

District 5690 News



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Message from District Governor

Martin Bauer



Dear District 5690 Rotarians

This is my last letter to you as District Governor. It has been my honor to have served you in this way for the last year. However I have quickly learned that our District and the individuals and Clubs in District 5690 do so much for their communities and for some the world that I owe so many thanks for what they have done and continue to do in the name of Rotary.

First, I want to thank the individual Rotary Clubs. I came away from every Club visit uplifted because of what the Club had done in their community and were planning to do in their community. I would encourage every Rotarian to take every opportunity to make those in your area aware of what Rotary is doing as it will lead to new members and greater engagement.

Second, I want to thank the Presidents of the Clubs. Each of you have found ways to advance your Club this year



and some have found creative ways to increase membership and projects for their Clubs. If you are like me, you may need a rest but hopefully with a break, you will regenerate with Rotary on a continued basis.

Third, I could not have done this job without the help of key committee leaders and an active group of Past District Governors. I stand in awe that those PDGs not only continue their support of Rotary but their involvement and support seems to grow. Among others, my special thanks to Geri Appel, Rod Kreie, David Nygaard, and Curtis Dick and for committee chairs, Steve Woods, Donna Meier Pfeifer and the District Membership Cadre.

With the help of many, this year has brought many changes. We restarted the District Assembly. The funds for District grants were the highest in many years and the participating Clubs leveraged the grant money into over \$150,000 In projects. We created and

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

July 1, 2015
New Rotary Year Begins
David Yoder, DG

Sept. 15-20, 2015
Zone Institute
San Antonio, TX

Mar. 31-Apr. 2, 2016
PETS
Manhattan, KS

July 24-15, 2015
Zone Leadership Institute
Denver, CO

Oct. 2-3, 2015
District Conference
Newton, KS



Message from District Governor Martin Bauer (cont'd)

funded a District Executive Secretary position that is a great plus for the District particularly in providing continuity. And it did not increase your dues! We developed a Membership Cadre with the training being paid for by the Rotary Zone, not out District. Yet Jamie Anderson, Kaydee Johnson and Mike Andrusak are available to help you Clubs develop and implement a membership plan. We have increased our membership in the District but we can do better with your help. Finally we appear to be on track for in-

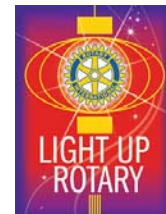
creasing Foundation giving in the District. Get your contributions in before June 30th.

You and your Club have and can continue to make a difference. Thanks for Lighting Up Rotary and lighting up my year as District Governor!

Martin Bauer

District Governor 2014-15

Rotary Club of Wichita



Thank you DG Martin Bauer for a great year!

RYLA a Huge Success!

This year was another fantastic year at RYLA camp (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). We had 33 extraordinary students from Wichita, Syracuse, Andover, Johnson, Liberal, Ulysses Wellington, Derby, Winfield, Hutchinson, Garden City, and Ark City. The weather was beautiful for the Ropes course, painting the town, and all activities. A huge thank you to all of the clubs that sent students and to the Winfield Rotary Club. This year again we had special counselors from Leadership Southwestern and Dr. Cheryl Rude was there to witness the amazing learning process. Each year I leave camp with a new appreciation for our youth of today and this year was no exception. As Rotarians we can be very proud of our many accomplishments. The following note sent to one of the Rotary Clubs is another reason that our Rotary Clubs can be very proud and maybe even boast a little.



furious at me when he came home. Upon his return, I found out that he absolutely loved it and said he would go back tomorrow if he could. He said it was the best experience ever and most people were crying when they left. They even tried planning a reunion trip amongst themselves for

next year and expect to all communicate electronically over the year.

Again, Thank you for giving him this amazing experience! I just can't put into words how awesome it was for me to hear (and see) the excitement when he told me about the event.

