



5170 Times



April 2014

District Governor Angie Hassler

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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May 7: [District Cabinet Meeting](#)

May 3: [RYLA SaberCats Fundraiser](#)—space still available!

May 14: [Rotary U](#)—Registration now open!

June 1-4: [Rotary International Convention](#) -- Sydney, Australia

July 9: [Cabinet Meeting](#)

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From District Governor Angie Hassler

In January 1911, a 12-page newsletter called *The National Rotarian* was published containing an essay by Paul Harris, "Rational Rotarianism", along with club news and editorials. Of the new publication Harris wrote, "The primary purpose of *The National Rotarian* is to provide a means for the exchange of ideas between Rotarians throughout the world, not to give the national officers an opportunity to express their views. These messages are not written merely to fill space; nevertheless we look forward to the day when they will be literally crowded out by surging mobs of virile Rotarian ideas struggling to be heard."

Today, *The Rotarian* is edited at RI headquarters in Evanston, and has a circulation of about 500,000. Around the world, 31 more magazines are published in 24 other languages, for a total of 32 magazines published by the Rotary World Magazine Press, and a total circulation of about 1.25 million. Unsurprisingly regional magazines developed fairly early in Rotary history to cater to countries where English was not a first language. The first non-English magazines were *Rotary* (Italy) and *Brasil Rotario* in 1924, followed by *El Rotario de Chile* in 1927.

Rotary has designated April as Magazine Month. It is a time to recognize the role our Rotary publications play in our Rotary lives – and the role we should play in our publications. For the magazines to live up to Paul Harris' original vision it takes more than just an editorial staff, it also takes the good work of Rotarians. To me, these publications are a tangible representation of Rotary's greatest strength: that each club is a local, community-based entity, engaged in a truly global network. By the time you are done reading *The Rotarian*, you will have gone places you never thought existed, learned tricks that can make you a better you, seen how much change others are making and, maybe, feel challenged and inspired to make your own mark in life. The Rotarian Magazine, is one of the many remarkable resources we can use to Engage Rotary, Change Lives.

In 2012, *The Rotarian* swept the Media Industry Newsletter awards with 10 editorial and design honors – more than twice the number of any other publication. The magazine shared the spotlight with *Time*, *People*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Harper's Bazaar*, and *Food & Wine*. *The Rotarian* also earned eight awards from *Folio* magazine for excellence in association and nonprofit publishing.

Now, more mobile than ever, Rotary recently launched therotarianmagazine.com! The beauty of this new site is whether you use a computer, tablet, or a smart phone, you can now access a reader-friendly version of the *The Rotarian* magazine. For those on-the-go, in just 2-3 minutes, you can read a touching story about simply and gently building goodwill or how new medical devices can alert you to unknown health problems.

Our club bulletins are quite interesting and entertaining too and are also found on line. Some, in addition to Rotary information, are instrumental in addressing such issues as personal finance, public health, parenting, marriage, career advancement and others. So let us use our bulletins to publicize our projects, reduce stress, gain more knowledge and improve our analytical skills.

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Remember a reading society is an enlightened one, and enlightened Rotarians can engage Rotary and change lives.

I do not have to tell you that the editors and contributors invest a lot of time and energy in producing these bulletins. They do it with love and commitment to Rotary. This definitely is the case of our own District Newsletter. The intent of the 5170 Times is to not only showcase our clubs and our members but to share ideas. Thank you, Brittany, for assembling our District Newsletter each month and thank you to all who contribute articles.

Angie



I would like to extend a personal thank you to each and everyone who participated in our district conference. This conference had it all; a beautiful oasis in the middle of San Jose; energetic and engaging speakers; outstanding entertainment; a wonderful opportunity to showcase Rotary club projects, other non-profits and vendors; forums that encouraged and enriched those attending; and opportunities to celebrate more than 50 years of interact, showcase our youth exchange, as well as San Jose's 100 years of Service Above Self, and so much more. Conference Chair, DGN, Susan Valenta and her team did an outstanding job! Congratulations!

Angie



Photos by:
[Virginia Becker](#),
Mary Lynn Pelican
and Greg Stowers

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RI President Ron Burton visits District 5170



Rotary International President Ron Burton was the honored guest at Niles (Fremont) Rotary on March 27th. Many from throughout the District were in attendance as President Burton spoke on the importance of the role of family in Rotary, encouraging Rotarians to reach out to potential members and invite them into the family of Rotary. President Burton was awarded a key to the City of Fremont by Mayor Bill Harrison. The Fremont Christian High School Jazz Band included "Oklahoma" in their repertoire for the day, in honor of President Burton's home state. Thank you to Niles (Fremont) Rotarians, event chair Kimberly Hartz Foster and Past RI President Richard D. King for hosting a spectacular event.

