



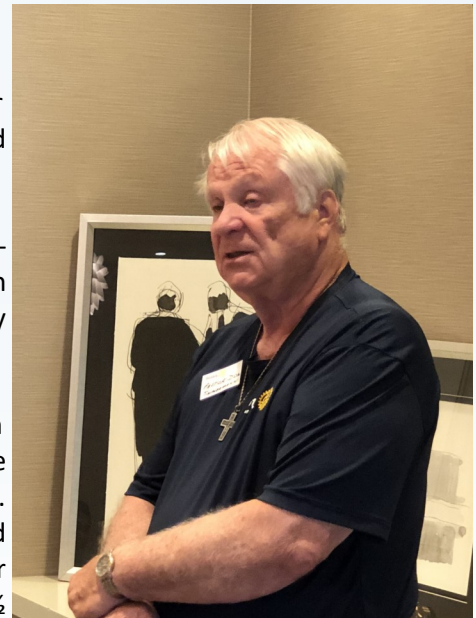
Reverend Don Timmerman – Women in Spiritual Hope Ministries (WISH)

Rev. Timmerman is a member of the Muscatine Rotary Club.

WISH Ministries strives to provide a safe faith-based transition for women coming from prison or fail to reentering society as healthy and productive members.

Only 13 percent stay out of prison without assistance. Four out of five do return to prison. Of the existing 13 facilities currently functioning in our country (and the number is growing), the success rate is normally above 55 percent, with one facility currently operating at 98 percent.

True life example: A woman served 18 years of a life sentence when the law changed. When she entered prison she was 17 years old. She was in the presence of her boyfriend when he overdosed and died. When released from prison she was not familiar with the world around her, and had no real assistance and support to transition her into her new life. Not able to adapt, she found herself back in prison in only 3 ½ months.



Cost for keeping a prisoner is \$75,000 per year. By providing support and inspiration to keep a woman out, \$75,000 of taxpayer money is saved ... but also, a tax-payer is added to the community.

A residence has been established near St. John's Methodist Church in Davenport. Six women live in this facility. Participants of this program are carefully screened. Room in the program is very limited. Once an applicant is accepted they are allowed to take up residence under very close supervision.

During their residence, they will be provided with classes that will enable them to complete their education where necessary and other classes that will help them secure and maintain a job, manage their finances, learn domestic skills, and start on a faith-based journey. They will learn to live in a community and support and respect each other. And they will learn how to treat each other with kindness and receive kindness in return. The goal is to break the chain of abuse, addiction, and the reliance on the welfare system.

The program is looking for assistance (call 563-320-0908 or e-mail info@wishministries.com):

- Sponsorship of one resident (\$1,800).
- Offer employment to one of the women in the program.
- Volunteers.

A REASON TO SMILE—By Diana Schoberg Photos by Daniela Prado Sarasúa



speaking country working together to get things accomplished,” says James Lehman, a plastic surgeon who joined the Rotary Club of Fairlawn, Ohio, USA, after working with Rotarians in Chile.

In February, Lehman and a team of U.S. surgeons, anesthesiologists, and nurses visited Iquique, a Pacific port city and tourist hot spot about 80 miles south of Chile’s northern border. With financial help from the nearby Collahuasi copper mine, local Rotarians coordinate and pay for the medical team’s food, lodging, and in-country transportation. (Visiting doctors pay for their flights between the United States and Chile; an Ohio-based non-profit funds the travel of some support staff.)

Ricardo Román was shopping with his wife at a department store in Chile in 2012 when a woman in her early 20s approached him. He didn’t recognize her, he confesses through an interpreter, but there were two good reasons: He had last seen her more than a decade earlier – and her smile had changed drastically.

Román, a member of the Rotary Club of Reñaca, Chile, is the national coordinator of a program that has helped thousands of children in Chile with cleft lips, cleft palates, and other birth defects – including this stranger who now wanted to give Román a hug.

“She told me, ‘This is my Rotarian smile,’” he recalls, his voice full of emotion. “It was a very gratifying moment.”

The project got its start in 1993 when San Francisco (California) Rotarians, led by Peter Lagarias and Angelo Capozzi, sponsored a medical mission that performed reconstructive surgeries in Chile. That was the beginning of Rotaplast, a program that evolved into a nonprofit organization that has since sent teams to 26 countries.

In 2004, Rotarians in Chile assumed leadership of the program in their country. Over the years, Chilean doctors became more involved and eventually the program expanded to include breast reconstruction for cancer patients.

“It’s a great commentary on Rotary that you’ve got people in a Spanish-speaking country and people in an English-

More than 250 potential patients lined up early on a Saturday morning outside Ernesto Torres Galdames Hospital to try to get a spot on the team’s schedule. They had come from all over Chile, including a family who had traveled from Concepción, 1,400 miles to the south. About 600 children are born each year in Chile with cleft lips and palates, and though the government established eight centers to treat those abnormalities, the long wait list means corrective surgery can lie years in the future. “The demand exceeds the supply of people to take care of the patients,” Lehman explains.

