



# News From the Governor

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## Governor's Message...

On November 8, Rosemary and I finished our club visits when we met with Newburyport, and I was able to share with my fellow Rotarians at my home club all the excellent clubs in our District and all your great hospitality. We certainly enjoyed every minute with all of you and are very grateful for all that you did to make us feel welcome and at home within your clubs. Personally, I was very impressed with the wonderful work being done in our corner of the Rotary world.

Take Rotary out of our District and most of our cities and towns would not be half as well off with all of the projects over the years to make our communities better...beyond that, what our District has done over the years to make our world a better place. Thank you to all our Rotary clubs--you will always have a special place in our hearts. Rosemary and I will be thinking of you and your families during this upcoming holiday season and praying that your joy will be as great as the joy you have given us since July 1.

Congratulations to Mike McGovern of South Portland/Cape Elizabeth club for a well done Rotary Foundation Seminar at USM. It was a morning well spent learning about the programs of the Foundation. Many thanks to all participants.

Also, congratulations to all our clubs who have increased their membership--

some very substantially. Keep it up -- I'll try to give you a list of clubs next month.

Happy holidays!

Yours in Rotary,

*George*

## NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



### ENDOWMENT RECEIVES BEQUEST FROM KENTUCKY ROTARIAN'S ESTATE

The Rotary Foundation's permanent endowment funds has received a bequest of more than a half million dollars from the estate of a Kentucky Rotarian. E. Randall Allen was the retired vice president and co-owner of Dolfinger's, Inc., a prominent Louisville retailer specializing in fine china, crystal and silverware. He

died March 21, 1992, at age 84, not long after the death of his, Virginia. The couple had no children.

The Rotary Foundation's Endowment for World Understanding and Peace is one of three benevolences benefitting from Mr. Allen's estate. Others are the Cancer Fund and the Salvation Army. The Foundation's share of the estate was received in two installments--\$75,000 within the year after his death and \$466 recently received on final settlement of the estate.

### CALIFORNIA ROTARIANS GIVE YOUNGSTERS PICK OF THE PATCH AT HALLOWEEN

Appealing to one of the most anticipated October activities among young children, the Rotary Club of Santee-Lakeside, California for four years has been providing pumpkins for elementary school students the week before Halloween. Rather than simply passing out the jack-o'-lanterns to be, the Rotarians leave the choice up to the children. They purchase 300 pumpkins from a Nurseryland store in San Diego and set up a patch--complete with rented bales of straw--outside a school in either Santee or Lakeside. Throughout the day, classrooms of kindergartners and first and second graders come out and look for a pumpkin to take home. The only rule is that the youngsters must be able to carry their finds out of the patch themselves.



# PRESIDENTIAL CITATION FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS CHALLENGE

A Presidential challenge has been issued for Rotary clubs to use the personal efforts of their members as a way to serve and address the needs of their community. Clubs will receive a Presidential Citation based on the number of their accomplishments within each of the Four Avenues of Service as outlined below. More than a competition, this is a challenge for your Rotary club members to attain unprecedented achievements in the Four Avenues of Service and to demonstrate your commitment to improving the world around you.

## CRITERIA AND DEADLINES

To participate, first locate your club size on the chart below. The chart will tell you how many accomplishments your club must have within each avenue of Service. Next, review the menu of activities under each Avenue of Service. Select the ones your club can accomplish and set them as goals. Emphasize to your club the importance of personal involvement in meeting those goals. Your club must meet these goals between July 1 1994 and April 1 1995.

Once these goals have been met within the time frame, your District Governor must certify your club size and which activities your club has accomplished, and send them to the RI President by April 1, 1995. Those clubs that qualify for the award will then receive a certificate signed by the RI President.

## CLUB

Provide a subscription of your region's official Rotary magazine to a local school, university or library.

Write a history of your club and its role in the community which can be given to local libraries, newspapers, schools, etc.

Have a net membership gain of at least 10% in the first six months of the Rotary year.

Sponsor a new club.

Conduct at least two Rotary

information programs for all club members (club forum, roundtable, etc.)

Have 10% of members register at District Conference.

Have at least one member of the club registered to attend the RI Convention in Nice, France.

Have the incoming president, secretary and treasurer attend the District Assembly.

