



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL District 6380 News December 2011



**District Governor  
Stephen Youtz  
and Mary Youtz**

### District 6380 Headlines

#### ■ YEAR'S END -- and the start of a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

That's right, another year over and a new one starting! And with the start of the new, a reflection of the past is usually in order. I would like to direct your attention to the article found later in this newsletter of the highlights of some amazing things that transpired in 2011. Thanks to Merle and Jan Loch, our District Rotary Information Officers, for recapping such a wonderful year!

December was busy with Family Month, club elections, the nomination of the 2014/15 district governor candidates, club holiday parties, and the end of the first semiannual period of the 2011/12 Rotary year.

I really don't know what clubs did to promote Family Month but I suspect every club was involved, most probably every Rotarian too! Now if you don't see the picture, think holiday and what each of you probably did; celebrated the holidays with family members, personal and Rotary. Yes sir, December was Family Month!

The holiday parties were great; good food, good fellowship, and yes, some interesting gifts. I take this opportunity to thank all the clubs for their invitations to Mary and me, to celebrate the holidays with you and your Rotary family. What a wonderful experience!

But don't think that just because we're on the downhill side of the Rotary year that our work is about over. Nothing is further from the truth! We have many things that require attention and time is ticking by at a fast pace.

Your club elections finalized the slate of next year's leadership teams and with the start of their training. For the president-elects, Pre-President Elect Training (pre-PETS in February) followed by President Elect Training (PETs in March) and the conclusion of training for ALL club leaders at district assembly and district conference in April. District leadership follows a similar path with the announcement of the 2014/15 district governor in January and the final training of our district governor-elect.

And if this isn't enough, we have several district events ahead of us starting with Interact Day of February 4, executive staff meeting on February 11, the Membership Summit on February 18, the Foundation Summit on March 25, the district conference April 20-22, and the International convention May 6-9.

To top it off, each club, to qualify for the Presidential Citation, must meet the Foundation and membership requirements defined by our International President, Kalyan Banerjee by March 31.



WOW! And we thought our job was about done.

So along with the "stuff" we know is on the things-to-do list, let's reassess our New Years resolutions and ensure to include, if not already on the list,

a resolution to really follow The Four-Way Test, to put Service Above Self, to support ALL our club projects, to be ambassadors of Rotary and tell our stories. Let us all work at the improvement of our images so when we have the opportunity to do that one thing that results in new members, make the ASK, it becomes the most natural and easy thing to do.

Now on a less emotional level but certainly a very important level, there exists a couple of problems in our district I really need help on. The first seems to have a trend and that is the lack of attention to detail and policy. Every July and January we are assessed International and district dues. We are given time for each of us to make our contributions and time for our leadership to submit. Currently, the final dues to Rotary International were paid in December but to date there remain four clubs who have NOT remitted their district dues. This situation is critical as semiannual invoices are ready to be sent for the second half of the year. Will I be forced to suspend club charters? Members, please ensure you have a club to attend next week by validating your leadership does their job and remits last semiannual dues immediately.

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In addition to the financial issues reported above, we have another trend problem and that is of reporting. Because many club PEs didn't provide membership and foundation goals which drive district and Rotary International tracking programs, I had to make some assumptions on behalf of those clubs and file those goal reports just to allow the tracking system to function.

Additionally, some 20 percent of our clubs have NOT submitted membership numbers for November with even a higher percentage of non-reporting clubs in December. Now I know Rotary is a volunteer organization, we all have many things we are involved with, and time is a premium, but let's be a little more conscientious to those responsibilities we agreed to when accepting leadership roles and for those not in leadership roles. Let's ensure your club leaders do their job of reporting promptly!

Though there are a few issues within our district, clubs are doing some really GREAT and AMAZING things. I would encourage each of you to read the following articles and if your club is highlighted in the article, be proud of what is being done and if not, know that all of the things done by clubs of Rotarians like you ARE making a difference in the world. Everything we do just brings us a little closer to reaching the goals of improving the place we live in. Isn't it GREAT TO BE A ROTARIAN!

*Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Youtz*

*District Governor 2011/12*

## **RIO bulletin from RIOs Jan and Merle Loch ~ Top Five Rotary Stories of 2011**

**F**rom the tsunami in Japan to the launch of strategic partnerships that will help Rotary expand its reach, 2011 was an eventful year for Rotary International and Rotarians. As the year winds down, we share our list of the top five Rotary news events of 2011.