Using four operating rooms – one for cleft lip or palate, one for ear reconstruction, one for breast reconstruction, and one for other issues – the team got to work. Patients were chosen based on need and on the complexity of the surgery. By the end of their stay, the surgeons and their staff had operated on 82 patients. In many cases, however, the complete reconstruction may take multiple surgeries, and some patients return several years in a row to complete the procedure.

But the final surgery doesn’t always signal an end to the relationship between a patient and Rotary. Román, who has coordinated the program since 2004, recalls an occasion involving the young woman he encountered in the department store. At Román’s invitation, she described her transformational cleft lip and palate surgeries at a Rotary district conference in Chile in 2012. Moved by her story, many in the crowd of 300 broke into tears, dazzled by her Rotarian smile.

GUESTS:

None



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Our joint fundraiser Miracle Field Family Fest is hot into the execution phase. All members are encouraged to get sponsors and sell meal tickets and raffle tickets. We have collected \$27,000.
- Sarge money for August will be donated toward the Marshalltown tornado destruction event.
- Isabel (Belle), inbound exchange student from France will be visiting our club on August 23rd.



Club Financials:

- Received \$63K from all sources in Rotary year 2017-18.
- \$44,581 from fund raising.
- \$40,555 was given to grants.



Rotary Foundation:

- 100th anniversary this year.
- Began as a focus on children with disabilities.
- Paul Harris Fellowship began in 1957. There are over 1 million Fellows today.
- Polio Plus effort began in 1979 with a few cases remaining.
- 2004 began the Every Rotarian Every Year encouragement.
- More than \$3 billion has been given through the years.

SARGE:

Mark N stood in for Mike – Mark recalled some of Mike’s groaners ... **Mark C’s** ticket was drawn ... no winner today.

Happy/Sad Dollars:

Deb G – Husband doing well after surgery ... thanks for the cards and calls.

Rex R – The loss of several friends last month blew his memorials budget.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

- August 9 – Margot Day – Quad City Arts/Visiting Artist Series
- August 16 – Family Fest Planning Session
- August 23 – Chris Knapp – Rotary Foundation
- August 30 – Mayor Bob Gallagher – Mayor of Bettendorf (tentative)
- September 6 – Doug Peterson – Rotary International Convention Re-Cap

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Aug 25 – Joint Fundraiser (Prairie Hill Park)



BIRTHDAYS!!

Aug 9—Deb Gustafson

Aug 18—Terry Ousley

Aug 20—John Cooper

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES!!

Aug 4—Nick Wagner (2 years)

Aug 22—Jake Jacks (16 years)

Aug 25—John Cooper (7 years)

ANNIVERSARIES!!

Aug 2—Dave & Judy Fritz (43 years)

Aug 7—Bill & Peg McCullough (36 years)

Aug 8—Bob & Doris Mattison (47 years)

Aug 17—John & Diane Gere (**50 years**)

Aug 22—Emily & John Shenk-DeMay (9 years)

Aug 23—Steve & Annette Jones (21 years)

Aug 28—Harry & Georgia Mihm (48 years)

ROTARY IS DEDICATED TO SIX AREAS OF FOCUS TO BUILD INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS, IMPROVE LIVES, AND CREATE A BETTER WORLD TO SUPPORT OUR PEACE EFFORTS AND END POLIO FOREVER.

Promoting Peace—Train to prevent and mediate conflict & help refugees who have fled dangerous areas.

Fighting Disease—Educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases like polio, HIV/AIDS, and malaria.

Providing Clean Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene—Support local solutions to bring clean water, sanitation, and hygiene to more people every day. We don’t just build wells and walk away. We share our expertise with community leaders and educators to make sure our projects succeed long-term.

Saving Mothers and Children - Expand access to quality care, so mothers and their children can live and grow stronger.

Supporting Education—Strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy.

Growing Local Economies—Enhance economic and community development and create opportunities for decent and productive work for young and old.

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ROTARY CLUB AVENUES OF SERVICE:

Club Service
Vocational Service
Community Service
New Generations Service
International Service

NEED TO MAKE

Mon. noon	Davenport—The Outing Club
Mon. 5 p.m.	Davenport—(Mini) Lunardi’s
Mon. 6 p.m.	Illinois Quad Cities—HyVee (John Deere Rd)
Mon. noon	Moline—Trinity Lutheran Church
Tue. 7:15 a.m.	River Cities—The Brothers, Rapids City
Tue. noon	Rock Island—Botanical Center
Wed. 7 a.m.	Valley Sunrise—Holiday Inn, Moline
Wed. noon	Bettendorf—Tanglewood Pavilion
Wed. 4:30 p.m.	North Scott (Mini)—Ridgecrest Village
Thu. 7 a.m.	Iowa Quad Cities—Holiday Inn Davenport
Thu. noon	Milan—Pinnacle Country Club
Thu. 12:15 p.m.	East Moline/Silvis—Christ UM Church
Fri. noon	North Scott—Steeplegate Davenport

Make ups count two weeks before or after a meeting.

You can attend another club or make up online at <http://www.rotaryclubone.org>

CLUBRUNNER ACCESS:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/login.asp?cid=1647&lgValMem=0>

The Object of Rotary:

To encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

