



Rotary District 6330

District Governor ~ Doug Burnard

July 2014



The Bridge

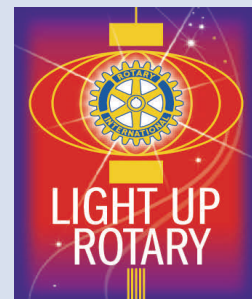
Governor Doug's Message



I am deeply honoured to be your District Governor for 2014-2015 and am privileged to follow the outstanding Rotarians who have served as our past District Governors. Their continued support in the upcoming year is welcomed. The two years I have spent in preparation for my year as District Governor have been the highlight of my 34 years in Rotary as over this time I have had the opportunity to meet so many other Rotarians from all corners of the world.

RI President Gary C.K. Huang's theme for 2014-2015 is

"Light Up Rotary"



President Gary asks all of us to *Light Up Rotary* by sharing our service, strengthening our clubs and letting our light shine throughout our communities. "Rotary Days" are opportunities to give our communities a chance to learn more about Rotary and the service that we provide both locally and around the world.

We will also *Light Up Rotary* and make history by continuing our plan to eradicate polio, which is absolutely realistic within the next few years.

Rotary International Goals for 2014-2015

- ◆ Polio eradication remains the number one priority. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will continue to match Rotarian donations on a 2:1 basis up to \$35 million.
- ◆ Increase membership to 1.3 million, an increase of 100,00 or 3.5%.
- ◆ Show off Rotary in the community via "Rotary Days" and other events.
- ◆ Expand the family of Rotary—ask spouses and family members to join Rotary.
- ◆ Support the Rotary Foundation—all District Governor Elects have made personal donations as of January 15, 2014

District 6330 Goals for 2014-2015

Increase Membership: District membership has declined approximately 5% in the last 5 years. It appears we stopped the decline in 2013-2014 and our goal is to increase net membership to 2000 or more over the next 2 years. Member retention and involvement, showing off our service via "Rotary Days" and other events and working with the area membership reps are some of the suggested activities to achieve this goal.

The Rotary Foundation: The District Annual Fund giving has been approximately \$110/member or \$200-\$220,000 annually. Clubs are asked to promote the various ways that members can donate to the Foundation. 1) EREY—any amount.. 2) Sustaining Member \$100/year.. 3) Paul Harris Society \$1000/year. Every increase of \$2 in Annual Giving will provide an additional \$1 for District 6330 projects in 2017-18.

Provide Effective Communication: Most communication will be via the AG's to the clubs. Presidents are urged to share with all club members. All members are encouraged to make use of the District 6330 and the RI Websites, including the new Brand Center. The District Newsletter will be sent to all members with a valid email address. District chairs will provide updated information, AG's and clubs will provide information on club activities and other events to the bulletin editor.

I am looking forward to visiting all District 6330 clubs in August, September and October. I especially look forward to visiting with club members to learn about the service that their club provides locally and internationally.

If your club has a special function where I can provide support, please contact me and I will do my best to participate as I feel my primary role as District Governor is to assist the members and clubs as much as possible.

Thanks to all for what you do for Rotary.

Doug Burnard

District Governor 2014-2015

July 02 District Governor Changeover

With great pride the London North Rotary Club hosted the changeover dinner for outgoing District Governor Don Moore and incoming District Governor Doug Burnard. Approximately 65 people gathered for the ceremonies which were held at the Sergeant's Mess on Wolseley Barracks. and spouses, Assistant Governors and spouses, New Generations student and North Rotary Club and several nearby evening. The occasion was a joint event district Governor changeovers which made ner club formalities and presentations members were recognized for their con-changing of the guard took place as dent. Emcee Al then called PDG Don

year were made by Don and then with a Doug Burnard and presented him with his District Governor's pin. PDG Tom Robitaille presented Don with his PDG pin. DGE Nancy Ottwell was presented her DGE pin by Doug. Lots of pinning going on!! After all pins were perfectly placed Doug took a few moments to outline his plans for the upcoming year with membership growth being a major focus along with Foundation contributions. The traditional 'Survival Basket' was presented by Don to Doug to help him out with some of the necessities of life while driving around District 6330. DG Doug's first formal duties then was to present Paul Harris Fellows to two deserving members of London North. A good time was had by all. Time now to get back to doing what Rotarians do!



