



# CALL OF THE LOON

THE NEWSLETTER OF ROTARY DISTRICT 7780

Tim Placey, District Governor, 2002-2003

FEBRUARY, 2003

## Governor's Notes



As I sat in the hospital the other morning waiting for a friend having tests, I watched people and the expressions on their faces. My mind started to wander through our year,

thinking of the good that our Rotary District has done, and is doing, for people in their own communities and in the world. I know that many people are not as fortunate as we are financially, yet they continue through life working hard to catch their dream.

I remember one club talking about a couple who had no money to fix their car because the husband was very sick and needed an operation. That club fixed their car for \$100 so that they could get back and forth to the hospital. The president told me that about a year and a half later the club received a check for a \$100 from the same couple expressing their gratitude and asking the club to use the money for some other individuals who might be experiencing a similar problem in their life.

Another president shared with me how they had funded a security deposit for a family so they could stay together. I believe it was only about \$450. The family

could not believe that people were willing to help in that way. A family stayed together because of the generosity of the club.



We have a club that is supporting two homeless shelters in their community. The homeless problem in that community is growing, creating the need for a second shelter. The club has worked very hard to support both of these shelters. If they only change the lives of two or three people, the work has been all worth it.

I know of clubs who support local soup kitchens. If they didn't take the time to care, who would care? It sometimes takes an extra fundraiser and extra effort to make things work but Rotarians are always ready.

*The end result is caring about mankind, one person at a time.*

I spoke with a Rotarian who knew of a person with needs who lives outside the District. Even so, the club felt the need to help that person. The person could not believe that people who did not know them took the time to care. My friends, people's needs have no boundaries – whether the needs are sickness, financial, or homelessness.

I was moved by the e-mail I received from the Ogunquit and York Clubs about the need to help the people in Millinocket. If those poor people are next to homeless, I sure don't know what it is called. Bringing food to the District Assembly is a great idea. (See page 3.)

We have a club who is making a difference in third world countries and even in

our own state with children's hearing. When they talk about helping the children of the world there is a glow and warmth that comes over the whole room.

We have many clubs working on clean drinking water all over the world so that many may live. There are other clubs helping with literacy in world. I could go on and on about the good you are doing in the world.

Polio Eradication is a big accomplishment for everyone. The extra work you are all doing in the name of polio is beyond words. I know the children thank each and everyone of you for your involvement. You are helping people, one by one.

I guess what I am trying to say to you is that if the project costs \$100 or \$5,000, you really can't weigh one against the other. The end result is caring about mankind, one person at a time. There are times a \$100 project is more rewarding than that big project.

I just want to say thank you to all of you in our great district. I am very proud to be a partner with you in the efforts of world peace and understanding. \*

God bless each and every one of you,  
Tim

**Please note Governor Tim's new email address:**

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## Ski Day at Shawnee Peak to Benefit RI's Polio Eradication Campaign

The Rotary Club of Bridgton Lake Region is hosting a Ski Day at Shawnee Peak to benefit RI's Polio Eradication Campaign. Skiing will be all day from 9 am until 10 pm. Adult and child tickets are \$20.00 each (regular price \$30). Shawnee Peak (formerly Pleasant Mountain) is located above Moose Pond in Bridgton, Maine, just off Route 302. It has more than 40 trails, a freestyle terrain park (they call it HUGE!!), and Maine's only lit halfpipe.

There will be a silent auction held at the Shawnee Peak Base Lodge from 10 am until 4 pm.

Contact Shawnee Peak for rental or lodging information.

**For ski tickets call Faye Daley at 207-647-2074 or go to their website at [www.bridgtonlakeregionrotary.org](http://www.bridgtonlakeregionrotary.org) or email [rotaryskitickets@yahoo.com](mailto:rotaryskitickets@yahoo.com).**

Time is short!!! Get your tickets now and have a great day skiing for Polio!



## From Paul Harris (via the Rotary Club of Kittery)

Good works are not all there is in Rotary; good works are expressions only of something beneath. Beneath the good works of Rotary there is an invisible power; it is the power of goodwill. Some of the most powerful forces in the world are invisible...Even the air we breathe is invisible and yet it sustains life...Beneath the good works of Rotary there is an invisible power; it is the power of goodwill and by virtue of the power of goodwill Rotary exists.

