

District 7780 News



Gary Speers District Governor

Greetings District 7780 Rotarians!



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Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.

~Aesop

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President John Evans welcomes Friends Forever Carrickfergus *to Bath Rotary*. The past two weeks have been an extraordinary time for Judy and me. First we had the opportunity to join with Maine State Governor Paul LePage and Maine Rotary District 7790 Governor Deborah Walters in signing a proclamation declaring Oct. 23-29 2011 "End Polio Now" week in Maine.

We then began our fantastic two weeks with the Friends Forever group from Carrickfergus Northern Ireland. The group this year was filled with strong personalities and strong leaders which translated into a bit more of a

challenge for those of us working to bring them together as a team. But what an experience! We were fortunate to be permitted to observe and participate in the growth of these young people from youngsters including a 13 year old, who really were quite uncertain what this was all about to a strong committed team who are dedicated to returning to their homeland and making a real difference. We worked with them as they built bridges through bogs, conquered their jitters to speak to Rotary Clubs, attended classes at several High Schools, and while all costumed up, staffed the CLC-YMCA Halloween Event for, as they put it "The wee ones" in our community! Every minute was a new experience and a new challenge for these young leaders in a foreign country far from friends and family.

A fellow Rotarian met me at the grocery store today and inquired if I was restocking after the teens cleaned me out? It came to me that what really occurred was quite the opposite, that they instead filled me up, with joy and hope. As we listened to their stories including the heart wrenching tale by Ellen on the final night, of what she and her family has endured as a result of the sectarian troubles while living in the projects in Carrick, we saw the determination grow that it really is up to them to make it end.

This group has determined that they will go back home and work with the local police department to address the nastiness and bullying among their peers. And just when you wonder what more can they possibly think of as caring young people, after hearing DGN Marty Peak Helman explain the Rotary prosthetic hand project, they took up a collection to buy three of the hands for her distribution in Africa.

A big thank you to all of the clubs and Rotarians in the district who support this youth peace initiative, year after year. Special thanks goes out to all of you who committed to over \$8,000 towards matching the \$10,000 the district is contributing to the Vermont Flood Relief effort. I am also pleased to announce that you have responded with eight candidates to be interviewed for the four Group Study Exchange team positions, the selection process will be completed this week.

Now let us all join our Foundation and Membership committees at upcoming "Road Shows" being offered in your areas! -Gary

DISTRICT CALENDAR

Save the Date! Save the Date! Save the date!

District 7780 Foundation Committee is coming to *you and your club members!*

Tuesday, November 15 6:00-8:00pm at the Nonantum Resort, Ocean Avenue in **Kennebunkport ME**. There will be a cash bar with hors d'oevres. Please contact President Karen Schlegel, <u>karen@karenschlegel.com</u> or <u>207-967-0934</u> or <u>207-229-8927</u> to RSVP. Spouses are welcome!



Monday, Jan. 30, 2012 — Mid-Year Leadership Dinner for all club presidents, presidents elect and vice presidents.

February 9-12, 2012-National Immunization Day against Polio & Rotary Work Project INDIA. FMI Contact ELIAS THOMAS thomas@metrocast.net

Saturday, March 3, 2012 — RLI at York County Community College, Wells, ME.

March 8-10, 2012 — Multi-district President-Elect Training Seminar for all 2012-13 presidents, Sheraton Conference Center, Framingham, MA.

Thursday, March 22, 2012— Read Across America Day FMI Contact Penny Jett pennyjett@comcast.net Saturday, March 24, 2012 - District Assembly

Friday, March 30, 2012 South Portland—Cape Elizabeth 50th Anniversary Celebration Gala. Kalyan Banerjee will be the honored guest. Time and location TBA.

Saturday, March 31, 2012 — RLI at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH.

May 6-9, 2012 — Rotary International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand.

