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# Message from District Governor Sterling Hall



ROTARY DISTRICT 5690

Dear Rotarians,

November is the month in the year we are reminded to think about being thankful. If you have the opportunity to say thank you to someone special, please make that effort. I wish

all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and hope your time with your families were enjoyable on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

This month has importance in Rotary also. First, this is The Rotary Foundation month. You will see what The Rotary Foundation is all about in the Rotarian magazine. Check it out and maybe you or your club can come up with a way to use the Foundation to make a project happen in your community. Also don't forget about giving to the Foundation. Your dollars will support projects in your Club, our District and throughout the World.

Now is the time to think about the future of our new District 5680. An email is being sent out to your Club to think about and nominating an individual for our next leadership in the District for the 2021-2022 year. Look around your Club to find that individual, ask them to serve and then send the nominating forms. I know every Club in our District has someone that

would be GREAT in serving the District 5680. Please LOOK and ASK!

We are only a month away from having to report our Club's new officers to Rotary International. If your club doesn't have the new officers elected, please get that process started. It is not too early to have them in place and reported.

PETS is early in this coming new calendar year (February). Our Club's new leadership will need to be at this training. You can make this easier by having them in position now. Information will start being sent out to the new leadership the first of January about PETS.

In closing I would like to say, have a great Thanksgiving, nominate someone for the District 5680 and get your Club's officers elected.

Yours in Rotary,

#### Sterling Hall

2018-19 District Governor 5690 Rotary Club of Sublette



#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Nov. 19, 2018 World Toilet Day Nov. 27, 2018 Giving Tuesday #GivingTuesday Dec. 5, 2018 RI Membership Webinar (pg. 4)

Feb. 28-March 2, 2019 PETS Wichita Marriott June 1-5, 2019 Rotary Intl. Convention Hamburg, Germany

# Message from 5670 District Governor Andrea Krauss

Greetings Rotarians -

It's hard to believe the Rotary year is almost half over! Now that this year's club officer teams are starting to get comfortable in their roles, it's already time to start thinking about next year. Clubs need to conduct their officer elections and report their 2019-2020 officers to Rotary International by December 31.

President, by December 31 for several reasons:

It is important to identify your club officers, especially your

- Being a club officer is a big job and, in order for them to be successful, these folks need time to prepare and Now is the time to schedule your 2019-2020 officer elecplan for the upcoming Rotary year.
- The President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) is com- Be the Inspiration! ing up February 28 - March 2. Your 2019-2020 President is required to participate in this training event. Your club pre-pays for their registration fees as part of



the district billing. So, don't let those dollars go to waste! Make sure your President-elect attends!

- PETS training actually begins before the onsite training on February 28. President-elects receive training materials via mail and email starting January 1. If the PETS Committee doesn't know who your President-elect will be, they can't include them in the distribution of these valuable training materials.
- Planning and preparation are the most important indicators of a strong club and an effective President.

tions!

Andrea Krug Krauss, DG 5670 Rotary Club of Russell

# Prepare for PETS—DGE Kurt Harper

#### ATTENTION ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS, PRESIDENTS ELECT, and ASSISTANT GOVERNORS

PETS 2019 will be conducted at the Wichita Marriott February 28-March 2, 2019. While PETS is always critical to the training of incoming presidents, this year is exceptionally important in light of the merger of Districts 5690 and 5670. The PETS planning committee for

our Heartland PETS has been putting together an exciting program, with a few added features to add some fun and fellowship. Please make every effort that each club has elected its President Elect and other leadership before the end of 2018, so those incoming leaders can take part in this important event.



In addition to the training on Friday and Saturday, we are planning an opportunity for fun and fellowship on Thursday evening. We will have identified local restaurants as destinations for small groups of attendees for dinner. Sign up will be largely first come, first served for a variety of small group dining experiences, and will be assisted in this venture by leadership of our local clubs. Watch for more details on this next month, as we get

closer to deadlines, but for now, please get those new officers elected and enrolled!

#### Kurt A. Harper

District Governor, 2019-20—District 5680 RI Russia-US Intercountry Committee, President U.S. Section, 2017-18

# Did You Miss the Membership Growth Webinar?

If you did, you can still view it!

This webinar focuses on the Rotary 4Rs of membership development -

- REVERSE the trend
- RETAIN our members,
- RECRUIT developmentally
- RESTORE the connections.