*My Road To Rotary*

Paul Harris

(The editor thanks "The Gateway," Kittery's weekly newsletter.)

## First Lady's Corner



Hello,

After getting off the scales this morning - I am sure you're all glad to hear that - and cursing Rotary meals yet again - it has come to my mind that the Rotary rubber chicken circuit is not all that inedible, at least for me.

And by the way, unless you guys are changing the menu, where we've been there hasn't been that much chicken.

When I go into a Rotary Club meeting for a luncheon or dinner, I tell myself, "only eat half." While I am listening to the person next to me - oops - all gone. So that attempt is blown all to hell and out the window.

At the breakfast buffets, I think cereal and toast and somehow as I pass through the line, eggs, bacon, and home fries leap onto my plate. The theory being "don't insult your hosts." No matter what the eggs look like or how greasy the bacon, somehow they are gone. I am looking at an empty plate. I am thinking "at least I ate fruit, that was good for me." Pepcid has become my best friend this winter.

When Tim was selected to become District Governor, the joke in our house became "feed me and I will follow you anywhere." I've been following and he's been feeding and I am eating my way out of my winter clothes.

Maybe I should pray for winter to stay around 'cause God help me when I have to change seasons.

Continue with the great year you are having out there. \*

See ya next month,  
Gladys

## Maine Handicapped Skiing Ski-a-Thon 2003 at Sunday River

*(From the Maine Handicapped Skiing website:  
www.skimhs.org/Ski-A-Thon\_1.shtml)*

A free day of skiing or riding; three delicious meals; cool prizes; dancing and tons of laughter! Where can you find such a great time? On Saturday, March 15th, 2003, join hundreds of skiers and riders for Maine Handicapped Skiing's 18th annual Ski-A-Thon hosted by Sunday River Ski Resort and Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center!

### Why the Ski-A-Thon?

- \* First of all it's an absolute blast! Ski or ride free with friends and family, eat great food, earn fun prizes and dance the night away!
- \* The pledges you solicit from friends, family, co-workers and businesses make up 65% of Maine Handicapped Skiing's operating costs every year! Because of your hard work and generosity, our participants take part in MHS programs free of charge!

- \* Support the most exciting adaptive sports program in Maine! Over 250 participants learn to downhill or cross-country ski, snowboard or snowshoe every year. Three hundred volunteers give their time and expertise to make their dreams come true!

### Get involved!

- \* Get a team of 5 people together (downhill or cross country or snowboarders)
- \* Raise a minimum of \$600 in pledges (per team) to participate – you will want to raise much more to qualify for terrific prizes, including ski trips, equipment, clothing and other great stuff!
- \* Ski-A-Thon pledges are made as a fixed amount. (We no longer accept pledges on a per-run basis). Pledges can be paid for at the time a pledge is made, or MHS will bill any pledge of \$20 or more. All pledges are tax-deductible. MHS is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.

### Register Your Team On-line!

- \* We make it easy for you to register your team for the 2003 Ski-A-Thon, March 15, 2003. Go to: [www.skimhs.org/Ski-A-Thon\\_1.shtml](http://www.skimhs.org/Ski-A-Thon_1.shtml) for more information and to register.
- \* Want to know more about forming a team or joining an existing team? Contact MHS via E-mail: [info@skimhs.org](mailto:info@skimhs.org) or call 207-824-2440, 1-800-639-7770; Fax us at: 207-824-0453.

### Information for Rotary Clubs

- \* Folks are available to come to your club and discuss the Ski-A-Thon. You can call Maine Skiing or contact Arthur Bradbury at 603-659-3535. E-mail: [rabrady@attbi.com](mailto:rabrady@attbi.com).



## Help for Millinocket/Great Northern Paper Community

*By Kathy Wright and John Rainone*

On Tuesday, April 22, 2003, District 7780 will be holding its District Assembly at York County Technical College in Wells, Maine. This is an opportunity for us to look towards the future, but also to reflect on this past year. It certainly has been a great one for all our clubs.

We have all been actively involved in our communities with fundraisers and service projects, especially for Polio Eradication. We know we will all meet our individual club goals and the District will reach its goal.

