

The Roundtable

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Inspiration for Our World

District 7790 Governor Marcel Noël joined the meeting this morning, presenting his world view of Rotary and of a project in Haiti. Robin Merchant visited from the Bangor Noon club.

One of Governor Noël's goals is to make the public more aware of what Rotary does and what it means to citizens of the world.

"The District has lost two percent of its membership last year," he said. "In a survey last year, sixty percent of the public does not know what Rotary does. Use the 'I Am Rotary' sign."

Governor Noël, who lives in Quebec and is a restaurateur, cited the Rotary International's new vision statement: "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

The governor described an agribusiness project for 2018-19 which the district is developing in Les Cayes, a commune and seaport in the Les Cayes Arrondissement, in the Sud department of Haiti. "They are beautiful people and they are very desperate," he said. The agribusiness project will work with individuals who are handicapped.

The governor recognized members of the Breakfast Rotary Interact Club and invited them – and us - to attend the District conference May 3, 4 and 5 2019 at La Cache à Maxime in Scott Junction. He presented also a certificate of appreciation from the Breakfast Rotary to **Ken Nagle** for "helping Rotary be an inspiration in your Club and in the community."



The Rest of the Story

Paul Miragliuolo got a "two-fer" with the room's chorus singing the birthday ode to **Les Myers** and **Larry Diehl**. Larry won the weekly drawing and decided, by default actually, not to draw the Joker.

President June Kontio noted the board meeting last night at which Governor Noël learned of our club's projects. She said that **Ken Huhn** and **Lucie Estabrook** are new members of the board.

Tom Dorrity had happy/sad dollars- happy that his son is fine after a fall that put a bump on his head. The Sad Dollar was for the visit to the emergency room that was less than pleasant. We heard from the Interact president about the early season of the group as they develop fundraising plans.

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June Kontio, Interact members, Governor Noël and Robin Merchant

