

# ROTARY DISTRICT 5470

## International Service News

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The Rotary District 5470 International Service Committee educates and nurtures Rotarians and clubs working in the six Areas of Focus.

- ◊ It connects clubs
- ◊ It builds relationships
- ◊ It educates, assists, and may help finance clubs' international project development and fulfillment efforts.

It also inspires Rotarians like you who chose to visit international projects and see first-hand how *Rotary is Serving Humanity*.

In the previous newsletter we primarily provided information about global grants involving clubs in our district. In this newsletter, we'll show some more of our many global grants as well as upcoming projects

Share your club's international projects and interest with District International Service Chair [Peter Jeschofnig](#) who will share with District clubs.



**"This is not a time for us to say, 'Somebody ought to do that.' Our words must be, 'We will do it.'"**

— Act, THE ROTARIAN, July 1961



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# A word from our DG Chris Peterson: Promoting Peace

One of the Rotary Areas of Focus that is a by-product of every international project in every other area.

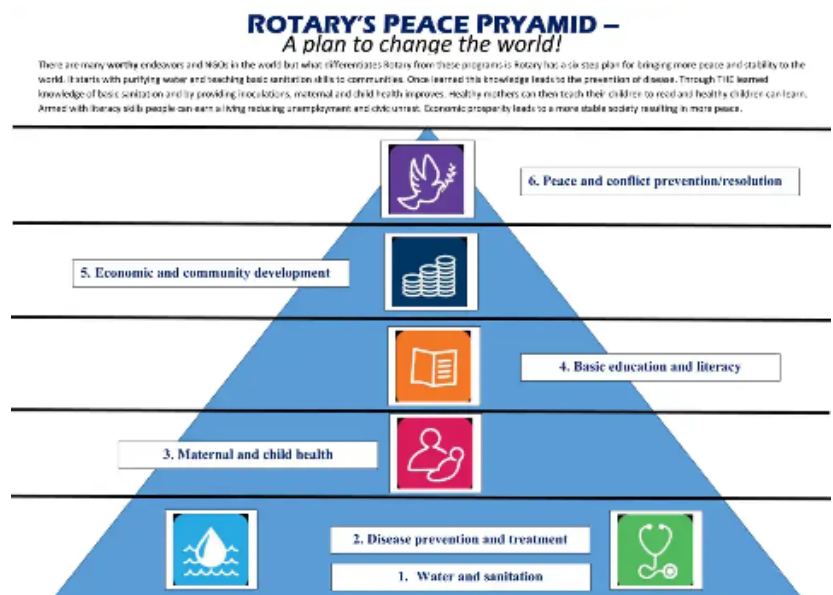
The Pyramid of Peace uses the six Rotary Areas of Focus to suggest the possibility that as humanity's physical needs are addressed, that they would be less likely to turn to violence. That a person who doesn't get sick from their drinking water is generally happier than one who does. That healthy people are generally more productive than unhealthy people. That literate people are more productive than illiterate people. That a town, regardless of its position on the globe, with a robust economy is less likely to be threatened by violence.



The Rotary Foundation supports hundreds of projects around the world each year in support of its mission of the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national, and international humanitarian, educational, and cultural programs.

We pledge to do everything we can to assist you in every aspect of your international project. Let's start something big this year!

Yours in Service,  
Chris Peterson





# Vocational Training Team (VTT) for Botswana- Update

## by Amy McBride - Montrose RC

*Amy is a member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Montrose. As a Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana, she is working with two non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that serve people infected and affected by HIV. She also is working with the Rotary Club of Gaborone and District 5470 to bring a Vocational Training Team (VTT) of four to six professionals to Botswana in 2019 to build NGO capacity to end AIDS by 2030. She is providing us with regular updates.*

We are making slow but exciting progress. On Wednesday, 20 June, the VTT Advisory Committee held its first meeting. I relied on Peace Corps staff (who participate in the national HIV discussion) to identify the main players to include on the Committee. Along with Peace Corps and the Rotary Club of Gaborone, they include: NACA (National AIDS Coordinating Agency, coordinator of the Government of Botswana's response to HIV/AIDS); PCI (Project Concern International, a US-based NGO that administers funding from USAID (US Agency for International Development) and other initiatives to NGOs in Botswana); BONASO (Botswana Network of AIDS Support Organizations); and BOCONGO (Botswana Council of Non-Governmental Organizations). Also sitting on the Committee are the two NGOs with which I work: Stepping Stones International and Bakgatla Bolekang Matshele.