Photos courtesy of Mary Lynn Pelican, Niles (Fremont) Rotary Ambassador of Fun.



Mark Your Calendars!

Some events have clickable links



The Rotary Club of Livermore Valley

BOCCE TOURNAMENT

Sunday, May 4th, 2014
 Campo di Bocce-Livermore
 175 E Vineyard Ave, Livermore, CA 94550

Registration & Gourmet Brunch begins at 9:30AM
 (Brunch Includes 2 drink tickets and unlimited sodas)
 Individual Player: \$85 Brunch Only: \$40
 Sponsorships from \$250, \$500 & \$1000

Proceeds to Benefit the Community through our Grants Programs
 Some previous grant recipients include:
 Every 15 Minutes, AXIS Community Health, Livermore Schools, Open Heart Kitchen, Veteran Programs

To Register a Team or become a Sponsor, please contact:
 Graham Scott at 925-784-9800 or grahambo22@yahoo.com
www.livermorevalleyrotary.org



Scotts Valley Rotary Club
 Presents

Luau & Auction Gala

to support Rotary programs for 2014-2015

Friday, May 2nd
 6:00pm - 10:00pm
 Hotel Paradox, Santa Cruz

\$75 Ticket includes:

- Appetizers
- Silent and Live Auctions
- Hawaiian Dinner
- Hula performance & dance lesson
- Live Hawaiian music

Buy Tickets online at
<http://www.rotaryluau.brownpapertickets.com>
 Or contact Susan Riddle
sriddle@bayfwd.com or 831-477-8504
 to reserve a space and pay by check

The Rotary Club of Pleasanton
 Presents



MAY 9, 2014 @ 6 PM TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

Join Us For An Evening Of Fun And Excitement—And Help Support a Great Cause!

To register, send your name, phone number and \$85 entry fee to:

The Rotary Club of Pleasanton
 Poker Tournament Registration
 P.O. Box 352
 Pleasanton, CA 94566

MUST BE 21 TO PLAY. Space is limited! Walk-up registrations may not be available so sign up early to ensure your place at the table.

For additional information, contact Bob Brown at (925)425-9650 or via email at bob@ribrownadvisors.com

 Rotary Club of Pleasanton
www.pleasantonrotary.org
www.facebook.com/pleasantonrotary

**\$85 ENTRY FEE
 INCLUDES MEAL PACK*
 AND 2 RAFFLE TICKETS**

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**GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES
 AND AWARDS FOR TOP
 5 FINALISTS**

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**TRAINING & STRATEGY
 TIPS FOR NEW
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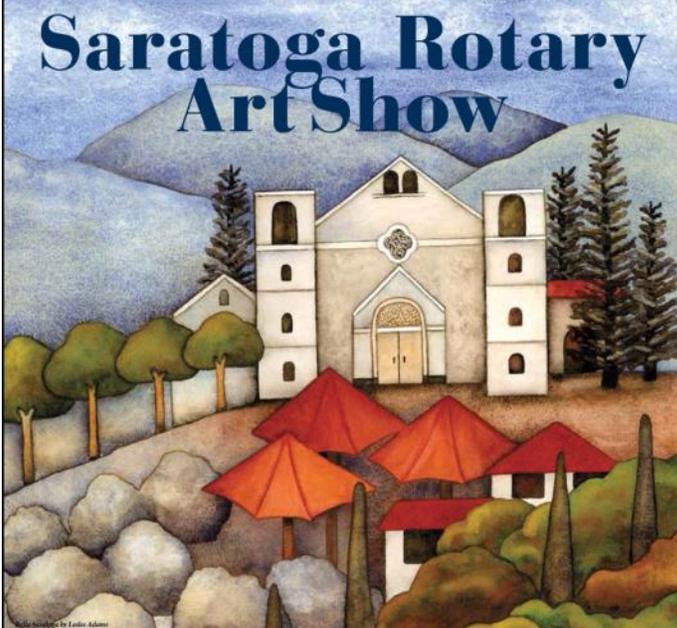
**PROCEEDS BENEFIT
 ROTARY'S 50TH
 ANNIVERSARY IN
 PLEASANTON**

