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District Governor

ROTARY DISTRICT 6630 NEWS

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Governor's Letter

JUNE 2014

Incredible that this Rotary year is coming to a close and my tenure as District Governor is ending. When I applied for and was accepted for the DG position in Dec. 2011, I thought the year would never come, let alone pass by. It is Rotary's time for our annual change and into the 2014/2015 year we go. DG Mike Davanzo will take over 7/1/2014 and lead us through his year. I have had two years to work with and get to know Mike and he will be a stellar District Governor for sure. He possesses all the best qualities of a true Rotarian and is a pleasure to work with. His will be a great Rotary year.

I feel we as a district need to celebrate our accomplishments for 2013/2014. Our District Membership Committee led by Tony Corrao and Al Conners did a wonderful job with encouraging the clubs to work diligently to increase membership. I am happy to say that we have done that with overall increases. Unfortunately these efforts are somewhat offset by retention problems and the passing of many of our older members (28 last year). But in spite of this, I believe we have turned the corner and are beginning an upward trend in membership that I hope continues well into the future.

October 24th. last year was "World Polio Day" and I issued

a challenge to all clubs to not forget that we are still engaged in this battle and to make an extra effort to step up with increased donations. The RCs of Cleveland, Chardon and Mantua were the three winners in their respective size categories for the challenge and were recognized at the District Conference on April 25th. Together our district donated well over \$100,000. to polio eradication this year; and these funds added to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation matches totaled almost \$350,000. An incredible achievement for sure for our district; but the fight continues

A dedicated one and a half year effort by our District Treasurer Tracy Jemison and assistance from John Weber, our Assistant District Treasurer, have given the district books new clarity and accuracy and will enable us to plan and budget much more accurately and efficiently for future Rotary years. John has also begun work to make sure all clubs are following the proper IRS guidelines for nonprofits, as this process sometimes gets overlooked when we change club officers and/or move from one Rotary year to the next. If you have a question on the status of your club, please contact John (RC of Chardon) for assistance.

Our giving to the annual fund of the Rotary Foundation has

hoped this year. I believe this was a product of the importance of other challenges we faced. The disaster in the Philippines was met by the purchase by our district 6630 clubs of over 40 Shelter Boxes at \$1000./ea. that were given to homeless in the Philippines to shelter their families while they rebuild their lives. Right here in our district, the town of Garrettsville was hit with a devastating fire that wiped out almost half of their town. Many clubs answered the call to supply the burned out food bank and donate to an account that will soon provide a matching grant to help them rebuild. Thirteen of our clubs have partnered with the RC of Chagrin Valley, Gift of Life and the Akron Children's Hospital to initiate a large Vocational Training Team (VTT) project that will eventually provide child pediatric heart care in Haiti. This will be a life changing project that will affect many of these children and we can all take pride in the Rotarian involvement. So, as you can see, there have been many requests this year for our funds. I am still confident that we can reach our annual giving goals to our foundation and I encourage all clubs to help us make a last push for donations before June 30th. If your club has carry-over funds I would urge you to consider making an additional donation. If your club has not yet donated any funds to the Foun-

Governor's Letter cont'd

dation, \$0. in donations is not an option and is unacceptable. Supporting the Rotary Foundation is the responsibility of all Rotarians as this is what powers much of our Rotary work; both in our local communities and worldwide.

In closing, my wife Cindy and I want to say thank you to all Rotarians in District 6630; all 2200 of you. We feel it has been a very successful year for us and has provided a solid ramp on which we can march into the 2014/2015 Rotary year. Except

for my wife, my children and my grandchildren, serving as District Governor has been the most rewarding and satisfying event in my life and I am honored to have been able to work with you for the great organization of Rotary.