Sincerely,

Angela Howdeshell



I wanted to thank you and the board for accepting my son, Brett Howie, to the Rotary Leadership Camp. I'll admit that he wasn't the most excited about going to the camp and giving up so many days along with delaying the start of work at his new job. He also had his first girlfriend on top of being the kind of kid that lives and breathes his workout/basketball regimen. I didn't hear from him at all except to say he got there fine with everything he needed. I was expecting he would be

If you have not asked the youth that your Rotary Club sent to camp to speak to your Rotary Club then you need to get them scheduled. They can teach us all a lot about the super youth that we have in our communities and the difference that Rotary is making each day.

Thanks to RYLA Chair and DGN Dean Kennedy (Winfield)

Hello from Burkina Faso—"Nass" Barry Hamadoun

Hi my dear friends,

How have you been? I hope you are doing very well. Here everything is fine by the grace of God.

After the popular uprising of October 30th, 2014 the order has returned more or less.

School is almost over for this year. This school year has been very exciting for me. My little sister stayed with me to go to school. She returned back home one week ago. She stayed 9 months away from our hometown. I don't remember if I told you or not that my wife is pregnant. We are going to have a baby boy and the due date is November 2.

As you know I am teaching in the Esat part of the country (Fada N'Gourma). There is no Rotary Club in this town. All the clubs are in Ouagadougou and Bobo Dioulasso (the 2 capital cities).

I miss you a lot and I wish I can come one day to visit you. Give my best regard to the club members.

Sincerely,

Nass

Editor's note: Nass was an Ambassadorial Scholar to France 2011-12, sponsored by Rotary Club of Wichita. The above note was sent to past District Ambassadorial Scholar Chair Elizabeth King and PDG Geri Appel.



LEADERSHIP: Developing a functional team

Rotarians of District 5690 have every right to celebrate the good work we do across our two states. We recognized the need for individual and team celebrations at the recent District Training Assembly with giving each other a "standing ovation." Celebration and recognition of success is one aspect of a successful club. "The OVATION Factor" will be a regular column and will provide all Rotarians helpful strategies, tips and hints on how to be a more effective leader; leading us to more successful clubs and a more creative district.

In Patrick Lencioni's book, *The Five Dysfunctions of a Team*, he identifies five reasons teams seem to fail, Absence of Trust, Fear of Conflict, Lack of Commitment, Avoidance of Accountability and Inattention to Results. Without going into details of each of the five dysfunctions; consider our clubs – do some (if not all) of these dysfunctions operate insidiously to prevent our success? So, if you say yes to one or more of the dysfunctions, how do we and our clubs move forward? Our clubs can take a positive view of the five dysfunctions by:

1. Developing a culture of trust for one another.
2. Encouraging engagement in unfiltered conflict around ideas.
3. Commit to decisions made, either at the board level or the club level, and develop plans of action.
4. Be willing to hold one another accountable for delivering against those plans.
5. Finally, focus on the achievement of collective results and celebrate those results.

Our clubs are indeed teams. Teams are made up of people. Focus on the behavior of individuals and the team will be more effective!

INNOVATION
SUCCESS
EVALUATION
DEVELOPMENT
GROWTH
SOLUTION
PROGRESS
MARKETING



Column submitted by Fred Heismeyer, District 5690 Trainer

Rotary Foundation News



Africa on brink of polio eradication—

Dr. Hamid Jafari, director of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, reported the latest gains in the global fight to eradicate polio at the Rotary Convention in São Paulo. Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill

& Melinda Gates Foundation, congratulated Rotary on its unwavering commitment to eradicating the disease in a video shown at the convention. [Read more about the polio update](#) and view a video of Bill Gates speaking to the convention attendees.



Peace Symposium speaker wants world to spend more on education, less on war—

When former Costa Rican president Oscar Arias was eight years old, his country abolished its military and turned its focus instead to human rights and peace.

Now, the Nobel Peace laureate believes the world can gain just as much by following his country's example.

[Speaking at the Rotary Peace Symposium](#) on 4 June in São Paulo, Brazil, Arias recounted how his country traded in its tanks and heavy artillery to invest instead in economic reform and social justice.

"My country promised me, and all its children, that it would invest not in the weapons of our past, but in the tools of our future; not in barracks, but in schools, hospitals, and national parks; not in soldiers, but in teachers, doctors, and park guards," said Arias. "My country decided that it devoted its resources to war long enough and that it wanted to devote the genius of its people to the science of averting war."

