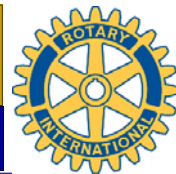


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Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Our district conference with the theme *Peace thru Service* was a great time for all Rotarians. I appreciate all those who attended and all the great Rotarians who worked to make it a memorable celebration.

Congratulations to the 36 clubs who achieved the Presidential Citation this year. Also we honored clubs that accomplished outstanding leadership in the six areas of service which are club service, community service, international service, new generations, vocational service, and foundations.

Retired General Rick Lynch from UTA Research Institute inspired us at our first session. Past RI Director Phil Silvers moderated a distinguished panel which included the World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), United Nations International Children's Education Fund (UNICEF), a representative from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and our own Chris McLucas. This was the first time a district has had all three world health leaders along with the Bill and Melinda Gates foundation representative as part of a panel. This was one powerful presentation in which each organization told how they function in partnership with Rotary to reach our goal to eradicate polio from the world.

Saturday Diana Phillips and Kathleen Silvers shared their thoughts on literacy. PDG Sharron Miles talked about the Blue Bonnet Society and our luncheon speaker Merlyn Sayers presented a dynamic speech on the miracle of blood. In a lighter vein, Chuck Kurtzman presented vampire capes to several Rotarians. At the Governor's Banquet that evening, Past Rotary International Director posed the question "Does Rotary Have a role in Bringing Peace to the Middle East?"

I wish that every member could have experienced our conference. Attending a conference helps to build a member into a Rotarian. I thank you Rotarians of District 5790 for your contributions in making the conference a true celebration of your year. I know that ROTARY MAKES a DIFFERENCE in Our Communities and in Our World and truly believe that WHERE THE ROTARY CLUB GOES , GOES HOPE.

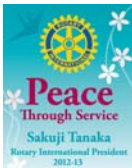
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WEST: WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARS



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Recently, during an Arlington West club meeting, the topic of the devastating ammonium nitrate plant explosion in the West community surfaced. Our members wanted those in West to know that even though the Red Cross, television reporters, and government teams may be gone, there are still many Rotarians concerned about their challenges that lie ahead. Dayle Clark, one of Arlington West's charter members, was asked to investigate the situation and provide his feedback and recommendations. Dayle provided the following statistical analysis that effectively illustrated the magnitude of damage to the West community when compared to the devastation with the recent Boston marathon bomb damage.

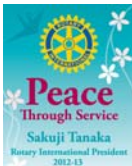
The population of West is about 2800 and the population of Boston, when the explosions occurred, was about 1,000,000. There were 4 people killed in Boston and 15 in West. For the same percentage of deaths in Boston as in West, the number in Boston would have been about 5,300. There were about 200 people in both Boston and West injured badly enough to be admitted into a hospital. For the same percentage of people injured in Boston as in West, the number of injured in Boston would have been about 70,000.

There were businesses damaged by the blasts in Boston but there have been no reports of any businesses destroyed. In terms of employment, the first and second largest businesses in West were destroyed....enough to affect the employment base and economic base of the town. When a town loses its employment or economic base, the town dies. Two of the three schools in West were badly damaged or destroyed and insurance coverage is never enough to fully replace such a loss.

What was before cannot be replaced; however, some effective relief can be made with donations when fully utilized by a neighboring Rotary Club, located just 15 miles away in Hillsboro. These Rotarians are closest to the need and are most likely to make decisions that maximize the impact of any financial aid entrusted to them.

Dayle discussed the situation with the Hillsboro club treasurer, as well as club president, Danny Bodeker, and suggested several ideas that might prove helpful. Upon mutual agreement; (1) The Arlington West Rotary Club will send a \$750 check to the Hillsboro Rotary Club to the address which it provides, (2) no restrictions will be placed on the funds, (3) the Hillsboro Club will do the "leg work" to select the project (or projects), the amounts, and timing of the expenditures, (4) the Hillsboro Club will use its best judgment and will not be expected to justify to anyone why any decision is made, (5) the Hillsboro Club will provide a summary report to the Arlington West Club providing information on how the funds were used, and how it is expected to provide some relief for the people who need it.

While we realize any amount of contribution is but a drop in the bucket when compared to the massive rebuilding needs, we are confident that the diligent quality and sensitivity of efforts of Rotarians in the Hillsboro Club will use our contribution to the fullest extent. We would hope that our support (and perhaps contributions from other Rotary Clubs) together with our thoughts and prayers, will provide some relief to those in need.



