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Governor's Message...

Congratulations go to Craig S. Wellman of the Kennebunk Club, who is the Nominating Committee's choice for District Governor 1996-97.

The Nominating Committee's choice for Budget & Finance Committee is Bruce Powell of the Bethel Club. All candidates were excellent, according to Nominating Committee Chair PDG Ron Drouin, and we thank you all who participated.

PP Henry Bird II of the Freeport Club and chairman of the Group Study Exchange (GSE) Committee, is looking for applications for Team Leader and team members for our GSE with Germany. Anyone interested should contact Henry at (207) 865-9553 or 865-3154.

September is Youth Activities Month in Rotary,,,time to check on what your club is doing for youth activities.

The Zone Institute is headed up by RI Director Dan Mooers, with PDG Joe Hahn as Chairman. They need help from clubs in the Ogunquit area: York, Kittery, Portsmouth, Wells, Kennebunk, Kennebunk Portside, Saco Bay, Biddeford-Saco and Ogunquit. The dates for the Zone Institute are October 13-15, 1994. If you can help with home hospitality for the night of October 13 between 6:30 and 9:30 PM, please call PDG Jim Labrie at (603) 431-2600. If you can help with home hospitality for the three days, please call Dan Mooers at (207) 775-7444.

Plan NOW to attend the fabulous District Conference at The Balsams, set for Memorial Day Weekend. For more information, contact our Conference Chairman, PP Brian Clancy at (508) 465-5314!

Yours in Rotary,

George

Upcoming Dates to Remember...

Sept. 1....District 7780 Dues Assessed Sept. 5...Labor Day Sept. 6....Rosh Hashona

Sept. 15.... Yom Kippur

Do you have any events or news items for our Newsletter? Send all information to Rotary Newsletter, c/o Mary Anne Clancy, 26 Summit Place, Newburyport, MA 01950, or FAX your items to (508) 462-8922.

Youth Activities Month is Here!

(reprinted from RI Newsletter, July 1994)

Of all the special months in the Rotary calendar, none offers the potential for personal satisfaction than is afforded Rotarians during September.: Youth Activities Month. The opportunity to work closely with youth, to share their idealism and unbridled energy, while helping them on their way to becoming mature, civic-minded adults, is without doubt one of the most rewarding forms of Rotary service.

Through Rotary programs such as Interact, Youth Exchange and RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), many clubs have found ways to help young people in their communities negotiate the difficult path to adulthood, avoiding the treacherous pitfalls of drug and alcohol experimentation and adverse peer pressure. To this end, Rotarians also have established recreation centers and organized "alternative" social events where young people can gather in a healthy, protected environment.

They've guided young people through the maze of career opportunities available to them and have sought ways to overcome the chronic unemployment among young people attempting to enter the workforce.

Rotarians have organized job fairs, provided training courses, and, in some cases, have met with government officials to seek solutions to the problems.

However your club chooses to recognize Youth Activities Month, it will be making a difference in the lives of the young people of your community and in turn will make your community a better place to live...not only now but in the years to come.

This September, let us put the new RI theme into action, and "Be a Friend" to youth!

Group Study Exchange Update...

Since it began in 1965, Group Study Exchange has continued to be among the most popular of all Rotary programs. Just ask the Rotarians in the ANZO (Australia/New Zealand) region where this year all 29 districts are participating in the Foundation program.

During 1994-95, a record 484 Group Study Exchange teams are scheduled to set sail for distant shores. This total represents an 85 percent participation rate among Rotary districts worldwide...and if that isn't evidence enough of the program's ongoing popularity, consider that 53 of these teams are being financed with districtdesignated funds. This means that for many districts, one exchange isn't enough; they are using their SHARE credits to send an additional team or to underwrite a team from a district in a developing country.

For every team a district sends, it hosts one in return. That is an essential element of Group Study Exchange, intended to allow paired districts to learn more about each other's cultures. Recognizing the importance of this aspect of the program, the Foundation Trustees at their March 1994 meeting decided not to approve any one-way changes.

Laughter's Healing Nature...

"Laughter is a tranquilizer with no side effects."

From a Club Bulletin

Club Clinic

Question:

One of our members just celebrated his 60th birthday and has been a member of our club for seven years. More than 20 years ago, he was a member of another Rotary Club for a period slightly less than 4 years. Do these early years in members hip count towards the ten or more needed for senior active status?

Answer:

Yes. The years of Rotary membership required for senior active status, whether (depending on age) it may be fifteen or more, ten or more, or five or more as noted in the conditions for senior active membership, are not required to be consecutive.

RI Board's Change in Recommended Club ByLaws May Affect Elections in Your Club

At its March meeting, the RI Board of Directors reviewed the sections of the Recommended Club Bylaws pertaining to the annual election of club officers, and agreed that only the Alternative Plan (Article I, Sections 1 and 2) of the document was in strict accordance with the provisions set forth in the Standard Rotary Club Constitution (Article IV, Section 2). The constitution requires that officers be elected by the club at an annual meeting held prior to December 31 rather than by a Board of Directors at that same meeting.

Memorial Day Weekend 1995 in The Balsams... be there!

President Huntley to Hold Friendship Conferences"

In keeping with his 1994-95
RI Theme, "Be A Friend", and his emphasis on community concerns, President Bill Huntley will hold a series of Friendship Conferences during the coming year. He will visit six countries where he will honor outstanding Rotary service projects aimed at community involvement.

A brochure describing the Friendship Conference reads, "Rotarians in these areas have identified a need in their community and have sought to address it...Using creativity, insight and concern, these members of the Rotary movement have made their world a better place."

