

Dr. Christopher Peters – Health Care Reform



All members were e-mailed Dr. Peters' PowerPoint presentation, so the notes below are comments he made supplemental to his presentation:

The subject of Health Care has been in the forefront for a number of years. It is pretty universal that there are issues that need to be addressed. Some lie within healthcare itself and some in the insurance that provides the coverage.

Two general standpoints have been defined: Medicare for All and Repeal and Replace.

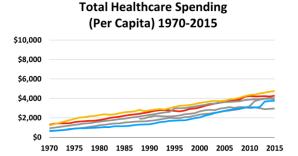
Sides have been taken ... held closely and vehemently defended. Thus, the only movement has been accomplished by the majority party, without much open debate.

Dr. Peters states that the answer is somewhere between the two standpoints. The fact is that Health Care accounts for one-sixth of our GDP and 25 percent of our Federal Budget. Finding solutions should be a priority.

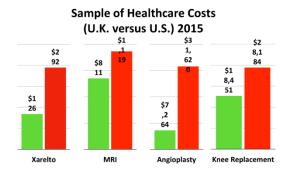
Several slides in Dr. Peters' presentation compared the US to other developed countries. They showed two monetary statistics:

- The US spends much more per capita than the other countries for health care.
- The US government spends much less per capita than the other countries for healthcare.

Please check out these two websites for further information: https://goo.gl/5W9qwv & https://goo.gl/mR7wv9



Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development



International Federation of Health Plans



World Bank and Rotary International celebrate

International Women's Day

By Ryan Hyland Photographs by Karen Sayre

Three Rotary women were recognized on 7 March at the World Bank in Washington, D.C., USA, for their commitment to improving lives through innovative humanitarian projects.

The celebration, hosted by the World Bank Group Staff Association, and sponsored by Rotary International and investment firm Oppenheimer & Co., was one of many events held this week to mark International Women's Day, which is on 8 March each year. It highlighted the positive changes women make around the world. Annette Dixon, vice president of the World Bank for South Asia, moderated the event.



Dr. Geetha Jayaram, a member of the Rotary Club of Howard West, Maryland, USA, addresses mental health issues for poor women in developing countries.





Marie-Irène Richmond-Ahoua, past PolioPlus chair for Côte d'Ivoire, talks about the strides Africa has made toward becoming polio free.

Speaking to more than 300 people, with thousands watching the livestream, Dr. Geetha Jayaram, Marie-Irène Richmond Ahoua, and Danielle De La Fuente, all Rotarians, told their stories and explained how their work helped poor women in India gain access to mental health care, vaccinate hundreds of thousands against polio in West Africa, and empower refugee children around the world.

"These are women of action who are making a huge contribution to the world," Dixon said. "They have given

a lot of themselves to their initiatives and are playing a leadership role for many women."

Jayaram, a a recipient of the Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award, told the audience that her mental health clinic has provided nearly 2,000 poor people, mostly women, each year with comprehensive care in more than 200 villages in southern India.

The Maanasi Clinic, founded by Jayaram, has been recognized by the World Health Organization for its effort to advance mental health care in developing countries. Its services also focus on vision, hearing, geriatric care, and vocational rehabilitation. The clinic, which operates in partnership with St. John's Medical College, has received funding from the Rotary Club of Columbia, Maryland, and Rotary grants. In total, the clinic has reached nearly six million households since it began in 2002.

Marie-Irène Richmond-Ahoua served as Rotary's PolioPlus chair for her country and now helps coordinate immunization activities in West Africa. She is an international communications consultant and worked as an outreach adviser for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire.

Richmond-Ahoua was recognized by Bill Gates at the 2017 Rotary Convention in Atlanta for her role in polio eradication and peace.

Danielle De La Fuente, is co-founder of The Amal Alliance. The nonprofit group empowers refugee children around the world through social development and educational programs. She worked at the National Defense University in Washington, D.C., where she fostered good relations across the Middle East South Asia.

De La Fuente told the audience that 65 million people have been forcibly displaced worldwide, 77 percent of whom are children. "Imagine a world where children have no dreams," De La Fuente said. "That is a reality I choose not to accept."

"The need for compassionate people has never been greater than now," she adds. "What is our future if our next generation is unable to dream? I call on all of you to take action and make a difference."

GUESTS:

Pleasant Valley High School
Students: Austin Halupuik and Grace D'Autico

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Emily S-D reported on her experience at PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar)
- Julia dB announced that an e-mail had been sent to the membership asking to review each bio information
- A Grant Writing Workshop will also be held in March
- Rotary District 6000 Conference will be on April 12th at the Davenport Steeplegate.
- A golf outing, partnering with the Davenport Rotary Club, is being planned.
- Photos are needed for several members for the directory.
- Please contact JD if you have ideas for programs.

SARGE:

Happy/Sad Dollars:

None



50/50:

C'mon **Mike**!: The difference between an Irish wedding and an Irish wake ... one less drink (I'm not sure which is which, though!) ... With 6 cards and \$1,980 in the pot, Soon-to- be-inducted **Brooke Rutledge's** (new member) ticket was drawn ... the pot grows ... the suspense builds!!!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

Mar 22 – Brent Morlok (Bettendorf City Engineer) Mar 29 – Jeff Kaczinski (My Seabee Experience) Apr 5 – Tim Schiffer (Figge Art Museum) Apr 12 – A Toast to Rotary District 6000 (BEST WESTERN STEEPLEGATE) NO morning meeting

LIPCOMING EVENTS:

Mar 23 - Grant Management Seminar in Newton

Mar 24 - District Training Assembly

Apr 12 - Toast to Rotary—Davenport Steeplegate (NO MORNING MEETING)

May 30 - Applications for Community Service Grants due



BIRTHDAYS!!

Mar 2 – Bill McCullough

Mar 2 – J.D. Walls

Mar 13 – Jack Jacks

Mar 18 – Jeff Kaczinski

Mar 30 - Nick Wagner

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES!!

Mar 3 – Bill Gabelmann (7 years)

Mar 29 - Harry Mihm (28 years)

Mar 29 - Tim Perkins (11 years)

Mar 31 – Julia denBlaauwen – (12 years)

ANNIVERSARIES!!

None

FIRST DAY OF SPRING FACTS



- The first known time there was a "spring cleaning" was in 1857.
- While it might sound like an old wives tale, spring fever is both psychological and physiological. The human body can have trouble adjusting to the new temperature and increase in light.
- The first day of spring changes because there are 365.242 days in the Gregorian calendar.
 Sometimes, spring falls on March 20, like in 2016.
 Other times it falls on March 19 or 21. These dates are true for the northern hemisphere. The seasons are flip-flopped in the southern hemisphere.

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NEED TO MAKE UP?

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.rotaryeclubone.org

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

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- **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.