We had a full agenda, but managed to get through it, even with the required mid-morning tea break (for which I made sausage/spinach/egg pies and banana bread). The discussions were enlightening, ideas were free-flowing, and the enthusiasm was abundant. Here are some of the major outcomes:

As of 1 July, The Rotary Foundation requires all VTT Global Grants to include a Community Assessment that demonstrates a need for the Team. The Advisory Committee has defined our "community" as NGOs supported by PCI or Global Fund and with current Peace Corps Volunteers (PCVs). This is for several reasons: 1. they have been vetted by the Peace Corps, PCI, and the Global Fund for viability; and 2) the Volunteer can help with pre-VTT preparation and post-VTT execution (more on this later). My task now is to come up with several incisive questions that will help us learn which capacities need to be built the most, and then enlist help from the PCVs to administer the surveys. Depending on the responses, I may need to conduct follow-up interviews. Once I know the NGO capacity-building needs, I can begin finding experts to fill them.



Amy with Marshall and Judy

# VTT for Botswana—Update - (continued)

## by Amy McBride - Montrose RC

Please note that one of these experts will serve as the Team Leader and must be a Rotarian from District 5470. If you are interested or know of someone who might be interested in filling this position, please stay abreast of developments.

Speaking of experts, the Advisory Committee recognizes that there is plenty of talent in Botswana and wants to tap it to supplement the work of the VTT. Therefore, if setting up online giving emerges as a training need, we first will look locally to meet it. The VTT should be made up of professionals who can't be found in Botswana. Our hope is that the trainings we hold will consist of both American and Botswana trainers, and they can learn from each other.



We have another motive for recruiting in-country professionals. We want to set up long-term relationships between NGOs and the business community in Botswana to strengthen the country's response to HIV/AIDS. The financial officer at one of my NGOs, for example, wants to learn how to use QuickBooks, so maybe we can identify a company that has a QuickBooks expert who can mentor him.

On the topic of mentorships (see how all these bullets flow into the next?), that's going to be a key component of this VTT. We want to pair each of the VTT members with several NGOs and then provide them with tasks that we want them to complete with their NGO partners prior to their arrival, during their time together in Botswana, and after their return to America.

And along with a commitment from VTT members to engage in pre- and post-Botswana work, the NGO participants obviously need to make the same commitment, or they won't be invited to participate. However, we envision a multi-level itinerary for the VTT. Some days they will be meeting one-on-one with their NGO partners. Other days, they'll be holding training sessions for wide audiences. And finally, some days they'll be meeting with Botswana's NGO leaders to advise them on how to achieve the NGO outcomes that are prescribed in the Republic of Botswana's Third National HIV and AIDS Response Strategic Framework (NSF III).

That brings us to the final point. The Advisory Committee is committed to aligning this VTT with the NSF III. This document, which is in its final draft stage, is a five-year plan that "details principles, priorities, and actions to guide and support coordination of a multi-sectoral national response to HIV and AIDS in Botswana." This is critical to our success, and will allow us to march in step with USAID, UNAIDS, and others who are working to support the NSF III.

