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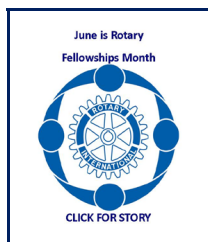
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Posted by Richard Randolph on May 30, 2013

### Kevin Powers and Cathy Wisor "New Directions" Adolescent Services



Located in Santa Rosa, California, New Directions has a 32 year history of providing the highest quality academic services and mental health care to Sonoma County teens. It's roots may be traced back to pioneer Dr. Ned Steinberg. The agency provides education and treatment for adolescents from ages 11-22 who are struggling with emotional and behavioral difficulties and need special help to realize their full potential. Maximum enrollment is now 36, allowing for optimum student/teacher ratios. Children accepted into our programs receive intensive special education assistance in a supportive non public school classroom. Behavioral and academic skills needed for school success are strongly emphasized. At the same time they receive frequent and comprehensive psychotherapeutic support which includes intensive individual, group and family therapy. The overall goal of the program is to help adolescents return to mainstream school while progressing academically toward their high school diploma or equivalent graduation requirements.

The Art Therapy team provides students with a rich opportunity to express themselves creatively and develop a sense of mastery of emotional expression. Parent education and support groups are also provided. New Directions also offers teens one-day field trips to the ocean, parks, forest preserves and areas of educational interest

Director Kevin and Principal Cathy expressed gratitude to club members who participated in the recent Rebuilding America project at their school. The students immediately noticed the additional light provided through the 10 new windows installed, and the newly rediscovered area for a game field previously occupied by poison oak and berries.



SRKSEP Fundraiser  
Posted by Dave Lorenzen on Jun 01, 2013

### SRKSEP Fundraiser - June 8th at Montgomery Village

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This Saturday, June 8th, from NOON to 3, at Montgomery Village is the 2013 Rockin' Concerts At The Village!

This FREE event features the "Silver Beats" tribute band, playing at the Village Court Stage. Admission to all concerts is FREE. Proceeds from the sales of wine and ales benefit the 2013 SRKSEP Travelers.

Come and enjoy the music, meet the travelers for this years Exchange, buy a refreshment that will benefit them!

[Link to event information at Montgomery Village](#)

#### News from Rotary International

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 01, 2013

### World Water Summit draws attention to water's pivotal role



*Ron Denham, a member of the Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton, Ontario, Canada, has served as chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group.*

Water and sanitation are at the nexus of Rotary's six areas of focus, says Ron Denham, of the Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton, Ont., Canada.

"Without water, we'll never have conflict resolution. Without water, we'll never have basic education and literacy," he explains. Denham, who has served as chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG) since its founding in 2007, is stepping down from his post at the end of this month.

On 21 June, he'll speak at the group's fifth World Water Summit, in Lisbon, Portugal. *The Rotarian* caught up with Denham recently for a conversation about water and sanitation.

**THE ROTARIAN:** You recently got back from Uganda. What were you doing there?

**DENHAM:** In Uganda, all 74 Rotary clubs have come together as part of one water program. It's the first time this has happened anywhere. The program was launched by the Ugandan minister of water and environment a year and a half ago. It's going to transform the country.

**TR:** What has changed to make such a program possible?

**DENHAM:** Traditionally, Rotary clubs have thought about small projects. The project might be building a borehole, digging a well, putting in a pipeline. When they've done that, they say, "Now we're finished." The problem is that many of those applications have been unsustainable, because there's no emphasis on behavioral change. There's no emphasis on working with people in the community so they can sustain the systems themselves. So when the Rotarians in Uganda decided they wanted to make a significant impact, I said, "Let's stop talking about small projects. Let's think big." Getting water and sanitation is not an end in itself – it's the means to an end.

**TR:** You have a PhD in mechanical engineering. How did you get so deep into water?

**DENHAM:** I was senior partner at a Canadian management consulting firm. Most of our projects in the developing world were rooted in access to water. One project, at Lake Manzala in Egypt, was based on aquaculture and agriculture. In Greece, there was one in the horticultural business, which, again, depends on water. I realized what the impact of water could be. In 2004, incoming RI President Glenn Estess asked me to lead a task force on water. Then in 2007, we formed [WASRAG](#).

**TR:** Why join WASRAG?

**DENHAM:** To engage in discussions about how to ensure your project is sustainable. We will help you promote



- Former General Secretary Ed Futa inducted into Arch C. Klumph Society
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your project among other clubs and find funding. The exchange of information is important. For example, people in many parts of the world are making bio-sand filters and helping communities use them, but the practices are slightly different. On the website, we have a forum where users can share their experiences and learn from one another.