May 18-20, 2012 — District Conference at the Harraseeket Inn, Freeport, ME. Harraseeket is now accepting reservations at the conference rate. It's important to get your reservation in early to be sure you get the rate. You can call them at (207) 865-9377





Friends Forever enjoy "Moosepitality" with Rotarian Tom at Wilbur's Chocolates in Freeport ME



Friday, March 30, 2012. Mark your calendars! Rotary International President. Kaylan **Banerjee** of Vapi Gujarat, India is coming to Maine to attend South **Portland-Cape** Elizabeth Rotary's 50th Anniversary Celebration Gala. A **District wide** (and beyond!) invitation is going out to help honor President **Banerjee's** visit and this milestone for the SP-CE Rotary.

GOVERNOR ELECT'S CORNER

Governor Elect's Corner



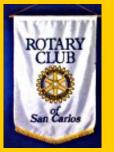
The Joy of Makeups

All Rotarians are welcome to attend any Rotary meeting in the world. To me, this factoid is one of the hidden gems of Rotary. My husband Frank and I first started attending "makeups" during the run-up to my club presidential year. It never failed – every new club we visited I learned something I wanted to bring back to my own club. (Okay, occasionally, the learning was something I knew I wanted NEVER to bring back to my club, but let's not go there!) By the time my presidency had come and gone, Frank and I were hooked, and now we invariably plan our vacations and business travel around Rotary makeups.

So maybe we have a strange hobby. Or maybe not: The fact is, in addition to learning more about how to manage a meeting, I can think of three solid reasons to attend makeups: First, we typically get a good meal at a good price. Second, we invariably meet like-minded (and fascinating) people at Rotary meetings. And third, when the signup sheet comes around, as it inevitably does,

visiting Rotarians don't have to volunteer!





The most overarching reason to visit another club is to spend quality time with other Rotarians. After all, these are people who spend their free hours working to improve their communities and to raise money to eliminate polio, provide clean water and literacy materials, and to promote peace. Who wouldn't want to converse with just a sampling of the 1.2 million Rotarians from around the world who are committed to these goals? And as Rotarians, we get to socialize with one another for free.

How can you find a meeting? There's an app for that! There's also a list of makeups worldwide on <u>www.rotary.org</u>; just click on the "Clubfinder" button on the top right of the home page. Back here in District 7780, club websites and meeting times are listed on the District site: <u>www.rotary7780.org</u>; click on the link located on the top left of the home page.

Do call ahead or check the club's website if at all possible: You never know when the club you are planning to visit may be holding an offsite, and it's always polite to let folks know that guests are on the way. Bring a banner to exchange; it's the Rotary way and a chance to share your visit back home with your own club. Just know that you will always find a warm welcome, wherever in the Rotary world you may go. It was a Rotarian from Nigeria who said it best when he was introducing me and other American Rotarians. He started off by saying that we were friends from America. Then he corrected himself: "No," he said, "these are not my friends, because we are all Rotarians. Which means that we are all family. So these are not friends, but rather, these are my brothers and sisters from America."

There's one more reason to visit other Rotary clubs. That's the fact that, invariably, as much fun as Frank and I might have on our visit, we always return with the knowledge that ours is the best club in the world -- for us, at least. And after you do a makeup – even at Boothbay Harbor, where it would be my pleasure to host you – you will know that your home club is the best in the world for you, as well!

--Marty Peak Helman, District Governor-elect

NEW GENERATIONS

New Generations: Building Rotary for the Future

Rotary's commitment to actively involve youth and young adults was strengthened in 2010 when the Council on Legislation approved New Generations as Rotary's *Fifth Avenue of Service* (rounding out Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, and International Service). New Generations is a reminder to clubs to include youth when looking for service opportunities in their community, both as the recipients and as active participants in our clubs' service projects.

Just as importantly, New Generations offers a challenge to clubs: a challenge to plan and to build for the future of Rotary. This new avenue of service is an opportunity for youth and young adults to learn about Rotary. If done well, New Gen programs will provide the continuity for young people to get into the Rotary habit and continue their involvement in Rotary. The ultimate goal is that, in time, New Generations participants become members of their local club. New Generations is key to ensuring that Rotary will continue in each of our communities twenty or fifty years from now.

