# People Of Action NEWSLETTER

"Rotarians are People of Action Making a Difference"



Highlights from 2017-2018

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# District Governor's

# Message

# Highlights of 2017-18

A thank you to our District leadership and summary of the District services provided to our clubs during the 2017-2018 Rotary year

The 2017-18 Rotary year will soon end. Providing program support to members and clubs is an important part of the mission of District 5440. Here is what your district provided in the past year.

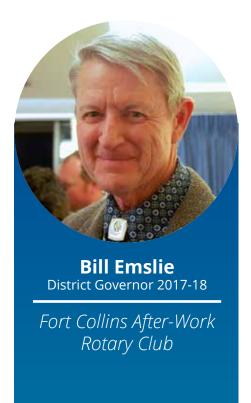
It seems hard to believe the Rotary year is ending. As we prepare for another year, it would be beneficial to summarize services and accomplishments by our District leaders and members as chances are we will have similar opportunities to use these services in the coming year. Let's start with some of the big-ticket items such as Youth Exchange, District and Global Grants, and RYLA and Young RYLA.

#### **Youth Exchange**

Our district has an exceptional Youth Exchange Committee, offering both a yearlong exchange program and a summer exchange program. The Cowboy Country Youth Exchange committee works very hard under **Year Long Exchange Chair Beth Vandewege** and **Summer Youth Exchange Chair Neil Harrison** to ensure inbound students are offered an outstanding program and outbound students are given









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an opportunity to go to a country of their choice. During the current year the year-long program sent 11 students abroad and received 20 inbound students. As we prepare for the coming year, we plan to send 19 students to 14 countries abroad and receive 22 inbound students from 18 countries.

In the short-term (or 'summer') program, which is a family-family exchange, seven students traveled to and hosted from six European countries and Thailand. For the coming year, the summer program plans to send six students on short term exchanges to 5 countries.

Please consider the Rotary Youth Exchange summer or yearlong program for youth in your communities. You can read more at <a href="http://www.rotary5440.org/Site-Page/year-long-youth-exchange">http://www.rotary5440.org/Site-Page/summer-youth-exchange</a>.

#### Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA), Young RYLA and RYLA Plus

The RYLA/Young RYLA Committee is responsible for helping to develop and conduct youth leadership training programs with District 5450 to which Rotary clubs send student leaders. RYLA programs for District 5440 include RYLA, Young RYLA and RYLA Plus.

RYLA and Young RYLA offer students an amazing opportunity for one-week leadership training experience. This training is one of the best they will ever attend. Young RYLA is for students going into eighth grade for a one-week session near Larkspur, Colorado. RYLA is for high school students following 10th and 11th grades, providing a similar one-week leadership experience at the YMCA of the Rockies near Estes Park. Both Rotarian and non-Rotarian children may apply at http://www.rmryla.org/. We also host a one-week RYLA plus camp for special needs students. This past year, between District 5440 and 5450, which shares with us all three programs, we sent over

700 youth to the three programs. I want to thank each club for your participation in RYLA this year and our **District RYLA Chair Rawnda Pierce**. A special thanks to **Rocky Mountain RYLA Chair Dave Boon** and your committee for organizing another successful year for the three RYLA programs.

#### **Interact**

Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Our Rotary clubs started two new Interact Clubs this year for a total of 27 clubs in our district. Of these, 25 Interact clubs are school-based and 2 are community based. Your club can sponsor and support an Interact Club. Please go to <a href="https://www.">https://www.</a> rotary5440.org/. Under the youth programs tab, you can download the Interact Handbook, which gives you a step-by-step procedure to establish and sponsor an Interact Club.

I want to give special thanks to **Steve Misch, Interact Chair** and his committee for the strong efforts this year to provide a

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If this Rotary of ours is destined to be more than a mere passing thing, it will be because you and I have learned the importance of bearing with each other's infirmities, the value of toleration."

~ Rational Rotarianism, The National Rotarian, January 1911

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separate Interact Conference at the Fall Assembly in October and at the District Conference in May. This provided a district-wide opportunity for our Interact members to learn more about what Rotary does and to engage in service projects.

#### **Rotaract**

Rotaract clubs bring together people ages 18-30 to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service. Our District is fortunate to have seven active Rotaract clubs. Three of these are university based and four are community based. Each has its own focus and skills. You can learn more about starting a Rotaract club in your community by visiting <a href="https://www.rotary.org/">https://www.rotary.org/</a> en/get-involved/rotaract-clubs. You can download a Rotaract Handbook and learn about the outstanding opportunities Rotaract offers students and young professionals. I also want to thank **District Rotaract Chair** Kalib Simpson for taking leadership as our District Rotaract Committee this year.

# **District Rotary Foundation Committee**

This is another area where our District excels, providing an exceptional level of giving to the Rotary Foundation and providing funding, through grants and scholarships for our clubs. We have a very active District Rotary Foundation Committee led by **Jim Epstein.** This committee offers a range of services to our clubs and members. First, we have 14 foundation mentors who work directly with our clubs to ensure a good understand and relationship with the Rotary Foundation.

A Permanent Endowment Fund Committee lead by AG Julie **Johnson Hafner** helps clubs with endowment gifts. PP Liz Becher works with the clubs to engage members as Paul Harris society members. 52 new members joined the Paul Harris Society this year. All these committees help ensure we have a strong level of giving to the Rotary Foundation. This is important because not only do we help fund one of the most important humanitarian service foundations in the world, but we receive back 50 percent of what we give to the annual fund. These District Designated Funds, or DDF annually fund our Global Grants, District Grants, Centennial Grants, Rotaract/Interact Grants, and Scholarships. Each club has an opportunity to participate in each of the grants, depending on their level of giving to the Foundation. The District Grants Committee just updated our District's Grants policy. You will be hearing more about this soon. During this past year, our district awarded 39 District and Centennial Grants for local projects and 7 District Grants for International Projects. We also awarded a \$35,000 Local Global Grant to the Rotary Club of Loveland to fund a literacy project at the Loveland Housing Authority. This year a total of 10 Global Grants were awarded which includes this one and we contributed to two Global Grants in other districts. I want to give special thanks to our Grants Sub Committee, led by co-chairs PP Joe Schon, PP Randy Looper and **John Trone**. Prior member and co-chair **Ron Hogan** sadly passed away this year and we shall never forget his intense ded-

Not only did our clubs give to the endowment and annual fund, but you also gave generously to the Polio Plus fund. This year we exceeded our goal of \$96,440 for a total level of giving of \$140,497 as of this writing. The District con-

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tributed \$20,000 of District Designated Funds. as well as \$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation Permanent Fund to support the Global Grants Pooled Fund for Water and Sanitation. The District Polio subcommittee led by **PP Judy Boggs** increased our awareness of polio and the intense effort Rotary is making to eliminate this terrible disease from the planet.

