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# The Lighthouse

Newsletter of Rotary District 7820, Zone 22



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#### District Governor 2006/07 - Dennis Knight

46 Clubs strong covering Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward

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# Message from the Governor

# Serving others through our Vocations

World. It is one of the founding principles of Rotary International, defining who we are as Rotarians, what we do and how we do it. However, it is an avenue of service that sometimes falls through the cracks and gets overlooked.

Some would call it the *First Avenue* of service. Rotary began with the coming together of a lawyer, engineer, coal dealer and tailor who, in addition to the fellowship and networking to be gained, decided to pool their talents and resources to serve the needs of their community. As the

movement grew, Paul Harris' dream expanded to one of a global, non-sectarian organization in which fellowship *and vocation* would be avenues for the service of others. Despite the doubters and hedgers of the day (who seem to be always there) his dream took root in a major way and we have today an organization that is leading the way in humanitarian causes in 170 countries around the world.

When the **Object of Rotary** was defined, Vocational Service became the second defining principle, immediately after fellowship: "... to foster high ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupa-

tion as an opportunity to serve society."

The big Vocational Service picture for me is that Rotary International is a global network of business and professional volunteers using their skills and talents on the ground to meet the needs of the under-privileged.

Thus far on the "circuit", I have visited eleven clubs, all of which are leading the way in community service. I

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have been very impressed with the depth and breadth of vocational service being undertaken, including literacy programs, vocational awards, Interact Clubs and youth mentoring. At the Rotary Club of Hillsborough, I was glad to see Tom Davies, a long-time champion of Vocational Service in our District. As might be predicted, before the meeting was over, Tom was on his feet promoting a Vocational Service project to his club.

The *Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions* defines the essence of what Vocational Service is all about. I would encourage all of you to re-acquaint yourselves with it and, most importantly, to display it in a prominent place. Along with the 4-Way Test, we should have it hung all over the District; in waiting rooms, above board room tables, in hotel lobbies and offices of individual Rotarians.

Many clubs have completed a community/occupational survey by now; I encourage the rest of you to do so. It is an invaluable tool for highlighting vocational gaps in your current membership and identifying potential new members. Overall, I think we need to ensure that our membership is as diverse and representative of the entire community as possible. My particular bias, if you will, is that we need to add members from the cultural industries such as managers/owners of festivals, theatre companies, art galleries, film corporations, advertising agencies, music schools, publishing companies and craft shops. People such as writers, graphic and visual artists can add layers of creativity and capacity to our clubs.

Community projects are an excellent way to conduct Vocational Service. For example, in 1992/93, my club undertook the major task of establishing the Iris Kirby House women's shelter in St. John's. During the course of the project, members employed their volunteer expertise in multiple ways, including real estate acquisition, property law, accounting, project management, auctioneering, public relations and architectural design. I have recently seen many other excellent examples throughout Prince Edward Island and Springhill.

There are multiple other ways in which we can render vocational service, both locally and globally. A short list would include Rotary Volunteers, literacy projects, work with youth at risk, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards and other youth leadership programs. These are exciting channels for the talent and enthusiasm that abounds throughout this District. Carry on *Leading the Way*.

\*\*DG Dennis\*\*

# Nominations for District Governor for the year 2009-2010

Attention all Rotary Club Presidents – *Action Required* 

Rotary International bylaws (Article XII) require that all clubs be requested to submit nominations for District Governor for the year 2009-2010 to the District Nomination Committee.

#### The deadline to receive these nominations is Oct 1 2006.

15.070. Qualifications of a Governor-nominee.

Unless specifically excused by the board, no person shall be selected as nominee for governor unless the Rotarian has the following qualifications at the time of selection.

15.070.1. Rotarian in Good Standing.

The Rotarian must be a member in good standing of a club in the district.

15.070.2. Rotarian Maintaining Full Qualifications of Membership.

The Rotarian must have full qualifications for such membership in the strict application of the provisions therefore, and the integrity of the Rotarian's classification must be without question.

15.070.3. Rotarian's Membership in a Functioning Club.

The Rotarian must be a member in a functioning club in good standing which has no outstanding indebtedness to RI or to the district as of the close of the year preceding that in which the Rotarian is proposed as a candidate for nomination for governor.

15.070.4. Rotarian's Qualification as Past President of Club.

The Rotarian must have served as president of a club for a full term or be a charter president of a club having served the full term from the date of charter to 30 June, provided that this period is at least six months.

15.070.5. Rotarian's Ability to Fulfill Duties of Governor.

The Rotarian must demonstrate willingness, commitment, and ability, physically and otherwise, to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the office of governor as provided in section 15.090.

