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Message from District Governor

David Yoder



Dear 5690 Rotarians,

What an amazing Rotary year so far. In just ten quick weeks I've had the honor of visiting 30 of our clubs, and what a great time it has been. I thank you all for welcoming me with open arms and making me feel like a part of your club. My message of teamwork and camaraderie between District and club has certainly been borne out by the warm reception you have all given me. I have truly felt like I am a part of your club. Every one of you.

The clubs are the lifeblood of Rotary. I have been speaking this truth everywhere I go, and based upon my visits, at least for our District, Rotary is alive and well. If clubs are the corpuscles pulsing through the arteries of Rotary, then what I have seen in my visits is that the body of Rotary in our District is healthy and strong. But as I have been saying during our visits, we can certainly get stronger. To “pump ourselves up” in the long term, we must exercise and eat in a healthy manner. To transfer this analogy to membership, for the club this means working to

increase the number of members and develop methods to 'feed' the new members in order to retain them in Rotary. That's where our membership visioning comes into play.

To follow this analogy, then our job at the District level is to serve as fitness coach, to provide the exercise equipment and workout regimen. It is up to the club to come to the gym and participate. All are welcome to participate, and we will develop a “workout regimen” specific to the needs of your particular club in order to make you as strong and lively as you can be.

Okay, enough analogies. I am pleased to announce that this month we have scheduled our first “pilot project” membership development session using our newly formed and trained Membership Cadre, with a focus on recruiting and retaining, young professionals into Rotary. Four clubs signed up for the training session (all the clubs in Division VII), with a number of other clubs sending membership chairs and representatives to observe the training. I am excited about the level of

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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

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

May 28—June 1 2016
Rotary Intl. Convention
Seoul Korea

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

April 29-30, 2016
District Training Assembly
Greensburg, KS

Message from District Governor David Yoder (cont'd)

interest this has received.

After this training session, we will evaluate its success and the response of the attendees, and soon plan to "take the show on the road," scheduling more training sessions throughout the District. So hang on, we'll be soon coming to a venue near you.

As always, thank you for making a difference in your community, for your dedication to the principles of Rotary, and for being a gift to the world.

David Yoder
District Governor 2015-16
Rotary Club of Newton



Don't forget to register and attend the District Conference!

October 2-3—Newton, Kansas

**See pgs. 10-11 for updated conference brochure
(includes the agenda)**

www.rotary5690.org

Youth Exchange News



Report from **Ella McNeely** (YE student sponsored by **RC Wichita** to Germany) *Editor's note: Ella is adapting to her new country and new language—but she's up to the challenge!*

I arrived on August 20th in Schwerin. I attended two celebrations for my host father's sisters. One was celebrating a new dentistry practice being opened and the other was a wedding anniversary. Both of these were held in a city not too far from mine.

Since I have arrived in Germany I have learned more German but I think it will be awhile until I can hold a conversation with someone in German.

I also attended my first Rotary meeting in Schwerin where myself and the other exchange students were introduced. I visited a concentration camp with a friend of my host mother and that was a very educational experience. My host brother also got married so it was very interesting to see the difference between German wedding traditions and American wedding traditions.

I started school on the 31st of August. So far I have been taking classes with a group of exchange students who are

in Germany with the PAD program. The PAD program is sponsored by the German government so the kids I have class with won a contest at their school for speaking the best German. So the German classes I take with these students is no help to me because they are too advanced. But when I return to normal classes with all German students next week I will be in the 9th grade. This is a problem because I am too old (I turn 18 on the 19th of September). I cannot make friends in my classes, and school is set up to where you have all classes with the same group of kids. I have talked to my principal (head teacher of the school) and she said that when my German improves I will move up grades, but my German is not going to improve much because I am in a 9th grade German class and I can not make German friends to speak the language with. But I am hoping to improve my German by practicing it myself and through the German lessons that are given by a wife of a Rotary member once a week.



Schloss Castle is about 15 minutes from Ella's home

Is Your Club's Planning - the "S" Word? (part 1 of 2)

We hear from Rotary (and many of our businesses) that our planning and decision making needs to be STRATEGIC. But what does that mean? The easy answer is to say we think more than one year out and we meet the needs of our Club and Community. Strategic planning does not need to be a long, drawn out process. It does not need to be a plan set in stone. What Strategic Planning needs to be is a useful, thoughtful look at your club.

Do any of the following situations describe your club?