Our Scholarship Committee worked very hard to make available six regional \$2,000 scholarships and one \$30,000 scholarship. Three of these \$2,000 scholarships were awarded, including the \$30,000 scholarship, due to the diligent work of the Scholarship committee and the clubs.

Finally, the District Rotary Foundation committee initiated a new Peace and Conflict Resolution Sub-Committee lead by **Dr. Bill Timpson**. This committee was very active in starting our first monthly Peace and Conflict Resolution newsletter. It presented our first peacebuilding workshop at the Spring District Training Assembly and hosted a panel of peacebuilders at the District Conference.

# District Rotary Foundation Dinner

We celebrated our giving to The Rotary Foundation with a District Rotary Foundation dinner on April 7. Keynote speaker and past Rotary International Director Phil Silvers provided an inspirational message as we recognized hundreds of Rotarians in our district who give so generously to the Foundation. You can find a copy of the program on our District Website at <a href="https://www.">https://www.</a> rotary5440.org/. I want to give thanks to Past President Liz Becher for her Role as Emcee and Paul Harris Society Chair.

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#### **Assistant Governors**

Our district benefits from the leadership given by our 17 Assistant Governors, who provide support to our clubs on the many opportunities offered through the District and Rotary International to help our clubs be more successful. I want to give special thanks to our Assistant Governors, listed below for their dedicated service to our club. Your AGs for this year have been:

#### **PP Norm Anderson**

who supports the Buffalo, Ranchester-Dayton and Sheridan clubs.

**PP Helen Bishop** who supports the Jackson Hole, Jackson Hole Breakfast, Jackson Hole Supper, Star Valley and Teton Valley (Idaho) clubs.

**PP David Brown** who supports the Cody, Powell, and Worland clubs.

**PP Danny Brownell** who supports the Cheyenne, Cheyenne After Hours, and Cheyenne Sunrise clubs.

**PP Julie Johnson Haffner** who supports the Greeley, Greeley-After Hours, Greeley Centennial, and Greeley Redeye clubs.

**PP Wayne Heili** who supports the Casper, Casper 5 Trails, Casper Reveille, and Douglas clubs.

**PP Nancy Hobbs** who supports the Morrill, Scottsbluff/Gering, and Torrington clubs

**PP Brenda McGinnis** who supports the Evanston, Kemmerer, and Rock Springs clubs.

**PP Jim Moylan** who supports the Craig, Ski Town USA, and Steamboat Springs clubs.

**PP Ron Randle** for part of the year &

**PP Linda Volmusk** for the balance of the year, who together supported Estes Park, Estes Park-Longs Peak, and Estes Valley Sunrise clubs.

**PP Shurie Scheel** who supported the Lander, Riverton, and Thermopolis clubs.

**PP Steven Smith** who supported the Sedgwick County and Sterling clubs.

**PP Larry Struempf** who supported the Laramie, Laramie Sunrise, and Rawlins clubs.

**PP Dr. Verlyn (Lyn) Velle** who supported the Gillette, and Gillette-Energy clubs.

**PP Michael Wailes** who supported the Loveland, Loveland Mountain View, and Thompson Valley clubs.

**PP Jerry Westbrook** who supported the Fort Collins, Fort Collins After Work, Fort Collins Breakfast, and Fort Collins Footbills clubs.

**PP Karoline Woodruff** who supported the Johnstown/Milliken and Windsor clubs.

#### Friendship Exchange

This committee promotes and plans reciprocal visits and home stays with Rotarians and their families in other countries to advance international understanding, goodwill and peace through people-to-people contacts. Either club-to-club or district-to-district exchanges may be developed.

Friendship Exchange is an international exchange program for Rotary members and friends that allows participants to take turns hosting one another in their homes and clubs. Some of the benefits include:

- Broaden international understanding
- Explore a specific profession or job in a different context
- Build enduring friendships
- Establish a foundation for peace and service
- Gain opportunities for active project involvement and support
- Learn about a region's people, food, languages, customs, and history find partners for grants

At present, our **District Friend-ship Exchange Chair Raju Jairam** is soliciting interest in a friendship exchange to Brazil. The dates of the Friendship Exchange are September 6 – 17, 2018. Contact Raju at Raju@ MBI.Com or call him at (970) 691-6244 if you have an interest. Thank you, **Raju Jairam**, for your help this year in facilitating a friendship exchange.

Raju is also planning a return friendship exchange to District 3131, Pune, India in January 2019. This is in combination with a Water and Sanitation (WAS) program and Global Grant with District 3131. Stay tuned for more announcements on this.

#### **Membership Support**

Rotary is defined by its members. We have over 3,000 members in 53 Rotary Clubs, Satellites, Rotaract and Interact Clubs that provide a wide range if service to our communities an beyond in the five avenues of Rotary service. These include:

- Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active member-
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ship development plan.

- Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in <u>An Introduction to Vocational Service</u> and the <u>Code of</u> Conduct.
- Community Service encourages es every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects.
- International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as <u>Ro-</u> taract, Interact, Rotary Youth <u>Leadership Awards</u>, and <u>Rota-</u> ry Youth Exchange.

We have many membership resources available on our District 5440 website at <a href="https://www.rotary5440.org/sitepage/membership">https://www.rotary5440.org/sitepage/membership</a>. This past year our membership resources were supplemented by two membership summits led by our District Membership Committee Chair Nancy Hobbs and featuring our Zone Rotary Coordinator Kelly Atkinson. Nancy also provided each club with a template for a Club Membership Plan.

I want to give special thanks to **District Membership Chair Nancy Hobbs** for her unwavering dedication to helping all our clubs retain existing members and gain new members. Rotarians are the most essential part of Rotary.

#### **District Trainer**

The District Trainer (DT) supports the District Governor and District Governor Elect in training club presidents, club leaders, and district leadership. The District Trainer assists district leadership and clubs in planning and conducting training. The DT serves as the chair of the District Training Team (DTT) which is comprised of key district committee chairs to include: Membership, The Rotary Foundation, Visioning, Rotary Leadership Institute, Interact, and Rotaract. The DT plans and conducts the trainings, including logistics and program content and has final authority over the program, venue, speakers, training leaders, and other meeting elements.

