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District Governor 2012-13 Daryl and Juanita Hansen Rotary Club of Livingston

READY TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING

The new Rotary year is here and I am ready to hit the ground running, although I am a little overwhelmed by the whole thought of it. Rotary Youth Leadership Award is my first order of business and I am excited to see how far these great young adults grow during their week with us. I am hoping that many of you will have a chance to stop up and see what it is all about. The next week I start the first of my club visits and from then on it seems to be a full schedule.

This year for our District Assembly we are trying something a little different. We are holding this event at the same location as RYLA. It will all kick off on Friday evening with a barbeque and some fun team building exercises, and then off to the campfires to make s'mores and enjoy the evening. The registration can include a bed at the camp. We have several cabins to use and you would have to share the building with other Rotarians. Bring your own bedding or sleeping bags as all you get is a bed. The sunsets up at Luccock Park are beautiful, and in the morning watching the Sunrise over the mountains Faith, Hope, and Chastity can be even more incredible. We have also included a price for you to sign up your children and there is plenty for them to do up at camp. Now then, top all this off with learning more about Rotary, what could get any better than this. But what if a rustic cabin is not your style, with just a short 15 minute drive you can be at Historic Chico Hot Springs where rooms start at \$55 per night. Or you may choose to drive to Livingston and stay at one of our fine motels. If you have a camper we have limited space at Luccock Park, but Pine Creek Campground is a five minute walk from our site. Registration including a bed is only \$100 per Rotarian, \$50 for non Rotarian, or \$80 for just the registration with no bed. We tried to schedule is so it would not interfere with the last weekend before School sports start up again. We have plenty of choices for you and your family to enjoy a relaxing weekend with (CONTINUED ON PAGE 4) great fun and learning as an added bonus.

ASSEMBLY HEADS FOR THE HILLS

For the first time that we know of, the 5390 District Assembly will not be held in a costly and ordinary setting. The family friendly 2012 Assembly will be surrounded by the impressive mountains of Faith, Hope, and Charity in the Gallatin National Forest at the Luccock Park Camp. Rotarians have the **choice** of roughing it at the camp by sharing rustic cabins or staying at the historic Chico Hot Springs to the South or the town of Livingston to the North. Registration is available on-line at the District web site: www.montanarotary.org.

WGIPPA Annual Meeting

The 80th annual International Peace Park Assembly will held in Kalispell on September 14-16th. There are plenty of affordable accommodations and activities that will make for a very enjoyable weekend. Easy registration can be found on the District web site under District Events.



CAMP RYLA 2012

Largest Turnout, First Time Multi-District

During the 2012 District Conference, a session on New Generations highlighted Interact, Rotaract, and RYLA. PDG Carl Prinzing made a great push in encouraging clubs to send kids to camp and it seems to have worked. There were 100 Montana high school students at camp, not counting the Junior and Senior Counselors. We also welcomed two young men from Cody, Wyoming and three campers from Driggs, Idaho. This is the first time we have invited campers from another district.

Students learn various aspects of team building, leadership styles and the importance of recognizing the kindness of others, no matter how small it may be.

Rotarian adult Staff members this year included DG Daryl Hansen, DGE John Stewart and his wife Susan, Lois (Grandma) Lehwalder-Smith from Twin Bridges, PDG Arlene Weber, Camp Direc-

RYLA—showing our youth a direction

for the road ahead.

tor PDG Carl Prinzing and his wife Carolyn, Karen Grotz and her husband Paul from Billings, and Beth Billings from Whitehall.

Jerry Traylor returned and as always is one of the most popular

speakers invited to camp. His inspirational message touches the lives of RYLA campers each year and they touch his. This year, Jerry received a special gift from the students. One of the Junior counselors knew that Jerry has gone through some rough times over the past couple of years. Inspired to provide Service Above Self, this young person talked with all the students at camp and collected a nice monetary gift (an average of about \$2 from each camper/counselor) to help Jerry with some of his expenses.