There are four New Generations programs of Rotary International: <u>RYLA</u> (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), <u>Rotaract</u>, <u>Interact</u>, and <u>Youth Exchange</u>.

Interact is a service club for students ages 12 - 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by Rotary Clubs and can be either school based or community based. Interact Clubs focus on developing leadership skills, personal integrity, helpfulness and respect for others, understanding the value of hard work and personal responsibility, and advancing international good will and understanding.

RYLA is Rotary's youth leadership training program. Though there are many variations for RYLA programs, our district's RYLA works with students the summer after their sophomore year in high school. RYLA programs in other areas are designed for college students or young adults just beginning their professional careers. RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, personal growth and service.

Youth Exchange is an opportunity for young people to experience another culture. Some Youth Exchange programs are long term exchanges, up to one year in length. This is the program our district currently supports. Other Youth Exchange opportunities include short exchanges, up to several weeks in duration. Both of these exchange programs are for students age 15 - 19. A new, third option for New Generations Exchanges, are programs for young adults, ages 18 - 25, which last up to three months. Key to Youth Exchange is just that, "exchange." This program specifically includes one "out bound" student who travels abroad while the sponsoring clubs welcomes and supports an "inbound student" into their community.

Rotaract is Rotary's service club for young adults, ages 18 – 30. There are two *university* based Rotaract Clubs in our district, one at U of New England and the other at U of New Hampshire. Rotaract Clubs can also be *community* based, comprised of young adults beginning their professional careers who are interested in fellowship and service. Similar to Interact, Rotaract Clubs are sponsored by local Rotary Clubs. Rotaract Clubs conduct community and international service projects and also focus on leadership and professional development.

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PORTLAND PIRATES

Portland Pirates February 4 "End Polio Now!"

To see schedules and stats about this year's Portland Pirates go to: <u>www.</u> <u>portland pirates.com</u> Hockey's most recent Atlantic Division champs, the Portland Pirates, are partnering with the Rotarians of Maine on Saturday, February 4 to promote "End Polio Now!" Night. Families of Rotary representing all of Maine will be trading their traditional Blue, Gold and White for Pirates Black, Red, Silver and White in a game against the Binghamton Senators at 7:00 PM in the Cumberland County Civic Center.



Rotary Districts 7780 and 7790 will be sending a

message of hope and determination during this event, that everyone plays a role in polio eradication. As great community leaders, the Portland Pirates front office has allowed local Rotary clubs to sell a huge "pirate" block of premium seats and give the proceeds to the Rotary Foundation "End Polio Now!" program. As always the Pirates will provide in-game promotions featuring their business partners during the game with activities, and promotional giveaways.



For more information about New Generations programs and how your club might get involved, contact Carolyn Johnson, District New Generations Coordinator To insure your family and fellow Rotarians are part of this "swashbuckling" event with returning forward Igor Gongalsky and the rest of the team, contact the Rotary clubs listed below or contact Jason Sovoie, account executive at the Portland Pirates Operations Office (207-828-4665 Ext. 307) for additional ticket information.

Rotary Club of Scarborough, the Rotary Club of Lewiston/Auburn, The Rotary Club of Ogunquit, the Yarmouth Rotary Club, the Portland Rotary Club, Casco Bay Sunrise Rotary Club, The Rotary Club of Augusta, and the Rotary Club of Saco Bay!

New Generationscontinued

New Generations Service is key to ensuring the future of Rotary. Take stock of your club's investment in the future by asking (and discussing) these questions: If your club already sponsors some of these programs, how might you strengthen your club's connection with Interact, RYLA, or Youth Exchange?

- What is your club's plan to include a Rotary Exchange Student at your meetings or projects?
- Is there a university or community college in your area? How might your club explore starting a Rotaract Club?
- How could your club get young professionals involved in a community based Rotaract club?