Arias, who served as president of Costa Rica from 1986 to 1990 and again from 2006 to 2010, addressed 250 Rotary Peace Fellows, alumni, Rotary members, and guests at the peace symposium. The two-day meeting celebrates Rotary's work in peace and conflict prevention. Other speakers included Steve Killelea, founder and executive chair of the Institute for Economics and Peace, and Peter Kyle, a member of the Rotary Peace Centers Committee and Rotary's representative to the World Bank.

Arias received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1987 for his work to bring the countries of Central America together to sign a peace accord that ended the military conflicts that then plagued the region. The conflicts were challenging Costa Rica's culture of peace. As president, Arias was pressured

by other governments to take up arms against the Sandinista government in Nicaragua and even threatened with sanctions. He stood firm in maintaining his country's neutrality.

"This enabled my little country to become the platform for the peace accords that gradually ended the unrest in our part of the world," he said.

Arias noted that the \$1.77 trillion the world spends on the military could easily eliminate preventable diseases like malaria and provide basic education for children worldwide.

"I don't have to tell a room full of peace fellows that violence feeds off of illiteracy and desperation. If we can change the numbers of our military spending, we will shift the balance towards peace."

Arias explained to the crowd how he became a Rotary member three months ago.

"This organization, of which I am now so proud to be a part, is without a doubt a key player in strengthening and building peace," he concluded. "The [peace fellows] before me today must lead the way. You have tremendous potential, each and every one of you, to recalculate the mathematics of war that has dominated humanity for so long."

Both above source: Rotary News, Ryan Hyland, 5 June 2015

Polio Facts & Figures*

Area	# of cases YTD <u>2015</u>	# of cases YTD <u>2014*</u>
Afghanistan	3	4
India	0	0
Nigeria	0	10
Pakistan	24	85
Non-endemic countries	0	12
Total Worldwide	27	111

*Data as of 17 June 2015 / World Health Organization

Go to www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Poliothisweek.aspx for more information

Club News from around the District

Rotary Club El Dorado: In 2008 El Dorado RC and the city built a memorial at Graham Park in remembrance of the 1958 tornado that killed 13 people. On June 10 a ceremony commemorating the tornado was held in the park.

Rotary Club Andover: As part of our continuing effort to provide support to the Andover Community Food Bank, club members will help with distribution for the Summer Lunch Program.

Rotary Club Wellington:

The Rotary Club of Wellington wrapped up a new project in May. This past year, through matching funds from District grant money, the club partnered with 2nd grade teachers to bring Andy and Elmer's Apple Dumpling Adventure to students in Wellington. This literacy program, developed by the Rotary Club of Fairborn, Ohio, focuses on character building through the Rotary 4 Way Test as the two main characters make apple dumplings. All classrooms received hardbound books to keep in the classroom and use each year, activity books and bookmarks for the students to keep and money for supplies related to the project. Students were treated to apple dumplings in most schools and some even got to make their own. The votes are now in and it's unanimous – ALL STUDENTS AND TEACHERS LOVED IT! The club will definitely continue this wonderful project.



Rotary Club E. Wichita: Two of our scholarship recipients were introduced recently. Rtn. Celeste Balog introduced Tayrn Powers (WSU) and Doree Hicks (K-State and University of Tennessee)

Rotary Club W. Wichita: We sold tickets at the Riverfest Food Court. We enjoyed hearing from one of Academic Scholarship winners at a recent meeting. This year four \$1,000 scholarships (3 from our club and 1 from the Sunrise Club) were awarded to graduating seniors in our area who plan to attend a college/university/community college/trade school in Kansas. Qualification requirements were: Proven involvement in school, church and community activities; Cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above (on a 4.0 scale), a letter of recommendation from a teacher/administrator speaking to the quality of their work & study habits and a 250 word essay on the Rotary 4-Way Test.