15.070.6. Rotarian's Certification of Qualifications.

The Rotarian must demonstrate knowledge of the qualifications, duties, and responsibilities of governor as prescribed in the bylaws and submit to RI, through its general secretary, a signed statement that the Rotarian understands clearly such qualifications, duties, and responsibilities. Such statement shall also confirm that the Rotarian is qualified for the office of governor and willing and able to assume the duties and responsibilities of that office and to perform them faithfully.

Nominations are to be submitted by mail to the undersigned complete with a short biography of the nominee. The attached nomination form must be completed and signed by the nominee.

PDG Duncan Conrad Chair, 2009-2010 District Governor Nomination Committee 2 Julie Crt Charlottetown PEI C1E 2K7

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# The Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation

All Rotarians are familiar with our **Rotary Foundation** and most of us have contributed to it over the years. The Foundation has made possible numerous educational and humanitarian programs throughout the world and has been one of Rotary's proudest achievements. The Foundation administers two funds, **The Annual Programs Fund** and **The Permanent Fund**. The Annual Fund is the one with which we are most familiar as it funds our programs such as Polio Plus on a yearly basis. The Permanent Fund is a little different. Over the next several issues Î will be telling you about the Foundation's **Permanent Fund**.

# The Permanent

#### What is the Permanent Fund?

The Permanent Fund was established in 1982 to ensure a strong future for the Rotary Foundation by providing an extra stream of income to meet the increasing demand for the foundation's programs and to expand its ability to meet urgent human needs around the world. The original goal of \$200 million was surpassed six years ahead of schedule. The new goal is set at \$1 billion by 2025.

#### What is the Permanent Fund used for?

It is designed as an endowment fund for the Foundation and will provide funding for recognized programs such as **Polio Plus, Ambassadorial Scholarships, GSE, Grant Programs** and other programs supported by Rotary. Funds are invested in perpetuity with a portion allocated to benefit programs each year.

#### How do I contribute to the Permanent Fund?

There are several ways to make a contribution to the Permanent Fund:

- Outright gift
- Gift of securities, life insurance, etc.
- Bequest in your will

In the next issue I will provide more detail on how you can make a gift to the Permanent Fund. Remember, **The Annual Programs Fund** supports programs today, **The Permanent Fund** secures those programs for tomorrow.

David Muise - Sydney-Sunrise

Permanent Fund Chair

#### Other News

# PDG Peter Smith honoured with Donald MacRae Peace Award

PDG Peter Smith of the Rotary Club of Port Hawkesbury was honoured with the Donald MacRae Peace Award which was instituted last year by the zone to honour an individual or organization for outstanding international achievement consistent with the ideals of Rotary as expressed in the fourth Object of Rotary. The award commemorates PDG Donald MacRae D7820 whose vision lead to the creation of the fourth Object of Rotary... the advancement of goodwill, understanding and peace among nations of the world. Congratulation PDG Pete. Well deserved.

# District 7820 honoured with Awards for work with The Rotary Foundation

Our District was recognized for our efforts to support the Eradication of Polio and our contributions to the Rotary Foundation in 2005-2006.

The district through the efforts of clubs and Rotarians won three Rotary Foundation Awards.

- 1. The largest US \$ amount of giving to the Polio Eradication fund. (This campaign has now ended. Contributions are no longer required for Polio Plus)
- 2. The largest per member US \$ amount of giving to the Polio Eradication Campaign in Zone 22 which represents 23 districts.
- 3. The highest percentage increase in total of Rotary Foundation contributions among the clubs in the district in Zone 22.

These are significant awards in the zone and are a reflection of the effort of all Rotarians and clubs in the district. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Foundation and the Polio Eradication Program.

PDG Duncan Conrad

# "Hey Joe and Josephine."

"Come on Honey, let's go to Newfoundland next spring!"

This note is sent to "Joe and Josephine Q Rotarian" who are two ordinary Rotarians in District 7820. Yes, you! You do not need to be the incoming President or Secretary of your club. As a matter of fact, this note is sent to everyone who isn't on the executive in a club because we hope (and expect) the incoming executives to attend the 92nd annual convention in St. John's from May 10th-13th 2007 in St. John's. This message is sent to ordinary Rotarians and their partners with a sincere and heartfelt invitation to come and experience St. John's and its wonderful sights, sounds and tastes next May.

In the months ahead, your club will receive a video showing what is here. Upcoming issues of *The Lighthouse* will tell of our speakers coming from around the world to inspire us. One is a local boy, Dr. Bruce Aylward who works in Geneva with the World Health Organization on the Polio Eradication project.

So, mark your calendar for May 10-13 2007. And yes, you will be entertained. This is St. John's!! We are planning a Rally in the Alley on our famous George Street as part of your experience here. Be one who comes back and tells the stories, not one sitting listening to the stories being told and wishing then that you had come.

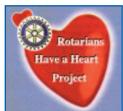


Go to the Convention link on the District 7820 Webpage for more details. http://198.165.33.245/rotaryconference/keynote.asp Come and join us "Common People... UNCommon Purpose."