Campers completed a number of camp improvement projects during the week and were eager to help out. Washing dishes, washing windows, painting an old outhouse, and other small fix-up/clean-up projects provided much appreciated help to the camp and gave the students an excellent opportunity to give without expecting anything except a heart-felt thank you in return. Campers also learn some of the less common, yet equally important aspects of respect and leadership. As they entered the dining for each meal, they were greeted by adult and student staff and helped on how to give a proper handshake. One evening meal was a bit of a surprise - the campers were greeted at each table by a host from the adult and student staff and had the opportunity to practice proper table etiquette and conversation. Another camp tradition is a visit from the Montana National Guard.

> They make a great entrance in a helicopter and, provide leadership information and teach the campers some fun team building and strategy games. Other guest presenters included

Rotarian Curt Belts (Risk Management), representatives from the local drug task force, the Montana Highway Patrol, a professional football player, an astronomer, and a Zumba instructor. There were also several Rotarians who took the time to stop by camp for a day or two and observe our RYLA program. More adult staff will be needed in the future and this is a wonderful way to fire up your Rotary spirit, even if there are occasionally cold showers.

The week wrapped up with a great barbeque lunch provided by members of the Livingston club. No one left hungry except



Volunteers Inventory Kenya Medical Supplies

On June 9th, 15 volunteers from Missoula and Hamilton gathered at an old Safeway store to complete the task of sorting and inventorying the massive pile of donated supplies intended for Kilgoris, Kenya. Things were well underway by 9:00 AM and wrapped up at 3:00 PM. Several hundred boxes of medical equipment, supplies, books and miscellaneous items were checked, noted, marked, and put into an inventory spreadsheet. The total volume of the donated items is just short of filling a 40-foot shipping container. The only thing stopping a container from being brought in is enough money to then ship it to Kenya. From Missoula, the cost is just over \$8000. Another group of materials are in storage in Spokane—enough for a second 40-foot container. Shipping for this container will be just over \$6000. Another challenge facing this project is an impending loss of storage space. Hundreds of fleece blankets in Spokane will be gone at the end of July if they can not be transported to Missoula and once in Missoula, they may once again need to find a new home since there is limited time left to keep the items in the old Safeway store.

Here is what we have raised so far: \$3400+ with contributions from Missoula Centennial, Whitehall, Whitehall Interact, Manhattan, Whitefish, Missoula Sunrise, Livingston, Philipsburg, Anaconda, Butte, Twin Bridges, Evergreen, Big Sandy, and Kalispell.

DISTRICT PHOTO GALLERY







One of DG Arlene's last official acts was to present a PHF to Dave Smith during the Twin Bridges Annual Picnic. Eleven Whitehall Rotarians attending the evening event held near Sheridan, Montana.





AG Marilyn Morris and now District Governor Daryl Hansen visited the Missoula noon club in June during the presentation of multiple PHF awards. Receiving their first PHFs are Rotarians Jean Jenkins (center) and Connor Smith (with his sons).







Volunteering is part of what makes Rotary work and did these Rotarians and their family members work on June 9th to inventory supplies for Kenya. Photos are courtesy of Missoula Rotarian Martha Ripley.

RYLA 2012









EYE ON IT 2013 Rotary Convention in Lisbon, Portugal

One of the best parts of attending an International Convention is meeting people from all over the world. Just being a Rotarian makes it easy to walk up to total strangers, or have them walk up to you, and start talking about common interests. The next opportunity to be a part of this world-wide collection of people serving humanity will be in late June, 2013 in Lisbon, Portugal. A special travel package through Gate 1 Travel is available for Rotarians and their family/friends. For more information, visit the district web and look under District Events. Departures are available from Billings, Denver and Dallas. Hope to see you on the plane to Lisbon!