Rotary Club Newton: Our Chisholm Trail Bike Ride netted enough to purchase two adult tricycles which were

presented to the recipients May 28. Our Birdies Against Bullies Golf Scramble was also a huge success; proceeds will go to USD 373 Anti-Bullying program

Rotary Club El Dorado: Kurt Bookout and President Bernie Spradling presented Past President Micaela Ayers with her Paul Harris Fellow recognition.



Rotary Club Wichita: 17 past presidents thanked President Arlen Honts and welcomed 2015-16 president Clay Bastian at their annual meeting. The 18 present had

583 years in Rotary and they are only 18 of our membership of 390. One of the past presidents was introduced to the club by our founder Harry Stanley! All in attendance were Paul Harris Fellows with collective PHFs of more than 59.

GET READY FOR YOUR JULY CLUB INVOICE; CREATE A MY ROTARY ACCOUNT TODAY

Your next club invoice will be available online in late July. Make sure you're able to access it by creating a My Rotary account. (Use CONTROL + Enter to access the following links) See pgs 7-9 for creating My Rotary account.

- [Find out how to create a My Rotary account](#)
- [Update your club membership by 1 July](#)
- [Learn more about the new club invoice](#)

We get letters . . .

Dear West Wichita Rotary Club,
Thank you for the scholarship! Tuition at the University of Kansas is expensive and every cent helps! The lunch meeting at Rolling Hills was lovely; I greatly appreciated attending. In the process I was introduced to another scholarship recipient, Dani Gerety. She is also attending KU and as it turns out, we are in the same scholarship hall. It will be nice to already know a fellow freshman in my hall this fall.

I CANNOT EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE ENOUGH,

Aubrey Burgess

Dear West Wichita Rotary Club,
Thank you so much for selecting me for the scholarship! It was an honor to receive it and present my essay to the club last week. Thanks also for the community service & leadership development opportunities you've provided for me these past four years through your support of our Interact Club.

Sincerely,
Deidra Walker

District 5690 MEMBERSHIP REPORT as of May 31, 2015					
	7/1/2014	5/31/2015	NET GAIN	Goal	YTD
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2014-15		to Goal
Andover	23	22	-1	23	-1
Arkansas City	57	62	5	100	-38
Beaver	18	24	6	18	6
Boise City	14	15	1	15	0
Cimarron	26	26	0	26	0
Derby	68	66	-2	70	-4
Dodge City	38	37	-1	38	-1
East Wichita	125	132	7	150	-18
El Dorado	49	51	2	52	-1
Garden City	41	41	0	41	0
Greensburg	12	16	4	20	-4
Guymon	27	27	0	27	0
Hugoton	25	23	-2	26	-3
Hutchinson	123	122	-1	123	-1
Johnson	17	16	-1	17	-1
Kingman	32	32	0	32	0
Kinsley	14	14	0	14	0
Larned	22	22	0	22	0
Liberal	46	43	-3	50	-7
Newton	51	54	3	57	-3
Pratt	64	62	-2	64	-2
Sublette	16	16	0	16	0
Syracuse	21	16	-5	21	-5
Texhoma	16	20	4	16	4
Ulysses	38	40	2	42	-2
Wellington	19	19	0	19	0
W. Sedgwick Co	45	44	-1	45	-1
West Wichita	63	63	0	70	-7
Wichita-DT	390	387	-3	425	-38
Wichita-Old Town	17	15	-2	17	-2
Winfield	84	89	5	87	2
TOTALS	1601	1616	15	1743	-127

Thank you for submitting your membership goal! Others not reported (yet).

Get Your TRF Contributions in TODAY!

Please note the following **2015 Rotary Fiscal Year-end Deadlines** for TRF Contributions:

- **Credit Cards:** Online via www.rotary.org – must be authorized on or prior to 30 June 2015, midnight (CST). **Fax: (+1-847-328-5260)**—must be received prior to close of business on 30 June 2015. Do not send credit contributions electronically.
- **Phone: (+1-866-976-8279)** - must be received prior to the close of business 28 June 2015.
- **Checks:** must be postmarked Tuesday, **30 June 2015** or prior and received by The Rotary Foundation by 8 July 2015.
- **Wire transfers:** Must be initiated prior to 30 June 2015 and received by 2 July 2015.