# **President Elect Training Seminar**

Also known as PETS, this is a key training activity held each spring for Presidents Elect and President Elect nominees and Assistant governors. PETS sets the tone for the coming year with major input from the District Governor Elect. Once you have attended a PETS you begin to realize the size and scope of the President and AG roles. Thank you **DGE Chuck Rutenberg** for your leadership in this year's PETS and **District Trainer Karen Trusler** for your coordination ad organization of this important event. Thank you for **Administrative Secretary Kellie Tovar** for your help as PETS Registrar and the on-site support person for our district.

# District Training Assemblies

This year we had two District Training Assemblies, October 7 and April 7. Both were unique and provided an opportunity for training, hearing about new Rotary Initiatives, and updates from our District leaders.

The Fall Training Assembly provided ideas about membership, District Grants, Club Foundations and telling our story on Rotary Club Central. In the afternoon we learned about Public awareness, best practices for club treasurers and fundraising suggestion from proven events. Thank you to all our presenters and to **AG Norm Anderson**, who, as Emcee guided us through this important training and educational experience.

The spring District Training Assembly focused on youth with updates on RYLA, Rotaract, Interact. We also spent time on the basics such as fundraising, and citations such as the People of Action Citation, the District Governor citation and the presidential Citation. In the afternoon we focused on membership, The Rotary Foundation and Public Information. These are all basic club functions in the five avenues of service. For the first time we also held a Peacebuilding Workshop which provided candid discussions about issues that require peacebuilding techniques to be successful. It was led by **Dr. Bill Timpson** and our special guest Past RI Director Phil Silvers. We had may good comments about this event. Thank you to all our presenters and to AG Karoline Woodruff, who, as Emcee guided us through an informative and important experience for our members.

I want to thank our **District Trainer, Karen Trusler** for her

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very capable handling of the two District Training Assemblies. Both were well planned and executed, even with a last-minute venues issue in the spring which Karen was able to resolve. A special thanks to **District Administrative Secretary Kellie Tovar** for all her work to register and welcome our Rotarians to these two training assemblies.

#### **District Conference**

On May 3-5 we held our "Take Action in Estes" District Conference. The conference featured keynote speakers John Hewko, General Secretary of Rotary International with a video message, RI **President's Representative** PDG Duane Benton, Past Rotary International Vice President Greg Podd, Peacebuilders Dr. Bill Timpson, Peace Fellow **Cornelia Weiss, Father Ubald** from Rwanda, Rotarian President Elect Nominee Sudip Koirala from Nepal, Dr Robert Tello from Loveland who provided inspiration and information on the conference theme of Peacebuilding and related topics such as Polio Plus. We also had 17 clubs report on their projects and activities during the year and recognized Rotarians and clubs with the annual awards, as published in our May People of Action newsletter.

Other activities included a Thursday evening Home Hospitality courtesy of the Estes Park Rotarians, an ice Cream Social, a Friday evening Western dance and barbecue featuring **Sharon Guli**, Receptions, House of Friendship, a silent auction, a grand prize drawing and great food by Origins Catering of Berthoud. You can see a final copy of the program on our District website at <a href="https://www.rotary5440.org/">https://www.rotary5440.org/</a> under

Home Page Download Files.

First time attendees received a discount. In total, nearly 280 Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors and guests and youth exchange students attended. Thank you to all who were able to attend!

I want to give special thanks to the conference committee, listed below and chaired by **PDG Julie Phares.** I cannot give enough thanks to these people who worked tirelessly for many months and in some cases years to make this conference a success. You can find more photos of the District Conference at the link: Dropbox Link. Soon we hope to have videos of each presentation available for your review

The District Conference had something for everyone. Please plan to attend this annual event next year as there is so much to offer to inspire you and inform you about Rotary and the very special Rotarians in our District.

#### 2018 Rotary District 5440 Conference Committee

- District 5440 Governor: DG Bill Emslie
- Conference Chair: PDG Julie Phares
- Stage Manager: PDG Julie Phares
- Aides/Speaker Support/VIP Coordinators: DGN Chris & AG Karoline Woodruff
- Audio/Video/Photography
   Team: Scott Daily / Tracey
   Emslie, PP Alexis Emslie
- Awards/Recognition: DGN Chris Woodruff, Kellie Tovar, DG Bill Emslie,
- Centerpieces: Judy Boggs
- Decorations and Signage:

#### Judy Boggs, Jan and Ken Grack

- Exhibits/Friendship Displays:PDG Mike Forney
- Food and Banquets: PDG Julie Phares & DG Bill Emslie
- Free Time Activities/Recreation/Child Care: Julie Phares
- Goodie Bags/Handouts: PDG Julie Phares & Kellie Tovar
- Home Hospitality/Host: Kellie Tovar
- Rose Ceremony: President Ted Cluett, President Don Day
- Master of Ceremonies: President Don Day
- Meeting Facilities: PDG Julie Phares & DG Bill Emslie
- Music/Entertainment: DG Bill Emslie
- New Generations/Interact/ Rotaract: PP Dave Boon & Steve Misch
- Youth Exchange: Bronwyn Taylor
- PDG Dinner: PDG Julie Phares & Kellie Tovar
- Program & Printing: **DG Bill Emslie**
- Programs/Speakers: DG Bill Emslie
- Promotion/Publicity: PDG
   Julie Phares, DG Bill Emslie,
   Kellie Tovar
- Registration: **Kellie Tovar**
- Resolutions/Voting/Credentials: Kellie Tovar
- Sergeants-at-Arms: Jan & Ken Grack
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- Silent Auction: PP Carol Stark, PP Rawnda Pierce, Kellie Tovar
- Transportation: Estes Park Trolley: PDG Julie Phares
- Treasurer/Budget: Teresa
   Mueller
- Webmaster: Miles Kailburn,
   Mollie Coniglio

#### **Club Visioning**

Club Vision Facilitation is a four-hour evening session (typically 5:00–9:00) that assists key leaders and interested members of a Rotary club in achieving continuity, consistency and consensus. The facilitation session is intended for all interested Rotarians in your club—from your newest members to your most tenured.

Vision Facilitation helps a Rotary club design its OWN VISION, and to set out the steps necessary to achieve that vision. The result is not a vision decided by the Rotary District or by Rotary International: it is a vision designed and agreed by the Club's own members. The process will help to improve communication and to ensure continuity & consistency in its leadership & programming to set the stage for future progress.