Remember, yesterday's Interactors (*and RYLArians and Exchange students*) are today's Rotaractors, and today's Rotaractors are tomorrow's Rotarians.

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AREA 2 SPOTLIGHT

Area 2 Spotlight....The Durham-Great Bay Club

By Marion Cheney, Assistant Governor, Area 2 District 7780

The Durham-Great Bay Rotary Club (soon to change its name...perhaps...to be more inclusive of our region) may be one of the smaller clubs in the district, but we're heavily involved in the community and worldwide!

As of this moment, we have 29 members representing our region of Lee, Durham, Madbury, and Newmarket. We meet at the Three Chimneys Inn in Durham on Wednesday mornings at 7:30, and we always start our meetings with a song...some more successful than others, but we sing with gusto!



Our speaker roster is pretty amazing. In the fall of the year, we always have the football and hockey coaches give us their views on the upcoming season. Other speakers have included the New Hampshire Zoo director, a pianist/motivational speaker from Russia, the CIO of UNH, an herbalist/pharmacist, many non-profit organization directors, students working on projects overseas or in other states, representatives from all facets of the healthcare field, financial experts, and the occasional politician. We're always booked out about 6 months, but if someone has an immediate need, we're very accommodating!

Our biggest fund-raiser is the Fourth of July Fireworks held at Cowell Stadium at UNH. This is an "all hands on deck" event for our club since we raise a significant amount for our charitable projects. Under the leadership of some of our newer members, this event has expanded to include more activities for children, and promises to keep on expanding. Of course, having the Newmarket Militia muster and shoot off their (very loud) cannons and guns makes for a rousing opening!



For the third consecutive year, the Durham-Great Bay Rotary Club was a proud key sponsor of Oyster River Womenade's primary fundraiser, QuackFest. On May 16, a thousand rubber ducks were dumped into the Oyster River for a "race" to the finish line. QuackFest has become a wonderful annual community celebration at the Durham Landing that includes music, cookout, games, and of course the "race". QuackFest raises money for distribution to families

in need without the red tape and bureaucracy associated with federal and state aid reserved for those who require long-term assistance. 100% of all money raised is distributed to area families.

Internationally, we have participated in several projects. Larger projects require funding support from the Rotary District or the Rotary Foundation, but many are within the means of the local club. The Pacaembu project (the Casa da Crianca Childcare Center, the Santa Casa Hospital) is a good example of how a locally funded project - a high school-level student exchange with Brazil - led to the identification of several needs in the community which sent the student to us.

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February 9-12, 2012

National Immunization Day against Polio & Rotary Work Project INDIA

Join PDG Elias Thomas III when millions of children in India will receive the polio vaccine.

In addition, please join a cooperative project with **Rotarians in New** Delhi, serving as common laborers in the construction of a WATER **CONSERVTION** DAM in the state of Rajasthan, in cooperation with the **ROTARY INDIA WATER CONSERVATION TRUST**

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FRIENDS FOREVER PHOTOS

Area 2 Spotlightcontinued

Other international projects have included, the Abo El Reesh Pediatric Children's Hospital in Cairo, Egypt and the Crutches4Africa program that many clubs in our district supported.

Some of our service projects are the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program, the College Scholarship program where we award over \$10,000 annually to students from our region, and the Rotary Youth Exchange program. We have a very active Rotaract Club at the University of New Hampshire and two Interact Clubs at Oyster River High School and Newmarket High School. The Newmarket Interact Club went to New Orleans last April and has been to New York as well. The Oyster River High Club has raised funds for a hospital in Russia, collected canned food at the annual Trick-or-Treat for Hunger, and worked to support Breast Cancer Awareness fundraisers.

The Club collects toys for children with Lamprey Healthcare during Operation Santa and we provide literally hundreds of turkeys for our four towns during the holiday season. Then of course, wanting to do more than watch fireworks and raise money for these worthy projects, we also get out on the side of the road twice a year and pick up trash on our Roadside Cleanup days.