Improve your club's attendance percentage by 5% in the first 6 months of the Rotary year.

Increase the number of classifications by three.

Host the District Conference.

Have incoming club officers attend a Rotary Foundation meeting.

## COMMUNITY

Sponsor or participate in a literacy project.

Sponsor a project which addresses the needs of the aging or disabled.

Organize an Interact/Rotaract or Rotary Volunteer Corp.

Sponsor or participate in a drug abuse prevention project.

Sponsor or participate in a local program of immunization of disease prevention for children in your community.

Sponsor or participate in a Preserve Planet Earth project.

Sponsor or participate in a project that addresses the needs of the hungry in your community.

Sponsor or participate in a project to counsel and assist homeless youth.

Establish a registry of club volunteers who can be called upon to serve in community service projects.

Involve the local media to help promote one of the club's international or local community service projects.

## VOCATIONAL

Sponsor or participate in a career development project for youth or an innovative project dealing with youth unemployment.

Conduct a "stay in school" project in your community.

Sponsor or participate in a career development project for the disabled.

Sponsor or participate in a skills retraining program.

Sponsor or participate in a project to counsel persons in the over 40 age group and assist them in finding new employment.

Distribute the 4-Way Test to local schools.

Sponsor or participate in a local literacy project for those in the workplace.

Recognize one of more community members for his/her achievement within his/her vocation.

Distribute the "Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions" to all club members.

Provide district Vocational Service chairman with a registry of club members' vocation for placing volunteers.

## INTERNATIONAL

Hold a community fundraising event to benefit the Rotary Foundation.

Have at least one club member become a Foundation benefactor.

Support a project registered with the World Community Service Projects Exchange.

Serve as a volunteer on a World Community Service project.

Host or have a club member serve as a counselor for a Youth Exchange student.

Register one of your club's projects on the Rotary Volunteers International Site/Volunteer List (only if needs assistance from abroad).

Participate in an international donated goods project or request goods or services through the Donations in Kind Information Network.

Sponsor a Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowship (formerly called World Fellowship Activities) event in your community in conjunction with a Fellowship.

**REMINDER....Does your Club have any special events or projects that you would like to share with us? Send your contributions today to:**

**"News From the Governor"**  
c/o Mary Anne Clancy  
26 Summit Place  
Newburyport, MA 01950



Have one of your club members serve as counselor for a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar in your community.

Invite the community to learn more about Rotary's international involvement by hosting an informational fair featuring the international projects with which your club has been involved.

Attain 100% Paul Harris sustaining members in your club.

**In reviewing the menus, you may discover that your club is already eligible for a Presidential Citation. All that remains to do is to submit the evidence of your accomplishment to District Governor George Cashman by April 15, 1995 so that he, in turn, can submit his data to RI.**

(NEWS FROM RI, from page 1)

This year's pumpkin picking took place on October 28 in Santee. In addition to the patch, the Rotarians conducted a scarecrow-building contest among students from the upper grades.

According to club president Steve Hamann, the project costs the club between \$600 and \$700. Any leftover pumpkins are given to the Home of Guiding Hands, a facility for the mentally disabled.

## NOTICE OF DISASTER

Floods have destroyed homes and filled acres of land with silt in Orissa and Madhya Pradesh, India. The Governor of District 3260 reports that the last two and a half rain-filled months have caused US\$600,000 worth of damage. Rotarians and Rotractors in the area are distributing food, clothing and medicine. To contribute to the relief effort, make checks payable to Rotary International, earmark them for District 3260 disaster relief and send to Rotary International, c/o Harris Trust & Savings Bank, PO Box 71394, Chicago, IL 60694-1394, USA. For more information, contact PP P.K. Babu, 10 Vijoy Colony, Sambalpur-768,001, Orissa, India. FAX: 91-663-30703.

# JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

## UPCOMING DATES...

1/1...New Year's Day

1/17...Martin Luther King  
Birthday

1/23-29...Remembrance Week

(Deceased Rotarians to be honored;  
Paul Harris passed away 1/27/47).

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT...

