

Newsletter

**Rotary International District 7810
New Brunswick, Canada & Eastern Maine USA**

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DG Darren & Erin Hansen



**Beyond Borders,
Zone 28 & 32
November Newsletter**



Fellow Rotarians,

December's theme is disease prevention and treatment month for Rotary. With the ongoing pandemic, this is certainly front of mind for all of us. We have experienced first hand the impact and importance of disease prevention, and now, we have a new variant that sounds like a character from an action movie. I am thankful for all the Rotarians in our district who have volunteered their time to assist with vaccine delivery in Maine and New Brunswick. I am also proud of our districts support of Maine EMS in the early stages of vaccinations to provide them with needed equipment to vaccinate first responders.

Of course the most significant disease prevention project of Rotary is Polio Plus, and we have had a very positive year in relation to Polio. To date, there has only been one case in Pakistan and one case in Afganistan; and these were in January. We are so close! Thank you to all Rotarians and clubs for your continued support of the Polio Plus program, we will eradicate Polio.

I would like to take an opportunity to thank everyone who attended and participated in our Annual General Meeting on November 24h. As I mentioned at the AGM, despite the challenges of covid, we have

DG Club Visits - Update

I am hoping to resume my club visits as we are able. I was scheduled to be in Maine all of next week, but unfortunately with the growing number of cases in Maine it was decided to postpone until things improve.

For those club that I have not yet visited, I will be reaching out to make arrangements.



2020-21 District Award Recipients

At the district AGM on November 24th, PDG John Slipp presented his district awards for the last Rotary year. Congratulations to all the recipients. We are very fortunate to have so many dedicated Rotarians and Clubs. Here is the complete list of all recipients:

Governor's Citation:

Jack Christie - Miramichi

been very busy and productive this past year. Thanks to our district leadership team for your continued support and dedication.

As we come into December, I wish you all a safe & happy holiday season. From Erin & I, we wish you a Happy Ramadan, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, a bright and warm Winter Solstice and a happy Kwanzaa

DG Darren Hansen,
Rotary Club of Moncton West & Riverview



Kathi Zwicker - Rotarian,
Fredericton North

Peter Assaff - Bathurst
Robert Kimball - Sussex
Hugh Cameron - Fredericton North
Robert Stokes - Woodstock
Kathi Zwicker - Fredericton North
Gerene Robichaud - AIP
Rita Ebbett - Florenceville
Paula Hiltz - Oromocto
Marc Ouellette - Grand Falls
Fenton Hickey - Bathurst
Zach Yerxa - Woodstock
Rotaract
Richard LeMay - Atlantic International Passport
Lisa Gallagher - Moncton West & Riverview
John Carkner - Fredericton Sunrise

Paul Harris Fellow's:

Jack Christie - Miramichi
Gary Stewart - Woodstock
Floyd Rockholt - Presque Isle
Cynthia Richendollar - Washburn

**Frank Hussey Award -
Rotarian of the Year:**

Richard LeMay - Atlantic International Passport

**PDG McNeil Award -
President of the Year:**

Angie Cummings - Sussex

**PDG Mike Walsh Award -
Best Club of the Year:**

Rotary Club of Sussex

**Tom Nelson Award for
Community Service:**



RNEW - Rotary Network for Empowering Women

Rotary & Toastmasters Working Together

I am please to share with you a submission from Rotarian Kathi Zwicker on a Rotary / Toastmasters Alliance:

KINDRED SPIRITS: RNEW ROTARY & CHANGEMAKERS TOASTMASTERS TEAM UP!

Women Changemakers Toastmasters of Fredericton and RNEW Rotary have taken the first steps to establish a Rotary Toastmaster Alliance pairing.

When Fredericton North Rotarian, Kathi Zwicker, read the article on RNEW's founder and president, Anastasia Persico in the August 2021 Rotary Magazine, she sensed that Persico's club and the Toastmasters club she was organizing, Women

Rotary Club of Woodstock

Membership & Attendance Awards:

Best Attendance: Rotary Club of Perth Andover

Best Public Relations Program: Rotary Club of Sackville

New Member Award: Rotary Club of Houlton

Member Retention Award: Rotary Club of Hampton

Duncan Wathen Award: Rotary Club of Limestone



Anthony Waddell - Director of Training

Meet Your District Board

Anthony Waddell is our District Director of Training. With the assistance and support of the training committee, he is responsible for the oversight and implementation of all district training activities throughout the Rotary year.