- ❶ **Tsunami strikes Japan:** Rotary clubs and districts worldwide mobilized to bring aid to victims of the devastating earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan on 11 March. The 9.0-magnitude quake, the strongest in Japan's history, and the resulting tsunami caused widespread destruction, paralyzing much of the northern coast. In response, The Rotary Foundation established the Rotary Japan 2011 Disaster Recovery Fund, which has raised almost US\$6 million for long-term recovery projects. The fund is being administered by a committee of local Rotarians who are identifying communities' needs, managing the distribution of funds, overseeing and reporting on project implementation, and ensuring proper stewardship. Rotarians have already completed 10 projects with \$400,000 from the recovery fund. In addition, clubs and districts held benefits in support of tsunami victims, including a concert organized by Miki Okubo, a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar from Japan studying in Paris.
- ❷ **RI theme -** RI President Kalyan Banerjee unveiled the 2011-12 RI theme, Reach Within to Embrace Humanity, during the International Assembly in January. He urged the Rotary leaders-in-training to harness their inner strength to achieve success in Rotary. Watch for coverage of next year's theme, which RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka will announce at the 2012 International Assembly, 15-21 January.
- ❸ **The fight against polio -** India has been making great strides toward polio eradication in 2011, with only one case of the virus reported from January through early December. Rotarians helped administer bivalent oral polio vaccine to more than 35 million children in the country during a Subnational Immunization Day on 13 November. On 20 November, a team of Rotarians from District 3700 (Korea) served in a health camp in Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, where children were immunized against the disease. The camp was organized by Indian Rotarians in cooperation with local health officials and UNICEF. Rotarians also worked to get out the message about polio eradication for World Polio Day in October. In Australia, Rotarians and the Global Poverty Project carried out a petition drive to persuade world leaders to fully fund the critical work of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Almost 25,000 supporters signed the petition, resulting in a A\$20,000 (US\$20,700) contribution to Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge by the Rotary Club of Crawley, Western Australia, which had offered to donate A\$1 for each signature.
- ❹ **2011 RI Convention -** More than 16,000 Rotarians from around the world converged on New Orleans, Louisiana, in May for the 2011 RI Convention. Rotaractors, Rotarians, and Rotary Foundation alumni participated in service projects to help families still recovering from damage caused by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Among the highlights during four packed days of plenary and breakout sessions was a speech by Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, in which he praised Rotary for its success in the campaign to eradicate polio and urged Rotarians to redouble their efforts to keep the disease from spreading.
- ❺ **Strategic partnerships -** The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees approved four strategic partnerships in 2011 under the Future Vision Plan. These partnerships will help Rotary broaden its impact in the areas of focus by offering service opportunities for Rotarians through packaged global grants. Rotary clubs will be teaming up with UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education to train scientists and engineers to solve problems related to water and sanitation, particularly in developing countries. Grants will support scholarships for master's degree programs at the institute's campus in Delft, the Netherlands. The partnership with Mercy Ships will enable clubs to get involved in improving health care services in West Africa. The packaged global grants are available to Future Vision pilot districts and clubs. (6480 is a Future Vision District.)

**You're invited! Everyone had so much fun on last year's trip that we want to share the experience with you! Come with us President's Week (February 18-22+) to Antigua, Guatemala, for the vacation of a lifetime. While the snow piles up at home, imagine:**

- Golfing at a Pete Dye-designed course nestled between four volcanoes. The only PGA course in Central America, Fuego Maya will be a superb test in a spectacular setting.
- Don't golf? We'll set you up with a deep-water fishing trip for marlin and sailfish, the best sport fishing in the Pacific.
- Don't golf or fish? Explore the colonial city of Antigua, where world-class shopping awaits along cobblestoned streets with Old World charm. Venture to Tikal, the "granddaddy" of archeological ruins, zip-line through a magnificent coffee plantation, peer into a live volcano, or visit breathtaking Lake Atitlán.
- Sip a cool drink by the pool or treat yourself to first-class spa services, including ancient Mayan healing formulations for facials and massages. In the evenings, enjoy delicious meals in beautiful settings, complete with entertainment spiced with local culture.
- The generosity of our sponsors has allowed us to lower the prices this year, making the packages an even better value.

**O**ur mission is to help the Mayan people of northwest Guatemala improve the quality of their lives through programs in health, education, and related infrastructure. Proceeds from this event will enable us to help some of the most needy people on earth. For ten years our volunteers have worked in the area, developing programs to tackle big problems such as the extremely high infant and maternal mortality rates. We train traditional birth attendants and village health promoters in childbirth emergencies, essential newborn care, and Helping Babies Breathe. In 2008, we built a medical clinic in an area where there are no medical services available. Medical and dental teams travel to this remote location to serve the Mayan people who so desperately need medical attention. In an area where people still die from tooth abscess, we bring dentists who extract these teeth and treat the people with antibiotics to cure their infections. This is fundamental, life-saving work.

In addition to medical and dental care, we are also committed to bringing about lasting change through education. Virtually all of the people living in the remote mountain villages of Guatemala suffer from intestinal parasites. Every patient that comes to the clinic receives medicine to eradicate belly worms. However, this is a temporary measure, since the medicine only lasts 4-6 months. We have developed a program wherein the people learn how to avoid diarrheal disease and its complications by drinking filtered water, thus creating a permanent solution for water-borne illness. By partnering with Ecofiltro, the Guatemalan-based company that manufactures the ceramic water filters, we are determined to make intestinal parasites a thing of the past.

Since literacy rates are very low in the area where we work, especially among women, we have set about to make a positive impact in the area of reading and literacy. Our Guatemala Village School Textbook and Library Program has equipped 13 village schools with textbooks, school supplies, and a collection of library books. In addition, Reach Out and Read, a pre-primary literacy program, was piloted in one village with great success, and that program is poised and ready to expand to ten other villages.

We have identified a dedicated, intelligent, and motivated young Mayan man who will start Nursing School in January. After completing the three-year university program, he will be qualified to staff the Casa Colibrí Clinic full time, so we will have a permanent medical presence there.

Your participation in this wonderful travel event will enable us to carry out our work in northwest Guatemala, making it possible to continue what we've started and expand our impact. All of our programs are locally driven, as we believe that the most effective and lasting change will take place only if the people themselves are the authors of their own destiny. We merely offer a helping hand and a "leg up."