Bruce Templeton btempleton@nl.rogers.com PR for the Conference

MacLEAN, Lloyd - It is with deep sadness to announce the passing of Lloyd MacLean, Westville, on August 29, 2006, in the Palliative Care Unit, Aberdeen Hospital, New Glasgow. Born in Lorne on March 8, 1945, he was a son of the late John M. and Helen (Russell) MacLean. After taking a plumbing course at Pictou County Vocational School, he worked in plumbing for 40 years, supervising jobs all over Northeastern Nova Scotia. Lloyd believed in giving back to the industry. He served as chair of "CANS" Mechanical Section for 10 years. He was on the Board of Directors for Mechanical Construction Association of Canada for many years, taking over as chairman in 1998-99. Both the Nova Scotia and Canadian Associations made him an Honourary Life Member, honours of which he was most proud. He served as Town Councillor in Westville for 17 years. He chaired the Pictou County Planning Commission Board and the Pictou County Vocational School Board. He was a proud member of the Rotary Club of Westville, acting as President for two terms. He was Assistant District Governor for District 7820 for three years. His club honoured him by making him a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a member and elder of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Westville, where he was also a choir member for several years. He enjoyed performing in several drama productions as a member of Acts Theatre Society. He was a Past Master of Western Star Lodge No. 50 AF and AM. Despite all this involvement, Lloyd was first and foremost a devoted husband, father and "Papa". Lloyd's strength and courage during his illness were an inspiration to all who knew and loved him. Donations in his memory may be made to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, the Palliative Care Unit, Aberdeen Hospital, or to a charity of choice. "A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way". (John C. Maxwell)

# A District PR Project... Rotarians Have a Heart project



How many clubs have taken part in this annual project?

What a great way to build Rotary's Public image... on February 14, 2007 giving away small bags of red cinnamon hearts to passersby in shopping malls, liquor stores, office building and even just on the street. "HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY FROM YOUR LOCAL ROTARY CLUB."

The bags of hearts cost \$0.30/bag ordered before the deadline of December 31, 2006 and \$0.35/bag after the deadline so place your order early. Minimum order of 1000 bags. Cost of shipping is the responsibility of the ordering club.

To take part in this District project contact:

Clarke Paynter at *jogleft@aol.com* (902-420-6228) or Stella Roy at *roystella@hotmail.com* (902-471-2036) for information.

### **Group Study Exchange**

RI has just advised us of approval to undertake a Group Study Exchange with District 4700 in Brazil's Rio Grande do Sol Region. It is the second most southerly District in Brazil, bordering Argentina to the west. We have to agree on tour dates for the incoming and outgoing teams and I will be corresponding with District Governor Eronilde, whose home club is in Passo Fundo, to hopefully put things in place quickly.

\*\*DG Dennis\*\*

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# Call for Team Leader - Group Study Exchange to Brazil, District 4700

We have a new location for the Group Study Exchange and it is with South Eastern Brazil - a farming and ranching area. We have more information to come on the actual location. It is District 4700.

Travel dates will be from late March to early April of 2007 or the full month of April 2007.

We are now receiving application for Team Leader for this exchange. The Team Leader must be a Rotarian in good standing. All requests for applications for Team Leader and completed applications are to be sent to:

Marilyn Brown
Group Study Exchange Chair (Outbound)
marilynbrown@eastlink.ca

The deadline for completed applications is October 21, 2006. Because of our short time frame we cannot extend this deadline.

\*\*Marilyn Brown, GSE Outbound Chair '06/'07\*\*

# A Trilogy – Adventures of a Lifetime "WOW!! It's Going To Be AWESOME"

This is the third and last chapter in this "Adventures of a Lifetime" series. As such it will deal with the details of what is planned for GSEs in D7820.

#### Okay, so tell us. What's up with GSE in this Rotary Year?

We are scheduled to receive two GSE Teams in our District in the spring of 2007. Both Teams will be in the District at the same time and will both attend the District Convention in St. John's NL in May 2007.

One Team will be from Nigeria D9110. This was originally organized by PDG Gord Hankin and was the last Exchange approved under a two year RI exchange program. It failed to materialize in the 2005-2006 Rotary Year due to our Immigration Department's refusal to issue visas to the Team Members.

Our District Governor and PDG Duncan offered a rollover of the exchange until 2006-2007 RY. This was agreed to and approved by the Foundation. DG Dennis recommended it occur in spring '07 versus September '06 in order that the Team might attend the District Convention. All parties have agreed. **That's Team #1**.

Well, as you have likely heard from your Club Presidents recently, our District Governor had to cancel our previously arranged Group Study Exchange with Cameroon D9150. DG Dennis has been successful in organizing an

agreement with Brazil D 4700 and the Rotary Foundation has given its final approval for an Exchange. **This is Team** #2.