Additionally the Club makes donations to local community organizations and projects such as the Boot, Shoe & Bike Helmet Funds, Youth Leadership, and On Belay, which provides unique adventure-based programs that build community among youth who have or had a family member with cancer. The Club also supports Career Days at Oyster River and Newmarket High Schools, Project Graduation, Channel 11 Public Television, and Crop Walk to End Hunger.

As our President for this year, Ron Rogers, says, "Our membership is comprised of men and women who strive to exemplify the Rotary Mission of "Service above Self" in their daily lives."

Our Moose, (she, we know that much) is yet to be named, but is currently in New York City at a wedding at the New York Public Library. Well, maybe she won't actually get to the wedding, but she's in the Big Apple in any case!



Camp Kieve hosts Friends Forever Carrickfergus

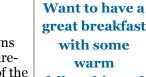


Friends Forever teens build Peace Bridges at The Carpenters Boatshop, Pemaguid ME



Another magnificent cake baked and decorated by Judy Speers of the Damariscotta-Newcastle Club for Friends Forever Community Team dinner. It tasted just as good as it looked!. Thank you, Judy!





great breakfast with some warm fellowship and a scintillating speaker? Come and visit us any Wednesday!



Damariscotta-Newcastle Rotarians Pete Blanton with Carole Blanton, Rotarian Wilton Jones with Judy Jones at the Friends Forever Community Team Dinner in Newcastle ME



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Hampton Rotary Benefits From the Annual Hampton Beach Seafood Festival and the Reach the Beach Relay Race

On September 9, 10, and 11th, Hampton Rotarians, joined by family members and friends, manned ticket booths placed throughout the Hampton Beach Seafood Festival. Thousands attended the festival enjoying the many activities planned, entertainment offered and food...lots of food!

Rotarians, with their bright yellow festival shirts with the Rotary logo were seen selling tickets as well as offering help wherever needed. But as frenetic as only a festival of this magnitude was, what spoke the loudest were the minutes of silence when thousands of Festival attendees remembered the victims of "9/11".

Many thanks to Larry Marsolais who coordinated Rotary's participation in the Festival. As Larry points out, 328 volunteers worked a total of 1408 hours and the club in return received a portion of the Festival proceeds to be used for community projects. As one Rotarian commented, smiles on the faces of both Festival attendees and volunteers told the story of this year's seafood festival. More important will be the smiles on the faces of those in the community who will benefit from the money raised through the hard work of Hampton Rotarians.

And then the next weekend, these same Rotarians...now wearing white shirts with the Rotary Logo... could be seen at Hampton Beach State Park where the "Reach the Beach Relay Race" ended. 400 relay teams ran from Cannon Mountain to Hampton where the Hampton Rotary served much needed refreshments to the thousands of team members that participated in the relay race. Thank you, Amy and Rick Neville for your dedication and energy which made this event successful and will add even more smiles to faces in the Hampton community.



Seafood Festival



Reach the beach event

District Governor Nomination Notice

This is a formal notice to District 7780 Rotarians to submit nominations for the position of District 7780 Governor for the Rotary year 2014-2015. The future leaders of our District are those Rotarians identified, encouraged and supported by our clubs, then submitted as worthy candidates to the District Nominating Committee.

The candidates are interviewed by the committee on their merits alone; no campaigning or politicking efforts on their behalf are permitted. The Rotary International Guidelines for District Elections document is available from your club President for your reference and <u>must</u> be explained to any potential candidate.

The Candidate must be a District 7780 Rotarian in good standing, Past President of a Club, minimum of 7 years as a Rotarian and have a good knowledge of the Rotary District's operation. District level experience as a Committee Chair or an Assistant Governor is highly desirable but not mandatory.

A Signed Resolution from the club and the completed applications <u>must</u> be on the District Governor Nominee Data Form and Resolution Forms <u>only</u>, endorsed by the Club and signed by the Club Secretary. Your Club President and Assistant Governor have these forms in electronic version.