Last year's event was our first such fundraiser, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who participated. Rhonda, one of our golfers, had this to say about it: "Guatemala was an experience of a lifetime! It was the perfect blend of fun, premier golf, unique adventures, and it opened my eyes to a whole different culture. I made so many unforgettable memories and met people that will stay in my heart forever."



If, after reading this and the accompanying flier you are still undecided, consider that Casa Colibrí is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization.

Contributions are tax-deductible within IRS guidelines.

**Don't miss out! Please join us!**

**Sincerely,**

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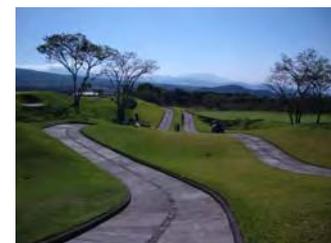
*The colorful culture of Guatemala*



*Exquisite venue for gala dinner*



*Just a chip and a putt from the volcano.*



*Beautiful vistas at every turn.*



# 2nd Annual Casa Colibrí Golf Outing

## February 18-22, 2012

Where will you be golfing in February?  
...I'll be golfing in Guatemala, saving  
babies and mothers!!!



### Golfer Itinerary (Standard)

#### Day 1 - February 18

Departure from the United States, arrival in Guatemala City and greeting at the airport by local staff.

Transportation to the beautiful colonial city of Antigua, Guatemala, surrounded by the Agua, Fuego, and Acatenango volcanoes. Check-in at the exquisite Hotel La Porta, located only a few blocks away from the heart of the city. Here you will find shops, cafés, and historic monuments built in the ancient Spanish colonial style, carrying you back in time...

A welcome cocktail awaits you, and dinner will be served in a unique atmosphere at the hotel.

#### Day 2 - February 19

Breakfast buffet and departure from the hotel to La Reunión Golf Course and Resort, where the famous Pete Dye-designed Fuego Maya course lies at the base of the Fuego volcano. Registration and golf cart pick up. Enjoy lunch overlooking the Pacific coastal plains of Guatemala and a majestic view of the Agua volcano.

Return to Antigua to discover the unique and precious stone that the ancient Mayan kings valued most — jade. La Casa del Jade is hosting a factory and museum tour located in the center of town. You will return to the hotel to prepare for the evening's activity, an authentic Guatemalan folkloric spectacle and dinner at the ruins of San José el Viejo church, just a few steps away from the hotel.

#### Day 3 - February 20

Breakfast buffet and departure for the Fuego Maya golf course for the second part of the outing. A buffet-style lunch will be served. Awards will be given for First, Second and Third Place as well as Closest to the Pin and Straightest Drive.

Return to the hotel and prepare for a thank-you dinner with a special presentation of the colorful traditional clothing of Guatemala. Casa Colibrí will acquaint you with its humanitarian projects, and a raffle and unique auction items will make this night even more special.

#### Day 4 - February 21

Breakfast buffet followed by a day of leisure.

Optional tours and activities include:

- One-day tour at the famous Mayan ruins of Tikal
- Unique hike up the Pacaya volcano located one hour away from Antigua
- Additional round of golf at La Reunión

#### Day 5 - February 22

Breakfast buffet and transportation back to the Guatemala City airport for your flight back to the United States.

### Non-Golfer Itinerary

#### Day 1 - February 18

Departure from the United States, arrival at Guatemala City airport and welcome by Casa Colibrí staff. Bus transportation to the colonial city of Antigua, surrounded by the volcanoes of Agua, Fuego, and Acatenango, land of the finest coffee in the world. Check-in at the distinctive Hotel La Porta, where a welcome cocktail awaits, followed by dinner at the hotel.

#### Day 2 - February 19

Breakfast buffet. Prepare for a walking tour of Antigua led by a professional tour guide and native *antigüeña*. You will discover the finest architectural monuments of Antigua and enjoy great handicraft shopping at different marketplaces situated throughout the town. Enjoy a delicious lunch at the famous Posada Don Rodrigo in a one-of-a-kind setting. Finish your outing at the famous Casa del Jade for a personal tour. Return to the hotel and prepare for a unique dinner and folkloric presentation at the San José el Viejo ruins, located just a few steps from the hotel.

#### Day 3 - February 20

Breakfast buffet. Set aside the morning to rest and restore your energy at the incomparable La Ceiba Spa, nestled within the gardens of the hotel. Choose from the great selection of packages to pamper your body and restore your soul. This is, without a doubt, the ultimate spa experience.\* Or, spend the morning at the Antigua market immersing yourself in a rainbow of colors, flavors and smells, experiencing the traditional, informal commerce of Guatemala.\*

Another great option is the Finca Filadelfia, one of the finest coffee plantations in the region. Enjoy a flavorful cup of coffee as you learn about the production of this highly valued commodity "from bean to bag." For those who are adventurous, jump into the action and zip-line your way through the forest canopy, taking in a unique view of the valley of Panchoy and the surrounding volcanoes. The scenery is magnificent!\*

Enjoy lunch and a free afternoon relaxing by the pool, or read a book on your private patio. Thank-you dinner will be served in a beautiful setting at the hotel.

\*Check at the reception desk for prices and details.

#### Day 4 - February 21

Breakfast buffet followed by a day at leisure.