LET US ALWAYS "ENGAGE ROTARY - CHANGE LIVES"

Bob Johnson - District Governor - District 6630 - 2013/2014





Milestones Recorded for Children of the Dump

- 1. This year Rotarians, Rotary Clubs and Friends of Rotary have supported over 3,400 Shoe boxes in 8 years to Nicaragua.
- 2. For 2014, 16 Rotary Clubs in Rotary District 6630 have participated in supporting the Shoe box process. This is the largest number of clubs in 1 year.
- 3. For the first time we have two Rotary Interact clubs participating the shoe Boxes. West Geauga High School and North Royalton/Broadview Heights Interact Clubs.
- 4. A Rotary club outside of our District and State, the Rotary Club of Atlanta, Georgia has joined the Rotarians and Clubs in Ohio District 6630 to support this important international project. District 6630 Rotary clubs who are support this International effort in 2014 are:

Lakewood/Rocky River Sunrise, Hillcrest-Sunrise, North Ridgeville, Stow-Monroe Falls, Kent, Wadsworth, North Royalton-Broadview Heights, Painesville, Akron, Burton Middlefield, Conneaut, Ashtabula, Brunswick, Berea, Lodi, Aurora

This means we have a total of 17 Rotary Clubs and 2 Interact Clubs who make up well over 1,600 Rotarians, Family members and high school students are supporting the children who are living in a garbage dump in Nicaragua with our objective in encouraging them to seek a higher level of education and hopefully be able to leave the garbage dump where they are living..

For further information or club speaker, please feel free to contact PDG Jack Young, 440-759-4000 or Jack 1 villa@aol.com.

How Did July 1 Get Chosen?

Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its

volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21

June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in The Rotarian that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signalized by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June.

SAR Gets Updated

Dear District Governors, District Governors-Elect, and Assistant Governors,

The July 2014 Semi-annual Report distributed to clubs will contain a letter from Rotary International President-Elect Gary Huang reminding club officers that beginning in January 2015 the new simplified club invoice will replace the existing Semi-annual Report packet. A copy of this letter can be found at the link below.

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Best Regards,

The Club Invoice Project Team



The Rotary Foundation

14 Days and Counting! Can we set a record for the 2013-2014 Annual Fund, number of EREY Clubs and total Foundation Funds? This will be our triple crown and we do not want to be behind like California Chrome.

As of April 30, 2014, we are going down the backstretch with \$124,000 of our \$199,000 goal, and we can cross the finish line way ahead by June 30, 2014.

We have 6 EREY Clubs and the goal of 14 is still in sight.

I know many clubs send funds to the Foundation in May and June, so I am counting on these April numbers to be left in the dust.

Remember the funds come back to us to use in 3 years, It will be put to good use for our community, regional, and international projects. I am excited about all that has been accomplished already and I will continue to cheer—E R E Y —until the finish!

Jim Lechko Donates Kidney to Pastor

Fr. Joe Mamich, 34 year-old pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Strongsville, was born with kidney disease. His disease progressed more quickly than expected, and he was put on the list for a kidney transplant in early 2013.

A believer in organ donations and a parishioner in Fr. Joe's congregation, Jim Lechko wanted to help. Would he be a good match?

After much discernment and the support of his wife, Sue, Jim went to be tested. When it was determined last September that Jim was a suitable match to donate a kidney to Fr. Joe, a number of delays and "bumps in the road" have stood between the two men and their scheduled procedures.

The transplant took place at the Cleveland Clinic on April 28. Jim was discharged on May 1 and Fr. Joe the following day. In his blog on May 2, Fr. Joe wrote, "Special prayers of thanksgiving for Jim, and for his wife, Sue, who stood right with him throughout this journey."

Still at home recovering from the surgery, Jim has begun to write a journal of about his kidney transplant experience.

Reflecting on his choice to be transplant donor, Jim explains, "My decision was biblically-based. In the Gospel of John, Jesus talks about there being no greater gift than to lay down one's life for another. God has been very good to Sue and me; it was time to give something back. God gave me the opportunity to do something very significant with my life."



Jim and Fr. Joe met on April 30 for the first time after their surgeries two days earlier.

Lkwd/RR Golf Outing Fundraiser September 8 at Red Tail

The Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River, in conjunction with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and Pillars of Lakewood, will have its annual golf outing is set for Red Tail Golf Club on Monday, September 8, with a shotgun start at 11:30 a.m.

The cost is \$125 per golfer, and includes greens fees for 18 holes plus boxed lunch, dinner on the patio, contests and door prizes.

Visium Resources, 22255 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River, is this year's Eagle Sponsor. The event raises over \$4,000 annually for Rotary projects.

Red Tail is located at 4400 Lear Nagle Road in Avon.

Foursomes and golfers can register online at www.lakewoodrockyriverrotary.org. Registration forms can also be downloaded from the website. If not registering online, forms and payment should be mailed to: Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River, 2801 Ellington Ct. Avon, OH 44011.