Changemakers, would have a lot in common.

RNEW (Rotary Club of Network for Empowering Women) is a newly chartered club. Persico had little Rotary experience before organizing it. An entrepreneur, Persico was at a business fair when she stopped at the Rotary booth selling tickets for a fundraiser. Rotarian Ron Webb, soon to be District 7890 Governor, invited her to a meeting. She soon realized she wanted to address broader societal issues and involve people from a larger geographical area. That is when she learned about cause based Rotary clubs. Using Rotary framework and resources, the cause clubs are formed around a common passion for a particular mandate. With membership in a number of states and countries, RNEW was chartered in Minnesota's Rotary District 5950.

RNEW's members aim to promote education, provide financial know-how, and introduce women to resources and skills that will help them return to or advance in the workforce. Their programming is organized into four three months cycles: human trafficking; international microfinancing; public policy and issues around women in the military; and funding and education for survivors of domestic and child abuse,1

Training for 2021 calendar year included Pre-PETS & PETS (President Elect training), job specific training for club Secretaries & Treasurers, District Leadership planning sessions in the spring and fall and Assistant Governor training. This year, he has also added brainstorming sessions specific to areas such as Foundation and Membership. Last month in November the district hosted development sessions around leadership, public image, and mental health.

Thanks to Anthony and his team for a successful training year. If you are looking for assistance with club training, please reach out to Anthony. district7810training@gmail.com



D7810 Crisis Management Plan

We never want to think a crisis will happen within our Rotary district, but things happen, and when they do we need to be prepared.

Women Changemakers Toastmasters Club is dedicated to help women and marginalized voices to develop their ability to public speak, become more effective communicators and improve their leadership skills so that they may make a difference in the world. The clubs are both virtual, are newly formed or chartering, and share a similar worldview.

Representatives of RNEW will visit Changemakers twice this fall. On November 10 they heard Changemaker Speaker, Catherine Holtmann, Executive Director of the Muriel McQueen Centre for Family Violence Research Ferguson Center for Family Violence Research. They will be present on December 8 when the Changemakers meeting theme is Women's Equality. A service of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women will take place at that meeting and Persico will speak on the RNEW Club. Changemakers will reciprocate by visiting RNEW.

Formed in 2019, the Rotary Toastmasters Alliance encourages club to form a friendship with a club of the other organization. Each alliance pairing is different. The activities they do together will vary according to the interests of the clubs involved. The first step is to find a club near you and send them an invitation to come to your meeting. Both organizations provide resources to encourage

At the November Board of Directors meeting, we approved and implemented a new District Crisis Management Plan. A copy of the plan is now available on the district website. I would strongly encourage all clubs to review this document and consider using it as a template to implement your own club plan.

Thanks to our Director of Communications Martine Babineau for her work on developing this document, and to PDG Silvana Bosca for assisting with the review and editing.



Rotary Day of Service

ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE – JUNE 4-5, 2022

Rotarians across Districts 7810 and 7820 will be joining with partners and community members in a "Day of Service" the weekend of June 4-5, 2022. Already there are 8 clubs from District 7810 who have indicated an intent to participate.

and support Rotary Toastmasters Alliance relationships.

District 45 Toastmasters has set up an Alliance Action Team of Rotarians and Toastmasters to create awareness, educate, promote pairings and provide opportunities for Rotary and Toastmasters to work together. If you are interested in becoming involved in the Alliance efforts, please contact kathzirotary@gmail.com.

1. 2021, August, Rotary Club of Network for Empowering Women. Rotary Magazine, p34-35.

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Clubs can indicate their intent to participate by completing the very short form at <https://forms.gle/BVuYKcBqbXkPqeKD8>

This event is being facilitated and organized by the 7810/7820 Environment Committee. Holding this event will;

Highlight the fact that "the environment" is the 7th and newest area of focus of Rotary,

- Provide opportunities for engagement through service for Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors,
- Serve to promote Rotary to the public and attract new members,
- Provide opportunities for partnerships and community engagement, and
- Have a positive impact on the environment.

The Rotary Atlantic Environment Committee will be providing ongoing support to clubs as they plan and implement their Day of service projects. We look forward to the involvement of as many clubs as possible.

If you have any questions or comments, or you would like a member of the committee to make a presentation to your club, please email us at RotaryAtlEnv@gmail.com