Optional tours and activities include:

- One-day tour of the famous Mayan ruins of Tikal
- Hiking excursion up the Pacaya volcano, located one hour away from Antigua

#### Day 5 - February 22

Check-out and transportation to the Guatemala City airport for the return flight to your home destination.

Why not enjoy the beauty and warmth of Guatemala a little longer? If you wish to extend your stay, making your visit even more memorable, you can choose from two different options.

## Extended Stay 1

### Day 4

Optional tours and activities (see non-golfer itinerary).

### Day 5

Early start for a one-day tour of Panajachel, site of one of the world's most beautiful lakes. Lake Atitlán is surrounded by three majestic volcanoes—Tolimán, Atitlán, and San Pedro. Hop on a boat and cross the lake to visit the famous pueblo of Santiago Atitlán, with its mystical Mayan traditions. Visit the cofradía of Maximón, Santiago's sacred idol, where villagers come from miles around to partake in ancient spiritual ceremonies. Enjoy lunch overlooking the lake at El Bambú, then return to Panajachel and back to Antigua.

### Day 6

Hotel check-out and transportation to the Guatemala City airport for your return flight to the USA. Package includes hotel, meals, ground and boat transportation, and professional English-speaking tour guide.



## Extended Stay 2

### Day 4 and Day 5

Same activities as Extended Stay 1 with an additional days.

### Day 6

Breakfast at the hotel and on to Chichicastenango, the largest handicraft market of Guatemala. You will walk through the picturesque heart of town, visiting the Santo Tomás church where the Maya bring their offerings and practice their ancestral rituals. Discover the colorful cemetery of Chichi, where you will find the "Chuchk' Ahau" Mayan priests performing ceremonies and rituals much like their ancestors have done for centuries. En route back to Antigua, you will stop for a delicious traditional meal at Restaurante Katok. Don't miss their indescribable cappuccino!

### Day 7

Hotel check-out and transportation to the Guatemala City airport for your return flight to the USA. Package includes hotel, meals, ground and boat transportation, and professional English-speaking tour guide.

## REGISTRATION FORM

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**Please send this completed registration form along with your deposit to:**  
Casa Colibrí, 1251 Washington Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48306

**Questions?** Contact Dr. Jay Eastman at (248) 651-9638 or eastmanj@comcast.net

### Packages

Golfer Package \$2600.00 \*

Non-Golfer Package \$2000.00

### Optional Tours & Activities

Additional Day of Golf \$155.00

*(Includes greens fees, transportation, golf cart and caddy. Tips are not included.)*

Tikal Mayan Ruins \$350.00

*(Includes transportation, round-trip flight, lunch, guide, and entrance fee to the national park. Tips are not included.)*

Pacaya Volcano Tour \$75.00

*(Includes transportation, guide, and lunch. Tips are not included.)*

Extended Stay 1 \$275.00

Extended Stay 2 \$450.00

Men's and women's golf clubs are available to rent for \$25.00 per day.

[Click on these links for an in-depth view of the golf course and hotel](http://www.portahotels.com/content/porta-hotel-antigua)

<http://www.portahotels.com/content/porta-hotel-antigua>

<http://www.lareunion.com.gt/eng/idt/20/golf-course/1-6-7,7-1-/>

**Don't miss out! Book now — a deposit of \$500 will reserve your space.**

*\*By participating in this unique and incomparable event, you will be supporting the humanitarian, life-saving programs of Casa Colibrí. Casa Colibrí is a 501 (c) (3) organization.*



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## Rotary and ShelterBox: Working Together in The Philippines

■ Submitted by Emily Sperling  
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Greetings from ShelterBox USA, Inc. We have been reflecting on the 25+ disasters to which ShelterBox has responded this year. With the help of our supporters, we have responded to earthquakes, tsunamis, tornados, tropical storms and flooding, like what the Philippines recently experienced. In many cases, Rotarians in the field, both our own response team members and in-country liaisons we



engage, have helped us deliver emergency shelter and other essential equipment in the days following disaster.

To that end, I thought you'd enjoy learning about the role of Rotary in our response to the flooding and storm damage in the Philippines. Rotarians from Cagayan de Oro and Iligan, towns in Mindanao that were worst affected by Typhoon Washi on

December 16, have offered their assistance to the ShelterBox Response Team on deployment there to help put up ShelterBox tents.

Response team volunteers Abner Tayco and Jesus Nicdao, arrived in the country's second largest island on December 20. They found many families in need of emergency shelter and lifesaving supplies, having had their homes swept away by the flash floods. With nearly 1,000 people dead and more than 280,000 displaced by the late-season tropical storm, Philippines President Benigno Aquino has declared a national calamity, according to the BBC: "First priority is to relocate to areas that no longer pose a danger to them," he told a meeting in Cagayan de Oro.

The ShelterBox team has been working with the local government to find suitable safe sites to pitch the ShelterBox tents. Abner and Jesus have also been demonstrating to volunteers from local Rotary clubs how to set up the ShelterBox tents.

"The assistance we have had from Rotary has been invaluable here," said Jesus, himself a Rotarian and also chairman and founder of ShelterBox Philippines. "It is possible for Abner and I to set up the tents ourselves but it would have been a much slower process. Now that we have shown the Rotarians how to do it, they will be able to help us set up camps rapidly. This will allow families who have lost everything to soon begin to rebuild their lives, offering them shelter, warmth and dignity -- assets everyone should have so close to Christmas."