Sponsors are also needed for the event.





Please review the District News Letter for May regarding specifics and the ordering of Armed Forces Veteran Rotary Pins for your members. If you would like to order them for your club Veterans, please contact PDG Jack Young this month. DGE Mike or the clubs specific designee will be more than willing to make appropriate presentation to your Armed Forces/Rotary members. (PDG Jack Young (440-759-4000 or Jack1villa@aol.com)

ShelterBoxes Have Impact

by PDG Jack Young, Shelter Box USA Board of Directors

At their moment of greatest need, a family is now living in the tent that has been provided by you or your Rotary Club. They are using the life-saving equipment that has been sent to them. They are out of the elements. They are warm. They are together. Thank you.

Every year Shelter Box provides support to families around the world who have survived the tragedy of an earthquake, tsunami or other disaster. Working with supporters like you, we are able to provide tents, cookware, blankets, stoves, water purifiers—all of the equipment necessary to allow families to begin rebuilding their lives. From Haiti to Japan, from Kenya to the U.S., our green box has come to represent hope.

We do not know when or where the next disaster will happen. We only know it will. On average, we respond to a disaster every two weeks. That is why readiness is a constant priority for Shelter Box USA, the Board of Directors and our volunteer response team members. Our goal is to be on the scene within hours after a disaster—beginning our response and quickly ensuring boxes and other aid are available to meet the needs of disaster survivors. Of course, this kind of response can only happen if the Shelter Boxes are packed and ready to go before a disaster strikes.

This is why your help is needed to meet that challenge for today and help us prepare for tomorrow. For more information and presentations to your club and or community, please contact PDG Jack Young and Shelter Box USA Board member (440-759-4000 or Jack Ivillal.com)



Emerald Rose is Growing

Emerald Rose is growing.....

and we are very excited to tell you about it! Our newest program, Emerald Fields of Troy, a therapeutic farming community, is making great progress. To support our efforts, we have acquired a new office, new staff and volunteers and have launched our capital campaign. In addition, we are in the midst of planning a big event on Chardon Square, The Zucchini Festival in August to help support the Emerald Fields of Troy program.

Emerald Fields of Troy

Emerald Fields of Troy will be a residential facility offering state-of-the-art therapeutic programs including, but not limited to, Art Therapy, Music Therapy, Horticultural Therapy, animal-assisted therapy, etc. to those with a serious mental illness. Housed on a 21-acre site in Troy Township, the goal of the program is to restore the individual to optimal functioning. This may mean a direct return to the community or it may involve a gradual return through the use of less structured group homes, as the next step.

Zucchini Festival: August 16 and 17, 2014

Early funding for Emerald Fields of Troy is coming from individual and corporate donations as well as our summer event, the Third Annual Zucchini Festival. Held on Chardon Square for the first time this year, we will offer a pancake breakfast, a large array of local vendors and artisans, and contests for the whole family. Our Idol Contest is open to all with talent. Our Zucchini Bake-off is sure to delight

your palate. The Zucchini Decorating Contest will tickle your funny bone and our Zucchini Growing Contest will pay tribute to the individual with the largest zucchini.

Join us....

The Zucchini Festival will be held on Chardon Square August 16 and 17. You can help by becoming a sponsor, a vendor, entering a contest, or simply attending the festivities.

The capital campaign and other efforts are ongoing. If you would like to help or are interested in additional information please contact Joy Black at 440-376-5097 or email joy@emeraldrose.org.

EDITOR'S NOTE

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TRC Chagrin Valley Presents Teacher Awards

Ralph Tuthill presented the winners of this year's Chagrin Valley Rotary Club Today's Teacher Award at the club's May 20th breakfast meeting. Nominees for this award come form both Kenston and Chagrin Falls high schools. This is the ninth year of the awards which were started from a fund created by a Cinco de Mayo Benefit held by the CV Rotary Club nine vears ago. Winners have \$500 given in their name to their school library. All the nominees are exemplary teachers. Ralph Tuthill and four other Rotarians, including Joe Talty, Don Matz, and Joyce Piteo, had the unenviable task of selecting a winner from the remarkable slate of nominees provided by each school district. The award rotates annually from Elementary/intermediate School, to middle school, to high school. This year nominees were selected from the high schools.