As a way for us to give back to a crucial issue facing the state of Maine, York President John Rainone and I, with your

help, would like to give to the Millinocket, ME Rotary Club and their community support. We all have heard about the closing of Great Northern Paper Mill and the devastating effects it is having on the community.

To show our support, we are proposing that at District Assembly all Rotarians who attend be asked to bring non-perishable items. We will make arrangements to get the food to the Millinocket Rotary Club. This is an opportunity for our individual Rotary clubs to collect food for the families in Millinocket. Clubs can also collect their own items and have a representative bring these items to the Assembly.

Remember...this could happen to anyone of us in any community. This an opportunity for us to reach out to our own...in our state.

If you have questions or reactions to this plan, you can reach either Kathy Wright, President, Ogunquit Rotary Club at 207-646-5355; email [victhouse@gwi.net](mailto:victhouse@gwi.net) or John Rainone, President, York Rotary Club at 207-646-9282 or by email [jrainone@maine.rr.com](mailto:jrainone@maine.rr.com).

Thanks for your help.  
Kathy and John

## From the President

18 February 2003

Dear District Governors:

As we observe World Understanding Month in February, I would like to suggest that we take the time to reflect deeply upon the importance of this month to all Rotarians. As Rotarians, we all share an objective to promote peace and international understanding. We work toward this end in many ways – through humanitarian service projects that relieve human suffering and want, through exchange programs that bring together people from diverse cultures and turn strangers into friends, and through our Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution, which are educating tomorrow's diplomats and peacemakers.

Our founder, Paul Harris, once said that "the way to war is a well-paved highway and the way to peace is still a wilderness." Today, with tensions escalating throughout our world, many of us feel lost in that

wilderness, immobilized by the thicket of fear and hatred growing around us. But these troubled times also lend urgency to our calling as Rotarians. This February, more than ever, we must redouble our efforts to break down the myths and misconceptions that fuel conflict among the peoples of the world. More than ever, we must focus, not on our differences, but on our shared human condition.

All people in the world have a common cause, and it is our misfortune that we sometimes fail to recognize how we are all connected to each other. When the situation of one person is improved the whole world benefits. Through Rotary and in our professional and personal lives, let us dedicate ourselves to serving our common cause and bridging the gaps that so violently divide countries, races, cultures, religions, and ethnic groups.

Coming from 164 countries, speaking dozens of different languages, and pro-

fessing a diverse range of religious beliefs, Rotarians represent a microcosm of the world – with one important difference. Rotary is a microcosm of a world *at peace* where tolerance, understanding, and love prevail. Let us extend the Rotary model of international understanding and goodwill throughout the larger world, and wherever hatred, conflict, and violence might grow, let Rotarians instead *Sow the Seeds of Love*.

I ask you to please share this message with your clubs and encourage all Rotarians in your district to make a special effort to promote peace and goodwill during World Understanding Month.

Yours sincerely,

Bhichai Rattakul  
President, Rotary International



## DGE's Notes



Greetings from a DGE recently returned from Anaheim – refreshed and re-energized, and excited about the coming Rotary year. I attended

with a class of 530 District Governor Elects from all over the world, and I'm happy to report, our experience was wonderful.

First, the weather – I left behind temperatures 15 below, and was welcomed by California's 80 degree balmy breezes. Of course, we were kept busy in class from early morning till mid-evening, but there was always time to take a short break and get some much appreciated sunshine. PDG Mike McGovern and PRID Dan

Mooers were on hand, albeit briefly, and were familiar District faces in a sea of 1000+ new friends.

I met DGE's from India, Thailand, Michigan, South Africa, Finland... needless to say, my Rotary business card collection is a huge pile filling a small paper shopping bag. There were many memorable moments: watching RI President-Elect Jonathan Majiyagbe (Rotary's first African President) unveil next year's theme to thunderous applause. Trying on my official jacket for the first time. Finishing my cup of coffee and sprinting to a session to make it in before the Sgt. at Arms marked me tardy. Finding the vegetarian buffet table (I'm a committed carnivore) but the vegetarian buffet served delicious Indian food at every meal – yum! Seeing the tofu and miso soup the Asians had for breakfast every day, while the rest of us scarfed down bacon and eggs. Seeing that other ocean by way of Laguna Beach on our one afternoon off. Meet-

ing Germany's very first female District Governor elect. Watching the talent of my classmates during Friday's Talent Night. Meeting Mike Rennie, DGE of District 9550, Queensland, Australia, and our 2003-2004 GSE partner.