### PDG Ralph Margeson Passes Away at 89

Past District Governor Ralph C. Margeson, formerly of Portsmouth, NH died November 30 in Florida. Born in Newington, he moved to Fdunedin, FL after his retirement 10 years ago. He was owner of Margeson Furniture of Portsmouth, and past District Governor of Rotary. Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Virginia (Szepinski) Margeson; a daughter, Elizabeth Harrison of Rochester, MN; a half-brother, Frank Margeson of Bloomington, IL; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was pre-deceased by three brothers: Henry, Richmond and Donald, and a half-brother, Robert.

The **Kittery Club** recently hosted Maine Governor John McKernan and nine staff members at a special luncheon meeting as part of Kittery, Capital for a Day. Over 100 Rotarians, guests and interested citizens attended to hear Governor McKernan speak about accomplishments and plans for the future.

The **Sanford-Springvale Club** is selling 1995 calendars to benefit the Club's Scholarship Fund. Calendars are numbered for a weekly raffle, with \$100 and \$50 in prizes, and are available for \$20 each post-paid by writing Tom Jagger, Secretary, PO Box 336, Springvale, ME, 04083, or by calling (207) 324-2893. Also, the Sanford-Springvale Club has changed its meeting time and day to Thursdays at 7:30 AM, beginning January 5.

Also, last month's newsletter noted the location change for the **Scarborough Club**, but neglected to note the time change to 7:00 AM...sorry.

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DISTRICT 7780

OCTOBER 1994

CLUB	MEMBERS 6/30/94	CURRENT MEMBERS	+/-	FOUNDATION PER MEMBER GIVING *	ATTENDANCE %
BATH	63	64	1	\$46.00	80.33%
BATH SUNRISE	*** 28	28	0	\$5.00	77.00%
BETHEL	39	43	4	\$57.00	84.05%
BIDDEFORD-SACO	97	101	4	\$106.00	85.12%
BOOTHBAY HARBOR	51	48	-3	\$19.00	82.51%
BRIDGTON-LAKE REGION	28	32	4	\$77.00	61.00%
BRUNSWICK	142	142	0	\$45.00	80.70%
BRUNSWICK-COASTAL	17	15	-2	\$0.00	85.00%
CASCO BAY SUNRISE	22	24	2	\$6.00	75.00%
DAMARISCOTTA-NEWCASTLE	37	36	-1	\$51.00	84.00%
DOVER	87	86	-1	\$79.00	69.10%
DURHAM-GREAT BAY	54	54	0	\$91.00	86.00%
EXETER	44	43	-1	\$2.00	77.00%
FREEPORT	34	34	0	\$31.00	90.00%
FRYEBURG	27	22	-5	\$0.00	70.30%
HAMPTON	51	55	4	\$67.00	73.70%
KENNEBUNK	97	98	1	\$45.00	66.80%
KENNEBUNK-PORTSIDE	33	42	9	\$58.00	85.00%
KITTERY	25	28	3	\$125.00	74.00%
NEWBURYPORT	77	73	-4	\$40.00	78.00%
OGUNQUIT	45	47	2	\$0.00	71.20%
OXFORD HILLS	47	47	0	\$110.00	80.65%
PORTLAND	212	219	7	\$36.00	77.04%
PORTSMOUTH	254	256	2	\$74.00	71.37%
ROCHESTER	62	61	-1	\$29.00	72.54%
RUMFORD	58	60	2	\$6.00	60.35%
SACO-BAY	62	63	1	\$71.00	78.74%
SANFORD-SPRINGVALE	63	63	0	\$14.00	72.22%
SCARBOROUGH	23	23	0	\$49.00	67.00%
SEABROOK-HAMPTON FALLS	31	28	-3	\$38.00	71.00%
SOMERSWORTH	22	22	0	\$52.00	71.60%
SOUTH BERWICK	35	37	2	\$33.00	87.90%
SOUTH PORTLAND-CAPE ELIZABETH	51	50	-1	\$34.00	70.50%
WELLS	46	46	0	\$27.00	78.00%
WESTBROOK-GORHAM	53	48	-5	\$49.00	73.40%
WINDHAM	33	34	1	\$28.00	80.00%
YORK	51	52	1	\$18.00	80.00%
TOTALS	2201	2224	23	\$49.00	76.44%

\* = AS OF JUNE 30, 1994  
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