Pre-positioned ShelterBoxes in the Philippine city of Clark have enabled ShelterBox's quick response and are being flown to the affected areas by the Philippine Air Force. You'll be able to follow our progress responding to this disaster and others at

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

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[www.twitter.com/shelterboxus](http://www.twitter.com/shelterboxus)

Thank you for your commitment to **Service Above Self** as you, and fellow Rotarians from District 6380, ensure the world's most vulnerable receive the assistance they need. Should you have any questions about ShelterBox and our work to deliver humanitarian aid in the form of shelter, warmth and dignity to disaster survivors around the world, please let me know.

## Membership Summit February 18

Things That Work! ■ Submitted by Jim Gilmore

How do we grow our club in the face of declining memberships in service organizations? How have other clubs done it? Attend the District 6380 Membership Summit, scheduled for **February 18 at the Brighton Community Center**. The Summit will concentrate on methods of membership growth that have proven successful for clubs in our district, such as Making your Meeting FUN, Great Programs as a Growth Tool, How Public Image Enhances Membership. We will end the Summit with a New Member Panel Discussion, consisting of new Rotarians who will talk about why they joined and what will make them stay.

The Summit will begin at 8 a.m. with registration and a continental breakfast and will end promptly at noon. Cost of the Summit is \$5 which will be collected (cash or check only) at the door. Email Jim Gilmore at [jggilmore4@gmail.com](mailto:jggilmore4@gmail.com) to reserve your places and make sure your key club membership people are armed to grow in 2012!

## Sanitation Workshop February 25

■ Submitted by Eileen Heasley

According to U.N. estimates, more than 2.6 billion people worldwide have no access to basic sanitation. The West Bloomfield Rotary Club has received a district grant to do something to improve this situation. They helped organize a four-day sanitation workshop to be conducted **February 2-5. The workshop takes place at Colombiere Center in Clarkston** and will provide theory, instruction, and hands-on experience about how to solve this problem. Because of the district grant, the cost for the workshop is reduced for everyone from more than \$700 to just \$500. This includes workshop, materials and room/board for four days. West Bloomfield club president Scott Brills saw the need for clean water and sanitation education during his many travels around the world. He took the BioSand filter workshop sponsored by Troy Rotary and A Vision for Clean Water in spring 2011 and then decided to bring the sanitation workshop to the district for the first time. He is especially interested in having young adults and those who financially struggle attend the workshop. To accomplish this, there are a limited number of partial scholarships available. Don't wait to register. The workshop is expected to sell out. Pass the flier in this newsletter to others who might be interested. Tell them about Rotary's interest in clean water and sanitation. For more information, visit <http://avisionforcleanwater.org> or contact Erica Gwynn [erica.gwynn@gmail.com](mailto:erica.gwynn@gmail.com)

# A Vision for Clean Water

## Introduction to Low Cost Sanitation Workshop February 2–5, 2012

- Four-day workshop provides theory, instruction and hands-on experience
- Includes topics such as excreta management options (eco-sanitation, sanitation promotion, excavating, lining and emptying pits), wastewater disposal, hygiene and solid waste disposal
- Explores the relationship between sanitation and health in developing countries
- Balances theory with practical sessions where participants will design and size pits, and construct latrine slabs and hand washing stations
- Offers basic instruction on water testing (I'm not sure if you want this here or below – be sure to remove it one or both places.
- Provides opportunity to create an action plan for future work in the field

Through a generous donation from the West Bloomfield, Michigan Rotary Club, we are able to offer a substantial reduction in tuition. Don't miss this opportunity!



**DATES:** February 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>

**TUITION:** \$500 Includes workshop, housing, meals  
Partial scholarships available!

**TIMES:** Feb.1<sup>st</sup> Opening Session (7:00-9:00PM)  
Feb.2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> (9:00 AM–5:30 PM)  
Evening Activities (7:00-9:00)  
• Includes one session on water testing

**LOCATION:** Colombiere Center  
9075 Big Lake Rd  
Clarkston, MI 48346

**TO REGISTER:** <http://www.avisionforcleanwater.org/>

Send additional inquires to [erica@avisionforcleanwater.org](mailto:erica@avisionforcleanwater.org)



Presented by: **Center for Affordable Water and Sanitation**

## Rotary Polio National Immunization Day Trip - Delhi, India ~ February 14 - 23

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The Indian government announced the dates of the February Polio National Immunization Days (NID). They will be conducted February 14-23. We are sending you this information so you can notify the Rotarians in your district of this upcoming event.

We will be working with the Indian Rotary leadership to finalize the details of our trip (e.g., hotel reservations, Rotary events, meals to be included, etc.) for our trip.

See the five-page flier with this newsletter with a registration for the program.

Rotarians who are interested in joining this program, should take the following steps to be prepared to move quickly:

1. Make sure that their passport is valid and current through August 22, 2012
2. Make sure that they are available for travel between February 14 and 22, 2012
3. Visit the Centers for Disease Control Web site: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/india.htm> to determine what vaccinations they may need for the trip. We suggest that they visit this website, print out the material and visit their doctor, or travel doctor, to determine what vaccinations, or treatments they may need for this trip.
4. Monitor information that you may forward regarding the trip.

Please recruit people onto the team. We have a short time to invoice you for the trip, prepare the documentation and get the group out the door. It will require the participants to be flexible and ready to move quickly.

We are planning on taking no more than 40 people on this group. Last year when we announced this program we sold out in 13 days. We hope you, your friends and other Rotarians you know can join us. However, please be prepared to act quickly when you receive the information from us.