- At the end of the 4-hour process the members of each club will have a clear vision of:
- What the club stands for in its community
- The club's target membership size in 5 years
- Identification of the club's attributes
- Top 3 objectives for each Avenue of Service

- Ways to improve club's leadership development
- Improved communication and understanding

Club Visioning is available to all clubs in District 5440. **Jan Grack**, a member of the Greeley After Hours Rotary Club, is the **District Visioning Coordinator**.

To schedule a visioning session in your club please contact **Jan Grack** at <u>igredram@gmail.com</u>.

I want to thank **Jan Grack** and her committee for offering this valuable planning aid to our members and clubs.

#### Rotary Leadership Institute - Find and Ignite Your Passion for Rotary

The purpose of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is to strengthen your club and strengthen your life. Rotary provides an opportunity for all of us to provide service to our community and throughout the world (Service Above Self).

With that service comes a learning experience in the areas of leadership, team building, planning, marketing, communication and organization.

RLI provides an opportunity to enrich that learning through sharing experiences and ideas with other Rotarians throughout the region.

RLI believes that excellent club leadership (all types of club leaders) is essential to the future of Rotary in a complex and fast changing world.

Most Rotarians have not been exposed to the great scope of Rotary around the world and the leadership opportunities available to move Rotary forward.

Learn about the evolution of Ro-

tary and its activities in the world.

Discover leadership strategies for your club, work, or other volunteer activities by participating in interactive discussion.

Fulfill one of the key purposes of Rotary by networking with Rotarians from across the District.

This year our district offered RLI training in Fort Collins, Casper, Laramie and Windsor. A total of 48 Rotarians benefitted from this day and a half training and fellowship experience. Please see the article in the February issue of our People of Action Newsletter, "The Nuts and Bolts of Rotary" to get a better understanding of what RLI can offer. You can also fine more on our District Website at https://www.rotary5440.org/sitepage/rotary-leadership-institute-(rli).

I want to give a special thank you to President John Stewart, Co-Chair of our District RLI Committee and Co-Chair Marie Zimenoff, for their strong focus in providing four RLI training classes this year. These were inspirational and educational. They provided a bonding of those attending to Rotary and to their classmates. Thank you, Marie Zimenoff and President John Stewart.

#### Administration and Support

The responsibility to provide all the services and opportunities for Rotarians and Clubs in our district takes a dedicated team of behind the scenes people who make sure our district continues to be well run and efficient. I want to thank the following committees, members and chairs who provide such support. We are so grateful to these Rotarians and their committees for all the hard work they put in this year. Let's begin....

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# **District Administrative Secretary**

The District Administrative Secretary is charged with running the Rotary District 5440 office and assisting the district officers in conducting the business of Rotary International and the district. The district Administrative Secretary is an employee of the district.

Kellie Tovar is an awesome District Administrative Secretary. She is involved with the day to day operation of our district and works diligently to make sure our needs are met. Some districts operate without an Administrative Secretary. For us, this would not be possible and still provide the level of support we have in so many aspects of Rotary. My very special thanks go out to Kellie Tovar, an extraordinary person who keeps our district running smoothly. Thank you, Kellie!

# District Youth Protection

The safety and protection of all youth, whether it be Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange or any youth program is paramount. The Rotarian who makes sure those who work with youth are properly trained is **John Daily**. John worked diligently this year to ensure we properly addressed required youth protection and training. Thank you, **John Daley**, for your diligence in this very important area of responsibility.

#### **District Treasurer**

With a budget of over \$194,000, our District needs a capable treasurer who can actively manage our budget and ensure revenues and expenditures go the right place. We have such a person in **Teresa Mueller**, who owns and

operates a CPA firm and provides exceptional service to our District. Thank you so much **Teresa Mueller** for your dedicated support of District 5440 as District Treasurer.

#### **District Public Image**

The District Public Relations
Committee shall promote Rotary
to foster understanding, appreciation and support for the programs of Rotary. The committee
should also promote awareness
among Rotarians. Effective external publicity, favorable public
relations and a positive image are
desirable and essential goals for
Rotary.

A big part of our District Public image is the monthly People of Action Newsletter. Each month our **District Public Relations Chair AG Michael Wailes** has dependably edited and published the newsletter. From his creative cover photos to placement of articles and club activities Michael has always produced a stunning depiction of what is going on in our District.

Thank you **AG Michael Wailes** of your unwavering support of our District People of Action Newsletter.

#### RI Convention Promotion Committee

The committee shall promote attendance at the annual RI convention to Rotarians throughout the district. This was part of the DG visits as well as a regular feature in the People of Action Newsletter. As a result, we have 40 Rotarians and Guests who will attend the Rotary International Convention in Toronto.

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee serves as the Board of Directors for District 5440. Meetings provide an opportunity for the District Gover-

nor to report on activities, goals, plans and concerns and to seek advice, counsel, and recommendations regarding matters affecting the district. Thank **PDG Barb Redder**, who chaired this committee in 2017-18 and members of the committee for providing excellent council to our district.

#### **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee's responsibility is to help the District Governor Elect prepare a budget and to oversee the management of district funds. Thank you **PDG Barb Redder**, who served a chair of the Finance Committee and to your committee members who provided us with a sound and effective budget.

# Council of Past Governors

The Council of Past Governors offers advice, counsel, and assistance upon request to the District Governor, the District Governor Elect, and the District Governor Nominee on matters affecting the district as referred to them. Meetings of the council also serve as an opportunity for the District Governor to inform members regarding any items of interest involving the district and/or Rotary International. I want to thank **PDG Phil Murphy** who serviced as Chair of this committee.

#### **Advisory Committee**

This committee assists the District Governor, District Governor Elect, District Governor Nominee and District Governor Nominee Designate in matters of the district, including the district conference. This year the Advisory Committee was chaired by **PDG Phil Murphy**.

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#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee is charged with reviewing the financial records of the district to assure that sound accounting procedures were followed and that practices, as articulated in the District Bylaws, have been followed. This year the committee conducted the required audit and found the financial records in good order. Thank you **PDG Ken Small** for your diligence as chair of the Audit Committee and to your committee members.

#### **Awards Committee**

Awards offer clubs and the District a way to acknowledge, encourage and inspire Rotarians. The committee is responsible for assisting the District Governor with publicizing, selecting winners when appropriate and assisting in the presentation of awards at district meetings and the district conference. Thank you so much **Awards Committee Chair DGN** Chris Woodruff for your leadership in successfully selecting award recipients this year. These award recipients are published in the May issue of the People of Action newsletter.