- organized to respond to a major issue in your community, but lately interest in the club and its works have diminished.
- losing money and community interest/support, but continues with club activities similar to those of 10 years ago
- members are leaving the club to join other organizations with similar purposes
- the club is now operating very smoothly, but you wonder if it will be in five years.

If you chose any of the above situations, your club may want to use the strategic planning process described in this article.

Introduction

Strategy has been defined as "that which has to do with determining the basic objectives of an organization and allocating resources to their accomplishment." A strategy determines the direction in which an organization needs to move to fulfill its mission. A strategic plan acts as a road map for carrying out the strategy and achieving long-term results.

Strategic planning is different from long-range planning. Long-range planning builds on current goals and practices and proposes modifications for the future. Strategic planning, however, considers changes or anticipated changes in the environment that suggest more radical moves away from current practices.

In its most basic form, Strategic Plans contain five major

parts – What, Why, Where, When and How. Cover the five major parts include the following elements:

- Organization Mission Statement — What
- Strategic Analysis — Why
- Strategy Formulation — Where
- Long-term Objectives, Implementation and Operational Plans — When and How

Gaining Commitment To Strategic Planning

When strategic planning, your organization should emphasize team planning. By involving those affected by the plan, you build an organization-wide understanding and commitment to the strategic plan (participants acquire an "ownership" of it).

Strategic planning requires a significant investment of time and energy. Organizations will also have to overcome barriers raised by comments such as: "a lack of time", "things are changing too fast", "we're doing OK now", etc. A visible commitment from top leadership is required for effective strategic planning.

Stage 1: Mission Statement

The mission statement establishes what the club plans to do, for whom, and for what benefit it will exist. The mission statement identifies club purposes and the reason for its existence. It addresses the "what" questions, i.e., what is our role? what business are we in?, etc. It is a short (one to two sentence) statement.

Stage 2: Strategic Analysis

The strategic analysis is an in-depth look at all factors likely to have the greatest impact on the future of your club. During this analysis, critical issues facing the club should be identified.

This analysis forms the basis for decisions affecting the club's future. Thus, it is essential that sufficient accurate information be available on which to base judgments. All assumptions should be identified and checked.

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World Polio Day

October 24, 2015

Go to www.endpolio.org for more information

Thanks to our
District Polio
Plus Chair,
Edith Waugh
for submitting
this!

The "Ovation Factor" (continued)

(continued from previous page) Next month, in part two of "Is Your Club's Planning – The "S" Word? we will focus on the remaining six stages of strategic planning.

Stage 3: Strategy Formulation

In this phase, the focus should be on where the club should be going rather than how it should get there. A three to five year planning horizon is recommended. The critical issues facing the club in accomplishing its mission should be the basis for this stage. Make sure that decisions "fit" with the directions defined by the mission statement.

There are three steps in this stage:

- Identification of Key Strategic Areas,
- Establishing Priority of Key Strategic Areas and
- Developing Strategy Statements for Top Ranked Areas.



In the mean time, we encourage you to begin the conversation of "should our club commit to a strategic planning process?" Even asking this question can help your club's membership begin to look at your successes and your challenges; which in and of itself is a good thing.

Column submitted by Fred Heismeyer,
District 5690 Trainer

September 21 is International Day of Peace



Each year, an [International Day of Peace](#) is observed on 21 September. Here are just a few of the ways you can join millions of individuals and organizations to mark this day of global ceasefire and nonviolence:

- Engage co-workers, students, and your community in Peace Day events. [Find ideas for events](#) on the International Day of Peace website.
- Show us your peace sign! Draw a picture, create art with found objects, or make a human peace sign with members of your Rotaract or Rotary club and post the photo to your Facebook or Instagram page using #rotarypeace and #peaceday. We'll share what peace means to you on 21 September.
- Share your table by organizing a [Global Feast for Peace](#). Cook a meal together or have a potluck event with foods from different cultures.

Organize friends, co-workers, or community members to observe [one minute of silence](#) at noon local time on 21 September, uniting in solidarity with millions around the world.

In Memory

The District was saddened to learn that two of our Past District Governors lost their wives on the same day.



Laverna (Bernie) Lou (Ott) Nygaard died Sunday, September 6, 2015. She was the beloved wife of **PDG David Nygaard**. Laverna grew up in Henderson, NE and attended Bethel College in Newton, KS and Wichita State University. She married David Nygaard on November 27, 1970 and they raised two daughters. Laverna had a fun sense of humor and unlimited optimism. She was artistic and loved decorating and her yard. Services have been held. Memorial to the Nygaard Family Scholarship Fund in care of Central Kansas Community Foundation in Newton or to the Rotary International Foundation Polio Fund.