Membership webinar link: https://youtu.be/TngW18IyEZA

Other District 5670/5690 webinar links are here:

Goals, Planning and Calendar 2018 - Your video link is at: https://youtu.be/rKNnyipuz9s

Project Management - Your video link is at: https://youtu.be/jpWRRgEx2VQ

Global Grants - Your video link is at: https://youtu.be/FFJZP7y0wAw

## Call for District 5680 Governor Nominations for 2021 - 2022

The month of November begins the process for selecting the District 5680 Governor for the 2021-2022 Rotary year. One of the most important things a club can do is to allow the district to benefit from your club's leaders by encouraging them to be a District 5680 leader.

Clubs are invited to submit their suggestions for nomination for Governor of District 5680 for the Rotary Year 2021-2022 (July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022) no later than January 15, 2019. To be eligible for Governor, a candidate must have the qualifications and agree to accept the duties of a Governor as set forth in the 2016 Manual of Procedure (MOP). DG (5690) Sterling Hall and DG Andrea Krauss (5670) have sent copies of the applicable pages of the MOP as well as other important documents related to the nomination of a district governor to all club presidents via email.

Pertinent dates for the District Governor Nomination process are as follows:

November 20 District Governors Sterling Hall (5690) and

Andrea Krauss (5670) have invited clubs to submit suggestions to the nominating committee in an official call to all club presidents via email. Candidates submitted will be considered by the nominating commit-

tee.

Dec / Jan Additional announcements for District Gov-

ernor will be published in the December and January issues of the monthly newslet-

ter.

January 15 Deadline for the receipt by either the gover-

nor or the nominating committee chair of club nominations of District Governor can-

didates.

February 15 Deadline for selection of nominee for governor by the nominating committee. The nominating committee chair will promptly notify all candidates of the decision.

This position is challenging but very rewarding and you are asked to review your member list and consider nominating a candidate. If you have questions, call any committee member.

Nomination committee members are

Small Clubs June Trentham **RC** Hugoton RC McPherson Medium Clubs Mike Mills **RC** Winfield Large Clubs Kelle Thompson **PDG Gary Norris** RC Salina PDG Robert Mendoza RC Derby PDG Randy Krug RC Russell PDG Dean Kennedy **RC** Winfield

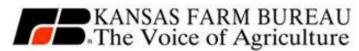
Send suggestions to any committee member above or to

PDG Rod Kreie, Nomination Committee Secretary <a href="mailto:rkreie@gpbiosciences.com">rkreie@gpbiosciences.com</a>
620-353-8415

**Note:** Districts 5670 and 5690 are merging to District 5680 encompassing the western 2/3 of Kansas and the Oklahoma Panhandle, effective July 1, 2019.

At the time the merger talks began, both districts had selected a DG for 2019-2020. It was agreed that **Kurt Harper (RC Wichita)** would serve as DG for 2019-2020 and that **Dana Brewer (RC Concordia)** would serve as DG for the 2020-2021 Rotary year.

# Looking for a Rotary Program at Your Club? See this!



The future of Kansas production agriculture is clear, unavoidable and can be summed up in four words: Larger farms, fewer farmers. This has profound implications for all Kansans, not the least of whom are those who will make a conscious, purposeful choice to build their lives in farming and ranching.

Mike Matson, Director of Industry Affairs & Development for Kansas Farm Bureau is available to speak to your local Rotary Club about this. His presentation explores how the future will bear few similarities to the past. A generation

ago, the number of urban and suburban Kansans surpassed their rural counterparts and that demographic shift is slowly, subtly, changing **everything** on the farm, beginning with culture and perception.

Kansas Farm Bureau has some creative ideas on dealing with this change that could involve Kansas Rotarians. Reach Matson directly at <a href="matsonm@kfb.org">matsonm@kfb.org</a>

Mike Matson | Director of Industry Affairs & Development | Kansas Farm Bureau Office 785.587.6157 | Cell 785.770.7734 | matsonm@kfb.org



## Attend Webinar-Membership Models for the Future of Rotary



Dear club leaders,

Join us for the webinar **Member-ship Models for the Future of** 

**Rotary** on Wednesday, December 5, from 6:00-7:00 pm CST if you believe your club could benefit from becoming more flexible and you:

- Want to host some meetings online but aren't sure how
- Have heard about corporate memberships and want to learn more about how they could benefit your club
   — and community

 Are wondering how a satellite club might allow more prospective members to engage with and expand Rotary.

Register and see the webinar in your time zone. Everyone who registers will receive access to the recording and slides.

Our panelists will talk about the challenges, benefits, and lessons of designing a club experience that works for every member.