Yes, I was the youngest governor elect there. Yes, there were great differences in all of us. But somehow, Rotary crosses all racial, cultural and political divides, and reminds us that we all have the same core belief – "service above self."

Anaheim was a wonderful precursor to my year as your District Governor. I look forward to seeing you all at the District Assembly, April 22 at the York Technical College, so I can share with you RI's plans for our 2003-2004 pre-Centennial year.

Yours in Rotary,  
Trish



## Important Dates and Deadlines

### 20th of Each Month:

Articles, information, pictures, updates for the monthly district Newsletter

### 15th of Each Month:

Attendance Reports Due to the District Secretary

### Application forms for 2004-05

Rotary Foundation educational programs will be available from district scholarships subcommittee chairs in November.

The District Assembly will be held at York County Technical College on April 22, 2003. Watch this newsletter for updates and information. This is a terrific opportunity to learn more about Rotary and other clubs in your district. The day is short, packed with info, and fun!



## Who's the Editor?

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We gratefully accept articles about your clubs and their doings, news about Rotarians working in their communities, special projects, district committees, information that impacts Rotary and Rotarians, stories about issues big and small, letters to the editor, photographs, and just about anything else you can think of. Send it along!

## The 2003 Interact Conference

### The Yarmouth Interact Club Invites You to Attend The 2003 Interact Conference District 7780

Yarmouth Harrison Middle School, Yarmouth, Maine

Saturday, March 29th - 8:15 am - 1:30

8:15 - 8:50	Check-in and continental breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Opening ceremonies and club presentations - time slots of 15 minutes each. Please share with us one of the community service or international projects your club is doing or has completed. A \$100 award will be given to the club with the best presentation. Use a slide show, charts, skits, or pictures. Please call and reserve your time slot.
10:40 - 11:50	Breakout sessions
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch, featured speaker, best club presentation award
Cost: \$5.00 per person	

Please RSVP with number of attendees by March 14th to:

Meg Hickey, Interact District Chair  
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Yarmouth, ME 04096  
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ameg@maine.rr.com



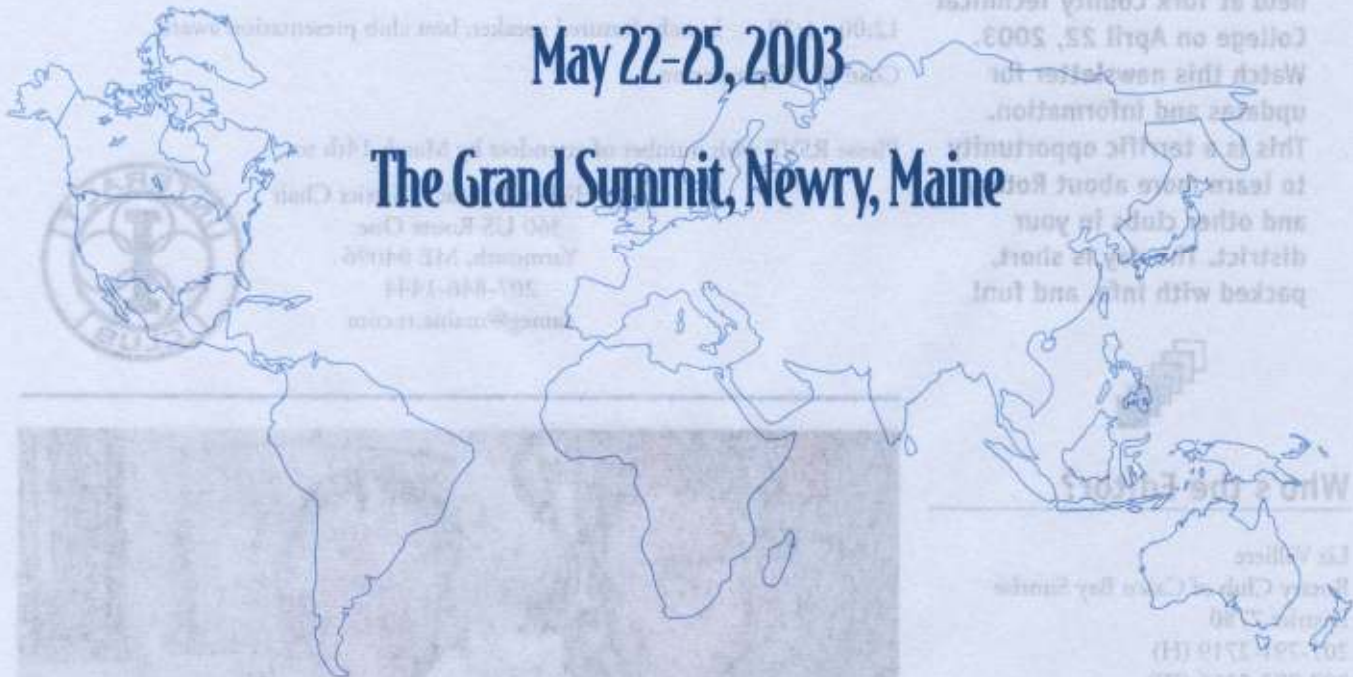
District Governor Tim Placey attended an Exeter Club meeting to make Exeter Rotary Member Sandy Martin a Paul Harris Fellow for outstanding service. This was prompted by Sandy's generous \$1,000 donation to the Polio Eradication campaign. Sandy told of his personal experiences with polio.