**TR:** Your term ends this year. What happens next for WASRAG, and for you?

**DENHAM:** [Past RI President] Bill Boyd is taking over as chair, which is fantastic. He's probably one of the most highly regarded Rotarians there is, and he's very enthusiastic about water. As for me, I told Bill that I will do whatever he wants me to do. I don't think I'm going to retire quietly. My wife wouldn't tolerate that.

- Learn more about the [World Water Summit](#)
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### Special Dates For June

Posted by Dave Lorenzen on Jun 01, 2013

## Birthday's and Anniversaries for June

### Member Birthdays

Name	Date
Randolph, Richard	Jun 03
Kelly, Mike	Jun 06
Millar, Penny	Jun 07
Lorenzen, Dave	Jun 10
Miller, Tim	Jun 12
Seelye, Randy	Jun 20
Davis, Stephen	Jun 21

### Spouse Birthdays

Name	Spouse Of	Date
Holder, Tricia	Holder, Scott	Jun 07
Lorenzen, Dave	Lorenzen, Shauna	Jun 10
Bridges, Dee Dee	Bridges, Max	Jun 14
O'Rear, Paul	Millar, Penny	Jun 14
Herron, Laura	Herron, Steve	Jun 23
Moir, Melinda	Moir, Jim	Jun 23
Magnusdottir, Lara	Miller, Tim	Jun 26
Paul, Jane	Jones, Ross	Jun 30

### Anniversaries

Name	Spouse Name	Years	Date
Childs, Max	Childs, Venus	16 years	Jun 01, 1997
Eakin, Tom	Eakin, Joanne	20 years	Jun 05, 1993
Petro, Ken	Petro, Doris	52 years	Jun 18, 1961
Zwick, Steve	Zwick, Jaqui	46 years	Jun 18, 1967
Harryman, Ralph	Harryman, Kathy	48 years	Jun 19, 1965
Smith, Warren	Smith, Wendy	38 years	Jun 20, 1975
Shureen, Doug	Shureen, Barbara	28 years	Jun 21, 1985
Davis, Daniel	Davis, Susan	40 years	Jun 22, 1973
Hoberg, Peter	Hoberg, Molly	28 years	Jun 22, 1985



### RI President's Message

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 01, 2013

## June 2013



Dear fellow Rotarians,

A Rotary convention is a powerful thing, and a first convention is an experience you never forget. My first was in Chicago, in 1980. That was the year I was president of the Rotary Club of Yashio. I thought we should learn more about Rotary, so I asked nine other members of my club to join me, and we traveled to Chicago together. We did not know what to expect from a Rotary convention. What we found was more than any of us had imagined.

That convention showed me Rotary, and changed me forever. It gave our club something to strive for. I came to that convention as a member of a Rotary club. I left it as a Rotarian. The feeling that entered my heart in Chicago is still there today.

I am glad I will have the opportunity, as an RI president from Japan, to be part of the convention in Portugal. Portugal and Japan have a history together that began in the year 1542. This was the year that a Portuguese boat landed on a southern Japanese island. The Portuguese sailors did not plan to come to Japan. Strong winds blew their boat off course. But it was a happy accident, and the beginning of a peaceful and prosperous relationship.

In 1993, Japan and Portugal celebrated 450 years of good relations. Portugal was the first European country visited by the Japanese, in the middle of the 16th century. And the long Portuguese presence in Japan has had a lasting effect on my country.

The Portuguese found Japan by accident. But it is no accident that Lisbon has been chosen for this convention. Lisbon is A Harbor for Peace. And peace is the theme of this convention, as it has been the theme between Japan and Portugal for nearly 500 years.

As Rotarians, we work toward peace in many ways. We do it through humanitarian service. We do it through our belief in Service Above Self. And we work toward peace simply by being who we are. Every year, when we come together for a Rotary convention, we see, for a few days, the world as it could be. We see people of all colors and cultures come together. We work to build a better world.

I hope you will join me, and your fellow Rotarians, as we celebrate this year of *Peace Through Service* together.

Sakuji Tanaka  
President, Rotary International



#### Sunshine

Posted by Max Bridges on May 30, 2013

### Sunrise Sunshine Report

Harry Coffey reported that **Bill Fogarty** is recovering from a burst appendix that occurred while Bill was in Seattle.

Prez. Jennifer reminded Sunrisers that **Ross Andress** had foot surgery.

All our best for speedy recovery, Bill and Ross!



#### Message from the Foundation Trustee Chair

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 01, 2013

### June 2013



As I write this message for the month of June, I find myself happy and a little bit sad. I'm happy because during my 50 years in Rotary, I have been privileged to see how much good my Rotarian friends have done in this world.