From Chagrin Falls, the winner is Mike Sweeney, a member of the CFHS Math Department. He is a participant in the Geauga County Higher Education Consortium and was instrumental in the implementations of the new problem based and collaborative method focused upon College Preparatory Math curriculum (CPM). He is part of the Lake and Geauga County Higher Education Alignment Project. He is currently preparing the curriculum maps for Honors Algebra 1 and Honors Algebra 2. He participates with students and prepares a positive email list highlighting 2

or 3 students every other week. He works with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes as a Huddle Leader. He has been the Varsity Baseball coach at CFHS since 2000 and has the all-time career wins for CFHS and has been the CVC Coach of the Year for the past three years. He is also the Assistant Varsity Basketball and Assistant Varsity Football Coach and in his spare time he is a camp director for inner city baseball outreach and for several baseball clinics for players and

youth coaches.

FromCha grin Falls t h e runner

up is Barb Cymanski, the Chair of the Math Department at CFHS and a member of the leadership team. In that capacity she was instrumental in adopting and implementing the new College Preparatory Math Curriculum (CPM) assuring that it is fully in line with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for mathematics. Her positive attitude and leadership skill have had a powerful impact on the department. She started at CF middle school in1994 and went to CFHS in 2008. She is a member of the multi-district and district mathematicsplanning meeting. She will be one of the chaperones for the up-coming June 2014 China trip with CFHS students. She was named Chagrin "Difference Maker" in

2014 and was the Freshman Class advisor from 2008-2011. She is a member of the Hiram College Advisory Council where she graduated magna cum laud, a mother of three, a four time Boston Marathoner and is active in her church.

From Kenston, the winner is Amanda Englehart, who has been a Kenston Special Education Teacher and Intervention Specialist since 2006. She has her BS in Special Education Mild-Moderate

> and her MS in Special Education Moderate-Intensive and is certified in

the Autism Spectrum Disorder and serves as the Student Case Manager. She also acts as a Resource Room Teacher in English, Science, Social Studies and Mathematics. She teaches an elective course in "Creating Exceptional Character (CEC) as a workshop for those students without disabilities to understand special education for students with disabilities. She established "Creating Exceptional Character Club (CEC) in 2011. The club now has 49 members and the members relate socially to the students with disabilities. She received the Franklin B. Walter Outstanding Educator Award in 2013. In June 2014 she will be a presenter at the Milestone Annual Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference. Amanda has been praised as "one of the most caring, dedicated, and creative individuals." She has been written up in the Chagrin Valley Times and the newsletter for the Council for Exceptional Children, an international organization.

From Kenston, the runner up is Greg Koltas, the Chair of the KHS Mathematics Department. He too has played a vital role in the implementation and adoption of the new mathematics standards and the CPM curriculum. He led the middle school and the high school in their three-year transition plan to the new curriculum to ensure compliance with the CCSS. He is described as a "Dynamic communicator who mentors both peers and subordinates." He is the founder of the KHS Chapter of Alpha Theta, the National Mathematics Honor society. His students have competed in cross-curriculum contests, amassing over \$1500 in prizes. He chaired the Kenston Education Association negotiation team through three cycles of collective bargaining from 1995-2007. He published a review in Statistics Teacher Network newsletter on text support and software used in classrooms instruction. He is an active member of the Bainbridge Civic Club since 1996 and has been a Director since 2013. He also is Active in Cub Pack 102 and is Den Leader and Pack Chairman. He received his Eagle Scout status in 1984. He is a member of the FOE.





News From TRC Jefferson

For the 8th year in a row the Rotary Club of Jefferson placed congratulation signs in the front lawns of seniors graduating from the Jefferson Area High school. This year we placed 144 signs across Ashtabula county. This service is well received by the families involved and raises the awareness of Rotary in our community



Members of The Rotary Club of Jefferson, along with State of Ohio representation John Patterson and Abe Lincoln portrayer John King stand along side the flagpole purchased and installed by the club. The pole stands in front of the Joshua Giddings law office being restored by the Jefferson Historical Society. Joshua Giddings practiced law in Jefferson, was a strong abolitionist and a contemporary of Abraham Lincoln in the US Congress. The flagpole was dedicated on Flag Day, June 14.



Lakefront Cruise~in July 31

Lakefront Cruise-in July 31 to raise funds for scholarships

Just imagine, a beautiful summer evening, right on the lake, live music, food and refreshments, and lots of fancy cars, trucks, and motorcycles.