# It's a Small World Friends are Forever

District 7780 Conference

May 22-25, 2003

The Grand Summit, Newry, Maine



Sow the Seeds of Love



## **The Rotary District 7780 Conference**

The annual Rotary District 7780 Conference will be held Thursday through Sunday, May 22-25, 2003 at the Grand Summit in Newry, Maine. There will be many opportunities for fellowship, learning, networking, and fun. Some of the planned events include a barbeque on Thursday evening, a memorial service on top of the mountain Saturday afternoon, a sockhop Saturday night (appropriate attire optional), and a golf tournament Friday afternoon. Michael Miclon, comedien and juggler, will be our entertainment on Friday night. The closing plenary session will be held Sunday morning at brunch.

Our luncheon on Friday is a special one, as almost half the cost of the meal will be donated to the local Rotary clubs to pass on to area food pantries. In addition, please bring children's books to be donated to area shelters. Dress for the entire weekend will be business casual.

*It's a Small World  
Friends are Forever*

We have many exciting speakers lined up, as well as interesting meal sessions and breakout sessions. As always there will be exhibits, raffles (a daily 50-50), and a silent auction to benefit the Rotary Foundation. The GSE team will be with us Friday morning. Among Saturday's features will be Youth Exchange, RYLA, Interact, and Maine Mentoring.

The attached form is your registration form for meals and for the conference overall. Hotel reservations are on the enclosed separate sheet, and reservations for special events like the golf tournament and events put on by the hotel (ATV trail rides for example) can be made at the hotel. There are bicycles, canoes, and ATVs available for rent, hospitality rooms, and a gym. Candid photos will be taken throughout the conference.

Once again the entire conference will be à la carte, allowing you to pick and choose what meals, events, and days you'd like to attend.

Please note that registrations will not be accepted without payment. Forms are available from your club president. Please return to: Marie Williams, PO Box 142, Kittery Point, ME 03905. If you have any questions, please call Marie at home 207-439-3761.

## Membership Development Success Stories

*From the Rotary International Website, a few ideas about membership development. This is the second installment of this article. Please see the November 2002 issue for the 1st installment. There will be additional installments as time and space permit.*

These items have been submitted by Rotary clubs and districts around the world. If you would like to receive further information on any of the ideas, you can contact the club president or secretary or the district governor involved. Their contact information can be found in the Official Directory.

If your club or district has any successful ideas to share, send it to us using the Membership Development Successful Strategy Database Submission Form.

Public relations is an important membership development tool. Some districts use a specific occasion as an opportunity to promote Rotary in their communities.