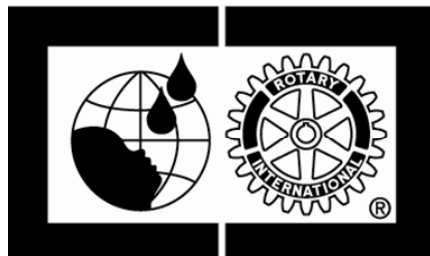
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POLIO PLUS RECAP

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Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 05/05/13

Total paralysis cases	Year-to-date 2013	Y to D 2012	Total 2012	Total 2011
Globally	24	52	223	642
- in endemic countries:	24	49	217	335
- in non-endemic countries:	0	3	6	307

**New Polio cases reported this week:
Pakistan 0, Afghanistan 0, Nigeria 2**

2013 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2012 Totals)

Endemic Countries – 6 Pakistan (2012-58), 2 Afghanistan (2012-37),
16 Nigeria (2012-122)

Importation Countries (2012 & 2013) – 0 Chad (2012-5), 0 Niger (2012-1)

The Final Three

Pakistan - 6 Polio Cases recorded in 2013 compared to 15 on this date in 2012, with the most recent case reported on March 22, 2013. No new Type 3 Polio cases have been reported in over one year in Pakistan.

Afghanistan – 2 Polio cases recorded in 2013 compared to 6 on this date in 2012, with the most recent case reported on March 28, 2013. Staggered National Immunization Days started on April 21 and continue into early May.

Nigeria - 16 Polio Cases recorded in 2013 compared to 28 on this date in 2012, with the most recent case reported on March 28, 2013. Sub-National Immunization Plus Days are planned for Mid-May using Bivalent (Type 1 & 3) Polio vaccine.

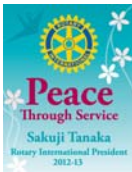
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COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION REPORT 2013



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Dear Friends in Rotary,

Thank you for the opportunity to represent District 5790 at the Council on Legislation held in April in Chicago of this year. It was a wonderful experience - improving understanding of different viewpoints from around the Rotary world. While debate took place and different areas of the world had different ideas on the topics, at the end of the day, we all came out friends under one flag- Rotary.

Rotary is a better organization because of meetings like this where we develop common goals, direction and settle constitutional and bylaw questions to improve our organization. It has been a real privilege and an honor to have this role. For that, I am sincerely appreciative and thank you from the bottom of my heart.

AGs or club presidents, if you are interested in a program on the COL, please contact me at Don.Mebus@rotary.org.

Again, many thanks for your trust in me. Don Mebus

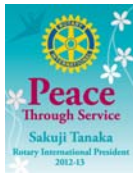
The Council is held every three years in Chicago to review proposed enactments and resolutions and it met April 21-26. Enactments make changes to the constitutional documents- The RI Constitution and bylaws and the club constitution which must be in agreement with the RI Constitution and when enactments are passed, they are binding. Resolutions are COL recommendations for RI Board consideration and they are not binding. A simple majority will pass everything except enactments to the RI Constitution. That requires a two-thirds majority.

This year, we had 532 eligible representatives; however four were unable to attend for various reasons. As a result, 528 were present and voting. A quorum was 266, so the quorum was easily made.

Originally, the delegates were sent 199 proposals; however, many were withdrawn before the council met. As a result, 142 proposed enactments and 31 proposed resolutions were considered. 53 enactments passed and 6 resolutions passed.

There are several reasons for the withdrawals. One is that the RI Board will often "float" a few ideas out just to get a reaction. When they determine that there will be substantive opposition, they withdraw it. It is easier to withdraw than to put one in. An example would be that they proposed an enactment completely deleting attendance requirements. That enactment - remember a constitutional document- was withdrawn before it ever came to a vote.

Another reason is that in the case of resolutions, sometimes the Council can spend a lot of time on simple recommendations. To cut down on time investment, the RI Board agreed to look at a number of these Resolutions faster if the proposer will withdraw it.



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The RI Board reported to the COL on the final day of their considerations to these Resolutions that the proposers withdrew. It was a time and hence money saver.

The Council is conducted in the English language with simultaneous interpretation into Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, and French. As a result, most of the delegates were able to speak in their own language. I found all of the delegates to be courteous, respectful of others time, and willing to work with each other. Not all Councils have been this amenable. It has been said that governments of countries should look at how we operate. People of different cultures, backgrounds, economic standing, different religions and different outlooks on life all coming together for a common cause. Frankly, it was inspiring.