I've been able to witness the smiling faces of schoolchildren who have desks, blackboards, books, running water, playgrounds, and youth clubs, all of which were organized, funded, and maintained by Rotarians. I've put drops of polio vaccine into the mouths of children in many countries as we have worked to eradicate polio.

I've been pleased to speak with popes, patriarchs, and clerics of virtually every religion, all of whom have told me of the good work of Rotarians. These messages were echoed in the remarks of kings, presidents, prime ministers, and ambassadors as I've traveled the world on behalf of Rotary.

As I step down as chair of our Rotary Foundation, I am eager for the worldwide launch of the Future Vision Plan – a plan that, when fully implemented, will have our Foundation singled out as a model for sustainable projects benefiting millions of people in years to come.

When I was your president, I told you that *Rotary Shares*. As your Foundation chair, I can only emphasize that statement. It is our desire and willingness to share that has made the theme chosen by RI President Sakuji Tanaka, *Peace Through Service*, so significant and poignant. And in the year to come, I wholly endorse the theme that President-elect Ron Burton has chosen – that those who *Engage Rotary* will *Change Lives*, including their own.

I welcome my successor, Past RI President Dong Kurn Lee, and wish him and his Board of Trustees the very best as they pursue the objective of our Foundation – to do good in the world.

Wilfrid J Wilkinson  
Foundation Trustee Chair



Remember the Pictures  
Posted by Max Bridges on May 30, 2013

### Check Out the Pictures from the Weekly Meetings

[Link to Meeting Sightings](#)



On a regular basis, our resident photo pros Warren Smith and Steve Davis submit pictures of what is going on at the weekly meetings. You can always find the most recent pictures at the website's photo journal called "Meeting Sighting". Please note that all the meeting photos for the entire Rotary year are at this location with the most recent on the last page.

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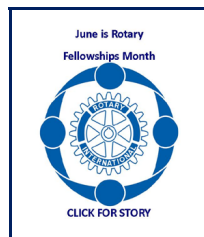
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Naty's philosophy and practice is aptly expressed by Dr Martin Luther King Jr in DDW's Newsletter: "We must use time creatively. and forever realize that the time is always ripe to do right."

**News from Rotary International**

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 05, 2013

**Three-day event provides free health care to thousands in Africa**



*Bongi Ngema-Zuma, first lady of South Africa, helps coax a child to open his mouth for the oral polio vaccine at the Levai Mbatha Community Health Center 11 May.*

In 1994, Marion Bunch lost her son, Jerry, to AIDS.

It was early in the U.S. AIDS epidemic, and the stigma of the disease kept her from talking about her son's illness with anyone but family members. But three years later, Bunch recalls feeling a tap on her shoulder and hearing a voice telling her to "get up and get going."

"It was an epiphany ... that completely altered the course of my life," she says.

Within a year, Bunch, a member of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody, Georgia, proposed an idea to her club, and through Rotary, began bringing together community and professional leaders who shared her passion for disease prevention in general. That was the start of Rotarians for Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA), a Rotarian Action Group that received recognition from the RI Board in 2004.

**Health Days**

Last month, the group held its third annual Rotary Family Health Days in Africa. Rotarians from 365 Rotary clubs fanned out across Uganda, Nigeria, and South Africa to help medical professionals and government



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The event included polio and measles immunizations, dental and eye clinics, and family counseling and screening for HIV, diabetes and hypertension, breast cancer, and cervical cancer. Volunteers also handed out insecticide-treated bed nets, deworming tablets, and sanitary pads.

"The reach of this project is so phenomenal because of the presence of Rotarians all across these countries who felt emotionally connected by working together as one force on one project," Bunch says.

In South Africa, 225 Rotary clubs participated at 160 sites; in Uganda, 65 clubs supported 120 sites; and across Lagos and Ogun states in southern Nigeria, 62 clubs supported 70 sites. Two Rotary Foundation global grants provided funding to send vocational training teams to Uganda and to pay for malaria-preventive bed nets in Nigeria.

"The heartbeat of the health care system must be prevention of disease and the promotion of health rather than [trying] to cure disease, rather than trying to fix it after," says Dr. Aaron Motsoaledi, South Africa's national minister of health.

Volunteer Chris Pretorius, a member of the Rotary Club of Pretoria Sunrise, South Africa, was amazed by the turnout for the Health Days event.

"One of the members of the health department actually said they had never been able to get so many children here on a day like this," he says. "That in itself is success."