*Meal pack includes one entrée item, chips and soda/water

**VETERAN'S
 MEMORIAL
 BUILDING**

301 Main Street
 Pleasanton, CA
 94566

Saratoga Rotary Art Show



West Valley College • Sunday, May 4, 2014 • 9 to 5pm

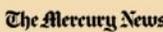
Rotary  Great Art, Wine Tasting, Food and Entertainment
www.saratogarotary.org

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 El Camino Hospital
 THE REGIONAL OF SERRA COUNTY

 Saratoga
 U.S.S. Bridge

 Saratoga Rotary Art Show

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Club Corner

The Rotary Club of San Jose marked their 100th Anniversary with a gala celebration in March. Congratulations, San Jose Rotary, on this wonderful achievement! Click [this link](#) for an editorial on San Jose Rotary and their goal to bring back the Fireworks celebration in Downtown San Jose on the Fourth of July, as well as [this link](#) for an article on the groundbreaking of the Rotary PlayGarden.



The clouds parted and rain held off for the KinderPrep field trip to the Oakland Zoo in early April. The event funded by the **Rotary Club of Oakland #3** Endowment fund went off without a hitch. A great time was had by the 300 kids, thanks to the hard work of many Oakland Rotarians. As Oakland Rotarian Peter Sherris stated it best "Rotary Rocks!"

The Rotary Club of Santa Cruz Sunrise supports Arts in the Afternoon, a program designed to enhance the music programs at Mission Hill and Branciforte Middle Schools. Arts in the Afternoon is led by Santa Cruz Sunrise Rotarian Peggy Alberti. A video about this program can accessed by [clicking here](#).



The Rotary Club of Santa Clara, in conjunction with the City of Santa Clara and Kansas City Barbecue Society invites you to join them for the 3rd Annual 2014 Silicon Valley BBQ Championships, Friday June 27th and Saturday, June 28th.

Sanctioned by the Kansas City BBQ Society, the SVBBQ Championships have become the second largest event on the Kansas City BBQ Tour. The even will be held at Santa Clara's Central Park. Admission is free. For more information please go to www.svbbq.com. Team applications are now being accepted!

District 5170 Rotarian earns President's Volunteer Service Award

Keith Henderson, a member of the Rotary Club of Santa Cruz Sunrise of Rotary District 5170, has been recognized by President Obama and humanitarian organization, ShelterBox USA with the President's Volunteer Service Award for his efforts in 2013 to assist disaster survivors.



When disasters like Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines and the Syrian refugee crisis strike, many want to help. Henderson took action for [ShelterBox](#), an international disaster relief organization that delivers [emergency tented shelter and other lifesaving supplies](#) to survivors of disasters and other humanitarian crises.

Through Henderson's efforts of raising awareness and funds for ShelterBox, the organization was able to respond to more than 25 disasters in 19 countries last year, providing families with disaster relief tents, cook stoves, water filters, blankets, mosquito nets, children's packs and other essential equipment. In one of the longest responses in ShelterBox history, ShelterBox has sent aid to support over 5,000 families affected by the Syrian crisis in Syria, Iraqi Kurdistan, Lebanon and Jordan. Already in country, ShelterBox was able to respond immediately when Typhoon Haiyan hit and have distributed shelters and other supplies to help 5,900 families to date.

"I am incredibly honored to work alongside our volunteers, including Keith," said Emily Sperling, president of ShelterBox USA. "It is through their continuous efforts that we are able to bring shelter, warmth and dignity to so many families displaced by disaster around the globe."

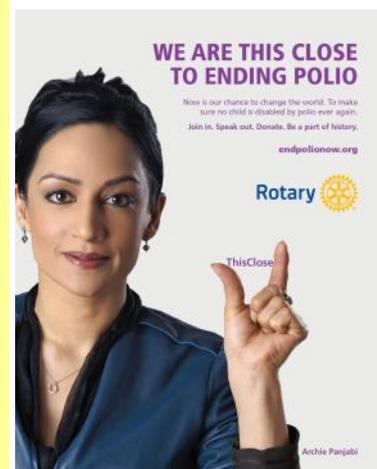
The President's Volunteer Service Award is a special recognition presented on behalf of President Barack Obama. The award is part of a national recognition program created in 2003 through the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation for individuals of all ages who contribute a significant amount of time to volunteer activities.

Press Release provided by ShelterBox USA

It's official!