The Advisory Committee is as excited as I am to make this VTT a reality. We have our work cut out for us, but I think that if we are successful, we will provide a model for future VTTs. As far as I know, this is the first Peace Corps-Rotary collaboration on a VTT. I am most thrilled to have PCI Botswana on board as a Cooperating Organization, since the former Director of Peace Corps, Carrie Hessler-Radelet, is now the President and CEO of PCI (as well as being from "a family of Rotarians."...read more from Carrie about Rotary/Peace Corps cooperation here: [https://blog.rotary.org/2014/05/05/peacecorps\\_rotary/](https://blog.rotary.org/2014/05/05/peacecorps_rotary/) ). How's that for synergy? And here's some more: Marilyn Branch, whom you all know, told her friend from Telluride, Dr. Marshall Whiting, to look out for me when she visited Botswana as a Board Member for PCI (a post she has held for more than 20 years), and imagine my surprise when a car pulled up at my little NGO out in the bush and a woman popped out and told me that Marilyn sent her best wishes.



# Royal Adventure - Spain

## By Becky Kiser, East Colorado Springs RC



One of the favorite Dr Seuss book titles, *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* describes the experience in bringing life to "The Royal Adventure/There is Greatness in You". Penny Kelly and Becky Kiser, President and Past President of the Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs, and other courageous volunteers, created an experience that focused on three major areas: (1) You are valuable, (2) Your dreams matter and (3) Serving others is the key to happiness.



The first Royal Adventure was targeted at pre-teen girls in the USA. The setting was magical, and the emphasis was on each girl's greatness. It was wonderfully received and several who attended say that today they still use some of the life tools they learned that evening.

The next Royal Adventure was made on a Rotary Trip in February 2018. This was a partnership between the Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs, Rampart Range Rotary, Rotary Club of Colorado Springs, Zonta of the Pikes Peak Area and Trampled Rose, Inc. Three hundred rural Ethiopian school girls learned of their value. The tool for their key to happiness of helping others was a phonetic literacy training tool they used to help others learn to read. During this time the girls also received ethics training and a card with the Rotary Four-Way Test translated from English on one side into their own language on the other.

The results were more than imagined with stories of the girls teaching family members to read in English to doing better on their National Exam determining if they can continue their own education. The Royal Adventure has been invited back next year to Ethiopia to expand the training to thousands of students and a group of teachers.



# Royal Adventure - Spain (continued)

## By Becky Kiser, East Colorado Springs RC

The next step of the power of the Royal Adventure was obvious in Madrid, Spain; again, a partnership with The Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs and Trampled Rose, Inc. The space was standing room only and the event had to be limited to 75 women. As the Royal Adventure was presented and the three focuses were shared, they could see in the women's eyes that they had their rapt attention. When they finished, Becky and Penny stayed for an extra hour and a half to answer questions and hear comments. They received such heart felt gratitude. Things like, "I'll never be the same again." "You have so challenged my heart." "I will have you in my heart forever." "My dreams are very similar to yours." They both have new friends from Spain and left feeling humbled and inspired. They continue to receive messages from the women in Spain about the impact this message made.



They distributed the same Four-Way Test cards they used in Ethiopia to the women in Spain. The attendees loved the card and many asked if they could have two, three, four, or even five more for family members or friends.

The joy of sharing with these women about their value, destiny and a way to live continues to change all lives. Serving others certainly is the key to happiness. Because of this support and release we are all changing the world together.

The trip to Madrid was topped with the cherry on the ice cream of attending the North Madrid Rotary Meeting. Penny and Becky were warmly welcomed and look forward to their continuing friendships.



# Tibetan Village to Receive Fresh Water Supply With Support from Rotary District 5470

By Roger Ptolemy - Durango RC



Surmang community and sample sanitary kit

Residents of a village in the Tibetan highlands of China will soon have a fresh new supply of clean drinking water, thanks to the generous support of six different Rotary clubs in District 5470 and a matching District Grant.

The village of Surmang nestles in a high mountain valley over 12,000 feet above sea level. A prominent structure in the village is the Surmang Buddhist monastery, housing 130 monks, together with a monastic school serving about 50 students. The aged water supply pipe was not buried deeply enough and is frozen and unusable in winter. It is barely functional in summer due to splits from winter freezing, losing substantial water and exposing the surviving flow to contamination. Due to inadequate supply, water must often be carried from a canal, and in winter ice and snow must be melted to yield needed water.