### Working with partners

The campaign also illustrates how Rotary partners with other organizations to expand its impact. Since 2011, RFHA has partnered with the Coca-Cola Africa Foundation, which contributed US\$450,000 for this year's three-country event. Other partners were South Africa's Department of Health, South Africa Broadcasting Corporation, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, USAID, Delta Airlines, and Nampak (a producer of sanitary pads).

"We are proud to have partnered with RFHA and the Department of Health in promoting access to health screening services," says Therese Gearhart, president of Coca-Cola South Africa. "At Coca-Cola, we invest in these initiatives because, together with our partners, we have a common vision of a South Africa that comprises healthy, strong, and thriving communities."

Leaders of the Rotarian Action Group hope to expand the event to more African countries each year.

"Rotary is the catalyst organization in this event because of the power and (political) neutrality of our brand and the respect we receive worldwide for our ability to mobilize communities into action," Bunch says. "This event represents the power of public/private partnerships. No one organization can do a massive event like this alone. Each partner has a defined role and set of responsibilities, and that's why it works."

- Learn more about [RFHA](#) and other [Rotarian Action Groups](#)
- Read a [blog post from Stéphanie Tobler Mucznik](#), a senior media relations specialist for RI who spent a week with a film crew in Johannesburg documenting the three-day family health event.
- Read a [blog post from RFHA founder Marion Bunch](#).

### Report from District Conference

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 10, 2013

## Santa Rosa Sunrise 2013 Awards



Prez Jennifer reported that Sunrise received awards for **Club Communications** and **New Generations** at



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Posted by Dave Lorenzen on Jun 01, 2013

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**News from District 5130**

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 10, 2013

**Eureka Rotarian Receives Worldwide Recognition**



Dr. Kim Bauriedel, a retired urologist from Eureka CA, was recently nominated for the Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award. Bauriedel joined a distinguished group of 18 Rotarians from all over the world who were nominated in 2012.

The Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award celebrates Rotary Foundation alumni whose extraordinary service activities and professional achievements exemplify the Rotary ideal of Service Above Self.

Bauriedel has a long list of credits to his name. His leadership and participation has included that of Group Study Exchange team leader in Russia's Siberian region, and participation in approximately 39 projects in Siberia. These projects included helping to bring donated medical equipment to the area to assist Siberian hospitals, schools and orphanages.

He has participated widely in humanitarian work, including assisting with numerous matching grant projects, helping to charter new Rotary clubs, and leading friendship exchanges, including five personal trips to Siberia, (two of which included bringing Friendship Teams into Siberia), and approximately 5 visits of Siberians to Eureka.

Tomsk, Russia presented Bauriedel with the Oblast Medal for Humanitarian and Merciful works in 2006 (the first time this award was presented to a non-Russian). Barnaul, Russia presented him with the Silver Mercury Award (also in 2006) for his humanitarian work in their community.

The Alumnus nominees are nominated by the regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator from their respective regions. The Foundation Trustees then select the global winner. This year's winner was recently announced as John Skerritt of Australia. Bauriedel said, 'he was honored and humbled to receive the nomination and congratulated John Skerritt on receiving the award.'

Bauriedel was born and raised in Humboldt County, graduated from Stanford University, University of California-San Francisco Medical School, Vanderbilt University and went on to operate his own Urology Practice in Eureka, CA for many years, retiring in 1997.

He is a Distinguished Eagle Scout and has received numerous awards from the Boy Scouts of America, including the Distinguished Citizen of the Year award from the Redwood Empire Council in 2006. Bauriedel has served on many non-profit boards and is celebrating his 32<sup>nd</sup> anniversary with his wife, Sile Bauriedel (of Dublin, Ireland). They have a son, Thomas who resides in Eureka.

Bauriedel is a current member and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation past president of the Rotary Club of Eureka.



#### RI President's Message

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 01, 2013

### June 2013



#### Dear fellow Rotarians,

A Rotary convention is a powerful thing, and a first convention is an experience you never forget. My first was in Chicago, in 1980. That was the year I was president of the Rotary Club of Yashio. I thought we should learn more about Rotary, so I asked nine other members of my club to join me, and we traveled to

Chicago together. We did not know what to expect from a Rotary convention. What we found was more than any of us had imagined.

That convention showed me Rotary, and changed me forever. It gave our club something to strive for. I came to that convention as a member of a Rotary club. I left it as a Rotarian. The feeling that entered my heart in Chicago is still there today.

I am glad I will have the opportunity, as an RI president from Japan, to be part of the convention in Portugal. Portugal and Japan have a history together that began in the year 1542. This was the year that a Portuguese boat landed on a southern Japanese island. The Portuguese sailors did not plan to come to Japan. Strong winds blew their boat off course. But it was a happy accident, and the beginning of a peaceful and prosperous relationship.

