

District 5690 News



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Rotary International Convention
June 6-9, 2014
Sao Paolo Brazil

Message from District Governor

Martin Bauer



Dear District 5690 Rotarians,

August is Membership month for Rotary International. I hope each of you have asked another person to join Rotary. This can take some recruiting efforts on your part. Research is showing that particularly younger professionals are more likely to join Rotary if you start by inviting them to share in a project so they become engage with how we benefit the community. Inviting them just to a meeting may not be the best place to start. We are excited that our District successfully had an increase in our membership last year. The goal is to get our District's membership back to 1,700 in 3 years. This is an achievable goal but only if every Club and Rotarian make membership a priority.

we have a better gauge on how we're doing as a district to our goal. The goal is that we reach an average of \$120 per each member of Rotary in our District. There are 5 clubs in the District that far exceed this average. If we could reach this goal and the membership goal, we could fund \$50,000 in projects in the District EVERY year. Please do your part. The District leaders in the area of grants had some wonderful training about improving our access and use of grant money from the Rotary Foundation and are meeting August 20th to set some policies. We will provide club training at the District Conference, October 17-18, 2014 at the Marriott East in Wichita.

Very few of the Clubs in our District have set their goals for giving to the Rotary Foundation. This needs to be done on line at MyRotary. With these goals,

Sunday, September 7, 2014, is Rotary Day at the Kansas State Fair. Come participate in the activities and see the ShelterBox and other Rotary displays. If a group participates from your Club, you would get credit for a Rotary Day if

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sept. 7, 2014
Statewide Rotary Day at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson

Oct. 17-19, 2014
District Conference—Wichita
Details to follow soon

June 6-9, 2015
Rotary Intl. Conference—Sao Paulo, Brazil

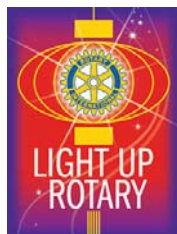
Sept. 10-14, 2014
Rotary Institute
Denver, CO

March 5-7, 2015
PETS (President-elect Training Seminar)
Manhattan, KS

Message from District Governor Martin Bauer (cont'd)

your Club is applying for the Rotary Presidential Citation.

I cannot convey how impressed I am about what the Clubs in our District are doing in the way of projects. I have now visited almost half of the Clubs in our District. In both local and international projects or activities, much is being accomplished. I cannot thank the Clubs enough for



welcoming me and sharing with me their efforts and setting their sights on some improvements.

Let us all continue to **Light Up Rotary** in our lives and our community. Thanks!

Martin Bauer

*District Governor 2014-15
Rotary Club of Wichita*

Attracting new members is easy when you explain why Rotary matters!

August is Membership Month -- the perfect time to recruit new club members and find ways to get members more involved. Interact, Rotaract, and Rotary clubs are all powered by members. Our clubs thrive when we connect with new friends, welcome new voices at our meetings, and work together to improve life in our communities.

What's the easiest way to invite new members? [Just ask!](#) At your next club meeting, brainstorm a compelling answer to the question, "[What is Interact?](#)" or "[What is Rotaract?](#)" or "[What is Rotary?](#)" so that a prospective member's next question will be, "How do I join?" Learn innovative strategies from international membership expert Nikki Walker on 13 August at 10:00 Chicago time (UTC-5) in the first of five Membership Matters webinars, [Membership: It's Now or Never](#). And find more ways to strengthen your club on our [Membership page](#).

Social media offer a powerful way to show the world that you are a proud [Interactor](#), [Rotaractor](#), or [Rotarian](#). Change your [profile picture](#) or [cover photo](#) for August; invite friends and family members to join you at your next club meeting, service project, or [Rotary Day](#); and give prospective members the chance to experience Rotary in action through hands-on service.

As an Interactor, Rotaractor, RYLA participant, or Rotary Youth Exchange student, you are Rotary! We want to see you and your friends taking action! In August, share your photos using the hashtag #WeAreRotary on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#), and they could be featured on [Rotary's Facebook page](#) and [Rotary.org](#).

Reprinted from "Young Leaders in Action," a monthly source of news, resources, and event information for young people in Rotaract, Interact, and the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program and Rotarians who support them.