The Surmang water project, with funding from six district 5470 clubs and a matching District Grant, will install a new water line from a spring about 2 km (1.2 miles) up a mountain side above the village. The water line will be buried deeply, using a rented trenching machine, to avoid winter freezing. The project will also include three storage cisterns.

The total cost of the project is estimated to be about \$7400. Residents of Surmang will participate by providing about 20% of the cost. District 5470 Rotary Clubs providing funding for the project include Durango, Durango High Noon, Pine River Valley (Bayfield), Dolores, Telluride, and Vail. A matching District Grant is providing the balance of the funding.

District 5470 Rotarians are working with the Tibetan Village Project (TVP), a Non-Governmental Organization based in Broomfield, CO. TVP operates a non-profit 501(c)3 foundation with a presence in China to identify needs such as the Surmang Water Project. TVP staff in China will obtain the needed construction materials, get them to the project site, and oversee the work as it progresses to completion.

In October, four District 5470 Rotarians from different clubs, along with three companions, will travel to China and Tibet at their own expense to evaluate the Surmang project and experience other adventures during a three-week grass-roots tour. Rotarians on the trip will include Roger Ptolemy, PDG, from the Durango Club, Ellen Tomsic from the Durango High Noon Club, Liz Keay from the Vail Club, and Kim Moore, Immediate Past President of the Pagosa Springs Club. For more information on this project, contact Roger Ptolemy at [RotaryRoger@gmail.com](mailto:RotaryRoger@gmail.com) (970-259-5341).



# Ecuador Drinking Water Projects - GG #1875083

By Scott M. Perry & Heather Drissel - N. Colo Springs RC



## Background

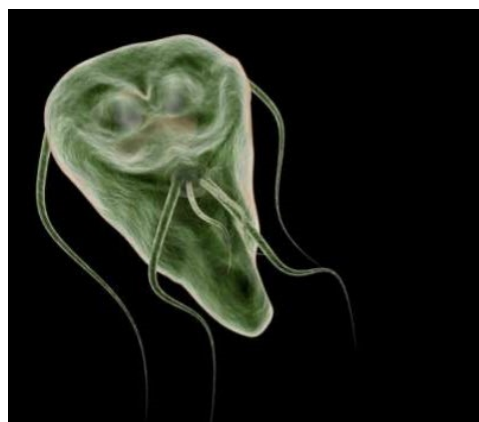
- Goal is to provide Safe Drinking Water
- 2 Communities – Shilpala and Pumayacu
- Drinking water sources (Surface Water) - untreated
- September 2016 Trip (Shilpala)
- September & October 2017 Trip (Shilpala, Pumayacu)
- October trip included a series of meetings with the vendor and tours of water treatment plants in the area
- Rotary Club of Riobamba Engineer performing detailed engineering work
- Colorado Springs CDI - oversight role in design

## Safe Drinking Water

Contaminated water and poor sanitation are linked to transmission of diseases such as cholera, diarrhea, dysentery, hepatitis A, typhoid, and polio.

With children particularly at risk from water-related

diseases, access to improved sources of water can result in better health, and therefore better school attendance, with positive longer-term consequences for their lives.



Giardia



Cryptosporidium



# Ecuador Drinking Water Projects - GG #1875083 (cont.)

## By Scott M. Perry & Heather Drissel - N. Colo Springs RC



- 700 people
- 140 families
- 700 people
- Spring Source
- Tank 13,700 Gal
- Gravity Feed
- 3 Zones
- Rotation of service by zone

### Water Use

- Water from 6am – 3pm
- Every 3 days
- Storage in poly tanks, cisterns
- Cisterns used for cleaning/bathing/dishes, etc.
- Limited indoor plumbing • Separate irrigation water



- 85 families - 425 people
- Creek Source- Tanks (2) 2,100 Gal
- Gravity Feed - 1 Zone
- Continuous service
- No power at site
- Creek Crossings
- Source intake structure improvements
- Slow sand filtration
- Chlorination with calcium hypochlorite
- Repair of tanks
- Addition of storage
- Distribution system expansion

**Measurement of Success** • Periodic site visits by Local Liaisons trained by project engineers. • Site visits to include a plant inspection and water sampling. • Findings will be documented. • Additional training provided to local operators if needed.

