

# 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 fulfilment efforts.

It also inspires Rotarians like you who chose to visit international projects and see first-hand how to *Be the Inspiration*

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.



*"Whatever you do will be insignificant, but it is very important that you do it."*

— Mahatma Gandhi



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# **Global Grant Opportunity**

## **Women's Health and Pediatric Care Department**

### **American Initiative for Health and Wellness in Africa, Clinic in Umuohiagu near Owerri airport, Imo State, Nigeria. Submitted by Marianne DeVooght, Pagosa Springs RC**

Would your club like to participate in a humanitarian aid global grant project but you are not ready to start your own project? Here is an opportunity for your club to benefit from a global grant without doing all of the work.

We are asking for a "Call to Action" for all Rotary Clubs to help support our international project for women's health and pediatric care department of the AIHWA, American Initiative for Health and Wellness in Africa, Clinic in Umuohiagu near Owerri airport, Imo State Nigeria. This AIHWA clinic will make great efforts to deal with the challenges of women and children whose conditions are presented with varying statistics: Umbilical hernias among 90% of children between ages 1 month to 5 years; Nigeria has the second largest rate of maternal mortality worldwide, after India; Nigeria has third highest infant mortality rate in the world where about 2,300 children die every day.

The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs will be the International Partner for this project, which will focus on providing equipment, including an ambulance, for a new hospital. We already have a Host Rotary Club in Nigeria and pledges for \$10,000. If we have pledges for an additional \$10,000, our project will have a total budget of \$70,000.

If your club would like to participate in an international project, the American Initiative for Health and Wellness in Africa (aihwa) is a great opportunity for your club. For more information on this project or to pledge support, contact Marianne DeVooght, Pagosa Springs Rotary Club ([marianne@devofamily.com](mailto:marianne@devofamily.com)).



At the age of 102, she wanted both counseling and primary

# Looking for a Project?

## Help Eliminate Malaria in the Copperbelt Province, Zambia

It's not too late to join the Aspen Rotary Club and Rotarian Malaria Partners (RMP) to end malaria in the Copperbelt Province of Zambia, Africa.

The Host Partner is the Rotary Club of Kalulushi in Zambia and the International Partner is the Rotary Club of Aspen. This project is the second (Phase 1 A) of three Malaria Elimination Projects which are being encouraged and supported by the Seattle 4 Rotary Club, Rotarian Malaria Partners and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. We are working in cooperation with the Ministry of Health in the Copperbelt Province of Zambia.

The Phase 1 Project was approved recently by TRF and their Global Grant # is 1984116. This project will be very similar to the Federal Way project but we will be providing service in different Districts of the Copperbelt Province in Zambia. This project will be providing training of Community Health Workers (CHW's) to diagnose and treat malaria. It will also be providing diagnostic and treatment supplies and antimalarials to serve a population of approximately 200,000 people. The project is expected to reduce the incidence of malaria by approximately 90% in the provinces of Kalulushi and Chililabombwe where we will be working.

Current status: The MOU with the Ministry of Health and the Rotary Club of Kalulushi is being completed and Dr. Robert Porter is working with the Rotary Club of Kalulushi and the Rotarian Malaria Partners of Zambia to complete the Community Needs Assessment in the next 3-4 weeks. The Global Grants application will be opened in the next couple of weeks.

This would be an excellent international project to participate in. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Bob Porter of the Aspen RC — M: (779)-770-7770; Email: [Robert.porter@telecareanywhere.com](mailto:Robert.porter@telecareanywhere.com)



# The Royal Adventure - Rotary Four-way Test

## Penny Kelly - East Colorado Springs RC



One of the favorite international partnerships of the Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs is with The Royal Adventure, a project of Trampled Rose, Inc. I've participated in bringing this life changing adventure to hundreds of girls and women in USA, Spain, and Ethiopia.

The Royal Adventure has three parts:

You are Valuable

Your Dreams Matter

The key to happiness is serving others.

The International Royal Adventure training ends with an ethics program that includes the teaching of the Rotary four-way test and a presentation of a Wish Coin. (a Rotary four-way test coin that has been bedazzled)

As Rotarians, we all love saying the test together in weekly Rotary meetings and we try to think and speak it as we deal with life's situations. So very valuable!

Recently I was pondering the effect and value of our test. Believing that my priority is to ensure that this ethics test begins first in my family with my own grandchildren. I hoped it would penetrate their hearts and help their lives be happier.

I proceeded to meet with each of my two grandsons separately and presented them each with this very special coin that would help them know the best direction in all they say or do. We began our weekly meetings focusing every week on one of the four tests and discussing my grandson's success and challenges.

