#### JUST HOW BUSY IS ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT, JOHN KENNY?

During May, my wife, June, and I traveled to Argentina with Past RI President Luis Giay and RI Director Antonio Hallage. We attended several events, including a meeting of the Rotary Club of Buenos Aires and an intercity meeting. Another highlight was a celebration of the country's bicentennial, which was held in the city of La Plata. Rotarians from districts 4825, 4855, and 4890 enthusiastically greeted us.

Next, June and I traveled to Santiago, Chile, and visited a children's municipal hospital that was damaged during February's earthquake. The hospital director showed us how the combined efforts and generosity of Rotarians in clubs in Chile and Argentina made possible some of the restoration work being done at the hospital. We also visited a Rotary project at the Metropolitan Park in Santiago, Chile, and met the mayor of San Bernardo, who expressed thanks for Rotary's support in the local communities.

I then returned to RI headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA, for a few days of work at my office, which included preparing for a trip to Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, on 14 May. In Canada, we participated in the first joint conference between districts 5550 and 5580, which together cover parts of three Canadian provinces and three U.S. states. We also celebrated the 100th anniversary of Rotary in Canada.

After that, we attended another 100th anniversary celebration, for the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri. While in Kansas City, I also went to a One Million Dollar Major Donor Dinner.



Our next stop was Reno, Nevada, for a presidential dinner held by District 5190 (parts of California and Nevada). After this visit, we continued our commemoration of milestone events by going to the 100th anniversary celebration of the Rotary Club of Portland, Oregon, with more than 500 local Rotarians and friends in attendance.

At the end of May, I traveled with RI Director Phil Silvers to Palestine, where I met with members of the Rotary Club of Ramallah and chartered a new club of 34 members. From there, I traveled to Jerusalem, where I visited with the Rotarians of District 2490 and the Rotary Club of Jerusalem West and attended the chartering of a new club.

#### KICK POLIO OUT OF AFRICA?

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# JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

#### INVOCATION

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June 15	Laurie Anderson	June 22	Liz Attarmigirian	
July 6	Terry Becker	July 13	Brian Bekar	



#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 15: Micheal & Cindy Serry June 17: Peter & Lise Jinnah

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 14: Bob Shantz June 21: Mary Robson

TODAY'S PROGRAM: Business Meeting - Year End

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM: Karim Jinnah - Adventures in Citizenship

#### **CALENDAR OF CLUB AND DISTRICT 5050 EVENTS:**

Date	Time	Event	Venue
June 20-23		Rotary International Convention	Montreal
June 29	6:00 pm	Installation Executive 2010/2011	Heather Hills Farm
Aug. 21	1:30 pm	Golfun	Useless Bay Golf & Country Club Langley, Wa

50 / 50 draw - Jackpot at \$1059.50 + 1/2 of today's sales, 18 cards left, Jackpot on "Queen of Hearts" only!

#### LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Jim C introduced our guests today, Brian Johnson, Adrienne Dale and Mariella Ignatieff.

Marco started us with the Happy/Sad by announcing a good friend received the Order of Canada. Ineke shared her happy thoughts – she and Peter are heading to Montreal and they are very excited. Walter was very happy as he could now officially remove his red dot. Mary is happy to be escorting her 83 year old mom to Toronto on Thursday. And Brian announced that his youngest is finally getting married!

Our Finemaster was Kevin and today's Fines were brought to you by the letter I!!!! Alphonse was our mystery greeter and managed to stay tucked in the booth and nabbing quite a few of us. Dave R gave us the Rotary Moment and talked about Shelterbox and Rotary's involvement in it.

Gordy reported on the Duck Race and has had some meetings with youth clubs. He would like to invite the other club to join in and the next meeting is at Heather Hills.

Lindsay reported we may have 2 full teams for Golf Fun in August. Marco reminded us to read this month's Peace Arch Journal – big article about Ineke and also Bob K's visit. Wine Fest meeting on Wednesday at Laura's office @ 11.



Our guest speaker was introduced – Marc Dalton – Maple Ridge/Mission MLA.

Prior to being an MLA he was a teacher. His education degree is in History. Marc is Aboriginal with French background. He was raised in a military family and himself served in the Reserves attaining the rank of Corporal – he is a member of the Legion. Marc is married to Marlene for 24 years now.

Marc talked about the joys of his job so far – meeting new people, his CA is the president of Mission Rotary (Wilson Sieg). He attended our Shelterbox fundraiser and thanked us all for the fundraising we do in the community. He also thanks us on behalf of the Province.

Marc's uncle had polio and still has the effects, so our efforts to end Polio have touched his family. He thanked us not only for the money we raise, but the time we give. One of Marc's committees is Children and Youth and he sees firsthand the importance of our donations to assist in this area.

While Marc was in the service, he had a spiritual discussion with another soldier. It was then that he discovered God and wanted to serve God. He has worked in Mexico serving and that led him to teaching and helping young people. His desire is service and that led him to politics.

Marc did a Q & A and Marco explained about the Mobile Library.

Marco reminded us that next Tuesday is yearend committee reports and it will be a business meeting.

Submitted by

## **DISTRICT 50 / 50 ADVERTISING**

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### FUNDRAISER TO THE TOP OF THE WORLD

Hiking to the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro in 2009 for Big Brothers Big Sisters gave District Governor Tanya Wolff a creative idea for raising money for The Rotary Foundation's Annual Programs Fund.

Wolff decided to organize a similar trip to the base camp of Mount Everest and challenge the Rotarians she met during her club visits in District 6330 (parts of Ontario, Canada, and Michigan, USA) to either join her or pony up donations for the Foundation.



Read more at www.Rotary.org

# Did you Know?

Rotary policy requires members to attend at least 50 percent of club meetings in each half of the year. If members miss their own club's meeting, they're encouraged to expand their Rotary horizons by attending make-up meetings at any Rotary club in the world — a practice that guarantees Rotarians a warm welcome in communities around the globe.