ME (Bethel Club) and Stephanie D.P. Briggs, Portland, ME (Portland Club).

## New Club Numbers Up Slightly

► During the 1992-93 Rotary year, 727 new clubs were chartered around the world. That was one more than the number formed in 1991-92. The net gain for 1992-93, with the number of clubs terminated and reinstated taken into account, was 600.

Three of RI's six regions gained more new clubs in 1992-93 than the previous year. The ANZO region (Australia, New Zealand, Other) grew by 33 clubs - nearly double the 17 formed a year earlier. The Asia region increased by 278 new clubs, up from 271 clubs. USCB (United States, Canada, Bermuda) established 104 clubs, compared to 85 in 1991-92.

In the other Rotary regions, CEEMA (Continental Europe, Eastern Mediterranean, Africa) formed 172 clubs, SCACAMA (South America, Central America, Mexico, Antilles) 126 clubs, and GBI (Great Britain, Ireland) 14 clubs.

## 1993-94 Begins With One More District

► Our organization began the 1993-94 Rotary year with 502 districts around the world — one more than in 1992-93. The Board of Directors of RI approved creation of District 2980 in the state of Tamil Nadu, India, one year ago.

The new district has 38 clubs with 1,440 members. Dr. K. Loganathan a cardiologist, is Governor of the district and is a member of the Rotary Club of Salem Mid-Town.





## Getting Started with Interact

► In his August Newsletter, District Governor "Dick" Clark reminded us that September, being Youth Activities Month, was a good time to plan for our involvement in one of several Rotary-sponsored youth programs, including Interact. Prompted somewhat by Governor Dick's message, I wanted to share with you some ideas on Interact, and, in particular, to underscore the wealth of support available to Clubs interested in launching an Interact of their own!

First, a short word on Interact. Last year, Interact celebrated its 30th Anniversary. The first club of 23 boys was started at Melbourne High School of Florida in 1962. From that small beginning, Interact has grown to more than 7,600 clubs with over 166,000 members in 99 countries. Interact clubs can be all male, all female, or mixed. It is a club for young people, generally ages 14-18, dedicated to community service and international understanding.

It really is a good idea for your Rotary Club to sponsor an Interact! Besides being a natural extension of our Rotary "Mission," Interactors have lots of good ideas and energy which, combined with Rotary guidance and direction, serve to foster the goodwill and commitment for service which are the backbone of every community. Last year, our Hampton Rotary sponsored the Winnacunnet High School Interact Club of Hampton, NH which was officially chartered by Rotary

International in October, 1992. We began our Charter year with 37 members who worked on several projects including the Big Brother/Big Sister Bowlathon. This fundraiser featured Interactors and their friends bowling to raise over \$1,000.

Hampton Rotarians have found Interactors willing to serve as resources to help with Club fundraisers. Interactors are finding Club members willing to support their specific projects. We're having fun working together and, everybody wins.

► This year, an Interact/Rotary Career Information Exchange program is being planned to provide a personal link between the experienced Rotarian and the Interact student. Working in the Rotarian's professional environment for a few hours or a few afternoons will help Interactors with their education and career plans.

Please also know that R.I. provides for ample material to help you get going, including a targeted Order Form for Interact Publications and Supplies (Form PA2-643-EN). There is also a very effective and colorful brochure, "Serious Fun" - Code Number PA20-600-EN, and a video which can be purchased with the same title. A most valuable aid is the Club Officers' Workbook (Code Number PA-641-EN). This manual provides a step by step approach to getting an Interact Club started. In addition, we found that local help was available from other

Clubs in our District with existing successful programs. In our case, we were fortunate to receive support from the Kennebunk Rotary Club with Rotarian Denise Couture and Interact President Cy Stahlburg attending one of our Interact organizational meetings and speaking with Winnacunnet High School students.

I know of three clubs currently in the planning stages for Interact, one in Saco, Maine, one in Raymond, NH and another in Durham, NH. As District 7780 Interact Chairman, I would be delighted to help you get started or speak at one of your meetings. I can be reached at 603-926-1290. Other District Interact Resources include Mark Lowell (207-985-4079) and Craig Wellman (207-985-4079). Both have substantial experience with Interact. You may also want to touch base with Matt Gurney of the Norway, Maine Rotary Club, who, I've heard has developed a very strong Interact Club also affiliated with the local High School.

All of us can testify that your interest in Interact will receive ample support from Rotary International and our District and will help your club sponsor an Interact Club. The result will undoubtedly help contribute to a successful year of achievement and further strengthen Rotary.

- Richard E. "Dick" Pouliot  
Rotary Club of Hampton, N.H.





## Incentive to Sponsor New Members

► By action of the Board of Directors, a special Certificate of Recognition, signed by the President, will be presented to any Rotarian who sponsors three or more new members during 1993-94. Each sponsor is responsible for proposing well-qualified persons and working with them to ensure their assimilation and active participation in the club. Club presidents should inform you of any member who has earned this Certificate of Recognition so that the name can be forwarded to the RI Secretariat. The Certificate will then be sent to you so that you may present it at an appropriate time (or, you may wish to forward it to the club president for presentation).