CLUB Tweets Monthly Chirps

- © Wow, 15 clubs in the last Rotary year had members eligible for the Paul Harris Society.
- ② Anaconda Club sponsoring a great concert on August 4th with Chance McKinney and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band. Info on their FaceBook page. Check it out. See you there?
- © Groundbreaking for new Davidson Lodge at Camp Rotary, August 10th. Congrats to the Great Falls Rotary club.
- © Whitehall club pouring concrete, laying tiles at Fish Pond in town. Big job—can see light at end of project tunnel.
- © Have you liked District 5390 on FaceBook? Check it out, lots of cool stuff. Look at club FaceBook pages, too you'll like Liking.

MEMBERSHIP A Little Like Jumping Out of a Plane?!

When someone is asked to join your club, are they given enough time to make sure Rotary is the right choice or do they, perhaps, feel like they have just jumped out of a plane? Consider these two scenarios. Does one remind you of your club? 1. George asks you to join his club. He takes you to your first meeting. Things are going along pretty well until George opens the door and shoves you out in a free fall. On the way down, he calmly says "Just make sure you can pay the dues and the meals and volunteer this many hours and come to meetings every week because attendance is REALLY important and you need to plan on giving to the Foundation because that is REALLY important and you should serve on several committees. Any questions? Good, I didn't think so. Welcome to Rotary.



2. George asks you attend a meeting of his club. You are welcomed by other members and encouraged to attend several meetings to better understand what Rotary is all about. There is a club service day coming up soon and George asks you to help out so you can get a true feeling of what it means to be a Rotarian. After a few weeks to a month, George asks you out for a lunch break to discuss Rotary and see if you have any questions. By this time you are eager to learn more and have enjoyed attending a few meetings, hearing some great programs and seeing how much fun working on projects can be. You have talked to other members about the financial and attendance side as they have experienced it. You are now comfortable with saying Yes and are looking forward to being a Rotarian.

EYE ON IT Future Vision Tip

What's coming with Future Vision? Here is part of the time-line on what needs to be done and when: July 2012—Appoint new district Rotary Foundation chair—Done. July—December 2012—Appoint chairs for Foundation subcommittees—partly done.

October 2012—Initiate district qualification process for 2013-14 and have new district grant application available.

Wondering what all this means? Come to August Assembly for more information and training.

CLUB PROJECT Monthly Pick

The Rotary Club of Glendive hosted their annual etiquette dinner for the Miss Montana Contestants during the pageant in the second week of June, 2012. Chef Garth Clingingsmith prepared an elegant 5-course meal which was served by Glendive Rotarians. Retired Dawson Community College French professor, Myrna Kint, provided dining etiquette advice.

In the far left photo, Glendive Rotarians and Chef Garth share the moment with 2011 Montana Outstanding Teen, Alyssa Gorder and Miss Montana Veronika Ohlinger. ~

Polio Update 2012

as of June 20th: 78 cases world-wide. Afghanistan—8; Nigeria—45; Pakistan—22; Non-endemic-3



DG Daryl's Letter, Continued From Page 1

Moving on to September, this brings us to the 80th Annual Peace Park Celebration that will be held in Kalispell. This is the year to attend as the price has not been this low in years. This event fits perfectly into RI President Sakuji Tanaka's theme of Peace through Service. Come celebrate with our good friends from Canada and share the hands across the border ceremony as we vow to never take up arms against each other.

One of my new areas of emphasis is the District Governor's Blood donation Challenge. I am asking each of you to dig deep and give a little bit more, but this time I want the red stuff, your donation of Blood may very well help to save someone's life. I would like to be able to say that Montana Rotarians are saving lives by supporting local blood drives. Please give whether it is to United Blood Services or the Red Cross. Check and see where your hospital gets their blood and give to that organization your donation could be the one that saves the life of one of your friends or neighbors. This project means a lot to me as in 2004 I personally needed 8 units of blood. You never know what will happen or when you might need emergency blood, if the supply is not available your options are limited. If for some reason you cannot donate the red stuff there are other ways to help out, give me a call and I can help you.

