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K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

Rotary Club of Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran is CEO and founder of Printcare PLC, a publicly listed printing, packaging, and digital media solutions company. It is arguably the world's largest supplier of tea bag packaging, catering to nearly every major tea brand, with manufacturing facilities in Sri Lanka and India. Printcare is the winner of national and international awards of excellence. Ravindran has been a featured speaker at several international print and packaging forums.

Ravindran also serves on the board of several other companies in Sri Lanka and India and charitable trusts, including the MJF (Dilmah) Charitable Foundation. He is the founding president of the Rotary-sponsored Sri Lanka Anti Narcotics Association, the largest such agency in Sri Lanka. During the country's civil war, Ravindran was involved in the business community efforts to find peaceful solutions to the conflict and was a featured speaker at the United Nations-sponsored peace conference in New York for the Sri Lankan diaspora in 2002.

A third generation Rotarian and a member himself since the age of 21, Ravindran has served on the Rotary International Board of Directors and The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees and as RI treasurer.

As his country's national PolioPlus chair, Ravindran headed a joint task force of the Sri Lankan government, UNICEF, and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a ceasefire with the northern militants during National Immunization Days. Aided by Rotary's efforts, Sri Lanka reported its last case of polio in 1994.

(K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran biography Continued)

He also chaired the Schools Reawakening project, in which Rotary District 3220 raised more than \$12 million to rebuild over 20 tsunami-devastated schools to benefit 14,000 children. He continues to play a role in his club's project to build a cancer prevention and early detection center in Sri Lanka. Once completed, it will be the only dedicated national facility to offer comprehensive screening and early detection services.

Ravindran is a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, Distinguished Service Award, and Service Award for a Polio-Free World.

He and Vanathy have been married since 1975, and they have two children and a recently born grandchild.

CALL TO ORDER

President Gene Long began his first meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m. **President Gene** served as our official greeter. Leading us in the pledge was **Gary Monk** and PP **Bob Spears** provided the invocation. **Richard Hansen** was the note taker.

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

The only visitor today was our speaker, **Bill Tobin** from the Rotary Club of El Dorado Hills.

July Board Meeting

The Board and Planning meeting will be held at: Hallsten Corporation Conference Room at 5:30pm on July 14th at 6944 34th Street North Highlands. All Club Members are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

North Highlands Jubilee

Jeff Donlevy reminded the Rotarians that the NH Jubilee will be on **Saturday, October 10, 2015**. **Jeff** will need help with this event and will be forming various committees to orchestrate this event. Be thinking about how you want to participate.

Missing Gavel

President Gene admitted that he forgot to bring his new gavel, he bonged the gong for \$100 to the Rotary Foundation.

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Presentation of Club Officer Lapel Pins

President Gene presented pins to:

Dominic Mecklenburg, *Treasurer*

Roland Wright, *Secretary*

Patrick Magnani, *Youth Services*

Bob Meyer, *International Service*

Gary Monk, *Vocational Service*

Jeff Donlevy, *Community Service*

David Stone, *Program*

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015

GREETER: Patrick Magnani

PLEDGE: Roland Wright

INVOCATION:

NOTE TAKER: RICHARD HANSEN

JOKES

PP **Bob Spears** told a funny joke. All agreed he should receive a fine-free pass.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

CLUB CALENDAR:

- JULY 13 SOLAR CITY
- JULY 14 BOARD MEETING/PLANNING SESSION
LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED
- JULY 20 LUNCH AT THE COFFEE HANGAR
CAFÉ, 5411 LUCE AVENUE
(ORDER & PAY-AT-THE-COUNTER-
LUNCH)
- JULY 27 CLUB ASSEMBLY
- AUG. 31 DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT
- SEPT. 14 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ANNE MARIE
SCHUBERT

DISTRICT 5180 CALENDAR:

- JULY 25 FOUNDATION, YOUTH SERVICES AND
LITERACY SEMINAR
- AUG 15 ZONE 25/26 NEW FOCUS MEMBERSHIP
SUMMIT
- AUG. 24 6TH ANNUAL ROTARY DISTRICT 5180
GOVERNOR'S CUP
- SEPT. 19 FOUNDATION SEMINAR
- NOV. 7 DISTRICT FOUNDATION DINNER
DOUBLE TREE HOTEL
KEY NOTE SPEAKER - STEVEN SOLOMAN
FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
- MAY 19-22 DISTRICT CONFERENCE,
BERKELEY DOUBLE TREE HOTEL
KEY NOT SPEAKER: MICHAEL MCQUEEN

FINES AND RECOGNITIONS

No fines today in the absence of Finemaster
Maureen McBride.