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Lakewood and Rocky River, a car, truck, and motorcycle cruise-in is set for July 31, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Edgewater Park's Lakefront Reservation, Lower Area.

The event is part of "Edgewater Live" sponsored by the Cleveland Metroparks.

Enthusiasts are encouraged to bring their cars, trucks and motorcycles. There is a \$20.00 suggested donation for those who

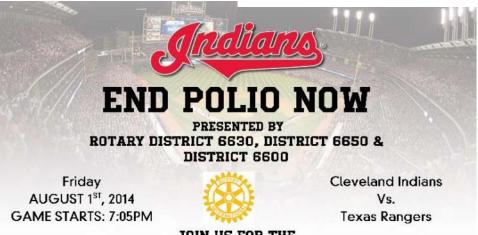
choose to participate, but any amount will be appreciated.

All donations will be used to fund grants for students planning to attend accredited post-high school educational institutions and who meet the club's scholarship program guidelines.

Edgewater Live is free and open to the public. Bring a blanket or chair and let classic rock by "Blonde Scott" move you. Local food trucks will be there for your dining pleasure.

Rain date for the cruise-in is August 7.

Edgewater Live will continue every Thursday until August 14. Edgewater Park is located off Route 2 west of Downtown Cleveland at exit 192.



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The Rotary Fellowships Program ...

Currently, there are approximately 62 Fellowships with "Rotarian Jazz Fellowship" becoming official last September, and in January "The International Fellowship of Rotarian Photographers". (IFRP)

There are many Fellowships that would be of interest to our members, and they are detailed on www.rotary.org/fellowships, including contact advice and advice on how to join.

Most Fellowships have a booth at the International Convention, and have special events, including tours, in association with the Convention, and at other times.

Some of the Fellowships that could be of interest to our members are: Amateur Radio; Caravanning; Computer Users; Cricket; Cycling; Fine Arts & Antiques; Fishing; Golf; Internet; Jazz; Lawyers; Motorcycling; Music; Photographers; Recreational Vehicles; Rotary on Stamps; Rotarians on the Internet; Scouting; Scuba Diving; Singles; Skiing; Tennis; Travel &

Hosting; Wellness & Fitness; Wine; and Yachting.

Fellowships bring together Rotarians, spouses and Rotaractors who share a common interest, helping them to make new friends and explore opportunities to serve. All Fellowships have members in at least 3 countries.

Through our Fellowship activities, we could all have close friends in many countries. One of our great pleasures is meeting with them at the Convention and at other times. I believe that all Rotarians would benefit from membership of one or more Fellowships. Why don't you give it a



8 tips for getting young people interest in your club

Kristin Post says her club has found that organizing at least two special meetings a year creates a unique experience for attracting new members and cements friendships among club members. Find more ideas for attracting and keeping young professionals in your

Find more ideas in Be A Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan Share your tips for attracting young members on our discussion group

Sign up for the Membership Minute newsletter

Rotary Every Day

We are excited to announce the opening of "Christian James Salon", opening June 24th, 2014. They are located at 2041 State Road in Cuyahoga Falls. This is a fullservice salon specializing in serving individuals with developmental disabilities and special needs, allowing those individuals a pleasant experience within a salon setting. They are dedicated to consistently provide high customer satisfaction through excellent service, quality products, competitive pricing and an enjoyable atmosphere. They also provide high quality salon services to the general public and maintain a friendly, fair and creative work environment which respects diversity, ideas and hard work.

Please visit our website at christianiames.com for more detailed information and for future updates. We are looking forward to serving the community and providing quality hair care services to anyone looking for a new and exciting look.

Sincerely,

Georgeann Pinter

Editor's Note...

Normally, I would not publish an article that promotes a Rotarian's business, but this seems to be so much more to me than that. I hope you all agree that publishing it was completely appropriate.



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News From TRC Berea

Berea Rotary picnics in the Metroparks

The Rotary Club of Berea held its annual picnic at the Albion Woods Picnic Area of the Cleveland Metroparks in Strongsville. Chefs Bob Hammer and Chuck Stanko served up hamburgers, hotdogs, brats and veggie burgers. We also were treated to baked beans, potato salad, water melon and cake. The weather was just right, too.