Together, we can make a huge positive impact in the world when we have strong clubs made up of members who love Rotary." Watch [President Gary Huang's video](#) on membership at your next meeting or club event to show how important membership is to maintaining a strong and vibrant club.



District Governor-elect David Yoder (RC Newton) returned to Rotary after weeks off from back surgery. Welcome back!

Club News

*Thanks to the El Dorado club for sending along their club happenings for the newsletter.
Please send me YOUR news and I will include it in the newsletter!*

July 2: Speaker was **Mark Eby**, of the Kansas Humane Society along with some special furry friends. He updated the club on the new KHS center on Hillside in Wichita. Mark is a member of the Downtown Wichita Club. Rotarian Jill Robinson was a visitor from the Bremerton, WA club.

July 9: Our club had our first quarterly meeting during the Rotary meeting. This allowed committee chairs to meet with club members and brainstorm on ideas for the coming year. Lots of great ideas were shared at the close of the meeting! We welcomed Bebee Thomas as a new Rotarian, she works for the local bank as a mortgage lender here in El Dorado.

July 16: **Robert Mendoza** D5690 Rotary Foundation Chair visited our club and spoke on the "The Rotary Foundation" story. We welcomed Dr. Larry Shank as a transfer member from the Liberal, KS club. He is a new Orthopedic Surgeon at Susan B. Allen Hospital here in El Dorado.

July 23: For the sports fans of the club we had KFH Radio Sports Talk host **Shane Dennis** talked on his sports journey which has brought him to his current job as host of Sports Talk show. Rotarian Bryce McHenry was a visitor from the Topeka South club.

The week of August 25th the El Dorado Club hosted **Paula Verde**, Rotary New Generation Exchange Program participant from Argentina. She stayed with a local host family and visited various businesses. On July 30



Paula was our speaker. She spoke on her home country of Argentina. She is a second generation Rotarian. Both of her parents were active Rotary members in her hometown of Bell Ville.

U.S. Senator Pat Roberts was in town and attended the club meeting. Rotarian Chad Tenpenny was a visitor from the Overland Park club. He is also a member of Senator Pat Roberts staff.



Here is a link article on Paula's visit to our club from the Butler County Times Gazette:
<http://www.butlercountytimesgazette.com/article/20140731/NEWS/140739904>

Celebrate Peace Day on September 21!

Millions of individuals and organizations will mark the International Day of Peace on 21 September by creating practical acts of peace, advocating for peace, and building public awareness. Here are five ways you can commemorate the annual day of global ceasefire and nonviolence:

1. Engage co-workers, students, and your community in Peace Day events. Check out [The Pocket Book of Peace](#) and [International Day of Peace](#) websites.
2. Watch the inspiring [Ted talk](#) by [Peace One Day](#) founder Jeremy Gilley.
3. Organize friends, co-workers, or your community to observe [one minute of silence](#) at noon local time on



21 September, uniting in solidarity with millions around the world.

4. Learn about the important work of these peace groups:

[Rotarian Action Group for Peace](#),
[Peace Direct](#),
[Alliance for Peacebuilding](#),
[Peace and Collaborative Development](#)

[Network](#),
[Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation](#), [Institute for Economics and Peace](#).

Share photos of, or thoughts about, your peace work and your plan for commemorating Peace Day on the [Rotary Peace Centers Facebook page](#); use hashtags #Peaceday and #Rotarypeace.

Serendipity and Community Service in Andover

Recently, through a bit of divine intervention, the Andover Food Bank stopped by our Rotary meeting to tell us about their program and the families they serve in the community. What we as Rotarians learned was that a wonderful community organization was in need . . . and that set in motion a series of events that came to a successful conclusion during a recent City Council meeting with the presentation of the final \$1,000 of the \$2,433 donation from the Andover Rotary Club.



When representatives from the Andover Community Food Bank (housed at the Andover United Methodist Church AUMC) shared with us the wonderful service they provide for our community members in need we were impressed. When they shared that the needs of the community were more than 30% higher than expected and that their shelves were rapidly emptying, Rotarians went into action. In a partnership between the City of Andover, the Andover Rotary Club, and the Andover Community Food Bank, almost \$2,500 was raised in just over two months that will allow the Food Bank to restock their shelves and continue to provide services to those in need throughout the rest of the year.

