



BULLPEN



SERVICE Above Self

CLUB CALENDAR

JANUARY – ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

January 10

6:30 PM. Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker: *Armand Gaudet. Vocational Councilor at East Bay Mental Health. Topic: Mental Health and Employment*

January 17

6:30 PM. Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante.
Speaker: *Marvann Douglas. TOPIC: Improving Communication With Family And Schools*

January 21 - MID-YEAR PRESIDENTS MEETING at White's of Westport.

January 24 - 6:30 PM, Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante

January 31

6:30 PM. Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker: *Keith Morton. Topic: Withdrawal from Iraq.*

FEBRUARY

February 7

6:30 PM, Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker: *David Westcott. TOPIC: Westcott Enterprises*

February 14

6:30 PM, Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker:

February 21

6:30 PM. Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker: *Fred Cirrilo. President Bristol Lions Club. Topic: Lions Club*

February 28

6:30 PM, Weekly Meeting Perella's Ristorante
Speaker: *Dr. Carl Sokovits. Topic: Optometry*

EVENTS

MID-YEAR PRESIDENTS MEETING - Saturday, January 21, 8:00 am Whites Restaurant

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY – Saturday, April 22, 8:00 a.m. CCRI Campus, Middletown, RI

DISTRICT CONFERENCE - May 5 - 7, 2006. Raddison Hotel, Plymouth, MA

2006 QUAHOG FESTIVAL – JULY 15 & 16

LAST WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

SPEAKERS: *Speaker rescheduled to February 21 due to storm threat*

VISITING ROTARIANS: None

GUESTS: None

MEMBERSHIP !! MEMBERSHIP !!

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- 1. Let's begin to think of Membership Development as a year-long endeavor.**
- 2. Who do you know, whose profession/vocation is not represented in our ranks?**
- 3. Think of each person you meet - could they become a great Rotarian**

Need Help Identifying Prospective Members?

What Professions/Classifications Are Not Currently Represented In Our Current Membership List??

What is the role of the Assistant Governor...David I. Clifton DGN

We are happy to report that our District has a terrific team of Assistant Governors. Those currently in service to our clubs – and those who are slated to follow – have been well trained and prepared for their roles.

Assistant Governors are trained in their own carefully designed program at PETS along with all of the incoming Presidents 2006-2007. They will be with you at the Pre-PETS session in January. Their role is simple and specific: be of service to the clubs.

What can you expect from your Assistant Governor?

- Meet with and assist the incoming club presidents before the beginning of the Rotary year to discuss the club's goals and to review the Planning Guide for Effective Clubs.
- Assist club leaders in scheduling and planning for the governor's official visit
- Attend each club assembly associated with the governor's official visit
- Visit each club regularly in your area, preferably monthly, and meet with the club president and other club leadership to discuss the business of the club and resources available to them
- Keep the governor posted on progress of the clubs and suggest ways to enhance Rotary development and address problems
- Encourage clubs to follow through on requests and recommendations of the governor
- Monitor each club's performance with respect to service projects
- Identify and encourage the development of future district leaders
- Attend the district team training seminar
- Attend the President-Elect Training Seminar and the District Assembly
- Advise the incoming governor on district committee selections
- Participate in Rotary Foundation programs, annual and special giving events, and other special assignments as necessary

Please call upon your Assistant Governor. They are some of the best resources available to you and to your club. Your Assistant Governors are as follows:

- Assistant Governors 2005-2006 -- Ted Czeck (Portsmouth)
- Assistant Governors 2006-2007 -- Dave Melchar (Middletown)

JOKES AND STUFF

Great Witticisms

1. Born free... taxed to death.
 2. The more people I meet, the more I like my dog.
 3. A bartender is just a pharmacist with a limited inventory.
 4. There's too much blood in my alcohol system.
 5. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
 6. Don't take life too seriously, you won't get out alive.
 7. If you can read this, I've lost my trailer.
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1. Why is it that no matter what color of bubble bath you use, the bubbles are always white?
 2. Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?
 3. Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?
 4. Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
 5. Why is it that no plastic garbage bag will open from the end you first try?
 6. How do those dead bugs get into those closed light fixtures?
 7. Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?
 8. Is it true that the only difference between a yard sale and a trash pickup is how close to the road the stuff is placed?
 9. In winter why do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?
 10. If at first you don't succeed, shouldn't you try doing it like your wife told you to do it?
 11. The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four Americans is suffering from sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends, if they're okay, then it's you.