#### **Bylaws Committee**

The Bylaws Committee is responsible for regularly reviewing the District Bylaws and bringing proposed changes to the Executive Committee. Suggestions for Bylaw changes must be in writing and received by the District Governor ninety days prior to the scheduled district conference. Proposed changes, along with the Executive Committee's recommendations shall be sent to the clubs in the district no less than four weeks prior to the district conference. This year we had

some bylaw changes which will be considered in the 2018-19 Rotary year. Thank you, **District Bylaws Chair PDG Ken Small** for overseeing this committee for 2017-18

## **Directory and Newsletter Committee**

Our annual directory was completed and made available electronically to all Rotarians in District 5440. This provides a ready reference for all district leadership, committees, AGs and of course our clubs. The People of Action newsletter provides a monthly overview of happenings around the district. All members are welcome to contribute, and many did so during the 2017-18 Rotary year. I want to thank **Dis**trict Administrative Secretary Kellie Tovar for her significant effort the create the district directory. A huge thank your goes to **District Administrative Sec**retary Kellie Tovar and Public Information Committee Chair Michael Wailes for their efforts each month to produce the People of Action newsletter.

#### **Insurance Committee**

This committee is a resource to provide requested information regarding insurance to the Executive Committee and clubs. Thank you, Co-chairs **PP Mike Smith** and **PP John Hintzman**, for your support of this committee during 2017-18.

# Satellite Group Committee

Thanks to **Chair Jim Luty**, we have an excellent *Road Map for Establishing Satellite Groups*. With this guidance we have flexibility to establish club satellites that meet at different times or days and have specific interests for service to their community. Thank you, **Chair Jim Luty**, for your leadership and creativity in providing

guidance for forming Satellite Groups.

#### **Alumni Sub Committee**

The committee is charged with the responsibility of maintaining a record of all Vocational Training Team and GSE team members, scholars and grant award winners. Rotary alumni are invited to stay involved with district activities, encouraged to join Rotary and to contribute to The Rotary Foundation. Thank you to **PDG Mary McCambridge** who chaired this committee this year.

#### **Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee selects the District Governor Nominee Designate. This is a critical activity each year. This year the Nominating committee was chaired by **PDG Mike Forney**. Thank you **PDG Mike Forney** for your effectiveness this year in selecting **DGND Bill Schilling** as our 2020-21 District Governor.

#### **Stewardship Committee**

The committee ensures that our District follows the proper procedures for district grants. The committee followed the district grant accountability and found the process to be effective and fully accountable. Thank you **PDG Ken Small** and your committee for support of this important accountability function in District 5440.

#### **Technology Committee**

**Technology Committee Chair Scott Daily** worked very hard this year to support audio visual needs for the following major events;

- October District Training Assembly
- April District Training Assem-
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- April District Rotary Foundation Dinner
- May District Conference.

**Scott Daily** did fantastic job in supporting all these events. He is a treasure in our District and we appreciate his behind the scenes support so much!

#### **Club Leadership and Membership**

Even with a well organized and functioning district, we would have little to do were it not for our Rotary Clubs, Satellites, Rotaract Clubs, Interact Clubs and our over 3,000 members. These are our customers. These are the men and women of Rotary who we serve and work to provide the resources necessary for each club to provide service to its community and beyond. It is our



**Rotary Club of Estes Park**, one of many examples of Rotary in motion! From left to right cleaning the Estes Park Welcome Rock are Tara Moenning, Roger Thorp, Doug Mann, Thor Homme, Mike Connolly, Pete Sinnott and Phil Moenning.

clubs and members who bring to life the Rotary Five Avenues of Service. Thank you so much club leadership, from Presidents to

every position in the club. Thank you, club members, for being the engine that turns the Rotary gear. You are truly the best!







#### District Governor Credo

As District Governors, we are the representatives of Rotary International in our district. It is our duty and privilege to provide the mentorship to constituent clubs, individual Rotarians, and our district's leadership to help foster and grow the ideals and goals of Rotary among those whom we serve. It is important to remember that we are custodians of this position for one year. In this brief period, it is incumbent on each of us to diligently pass along what we have learned to those who succeed us so that each District Governor can build on the wisdom of those who have come before. Our district will prosper when we all work together to achieve these common goals. Each of us, to more effectively serve our district and the community at large, must set aside personal interests, prejudices, and disagreements in the interest of encouraging goodwill and better friendships.

Bill Emslie DG 2017-18

Chuck Rutenberg DG 2018-

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- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club Honors local students



#### Victoria Schwartz - RYLA Scholarship recipient.

Victoria Schwartz graduated from Mitchell High School and was chosen to receive the RYLA Scholarship with a value of \$500.00 from the Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club. This award goes to an individual who attended RYLA Camp last summer. She is headed to Black Hills State University to major in Biology and minor in Business. Her goal is to become an optometrist. She is currently working at Bluffs Vision as a technician.





Nellie Kirk - Gering Student of the Week scholarship recipient

Nellie Kirk has been awarded the Gering Student of the Week scholarship with a value of \$500.00 from the Scottsbluff/ Gering Rotary Club. Nellie will be attending college at Utah Valley University studying communications with a goal of getting a law degree.

## AshlynnHaun – Scottsbluff Student of the Week scholarship recipient

Ashlynn Haun has been awarded the Scottsbluff Student of the Week Scholarship with a value of \$500.00 from the Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club.

Ashlynn will be attending Kansas State College to pursue a degree in Commercial Interior Design.

# Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club Activities



Gary Shoemaker, George Schlothauer. Scottsbluff/Gering Rotarians along with District Governor William Emslie assist with Tree Plant at Chadron State Park.





George Schlothauer planting trees at Chadron State Park. Rotarians Gary Shoemaker and Bryan Davidson having some fun during the tree plant at Chadron State Park.



Members receiving their first Paul Harris Fellow are shown L-R:Clint Schaff, Brandy Reichter, Loren Gutwein, Sam Mark, Dave Schaff and Jill Wineman. Members recognized for their first Paul Harris Fellow but not present: Sam Adams, Bekah Gorsuch, Jim Massey, John Mentgen.



President Elect Jeff West right, recognizes George Schlothauer as a +6 Paul Harris fellow. Members recognized but not present: Joe Burford +3 and Hod Kosman +4.