Deadline date for submission of the completed application to the District Governor by U.S.P.S. Mail only! (**Post Mark required**) at:

Gary G. Speers D.G. 35 Evergreen Road Newcastle, ME 04553

By _____January 15, 2012______. (MANDATORY POSTMARKED Deadline Date)

Thank You for your careful consideration in this important duty, *Gary*

Gary G. Speers, District 7780 Governor 2011-12

ROTOPLAST MISSION

Update on Rotaplast mission departing November 25

Ilse and I hosted District 7780's seven non-medical volunteers for the Rotaplast



mission to Afagnan, Togo at an initial potluck planning meeting on Tuesday, October 18th. The team members had a Skype call with Mission Director Rosalie Wells, who answered many questions. We have received our orientation booklet from Rotaplast and Togo visas. Tickets will be issued at the end of October. Everyone is looking forward to this opportunity to help the medical team treat children with cleft lip and palate anomalies. We will depart on Nov 25 and return Dec 10.

Job responsibilities are assigned as follows: PACU (Post Anesthesia Care Unit) Assistant, Joan Nickell, RC Seacoast Patient Transporter, Leonard Seagren, RC Portsmouth Photo Journalist, Steve Demeranville, RC Boothbay Harbor Smile train Coordinator, Ann Demeranville, RC Boothbay Harbor



Sterilizer, **Ellie Andrews**, RC Bethel Ward Coordinator, **Joanie Correll**, RC Hampton Quartermaster, **Jim Price**, RC Breakwater Daybreak

-Submitted by James Price, Breakwater Daybreak Club



The District 7780 Foundation Committee is now coming to you and your club members!

We have been holding mini-seminars in November in different locations within our district. Hopefully these meetings have been more convenient than one large District Foundation Seminar and have enabled many of your members to attend and allow for the maximum sharing of ideas and information.

There's one left... **Tuesday, November 15 from 6-8** at the Nonantum Resort, Ocean Avenue in **Kennebunkport**. This will be a cash bar with hors d'oeuvres. Please contact President Karen Schlegel, <u>karen@karenschlegel.com</u> or <u>207-967-0934</u> or <u>207-229-8927</u> to **RSVP** and for more details. Spouses are welcome!

The program will include brief reports from the District Foundation Committee, question and answer time, and the informal sharing of ideas among attendees regarding their clubs' favorite projects.

The goal of this seminar is: (1) to reach as many Rotarians as possible, especially those folks who have never been to a District Foundation Seminar and (2) to give clubs the opportunity to share their ideas, projects and success stories with other clubs.

We encourage all members to attend and to bring spouses and friends. Be sure to RSVP.

Please let me know your, thought, questions, comments and suggestions. Liz Cullen, District 7780 Foundation Committee Chairman Contact info: <u>lizgcullen@yahoo.com</u> or <u>978-948-7345</u> or <u>978-618-2357</u>

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CLUB PRESIDENTS LETTER

Rotary International District 7780

Gary G. Speers

District Governor



Greetings Club Presidents,

Please consider this as the formal invitation to Division C Club Presidents (Bath, Bath Sunrise, Boothbay Harbor, Breakwater Daybreak, Bridgeton-Lake Region, Brunswick, Brunswick Coastal, Casco Bay Sunrise, Damariscotta-Newcastle, Falmouth, Freeport, Portland, Scarborough, South Portland-Cape Elizabeth, Topsham Expresso, Westbrook-Gorham, Sebago Lake, and Yarmouth to submit nominations to serve as a member of District 7780's Budget & Finance Committee for the year 2012-2015. The future leaders of our District are those Rotarians identified, encouraged and supported by our clubs, then submitted as worthy candidates to the District Nominating Committee.

The candidates are interviewed by the committee on their merits alone; no campaigning or politicking efforts on their behalf are permitted.