The City of Andover had approached the Rotary Club to see if we could provide volunteers to staff the beverage carts at the Little River Band concert at Andover Central Park. While this was before Rotarians knew about the needs of the food bank, we thought it would be a good

way to raise funds to support the community of Andover and were thankful for the opportunity. Shortly after we learned of the shortages at the Food Bank and it became clear why this opportunity was placed at our feet.

By working the concert we raised \$2,000 from the city (funds they did not have to pay employees to staff the carts) as well as an additional \$433 in tips that were subsequently donated to the Community Food Bank to help them bridge this difficult time. It is through partnerships like this that we can all serve our community as well as one another. The Andover Rotary Club is grateful for the opportunity to serve, as well as the wonderful relationship that exists between our city leadership and the community civic organizations. This is one more small reason that Andover, KS is the best community to raise a family in our region.



Mary Carson, Church member and Food Bank Volunteer, Rtn. Dan Eilert; Matt Johnson, AUMC Minister; Rtn. Tony Durano

*Submitted by Chris McGill, Rotary Club of Andover
July 30, 2014*

Rotary Day at the Kansas State Fair

A message from DG Martin Bauer—Our District is working with District 5670 (Northwest Kansas) to have a Rotary Day at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson on Sunday, September 7. A booth has been reserved and District 5670 is having a shelter box on display and possibly an iron lung.

Here are ways that clubs in our District can help:

- Conduct an hour or longer activity on Sunday sometime between 9 AM and 8PM—food, face painting, bean bag toss etc, posters, pictures of your club's projects.
- Staff the shelter box on Tuesday, Thursday and/or Saturday thereafter as the shelter box will be on display during the entire fair.
- Help fund the cost of water bottles to hand out with our District logo.



District 5690 MEMBERSHIP REPORT as of July 31, 2014					
	7/1/2014	7/31/2014	NET GAIN	Goal	YTD
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2014-15		to Goal
Andover	23	25	2	25	0
Arkansas City	57	57	0	57	0
Beaver	24	24	0	24	0
Boise City	14	14	0	14	0
Cimarron	27	26	-1	26	0
Derby	68	68	0	70	-2
Dodge City	38	38	0	38	0
East Wichita	124	128	4	128	0
El Dorado	49	52	3	52	0
Garden City	41	42	1	42	0
Greensburg	12	13	1	20	-7
Guymon	27	31	4	31	0
Hugoton	25	26	1	26	0
Hutchinson	123	123	0	123	0
Johnson	17	17	0	17	0
Kingman	34	33	-1	33	0
Kinsley	14	14	0	14	0
Larned	22	22	0	22	0
Liberal	45	46	1	46	0
Newton	51	51	0	51	0
Pratt	64	66	2	66	0
Sublette	16	17	1	17	0
Syracuse	23	24	1	24	0
Texhoma	16	16	0	16	0
Ulysses	38	39	1	42	-3
Wellington	19	19	0	19	0
W. Sedgwick Co	45	45	0	45	0
West Wichita	63	63	0	63	0
Wichita-DT	390	390	0	425	-35
Wichita-Old Town	17	18	1	18	0
Winfield	84	86	2	86	0
TOTALS	1610	1633	23		

Semi-Annual Report not submitted - used RI SAR billed membership

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



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2014-2015 RI Theme
Gary Huang, Taiwan
RI President

Rotary Foundation News

New Foundation Funding Model

The Rotary Foundation Trustees have approved a new model for funding the Foundation's operating costs. Effective 1 July 2015, the Foundation will direct 5 percent of Annual Fund donations to administrative and fund development expenses and to build a strong operating reserve. The Foundation will also draw on other funding sources, including 5 percent of cash contributions for global grants. Most not-for-profit organizations allocate a percentage of their contributions to support future fundraising efforts. Looking ahead, the Foundation will continue its strong record of financial accountability and transparency. [Read more](#) about the new funding model. <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/10-things-know-about-new-rotary-foundation-funding-model>

Polio Facts & Figures*

Area	# of cases YTD 2014	# of cases YTD 2013*
Afghanistan	8	4
India	0	0
Nigeria	5	43
Pakistan	108	24
Non-endemic countries	18	110
Total Worldwide	139	181

*Data as of 13 August 2014 / World Health Organization
Go to www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Poliothisweek.aspx for more information