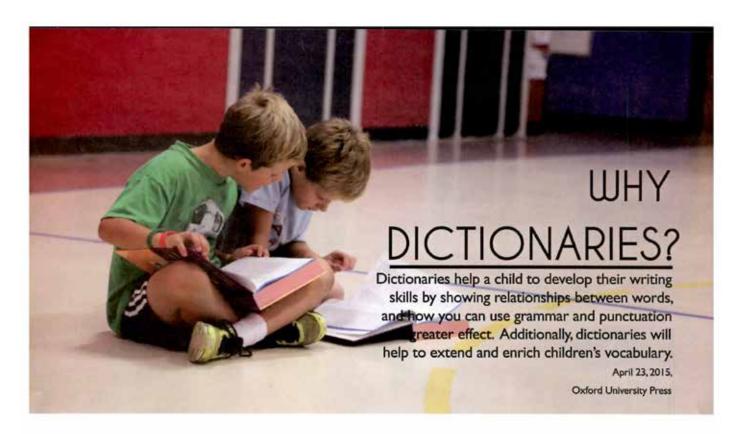
# Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club Gold Gala

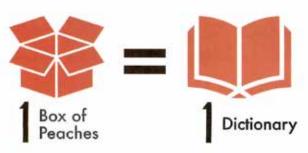




Proceeds from the Rotary Gold Gala held in April are presented during the June 12th Club meeting held at the Scottsbluff Country Club. President Shelly Knutson right presents Camp Scott President Renee Berry with a check in the amount of \$3,000 (above-left). Camp Scott is a summer program for handicapped children, which provides a social and recreational program for developmentally disabled children and adolescents, ages 7-21. The award will be utilized to purchase a laptop computer, a printer-copier and a Bluetooth speaker to play music for the kids. President Shelly Knutson presents NRD Assistant Manager Barb Cross and Jenifer Berge Sauter a check in the amount of \$18,000 (above-right). North Platte Natural Resources District Is building a new solar-powered, geothermal-heated Green-house, NRD Assistant Manager Barb Cross said because of Rotary's generosity, the Green-house will be sustainable well into the future. "We'll be feeding people with what we grow as well as educating our kids."









24,000

Students have received dictionaries over the past several years.



## What is Rotary?

Rotary is an organization that brings together men and women from all walks of life to serve their communities. Rotary club members are volunteers who work locally and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and education, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service Above Self.



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#### **ROTARY PEACE CENTERS**

Dear 2017-2018 district officers,

Greetings from Evanston! As the 2019 fellowship application cycle continues, we would like to share important reminders about the 2019 application cycle.

#### **Timeline**

February-May: Districts recruit and mentor potential Rotary Peace Fellowship candidates 31 May 2018: Applications due to districts for endorsement consideration 1 July 2018: District endorsement decisions due to The Rotary Foundation (Please note that all candidates must to be interviewed by the district in order to be approved for district endorsement)

Mid-November: Selection decisions released

#### **Upcoming district officer trainings**

Rotary Peace Centers will offer a webinar training on March 6 at 10:00 AM CST to review the endorsement process and familiarize officers with the Embark platform. The webinar is called, "The Important Role of Rotarians" and will be offered in English and Spanish. You can register for the English webinar <a href="here">here</a> and the Spanish webinar <a href="here">here</a>.

Thank you for the important role you play as a district officer involved in the Rotary Peace Fellowship endorsement process. If you have any questions about the role of the district or the endorsement process, please contact the Rotary Peace Centers atrotarypeacecenters@rotary.org.

Best,

**Rotary Peace Centers** 

# Rotary **Peace Fellows**, A Path to World Peace

#### In the Words of Two Rotary Peace Fellows.

#### by DG Bill Emslie

Rotary Club of Fort Collins, After Work

Last month you saw a simple flyer in our People of Action newsletter requesting nominations for Rotary Peace Fellowship program. It would be easy to let others nominate or just turn the page to the next article. Rather, I urge you to consider why our Peace Fellowships are essential to Rotary's role in achieving world peace.

Cornelia Weiss completed the Rotary Peace Fellowship Program in 2015. Cornelia is a Colonel in the United States Air Force, serving as legal counsel to the Air Force needs in Latin America. She was one of only 10 North Americans in 2014 to receive a Rotary Peace Fellowship to study peace and conflict resolution at the Rotary Peace Center at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. Her Peace Fellowship studies changed the direction of her life. In Cornelia's words....

"When, in the second week of studies at the Rotary Peace Center, Erik Melander, the Director of Sweden's Uppsala University Conflict Data Program, spoke about his research findings that there is a 'robust relationship between gender equality and peace, which is not possible to explain away with other explanations, such as poverty,' I knew what I needed to focus on for the rest of my life."

Cornelia, who spoke at our 2018 District Conference is a true peacebuilder.

Christina just completed the first

10 months of her two-year Rotary Peace Fellowship Program in Uppsala, Sweden. The experience has changed her life as well. Here is what she has to say...

"The Rotary Peace Fellowship has lifted me into a space where I no longer have the luxury of being silent, or the comfort of pacifism. I feel encouraged and emboldened to act, and to create peace, with the support of a network behind me. There is no turning back.

I am amazed at what can happen in one year. Being a Rotary Peace Fellow at Uppsala University feels like, and is a gift of knowledge and experiences, engagement and connection, emotions and family. As a group, we have settled in to our new home, forged friendships, braved the winter, and embraced fully what Swedish culture has to offer. We have learned what fika truly means, how not to sit close to someone at a bus stop, and how to properly eat a boiled egg (do NOT use your hands). We've trudged through essays, given speeches, volunteered, and spent hours of fun with our Rotary host families. More than ever, we have understood what it means to be invested in- and we take this responsibility very seriously. We are committed to cultivating the peace that we believe in, which you, the Rotary community have made possible.

The year (ten months to be exact), in review consisted of the following: approximately ten essays per person, nine presentations at Uppsala Rotary clubs, eight fika

meet-and-greets with past RPF alumni and Rotary International staff, seven days straight of snow, six side internship projects, five Bandy practices, four stolen bikes (well, only three actually- but there are still a few more days in the semester so always good to have some wiggle room), three successfully planned surprise parties, two trips to Fjällnora, and one Rotary Peace Fellow Annual seminar. Ten months never felt so full.

As Fellows we have contributed to Nobel Peace Prize winner causes, conducted international civilian-military trainings, spoken at peaceful protests for women's health, documented SIPRI's annual conference, seen our past work on legislation or programs continue on, conducted research with renowned professors and practitioners, created blog posts, newsletters, and policy briefs, built new music spaces within Uppsala...to name a few.