In 1993, Japan and Portugal celebrated 450 years of good relations. Portugal was the first European country visited by the Japanese, in the middle of the 16th century. And the long Portuguese presence in Japan has had a lasting effect on my country.

The Portuguese found Japan by accident. But it is no accident that Lisbon has been chosen for this convention. Lisbon is A Harbor for Peace. And peace is the theme of this convention, as it has been the theme between Japan and Portugal for nearly 500 years.

As Rotarians, we work toward peace in many ways. We do it through humanitarian service. We do it through our belief in Service Above Self. And we work toward peace simply by being who we are. Every year, when we come together for a Rotary convention, we see, for a few days, the world as it could be. We see people of all colors and cultures come together. We work to build a better world.

I hope you will join me, and your fellow Rotarians, as we celebrate this year of *Peace Through Service* together.

Sakuji Tanaka  
President, Rotary International



Sunshine

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 06, 2013

### Sunrise Sunshine Report

**Bill Fogarty** returned from Seattle without his appendix and **Ross Andress** is recovering at home from his foot surgery and hopes to join us for breakfast in a couple weeks.



Message from the Foundation Trustee Chair

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 01, 2013

### June 2013



As I write this message for the month of June, I find myself happy and a little bit sad. I'm happy because during my 50 years in Rotary, I have been privileged to see how much good my Rotarian friends have done in this world.

I've been able to witness the smiling faces of schoolchildren who have desks, blackboards, books, running water, playgrounds, and youth clubs, all of which were organized, funded, and maintained by Rotarians. I've put drops of polio vaccine into the mouths of children in many countries as we have worked to eradicate polio.

I've been pleased to speak with popes, patriarchs, and clerics of virtually every religion, all of whom have told me of the good work of Rotarians. These messages were echoed in the remarks of kings, presidents, prime ministers, and ambassadors as I've traveled the world on behalf of Rotary.

As I step down as chair of our Rotary Foundation, I am eager for the worldwide launch of the Future Vision Plan – a plan that, when fully implemented, will have our Foundation singled out as a model for sustainable projects benefiting millions of people in years to come.

When I was your president, I told you that *Rotary Shares*. As your Foundation chair, I can only emphasize that statement. It is our desire and willingness to share that has made the theme chosen by RI President Sakuji Tanaka, *Peace Through Service*, so significant and poignant. And in the year to come, I wholly endorse the theme that President-elect Ron Burton has chosen – that those who *Engage Rotary* will *Change Lives*, including their own.

I welcome my successor, Past RI President Dong Kurn Lee, and wish him and his Board of Trustees the very best as they pursue the objective of our Foundation – to do good in the world.

Wilfrid J Wilkinson  
Foundation Trustee Chair





Remember the Pictures  
Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 06, 2013

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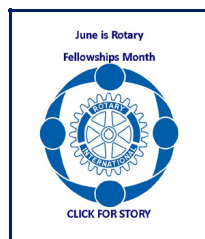
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### Our own Peter Treleven, Steve Amend & Don Floriani Travelling to Kagoshima, Japan

Peter, Steve and Don will provide the highlights of their 2013 trip to Kagoshima to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Kagoshima West!



For additional photos go to [Kagoshima 50th](#).



**Fore the Fun & Funds**  
Posted by Richard Randolph on Jun 14, 2013

### 24th. Annual Golf Tournament at Oakmont on June 14

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Over 130 golfers took part in our annual golf fund raising tournament, this year again held on the Valley of the Moon's scenic Oakmont West Course. Rotarians from host Sunrise Club were challenged and supported by fellow local members of other clubs and the community at large. Event organizer Steve Zwick deserves a hearty "well done" for pulling together tremendous community and club sponsor's financial and logistic support. Thanks also to Ross Jones for directing volunteers to their respective assignments. As the pictures show, Sunriser's Ken Petro & Vicki Lockner metered out ace tequila & light snacks, Don, Wendy & son Matt Floriani showed enjoying golf runs well in the family, and Ken Petro's company, IES conditioned the air with the scent of fine cigars. Quintessentially Active Rotarian, even in a foot cast, Ross Andress, with wife-Rotarian Stacey, found an appropriate way to contribute their time during registration. While no club members themselves garnered awards, spouses, Paul O'Rourke received closest to the pin, and Bob Aita's foursome female member hit the longest ladies drive.

The picture perfect day was capped off with 19th hole activities on the Quail Inn deck and indoors with a freshly composed slideshow provided by Warren Smith & Steve Davis, Sunrise photographers.

Thanks again to Chair Zwick and to all Sunrise volunteers and Tournament supporters for providing generous contributions to fund our local and International efforts!