Sincerely, Membership Development team Rotary International

### The Practice Lab: Hands-on training with Rotary's online tools



Our training usually includes a section for people to try what they've learned. What's the best way to get hands-on experience with Rotary's online tools?

The Practice Lab can help you train members in areas such as:

- My Rotary and online profiles
- Club and district administration tasks
- Rotary Club Central
- Membership leads

- Delegating your level of My Rotary access to others
- Rotary Showcase
- Discussion Groups
- Viewing club invoices

It's a replica of My Rotary that uses simulated data, so you can explore and test these tools with no risk of posting publicly or changing a record. Just request a Practice Lab account. Accounts are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis and expire after about three months.

If you have questions about using the Practice Lab for training, contact practicelab@rotary.org.



# Rotary Foundation earns four-star rating from Charity Navigator

For the 11th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating—four stars—from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.



The Foundation earned the recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

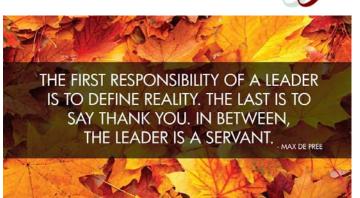
The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how the Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness.





## Say Thank You

Servant Leadership is one of my favorite models of effective leadership. It matches my innate style of internalizing how to lead and how that leadership style focuses on others and the team.



Max DuPree in his book Leading Without Power (1997) says this regarding being a servant leader: "The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say, 'thank you." In between, the leader is a servant."

During this season of focusing on being thankful for what we have; we as servant leaders in Rotary should spend time to say THANK YOU!

Say thank you not only to your fellow Rotarians, but say thank you to their significant others, former Rotarians, members' employ-

ers, club's service partners and other community contacts. We cannot say thank you enough, and it is not trite to say that those two words reap large rewards.

Column submitted by Fred Heismeyer, District 5690 Trainer





# Open World Group of Russian Opthalmologists Visit Winfield

#### **Rotary Club of Winfield**

recently hosted a group of ophthalmologists from Russia. The doctors, all from the Siberian city of Novosibirsk, visited the



US as part of the Open World Program. The program brings current and future leaders from many countries of the former Soviet Union to the US to engage and interact with professional counterparts here, in order to establish lasting relationships between leaders of these countries and ordinary (and extraordinary) Americans.

Dr. Treasure Wehner, chair of Winfield Rotary's International Committee, organized the program, which included consultations with colleagues in Winfield as well as in Wichita and Ark City. The visiting doctors are primarily interested in pediatric ophthalmology. On Monday, October 29, the delegates met with Doctors Gail Burden and Todd Peters in Winfield. On Tuesday, October 30, the delegates toured Envision, an organization that aids visually impaired individuals, as well as the Newborn Intensive Care Unit at Wesley Medical Center, where they met with Dr. Talkad Raghuveer and his staff. On Wednesday the

focus turned to Telemedicine, with a presentation by Ladonna Anstine, CFO of South Central Kansas Medical Center.

Aside from the professional program, the Open World delegates had the opportunity to experience some particularly American traditions, including pumpkin carving and Hallow-



een itself, which is not generally celebrated in Russia.

Treasure Wehner: "I have been so impressed with the professionalism of these young women, and the way that they have been engaging with and exchanging information with my colleagues. I am always amazed at the willingness of busy people to give their time and share their expertise with our delegates, but it is really nice to see a true dialog happening between these groups. We do, of course, make use of a skilled interpreter, but their shared profession often makes it possible for them to find a common language. I particularly want to thank those who are hosting our guests while they are here: Dorothy Fisher, Nancy Drennan, Betsy Drennan and Tawana Golightly."

## November is Rotary Foundation Month

November is Rotary Foundation month. Our District Governor has asked me to share some ideas on "FUN'd" raising. We are all bombarded with requests for donations, so if we try to make it fun we might be more successful.

One idea (stolen/borrowed from the Shawnee Rotary Club) is the Football Pool. I think we have all done a football pool. It is very basic. Draw a 10 by 10 diagram. If you want to raise \$100, charge a dollar a square. Choose a game. For instance, a football game and the score is 14-7. After the squares are sold. Cut 10 slips of paper 0-9. Put the slips of paper in a hat and select someone to pull the numbers. Asking this week's Speaker to do the honors is a good way to do that. Then at a meeting draw the numbers one at a time to determine the winning row. In this case the row with the 4 will identify the 10 members who are still in the running. Repeat this process to identify the winning column. In this case it will be the column that 7 has been drawn.