Some of the enactments were adopted that will affect club operations beginning July 1, 2013 are:

Of course, the big deal is dues. On the the first day of the Council, the board presented a five year financial forecast in preparation for the Wednesday morning vote on the dues increase. 13-126 was passed very quickly and to everyone's surprise, no debate. It increases RI dues by \$ 1.00 a year- each year- for the next three years. So beginning July 1, 2013, dues will be \$ 27.00 per member per half year, and then 2014-15 dues will be 27.50 per member per half year and \$ 28.00 per member each half year in 2015-16. Then it will be time for the COL to reconvene.

13-128 eliminates the minimum semiannual dues paid by each club, so good news to the smaller clubs. This was a pretty close vote- 264 for and 244 against, but it won.

13-132 waives per capita dues in the event of a natural or similar

disaster. In the past, the RI Board usually allowed this exception anyway, but it is now part of our Bylaws.

13:01- After July 1, the club is required to circulate the number of its members to the club membership itself. Before July 1, 2013, it is only required to submit to the RI Board.

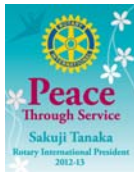
13:02- The Club Secretary shall now be a member of the club board of directors.

13:03- The club may include one or more vice presidents, secretary, reassures and may include a sergeant-at-arms all of whom may be members of the board.

13:06- A candidate for the office of club president shall have served as a member of the club for at least one year prior to being nominated for the office, except where service for less than a full year may be determined by the District Governor.

There were lots of proposals for attendance requirements and excused absences.

There were no changes made to attendance requirements; however, there were a couple of excused absences included: One is for a medical reason that extends for more than a year, and another deletes the minimum age of 65 to be eligible for the rule of 85. Also, in Article 9 of the club constitution, if a member is excused from attendance by the club board of directors for any reason which it considers to be good an sufficient, the absence shall not be used in attendance records.



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A Satellite club is now defined as a potential club whose members shall also be members of the sponsor club.

13-43 Someone who has interrupted employment or having never worked in order to care for children or to assist the spouse in their work are now eligible to be members.

So eligibility for membership has opened up significantly.

13-49 says that you can essentially transfer membership with a sponsor.

13-86 requires that the added responsibility of the District Governor, must now ensure that the constitution and bylaws of the clubs comply with the constitutional documents, especially following the councils on legislation.

Other items that you may find of interest are that the Fifth Avenue of Service- New Generations- which was just voted in at the 2010 COL- has been changed to Youth Services. Where does that leave Rotaractors in all of this? I don't know.

Defeated (13-175) was a non binding resolution to the RI board to consider allowing only sons and daughters of Rotarians be allowed to be youth exchange participants. That one went down like the Titanic- 59 for and 443 against.

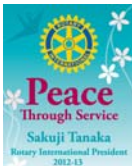
A resolution to make the Rotary Leadership Institute as a RI affiliate or a RI structured program was voted to be sent to the RI Board for consideration.

Several proposed resolutions were defeated regarding adding new RI programs for the younger kids, like Earlyact, Youthact and so on. On the other end of the spectrum was a proposed resolution requesting the board to make Elderact a RI program. At that point, Past RI President Cliff Dochtermann raised his hand. He said something like, "We don't need to approve every single program that Rotary clubs have. In my club, we have our own programs- Cataract and for some of our PDGs, we have Overact." Of course, he totally broke up the council, and Elderact was defeated.

Of course, this is just a sampling of the action of the Council, and we just wanted to give you club secretaries, treasurers and presidents some idea of the new rules about to take place. There will be a full report produced and sent to all clubs and DGEs within the next month or so. At that point, you will have the new rules; however, it will probably be closer to August before the new and updated version of the Manual of Procedure will be printed and available for distribution. So look for the COL report- don't wait for the new MOP. Check it out now so you are current on all of the new rules.

The Council on Legislation is an amazing process of democracy. While it serves us well, it needs new thinking. It is caught in the old way of doing things. Before the next council, let us discuss our thoughts on how we can move Rotary forward. What will work for bringing in new members - and then, keeping them? New and fresh ideas are needed.

This most recent Council accomplished the necessary tasks, but it was not revolutionary. Now is the time to move forward. Think about it, contact Don Mebus at don.mebus@rotary.org. We can figure out how we can get them on the docket for the 2016.