The Candidate may be any District 7780 Rotarian in good standing.ASigned Resolution from the club and the completed applications <u>must</u> be on the attached DistrictBudget and Finance Committee Club Resolution Forms <u>only</u>, endorsed by the Club and signed by the
Club Secretary.Deadline date for

submission of the completed application to the District Governor by U.S.P.S. Mail (**Post Mark** required) at: Gary G. Speers D.G.

35 Evergreen Road Newcastle, ME 04553

ByJanuary 15, 2012	•	(MANDATORY POSTMARKED Deadline I	Date)
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Thank You for your careful consideration in this important duty, *Gary*

Gary G. Speers

CLUB NOMINATION FOR DISTRICT BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

To: Marie A. Williams, Chair District Nominating Committee

MAIL TO DISTRICT GOVERNOR GARY SPEERS AT
35 Evergreen Road
Newcastle, ME 04579

On behalf of the Rotary Club of	
Rotary Club of	, at its regular meeting
on	
, 20, adopte	d the following Resolution:
"The Rotary Club of	hereby suggests the
name of	
	to serve as a member of District
7780's Budget & Finance Committee for the year 20	012-2015."
Dated:, 20	
President, Rotary Club of	
, , ,	Secretary, Rotary Club of

CLUB NEWS

Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary Club

On Saturday, September 24th, the Bridgton-Lake Region Rotary Club celebrated their 20th anniversary with past and present members. We were honored to have so many join us; DG Gary and Judy Speers, PDG Ann Lee Hussey and Michael Nazemetz, Fryeburg President Wendell Webb and his wife Nora, Oxford Hills President Beth Abbott and member John Griffith, PDG George and Patti Rice. Special recognition was given to Charter Members Edna Fadden, Faye Daley and Richard Enright. Thank you for the many cards we received from clubs in our District wishing us well!

Moose on the loose - from left to right: DG Gary Speers, Bridgton President Cathy Sullivan, Oxford Hills President Beth Abbott, Fryeburg President Wendell Webb





Charter Member Presentation - from left to right : President Cathy Sullivan presents awards to Charter Members Edna Fadden, Faye Daley and Richard Enright



Area 2 Rotarians Pe**ter and Laurie Widmark** recently went to Dallas on a business trip. They snapped these photos at the Atlanta airport.







The **Sanford/Springvale Club** celebrated our past presidents with a luncheon.

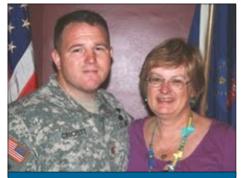
Rotarian Robert Ferguson and current president Lawrence Furbish celebrated by wearing their Kilts. Twenty-six of our former presidents were in attendance and many brought guests. Remembering some of the club's projects and accomplishments was a treat.



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Rotary Club of Bethel ME



October 4, 2011 - Jarrod Crockett, State Representative, District 41. Jarrod spoke on his experiences in Afghanistan. Jarrod served as a combat advisor to a company of 100 Afghans who worked along the Afghan-Pakistan border. Jarrod shown with Ellie Andrews, Club President.



Kevin Finley and Mike Steven





CLUB NEWS

Left to Right - Ellie Andrews, President, Rotary Club of Bethel; Alexandra Risko, underclassman; Jennifer Martin, upperclassman; Dan Hart, Principal, Telstar Regional High School/Rotarian.

The Rotary Club of Bethel has partnered with Telstar Regional High School in recognizing their underclassman and upperclassman Students of the Month. The students and their guests are recognized at a regular breakfast meeting. The September 2011 Students of the Month were recognized at our October 25th meeting.

The Rotary Club of Bethel held a woodcutting event. Five truck loads of cut and split slabwood went to four needy families. Six Rotarians and six "Friends of Rotary" participated in this worthwhile effort.

Sanford -Springvale celebrates Halloween!

Sanford/Springvale President Lawrence Furbish with Larry the Moose at our club meeting celebrating Halloween. You Never Know What to Expect, but we have lots of fun.



October 25, 2011 - Dana Connors, President, Maine State Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Connors presented a program on the last legislature session and upcoming session and what to expect from a



Dick and Bruce Powell