The countries in the South-East Asia Region have been officially certified as polio-free. There are 11 countries in the region, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Timor Leste. In a press release by Rotary International, Rotary Foundation Chair D.K. Lee stated, "I speak for every Rotarian when I say again what an honor it is to be a part of today's events. We have beaten polio in South-East Asia, and now we must do the same in the rest of Asia and in Africa. Our goal is so close, we can almost touch it."

The South-East Asia region is home to 1.8 billion people.



Ashna Mangla Wins District Speech Contest

By Lee Denlinger, RC of Dublin



What motivates an exceptional young woman to compete in our District's Speech Contest? To **Ashna Mangla**, overall winner of the Richard D. King Speech Contest this year, it was to share her message with "as much passion and conviction" as possible.

"The Rotary Speech Contest has been an amazing experience for me and I've learned something new every step of the way," she exclaimed. "The best part of this speech contest has not been just the title, awards, or money. It's the experiences, the people I've met, and the accomplishment that I was able to communicate my thoughts and ideas effectively.

Ashna compared Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s statement that "an individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity" to Rotary's *Four Way Test*. "Rotary guides us to not only instill Dr. King's words into our consciousness, but to put them into action in all the things we think, say, or do. When we engage Rotary, we change lives, and in the end, the life we change the most is our own," she explained.

"If the seed of service is planted into everyone, it can grow into a movement of united individuals who can empower change all around us. Each one of us has the potential to make a difference if we truly work towards helping others, whether it is saving lives, reducing hunger and poverty, or providing children around the world with a better

education. Despite differences in languages, cultures, and environments, we will prevail, as long as everyone shares a common passion—a passion for service. If we just take this passion, and do our little bits of good where we are, together we can overwhelm the world. And in the end, as we work toward the concerns of all humanity, that is when we bring change in our community, that is when we impact lives around the world, and that is when we really start living."

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of East San Jose/Evergreen, Ashna is a sophomore at Independence High School in San Jose with a 4.0 GPA. She is actively involved in her school's Interact Club, she has held the officer position of secretary this past year and will be media coordinator next school year. In addition to Interact, she is involved in the community as a volunteer at the San Jose Tech Museum, and is a yoga instructor and yoga teacher at the Alviso Library.

Ashna's future plans include attending a university in California where she can pursue her interest in science and engineering. "In 10 years I see myself working for a renowned company in the Silicon Valley in my field of interest. I would also like to be involved with Rotaract in college so I can continue my passion for service and make a difference in both my community and around the world."



Rotary District 5170 Richard D. King Speech Contest 2014

Ashna Mangla, Divya Gopisetty, Mitali Shanbhag and Claire Dobyms all addressed this year's Rotary theme, *Engage Rotary, Change Lives* at the Richard D. King Speech Contest on Wednesday, April 2nd. Each speaker was asked to clearly relate, apply or interweave one of more of The 4-Way Test principles into her speech. Each speaker is judged on a rubric in the areas of content, delivery, and overall effectiveness. The four finalists placed first at the club, area and regional levels in order to compete in the District Final. Congratulations to all four winners.

Pictured from left to right: District Speech Contest Chair Bob Buchser, Claire Dobyms, Mitali Shanbhag, PRIP Richard D. King, Divya Gopisetty & Ashna Mangla.



Rotary Peace Fellows from District 5170

Gina Fu of Milpitas and Lauren Markham of Oakland have been named as two of 100 Rotary Peace Fellows to study peace building and conflict resolution. The program was created as part of Rotary's ongoing effort to promote greater tolerance and cooperation among people worldwide.



Gina, whose previous experiences include teaching in Ukraine with the Peace Corps, will enter the 16-month Master's Degree program at the University of Queensland in Australia. After strengthening her knowledge and skills at her Rotary Peace Center, Gina aspires to work at the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) which administers sustainable development for

women and children around the world. Gina is sponsored by the Rotary Club of San Jose Silicon Valley.



Lauren, whose service experience includes work in Uganda, El Salvador and Costa Rica is presently in charge of the full service community school program at Oakland International High School, a school for 100% low-income refugees and immigrants. She will complete the three-month Professional Certificate program at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. To quote Lauren, "Service is an exchange in which all parties are learning, growing, contributing and receiving. That paradigm of mutual exchange has shaped the work I do and the manner in which I do it." Lauren is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Oakland #3.



