



January 2000 Bulletin

From the President

May I take this opportunity to thank each of you for your continued involvement in Rotary this past year, and wish you a Happy New Year and new millennium.

The new year is a time to reflect upon where we have come and where we wish to go. It is a time of the year to focus on world peace and understanding....a prime role for Rotary in the world. We as a Club strive to help improve the lot of less fortunate people in our community (local and international). As we move into the new millennium we see some of the challenges which face us, and hopefully many of the solutions. Many of these will remain unchanged, as we continue to assist challenged children enjoy the pleasures of camping or riding a horse, helping with their needs for more equipment and support to help them meet their daily and long term needs. But this isn't all we do and we need to reflect on where else as a Club we can help.

If I had a new year wish it would be that in the coming year we can continue to make a bigger difference to those less fortunate and that we can reach across borders and establish a worthwhile International project. One wish is never enough so a few others would include: another 6 or more energetic new members, a reaffirmation of the motto 'Service Above Self', that everyone in the Club finds a special something(s) to do, a half dozen new sustaining members of the International Foundation, and so on.

A change in the face of our bulletin starts today. At the annual meeting in December it was decided to try a monthly bulletin for the rest of this Rotary Year. In future bulletins it is foreseen that there will be less on previous meetings and more on what's coming and on Rotary information, etc. Suggestions on method to improve the bulletin are always welcome. For the next 6 months the bulletin will be mailed to those attendance exempt members who are absent at the first couple of meetings and emailed to all members for whom we have addresses. If you have email and haven't received this by next Monday let me know.

Calendar Watch

January 10 Annual Premier's meeting (6:00 pm cash bar, 7:00 pm dinner, with all other Rotary Clubs)

January 17 Y2K - postmortem Speaker - Chris Payne and ITAP rep, Chair - Angus Orford, Song Leader - Tom DeBlois

January 17 Board Meeting (5:30 pm at Seaman's Beverages Boardroom)

January 24 Alzheimer's Awareness Speaker - Janet Doiron, Chair - Judy McCann-Beranger, Song Leader - Ken MacKenzie

January 31 TBA (possible evening meeting re:5th Monday of month), Song Leader - Lloyd Palmer

February 7 Rotary Foundation Speaker: Jim McNutt, Song Leader - Darren Ings

** Regular Rotary Club of Charlottetown noon meeting*

Notable Celebrations

Birthdays

January 6 Bush Dumville (55)

January 11 Paul Newcombe

January 12 Ron Orton

January 12 David Arsenault

January 22 Andy Likely

January 25 Angus Orford

January 26 Hal Bevan (55)

January 27 Ray Loxdale

January 29 Allison Swan

February 1 Wilson Ross

February 4 Alden O'Brien

Many happy returns - remember the Foundation (\$5 plus 0.10 per year) - and don't forget to renew your drivers license.

Anniversaries

In case you ever wondered, according to our records August is the month with the most members celebrating wedding anniversaries (24) and March has the fewest (1)

January 2 Judy and Greg McCann-Beranger (10)

January 12 Jim and Joan Cumming

January 14 Stu and Ada Drummond

January 20 Norman and Anne MacLoed

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all.

Rotary Service

Neil Buchanan 22

Rundell Seaman 22

Harry Kennedy 21

Phil Bower 18

Wayne Fudge 15

Paul Newcombe 15

Lloyd Patriquin 12
Richard Veinot 11
Ira Lewis 8
Jim Smith 4
Harry Love 2
Don Hanrahan 1

We recognize birthdays and anniversaries and once a year those with perfect attendance. However it is also important that we recognize the years of service that Rotarians have given to the Club and community. These Rotarians are recognized on this week's anniversary of their induction into our Club.

Greeters for the coming weeks

Please be early, and if you can't make it please find a replacement.

January 10 Sandra MacKay and Bob Sear
January 17 Carl Willis and Bob Moffatt
January 24 Bob Younker and Daphne Dumont
January 31 Tom DeBlois and Betty Praught
February 7 Bev Homer and Bob Anderson
February 14 Bob Curran and Brian Douglas
February 21 Pilar Shepard and Bob Bateman
February 28 Bill Flemming and Gary Raynor

Makeups for Previous Month

Richard Vienot (2), Walter Cox (3), Carl Bagnall, Richard Martin (2), Tony Sosnkowski (2), Stan Woodman, and Judy McCann-Beranger

Our Newest Member - welcome to Rosemary Scott Law - Labour Relations

Rosemary graduated from UPEI with a BA and Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Laws. Rosemary was admitted to the PEI Bar in 1980 and appointed Queen's Counsel in 1998. Her areas of practice include administrative law, labour and employment law, education law, and constitutional and human rights law. She serves on a number of committees, including the ethics and practice standards committee of the Law Society of PEI. Rosemary is active in fundraising for Alzheimer's PEI and the Canadian Cancer Society. She is an avid golfer, skier and loves to sing. She lives in Stratford with her husband Paul Beauregard and her daughter.