**Next Steps** • Rotary Global Grant #GG1875083 • Rotary Club of North Colorado Springs partnering with Riobamba Rotary Club • Teaming with Rotary Clubs Partner Donors • Approximately \$70,000 • Late 2018 goal

# How Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) changed my life

## Megan Webber- Argentina D-4920 2015-16

I count my exchange experience as having begun the day I applied to Rotary Youth Exchange, and it still hasn't really ended. Because these four years have all been part of a journey shaped and influenced by Argentina and by Rotary. I think the most important things that have come out of this experience are the people I have met and the discovery of what I want to do with my life.

Argentina was my third choice of countries to go to on exchange, and I wasn't even selected to go there in the first place. I was chosen to go to New Zealand, and when the Kiwi Rotary district rejected me, my lovely coordinators here in 5470 reached out to their Argentinian connections and 4920 rescued me, in a way, like a lost puppy. Looking back on it, I know that I was always meant to go to Argentina, and I'm grateful every day that I ended up there instead of New Zealand.

My Argentinian host families and teachers, Rotary club members and the friends I made helped to kill the stereotypes I held in my mind about the country, the way the world works in South/Latin America and more than anything, showed me a kindness and a kinship that is rare in this world. They accepted me into their families and went out of their way to make me comfortable. I'll remember for the rest of my life how I owe them all that I have.

As for the other exchange students I met from other countries, they shook me up, too. I learned to count to fifteen in six new languages and learned a bunch of German jokes that were racist against the French. One thing that struck me was how most of the Europeans could speak at least three languages, sometimes four. And it was so natural to them. I had friends in high school in Colorado who would complain and whine about how in the world they were supposed to pass Spanish I. We just don't care about languages in the U.S.A. like they do in Europe.

Me, I fell in love with languages. I wanted to learn more, not just Spanish. I want to be able to communicate with as many people as I can and learn how they see the world. When I came home to Colorado, I started to get more involved in local government and I had a much better idea about what I wanted to study in college. I'm now studying journalism and linguistics at MSU Denver. I chose that school because of their affordable linguistics program, and now that I'm there, I'm becoming more and more appreciative of the professors and the opportunities I have there.

If I had never gone on exchange, I would have a much narrower mind. I had never traveled out of the country without my parents before, which made it easy to think that families like mine were all that existed. It made it easy to believe that the problems of the U.S. were the only ones that mattered, and the rest of the world was just watching us and admiring our work, or judging it.

If I had never gone on exchange, I would not be studying linguistics. I believe linguistics is important because communication and understanding is vital, and also, I genuinely find the history and quirks of languages very interesting.

If I had never gone on exchange, I would not have the friends and deep connections that I have. My high school friends all moved far away, and I didn't have that many to begin with. Granted, all my exchange friends are very, very far away too, but I always know that they are out there and they are people who understand me. I am never alone.





# Why Exchange?

## Zoë Viana Furer, Switzerland - 2017/2018

*Notre vie a une valeur tant qu'on attribue la valeur à la vie d'autrui, au moyen d'amour, d'amitié, de compassion et d'indignation. - Simone de Beauvoir*

While on exchange I experienced more sexism, racism, and general bigotry than I ever experienced in Durango; however, I also encountered the most extraordinary people—they defy every stereotype or negative quality one could pin to Switzerland—who reminded me continuously of the deceiving nature of generalizations. In return, I gave them big smiles and stammered sentences spoken in French which, I hope, translated my endless gratitude and admiration.