As I carefully presented each child their coin to establish the value of this wonderful gift, I explained that it all started many years ago when one man had an idea of how we can all live happier lives with peace and understanding. They were wide-eyed and very attentive.

Reaping what we sow is a universal truth. I am thrilled to be able to use our wonderful

Rotary four-way test in cementing such valuable truths first in my grandchildren's hearts, then our clubs and finally the world.

Don't you agree that we never get too old, we only get wiser as we remain willing to sow into other's lives? I love the multiplication that happens as we all utilize the four-way test in the USA and around the world.

Penny Kelly/Past President  
Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs



# Update from Botswana

By Amy McBride, Montrose RC & Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana

Happy Summer Solstice! We've passed into mariga (winter) in Botswana, and I'm looking forward to longer days and more sunlight. When we were in the middle of weeks of 40°C+ days (104°F) I promised myself that I wouldn't complain about the cold. And I'm not, but I wish I had fingerless gloves so my hands would be warmer as I type this. It's 05:30 (one of the many things I like about Botswana is its use of military time) and it's 3°C (37°F) outside, which is very near the temperature in my house, since I don't have heat.

I apologize for not submitting an article for the last newsletter. When Peter Jeschofnig put out the call for articles, I was busy preparing for the arrival of the Rotary Vocational Training Team (VTT) from Colorado, culminating more than a year of preparation. (VTTs are groups of professionals who travel to another country to learn or impart skills.) Our Team was supported by grants from The Rotary Foundation and Rotary District 5470 and Botswana's National AIDS and Health Promotion Agency (NAHPA). Team Leader Richard Male arrived on 30 April and the five other Team members arrived on 2 May. I couldn't have asked for a better group of trainers, and I am humbled that they put their lives on hold for a month to share their resource mobilization skills with Botswana's HIV-focused civil society organizations (CSOs).

Richard is from Denver and has spent more than 40 years working with nongovernmental organizations all over the world, including many in Southern and East Africa. The other Team members also hail from Colorado, including April Montgomery from Norwood, who is Vice President of Programs at Telluride Foundation, and Scott DuPree from Denver, who has trained internationally for nearly thirty years and served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana in the late 1980s. During our trip around the country, he returned to the village where he served and ran into an old neighbor!

On their first day in Botswana, the Team had the privilege of meeting with Botswana's third President, His Excellency Festus Mogae, who led the nation's HIV response in the 80s and 90s. After hearing about the VTT's purpose and sharing his thoughts, President Mogae stated that he was "very much encouraged by the presence of the visitors from the United States, because their message and mine are consistent," and he "look [ed] forward to working with the Government, these volunteers, and others."



The project's message is encapsulated in its theme, "*Se Tlogelwa Tsatsing*," which organizers adopted to reflect their commitment to building CSO's self-reliance and sustainability. The full Setswana phrase is "*Se tlogelwa tsatsing se ikisa meriting*," which means that when you are left in the sun (or face a difficult situation), you must get yourself into the shade (or solve your own problems). With the recent announcement of a 40 percent reduction in funding to Botswana from the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), there is a greater need for mobilizing domestic resources for the HIV/AIDS response.

Team plus Amy, Oscar, and Rosemary

# Update from Botswana (continued)

By Amy McBride, Montrose RC & Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana

Two days later, the Gaborone workshop began, with an inspiring keynote address by Rre Richard Matlhare, National Director of NAHPA. After a tea break, the Training Team launched two and a half days of sessions for more than fifty staff, board members, and Peace Corps Volunteers from a dozen CSOs. Topics ranged from how to set up “social enterprises” to forging partnerships with corporations and individual donors.

Project organizers recognized that workshops are only effective if you put the knowledge to use, so the Training Team members were assigned to two CSOs and asked to spend two days at each, with the objective of creating resource mobilization plans and six-month implementation plans. The Team said that this experience was the most rewarding part of their month in Botswana, with much hard work done and many friendships formed.

The following week, we loaded up our minibus and headed north to Francistown for the second round of workshops and consultations. Along the way, we spent a night at Khama Rhino Sanctuary where the Team got their first look at some of Botswana’s “Big Five” (rhinos, elephants, Cape buffalo, lions, and leopards...the Team saw the first three).

The Francistown workshops commenced with almost 40 participants and a keynote speech from Kgosi Ludo Mosojane, one of Botswana’s few female chiefs, who spoke about the need for Botswana to regain its culture of giving. She said that in the past, someone might give two cows to his less fortunate neighbor and ask her to take care of them and use the milk for her children. Five years later, he would return to the neighbor and ask for his two cows back, although the cows may have increased to ten. She said this was done out of love for one’s neighbors and Botswana. At the workshop’s conclusion, the Team members again dispersed to spend two days with their assigned CSOs.

