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## It's Summer!

Enjoy the good times

- But Remember –  
Club Meetings continue  
every Friday morning.

# EAST NEWS

## The Early Riser

### Thanks for a Great Year...

*Brian Martin*

Where does the time go? I guess the old saying that **"Time Flies When You're Having Fun"** accurately reflects how I feel about the last 12 months. It has truly been a very exciting year. A year in which St. John's East can be proud of its achievements and there are many.

Highlights of note include; A tremendously successful Wheels and Deals; Significant growth in all aspects of the Read-A-Long Program; Distribution of over \$100,000 through our Foundation; Continued support for Bishop Abraham; Helping the underprivileged on the International front through funding a well in Nigeria to helping build a staff residence at a hospital in Zimbabwe; Another banner year for the Christmas Hamper project; Enjoying the company and having a positive impact on our RYE student Melanie Moxhet; Unprecedented growth in our membership; A return of **"The Early Riser"**; and the creation of our own web site. And to top it all off. recognition as the **Outstanding Club in District 7820 as well a receiving the District's Significant Achievement Award for our Read-A-Long Project.**

These achievements clearly demonstrate the commitment, drive, professionalism and collective efforts of our entire club. As President, it was indeed a privilege and honor to represent such an exceptional group of Rotarians. The opportunity to get to know many of you on a more personal level has also been very rewarding.

While I will miss my time at the microphone every Friday, (God I enjoyed that!!!! Ya Think?) it is now

incoming President Dave Taylor's time to shine. With President Dave at the helm, St. John's East is well positioned to continue its tradition as one of the outstanding clubs in the entire Rotary organization. So, as I move away from the podium, I will look back on 2006/07 with fond memories but, more importantly, look forward to remaining an active and contributing member in helping St. John's East to serve those in need.

*Thanks for a Great Year!!!!*

### From Our Adopted School...

President Brian,

Please pass our sincere thanks to your members for the \$100.00 donation following the Rotary breakfast here. I just heard that your club was recently recognized as best in the district. Congratulations to your members. Over the past several years we've seen such evidence of the great work you do. There is no doubt that it is a recognition that is well deserved.

JoAnn Skinner  
Principal  
Bishop Abraham Elementary

### Legacy Project Final Call...

*Brian Martin*

Remember, the closing date for the Legacy Project RFP is this Friday, June 30, 2007 and all proposals should be forwarded to the attention of the Club President, Brian Martin. Proposals can be submitted for any project deemed worthy.

Up until press time there was only one proposal received but I know that there are others in the wings. So here it is,

the last day. Please get those proposals in for the Rotary Club of St. John's East Club Legacy Project.

## Storage Space Needed...

The long-term care facilities in St. John's have made more hospital equipment/furniture available for transportation to Cameroon (following on the hospital bed donation). The previous location used for storage is no longer accessible; therefore, there is a desperate need for storage space to hold this equipment/furniture while awaiting shipment. **We don't want these items to go to the dump when they can be of so much use to those less fortunate than ourselves**, so could you please canvass your club members and make announcements at your meetings this week to see if there any organization or member who can help. At this point we need room to store 40 overbed tables and some other smaller items. Please advise Catherine Barrett - [catherine.barrett@hccsj.nl.ca](mailto:catherine.barrett@hccsj.nl.ca) or Fred Earle - [fred@fredearleca.com](mailto:fred@fredearleca.com) as soon as possible.

## Welcome New Member Len Bennink!!

**Len Bennink**, has been a Rotarian since 2001 and was recently a member of the Oakville North club. He held the Vocational Chair position in his 2nd year and was elected President in 2005. He has just moved to St. John's with his wife Doreen and together they are part of a team that is building a 6 storey retirement residence on Kenny's Pond. Len will handle the Marketing and Community Relations for the site. Doreen is originally from Little Heart's Ease and is very pleased to be coming home. They have 2 children; a son who will move down and a daughter who will complete her BsC in Nursing at York U in Toronto. Welcome Aboard Len!!!!

## Welcome New Member Margaret Miller...

**Margaret Miller**, has transferred to our club from the Rotary Club of Waterford Valley. Margaret is a native Newfoundlander, a proud mother of two sons, who has been working at Memorial University in a variety of roles since 1988. She has a background in science and business with experience in research, technology transfer, business development and marketing. Margaret works for the Dean of Medicine as a Development Officer with a focus on major gift fundraising. She is also involved in volunteer work with Scouting and local schools. Margaret is an avid gardener, naturalist and a quilter in her spare time.

Welcome Aboard Margaret!!!!

## Welcome New Member Bob Cooper!!



**Bob Cooper** is originally from Point Leamington, NL and now resides in Mount Pearl with his wife Linda. Bob

has two children, Allison and Michael and a beautiful recent addition to his family, a granddaughter Maya.

Bob is a Professional Engineer, graduating from Memorial University with a Diploma in Engineering and from the Technical University of Nova Scotia with a Bachelor of Engineering (Mining). Bob is currently the President of Voisey's Bay Nickel Company Limited, a subsidiary of CVRD Inco. In this role he has the overall responsibility of all CVRD Inco's business interests in Newfoundland & Labrador. He first joined Voisey's Bay Nickel in 2004 as General Manager Operations for the

Mine and Concentrator in Voisey's Bay. Prior to that Bob was Vice President Human Resources for Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting. Bob has spent more than 30 years in the Canadian Mining Industry with major career stops in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Leaf Rapids & Flin Flon, Manitoba. Bob is a past member of the Flin Flon Rotary Club, and was a 4H Leader in Cape Breton along with many other volunteer activities over the years. Bob believes he can make a significant contribution to the Rotary Club of St. John's East.

Welcome Aboard Bob!!!!

## Some Party B'y !!!



Official Greeters



Unofficial Greeters



Shock'n good party Dallas!