**Walter B. Schultz Golf Tournament
2014 Champions**
Rob Wood Sr. (RC of Almaden Valley),
Lee Fuller (RC of Almaden Valley),
Pat Vorreiter (RC of Sunnyvale),
& Rob Wood (RC of Almaden Valley)



**Sydney R. Mitchell Tennis Tournament
2014 Champions**
Mike Falarski—San Jose Rotary
Allan McLeod—Cupertino Rotary
Suzanne Yost—Los Gatos Morning Rotary
Jon Mockabee—Morgan Hill Rotary



THE LATEST CONVENTION NEWS

G'day from Sydney! This week attendance exceeded the budgeted goal of 17,000 attendees, with more to come! We will have a multitude of friends, old and new, to share this fabulous Convention with us! This is one corroboree no one will want to miss!

Experience the Convention: For the Updated Program of Events, please click here [Program](#)

Experience the Olympic Park and End Polio Now!
[Register today for the End Polio Now – Make History Today](#) in Sydney on Saturday, 31 May.



This is your chance to walk down the historic Olympic boulevard, experience the beautiful parks surrounding Sydney Olympic Park and start and finish the walk at the Olympic Flame Cauldron, all while raising awareness about the fight to end polio. Rotary International President Ron Burton will kick off the walk with a few words of inspiration. Bring your family and friends, and help kick off the convention with this exciting event!

RACE DETAILS

Date: Saturday, 31 May 2014

Place: Cathy Freeman Park

Start Time: 10 AM

Entry Price: A\$30 per person

Registration: [On-line](#) or on-site

On-site Registration and T-shirt Pick-up:

- Thursday, 29 May 2014. 13.00 - 19.00 AND Friday, 30 May 2014. 08.00 - 19.00. At Convention Registration - Sydney Showground Exhibit Hall 5.
- Saturday, 31 May 2014. 08.00 - 09.30. At walk start area - Cathy Freeman Park (across road from Convention Registration.)

Rotary WEST COAST REGION
 Zones 25 & 26

RI DIRECTOR STEVE SNYDER AND SHARRON INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM IN

ROCKIN' IT AT THE "ROCKS"

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2014

at The Shangri-La Hotel
 Located in Sydney's Historic Rocks District
 176 Cumberland Street, Sydney

6:00pm to 8:30pm

Welcome Drink
 Appetizers
 No Host Bar

FRIENDS-FUN-FANTASTIC TIME FOR ALL!

G'Day Mates! It's time to party Down Under! Come and enjoy an evening with all your Rotary friends as we celebrate another successful Rotary year.

Cost Per Person \$52
 \$65 USD at the door
 Cash or Check Only

REGISTER NOW **HERE**
 or log into **DaCdb**





Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney, is located in the historic Rocks district. The hotel is close to Sydney's numerous transit options, including rail, bus and ferries which all lie within a short walk from the hotel. The closest train station is either Circular Quay or Wynyard Station.

Have questions? Contact Wyn Spiller • wspiller@ncwinery.com • 530-913-6470

Experience Sydney's vibrant cultural life! Some surveys have found that Australians read more books per capita than anywhere in the English-speaking world, according to TONY PERROTTET of the New York Times. Read more. [NY Times - Sydney.](#)

Don't forget **Saturday May 31 is Restaurant Night** – fun dining throughout Sydney!

Not yet Registered? REGISTER NOW!
 Please click here: [SYDNEY](#)



There's still time to purchase tickets for the May 3rd SaberCats game!

Go to thesanjosesabercats.com/group-RYLA today! 50% of the ticket sales from that link goes directly back to RYLA.

Speaking of RYLA, all clubs who reserved spaces are urged to complete the interviews and applications for RYLA, as outlined on the website to finish the three step process in registering students. All the materials you will need are now available online. Applications must be returned by May 31st. www.ryla5170.com/rotarians

RYLA will be held August 3-8, 2014 at Mission Springs Conference Center in Scotts Valley.

Rotary Means Business

This fellowship and networking group meets monthly at different businesses throughout the District.

May 8th they will meet from 5:30-7:00pm at SortIt, 688 University Avenue in Los Gatos.