Joan Richardson Kempf died on Sunday, September 6, 2015. She was the beloved wife of **PDG John D. Kempf**. Services will be September 29, 2015 at the First United Methodist Church in Arkansas City. John and Joan married on August 1, 1981 and settled in Arkansas City in 1984. She was the owner/operator of Kempf Liquor and JD Liquor stores in Arkansas City since 1989. She was an active member of Soroptomist International where she served as Governor of the South Central Region from 2004-2006. Memorials with the Soroptomists in Arkansas City and Shriners Hospital for Children in Philadelphia, PA.

Club News from around the District

Rotary Club E. Wichita:

Dr. Srikant Pattnaik (R) and his wife (L) visited us recently. He is a 20-year Rotarian and both are Past Rotary Club presidents in India.



Rotary Club Wichita: New KU Head Football Coach David Beaty spoke to a near-capacity crowd to an

enthusiastic audience (even those who are not KU fans).

Rotary Club W. Wichita and Sedgwick Co. Sunrise:

Club members will be conducting Mock Interviews with senior students at Northwest High in late October. Each interview will last 5-8 minutes with provided questions to be asked.

Rotary Club Johnson:

Rotarian **Chris Floyd** presented Paul Harris Fellow recognition to Rotarian **Clint**



Floyd whose wife, Toni, and their three children were also present. Congratulations, Clint!

Rotary Club Kinsley: DG David Yoder and AG Dave Wetmore (Dodge City) recently visited our club. Pictured: President Barry Boggs and DG David.



Rotary Clubs W. Wichita & Sedgwick Co. Sunrise: Our International Service committees have been busy planning the schedule for the Open World Team during their visit in Wichita, September 25 – October 3. The theme for this team is Entrepreneurship and Accountable Government. The team includes 5 team members (4 women and 1 man, ages 29 – 36) who speak “basic conversational” English and a female facilitator who is fluent.

Rotary Club E. Wichita: Two more of our grant recipients thanked us at a recent meeting. Linda Eaves with KANSEL, an adult education service helping those without high school diplomas, and Jodi Guillemette with the Gua-

dalupe Clinic which helps those who may have no health insurance or no family or no job or no money, were the grant recipients.

Rotary Club Ulysses: Perry Rubart spoke to our club about the Honor Flight he was recently privileged to take. His talk honored all veterans who served in the U.S. military. *Photo: Elsa Havel (Club President), Rtn.*

Dave Younger (U.S. Navy veteran), Perry Rubart (U.S. Army), guest Jim Swails (U.S. Navy), and Rtn Richard Haele (U.S. Navy veteran).



Rotary Club W. Wichita:

We had a club social at Pinto's Palette where club members and a few guests painted their own Rotary masterpieces. (Perfect to display in their homes or office!)



Rotary Club Andover: DG David Yoder recently visited our club. He presented two new members with a Rotary scarf. *Photo: DG David, Josh Vargo & Cherrie Brubaker.*



The Derby Rotary Club's information board shows many of the service projects that benefit the community.

Rotary Club Derby: September 12, 2015 was a big day in Derby, Kansas for about 50 BBQ teams competing for prizes and bragging rights at the 4th annual Derby BBQ Festival. But this day wasn't just reserved for those who love BBQ. It was a fun-filled day for people of all ages.

Derby Rotary had a hand in the fun by providing games and prizes in the Cox Kids' Corner where a variety of free activities entertained children of all ages. Rotarians interacted with hundreds of kids and their parents in a game of bean bag toss with pencils and stickers given as prizes. It was also an opportunity to share information with the public about the many services Rotary offers to the community.

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More Club News

The Derby BBQ Festival is an annual event attracting around 13,000 people. This event also benefits the Airman & Family Readiness Center at McConnell Air Force Base.



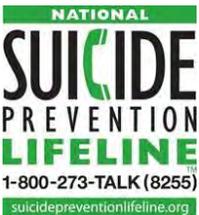
Derby Rotary Service Table - Derby Rotarian Kathy Sexton encourages a young boy to play bean bag toss. The information displayed in the foreground raised awareness of Rotary's many service projects that benefit the community.

Rotary Club W. Wichita: The school supplies that we collected at club meetings in August were delivered last week to Benton & Lawrence Elementary Schools.