From the Foundation Committee

Each month in the Rotarian we read of the numerous humanitarian projects that are supported by our International Foundation.

These various projects and scholarships, valued at approximately \$60 million (US) per year are funded by the voluntary donations of the Rotarians world wide.

Your contributions are needed, so that these projects can continue:

Firstly: by your birthday contributions (\$5 plus 0.10 per year) - please be generous and those less fortunate than ourselves will say "Thank you".

Secondly: Paul Harris Fellowship, a donation of \$1000US to the Foundation in your name or somebody else's is recognized with a Paul Harris Fellowship.

Thirdly: Paul Harris Sustaining membership, a donation of \$100US for 10 years is then recognized as a Paul Harris Fellowship.

Fourthly: Benefactor, note in your will that you wish to bequeath \$1000 US to the Foundation and you will be a Benefactor, and wear the small wings under your badge. We had three benefactors in our club, but now are down to two.

Fifthly: by gifts to the Permanent Fund, only the earned interest from this fund are used for projects.

Remember, the Paul Harris Fellowship is not an award, although it is often perceived this way, but is recognition of the donation of \$1000US in your name or somebody else's.

At present we are prepared to pick up the US premium on the first \$2500 Canadian donated, in minimums of \$100 Canadian. These credits are not monies given by members of our club, but credits earned from RI.

If you wish to start a sustaining membership, or add to your existing membership see Lloyd Patriquin, and if you require information on your current status contact Ron Orton.

Watch this space in the future for information on how your donations are used.

KEEP YOUNG...WITH YOUTH

It has been said "youth is all in how one thinks". What better way to think young than to become involved with Youth Exchange?

The committee is looking for volunteers for counsellors and Host Families for our Exchange Students. We promise your involvement will not only benefit the students but it will be wonderful experience for you as well.

What does a Counsellor do?

1. Meet with Host Families to discuss the Host Family role and expectations. (Good info and guidelines provided)
2. Greets the student upon arrival and hosts, if possible, for 3-4 days. This allows a relationship to build between Student and Counsellor.
3. Contact student on a weekly basis. Inquire how things are going, what are they doing, are there any problems, etc..
4. Talk to Host Family on a regular basis to insure all is going well.

5. Be a member of the Youth Exchange Committee, an opportunity to tell about your student and discuss any issues that may arise.
6. Be there for the Student. Do things with them, eg dinner, movies, hockey game or just hang out.
7. Be glad you are a Rotarian and had this opportunity.
8. Interesting in staying young? Call Youth Exchange Chair, Yvonne at 368-7760.

Our Foster Children...and you!

Our Rotary club sponsors two foster children, Irene Balmonte in the Philippines and Matilda Mghambi Mwandwari in Kenya. Both are about ten years old.

These children love to receive cards and letters from Canada. If you or a member of your family would like to send a Christmas card or New Years greetings or a letter to either one - send it to Foster Parents Plan, 1001-95 St.Clair Ave West, Toronto, Ontario, M4V 3B5 marking on the envelope 279-64015 - Irene Balmonte or 158-36924 - Matilda Mghambi Mwandwari.

To avoid confusion, please use, Rotary Club of Charlottetown, PO Box 608, Charlottetown, PE C1A 7L3 as your return address.

If you have any questions contact Michael Caveney."

Notes From Meetings in December

(lifted this month from December's weekly bulletins)

December 6: Harry O'Connell was the lucky winner in the 30/30/40, and while he drew the right suit it was the wrong card, thus leaving over \$1350 for the next meeting.

Judith Queika was a visitor to our Club. Many of you will remember her from several years ago when she was a youth exchange student with us from Germany. In addition we recognized one of our current exchange students on her birthday. Heidi celebrated a birthday this week.

Today was our Annual Meeting and a Club Assembly.

As part of the Club forum the nominations committee reported on the executive and board of directors proposed for the Rotary year 2000/2001.