For more information contact Bob Long: bobl@getfound.us

Rotary Means Business is an official Fellowship of Rotary International. For more information go to www.rotarymeansbusiness.com

Rotary Business

2014 Rotary Fiscal Year-end Deadlines for TRF Contributions

Credit Cards: Online via www.rotary.org - must be authorized on or prior to **30 June 2014**, midnight (Central Standard Time)

Fax: (+1-847-328-5260)—must be received by **30 June 2014**

Phone: (+1-866-976-8279) - must be received prior to the close of business **28 June 2014**

Checks*: must be postmarked **30 June 2014** or prior and received at the Foundation by **8 July 2014**

***Please do NOT send in checks for the 2014-15 Rotary year until 1 July 2014.**

Wire transfers: must be initiated prior to **30 June 2014** and received by **3 July 2014**

Securities: must be received prior to **30 June 2014**

From John Hewko, RI General Secretary: On 10, April, we received some very exciting news. The new Rotary.org won three prestigious EXCEL Awards from Association Media and Publishing, including the top award for general website excellence. Rotary.org was awarded the gold for General Excellence: Association in Web Publishing. Rotary also garnered a silver for the 2012-13 Annual Report online site and a bronze for Design Excellence for the new website.

The largest competition of its kind, the EXCEL Awards recognize excellence and leadership in nonprofit association media, publishing, and communications. Although we are working hard to continue to improve the website and add functionality, it is great to get positive recognition for the work we have done to date.

Area 6 Clubs make a Big Impact in Nigeria and Ghana

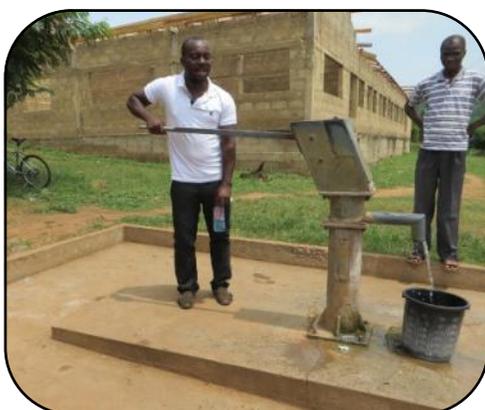
By Peter Anderson (RC of Morgan Hill)

Rotarian Peter Anderson of the Rotary Club of Morgan Hill recently spent two weeks in West Africa, specifically in Ghana and Nigeria, checking on two past World Community Service (WCS) grant projects and one on-going WCS grant project, funded in part by clubs in Area 6 of District 5170 and by The Rotary Foundation (TRF). He represented all of the clubs in Area 6 in his work, connecting with the two partner Rotary Clubs with whom they have been working over the past 5 years: Rotary Club of Accra Osu RE, District 9100 (Ghana), and Rotary Club of Gbagada South, District 9110 (Nigeria).



The six wells, drilled two years ago to provide "disease-free drinking water" to underserved residents of poor neighborhoods in the large city of Lagos, Nigeria, are all functioning well. Four of them have systems set up by neighborhood leaders to collect fees for water acquired from the wells in order to pay for maintenance and repair of the equipment. Members of partner club, Gbagada South, will be meeting with neighborhood leaders at the other two well sites to improve their sustainability measures.

This current year's WCS TRF grant project is to provide disease-free water and improved sanitation facilities (bathrooms, washrooms and showers) to a boarding school of about 1000 students in southern Ghana. Peter traveled with members of the Accra Osu RE Rotary Club to visit the drilling of a water well on campus and to see the existing sanitation facilities. The well had just been completed to a depth adequate to provide the desired disease-free water, and building locations for the sanitation facilities were being staked out. Although the well drilling cost more than anticipated, the Accra Rotarians believe they will have enough money to complete the project with the remaining funds on hand.



Peter was sent home with several ceremonial "presidential" gifts from Rotary Club of Accra Osu RE President Eric Defor, that he presented to Rotary Club of Hollister President Jayme Stewart and long-time project supporter Joe Pendry.

Currently the only source of water at Mangoase School: a shallow, hand dug well that does not provide clean, disease free water and often goes dry.

At the District Conference 2013-2014 Rotary Awards were given to:



Peter Anderson
RC of Morgan Hill
*RI Citation
for Meritorious Service*

The **Citation for Meritorious Service Award** is one of the highest awards given by Rotary International. It is awarded to the individual who has given active service to Rotary's Foundation over a period of more than one year and only one per District may be selected. Peter Anderson has devoted his time, talent and treasure to many areas of the world. He takes the time to make friends all over the world to determine the needs of a particular area and then act upon it. Peter has also developed the concept of working as an area to give all clubs regardless of size an equal opportunity for their projects.