Jamie Anderson & Randy Bowles shown above make deliveries

Rotary Club W. Wichita: We painted another playground map at Peterson Elementary on Sept. 12. We paint another map at Lawrence Elementary on Sept. 26.



Rotary Club Liberal: September is Suicide Awareness Month. Teachers from the college and the high school came together for training for the Suicide Prevention Program our club helps sponsor with a district grant. President Al Shank welcomed the participants to the day-long training event. Our club will be working hard all year long to develop this program.

Rotary Club Derby: Library 2GO is a service provided by the Derby Public Library and the Rotary Club of Derby. Our club delivers any library materials to patrons unable to visit the library, including regular or large print books, audio books on CD or Playaway. Our deliveries are made in blue bags on Friday afternoon every four weeks.

Rotary Club Wellington: August brought a unique opportunity to the Wellington community, and keeping with our club's history of supporting youth sports in Wellington we stepped up to the plate to help. Wellington's 16U girls softball team earned a spot and was headed to Florida for the Babe Ruth 16U Softball World Series – a trip not made by a Wellington softball team since 1968. Since the

trip would come at great expense to the players who spent several weeks raising funds, our club was able to help with a donation to assist the girls. The team would go on to finish runner-up in the Diamond bracket at the World Series. We are so proud of the team!



Rotary Club Johnson: We welcomed two new members, Cam Walker (SW Kansas Fuels) & Kim Novack (USD 452) this month.



Rotary Club Hutchinson: Our club is supporting the American Heart Association by gathering a team of Rotarians to walk together in the 2015 Reno County Heart Walk and by accepting donations to the TEMA ROTARY page. The walk is Saturday, Sept. 26.

Rotary Club E. Wichita: Carolyn Kell of Inter-Faith Ministries and Julie Prater of Kidzscope were two of our recent grant recipients. They visited our club recently to thank us and tell us how our grant is being used.



Thanks to the E. Wichita Club for sending photos of their time at the Rotary Booth at the State Fair!



Rotary Foundation News

Our PolioPlus Partners

Eradicating polio is a complex job. Since 1988, we've collaborated with the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF to tackle the disease through our Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Here's how our roles break down.

THE STRATEGIST: WHO

The World Health Organization (WHO) coordinates the management and administration of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative and provides technical and operational support to ministries of health in countries around the world. WHO is responsible for monitoring our progress and strategic planning.

THE VIRUS HUNTER: CDC

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) deploys epidemiologists, public health experts, and scientists to investigate outbreaks of polio, identify the strain of poliovirus involved, and pinpoint its geographic origin.

THE IMMUNIZER: UNICEF

UNICEF buys polio vaccine and manages its distribution. The agency spreads the word about the benefits of vaccination to gain community acceptance – a process known as social mobilization. On the ground, field workers immunize children with the help of local health workers and volunteers such as Rotarians.

THE ADVOCATE: ROTARY

Rotary uses its members' business acumen and passion for volunteerism to build awareness, fundraise, and encourage national governments to donate to and otherwise support the polio eradication effort. More than one million Rotary members have volunteered their time and personal resources to help end polio.

OUR OTHER PARTNERS

WHO, CDC, UNICEF, and Rotary spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, but many other partners help us work toward our vision of a polio-free world.

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation: The Gates Foundation is a core partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. It is the largest private funding source of the GPEI, contributing over \$1.9 billion to the fight against polio. The Gates Foundation will match all donations to Rotary for

polio two to one, up to \$35 million per year, through 2018.

National governments: Governments are the largest donors to the polio eradication effort. Without the financial support of governments worldwide, and especially political support in polio-endemic and at-risk countries, we could not administer the polio vaccine.

Local health workers: Local health workers often risk their lives to vaccinate children. For example, women in Pakistan receive training to go door to door, speaking to mothers about the benefits of the vaccine. They address fears and help bring the vaccine into remote communities.

Gavi: Gavi is an international vaccine alliance that brings vaccines to some of the world's poorest countries. It is working with the GPEI to introduce at least one dose of the injectable inactivated polio vaccine into the routine immunization schedule.

Source: *The Rotarian*, September 2015

Recurring Giving (Rotary Direct)

Support The Rotary Foundation year-round by making a recurring gift. You choose how much and how often you want to give—it's a simple and secure way to make a big impact. [Online contributions](#) can be made monthly, quarterly, or annually. If you prefer, you may return the completed [Rotary Direct enrollment form](#) or enroll by phone at 866-976-8279.