## Matching Grant

► Garry F. Ritchie, Rotary Club of Portland, received notice from the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation that they have approved a Matching Grant Request to ship a 1986 Ford Box Ambulance to the city of Bani, Dominican Republic. District Governor Dick Clark commended him for his "great 'Service to Others' project."

## \$ Dues Due R.I. \$

On the first day of October and the first day of April of each year Per capita dues in the pro-rated amount of seven dollars and seventy-five cents (US\$7.75) shall be payable by each club for each active, senior active, and past service member of the club who has been elected to membership in the club since the start of the July or January semi-annual period for which the dues are payable. A completed new membership report form is also required.

# RYLA '93

## Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference Given High Ratings

From June 24th through the 27th, 50 entering Juniors selected by various Rotary clubs in District 7780 enjoyed the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards conference, this year held at the University of New England in Biddeford, ME.

Committee members for RYLA 93 included: Lynn Hendricks, (Biddeford-Saco) Chair; Dan Hart (Bethel), Vice Chair; Herb Barnes, (Portland) immediate past Chair; Phil Rinaldi (Dover); Ron Drouin; Becky and Don Dyer; Joyce Haley Martin; Hans Asoera (all from Biddeford-Saco); plus student committee members who had attended RYLA '92; Lynn Goodwin (Saco); Scott LaChance (Saco); and Lee Morest, (Somersworth). Meredith Small of the Portland Club and Phil Rinaldi's wife, Donna, attended the actual conference as chaperones and facilitators.

This dedicated committee of Rotarians and student leaders met monthly from September '92 through June '93 to plan a well-rounded and enjoyable conference, using comments from the previous two years conference attendees to help in fine-tuning the conference elements. One of the changes this year (recommended for the last two years) was that the committee lengthened the conference from three to four days.

The theme, "Listen, Learn and Lead," allowed conference programming to address some of the

major issues of our day, including: Reducing Prejudice and Building Bridges (sexual harassment was also addressed); Literacy Awareness; AIDS Awareness; Ethics. Early in the program such important skills as Communications ("Survival on the Moon" exercise); Public Speaking, again presented by Glenn Harrison of the Dale Carnegie course (Westbrook); and Leadership/trust through the 'Initiatives and New Games' exercises led for the third year by the University of New Hampshire team were explored.

For the first time, students were given journals to write in daily and assigned panel topics for discussion on the last morning of the conference. Further, each group was given a topic to present in skit form on the last day at an assembly to which parents and families were invited.

The conference was a very successful one with high ratings given in the student evaluations done the last day. This is such a meaningful experience for the student leaders in our district that the committee strongly urges all clubs to send at least one student — and preferably two — to next year's conference which will take place at Gould Academy under the able leadership of Dan Hart of the Bethel Rotary Club.

- Lynn E. Hendricks,  
Chairperson





CLUB	MEMBERS 6/30/93	CURRENT MEMBERS	+/-	FOUNDATION PER MEMBER GIVING	ATTENDANCE %
BATH	66	63	-3	27	85.35
BATH SUNRISE	28	28	0	0	81.00
BETHEL	36	31	-5	90	93.97
BIDDEFORD-SACO	103	99	-4	39	82.00
BOOTHBAY-HARBOR	54	46	-8	38	89.86
BRIDGTON-LAKE REGION	29	28	-1	0	82.00
BRUNSWICK	147	143	-4	186	75.13
BRUNSWICK-COASTAL	16	17	1	30	82.00
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	24	23	-1	28	85.25
DAMARISCOTTA-NEWCASTLE	39	42	3	107	79.00
DOVER	90	88	-2	21	72.65
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	50	51	1	64	76.90
EXETER	54	53	-1	24	77.80
FREEPORT	32	31	-1	0	84.17
HAMPTON	49	53	4	46	82.61
KENNEBUNK	94	92	-2	22	77.44
KENNEBUNK PORTSIDE	31	32	1	33	86.50
KITTERY	29	23	-6	98	78.00
NEWBURYPORT	76	72	-4	6	72.80
OGUNQUIT	49	48	-1	10	86.40
OXFORD HILLS	45	47	2	39	86.33
PORTLAND	212	209	-3	12	73.37
PORTSMOUTH	238	249	11	67	70.64
ROCHESTER	60	63	3	44	72.97
RUMFORD	45	48	3	19	74.49
SACO BAY	56	57	1	326	78.07
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	69	67	-2	20	71.98
SCARBOROUGH	28	28	0	0	80.10
SEABROOK-HAM-FALLS	29	29	0	43	61.00
SOMERSWORTH	24	21	-3	37	55.20
SOUTH BERWICK	30	30	0	12	89.50
SOUTH PORTLAND - CAPE ELIZABETH	54	53	-1	90	68.60
WELLS	37	43	6	40	89.00
WESTBROOK-GORHAM	55	55	0	88	73.45
WINDHAM	38	35	-3	81	88.00
YORK	54	51	-3	0	89.74
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