Keith Henderson was awarded the **Carl G. Orne Award**. Keith has raised awareness and funds for ShelterBox, a volunteer organization that responded to more than 25 disasters in 19 countries in the last year. His bags are always packed to go on a moment's notice. In fact Keith just returned from a trip abroad. These efforts brought shelter, warmth and dignity to so many families displaced by disaster around the globe. Keith was recently recognized nationally for his work with ShelterBox, being presented the President's Volunteer Service Award. *(see page 7)*



Keith Henderson
RC of Santa Cruz Sunrise
Carl G. Orne Award



PDG Carolyn Schuetz
RC of Alameda
RI Regional Service Award

The **Regional Service Award for a Polio Free World** is awarded to an individual by the Foundation Trustees. This is an individual who epitomizes the words Service above Self. Carolyn shepherded us through the Future Vision era of the Foundation, has written manuals, conducted training, cajoled Evanston, visited countries and promoted projects. But more importantly for this specific recognition, Carolyn has traveled afar to participate in many National Immunization Days.

The **Mike Kutsuris Award** was given to Ramesh Hariharan who has done a phenomenal job in membership development. East Palo Alto Bayshore started the year with 18 members...they just inducted their 23rd new member bringing their membership to 41, more than doubling their size. Ramesh is tireless in his efforts to build their club. He truly believes in the family of Rotary as both his wife and son are now Rotarians.



Ramesh Hariharan
RC of East Palo Alto Bayshore
Mike Kutsuris Award



C. Ian Mackenzie
RC of Santa Cruz
Stan Allen Award

The **Stan Allen Award** was given to C. Ian Mackenzie, a Rotarian truly cares about people and in particular his Rotary family members. He ensures that their data bases are current enabling the flow of information to all their members, keeping them well informed. Ian keeps the district informed of what happens in their club. He is very generous not only with his time with all the behind the scenes work he does for his club, but also is very generous and creative with the product his company produces, often answering the call to provide to the district as a chocolatier.

Spending time with the youth of our district can be exhausting as they are not afraid to tackle anything. Michelle Lewis certainly embraced our theme this year by embracing Rotary and changing lives. She has worked tirelessly with our district youth programs. Michelle has been involved in the fall leadership conference, the president’s winter retreat, enterprise leadership camp, all three of the district’s major events with respect to youth, as well as her own club’s youth programs. Michelle received **The Allen McLeod award**.



Michelle Lewis
RC of Sunnyvale
Allan McLeod Award

Walt Hays lives and breathes the Rotary Foundation. He is a driving force for his clubs matching grants both locally and internationally. He is the club’s go to guy for WCS and Global Grants and has a long history of projects. A trip to Cameroon is a more recent project, where the club helped improve sanitation facilities for the local village within a wildlife sanctuary for endangered gorillas. Walt also led the club’s efforts to support the Mend a Broken Heart project in the Philippines. The project involved bringing doctors to perform heart surgeries on children with congenital heart defects; and lastly Walt led the Club’s support of a water harvesting project in India. In addition, he has been active in Latin American projects in Oaxaca and Guatemala. Walt received the **Karl Stucki Award**.



Walt Hays
RC of Palo Alto
Karl Stucki Award

Deborah Rice received the **David A. Heagerty award**. Deborah has the ability to write press releases, take pictures, and has the right connections to see that what she does makes it to the print media. She makes sure her community is aware of what her club does and has the ability to make sure that 29,000 pieces of collateral material are delivered to homes in her area prior to her clubs major event.



Deborah Rice
RC of Saratoga

District Conference 2013-2014 Rotary Awards continued...



Betty Wright
RC of F.U.N. Sunset
Sydney R. Mitchell Award

The **Sydney R. Mitchell Award** was given to Betty Wright. Our Partners in Service arrived last October and were picked up by our wonderful volunteer hosts. Unbeknownst to our hosts, one of our partners arrived quite ill. It was fortuitous that she was placed in the home of Betty who had medical skills. Betty took the Partner in Service to see a doctor who prescribed some medication. The Partner in Service was eventually hospitalized and unable to fulfill her speaking assignments. Betty graciously took care of the Partner in Service until she became well enough to return home.

Larry Barr received the **Ward Garing Award**. On a trip to the Philippines, Larry identified a new mission which has resulted in the collection and distribution of hundreds of thousands of toothbrushes. Larry has also raised money for toothpaste to accompany the toothbrushes. He has been instrumental in building a new school in the Philippines and has paid, out of his own pocket, for post high school studies for students. Larry has given Interact students the opportunity to experience this first hand and most recently Rotaract, as they just returned from a trip to the Philippines with him. Larry truly epitomizes the Rotary theme this year of Engage Rotary, Change lives.