In 2011, there was only ONE new confirmed case of polio in India. In 2012, we expect that India will no longer be considered a polio-endemic country. Therefore, this might be one of the last opportunities we will have to organize a trip to India to participate in polio NID activities. This trip offers you and the Rotarians in your club and district an extraordinary opportunity to have an experience of a life time.



The following summarizes the key trip information:

Our program will travel to Delhi, India, and participate in the polio NID activities in Ghaziabad, which is just outside of Delhi.

This trip also includes travel to Agra to visit the Taj Mahal.

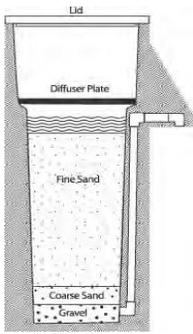
See the following pages on the costs of airfare, hotels, transfers, Rotary events, participation in the NID activities, most meals, sightseeing, English speaking guide and other.

**Air Reservations:** Participants are free to secure their own air reservations using their frequent flyer mileage, or individual purchase. Howard Tours will be happy to help you purchase airline tickets, which can be requested on the trip application.

**Visas:** All U.S. citizens will need to secure an Indian visa. We will give you specific information about how to secure the visa when we send you the confirmation documents. It is important that you do not attempt to secure the Indian visa before you receive this information.

To join us, please complete and sign the application on page five of the following documents. Please make sure to include the requested credit card authorization for the cost of the program. Based on the response we have received on this program, we expect this trip will be sold out within 10 days of it being announced. Therefore, we strongly suggest you take immediate action. We look forward to having you join us.

Best regards for a happy new year.



**District 6380 Water Activities and Programs (2011-2012) December Our Way to Celebrate Our Great Lakes Water Heritage! Your Foundation Grants at Work**  
**■ Marc Forest**

*Let's celebrate the fact that 20 percent of the world's fresh water has been entrusted to our care for being close to us and our immediate neighbors! Outside of our country, this often is not the case. 1.6 billion people out of more than six billion do not have access to clean water and 2.6 billion do not have sanitation facilities.*



**Congratulations . . .**

Sterling Heights Club and to the dedication of its members Joyce and John Joyce for continuing their funding to the Bonao BioSand project, now in its sixth year and fifth grant. This grant has now been completed during this December and its final report submitted. Clubs may want to seriously consider it as model to be used when submitting their own final report. The club has now received its sixth grant and is actively raising funds for its implementation. Please contact the Joyces for presentation to your clubs, or should you consider accompanying John and Joyce in their next trip to the Dominican Republic, early February 2012. For more information, contact [mrsjoyce2@wowway.com](mailto:mrsjoyce2@wowway.com) or (586) 751-2861.

**Congratulations . . .**

Ann Arbor Rotary Club for its planned BioSand filter project, certainly not their first international water project!

**Congratulations . . .**

Pontiac Club for their members' Ron and Carol Cousineau's participation at the Rotary Project which was held Nov. 11 to 13. in Quito, Ecuador.

**Congratulations . . .**

West Bloomfield Rotary for its Sanitation Workshop District Grant SEE PAGE 6

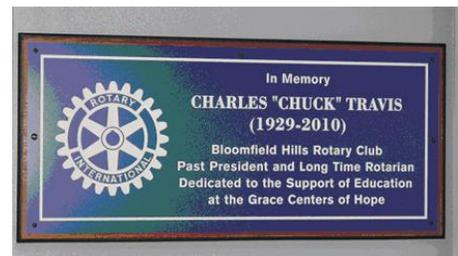
**Congratulations . . .**

To the RF Global Grant 25407 team for "Clean Water in Ecuador" The team involves the Ecuadorian Clubs of Tomebamba Cuenca, Gualaceo, Zaruma and Esmeraldas and District 6380 Clubs of Novi, Milan and Chatham Sunrise. As of December 29, 2011, Grant monies have been deposited in the special account at the Novi Rotary Club. We recognize here the efforts of Team Leader Gary Sobotta (Novi) and Dr. Eduardo Enriquez of the Milan Club and of the Chatham Sunrise Club Leadership.

**Congratulations . . .**

Bloomfield Hills Rotary Club for the completion of their Rotary Foundation District Grant to renovate and equip an Activity Room at the Grace Centers of Hope's Child Care Center located downtown Pontiac. Public Dedication proceeded early June 2011, Rotarians George W. Moore III, Alan Klein, Nancy Sielaf and the Forests represented the Bloomfield Hills Club. Later, on October 6, Pastor Clark, and numerous Bloomfield Hills Rotarians honored Chuck Travis by unveiling a memorial plaque right at the entrance of the Activity Room. One important fact is that the Activity Room is dedicated to the celebration of WATER through appropriate murals and the use of an aquarium with small fishes, providing a hands-on contact with the aquatic life. Grace Centers and the Bloomfield Hills Club have a long history of cooperative Projects. Chuck Travis and his family have spearheaded many of the

Bloomfield Hills Club projects with Grace Centers of Hope. In recognition and to recognize Chuck's dedication in supporting the Mission of Grace Centers of Hope, a plaque was dedicated on Oct. 6, 2011. Chuck's wife Barbara and son Tim accompanied the dedication. Many Bloomfield Hills Rotarians participated in raising funds, dedicating their time to support the work of the day Care Center and the assembly of the furniture to be used by the children with the active participation of Rotarians Steve McCann, Laura Malczewski, Nancy Sielaff, Marc Forest, Karen Krieger and others. The plaque in the memory of Chuck Travis was placed on a wood frame built by Rotarian Jerry Rivard.