The following were elected to the Board for 2000/2001:

Richard Martin - Past President	Glenda Frizzell - Director
- President	Charlotte Comrie - Director
Allan McLeod - President Elect	Bob Sear - Director
Carl Bagnall - Secretary	John Broderick - Director
Gaie Orton - Membership Secretary	Peter MacDougald - Director
Ken Gillis	Jeane Coburn - Director
Regan Lewis - Treasurer	

The treasurers report had to be delayed as, thru no fault of theirs, the auditor's report was not completed in time.

A proposed change to the by-laws of the club was presented and approved in principal. An actual motion will be presented to the Club in the new year. This involves the removal of the membership secretary as part of the board of directors. There are a number of reasons behind this proposal and include: shortening the length of time a person serves on the board, when working thru to president, and a potential for increased efficiency in dealing with new member proposals and membership records.

A suggested change to the format of the bulletin was presented and in a vote of approximately 100:3 the members approved a proposal to change the bulletin's formate and delivery, from the current weekly to a monthly bulletin. This will be for a six month trial period starting in January.

Starting in January the bulletin will be given out at first meeting of the month, emailed to all those who have email (30-40%) and for those members who are on leave or attendance exempt will have the bulletin mailed to them, if not present at the first couple of meetings in the month. This will mean that everyone will be kept up to date, including many of our members who can no longer make many meetings. This wouldn't take the place of good attendance but may help us keep better informed.

The question of donations was raised. Not that a firm outcome was expected, only to raise the issue with the membership for a future meeting. Suggestions on direction our donations should be going were welcomed by the president. If you have some please feel free to let him know your thoughts.

Another issue which was raised was a change to the meeting venue and/or format on the 5th Monday of a month. There are about four months in the year with 5 Mondays. There was some support for changing our meeting time to an evening meeting and having more of a social evening with our partners or friends, a group project, something else completely different, etc. (We will see what can be developed in a relatively short period of time left before the the 5th Monday in January. If you have any suggestions give the President a call - please!)

December 13: The winner to the 30/30/40 draw was Roger Coffin, in pulling the 4 of spades he went home with only \$61 and left the major jackpot of about \$1400.

Our quest speaker was Perry Williams who described how and why he went from being a band/music teacher at Birchwood to become a self employed success story. Perry has started a successful 'virtual' music studio, building on his own music ability with computer technology, in the fields of music and video productions.

His music work includes 5 records this year, commercials, jingles, advertizing, music editing and high quality demo's. In the area of videos Perry described his work in ads and use of digital technology which reduces the need for a production team.

Perry summed up by highlighting a few aspects of freelancing, including being able to have team meetings at the Tim Horton's drive thru, and being able to run in new directions as interest dictates.

December 20: This was our annual Christmas meeting. I hope you were there because I didn't take any notes, after all it was meant to be more relaxing than an "official" meeting. We did have our 30/30/40 draw and if memory serves me correctly Kevin MacRae was the winner but it looks like we will have to wait until the new millennium for the jackpot, of over \$1400 to be won.

This is the story of four people: **Everybody**, **Somebody**, **Anybody** and **Nobody**.

There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got angry because it was **Everybody's** job. **Everybody** thought **Somebody** did do it: but **Nobody** asked **Anybody**. It ended up that the job wasn't done and **Everybody** blamed **Somebody**, when actually **Nobody** asked **Anybody**.

12 Tips from Junior Employees to Senior Managers on how to Enhance the Relationship

1. Never give me work in the morning. Always wait until 5pm and then bring it to me. The challenge of a deadline is refreshing.
2. If it's really a "rush job," run in and interrupt me every 10 minutes to inquire how it's going. That helps.
3. Always leave without telling anyone where you're going. It gives me a chance to be creative when someone asks where you are.
4. If my arms are full of papers, boxes, books or supplies, don't open the door for me. I need to learn how to function as a paraplegic and opening doors is good training.
5. If you give me more than one job to do, don't tell me which is the priority. Let me guess.
6. Do your best to keep me late. I like the office and really have nowhere to go or anything to do.
7. If a job I do pleases you, keep it a secret. Leaks like that could cost me a promotion.
8. If you don't like my work, tell everyone. I like my name to be popular in conversation.
9. If you have special instructions for a job, don't write them down. In fact, save them until the job is almost done.
10. Never introduce me to the people you're with. When you refer to them later, my shrewd deductions will identify them.
11. Be nice to me only when the job I'm doing for you could really change your life.
12. Tell me all your little problems. No one else has any and it's nice to know someone is less fortunate.

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