Guests included Past District Governors spouses, Past Assistant Governors and members and families of the London clubs. PDG Al Hardy was emcee for the for both the London North and the Dis- for a busy time! Following a buffet din- took place as several London North club tributions during this past year. The Margaret Cook took over as club Presi- Moore forward. Highlights of the past sign of relief he passed the torch over to



District Conference 2014



The Rotary Club of Walkerton successfully hosted District 6330's annual Conference titled 'Rotary in Saugeen Country' from June 12 to 15th. This was Walkerton's way of wrapping up the very successful year of Don Moore as our District Governor. It was estimated that 373 attended this event including 250 Rotarians, their partners, exchange students, Interact students, and guests.

We were very fortunate to have Elizabeth Usovicz from Missouri, PDG for Dist. 6040, as the R.I. President's Representative as she very effectively shared her enthusiasm about Rotary on several occasions and inspired us to pursue the mandate of our great organization. DG Don Moore was right on the mark when he landed Edwin Futa, past General Secretary of R.I. as a keynote speaker. After 12 years as Gen. Sec. it is unlikely that any one individual could more effectively impart their knowledge of Rotary's humanitarian work throughout the world. Another inspiring speaker was Michael Angelo Caruso an internationally renown communications consultant.

Our exchange students paraded their national flags and shared with Rotarians the moving value of their experiences. Returning from Brazil, Eduardo Kehdi, an exchange student with the Forest club in 1997, recounted how he overcame a potentially life altering spinal injury he incurred while here and has gone on to become a successful international negotiations lawyer. A multitude of Breakout sessions inspired Rotarians on topics related to membership, R.I. Foundation, fundraising initiatives, youth opportunities and several local and world philanthropic initiatives. Partners were able to visit a local winery and a nursery, walk part of our extensive trail system and tour our acclaimed Walkerton Clean Water Centre, a training facility which the provincial government built after our devastating 2001 E-coli disaster.

Participants agreed that Walkerton did itself proud in converting our local arena into a beautiful venue for fine dining. The consensus also was that the entertainment was top notch as well, featuring famed teenage country singer Naomi Bristow and Dan Needles, acclaimed humorist, playwright and author. The overall experience was very appropriate way to "Engage Rotary, Change Lives".

Attending a District Conference is a great way to learn about Rotary, to share experiences, to celebrate accomplishments and to socialize with fellow Rotarians. We must now wait another year for the eagerly anticipated 'Imagine' Conference that will be hosted by DG Doug Burnard's London North Rotary Club.



July is New Rotary Month

A New Club in District 6330!



What better way is there to start off a new Rotary year than with the announcement of a new Rotary club! The St. Thomas Railway City Rotary Club received their charter on May 30/14 with 24 members. The club meets on Wednesdays at 5:30PM at the St. Thomas Roadhouse. There is no meal, they just have drinks and adjourn at 6:30PM. All Rotarians are welcome to join them for a make up meeting. Congratulations and thanks to Helen Campbell, Paul Nicli, Bryan Vine and Diane Chantler from the St. Thomas Rotary Club who worked so hard to charter this new club! Two members, Ken Wilmott and Mark Fagan transferred in as the London West Rotary Club will surrender its charter as of June 30.

New Rotarians in District 6330

District 6330 would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new Rotarians:

St. Thomas Railway City Rotary Club welcomes—Roger Campbell, William Chantler, Ian Chantler, Darren Connolly, Wade Coombs, George Kapogiannis, Janet Maguire, Bonnie Marceau, Richard Mena, Kristie Morgan, Dave Morris, Barb Weir and Jerry Worozbyt. As well Scott Carrie, Gordon Hall and Bryan Grebow are returning Rotarians.
Lapeer welcomes John Miller and Tim Turkelson.
London North welcomes Sheri Plomske

Membership Corner

As we welcome a new Rotary Year often there is much chatter about cleaning up the membership roster, the best timing to do that for the best advantage to the incoming president, and reflection on just how many members are in the club.