Enjoying the Rotary Club of Berea picnic are, from the left, Mary Beth Hill, Kathy Olmeda, Mary Abdallah, Cheryl Lange, Dale Lange, Mark Comstock and Russ Hill.

Berea Rotary hosts Camp RYLA

Again this year, the Rotary Club of Berea was the host club for the district's Camp RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). The camp was on the campus of Baldwin Wallace University and RYLA chair was Berea Rotary's own Marc West. Forty-six high school students from across northeast Ohio attended the sessions. Berea Rotary sponsored four campers – Courtney Elkins and Jaime Fischer of Berea-Midpark High School and Amanda Mitchell and Evan Rawbon of Olmsted Falls High School.



RYLA campers included, from the left, Courtney Elkins, Jaimie Fischer, Evan Rawbon and Amanda Mitchell.

Berea Rotary hosts Computer & Electronics Roundup

In conjunction with the City of Berea, the Rotary Club of Berea sponsored a Computer & Electronics Roundup on June 7 at Berea-Midpark High School. With the help of Baldwin Wallace University students, Rotarians collected thousands of pounds of electronic equipment to be recycled. Items included monitors, cell phones, printers, scanners, video games, ink cartridges, batteries, cables, keyboards and other gear. The Roundup helps Berea to meet EPA-mandated recycling goals. Berea Rotarian Marc West chaired the event.



Baldwin Wallace University students volunteered to help Rotarians collect outdated computer equipment from residents.

Museum chronicles women in aviation from 19th century to astronauts in space

Ask Connie Luhta about flying and she can tell you plenty. She's a licensed pilot, a former air racer in the Power Puff Derby and a member of the 99s – an exclusive club for women pilots. She's also president of the board of the International Women's Air & Space Museum based at Burke Lakefront Airport. Luhta was instrumental in moving the museum from Centerville to Cleveland.

She is also an expert on the history of women in aviation – something a lot of folks consider a recent development. Not so, Luhta told Berea Rotarians on May 27. Women were involved in various forms of flight since the 1800s when they were among the first balloonists. Katherine Wright, sister of Orville and Wilbur, was not a pilot but she ran the bicycle shop while they experimented with airplanes. She was also the only family member with a college degree.

In America, it wasn't considered ladylike to fly an aeroplane. Europe had other ideas. The first woman to be issued a pilot's license got one in France in 1909. In 1911, Harriet Quimby was the first American woman to earn a pilot's license. There were very few black women pilots. One of the best was Bessie Coleman, who learned to fly in France in the 1920s. And then came home to America to join the barnstorming circuit.

Amelia Earhart is probably the best-known pre-World War II woman to fly a plane. She served as a role model for many young girls. "She encouraged women to pursue whatever path they wanted," Luhta said. Earhart was the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean solo. Unfortunately, she was lost over the Pacific in 1937. One of Earhart's flying suits is on display in the museum, Luhta said.

The museum is a treasure-trove of information on many aspects of women in flight, including the first women's Air Derby in 1929 and the WASPs of World War II, who ferried military aircraft to bases around the country. Luhta recounted the story of the first B-29s, which were so huge male pilots hesitated to fly them. So the Army had two WASPs take one up for a test run. "The guys figured if a woman could fly the plane, then they could, too."

Women have assumed increasingly prominent roles in aviation. In 1953, Jackie Cochran became the first woman to break the sound barrier in a jet. In 1964, a Russian cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova became the first woman in space. Twenty years later, Sally Ride became the first American woman in space. So far, 59 women have blasted off into space, and one, Eileen Collins, was the first woman to pilot a space shuttle. Now, the Air Force has allwomen flight crews and women fly jets and helicopters into combat zones. Many women also pilot commercial jet liners.

Luhta says the International Women's Air & Space Museum has more than 6,000 stories about women in aviation. "We're the best kept secret in Cleveland."

The museum is free and is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Check out the Web site at www.iwasm.org. The museum is located in the terminal at Burke Lakefront Airport, 1501 N. Marginal Road. Call (216) 623-1111.

Rotary Grant helps 'Save Lives' in Gandevi, India

by Dr. Jaya & Ramesh Shah

"I traveled 450 kms. (270 miles) because my relative works in Gandevi. He assured me that I shall get examined for my heart pain and may get necessary treatment. I traveled whole night and they brought me in wheel chair, examined by AIPNO physician, Dr. Wiseman; he ordered me to be operated on a priority basis." —Nilaben said. "We couldn't believe that her operation was done successfully without any Rs. expense." Her relatives cried with emotions.