Approach former Rotarians in your area about rejoining. Perhaps their situations have changed and they now would welcome the responsibilities and privileges of membership. Perhaps your club's meeting time is better suited to their needs.

\* District 5130 (California, USA) holds an alumni night for former club members at which the alumni are encouraged to rejoin Rotary.

\* Districts 6580 (Indiana, USA), 7450 (Pennsylvania, USA), and 9470 (Australia) all have programs in place to share the names of potential members with other Rotary clubs that may better meet their schedules or needs.

Joining forces sometimes helps clubs to expand their base of service.

\* The Rotary Club of Iwatsuki, Saitama, Japan, gives members of their Rotaract and Interact clubs assignments in the Rotary club. This familiarizes the younger members with the members of the Rotary club and encourages them to become Rotarians.

\* The Rotary Club of Phachi, Thailand, invites local people to participate in club projects to allow them to get to know what Rotary is doing in their community and to encourage membership.

\* The Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Sunset, California, USA, joined with the Chamber of Commerce to complete community projects.

\* A Rotary club in District 6630 (Ohio, USA), located near a popular vacation center, rejuvenated its falling membership when it started publishing its meeting schedule in prominent places to encourage vacationing Rotarians to make up at their meetings. The club benefited from the enthusiasm and new ideas shared by the visiting Rotarians.

In an effort to assimilate new members into their Rotary clubs, some clubs have come up with innovative ideas.

\* The Rotary Club of Mississauga-Credit Valley A.M., Ontario, Canada, distributes a "dance card" to its new members. The names of all club members are on the card, and the new member must sit with each member during a meeting and have the card signed during the visit.

\* The Rotary Club of Louisville, Kentucky, USA, keeps its new members visible by having them introduce visitors to the club meetings. \*



## Letters

*To the editor - Please consider including this letter to Linda Perkins in the district newsletter. Linda is the English teacher of one of our exchange students, Burin Yildiztekin. Burin is from Turkey and is being hosted by the Wells Rotary club. (I hope a better world and friendship awaits us also!)*

Thanks  
Nancy Hawes

Dear Ms. Perkins,

It was very nice to hear that Burin is doing very well in the US. We did not have

any doubt in our minds when we were selecting Burin for the long term exchange program.

I believe such occasions allow us to represent our countries and people much better than the politics. Please note that there are numerous young and talented good people in Turkey who represents our country and people around the world every year.

My wish is to increase the participation and involvement of young people all

around the world into such exchange organizations day by day to prevent wars and fights between the nations.

Thanking once again for your warm comments and I would like to send all my best wishes to the Maine State and US people. I hope a better world and friendship is awaiting us in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Ali Alp Akkor  
Goksu Rotary Club, District 2420  
Youth Exchange Committee Incharge





## ROTARY CLUB OF CASCO BAY SUNRISE

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February 19, 2003

Mr. Tim Placey, District Governor  
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Dear Mr. Placey:

The Casco Bay Sunrise Rotary Club would like to submit the enclosed change to the bylaws of District 7780.

Specifically, section 304 "Foundation Committee" subsection 304.2 "Appointment," we propose a change to the term of the Foundation Committee chairperson to be 3 years commencing July 1, 2003. This proposed change is in keeping with Rotary International's directions for this committee position.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Richard Emerson  
President  
Casco Bay Sunrise Rotary

**A vote on this proposal will be taken during the Council on District Legislation, which will be held during the District Conference in May. Please see the following pages for the relevant changes and information about voting rights during the Council meeting.**

## Proposed Change to District Bylaws

### Section 304 – Foundation Committee.

**304.1 Composition.** The Foundation Committee shall consist of four Past District Governors of Rotary International and four past presidents of district clubs each of whom shall be willing and able to serve and is a member, other than honorary, in good standing, of a district club. The Past District Governor whose term on the Foundation Committee is expiring shall serve as Chair of the committee. The past club president whose term on the Foundation Committee is expiring shall serve as vice-chair of the committee.

The Foundation Committee shall consist of nine members. One member shall be the committee chairperson who shall be a past district governor. Three other past district governors shall serve on the committee and five other members shall be appointed to the committee based on their commitment to the Rotary Foundation as demonstrated through program participation and/or financial contributions.