## ROTARY CLUB OF BIRMINGHAM

■ Submitted by Susan Earp

The Rotary Club of Birmingham has raffle tickets for the 2012 Masters Tournament. The trip includes round-trip first-class private air charter for two from Oakland County Airport to Aiken, South Carolina, ground transportation in Aiken/Augusta, Masters Tournament badges for Saturday, April 7 and Sunday, April 8, private home accommodations for Saturday, April 7 and NextTee event host on-site. The drawing will be held on January 23 at noon at the Community House. Raffle tickets are \$50 each and a maximum of 400 tickets will be sold. Your support will help fund clean water projects throughout the world as well as local literacy projects and scholarships. We accept VISA and MasterCard. For more information and to get your tickets, contact **Susan Earp** at searp@jvsdet.org, or phone (248) 233-4280 (office hours). Please help us promote by notifying your club members of this opportunity.

The Rotary Club of Birmingham has been very active volunteering in the community. We raised \$704 for The Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign, ringing bells on two very chilly Saturdays in Birmingham. Our members and their families and friends rang bells in downtown Birmingham in front of Bigby Coffee. These are remarkable results for a two-day site. The Royal Oak Salvation Army provided gifts and food baskets to more than 1,000 families Christmas week. Our contributions make these efforts, along with the year-round ongoing social services of meals, shelter, emergency and disaster assistance, drug and alcohol rehab possible right here in our local community.

Club members and their families and friends also prepared and served a meal at the Hope Warming Center in Pontiac on December 11. We had enough food to feed all the clients that evening, plus packed a lunch for them to enjoy the next day.

Our next community service outing will include packing food at Gleaners Food Bank on January 16 from noon to 2:30. This annual tradition replaces our regular meeting on Martin Luther King Day. We look forward to working together to achieve results for this nonprofit and the services they provide.

We are thankful for the efforts our members and extended family provide to successfully organize, plan and coordinate these functions. Your dedication to *"Service Above Self"* is very much appreciated.



## LIVINGSTON SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB

Got cabin fever?

Livingston Sunrise Rotary has the cure!

It's that time just after the holidays when everyone is beginning to get cabin fever and dusting off the Hawaiian shirt or flip-flops just feels right. The Livingston Sunrise Rotary Club, with support from our signature sponsor, Hartland Insurance Agency, continues its tradition of making winter a time to focus on special projects for youth.

Every winter the club kicks it up several notches with our signature **Midnight in the Tropics fundraiser gala. On Saturday, January 21 (6 p.m. - 11 p.m.)** Cleary University's Johnson Center will be transformed into a tropical paradise featuring dinner and best in dancing with the live entertainment of "The Island Guys." Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased from any Livingston Sunrise Rotarian.



Tickets include dinner and entry into a raffle drawing for 8-days/7-nights at the world famous Carambola Beach Resort & Spa in St. Croix. Island-hoppers will have the opportunity to bid on an instant wine cellar and much more as they experience both a live and a silent auction, along with a 50/50 drawing, cash bar, and great fun for everyone all in the spirit of making a difference for youth.

The most important draw to the event comes from the fundraiser's focus on youth hunger, homelessness, literacy and leadership, and the club's dedication of all proceeds from the event in support of youth initiatives including Livingston County Big Brothers-Big Sisters, The Connection House, Reaching Higher and other critical needs.

Good news for those who can't be there and still want to help our youth: You don't have to be present to win the vacation getaway drawing! For more information, visit the club on Facebook or contact Tom Martin at (810) 588-0245. Or contact Jim Lawrence (810) 900-3025 or Brenda Ochodnicki (810) 227-5743.

**Lakes Area Rotary Club** recently received the following email from the parent of a past Interact Club member. We are in the process of responding to this inquiry and will connect the club most local to the school once we know which school system is involved. It is heartwarming to learn of our affect on students and to be able to share it.

*Hello,*

*I am a parent of past students of Walled Lake Central high School. Your program with WLC students was a great experience for my daughters.*

*A parent from Birmingham/Bloomfield would like their local Rotary to start a similar program in their high school. He would like the opportunity to speak with the Rotary member who is the link with WLC. If it is possible, I would like to pass that person's contact information on to them.*

*The opportunity to work with the Lakes Area Rotary Club was so positive for my daughters and they continue to volunteer in the East Lansing Community while they attend college.*

*Thank you,*



**ROTARY CLUB OF WARREN** from Frank Mallon: Rosco the Clown and super hero "Laughing Moon" entertained the special needs children at Carlson Elementary School in Warren. This is the 37th year of celebrating at this elementary school. Governor Steve and past District Governor Bill Young enjoyed a friendly chat Governor Steve's last club visit on December 6. President-elect Dan Zimolzak thanked the governor for his spirited Rotary messages. A fuzzy for all of us.