I look forward to visiting with the many outstanding Rotarians around this great state. I am sure I will learn a ton about the many great projects that our clubs do in their respective communities.



Upcoming Events 2012 DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

August 10-11, 2012 Learn more about Rotary beside the majestic mountain of Southern Montana at the Luccock Park Camp south of Livingston.

80TH ANNUAL PEACE PARK ASSEMBLY

September 14-16, 2012 Renew old friendships and make new friends at the multi-district, US/Canada celebration in Kalispell, Montana. Hands Across the Border will be held in Glacier

PRESIDENT-ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR

March 1-3, 2013 This will be a critical PETS for new Presidents and Presidents-Elect. Future Vision changes will be discussed. Attendees need to arrive before 8:00 AM on February 28th. As before, PETS is in Denver at the Marriott Tech Center.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2013.

May 3-5, 2013 Everyone is welcome to attend the end-of-the-year Rotary celebration in Livingston. Details and registration will be posted on the District web site.

Rotary International Convention in Lisbon

June 23-26, 2013 in Lisbon, Portugal A special Rotary travel package is available through Gate 1 Travel. Check out the details on the District web site. Convention registration is available through RI.

The 4-Way Test

Of the things we Think, Do, or Say:

Is It the Truth?
Is It Fair to All Concerned?
Will It Build Goodwill and
Better Friendships?
Will It Be Beneficial to All
Concerned?

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LOST & FOUND

At the April District Conference, one woman's leather-look jacket and one women's knit cardigan style jacket.

Contact Arlene Weber at 406-565-3900 if you are the owner of one or both.



IN MEMORY

Many of you may remember Bailey, a loyal honorary Rotarian who always said his prayers before a meal and enjoyed visiting Rotarians during meetings, projects, and fundraisers. Bailey was a wonderful four legged friend and a 15 year companion to PDG Don Gatzke and his family.



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For more information on Rotary, visit the International web site at www.rotary.org.

June 2012, End of Month Attendance/Membership Report & Foundation Giving						
Club	Reported	# Members	% Attend	# Meetings	2012-13 Foundation Goal	% Achieved
Anaconda	Y	19	71	?		
Big Sandy	NO	?	?	?		
Big Sky	NO	?	?	?		
Bigfork	NO	?	?	?		
Billings Noon	Y	203	59	4		
Billings West	NO	?	?	?		
Bozeman Noon	NO	?	?	?		
Bozeman Sunrise	Y	99	74	5		
Butte	NO	?	?	?		
Columbia Falls	NO	?	?	?		
Deer Lodge	NO	?	?	?		
Dillon	NO	?	?	?		
Evergreen	Y	16	89	4		
Glendive	Y	26	55	4		
Great Falls	Y	108	53	4		
Hamilton	Y	29	82	4		
Havre	NO	?	?	?		
Helena	NO	?	?	?		
Helena Sunrise	Y	18	43	4		
Kalispell	Y	111	71	4		
Kalispell Daybreak	Y	73	83	4		
Kootenai Valley, Libby/Troy	NO	?	?	?		
Laurel	Y	21	65	4		
Lewistown	NO	?	?	?		
Livingston	NO	?	?	?		
Malta	NO	?	?	?		
Manhattan	NO	?	?	?		
Miles City	Y	39	67	4		
Missoula	Y	136	44	4		
Missoula Centennial	Y	9	56	4		
Missoula Sunrise	Y	45	66	4		
Philipsburg	NO	?	?	?		
Polson	NO	?	?	?		
Red Lodge	NO	?	?	?		
Roundup	NO	?	?	?		
Townsend	NO	?	?	?		
Twin Bridges	Y	18	83	4		
White Sulphur Springs	NO	?	?	?		
Whitefish	NO	?	?	?		
Whitehall	Y	19	79	4		