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ROTARY CLUB OF FORT WORTH SOUTH "ENGAGED WITH STUDENTS"



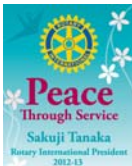
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The Rotary Club of Fort Worth South has been engaged with the students of Wilson Elementary School in an incentive rewards program. At the end of each 6 weeks grading period, members of the club attend an assembly honoring those students who have made the A/B honor roll. Principal Angeles Gonzalez reads out the names and each honoree is given a "goody bag" filled with 3-4 items.



At the time of this article's writing, honor roll students have been recognized for 4 of the 6 weeks grading periods. Many of the children are repeat attendees, but each time, we have recognized those who are on the honor roll for the very first time. The numbers of students have ranged from 102 to 160 honorees. The names of the students are placed in a basket for each grade level at the end of each grading period. So, the more times one makes the honor roll, the more often his or her name is placed in the basket. Then, at the end of the school year, all of the students who have made the honor roll any time during the 2012-13 year will attend a special assembly. At that time, all attendees will be given one more "goody bag" along with the card that has the Rotary 4-Way test on it. Then, the big event will go forth. This will be the time at which 1 name from each of the baskets for the various grade levels, grades 1-5, will be drawn out, and that student will be declared the winner of a brand new shiny bicycle. This is going to occur on June 6, 2013. Many of our club members will be present for the bike drawings. And, we have a brand new banner that clearly proclaims who we are as Rotarians. All and all, this project has been fun, and our club was able to do it with the help of a district grant.



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FORT WORTH EAST ROTARY THE SWAN SONG OF FUNNEL CAKES



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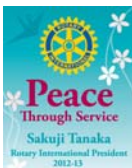
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Alas! The end has come. Just like the swan that sings its most beautiful song just before it dies, the Rotary Club of Fort Worth East has cooked its last funnel cake. For more than 15 years the Club has cooked funnel cakes for its primary fundraiser, creating quite a name for itself. Over the years a majority of Club members have participated in this endeavor, aided by the Rotaract Club of UTA which is sponsored by the Arlington Great Southwest Rotary Club.

The weekend of April 20 saw the last funnel cake created by the Club. Funnel cakes were served to hungry attendees of the Fort Worth Japanese Festival held at Fort Worth's Botanical Gardens. Rotarian Dave Hinshaw and his wife Roxanne have participated in virtually all the funnel cake fund raising events, and true to form were the lead agents again this year, joined by PDG Paul Geisel and others.

Pictures below show workers at this last event. Shown below are Dave and Roxanne as Dave cooks the last funnel cake. Okay! Guess who ATE the last funnel cake? None other than DAVE!!! The group shot shows Dave, center, digging in. Others in the picture are l. to r., PDG Dan Morales, Roxanne Hinshaw, Dave, Alyson Pollak, PDG Paul Geisel. Pictures on the bottom row are left hand picture, PDG Paul Geisel and Joe King; center picture, PDG Dan Morales; and picture on right, Alyson Pollak. Also helping, but not pictured are Lucy Maier and Janelle Kavanaugh.





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4 WAY TEST SPEECH REGIONAL CONTESTS



Pictured are Darren Donaldson, Weatherford Rotary; Alynna Knaub, Hailey Green, (first and second place winners at the Weatherford Regional; Mike Pope, District Chair—4 Way Test Speech Contest.

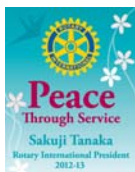
District 5790's 4 Way Test Speech Contest has grown by 6 clubs participating this year, with 50% of the clubs participating.

With the added growth, there were 3 Regional contests held— a first one for the district in Haskell, another in Weatherford and the last one in Euless.

With a tie for first place at one of the regionals, 3 students advanced to the finals, along with 2 each at the other regionals. Seven students participated in the finals at the district conference.

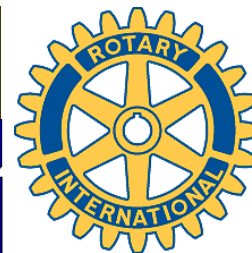
The District also got press in the Star-Telegram for the regionals held in Euless.