**304.2 Appointment.** The incoming District Governor shall appoint one Past District Governor and one past club president to four-year terms each to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of terms of service. No member of the Foundation Committee may be appointed to a successive four-year term after serving a full four-year term. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the District Governor also shall fill by appointment any vacancies occurring on the Foundation Committee by reason of death, resignation or removal.

Every three years commencing in 2003, the incoming district governor shall appoint a past district governor to serve as committee chairperson for a three year term beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> of that year. Any vacancy in an unexpired term of the chairperson shall be appointed by the district governor for the unexpired term only and the appointee shall be a past district governor at the time of the appointment.

The remaining eight members of the committee shall have four year terms. In order to transition to staggered terms, all previous appointments to the committee shall expire on June 3, 2003 and the incoming district governor in 2003 shall initially appoint three past district governors with terms to expire on June 30, 2004, 2005 and 2007. Of the remaining five members, individual terms shall expire on June 30, 2004, 2005, 2006 and two shall expire on June 30, 2007.

### 304.3 Duties.

- a: The responsibilities of the committee shall be: i. Working closely with the District Governor in the promotion of all matters pertaining to the Rotary Foundation; ii. Receiving from Rotary International all information and application forms pertaining to Rotary Foundation scholarships and disseminating them to all district clubs in a timely manner; iii. interviewing club-sponsored candidates for international scholarships and other Rotary Foundation awards and submitting the appropriate number of finalists to the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation; iv. answering questions from district Rotarians and clubs about the Foundation programs, development, contributions and Paul Harris recognition; and contacting the secretariat staff to clarify policy and obtain information; v. providing the leadership for district Group Study Exchanges; vi. promoting all programs of the Rotary Foundation through regular suggestions for the District Governor's Newsletter and, when possible, through formal news releases to the media; vii. promoting active participation in Rotary Foundation Month (November) among the district's clubs; and viii. Assuming the responsibilities for any subcommittee not properly functioning.

The duties of the District Foundation Committee and its subcommittees shall be as set forth by the trustees of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. If the trustees have not set forth responsibilities for a subcommittee, the responsibilities of that subcommittee shall be as agreed upon by the District Foundation Committee.

- b: ~~Eight~~ Seven subcommittees shall carry out the work of the Foundation Committee: i. ~~Development~~, Annual Giving; ii. ~~Development~~, Major Gifts/Planned Giving Permanent Fund ; iii. Foundation Information; iv. Scholarships; v. Group Study Exchange; vi. Grants; vii. Alumni; ~~viii. Major projects~~. The District Foundation Committee Chair shall, each year, act as chair of the Scholarship Subcommittee and the incoming District Governor shall, in consultation with the incoming Foundation Committee chair, designate a Foundation Committee member to act as chair of each subcommittee. Additional district Rotarians may be appointed each year by the incoming District Governor to serve on the subcommittee.

## Polio Eradication - The Campaign Goes On...



Nepalese Rotarians volunteer at National Immunization Days.



Poor roads hinder vaccine delivery in Liberia.



Effective immunization has eliminated polio from Bangladesh.



Indian Rotarians join hands with American Rotarians to fight polio.



A motorized rickshaw promotes polio immunization.

### Section 404 – Council on District Legislation.

**404.1. Composition.** The Council on District Legislation shall be composed of:

- a. A delegate from each district club, which shall be its president or a member, other than honorary, in good standing of the club, appointed by the president. Any district club with membership of more than twenty-five, excluding honorary members, as of the last day of the month preceding the month the conference is held, as reported to the district by the club secretary, shall be entitled to one additional delegate for each additional twenty-five members or major fraction thereof, excluding honorary members.
- b. Each Past District Governor who is a member, other than honorary, in good standing of a district club.
- c. The District Governor who shall serve as Chair unless unable to so serve, in which event the most recent Past District Governor present shall serve as Chair. The Chair may appoint a parliamentarian to act as an advisor in all matters of parliamentary procedure. The District Secretary shall act as secretary of the Council.

**404.2. Meeting.** The Council on District Legislation shall meet during the District Conference at a time designated by the District Governor. The meeting shall be open to attendance by all Rotarians, and any Rotarian may speak to any issue under consideration.