Before we head to our Applied Field Experience and Internships, we welcome the new class of fellows and congratulate the class before us. Transition time is always full of reminiscing and excitement for what's next. The binding that keeps us all together now, and into the future, is our shared mission and our collective goal: to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace."

In our April People of Action newsletter, we wrote that world peace is Rotary's ultimate goal. An important path to that goal is in and through Rotary Peace Fellows.

# The **Truck** and I

# Reflections of the DG Spouse/Partner/Wrangler on Travels around District 5440

#### by Tracey Emslie

Rotary Club of Fort Collins, After Work

Our 2005 4WD Dodge farm truck carried us all over District 5440. This noble vehicle is a long stretch from being fancy. Its paint is fading. It has some dings and dents and more than a few seemingly magnetic bits of horse hair, dog hair, wisps of hay, and stray baling twine inside. We carried a minimum of two lint rollers on every visit. It wasn't always enough.

But, like what I call a "Point A to Point B Horse" that may or may not be pretty but will get you where you are going no matter what mountains, rivers, recalcitrant gates, or boulder fields are put in front of it, the brown truck did its job no matter what Nature threw at it or we threw in the back. It brought us and all our Rotary brief cases, suitcases, gear, papers, banners, pins, folders and projection equipment through magnificent scenery and a few rough travelling situations, letting us meet and work with some of the finest people on the planet. We haven't quite worked out how many of its now 200,000 miles are from Rotary trips, but it is well into five figures.

The truck is a bit tired. The Rotary year must almost be over.

Being a DG Spouse, partner or, as I prefer, "DG Wrangler," is a strange and wonderful opportunity—or not--with absolutely no

job description. Over the course of three years of training (I'm not kidding about that) into the arcane intricacies of the Rotary world, there are regular reminders that this job has no rules, no required duties, and there are no Rotary Police looking over your shoulder.

Depending on individual situations, gifts, inclinations, or life's realities, you can publicly do a little, publicly do a lot, or do nothing public at all with no negative judgments, because being a DG spouse/partner/wrangler is a major job whether you are together on the road or one of you stays home to keep the rest of your lives going.

I was able to travel with Bill to 50 of our 53 clubs, some more than once, plus a few Rotaract and Interact meetings because of massive family support. No matter the weather and their own heavy schedules, our kids pitched in without hesitation to cover farm and pet duties; meaning Dave and Alix contributed as much to Rotary as their Mom and Dad did.

Not everyone has that kind of back up. Some have their own careers that cannot be put on hold, as mine could. Some can't afford the time to drive half a day one way to visit a small club and some would rather face the furnaces of hell than stand up in front of hundreds of freshly fed Rotarians who have no clue why

the DG Spouse/partner/wrangler has suddenly been handed the microphone.

I had a blast. I got to know way more about small and large towns and cities in Northern Colorado, all of Wyoming, Western Nebraska, and Eastern Idaho than I dreamed possible. I met wonderful people doing wonderful things. I was able to encourage people to value and tell their individual stories and, with the Gates Foundation matching grant, we were all able to raise an additional \$30,000 for polio eradication. Mostly, I got to spend a lot of time with Bill, which has not been a given in our lives over the years.

It is, however, time to give the truck a break from long hauls. The kids could not do everything, and it is time to get back to the mass of farm, house, and writing jobs that have been put on hold. Part of me is glad the year is coming to an end (about the house and that fencing, Bill . . .), but I would not have missed it for the world. I got a rare, humbling, up close and personal view of the commitment, the hard work, the humor, the generosity, and the extraordinary, fascinating, depth and breadth of Rotary and some 3,000 Rotarians.

Thank you to all of you who are part of District 5440 for all you have done and continue to do. You are an inspiration and it has been a privilege to meet you.



# Thank You, **Tracey**

### Without your support it could not have been done

by DG Bill Emslie

Rotary Club of Fort Collins, After Work

No matter what we do, it is very difficult to go it alone. It is human nature to want a life partner to share our experiences, provide support, meet the challenges, celebrate the successes and be there when our needs are greatest.

In my life, such a person is Tracey.

Over the past three years I have had the honor to become your DGND, DGN, DGE and now ending as your DG. Throughout these 3 ½ years, I have had constant and unfailing support from Tracey. The road has been long, and not without its challenges. One of my many goals was to do the best job I could in representing our district, clubs and members wherever Rotary District 5440 was called to serve. This meant spending significant time and energy for the cause of Rotary.

Doing this required substantial effort and many other needs must take a second priority. Choices had to be made and things put on hold.

We had many wonderful experiences and met so many Rotary friends throughout out the process. Some of the highlights included:

The initial interview with the District nominating committee in January of 2015, where Tracey and I interviewed together, and she reaffirmed her support and commitment to listen to our clubs and members.

Attending PETS four years in a row, with increasing responsibility to ensure our presidents were trained. Tracey made it to three of



the four and this year helped from home.

Attending Zone Institutes with associated Governor training, first in San Antonio in 2015, then Salt Lake City in 2016. In 2017 we had anticipated training in Houston, but Hurricane Harvey changed everyone's plans and with the Houston Zone Institute canceled, we enjoyed a significant opportunity to go to Evanston and share our experiences at Rotary International Headquarters. Thank you **PRID** and Vice President Greg **Podd**, for setting this up. In each of these important meetings and trainings, Tracey was there, lending her support and leadership.

Preparing for and then attending the Rotary International Training Assembly in San Diego in January 2017. This is the ultimate training experience. We met many of our 535 classmates and in many cases their life partners. We shared our experiences, learned more about Rotary, and experienced the worldwide culture of humanity.

On international night we came dressed in our western outfits, including boots and spurs.

And then, as suddenly as many things occur, a passing of the gavel with **DG Barb Redder** and her partner and spouse **Don Redder** on June 21. We knew at that time we were ready to take a much more active role.

Preparing for and conducting Club visits. We had decided to do these together, with Tracey sharing the podium at each visit to deliver the message of Polio eradication. We purchased a small iron lung piggy bank and decided to set a goal of collecting \$5,000 over the course of the 60 club visits. Thanks to our members, we easily surpassed this goal and collected over \$10,000. With the Gates Foundation match, this effectively contributed over \$30,000 to polio plus.

Engaging in 60 club visits with Tracey meant hours and days of

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road time and preparation for each visit. Each was different, each was a joy, each was much more doable with Tracey as my partner. She helped me with pre-visit preparations, with gifts and handouts for each Rotarian, with driving many miles across stretches of Wyoming and Colorado we saw for the first time ever, with photography, and with delivering our message, the message of Rotary and the importance of helping others.