### **West Bloomfield Interact Club Collecting Blankets for Homeless in Detroit ~ Kelly Wong**

The West Bloomfield Interact Club launched a blanket drive on Dec., 10 to donate blankets for homeless shelters in Metro Detroit. The event was held on a Saturday evening at the Orchard Lake Community Church Presbyterian where Interact kids brought in blankets as tickets to the event -- to watch the Christmas movie "Elf." Rotarians from the club also brought in cookies for sale (so as to buy more blankets) later. All the blankets (35 in total) were brought to the I Am My Brother's Keeper Church in Detroit on Dec. 21 by our Rotarians, just in time to distribute to homeless shelters for Christmas.



**Walled Lake Central Interact Club** tied blankets for those less fortunate than they. When unable to connect to their original distribution source, the Interactors found a welcome at Hospitality House, the local food pantry where a number of local homeless folks benefitted. Walled Lake Western Interact Club found themselves costumed for fun when they helped the City of Walled Lake with their holiday festivities at "A Season to Remember."

**Rotary Club of Chatham Sunrise  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual**

# Mardi Gras Celebration

**Saturday, February 25, 2012**

**Active Lifestyle Centre  
20 Merritt Avenue, Chatham**

**Featuring**

***Tom Lockwood***

- 5:30**     ***Cocktails and solo with Tom Lockwood  
Mardi Gras King and Queen Contest begins***
- 6:30**     ***Dinner – Mardi Gras Fare***
- 8:00**     ***Buffet Dessert  
Tom Lockwood Blues Band  
Live and Silent Auction***

**\$50.00**

***Purchase from your  
Rotary Club of Chatham Sunrise member  
519-354-5172 or at [www.rotarysunrise.com](http://www.rotarysunrise.com)  
Credit Cards Accepted.***

***Proceeds to support  
Rotary Club of Chatham Sunrise Projects***



**District 6380 Status as of July 1 - November 30, 2011**

<b>Rotary</b>			YTD		2010-11	2010-11	2010-11	2010-11	Annual
<b>International District 6380 Statistics</b>	Membership as of Jul-11 SAR	Membership Reported to District 30-Nov-11	net gain or loss	Foundation Annual Giving Goal	Foundation Annual Giving 30-Nov-11	Foundation Annual Giving YTD	Foundation Other Giving 30-Nov-11	Foundation Permanent Fund 30-Nov-11	Giving % Achieved
Club									
Anchor Bay	18	18	0	\$ -					
Ann Arbor	317	310	-7	\$ 24,000	\$ 2,617	\$ 15,002	\$ 7,408		63
Ann Arbor North	31	33	2	\$ 3,000					
Auburn Hills	12	13	1			\$ 50			
Berkley	20	18	-2			\$ 100	\$ 3,000		
Birmingham	71	69	-2		\$ 362	\$ 462	\$ 6,237		
Blenheim	22	22	0		\$ 3,750	\$ 3,750	\$ 1,725		
Bloomfield Hills		34		\$ 3,800		\$ 500	\$ 113		13
Brighton	70	71	1	\$ 7,500			\$ 250		
Chatham	79	78	-1	\$ 7,600	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 713		1
Chatham Sunrise	38	39	1			\$ 192	\$ 695		
Chelsea	31	31	0	\$ 3,100					
Clarkston	20	20	0			\$ 2,300	\$ 1,000		
Clawson	16	13	-3						
Davisburg	13	15	2				\$ 100		
Dexter	31	32	1	\$ 2,000			\$ 400		
Dresden	18	20	2	\$ 1,000		\$ 421			42
Eastpointe	16	17	1	\$ 2,100		\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000		95
Farmington	23	21	-2	\$ 2,300					
Ferndale	20	20	0	\$ 2,000	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 225		1
Fowlerville	28	28	0						
Hartland	22	18	-4				\$ 100		
Howell	48	48	0						
Lake Orion	22	21	-1	\$ -	\$ 84	\$ 1,370			13
Lakes Area	12	16	4	\$ 1,600		\$ 210	\$ 150		
Livingston Sunrise		44		\$ 5,000					
Lyon Area	12	10	-2						
Macomb	11	11	0						
Milan	18	18	0	\$ 1,800			\$ 400		
Milford	34	34	0	\$ 3,500	\$ 100	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,000		49
Mt. Clemens	73	73	0				\$ 250		
Novi	40	38	-2	\$ 4,000		\$ 100	\$ 1,200		3
Ortonville		11							
Oxford	34	35	1		\$ 400	\$ 1,200			
Pontiac	27	28	1			\$ 250			
Richmond		33		\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000			50
Ridgetown		23							
Rochester	85	89	4	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000		7
Romeo	12	9	-3						
Royal Oak	32	29	-3			\$ 43	\$ 200		
Saline	31	30	-1				\$ 450		
Southfield		18				\$ 100			
Sterling Heights	23	23	0	\$ 2,300	\$ 270	\$ 1,895	\$ 300		82
Thamesville		6							
Tilbury	22	20	-2	\$ 2,200	\$ 115	\$ 115	\$ 2,900		5
Troy	37	38	1						
Utica-Shelby	14	12	-2	\$ 1,400					
Wallaceburg	10	10	0	\$ 1,200					
Warren	23	19	-4	\$ 1,500	\$ 60	\$ 220			15
Waterford	26	29	3		\$ 100	\$ 3,150			
West Bloomfield			0	\$ 2,000					
Ypsilanti	24	30	6	\$ 2,500			\$ 100		
District 6380									
District Total								2872	
	1586	1745	-10	\$ 104,400	\$ 9,983	\$ 37,255	\$ 32,916	\$ 2,872	36
				Per Capita ->	\$ 6.29				