**404.3. Agenda.** No fewer than 30 days prior to the Council on District Legislation, the District Governor shall forward to each district club president and to each Past District Governor, a tentative agenda of matters to be considered at the forthcoming Council including without limitation:

- a. The composition and terms of reference of the Nominating Committee for District Governor.
- b. Election of the district representative and alternate to the Rotary International Council on Legislation in those years in which such Council meets;
- c. Any other matter upon which any elector has demanded a poll, including but not limited to:
  - i. All resolutions proposing amendments to these bylaws;
  - ii. Any other resolution proposed by a district club or the District Governor.

**404.4. Voting.** Each club delegate shall have one vote. Each Past District Governor shall have voice but no vote, unless elected as the representative of his club. The Chair shall vote only in the event of a tie. Presence of delegates from a majority of district clubs shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast shall be required for approval of any matter considered.

If no District Conference is held or a quorum is not obtained at the Council on District Legislation any matter that otherwise could have been determined at such Council may be determined in a ballot by mail in accordance with the current Rotary International Manual of Procedure.

## Sunday River Ski Resort is Major Donor to RI Polio Eradication Efforts!



From the left are Craig Alford, Operations Director for the American Ski Company, Mary McPheters of the Marketing Department of Sunday River, Marvin Collins, VP of Sunday River and Tim Placey DG.

Last Tuesday at the regular morning meeting of the Rotary Club of Bethel, Tim Placey, District 7780 Governor of Rotary International, presented Marvin Collins, VP of Sunday River Ski Resort with a honorary plaque along with a major donor, engraved crystal. Pictured from the left are Craig Alford, Operations Director for the American Ski Company, Mary McPheters of the Marketing Department of Sunday River, Marvin Collins, VP of Sunday River and Tim Placey, District 7780 Governor of Rotary International. Sunday River Ski Resort provided a "Ski Day To Eradicate Polio" on January 23rd which provided \$15,600 toward Rotary International's goal of global Polio Eradication by the year 2005. Sunday River was the first major corporate donor to contribute over \$10,000 toward this effort. \*

Bob Laux  
Rotary Club of Bethel

## Exeter Plunges for New Hampshire Special Olympics

The picture is of of Exeter Rotary plunging at the Penguin Plunge for NH Special Olympics at Hampton Beach yesterday (February 9th, 2003).

Sue Cummings, Bob Mitchel, and I raised about \$1,000. The Penguin Plunge raised \$260,000 in total for Special Olympics.

The air was 33 degrees. The water was 35 degrees. It was shooccking!

This is the second year Sue and I have done this. It was Bob's first. We hope to make this an Exeter Rotary Presidential tradition. \*

Vin Pascucci  
Rotary Club of Exeter



Larry, Curly, and Moe at the Penguin Plunge (aka Sue Cummings, Winnie Pascucci, and Bob Mitchell).

## Rotary In Pictures

### Windham Rotary Derby Fest 2003

The Windham Rotary Club had another very successful ice fishing derby on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. The 4,000 people on the ice caught 1,022 togue with the winning fish weighing 14.4 lbs. Over \$25,000.00 worth of prizes were distributed, including a Bayliner 160, Polaris Magnum, Ski Doo Tundra, etc. With almost 2,000 registrations (individuals and families) Derby Fest is the second largest participatory event in the state of Maine (the "Beach to Beacon" being number one). In addition to the fishing there were snow sculptures, the Ice Fisherman of the Year contest, as well as the Polar Ice Dip for the Maine Children's Cancer Program. Unfortunately, due to the storm on Saturday night the John Cafferty concert and the fireworks were cancelled... but there is always next year! All other participating organizations also did well in their fundraising efforts and the area motels and inns were full! The derby this year raised about \$60,000.00 which will be distributed to the Maine Children's Cancer Program, Camp Sunshine, Polio Plus, DARE, and the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Kudos to Tom Noonan for running another wonderful event for Rotary! To see more photos of the Rotary Derby Fest 2003 go to: [www.geocities.com/windhamrotary/derby.htm](http://www.geocities.com/windhamrotary/derby.htm), \*



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