



District Governor Julie Craig

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE WITH BOTH VISITING FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE TEAMS FROM INDIA

SPOTLIGHT AREAS

Rotary District 6270

WOW! Would barely begin to describe all the good in the world the Rotary District 6270 Clubs are doing, as well as the new ventures it has taken with things like the Rotary Friendship Exchange with the two teams from Southern India, New Membership Program to all the new Interact and EarlyAct clubs in the District.

District Conference

Started with some wonderful fellowship gatherings at local area restaurants.

Billy Riggs : Friday mornings keynote reminded us that often an organization or club starts with a movement and everyone is very passionate and excited about the movement as the founders die away the club becomes more focused on the meeting and protocol and lose the passion and drive that was the movement which is what attracted members in the first place. For most people they come to Rotary for the passion and excitement to make a difference not just to attend a meeting. Important for our leaders to exude that passion and excitement for the movement because the members will always mimic it at a lesser degree.

Barbara Nieviadonski: The Friday luncheon keynote showed us with her very visual and moving presentation the significance that Rotary Youth Exchange can help us bridge our connections, understanding and families across the globe. Yes it can be hard at times to be involved in Rotary Youth Exchange however the impact and the lives that are changing because if it go to change our world.

Bethany Lerch: Our very own Bethany Lerch who grew up in Rotary District 6270 has grown to become such a remarkable young woman at 28 inspiring so many. She completely blew away so many at District conference as she shared insights from her journeys ranging from working in Palestine to Kabul, Afghanistan. She reminded us all you can be the change you want to see in the world and help us think of how to do that thoughtfully. Our two musicians that evening were so inspired they are looking at joining the Waukesha Rotary Clubs.



Bethany Lerch—keynote speaker and Ambassadorial Scholar



Visiting Rotarians Aruna and Sadashiv Koushik from Windsor Canada with classical trained dancers from Nupur Jhankar

Rotary District 6270 (Cont'd)

Janette M. Braverman: Our Saturday morning keynote from our very own District RCoMMA shared with us insights from her hot off the press newly published book 10 Reasons Communications Brings Transformation: Unleash your Greatness. To hear some of the attendees share that was just what I needed to hear as I was struggling to figure out my next steps was priceless.

Sammy Rangel: The Saturday lunch keynote was nothing shy of remarkable. To have survived some of the most horrific abuse growing up, taking a path through prison and violence to go on and earn Presidential Honors, his Bachelors and Master's Degree change the lives of so many and now be impacting the world through discussions on Peace and Jobs. Sammy recently had a full circle moment as he participated in a peace drumming circle at a prison a place he only ever associated with violence.

Larry Lunsford: We were truly blessed to be given Past Rotary International Director Larry Lunsford for the conference weekend. He not only shared some valuable insights and discussion on the latest in membership he blessed us with an outstanding keynote at the Saturday night closing diner of the conference.

Ann Lee Hussey: She is truly one of the most respected and hardest working people I know with what she is doing to eradicate polio including going into areas most people refuse to ensure we finish the campaign to end Polio on top of being a Polio Survivor herself. To attest to what a blessing she is at the RI Convention in Atlanta with \$40,000 people they thanked and said they wouldn't be where they are without her. WOW were we blessed to have her speak at our walk at the Zoo on Saturday. Despite people having to huddle up under rain ponchos to have so many tell me that Ann Lee's speech will stick with them forever and be the most amazing speech they have ever heard in their life said it all. We are thankful for Ann having motivated our District to remember the importance of finishing the journey and to clubs like the Milwaukee Rotary Club that raised \$30,000 for Polio.

Rotary Friendship Exchange: We are all forever grateful for the two teams from Southern India braving all the miles of travel and different food to share with us so much knowledge about their country and enliven our District Conference. To have Rotarian's in our District share that they have completely changed their perspective India. We can't wait to visit you in January.

Aruna and Shiva Koushik- Such a treat. They drove all the way from Windsor Canada with the dancers from Aruna's school of classical dance Nupur Jhankar School of Bharatanatyam. Not only did Aruna and Shiva blow us away by sharing some of the immunization trips they had been on in Pakistan etc. The dancers took such care in preparing with having over 1,000 bells on them and performed with such grace and precision it was the perfect ending to an amazing District Conference.

Consider joining the next Rotary Friendship Exchange that will occur after January 2018. We have identified our newest partner the Caribbean District.



Visit to RI Headquarters with Visiting Friendship Exchange Teams and their hosts



Club Banner Exchanges

**2018 DISTRICT
CONFERENCE TRI-CON IN
THE WISCONSIN DELLS AT
THE WILDERNESS
MAY 4TH – 6TH**

Mark your calendar now

NEW GENERATIONS



Our newest Interact Clubs in the District from Rufus King with 60 members at induction and Brompton School in Kenosha. Just formed Lead2Change multi school club in Milwaukee.