My first day of school was a stressful event for several reasons; however, most pertinent was when I was left my own devices to find my first class. I was still searching well after the second bell had rung. Once I found my class, I hastily sat beside a girl named Emma and her best friend, Jeanne. Jeanne took one look my Beatles t-shirt and said: “I love your shirt and I love you.” Then, she had to repeat herself because I did not speak French.



My exchange (as does life) included many frustrating moments in which I felt lonely or sad or unproductive. I often worried I was wasting my opportunity by lying in bed when it seemed all the other exchange students were out and about living life to the fullest. I did not know what constituted living life to the fullest, but my Instagram account seemed neither lively nor full. In these moments, I missed my mom more than I could have ever imagined possible and I counted the days until I came home.

My exchange (as does life) included many beautiful moments in which I felt complete and serene and happy. I do not know what I was expecting from moving to Switzerland: I had never really considered what my “Swiss life” might be like. Never in a million years would I have predicted eating popcorn ice cream before partaking in an impromptu book exchange with Sophie, the girl who taught me (with the utmost patience and kindness) to rock climb. Nor would I have imagined my peers encircling me after our final class together in order to say goodbye. In these moments, I know I would not trade my exchange in Switzerland for the world.

Luck may play a small role in the success of one's exchange but I found that the most crucial element is effort. One must work to integrate themselves in school, in their host families, amongst the other exchange students. One must toil to learn a new language and adapt to a new culture. Life (as does exchange) necessitates perseverance; nevertheless, it is this exertion that causes us to grow and change. I still do not know what living life to the fullest looks like, but that does not matter: I have a lifetime of adventures (often, both good and bad) to reflect upon and look forward to.

# Rotary's Open World Program

Rotary clubs in the United States have a unique international and vocational service opportunity through Open World. Clubs host a small delegation of current and future leaders from Russia, Ukraine, and other Eurasian countries. Clubs prepare a professional program related to U.S. business, community, and civic life, and host delegates in their homes. These visits help develop a network of leaders who understand how American communities tackle contemporary issues. Since the program began in 1999, Rotary clubs in 48 states and the District of Columbia have hosted 3,270 Open World participants, roughly 13 percent of all 25,000 participants.



**ROTARY HOSTS** Rotary clubs and districts prepare an eight-day program that's part professional and part cultural. Hosts design a program around the delegation's civic theme, such as accountable governance, young professionals, or social issues. Typical activities include touring schools or hospitals, observing jury selection, sitting in on newspaper editorial meetings, and following political candidates on the campaign trail. They also arrange cultural activities, such as museum visits and concerts, and other events where delegates and hosts can socialize and get to know each other. Each six-member delegation visits the U.S. for 10 days, two in Washington, D.C., and eight in the host community. Rotary members provide accommodations, local transportation, and meals for delegates. Rotary covers most hosting expenses.

**BE A HOST** We can help your club or district identify delegates to host. Send your request, including relevant projects you're working on and the participant countries you'd like to work with, to [openworldprogram@rotary.org](mailto:openworldprogram@rotary.org).

The Pagosa Springs RC recently hosted a team from Kyrgyzstan and found it to be a great experience for the club and the Pagosa Springs community. The group came to Pagosa Springs to learn about tourism. For additional information about their experience, contact Natalia Kunzer: [Natalia.Kunzer@rotary.org](mailto:Natalia.Kunzer@rotary.org)



## **D-5470 Clubs needing project partners**

### **Pueblo West Seeks Project Partners/Contributors**

**Gebra Pre- and Primary School in Monduli Arusha, Tanzania**

**For details see Newsletter # 10 or contact Pueblo West RC**

## **International Clubs/Districts needing project partners**

### **Request for GG by Santos-Porto RC, Santos, Brazil Metropolitan Center for Functional Recovery (MCFR)**

**For details see Newsletter # 10 or contact David Smith, Global Grants chair.  
<dsmith7@unl.edu>**

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### **Request for GG by Morondava Baobab RC, Madagascar Solar power and training for Madagascar fishing village**

**-For details see Newsletter # 9 or contact David Smith, Global Grants chair.  
<dsmith7@unl.edu>**

# D-5470 RESOURCE NETWORK/CADRE OF ADVISORS

Peter Jeschofnig - D-5470 International Service Chair

Dear Rotary friends,

Our district is in the process of expanding our resource network/cadre of advisors consisting of local Rotarians or Rotary alumni with valuable experience and technical expertise in project planning/management; Rotary grants; and Rotary's areas of focus to improve projects and global grants. We are trying to organize our resource network based/ cadre of advisors based on the following expertise categories.