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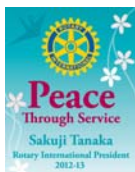
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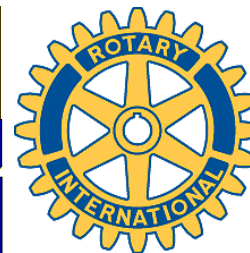
RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	3/1/2013			3/31/2013	
Abilene - F	83	60.06%	3	84	1
Abilene Southw est - T	52	67.96%	4	53	1
Abilene Wednesday	28	67.33%	3	28	-
Arlington - TH	116	65.27%	4	115	(1)
Arlington GSW - W	29	48.42%	4	29	-
Arlington North - M	33	79.20%	4	35	2
Arlington South - F	11	79.17%	4	12	1
Arlington Sunrise - F	63	83.23%	5	63	-
Arlington Sunset - T	18	68.49%	4	19	1
Arlington West - T	40	56.00%	4	41	1
Azle - TH	31	64.00%	4	31	-
Bowie - W	28	58.76%	4	27	(1)
Breckenridge - T	24	57.75%	4	24	-
Brownwood - W	22	67.05%	4	22	-
Burkburnett - T	39	61.54%	4	39	-
Burleson - F	47	77.78%	5	44	(3)
Burleson Area Mid Day - M	29	69.00%	4	29	-
Cisco - TH					-
Cleburne - TH	68	60.82%	4	68	-
Coleman - M					-
Colleyville - T	16	80.80%	4	15	(1)
Crowell - W					-
Decatur - TH	17	68.00%	4	17	-
Denton - TH	85	59.71%	4	90	5
Denton South - T	37	75.00%	4	38	1
Dublin - T	28	69.00%	3	28	-
Eagle Mountain Saginaw	31	60.00%	4	31	-
Eastland - TH					-
Flower Mound - TH	65	86.06%	4	64	(1)
Fort Worth East - M	30	76.00%	4	33	3
Fort Worth International - W	10	70.00%	1	11	1
Fort Worth North - W	19	62.00%	4	19	-

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March 2013 Attendance, Con't

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	3/1/2013			3/31/2013	
Fort Worth - F	430	59.00%	4	435	5
Fort Worth South - T	55	75.29%	4	55	-
Fort Worth Southw est - TH					-
Gainesville - W					-
Graham - F					-
Granbury - TH	43	67.26%	4	43	-
Grapevine - W	95	58.00%	4	94	(1)
Hamlin - W					-
Haskell - TH					-
HEB - T	67	80.00%	4	67	-
Highland Village	22	98.86%	4	22	-
Iowa Park - W	13	76.92%	4	13	-
Keller - T	69	69.00%	4	69	-
Kennedale					-
Lake Ray Roberts - T					-
Lewisville Morning - TH	30		4	30	-
Lewisville Noon - W	65	94.94%	4	65	-
Mansfield - T	37	82.89%	4	41	4
Mansfield Sunrise - TH	17	71.43%	4	17	-
Metroport - F	32	80.52%	5	33	1
Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F					-
Mineral Wells - W	46	75.57%	4	45	(1)
Nocona - T					-
Southlake - T					-
Stamford - T					-
Stephenville - TH	33	68.00%	4	34	1
Vernon - T	37	64.00%	4	35	(2)
Weatherford - T	85	56.62%	4	84	(1)
Western Fort Worth - T	60	88.60%	4	60	-
Wichita Falls North - F	31	90.00%	5	31	-
Wichita Falls - TH	81	66.67%	4	80	(1)
Wichita Falls Southw est - M	30	93.44%	4	30	-

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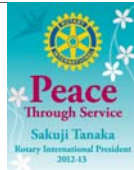
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Comments and suggestions welcome.



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CLUB PHOTOS



Steve Wurm, (Center) President of the Boys and Girls Club of Arlington, receives a check from Arlington North Rotary for \$3,500 from President, Stace Callaghan (left) and President Elect, Craig Forster (Right). Craig is also on the Boys & Girls Clubs of Arlington Board of Directors.

Larry Harmon (center), Principal of Lamar High School, and Jeff Holland (left) Assistant Principal, receive a check from Stace Callaghan (right) President of Arlington North Rotary.



HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE???

Does your club have an upcoming event that you want to share with other Rotarians? Did you just complete a project or fundraiser? Let others in the district know!

Please send us a write up and pictures to include in the newsletter. See the contact information to the left.

COMING IN THE JUNE NEWSLETTER

The Various District Avenues of Service Chairs will continue to recap the year of their respective clubs.

We will also recap the district conference along with club and member awards.

We will also introduce the new newsletter editor for District 5790, Marilyn Pokorny.

Decatur, Forth Worth International, Stephenville and Wichita Falls Rotary Clubs will let us know what is going on this past year.