Experience

New Generations Service Exchange

FAST FACTS

Works similar to Youth Exchange. We are looking for 3 families spread-out in our district willing to host a young man from Bangladesh named Jamel Jumon. He is in his early 20s and is hoping to come to our District for one year and shadow at 3 different places to gain some experience in marketing. E-mail julie@gjmlp.com



Excited to share the Neenah club will be working to form a Rotaract Club in their area.

Brompton School Interact

The amount of service these newly formed Interact Clubs have done is mind blowing. From selling water to raise money for clean water from families in Guatemala. To making pounds and

Welcome to our New Generations



Rufus King Interact

pounds of peanut butter for the local food shelter. To our newest Early Act Club who took the care and heart to



write cards of Thank you to local Milwaukee Transit bus drivers—that just names a few—WOW!!

Consider starting an InterAct or Early Act Club by contacting John Hobbins at jfhobbins@gmail.com

Or Rotaract by contacting Scott Richter richter.scott17@gmail.com

RCoMMA Early Act Club

PETS 2018

Mark your calendar:

March 2nd-4th Itasca, IL

Rollin with Rotary Such as blessing having RI Vice President Jennifer Jones visit our District to kick off the first Rollin with Rotary of the season. Within in less than a day we had over 3,000 viewers showing the cool service happening in WI - clean up at Boerner to the Water Walk in Oshkosh to the road and park clean up in Neenah, reading programs in FDL---Go District 6270



Congrats!! To the class of 17-18 Presidents for completing the Midwest PETS Training



Whitnall Park, Mukwanago, Neenah, Oshkosh Clubs, Fond du Lac and Neenah ---Keep up the great work!

New



Membership

2016-17 Proved to be an exciting year for our District as we slowed the decline of membership in our District. We are grateful to all those that embarked on some of the new initiatives to assist with this

Assembly/One Rotary Summits- Two years ago we had 135 attend Fall Assembly last year it was about 85. This year due to feedback from clubs we changed up the format to a two-hour session on a weeknight evening and held six throughout the District to make travel easier. Round Table format allowed some valuable idea sharing and learning followed by informative breakouts. We are thrilled to say we reached over 400 Rotarians in our District a record. Thank you for making it happen stay tune for next dates.

NEW MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM



Berlin Rotary

Made the commitment to spend a half day in a custom training with Tim as our leader to create a new approach to membership in their club.



Amigos Rotary Club

Consider joining the District Membership Committee to assist in some of the additional initiatives we hope to roll out and work on in 17-18 year. Please contact Julie Craig the 17-18 District Membership Committee Chair at 262-880-7050.

Delavan-Darien & Hartford Rotary Clubs also participated in committing time to this new program



Thiensville-Mequon Noon

By the time we held the Thiensville-Mequon training they made a huge commitment of six hours on a Saturday which worked well to provide enough time to get through more of the program.

When they say a smile is worth a thousand words.

There was nothing more priceless than the Milwaukee Rotary Club member Bob Haig who is 102 be recognized by a theme tie from RI President John Germ by VP Jennifer Jones



Clubs Celebrating Milestones

Kickoff with Whitewater Rotary Club having 50th Celebration in Whitewater. This was followed by two Very Grand 100th Celebrations of the Oshkosh Rotary Club and the Sheboygan Rotary Club. From outstanding keynote speakers such as RI Vice President Jennifer Jones to former General Secretary Ed Futa to Judge Tommy Lee Web who all brought everyone to a standing ovation--Way to Go!!!:



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Be sure to update the District if your club will be celebrating a milestone in the 17-18 year





We are so unbelievably proud of our own Past District Governor Tamara Koop or Tamie as we know and love her for receiving the very prestigious and rare Service Above Self Award from Rotary International. Tamie has dedicated so many hours to not only her home club of Waukesha Sunrise, Rotary District 6270 she has also gone on to serve at a Zone level for Rotary. We love you and appreciate you dearly Tamie. We can honestly say we would not be the same without you. Go Tamie!!!

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It's been a joy and a pleasure serving as the 2016-17 District Governor. Will not tell a lie—it was a ton of work including working on holiday's like Memorial Day from 8a.m. to 11p.m. no breaks-on Rotary. Can honestly say it was worth every ounce of effort. From the clubs impacted by the new training and membership program to widening our Districts Exposure to our International Rotarians through Friendship Exchange that will continue on. The true blessing is the lives you can impact by providing connections and speakers at a District Conference which was a huge success with our first ever full day training for youth due to Chuck Zamora in our District—the youth shared that it has truly changed their life. I will never forget all my new friendships in Rotary and look forward to staying connected in Facebook. Best part of all I know you're in good hands with Jeff Reed. He is a Rock Star and will do GREAT!!!!

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL ROTARY DAY AT MILLER PARK FOR AN EXCITING BREWER/CUBS GAME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ROTARY DISTRICT 6440

Date: Saturday, July 29th

Time: 3:10p.m. tailgate starts game at 6:10p.m.

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