Rotary club of Gandevi collected **92 potential patients for various heart surgeries** as a result of Medical YATRA 2014 from Jan.23-28 in Gandevi and surrounding villages.

Rotary clubs and Rotary foundation joined with Association of Indian Physicians of N. Ohio (AIPNO)-USA in a Global Grant #1412348 to make a huge impact in training the medical professionals and save the lives in remote corner of Gandevi, Gujarat, India. Global Grant was funded by six rotary clubs from USA, Canada and India and their districts and rotary foundation along with NRIs of Gandevi and AIPNO. It is a huge

International partnership with a specific sustainable mission: "Educate/Train, Prevent and Save Lives".

Specific aims as outlined in the grant proposal:

To improve the quality of life of the rural and tribal community by performing the life saving surgeries of Cancer and Coronary diseases as well as by increasing awareness regarding early detection and prevention of Diabetes and to increase the capacity of local health professionals by training and Education.

Super Specialty Clinics:

Primary detection screening clinics were conducted on Jan.23-24-25 at six villages (drawing from

50-60 surrounding villages) by AIPNO physicians. High risk patients- Cancer, Coronary and Diabetes-were given appointments for Jan. 26-27-28 with Oncologist- Dr. Varia, Cardiologist-Dr. Wiseman and Endocrinologists-Dr.Reddy and Dr. Mehta.



Thru these efforts, 400 women have been prescreened for Breast cancer and Pap smear tests. Mammography, CT scan and Sonography equipment were provided in a 'Sanjeevani Rath' by Gujarat Cancer Research Institute from Amdavad.(GCRI). 47 Cancer patients are being treated at Kailash Cancer Hospital, Goraj (Vadodara) and Lions Cancer Center at Civil Hospital, Surat...



92 Coronary patients are mostly treated at Yashfeen Hospital, Navsari and Amdavad Civil Hospital at much reduced rate. For 633 Diabetes patients, long term supply of medicines have been arranged from Global Grant and Yashfeen Hospital, Navsari has agreed for follow up treatment.

Vocational Training:

- 1. "Did you know that with 10 million diabetic patients on the record and growing exponentially every year, India is going to be a Diabetes capital of the world?"-said Dr. Reddy, "it is a Tsunami of health crisis in India."
- 2. "When you go to Temple or Dehrasar, you do "Pradikshana"- 3 rounds around main idol; follow the same practice of 3 rounds outside in the Temple compound; you will lower your cholesterol and blood pressure significantly." Said Dr. Adi Mehta.
- 3. "There are seven-7- simple ways you can prevent and/or reduce cancer in your community today." Said Dr. Mahesh Varia-Oncologist

educational talks were directed to larger general audience; so they were "user" friendly with specific simple hints "how to do" as preventive measures for diabetes, coronary and cancer.

Educational CME programs were conducted @ various hospitals and colleges to increase the capacity of local Health Professionals by Vocational Training TEAM members in Oncology, Cardiology, Endocrinology and Psycho-Oncology.



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CPR Training

Rotarian Dave Diffendal- Clev. Rotary conducted CPR –Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation- training classes for paramedics, students, youth and general public. Few minutes CPR can circulate the blood thru the victim's brain to keep him/her alive until further care is available. Often in the villages help is far away in distance and time. "This can be true blessing"-Parimal Naik said.





FAQ about pilot programs

The May Global Outlook, "A Rotarian's Guide to Getting and Keeping Members," offered lots of great information for strengthening our clubs. It also got people talking, which is always a good thing. In particular, people had questions about our membership pilot programs. Here are answers to some frequently asked questions:

- The Board of Directors agreed to extend the pilot programs for the Associate Membership, Corporate Membership, Innovative and Flexible Club, and Satellite Club Membership pilot projects for a second three-year term, ending 30 June 2017.
- Only the 800 clubs participating in these pilot projects may test these new membership types and innovations.
- Unfortunately, it is no longer possible to apply to the 2011-17 membership pilots.

The Council on Legislation meets every three years, and representatives from every Rotary district attend to voice their opinions about Rotary policies, including membership. Learn how to draft and propose legislation for the 2016 Council on Legislation.

Read more.

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