The truth is that the chatter is a wonderful opportunity to deepen the conversation to recognize and appreciate the work of individual Rotarians who have contributed to club success. This is past of engaging and retaining your strong Rotarians.

The chatter is also a reminder to determine if there are any membership process gaps. Does the club need to refresh the orientation to integration process for new members? If some members have resigned, does the club take time to learn from them through an exit interview? If more members are needed, does the club know what qualities they seek in a new member?

There are numerous resources to help us have strong and vibrant Rotary Clubs, many of those resources focus on Membership. Without Rotarians, there is not much Rotary.

Club Members, spring into action to make this year the best Rotary experience members have ever had. If you need help to do that, please contact me! Our District Membership Team is passionate about Rotary and your club's success.

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Meet Your Assistant Governors

Area 1 (Bruce Peninsula area).....	Tony Sheard
Area 2 (Walkerton area).....	Jim Schlatman
Area 3 (Stratford area).....	Martin Ward
Area 4 (London area).....	Diane Chantler
Area 5 (Sarnia area).....	Lawrie Lachapelle
Area 6 (Port Huron area).....	Alice Jehle
Area 7 (Flint area).....	Rob Jewell
Area 8 (Owen Sound area).....	Sharon Burley
Area 9 (Lapeer area).....	Bob Thomas

What's Happening in District 6330

July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Meaford Beer Garden	2 DG Changeover at London North	3	4	5
6 Owen Sound Wings and Wheels	7 Southampton Golf Tourney	8	9	10	11 Markdale Street Frolic	12 Sarnia Mackinac Race and Pancake Breakfast
13	14	15	16	17	18 Flint Golf Scramble	19 Clifford 70th Anniversary
20	21	22 Lapeer Golf Outing	23 Goderich Golf Tourney	24	25 Imlay City Blueberry Fest	26 Imlay City Blueberry Fest
27	28	29	30	31		

 **PORT ELGIN ROTARY CLUB**
1ST ANNUAL

RIBFEST

Saturday, August 9, 2014
Northshore Park, Port Elgin

PORK BACK RIBS
SMOKED BEEF BRISKET
CORN ON THE COB
SALADS, ROLLS
STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

CONTINUOUS DINING FROM 5:00 PM TO 8:30 PM
SOFA KINGS BAND FOR LISTENING AND DANCING
FROM 7:00 TO 11:00 PM
LICENSED EVENT UNDER LLBO

PRICES: ADULT - \$35.00 CHILD UNDER 12 - \$15.00

 **PORT ELGIN ROTARY CLUB**
2014 RIBFEST

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PROCEEDS TO SAUGEEN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL EXPANSION PROJECT

**33rd Annual
London North Rotary Club
Golf Tournament**
Wednesday, August 6, 2014
Fanshawe Golf Club

Shot-Gun Start
Individual or Team
Scramble Format
New Mixed & Ladies Scramble
Start at 12:30 P.M. Sharp
Challenge Putting Contest
Two Hole-in-One Car Leases
Closest to the Pin
Male & Female
Straightest Drive Male & Female

Support our work in London
and throughout the World
Funds raised in the London North Rotary Club
Charity Golf Tournament are used to:
Support Stewenson Camp
for underprivileged children
Provide dictionaries to Grade 3 students
Help Eradicating Polio Worldwide

All you can eat
Chicken & Ribs Dinner
and Auction at 6:00 P.M.
Prizes for all Golfers
Fun for Everyone
Tickets \$150.00

Put a foursome together
and get in touch with
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Club News

Rotary Club of Greater Flint Sunrise Makes \$14,500 in Grants Supporting Area Youth

At its weekly meeting on Wednesday June 11, 2014, The Rotary Club of Greater Flint Sunrise awarded grants totaling \$14,500 to 14 non-profit organizations serving children in Genesee County.