Both Teams have to receive visa approvals and there are no guarantees for any to be approved. However, we must move ahead and plan as if they already have the visas.

#### That's exciting, but what does it mean for the District?

Simply put: we are hosting two GSE Teams and providing housing and vocational visits for both. Our scope of Rotary will be greatly expanded when all is said and done.

#### Where will they stay and which Clubs will host them?

The design of both visit routes will, I hope, provide both Teams with an opportunity to experience the most of our District. It is our intention that Team #1 will arrive in Halifax NS and depart from St. John's NL; while Team #2 will arrive in St. John's NL and depart from Halifax NS. This will enable each Team to be at the District Convention; one at the beginning of their visit and the other at the end of their visit. The precise dates for the two exchanges will have to be coordinated between this Chair, our DG, their DGs and RI Travel Service.

Last year the Clubs in the Annapolis Valley, the South Shore, Halifax and PEI hosted the GSE Team from Indiana D6580. They did an absolutely wonderful job of hosting this most delightful Team. I heard nothing but praise. Therefore, in accordance with the District's initiative to share the excitement and fun of hosting a Group Study Team, a Team will not be sent to all of these particular areas in our District.

Our last GSE Team visited Nigeria in 2005. Its Team Leader was Derek Key of the Rotary Club of Summerside. He, along with PDG Duncan and DG Dennis, have agreed and encouraged that it would be most acceptable to have the Nigerian GSE Team visit PEI on their route to the District Convention in St. John's NL. This will be the first phase of the exchange for Team #1.

In the previous Trilogy Chapters, I have indicated that Clubs will be contacted by myself to seek their participation in providing hosting and vocational visits. Obviously, at this point in the planning, only the Clubs along the route between St. John's NL and Halifax NS will be contacted. Presently, I am considering alternating which Team is hosted by which Club. This depends on the support and participation of the Clubs requested.

Where can I access GSE reference material, so we can organize a proper host and vocational visit? There is a booklet prepared by the Rotary Foundation - 40 years celebrating Group Study Exchange, entitled:

Group Study Exchange
An international exchange program for young professionals
PROGRAM GUIDE FOR ROTARIANS

Photocopies will be provided to each Club who wishes to participate as a host Club in the spring of '07. In the meantime, access and search the Rotary International website <a href="www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a>. It will provide the same information. You can also contact the undersigned at (902) 889-3755 or email at <a href="jbritten@accesswave.ca">jbritten@accesswave.ca</a> or fax to (902) 889-3618.

#### Will this be the last we hear of the upcoming Inbound GSE visits?

No. It is our intention to elaborate on the precise routes for these two GSE Teams and identify the supporting and participating Rotary Clubs. We must remember that there is an historic significance in that this is the first and likely the final time, that our District will host two GSE Teams at the same time. Let's make it **beneficial for all concerned**.

[Im Britten, GSE Inbound Chair '06/'07

Have you checked out the District website lately?
You can link to some of our clubs which have their own sites to learn more about their projects and activities.

Go to http://www.rotary7820.com to learn more about these clubs.

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# "Presenting the District Governor-Elect"



Our DGE Bette Douglas was officially introduced at the recent Zone Institute in Niagara Falls. Remember Kipling's tale "How the Leopard got (Her) Spots"?

I swear, I had nothing to do with it! DK

# District Attendance

Be sure to get your clubs attendance to the District Secretary by the 10th. of the month (Kathryn Atkin: *katkin@sjnhb.nf.ca*). It is a requirement of Rotary International that *all* clubs report their attendance to the District secretary monthly. The District Secretary is then required to forward this information to RI.

Only 25 clubs provided an attendance report for the month of August. This is 54% of the 46 clubs in the district. The average attendance of those clubs reporting was 64 percent. 7 clubs were above 70%.

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of New Minas Sunrise for having 93% attendance for the month of August.

How did your club fare? Check out the attached *District Attendance Report*.

## Rotary Dates to Remember

**10th. of the month** - Attendance reports to Kathryn Atkin.

**15th.** of the month - Club News to *The Lighthouse* editor.

Oct 1, 2006 - Deadline to receive 2009 Dist Gov Nomination.

Dec 31, 2006 - Election of 2007-2008 Officers by this date.

Jan 31, 2007 - Club Officers Report Form to RI by this date.

Jan 1, 2007 - RI Semi-Annual Report due.

Feb 14, 2007 - Rotarians Have a Heart Project.

March 1, 2007 - Deadline for "Donald MacRae Peace Award".

April 1, 2007 - Deadline for "Outstanding Club Recognition"

April 15, 2007 - Deadline for "Presidential Citation Award"

May 10-13, 2007 - District Convention - St. John's, NF

#### Please contact us with your questions, suggestions and articles...

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