Of the things we think, say or do

1. *Is it the TRUTH?*
2. *Is it FAIR to all concerned?*
3. *Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?*
4. *Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?*

ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS

NAME

Donlevy, Jeff
Hallsten, John
Hansen, Richard
Kaiser, Joe
Lipp, Gordon
Long, Gene
Magnani, Patrick
McBride, Maureen
Mecklenburg, Dominic
Meyer, Bob
Monagan, Marilee
Morgan, Cheryl (Sam)
Ryan, Richard
Spears, Robert B.
Stone, David M.
Wiggins, Lee N.
Wright, Roland

A Benefactor (has contributed \$1,000 to the Permanent Fund or made provisions in their will of at least \$1,000 benefiting The Rotary Foundation).

BELL RINGERS, GONG BONGERS PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Jordan Backhaus		
Sonja Cameron		PHF
Warren Coffeen		PHF+ 1
Jeff Donlevy		PHF
John Hallsten		PHF+ 5
Richard Hansen		PHF+ 6
Joe Kaiser		PHF+ 7
Gordon Lipp		PHF+ 2
Gene Long	(GRIF)	PHF
Patrick Magnani		PHF
Maureen McBride		PHF+ 8 +
Dominic Mecklenburg		PHF+ 4
Bob Meyer		PHF+ 4
Marilee Monagan		PHF+ 2
Gary Monk		
Sam Morgan		PHF+ 4
Richard Ryan		PHF
Bob Spears		PHF+ 2
David Stone		PHF+ 5
Lee Wiggins		PHF+ 4
Roland Wright		PHF+ 5

Bell Ringer & Gong Codes:

(B) = Bell Ringer hi\$100 to Club

(GFHF) = Gonger \$100 to Club Foundation

(GRIF) = Gonger \$100 to RI Foundation

(RIF) = \$100 to Rotary Foundation

A Paul Harris Fellow is an individual who contributes \$1,000 to the Rotary International Annual Program Fund or other approved programs. Each additional \$1,000 contribution is recognized with a plus and the number.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

PP **David Stone** introduced **Bill Tobin** from the Rotary Club of El Dorado Hills.

Times were rough in the winter of 1987-88, **Bill Tobin** had been laid off from a job as a construction worker and had to support his family; a 3 year old son, Patrick, and his wife, Sherie, who was pregnant with their second child (Danny). Bill learned of a temporary job that offered overtime hours and decent pay. He applied and was hired as one of a dozen temporary employees at Con-Am Inspections in Richmond Ca. for supporting their proposed project at Three Mile Island, Unit 2 which had experienced an accident in 1979.

After six weeks of mock up training, the project was scrapped, but fortunately Bill was asked to stay on as an equipment technician and support at nuclear plant refueling outages.

Now, Twenty Seven years later, Bill holds the highest vocational certifications in Non-Destructive Examinations through the American Society for Non-Destructive Testing (ASNT), and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI).

He has performed managed outage operations, inspections, repairs and acted as Independent Quality Assurance Surveillance at Nuclear Plant in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

Since 2003 Bill has worked for MoreTech International, a small firm of nuclear outage and inspection experts. His main work focus is "north of the border", inspections of the Pickering and Darlington Nuclear plants for the public utility company Ontario Power Generation.

His topic was **Nuclear Power: Better Safe Than Sorry.**

Working as a 'hot body', Equipment Maintenance and Operations Support Tech. 'Hot Body'= One who often works in a highly contaminated & radioactive environment.



Key to Nuclear Plant Safety: Nondestructive Examinations

- **Ultrasonic** (welds, tubing.... pregnant bellies)
- **Radiography** (welds, pipes..., dental x-rays)
- **Visual** (leakage, instruments_say ahhhhhh!)
- **Dye Penetrate** (surface defects)
- **Magnetic Particle** (surface defects)
- **Eddy Current** (surface and subsurface. defects)

What we find

- Cracking due to stress or corrosive attack
- Tube wear due to vibration
- Tube damage due to loose parts
- Tube thinning due to erosion / corrosion
- Geometrical discontinuities (dents, dings)
- Non-relevant signals

Tubes with indications can be retested with specialized probes and, if necessary, taken out of service (plugged).