Recipients gathered at the Mott Community College Regional Technology Center included the Autism Support Research Center, Flint Institute of Music, Salvation Army, Kentakee Athletic and Social Club, Genesee Chamber Foundation, Crim Fitness Foundation, Flint Public Library, Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, Buckham Fine Arts Project, Boys and Girls Club of Greater Flint, Flint Cultural Center, IMA First Tee of Eastern Michigan, Christ Enrichment Center and Tapology.

The grant funding covers various children's programming, much of which takes place during the summer months in 2014.

"It is critical to support wholesome activities for all children throughout the year, and in particular during the down time for schools," according to Sunrise Rotary president Doug Stoddard. "This Rotary club is focused on maintaining our commitment to serving and supporting the community, and in particular our youth."

The Flint Sunrise Rotary has given more than \$250,000 in scholarships and grant awards since 1992.

Clifford Rotary Park Pavilion Expansion

On July 19, Clifford Rotary will be celebrating its' 70th anniversary. To mark the occasion from 12:30 to 2:30PM they are holding free children's games and other activities, plus a trivia contest for adults at the John Hobelman Memorial Rotary Park in Clifford. Clifford, the Red Dog will be in attendance during the afternoon. Later the same day they are holding a celebration dinner at the Clifford Community Centre. Tickets are \$17 per adult and \$8 per child. Tickets are available from any Clifford Rotarian or by contacting the club secretary, Trish Palmer. Tickets are limited so order soon!

Last year the Clifford Rotary Club decided that it was time that running water and flush toilets were available at the picnic pavilion at John Hobelman Memorial Rotary Park. An addition was constructed onto the existing picnic pavilion last year and on June 10, 2014 the washrooms were officially opened. A boardwalk has been added around the addition to allow easy access to the washrooms. A tree planter with seating was built to commemorate their 70th anniversary. In addition, a new kitchen was constructed in the interior of the picnic pavilion.



Preparing for Takeoff

Rotary Youth Exchange students Amanda Sherett and Holly Siebenmorgen presented drafts of the talks they will be making



to host clubs in France and Chile, respectively, and received some helpful feed back from members of the St. Thomas Rotary Club. Amanda will be leaving on August 26 and after a brief orientation in Paris she will join her first host family in Tours. Holly is not yet sure when she will be leaving but has made contact with her first host family who live in

a community just south of Santiago. Both girls are students at Parkside Collegiate in St. Thomas and will be great ambassadors for Rotary and for Canada. What an experience for them!!

Attention all clubs!

Kindly submit articles, photos or flyers for the next edition of "The Bridge" to editor

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Submissions by the 20th of the month would be appreciated for the following edition.

Polio Update

Polio Watch



Pakistani religious scholars condemned the Pakistani Taliban's opposition to oral polio vaccine (OPV) and slayings of vaccination workers at a polio eradication conference in Islamabad June 15th & 16th. They urged the Taliban to have compassion for children and allow them to be immunized against preventable disabilities.

Representing eight Islamic schools of thought, scholars from Pakistan, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Nigeria, declared, "It is the duty of parents to give the two drops of the OPV to ensure the safety of their children." The council further stated that the killing of polio workers is against Islam and implored militants to allow vaccination and fulfill their Islamic

responsibility. In a two page decree signed by all conference participants, they called on the entire Muslim world to unite for polio eradication.

Authority on Sharia law and president of Al-Azhar University in Cairo, Osama El-Abd, said, "Islam places special emphasis on people's health and avoids anything that harms the individual. Among the core objectives of Islam is the protection of religion, life, intellect, lineage and property. Therefore, protecting children from disease is critical to achieving these objectives, and for this reason vaccination against polio is mandatory to protect all Muslim children."

So far in 2014 Pakistan has recorded 83 new cases of polio. "95% of polio cases reported in 2013 occurred in Organization of Islamic Co-operation (OIC) member-states," claimed OIC Secretary-General Dr. Iyad Ameen Madani. His message went on to state, "The polio-endemic countries in the world and a significant number of the countries where polio [is starting] to spread again are Muslim countries.

Excerpted from 'Central Asia Online Newsletter'

World Polio Day!

Friday October 24/14

What will you do to
support it?