Finally, the Team had earned a few days of fun, so we headed north to Zambia to see Victoria Falls, and went on a game drive in Chobe National Park with my favorite guide, TK, who is a former wildlife officer. Botswana lifted its hunting ban on elephants while the Team was here, and one of them asked TK what he thought of it and boy, did we get an earful. In a nutshell, he thinks that Botswana can manage its wildlife just fine, thank you very much. Alas, TK didn’t work his magic to serve up a leopard or lion sighting, but we saw nearly everything else, including jackal, wildebeest, zebra, and kori bustard (Africa’s largest flying bird and Botswana’s national bird).



Then it was time for the 1,000 kilometer drive back to Gaborone, a farewell reception, and a trip to the US Embassy for a meeting with Botswana’s new Ambassador, The Honorable Craig Cloud. He was interested in and supportive of the project and the Team identified several opportunities to work together. Then we dropped the Team at Sir Seretse Khama International Airport, where we had found them four weeks earlier. They’re back in Colorado, and are still engaged with their CSOs. In a complete coincidence, the Executive Director of the Botswana Association of the Deaf visited one of the Team member’s organization in Colorado Springs last week as part of an international leadership program.

The Team with TK

# Update from Botswana (continued)

**By Amy McBride, Montrose RC & Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana**

The Se Tlogelwa Tsatsing Advisory Committee wants to build on May's momentum, and is working on several immediate initiatives, including a mentorship program between CSOs and the business sector, and a training on donor databases. We're exploring sending a VTT Team of CSO leaders from Botswana to Colorado in May 2020 to continue the relationship. And we have another couple dozen ideas...

Happily, I will be a part of this journey. While we were in Francistown, I received an invitation from Peace Corps to extend my service for another year with the Botswana Network of AIDS Service Organizations in Gaborone, which was a critical player in Se Tlogelwa Tsatsing, especially its Executive Director, Oscar Motsumi. I am honored and elated to be part of building Botswana's civil society capacity to control the HIV epidemic by 2023 and end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030.

Ke a leboga thata (I am very grateful) to District 5470, especially the VTT Committee (Dick Dangler, Roger Ptolemy, and Mary Oswald) and Foundation Chair Ann Harris, who have provided critical support throughout the project.



Amy McBride with members of the Rotary Club of Gaborone.



# ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

## Whiskey Drinking Rotarians And Members

By Peter Jeschofnig, Glenwood Springs Sunset RC



Rotary Fellowships consist of members who share a common interest in recreational activities, sports, hobbies, or professions. These groups help expand skills, foster vocational development, and enhance the Rotary experience by exploring interests while developing connections around the world.

The Whiskey Drinking Rotarians and Members Fellowship or Whiskey DRAM is one of the newest Fellowships, sanctioned in 2016, with a membership that spans 33 countries to-date. The objective is to learn more about the Whiskies of the world to include Bourbon, Scotch, Rye, Sour Mash, Moonshine, as well as many others. This Fellowship offers Whiskey food pairings and information about topics related to the enjoyment of Whiskey, so that one's own appreciation will be enhanced. This is accomplished by sharing knowledge and experiences from the many Whiskey experts and savvy Rotarians throughout the world. As a member, you are encouraged to be actively involved in the Fellowship and share your ideas, opinions and Whiskey experiences.

As with other Fellowships, Whiskey D.R.A.M also supports the charitable arm of Rotary with monetary giving. The Whiskey D.R.A.M Fellowship has chosen clean water initiatives as the charity of choice, because everyone deserves safe drinking water. If you enjoy Whiskey, making new friends and learning about the nuances of brown liquor, use the links below or stop by the booth at the next Rotary Convention for a tasting. The goal is to create a global Whiskey handshake one Rotarian at a time!

If you are interested, check out the website: <https://whiskeydram.org/> or send an email to [RotaryWhiskeyFellowship@Gmail.com](mailto:RotaryWhiskeyFellowship@Gmail.com)

Here is a link to the 2019 Spring Newsletter:  
<https://mailchi.mp/480b6101b68e/2018-fall-whiskey-dram-newsletter-466395>

P.S. My wife, Linda is a lifetime member



# **RYLA in Madagascar unites cultures**

## ***Soovan Sharma Dookhoo, president of the Rotaract Club of Riviere Du Rempart, Mauritius***



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Attending a [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards](#) event hosted by District 9220 in Madagascar has been one of my most cherished experiences both from a leadership and a cultural standpoint. I joined members of [Rotaract](#) from Mauritius, marching as one, as we eagerly boarded a flight to the longest island in the Indian Ocean. From my first day in Madagascar, I was surrounded by a completely different culture. It was a joy simply going through the streets, and taking in all of the scenery and action.