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#### Outdoor Adventure

Posted by Jim Moir on Jun 16, 2013

### Interact/Rotary Camping trip to Pt. Reyes



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*From the left, Itzel, Alexis, Annie, Jazmin, Amy, Jim and Tom*

Penny Millar, Tom Hauck (Linda's husband) and yours truly, Jim Moir, took 5 interact kids from Elsie Allen to Pt. Reyes for 3 days of camping, exploring and hiking. The four girls and one boy got a chance to sleep on the ground, cook the meals, do the dishes and learn all about living "outside".

On the first evening, we set up camp and were "entertained" with a bit of rain, thunder and lightning. All managed to stay dry.

In the morning, we hiked from the main ranger station along the Bear Valley trail out to Arch Rock. This 8 mile round trip hike was through a very mature evergreen forest where we stopped for a leisurely lunch at the ocean and then returning by the same route.

On the last day, we drove out to the lighthouse and then walked the beach at Drakes Bay before returning to Santa Rosa.

Penny, Tom and I were all very impressed by the students, their maturity, and their curiosity about nature. It was a delight to spend several days with them and it reinforced our belief that supporting Interact is a valuable contribution for Rotary to support.



Additional photos may be found at the [2013 Internet Camping Photo Album](#).



**SRKSEP Fundraiser this Saturday**  
Posted by Dave Lorenzen on Jun 17, 2013

**SRKSEP Garage Sale Fundraiser this Saturday**

This Saturday, June 22, from 8 to 2, this years SRKSEP team will be having a Garage Sale fundraiser, at the host garage of Dave and Shauna Lorenzen, 5735 Los Alamos Court.

If you want to donate anything to the cause, let Dave or Shauna know by Friday evening, or drop by on Saturday to support the students, and maybe find a future treasure!

## Guatemala Rotarians use global grants to help school children receive a better education



*Proximos Pasos principal Mirna Perez discusses the global grant project that benefited her school with Rotarian Jorge Aufranc.*

At Próximos Pasos school for girls in Santa María de Jesús, Guatemala, the students look happy, healthy, and energetic.

Unlike their counterparts at some schools in the country, the girls have access to clean water and proper nutrition, and the results are apparent. The girls are able to focus on their studies, and they express an enthusiasm for their education.

"We saw many changes in the kids, in the teachers, and in the community," says Jorge Aufranc, past governor of District 4250 and a member of the Rotary Club of Guatemala Sur. "They appreciate the work that Rotary has done."

A Rotary Foundation global grant implemented by the Guatemala Sur club provided the school with computers and a machine called a mechanical cow, which produces soy milk. The device is made of stainless steel and does not look much like a cow.

Soybeans are put into a funnel at the top, and about 45 minutes later, they have been turned into soy milk and a pulp called okara, which is used in the school's cooking classes. On one recent day, the girls were using the okara to make cookies.

Aufranc's district has used the [Rotary Foundation's new grants](#) to help many schools in the area. It took part in the three-year pilot of the new grant system, during which 43 global grants have been undertaken in the district, including five by the Guatemala Sur club. The pilot ends 1 July, and the new grants then become available to all districts.

The Guatemala Sur club began with projects that address needs they deemed critical. For example, one global grant is providing nine rural schools in Sumpango with washing stations, latrines, kitchen equipment, and furniture.

"Everything begins with water," Aufranc says. "If there is no water, we cannot have peace. Where there is a lack of water, there is conflict."

### Partnerships are essential

For the grant used at Próximos Pasos, the Guatemala Sur club partnered with clubs from districts 6420 and 6440 (Illinois, USA), as well as Mission Impact and the World Soy Foundation. Aufranc says working with these other organizations is part of what made the grant successful.

"You have to involve as many Rotarians as you can, locally and internationally," Aufranc says. "With Future Vision, there has been resistance because people think, 'oh we have to think bigger and bigger.' But that's how you make an impact in a community. You have to think big."

His district's extensive experience with global grants has made Aufranc an advocate of the new grants.

He believes community involvement is essential to any Rotary project. Several of Guatemala Sur's global grants were made possible by the volunteer labor of community members and input from local leaders.

"To have a good project, a sustainable project, you have to involve the community. If the community participates from the beginning, they feel they have ownership of the project, and this helps guarantee sustainability," he explains. "We have to think of it as their project, not ours. It is a project of the community, not a Rotary project."

Mirna Pérez, the principal of Próximos Pasos, also believes involving her community made the project possible. She says keys to success included the sharing of responsibility by Rotarians and community members, good communication, and flexibility.