## **Project Planning/Management**

General project management (project design, planning, implementation)  
Planning sustainable projects  
Community assessment  
Monitoring and evaluation, Auditing  
Financial Planning and life-cycle costing  
Partnership management

## **Rotary Grants**

Area of focus alignment  
Securing international project partners  
Rotary's grant process and grant writing  
Fundraising  
Humanitarian projects, Scholarships, Vocational Training Teams



## **Rotary's Areas of Focus**

### **Basic Education and Literacy**

Teacher training  
Adult education  
Special education

### **Economic and Community Development**

Community assessment skills  
Community-based project management (monitoring/evaluation)  
Agriculture and jobs creation skills

### **Disease Prevention and Treatment**

Medical equipment for secondary and tertiary health care facilities  
Chronic disease prevention and management  
Disability related therapies, health care worker training and equipment



# D-5470 RESOURCE NETWORK/ CADRE OF ADVISORS (continued)

## **Maternal, Newborn and Child Health**

Emergency maternal delivery related, OB-GYN care and health care worker training  
Newborn health care: front line emergency and critical care health care worker training  
Child health (under five years old) - disease prevention and management

## **Water, Sanitation and Hygiene**

Engineering with experience and expertise in water, sanitation and hygiene  
Training and education expertise with hygiene education for behavior change  
Institutional WASH experience (WASH in Schools, WASH in Healthcare facilities, etc.)

## **Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution**

Conflict mediation  
Gang diversion programming  
Peace education

If you have experience with any of the above subject areas, the district needs your occasional assistance to help clubs improve their global grant project applications and implementations.

I hope that some of you will take up the challenge to use your expertise to help create better global grants and ultimately “Your expertise can help change lives”



Your current D-5470 Cadre of Advisors:

Dick Dangler—Edward RC  
Ann Harris—Carbondale RC  
Peter Jeschofnig—Glenwood Springs Sunset RC  
John Keleher—Aspen RC  
Becky Kiser—East Colorado Springs RC  
Rahul Mehra—Canon City RC  
Scott Perry—North Colorado Springs RC  
David Smith—Pagosa Springs RC

# Project fairs can build a foundation for global grant partnerships

Project Fairs are regional events hosted by Rotary districts to encourage international friendship and collaboration. Fairs not only give Rotary clubs a chance to showcase their service efforts to potential partners, but they also allow international visitors the chance to find a project that meets their club's goals. Fairs are the perfect way for visitors to learn about the local community and build lasting relationships with the events' hosts. Consider attending one of these fairs to develop a project and as a way to find global grant partners.



## EUROPE

### **Matera, Italy**

Multi-Club Workshop -

**5-9 September 2018**

Email Leonardo De Angelis at:

[deangelisleonardo08@alice.it](mailto:deangelisleonardo08@alice.it)

[www.rotary-mcw.com](http://www.rotary-mcw.com)

## AFRICA

### **West Africa: Cotonou, Benin**

**3-10 October 2018**

Email Dorothe GOUNON at:

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[www.rotarywestafricaprojectfair.org](http://www.rotarywestafricaprojectfair.org)

### **East Africa: Mombasa, Kenya**

**2-5 May 2018**

Email Eric Kimani at: [eric@palmhousedairies.com](mailto:eric@palmhousedairies.com)

[www.rotaryeastafricaprojectfair.org](http://www.rotaryeastafricaprojectfair.org)