Larry Barr
RC of Hollister
Ward Garing Award



Theresa Kiernan
RC of Morgan Hill
Carolyn Schuetz Award

The **Carolyn Schuetz Award** was given to Theresa Kiernan. Theresa is someone who enjoys working with people. She is a charismatic and skilled communicator comfortable in either a large or small setting. Theresa has travelled from one end of the district to the other to help so many of our clubs develop their goals and establish their plan of action. She generously gives her time, often after working all day at her regular job or on the weekend. Theresa is someone who likes to have fun while providing encouragement and direction.

Have you ever made a decision and discovered something personal that would allow you to back out of it? Heather Henderson, at a very young age, had to face this dilemma the beginning of this Rotary year but did not back out. Instead she went full steam ahead in spite of a major decision that affected not only her personal life, the lives of her family but also her Rotary family. For overcoming major obstacles, and her outstanding courage and dedication to fulfill her 2013-14 Rotary commitment, Heather received the **Neal J. Hoffman award**.



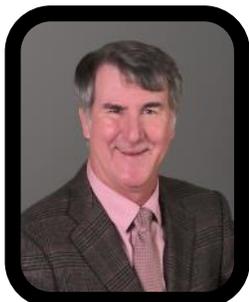
Heather Henderson
RC of San Lorenzo Valley
Neal J. Hoffman Award



Lila Bringhurst
RC of Mission San Jose
Rotarian of the Year

Every once in a while someone rises to the top, someone who, from day one of this year, has brought club presidents together to create a mini PETS because one of their presidents was unable to attend because of a last minute injury. When called upon to chair the cabinet meeting program, Lila wrote a script so that each of her presidents could participate. She then took that program on the road to each of their respective clubs. Lila had the unique opportunity to be an integral part of two Rotary International Presidents luncheon programs and has been able to create a strong bond among her area presidents. Area 3 Assistant Governor Lila Bringhurst responds to a call to action by action and was honored as the **Rotarian of the Year!**

What we do with our foundation monies is phenomenal. We are unique in that we have a review process prior to submitting a grant to Rotary International so that by the time the grant reaches RI it is ready for their approval. This year our grants subcommittee has reviewed 41 district grants of which 10 are international grants, as well as reviewing 18 global grants. This is no easy task as each grant has its own specifications. These are the people who have dedicated their time and talent to ensure a speedy grant process once the grant is submitted to Rotary International. There are three people in our district who handle this process, Bob Dolci, Georgie Hildebrand, and Gerri Hussey and each received the **Richard D. King award** as a way of acknowledging their commitment to the ideals of the Rotary Foundation and to all of their hard work this year.



Bob Dolci
RC of Almaden Valley
Richard D. King Award



Georgie Hildebrand
RC of Scotts Valley
Richard D. King Award



Gerri Hussey
RC of Fremont Warm Springs Sunrise
Richard D. King Award



We Care

Happy Birthday Wishes to our District Leaders and Club Presidents!

Paul Goodman (San Juan Bautista)	May 1
PDG Denny Weisgerber (Fremont Warm Springs Sunrise)	May 5
Bonnie Best (Castro Valley)	May 7
PDG Karl Stucki (Oakland #3)	May 9
Paul Martin (Hayward)	May 10
Theresa Kiernan (Morgan Hill)	May 14
Cecelia Babkirk (Cupertino)	May 17
Savita Vaidhyanathan (Cupertino)	May 17
Carrie Birkhofer (Scotts Valley)	May 23



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To highlight your club projects and events in the District newsletter, please email the information to [Brittany](mailto:brittany.5170@gmail.com) by the 10th of each month.

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District Governor Nominee: Susan Valenta
District Governor Nominee Designate: Jeff Orth
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District Administrative Assistant: Brittany Overbeck

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Community Service: Ginny Lear
Communication Technologies: Charlie Wasser
International Service: Jeboy Koshy
Membership: PDG Russ Hobbs

Assistant Governors

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Area 3: Lila Bringhurst
Area 4: Pamela Philbert
Area 5: Art Taylor
Area 6: Linda Sanborn
Area 7: Jon Winston
Area 8: Deborah Rice
Area 9: Mike McMahon

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Youth Service: Larry Barr
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