"We are thankful to Rotary for helping us and bringing change to the lives of our students and the community," Pérez says. "Our communities need more opportunities, and Rotary gives us those opportunities. We utilize everything and we work our hardest to put everything to good use."

Learn more about [The Rotary Foundations new grant model](#)



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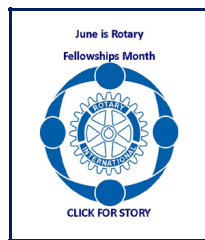
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**A Club Assembly  
Lead by President Jennifer**



We will be discussing and voting on a potential Bylaw change regarding how dues will be adjusted and approved in the future and the increase in the amount of dues.

Also we will be giving an update on the goals we met and the contributions made during the year.

We will have printed copies of the financials for your review as well.

Not a meeting that should be missed!!



[Program Highlights from June 20th.....](#)  
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Sunrise Past President's Peter, Steve and Don traveled to Kagoshima with their spouses to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Kagoshima West!

"Very clean"; "The whole country is pruned"; "A country with Historic Conscience": These were some of the more descriptive comments made of what has to have been the trip of a lifetime for our members and their wives. Starting with a Tokyo tour amidst the 12 million residents in the nation's capital, Steve, and Peter were frequently featured in Don, aka "Cecil B" Floriani's photos during the trip. Memorable stops included the Shinto Shrine, Hiroshima Peace Memorial, and it's nearby surviving tree from the nuclear blast ending World War II, observing a ferris wheel style parking garage, seeing familiar faces such as Dr Mori, Japan's Jack London authority who visits here with our SRKSEP students, not to mention the generous, gracious hospitality meted by the Kagoshima Rotarians shepherding Amends, Florianis, and Treleaven's. From a 4 AM walk through the fish market, to the surprise Rotarian greeting on the Bullet Train, Steve & Kathleen, Don & Wendy along with Peter & Marie demonstrated what Rotarians been discovering for decades: Service Above Self Builds Goodwill & Better Friendships. The Kagoshima West and Santa Rosa Sunrise Rotary clubs have developed an ongoing fellowship through their exchange program which is bridging international understanding. At the official celebration of the Kagoshima Club's 50th anniversary, additional evidence of the strength of Rotary's efforts towards peace was shown in the establishment of a sister Club relationship in Taiwan.

Thank you's to Steve, Don and Peter for representing Santa Rosa Sunrise and keeping our 27 youth exchange cycles, since 1989, current and strong!

For photos from their trip go to [Kagoshima 50th!](#)



Sunrise Rotary Hike June 22, 2013  
Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 24, 2013

### Bartholomew Park in Sonoma



Sunrisers and their friends enjoyed the 2+ mile journey of moderate difficulty through the beautiful grounds of the Bartholomew Park Winery followed by a picnic on the winery grounds before enjoying the wine and history of the winery.



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Additional photos from this one and all of the other 2012-13 hikes may be found at: [2012-13 Hiking Trips](#)

#### New Member

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 20, 2013

### Carolyn Anderson joins Santa Rosa Sunrise



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Carolyn got a B.S. at Miami University and an M.S. and Ph.D. at the Universe of Illinois. She has taught in a nursery school, an elementary school, high school psychology and then moved to Humboldt State University where she was a Master of Arts and Science thesis advisor as well as taught a number of classes including computer and education technology, school administration, Native American Education studies and grant writing.

She has also been a volunteer at many places including Bouverie nature preserve, an Instructional Trainer at the Adult Literacy League, Director of a Junior Women's club Children's Theater, and many more activities.

No stranger to Rotary, Carolyn is a past president of the Rotary Club of the Valley of the Moon and the Current District Secretary. She and partner George Reese recently relocated to the Fountaingrove area.

**Welcome Carolyn!**

**New Paul Harris Fellows**

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 20, 2013

- Randy Seelye for his mother, Gloria Seelye**
- Vicki Lockner for her grand daughter, Ashley Ranasinghe**
- Ken Petro for his son, John Petro**



*Frank presents the three new Paul Harris Fellows*



**Special Dates For June**

Posted by Dave Lorenzen on Jun 01, 2013

**Birthday's and Anniversaries for June**  
**Member Birthdays**

Name	Date
Randolph, Richard	Jun 03
Kelly, Mike	Jun 06
Millar, Penny	Jun 07
Lorenzen, Dave	Jun 10
Miller, Tim	Jun 12
Seelye, Randy	Jun 20
Davis, Stephen	Jun 21