Please do NOT send in checks for the 2014-15 Rotary year until after 30 June 2015. All checks received with June postmarks go toward 2014-15 contributions.



District 5690

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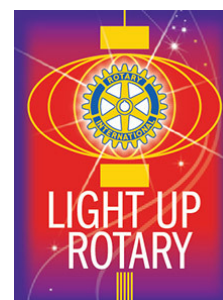
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Send your articles and club information to:

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2014-2015 RI Theme

Gary Huang, Taiwan

RI President



Rotary International

Convention

May 28-June 1,

2016

Seoul Korea



Be a gift to the world

2015-2016 RI Theme

HOW TO CREATE A MY ROTARY ACCOUNT



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This screenshot shows the top portion of the Rotary International website. At the top right, there are two links: "My Rotary" and "Club Find". Below these, the Rotary logo is displayed next to the word "Rotary" and the phrase "Get Involved". A large blue circle with the number "1" is overlaid on the left side. Two blue speech bubbles provide instructions: "First go to [www.rotary.org](\"http://www.rotary.org\")." and "Then click on My Rotary." The background image shows two men smiling, with the text "WELCOME TO ROTARY" at the bottom.

This screenshot shows the main content area of the Rotary International website. The text "WELCOME TO ROTARY'S COMMUNITY" is prominently displayed. Below this, there are two buttons: "SIGN IN / REGISTER" and "EXPLORE SITE". A blue speech bubble points to the "SIGN IN / REGISTER" button with the instruction "Click on Sign In/Register." A large blue circle with the number "2" is overlaid on the right side. The background image shows a group of people, with a woman in the foreground.

3

If you are not a first time user, enter your email address and password. Then click on **Sign In**.

SIGN IN

SIGN-IN EMAIL *

[Forgot email?](#)

PASSWORD *

[Forgot password?](#)

☒ REMEMBER ME ?

SIGN IN

If you are a first time user, click on **Create account**.

WHY CREATE AN ACCOUNT?

Signing in to My Rotary gives you a customized experience and easier access to tools and information that are relevant to you.

Anyone can create an account and sign in. Existing Member Access users can re-register with their current user ID. For tips on registering and using the site, see our [website resources](#). For assistance, [contact us](#).

CREATE ACCOUNT

ACCOUNT REGISTRATION

*Required

FIRST NAME *

LAST NAME *

SIGN-IN EMAIL *

ARE YOU 18 YEARS OLD OR OLDER? *

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

CONTINUE

Fill in the Account registration information and click on **Continue**.

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ROTARY.ORG > MY ROTARY

Rotary



You will be informed that an e-mail has been sent to you.

ACCOUNT REGISTRATION

Thank you for registering, you've completed the first step in the process. You will receive an email sent to your sign-in email with a link to activate your account.

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Complete your Rotary.org registration

Hello

You're just one step away from completing your registration. You can now connect with Rotary leaders, exchange ideas, and take action.

Activate my [account](#)

Check your email for the address you provided in the step above. You will receive this message. Click on the blue link to finalize the process.

ACCOUNT SET-UP

Thank you for activating your account. Just a few more steps to complete the process.

*Required

CREATE PASSWORD *

Your password must be at least eight characters and contain one lowercase letter and one uppercase letter, a number, and any part of your sign-in email address.

CONFIRM PASSWORD *

SECURITY QUESTION * ?

ANSWER *

(The answer to your security question must be at least four characters.)

CREATE ACCOUNT

Fill in all the mandatory information and click on **Create account.**

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ACCOUNT SET-UP

Congratulations, your account was successfully created

Your profile has been created

As part of becoming a registered user of My Rotary, you've also created a profile. Once you sign in you can complete your profile and review or change your privacy settings to control who sees your information.

You are a member of the community

You can also participate right away in the Rotary community by joining discussion groups and connecting to other members.

☐ REMEMBER ME

CONTINUE

[MY PROFILE](#)

Click on **Continue.**

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ROTARY.ORG > MY ROTARY

Rotary



My
Rotary

Congratulations!
You have created
your **My Rotary**
account.

Learn
& Engage

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MY ROTARY