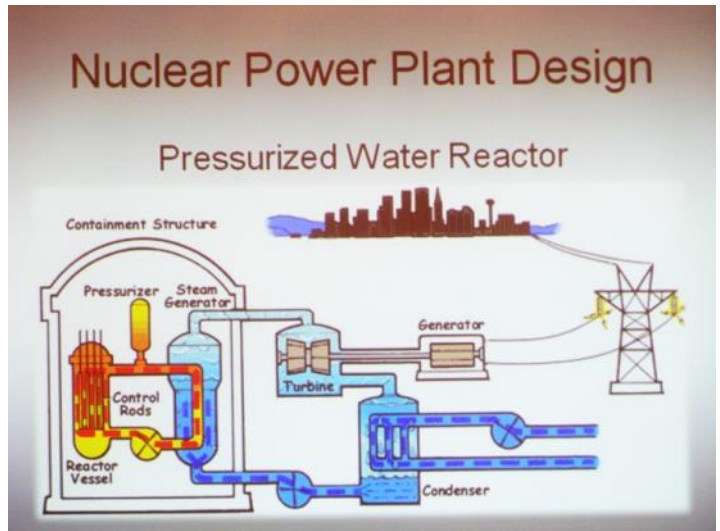
In some cases, the entire Steam Generator needs replacement.

Nuclear Power: State of the Union

- There are 62 commercially operating nuclear plants (100 units) in the U.S.
- 4 units (2 plants) were permanently shutdown in 2013 due to engineering design errors in 'uprates' of newly replaced Steam Generators. (trying to get more power than original design)
- Crystal River Fl. \$835 Million insurance claim
- San Onofre Ca. \$780 Million pending legal issues.
- Nuclear accounts for—17% power generation in U.S.— 10% power generation in California.

The Future

- 5 NEW U.S. units under construction, 7 in license process.
- Continue unit uprates to increase output 15%
- The fastest growing nuclear power industry is China
- "No Nukes" to "Pro Nukes"?
- In the quest for 'greener' energy, the zero emission output of nuclear power is gaining interest even in the environmentally conscious crowd.



After giving the Rotarians a quick overview of a complex topic, **Bill** answered questions from the Rotarians.

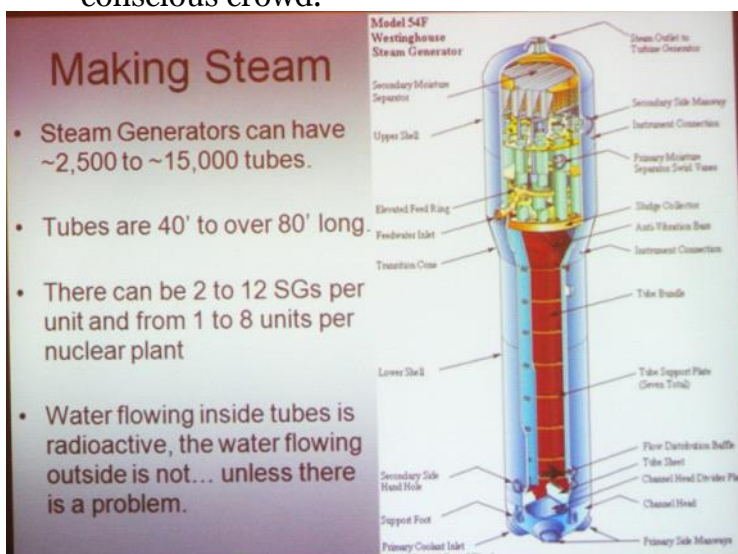


Bill Tobin and President Gene

As is our usual custom, **President Gene** presented **Bill** with a gift in gratitude for his informative presentation.

Then, **President Gene** asked us to raise our glasses and join him in a toast to *Rotary Around the World*.

The meeting was then adjourned.





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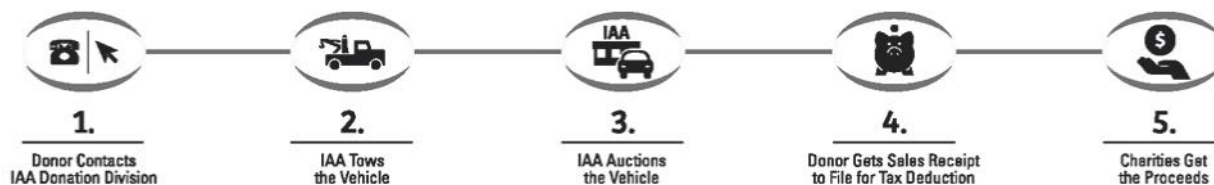
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