## NORTH AFRICA & MIDDLE EAST

### **Luxor, EGYPT**

**1-3 December, 2018**

Email Ayman Helal at

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[www.rotaryd2451.org/projectfir/index.html](http://www.rotaryd2451.org/projectfir/index.html)

## CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA

### **Manta, Ecuador - District 4400**

**19-20 October 2018**

Email Isabel Andrade at [iandradeortiz@cloudl.com](mailto:iandradeortiz@cloudl.com)

[www.rotaryecuador.org](http://www.rotaryecuador.org)

### **Uniendo America - Costa Rica, Belize**

**24-27 January 2019**

Email Manuel Antonio Sequeira at: [Antonio\\_seq@yahoo.com](mailto:Antonio_seq@yahoo.com)

[www.uniendoamericaprojectfair.org](http://www.uniendoamericaprojectfair.org)

### **Colombia - Bucaramanga, Colombia**

**1-3 February 2019 -**

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[www.ricolombiaprofair.org](http://www.ricolombiaprofair.org)

### **BRAZIL— Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil**

**February 2019**

Email Darci Luis Campo at

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# Request for project stories and updates

Peter Jeschofnig - D-5470 International Service Chair

Dear Rotary friends,

The purpose of this newsletter is to let the Rotarians of D-5470 know about all the exciting, life-changing projects with which our clubs and individual Rotarians are involved.

They participate in District and Global Grants; contribute to international projects outside the Global Grants structure; and find numerous other ways to help make the world a better place while personally having fun and enriching themselves and their clubs.

Individual Rotarians contribute to projects personally and financially. They assist in disaster recovery projects; serve on medical and dental teams; volunteer as teachers; and find many other inspiring ways to help our less fortunate global neighbors. Former Peace Corps members even find ways to continue helping their former service communities.

It makes me feel good to learn about the fantastic things Rotarians are doing, and that makes me even more proud to be a Rotarian. Unfortunately, many of these good deeds are never shared with our Rotary friends.

So please share your joy and pride by sharing your involvement in Rotary international projects! If you or your club are currently participating, previously participated, or are planning to participate in an international project, let me know so I can include your story in a future newsletter.

Sharing your project story also helps you and your club find new project partners and contributors. Learning about your experiences and the international service projects that have been successful encourages other clubs to get involved and strengthens Rotary at all levels.

So, let the sharing begin! I'm looking forward to publishing your stories.

Peter



My wife, Linda, immunizing children in Ghana, West Africa

## Global Grants Projects Involving Our clubs

Many of our clubs are the International Partners of Global Grants (GG) Projects around the world.

Our clubs also contribute to projects conducted by other districts.

Whether your club is the international partner in a project or is simply contributing to a project, remember that D-5470 is usually prepared to match your club's contributions from District Designated Funds (DDF).

To request D-5470 DDF, you need to complete a simple request form and send it to the D-5470 Global Grants Chair, David Smith < dsmith7@unl.edu >

## Contact Us

Do you want to have your International Service project displayed in a future newsletter? Send the story and a few photos to [pjeschofnig@gmail.com](mailto:pjeschofnig@gmail.com)



Water & Sanitation Projects Around the World

### Global Grants Basics:

- Large, long-term projects
- Sustainable, measureable outcomes
- Alignment with Areas of Focus
- Real community needs (via needs assessment)
- International partnerships (frequent communication)
- Implementation plan
- Proper Stewardship of funds
- Involve Rotary clubs in two districts
- Minimum budget of US\$30,000
- Minimum TRF match \$ 15,000

For detailed instructions on Global Grants applications check out David Smith's **GUIDE TO GLOBAL GRANTS:**  
<http://www.rotary5470.org/SitePage/global-grants>

If you would like to be the international partner of a Global Grant or simply contribute to an existing D-5470 Global Grant contact the Global Grants Committee chair, David Smith [dsmith7@unl.edu](mailto:dsmith7@unl.edu) or Peter Jeschofnig [pjeschofnig@gmail.com](mailto:pjeschofnig@gmail.com)