Any event that includes young people from Comoros, Djibouti, Reunion, Rodrigues, Seychelles and Mauritius is going to be a profound blend of culture and synergy of ideas. We were all proud to be part of the Rotary network. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards forges an even deeper bond between Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors and their guests. Regardless of what country you are from, there is Rotary and Rotaract. And Service Above Self unites us all.



At the end of each seminar, we viewed each other with a friendship that strengthened our connections. It was a true blend of cultures from all these diverse areas: Madagascar, Reunion, Brazil, Taiwan, Austria, Germany, Rodrigues and Mauritius. I remain proud of my country. But I shall now look toward other nationalities with compassion and a desire to safeguard humanitarian rights.

If you visit Madagascar, I encourage you to taste the mystical dishes made from their flour, including pastries, bread and pizza. Madagascar is an ideal place to visit for adventurous people willing to try new things. Dare to embark in the Malagasy taxi, experience the busy streets and feel the boost of energy from the population. The capital Antananarivo is always welcoming be it dawn or dusk. There is always someone you can talk to.

I am eager to conduct joint projects with the Rotaract Club of Hina, our twin club, who I got to know better during the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. We share the same goals and the same youthful aspirations. Our generation has the same objective of securing a sound future for our respective islands.

# Rotary Youth Exchange - 2019-20 Inbounders

## Via Kristi Adams, Grand Junction RC

Inbound Hosting Club	Student's Home	Student's gender
Aspen	Slovakia	F
Buena Vista	Mexico	M
Carbondale	Italy	M
Crested Butte	Hungary	M
Delta	Colombia	M
Durango Daybreak	Argentina	M
Durango Daybreak	Thailand	F
Durango High Noon	Poland	M
Durango High Noon	Venezuela	F
Edwards	Austria	M
Glenwood Springs	India	F
Grand Junction	Brazil	M
Grand Junction Horizon Sunrise	Chile	F
North Colorado Springs	Romania	F
Pagosa Springs	Spain	M
Pine River Valley Centennial	Germany	M
Salida Sunrise	France	M
Telluride	Brazil	M
Telluride	Denmark	M
Telluride	Taiwan	F
Vail-Eagle Valley	Sweden	F

# Rotary Youth Exchange - 2019-20 Outbounders Via Kristi Adams, Grand Junction RC

Outbound Sponsoring Club	Student Going To
Aspen	Austria
Aspen	France
Aspen	Poland
Buena Vista	Mexico
Carbondale	Germany
Durango Daybreak	Chile
Durango Daybreak	Denmark
Durango Daybreak	Romania
Durango High Noon	Argentina
Durango High Noon	Brazil
Durango High Noon	Colombia
Glenwood Springs	Sweden
Pine River Valley Centennial	Spain
Rifle	Thailand
Salida Sunrise	Italy
Telluride	Brazil
Telluride	Slovakia/Czech Rep



# Upcoming International Project Fairs 2019-20



## UPCOMING PROJECT FAIRS

### Africa

#### > West Africa

Liberia

9-16 Fall, 2019

Email Milton A. Weeks at:  
maweeks maweeks@devincorp.net  
[www.rotarywapf.org](http://www.rotarywapf.org)

#### > East Africa

Mombasa, Kenya

2-4 May, 2019

Email Eric Kimani at:  
eric@palmhousedairies.com  
<http://www.rotaryeapf.org>

### Central and South America

#### > District 4400 (Ecuador)

Ecuador

Fall, 2019

Contact Information [TBD]  
[www.rotaryecuador.org](http://www.rotaryecuador.org)

#### > Colombia

Cali, Colombia

February, 2020

Email Sonia Uribe at:  
sonuribe@gmail.com  
<https://tinyurl.com/colombiafair>

### Europe

#### > Multi-Club Workshop

Moscow, Russia

3-8 September, 2019

Email Leonardo De Angelis at:  
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[www.rotary-mcw.com](http://www.rotary-mcw.com)

### Middle East

#### > North Africa and Middle East

Egypt

December, 2019

Email Sherif Waly at:  
sherifwalygiza@gmail.com  
[www.rotaryd2451.org/projectfair/index.html](http://www.rotaryd2451.org/projectfair/index.html)

#### > Uniendo America

Antigua, Guatemala

23-25 January, 2020

Email: [ProjectFair2020@distrito4250.org](mailto:ProjectFair2020@distrito4250.org)  
Phone: +502-5019-0888

#### > Brazil

Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia

14-15 February, 2020

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## 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 TRF match \$ 15,000
- Minimum budget of US\$35,000

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)