Tentative schedule is as follows: August 15-17, Barbados; August 25-27, Chile; October 3-5, Italy; March 13-15, Norway; April 10-12, Wales; May 5-7, Canada. The first visit is expected to honor an environmental project and the second, a youth activities program. The topics of the ensuing conferences will be announced later.

Another highlight on the 1994-94 calendar is a Rotary/United Nations Presidential Conference, scheduled for June of 1995 in San Francisco. The conference will mark the 50th anniversary of the United Nations Conference on International Organization at which the UN Charter was drawn up and signed

Happenings.... About the Rotary World

A team of Rotary doctors from Brazil traveled on a volunteer mission that changed the lives of hundred of people. Funded by the Rotary Foundation's Grants for Rotary Volunteers program, the ophthalmology team spent five weeks in Kaduna and Lagos, performing eye sugeries on patients....

Congratulations to 3 Top Ranking 7780 Clubs!

The Rotary Foundation Report for contributions from US Clubs in 1993-94 was recently released for District 7780 ...and the results are impressive!

The Kittery club ranked number one in the district for per capita Foundations contributions, with more than \$125 for each member. Oxford Hills ranked number two with an average \$110.41 per capita, while Biddeford was third with a healthy \$106.80. The overall average for the District was close to \$49 per capita, according to the Report.

Congratulations to Kittery, Oxford Hills and Biddeford-Saco for a job well done....and let us improve on our overall totals for the coming year.

Former President Carter Given Rotary Award for World Understanding

Former US President Jimmy Carter was awarded the 1994 Rotary Award for World Understanding at a recent ceremony in Atlanta, Georgia.

The award, which carries with it \$100,000 in prize money, was presented to President Carter and his wife, Rosalyn, by RI President Bill Huntley and his wife, Audrey. The distinction was earlier presented during the RI spring convention in Taipei to President Carter's representative, Dr. John Hardman of The Carter Center. President Carter

had been in North Korea, meeting with government leaders to assist in negotiating an end to recent turmoil in that small country.

President Carter has designated the prize money to go towards supporting the work of The Carter Center's Council of Freely Elected Heads of Government, which promotes cooperation, peace and democracy in the Western Hemisphere.

Upcoming DG Visits...

South Doubland 10

0/24	South Portland/Cap
	Elizabeth
8/25	Portsmouth
8/30	Kennebunk Portside
9/1	Kennebunk
9/6	Westbrook/Gorham
9/8	Windham
9/13	Kittery
9/15	Casco Bay Sunrise
9/20	Bath

Don't Be an Early Leaver...

"Have you ever invited guests over for dinner and have them get up and leave just as the main course was served? Were you ever invited to give a speech only to see people walk out just as you were being introduced?

Our program committee is embarassed when this happens at our meetings. When you do it, another is encouraged to do likewise."

From a Club Bulletin

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7780 JULY 1994

CLUB	MEMBERS 6/30/94	CURRENT	+/-	FOUNDATION PER MEMBER GIVING *	ATTENDANCE
BATH	63	62	-1	\$46.00	79.40%
BATH SUNRISE	28	28	0	\$5.00	72.80%
BETHEL	39	38	-1	\$57.00	86.80%
BIDDEFORD-SACO	97	97	0	\$106.00	83.30%
BOOTHBAY HARBOR	51	51	0	\$19.00	89.20%
BRIDGTON-LAKE REGION	28	28	0	\$77.00	77.00%
BRUNSWICK	142	141	-1	\$45.00	81.00%
BRUNSWICK-COASTAL	17	17	0	\$0.00	66.00%
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	22	22	0	\$6.00	77.30%
DAMARISCOTTA-NEWCASTLE	37	35	-2	\$51.00	77.00%
DOVER	87	87	0	\$79.00	63.10%
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	54	54	0	\$91.00	76.40%
EXETER	44	44	0	\$2.00	81.20%
FREEPORT	31	31	0	\$31.00	66.00%
FRYEBURG	27	21	-6	\$0.00	60.50%
HAMPTON	51	50	-1	\$67.00	78.00%
KENNEBUNK	97	103	6	\$45.00	75.50%
KENNEBUNK-PORTSIDE	33	33	0	\$58.00	84.00%
KITTERY	25	25	0	\$125.00	73.00%
NEWBURYPORT	77	7.4	-3	\$40.00	73.10%
OGUNQUIT	45	46	1	\$0.00	85.20%
OXFORD HILLS	47	46	-1	\$110.00	82.10%
PORTLAND	212	215	3	\$36.00	74.10%
PORTSMOUTH	254	252	-2	\$74.00	72.20%
ROCHESTER	62	62	0	\$29.00	73.10%
RUMFORD	58	58	0	\$6.00	57.10%
SACO-BAY	62	63	1	\$71.00	78.20%
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	63	62	-1	\$14.00	70.90%
SCARBOROUGH	23	22	-1	\$49.00	65.00%
SEABROOK-HAMPTON FALLS	31	31	0	\$38.00	65.00%
SOMERSWORTH	22	22	0	\$52.00	58.00%
SOUTH BERWICK ***	35	35	0	\$33.00	90.10%
SOUTH PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZABETH	51	49	-2	\$34.00	78,90%
WELLS ***	46	46	0	\$27.00	89.00%
WESTBROOK-GORHAM	53	49	-4	\$49.00	68.00%
WINDHAM	33	36	3	\$28.00	89.00%
YORK	51	52	1	\$18.00	80.00%
TOTALS	2198	2187	-11	\$49.00	75.58%

* = AS OF JUNE 30, 1994 *** = NO REPORT RECEIVED

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