During most of these 60 visits, Tracey shared the podium and delivered her message about polio eradication. But she emphasized another important part of the Rotary experience as well. This is the telling of our Rotary stories. Each of us has many experiences with delivering service to others. We must share these stories because it is through sharing our stories that others become involved in Rotary.

Throughout the Rotary year, we had a monthly newsletter to communicate with our over 3,000 members. Every month we made sure that our members were kept informed with news throughout the district, a journal documenting every club visit, updates on polio eradication, and stories from our members. Tracey, being a writer, provided enormous help in proofing every word of every newsletter where we provide input. In this end, it would be difficult to know how many hours she spent making sure those words delivered the right message.

Sharing our Rotary stories was not limited to just Rotarians. During our visits we promised to take your People of Action Stories and print them in a book that would be available to the public. With Tracey's encouragement and emphasis of this at every club visit,

we were at last able to complete this book, which you can find on our District website. The book, entitled *My Rotary Story* has now been published and is available at <u>Public Rotary Information</u>. As promised and mentioned by Tracey at our club visits, the book of Rotary Stories is now available to the public at this link. You can also create a printed version if desired. This is in keeping with President lan Riseley's request to tell the Rotary story and strengthen Rotary's public image.

Tracey and I also thought that telling the public about each of our community Rotary Clubs would be a good idea, since local clubs do so much in their communities. We had created a journal of all 60 club visits and published this in the People of Action newsletter. It was a relatively straightforward step to then publish these stories in a book that could be made available to the public. With Tracey's help, we were able to do this and you can now find a second book entitled **Rotary Club Showcase** at Public Rotary Information. Please feel free to send this link to any person you think might be interested in learning more about Rotary. Thank you, Tracey for the hours of editing both publications.

In addition to all 60 club visits, Tracey and I traveled to several club programs and events. Some of the highlights included:

A tribute to **PRID Grant Wilkins** at the Rotary Club of Greeley. Here we had an opportunity to present to this wonderful man and champion of Polio Eradication the Iron Lung bank that traveled to all our Rotary Clubs along with a letter thanking Mr. Wilkins for all he has done for Rotary and polio eradication. This event occurred on February 14, 2018. We recall how grateful he was to receive this memento from our club visits. Grant was truly a man who lived the Rotary motto of Service Above Self. He passed away on May 19,

2018.

A tribute to **PRID Lynn Ham-mond**. Lynn represents all that is good in Rotary. His tribute was an opportunity to hear this wonderful man speak and to recognize him for all his great work in Rotary. Tracey and I were honored to make this trip together.

Presentations of Paul Harris
Fellowships, Paul Harris Society
recognition and Major donor
recognition. We did this during
many of our club visits and some
very special visits. One I recall
with much appreciation is that of
giving **PDG Charlie** and **Susan Peterson** their major donor level
3 recognition.

Many fundraisers and work parties throughout the District, ranging from formal dinners to shovels and picks.

In addition to the club visits, we both had a major role in the two district training assemblies, the district conference and the District Rotary Foundation dinner.

At the Fall District Training Assembly, she accompanied me as a presenter in a break out session outlining the importance of telling your Rotary Story and even teaching as segment on how to write a story.

At the Spring District Training Assembly, she provided support and kept the emphasis on telling our stories.

The District Rotary Foundation Dinner was an opportunity to celebrate our Members giving to the Rotary Foundation. We enjoyed this together.

At the District Conference she was by my side constantly and helping to ensure the program went as planned. Her presentations on Rotary stories emphasized

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the importance of letting others know what Rotary is doing to help others from our communities and beyond.

Of course, there were many other activities and events we attended together. Tracey always supported me and our work for Rotary. But there is something else she did that went well beyond just supporting me and Rotary. You see, throughout much of our time in support of our Rotary work, Tracey suffered from severe knee and shoulder arthritis, enduring a great deal of pain and restriction on her ability to walk, lift, or sleep. I guess those many years of working on the farm finally caught up with her. In November of 2016 she underwent the first of four major surgeries to correct these conditions. First was the right shoulder repair, which took weeks of therapy and limited use of her right arm. Next, in March of 2017 she had the first knee replacement, which again limited her ability to be mobile. Six weeks later she had her second knee replacement with further restrictions and the pain of recovery. Finally, she underwent the fourth surgery in January 2018, a complete replacement of her left shoulder. This took longer to recover from and left her with more pain and

recovery time. Never once did she complain ("Oh, yes, I did!"), never once did she let this painful ordeal stand in the way of her support of me and our Rotary journey. I cannot say enough about this level of commitment. She truly went beyond any reasonable expecta-

I consider myself very fortunate to have had such support over the past 3 ½ years. I do not believe I could have competed so many of the tasks without Tracey's support and encouragement.

Thank you, Tracey. You are truly my best friend and love of my life.



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## Fort Collins HS Interact

#### Who Are We?

Interact Club has only recently started at Fort Collins HS (this year, to be exact), but we have already built a solid base, with around 15 regular members. Our members chose a yearlong community outreach focus of combatting human trafficking in our local and larger communities. We are excited to announce our first effort, a drive for victims of trafficking through the Colorado-based organization 'Street's Hope.'



#### About Street's Hope

Safehouse in Denver, Colorado

**Mission**: Street's Hope provides holistic restorative services to women escaping sex trafficking, nurturing the resilience needed to heal and thrive.

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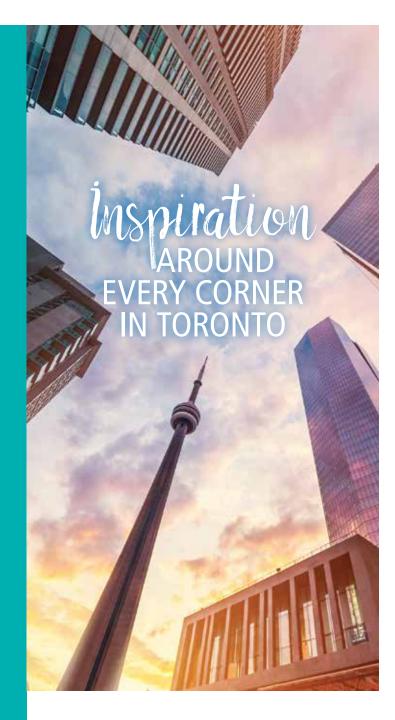
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