Polio Facts & Figures*

Area	# of cases	# of cases
	YTD 2015	YTD 2014*
Afghanistan	9	8
India	0	0
Nigeria	1	22
Pakistan	32	164
Non-endemic countries	12	19
Total Worldwide	52	213

*Data as of 16 Sept 2015 / World Health Organization
Go to www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Poliothisweek.aspx for more information

District 5690	MEMBERSHIP REPORT as of August 31, 2015			
	7/1/2015	8/31/2015	NET GAIN	Goal
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2015-2016	
Andover	23	24	1	
Arkansas City	61	63	2	75
Beaver	24	24	0	
Boise City	15	15	0	15
Cimarron	26	26	0	27
Derby	65	64	-1	
Dodge City	34	35	1	44
East Wichita	122	118	-4	
El Dorado	49	51	2	
Garden City	42	42	0	
Greensburg	11	11	0	
Guymon	27	27	0	
Hugoton	22	22	0	
Hutchinson	120	121	1	
Johnson	16	16	0	20
Kingman	32	32	0	37
Kinsley	14	14	0	
Larned	19	19	0	
Liberal	44	45	1	47
Newton	53	53	0	62
Pratt	60	61	1	
Sublette	14	14	0	
Syracuse	15	15	0	
Texhoma	19	19	0	
Ulysses	38	38	0	42
Wellington	19	19	0	
W. Sedgwick Co	44	45	1	
West Wichita	63	65	2	70
Wichita-DT	384	381	-3	425
Wichita-Old Town	13	13	0	
Winfield	88	92	4	
TOTALS	1576	1584	8	

Thank you for entering your goals on Rotary Club Central!

Delegation Feature in "My Rotary"

A new feature in My Rotary has been added to help you carry out your responsibilities more efficiently. If you have a club or district role, you can now share your role-based access to My Rotary with fellow Rotary members to delegate tasks to them.

To see an example of the delegation page:

http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/images/1a9b779738ea45ae53a1645e9689911f/delegation_en.jpg.

To learn how it works, click here:

<http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/67983868:31007432621:m:1:994837045:6FAF8898E0BC42C91C5AE609FFC434A8:r> (will open a .pdf file)

Please send your club news & photos to:

PDG Geri Appel, Newsletter Editor
appelg@kenlerman.com

Deadline: 15th of each month
 Via email only, please (or your club bulletin)



Rotary

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 Send your articles and club information to:

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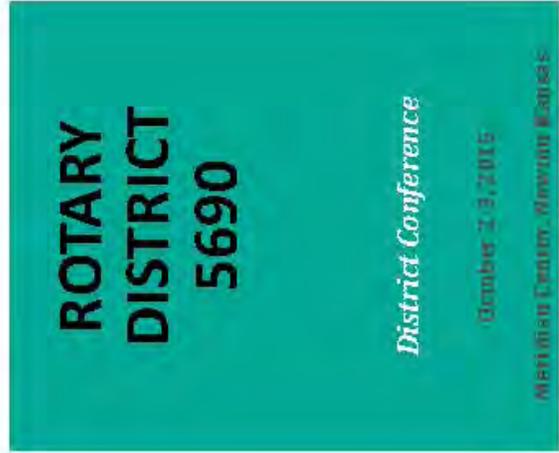


Be a gift to the world

2015-2016 RI Theme
 K R (Ravi) Ravindran
 Sri Lanka

Rotary International
 Convention
 May 28-June 1, 2016
 Seoul Korea





An Invite from DG Yoder

The theme for this year's District Conference is "Be the Ripple." This is my personal invitation to each of you to come and share fellowship as we have our first-ever District 5690 "Spelling Bee," listen to great motivational speakers, be entertained by the classic rock band that played at the last Governor's Ball, and meet other Rotarians like yourself! Golfers will also have a chance to play Sand Creek Station on Friday. I hope you walk away from this conference appreciating the many great things that Rotary does around the world, and that there are many local, regional, national, and international service opportunities for all Rotarians. I will see you in Newton!

Friday Schedule – Golf-morning tee times, Happy Hour starts at 5:00 PM followed by the Foundation Banquet & Spelling Bee

Saturday Schedule – Continental breakfast, followed by Annual business meeting, breakouts, guest speakers, youth exchange, awards & recognitions and other fun stuff. Evening Happy hour starts at 5:30 followed by dinner and dance.