**Spouse Birthdays**

Name	Spouse Of	Date
Holder, Tricia	Holder, Scott	Jun 07
Lorenzen, Dave	Lorenzen, Shauna	Jun 10
Bridges, Dee Dee	Bridges, Max	Jun 14
O'Rear, Paul	Millar, Penny	Jun 14
Herron, Laura	Herron, Steve	Jun 23
Moir, Melinda	Moir, Jim	Jun 23
Magnusdottir, Lara	Miller, Tim	Jun 26
Paul, Jane	Jones, Ross	Jun 30

**Anniversaries**

Name	Spouse Name	Years	Date
Childs, Max	Childs, Venus	16 years	Jun 01, 1997
Eakin, Tom	Eakin, Joanne	20 years	Jun 05, 1993



Petro, Ken	Petro, Doris	52 years	Jun 18, 1961
Zwick, Steve	Zwick, Jaqui	46 years	Jun 18, 1967
Harryman, Ralph	Harryman, Kathy	48 years	Jun 19, 1965
Smith, Warren	Smith, Wendy	38 years	Jun 20, 1975
Shureen, Doug	Shureen, Barbara	28 years	Jun 21, 1985
Davis, Daniel	Davis, Susan	40 years	Jun 22, 1973
Hoberg, Peter	Hoberg, Molly	28 years	Jun 22, 1985

#### News from Rotary International

Posted by Max Bridges on Jun 23, 2013

### The Rotary world comes to Lisbon for the opening of the 2013 convention



*RI President Sakuji Tanaka addresses the opening plenary of the convention. Alyce Henson/Rotary International*

Several centuries ago, Portuguese explorers set sail from Lisbon to explore the world over the seas.

On Sunday, the world, or at least representative parts of it, came to Lisbon, as Rotarians from more than 225 countries and geographic areas gathered for the opening plenary session of the 2013 Rotary International Convention, Lisbon: A Harbor for Peace.

Peace took center stage all day. During his opening remarks, RI President Sakuji Tanaka, who selected *Peace Through Service* as this year's RI theme, shared how he came to make a connection between peace and service. He recalled that he was still very young when he heard the radio broadcast by Japanese Emperor Hirohito announcing the end of World War II.

"Until that day, the country had been working together to win the war. Now, we would work together to rebuild. And we would work together to build a new identity for Japan: one that was committed to peace," he said.

Tanaka said when he joined the Rotary Club of Yashio, Japan, years later, he learned about the idea of Service Above Self.

"Through Rotary, I realized that I was working to make other people's lives better. I wanted to serve my customers, not only for my own profit, but so that they would be happier from my work, and my employees would also have better lives," he said. "Now, I see my business in a very different way. And I see Rotary service as an idea that is not limited to my Rotary club. Everything we do for other people helps to make the world a better place."

Tanaka said that by meeting basic human needs and engaging in international service projects, Rotary builds peace daily. He said he has seen the many different ways that Rotarians build peace through service during his year as president.

"Here in Lisbon, at this Rotary convention, we have the chance to experience the world as it could be: with people from every continent united to make their world a better place," he said. "Here, we see how little our differences matter. Here, we focus on what is truly important: what we can do to help others live better and happier lives."

Portugal's Minister of Solidarity and Social Security, Pedro Mota Soares, praised Rotarians for their peacemaking efforts and for tackling large causes like the eradication of polio.

"What is important to Rotary is important to Portugal, it is important to any country, and it is important to the world," he said. "You put your interest aside for the benefit of the world. It is something we as politicians should do more often."

The quartet *Il Divo*, composed of Swiss tenor Urs Buhler, Spanish baritone Carlos Marin, French pop artist Sebastien Izambard, and American tenor David Miller, performed at the conclusion of the plenary. Buhler noted that the members of the group, being from four different countries, share Rotary's understanding of the importance of setting aside personal differences to work for the common good.

After the plenary, Bill Thompson, a member of the Rotary Club of Port Orange South Daytona, Florida, said he felt the emphasis on peace is very appropriate.

"Especially given the conflict that is going on in the world, to have an organization like Rotary making such an influence is very gratifying," he said.

Assam Musonza, a member of the Rotary Club of Gweru, Zimbabwe, referred to the conflict in his own country.

"Peace is quite an important theme," he said. "Peace is not just about villages not fighting each other. It's about peace within us. Because when we have peace within ourselves, we do not want to fight with each other."

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**Remember the Pictures**

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**Check Out the Pictures from the Weekly Meetings**

[Link to Meeting Sightings](#)



On a regular basis, our resident photo pros Warren Smith and Steve Davis submit pictures of what is going on at the weekly meetings. You can always find the most recent pictures at the website's photo journal called "Meeting Sighting" Please note that all the meeting photos for the entire Rotary year are at this location with the most recent on the last page.

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