Questions? Call Rod Kreie : 316-283-0737
 Kim Manring : 316-772-6836
 Conf. Registrar – Kent Erb: 316-772-6447

We have reserved a block of rooms at a very low rate of \$ 79 per night. Please reserve a room as soon as possible!

ROTARY DISTRICT 5690
 Venue: Meridian Center
 Event Hotel: Holiday Inn Express
 1430 E. Broadway Court, Newton
 Tele: (316) 804-7040



District Conference Registration Form



Name: _____
 Name for your badge: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Club Name: _____

Circle all that apply. PDG DG DGN AG
 President President-Elect Secretary Treasurer
 First time attendee Club-member Paul Harris Fellow

Vegetarian Meal? Yes No

The Damage (or register online www.rotary5690.org)

Full registration # _____ x \$ 100 each
 (After September 20* registration is \$ 115)
 Friday night Only # _____ x \$ 55 each
 Saturday All Day # _____ x \$ 65 each
 Saturday Night Only # _____ x \$ 35 each
 Friday Golf # _____ x \$ 40 each
 Just the Dance # _____ x \$ 10 each
 Total Due \$ _____

Name(s) of Guest(s): _____

Mail Payments to: Rotary District Conference
 PO Box 14
 Newton, KS 67114

Make Checks Payable to: Rotary District Conference



John Smarge

John Smarge comes from Naples, Florida. His passion for Rotary and his humorous delivery have been enjoyed by Rotarians around the world. He will talk about Rotary service and share some of the real life Rotary experiences. For a past RI Director he's pretty cool.



“Spelling Beer” on Friday night

Something new – an old fashioned spelling bee where there's heckling and beer – a great combination. We will have snacks and other beverages too. Who in your club will best represent you? We need a contestant from every club! And they should bring their very own group of hecklers! Immediately following the Foundation Banquet Friday night! Casual dress encouraged – wear your favorite sport team jersey or club shirt!

Please call DG Yoder or one of the District Conference Committee members with the name of your candidate as soon as possible!

Your Conference Lineup

Friday -Golf Tee Times – AM 7:30 – 8:30
 Registration - PM 4:00 – 6:00
 Cash Bar 5:00 – 6:00
 David Yoder–Welcome 6:00
 Valerie Wafer–RI Pres. Welcome 6:05
 Dinner 6:15
 Robert Mendoza–Foundation Awards 7:00
 Martin Limbard–Rotary Foundation 7:15
 Ron Denham–Keynote–Rotary's next Major Initiative?–Water & Sanitation 7:20
 Spelling Bee(r) 8:00

Saturday–Registration & Breakfast 7:30 – 8:30
 John Smarge–Who Is Rotary? 8:30
 Fred Heismeler–Big Ideas – Bold Results 9:00
 Rod Kreie – Meet the Youth Exch. Kids 9:30
 Break 10:00
 Greg Soelter–Why not Interact!?!?!? 10:30
 Dean Kennedy–Meeting RYLA Kids 11:00
 David Yoder–Business Meeting 11:30
 Martin Bauer–Last Year Awards 11:45
 Lunch 12:00
 Kenon Brinkley–Keynote

Impact of Shame in our Society 12:45
 2015 National HS Forensics Champ 1:30
 Dick Jones–Membership Initiative 1:30
 Martin Bauer & Crew – Mbrshp Training 1:45
 Valerie Wafer–RI President Address 2:45
 Break 3:00
 Robert Mendoza–Our Gift to the World 3:30
 Group Panel–Relaxed Discussion 4:00
 David Yoder–My Year (So far) 4:45
 Celebration of Life 5:00
 Cash Bar 6:30
 Dinner 7:30
 John Smarge–The Power of Rotary 8:15
 Band – Exceptions 9:00 - 11:00



Ron Denham

Ron Denham is a legend in the world of Sanitation and Clean Water. Ron will share his passion for the work Rotary does saving lives by giving the gift of clean water all over the world. A mechanical engineer Ron was educated in England and spent most of his career in Toronto, Canada. One of the most sought after Rotary speakers, you will know why what we do is so very important as you hear Ron's message.



Richard “Dick” Jones

Dick is our Zone Membership Coordinator and next year DG Yoder will have a major emphasis on membership working on developing a 3-year membership visioning plan for the District.

Dick will lead discussions on membership and share valuable resources that will help us promote membership and member retention in Rotary. You will walk away with new ideas for increasing and retaining membership as we share some of the work being done by new groups with this very important function!