The winner has been chosen with whatever title and the funds go for the designate event. There are variations that can be done. Our club charges \$5 per square and uses the \$500 for a Vocation Scholarship. Be as creative as you want. There is no wrong way to do it!.

My email is <a href="wabbott5@cox.net">wabbott5@cox.net</a> if you have any questions. Please send me YOUR ideas so we can share them with others!

#### Foundation Report FY 2018-2019

If you give an old accountant a Financial Report you get a Financial Analysis.

The District 5690 Rotary Foundation Report for July through October 2018 shows the following:

- \$30,866.05 donation so far for the Annual giving and \$2,540 for other including Polio Plus. Remember Polio Plus funding is totally separate from Annual giving, but BOTH receive TRF Recognition Points and credit toward Paul Harris Fellowship.
- There is only one club that has established a goal for Foundation giving. Thank you, Wichita East Rotary for setting the goal. It is always easier to be successful when you know your target.
- Of our 29 clubs, 16 clubs have made contributions to The Rotary Foundation

How can we help you promote Foundation giving in your club? Let us know!. Remember "Contributions to The Rotary Foundation make it possible to transform lives world wide."

Submitted by D5690 Rotary Foundation Fundraising/ Annual Fund Committee Chair, Dave Abbott, Rotary Club of West Sedgwick County Sunrise

# Rotary Grant Helps Implement Music & Memory Program in Oberlin

Music & Memory is a non-profit organization that brings personalized music into the lives of the elderly or infirm through digital music technology, vastly improving quality of life. The program trains nursing home staff and elder care professionals and care givers how to create and provide personalized playlists using iPods/MP3 players that enable those struggling with Alzheimer's and dementia to reconnect with the world through music triggered memories. Musical favorites tap deep emotional recall. That favorite song brings joy, eases pain, reduces stress, and can facilitate social connection.

Music & Memory was brought to Decatur County Good Samaritan by Rotarian Charla Roberts, when she presented a program to the **Rotary Club of Oberlin** explaining the program and her intentions to implement the program.

Our club applied for and received a District 5670 grant to help with the project. Our club's \$2000 and a \$250 donation from Oberlin Bargain Box was used to purchase iPods/MP3 players and associated equipment, along with downloading personalized playlists. The presentation was made to Decatur County Good Samaritan Director Morgan

Burton. Personalized playlists are compiled by using questionnaires completed by residents and family members.

"Music & Memory is working wonders," Ms. Burton said. "We have a few residents who didn't leave their rooms often or seemed depressed. Since listening to music, their attitudes have dramatically changed. They are overall happier and come out of their rooms more often."

Go to www.musicandmemory.org for more information.



# Club News from around the District

**Rotary Club Dodge City:** This sign was displayed at our library to raise awareness for polio and World Polio Day.



**Rotary Club Washington:** We held our Rotary's Pork Burger fundraiser recently, with proceeds going to Polio-Plus. We are also planning our annual Festival of Trees fundraiser in early December.

Rotary volunteers have been requested to read at our USD 108 Preschool

Rotary Club Colby: Jaylen Mettlin, Jakob Tubbs and McKenna Mettlin gave a presentation at the October 23 meeting on highlights from the RYLA Camp they attended in



June and to thank the club for sponsoring them.

Rotary eClub Heart of America: You are probably wondering what the heck the Heart of America club has been doing in the way of service projects. Well, here is the "skinny".

Our District Grant for Combatting Bullying in the Manhattan, KS school district has been tentatively approved and we should expect the funding in the December timeframe. We have teamed up with some Manhattan Rotary clubs to help defray the cost of inviting speakers to address Junior and Senior High students. The Manhattan Rotaract Club will help with the logistics. Katrina Lewis is heading this effort.

We have a Rotary Exchange Student living in Florida with the Veatch family. Thanks Brandy and Laird for taking on this responsibility.

The 4 "mama" pigs from last year's grant in the Philippines are now in the maternity ward! The latest "mama" had 16 piglets! Two more mamas to give birth.

The biggest project is a Global Grant with the Cebu North Rotary Club in the Philippines. We received the first half of the grant PHP3,200,000 and we are vetting the applicants with tests, personal interviews, police clearances, etc. The Production Technology course will start next week. 100 lads and lasses will leave their homes and learn a trade that will vault them into the middle class! That is this year - 200 more in the next 2 years!!!

Rotary Club Colby: The club board has approved the WHO IS / WHAT WAS book project. The books are a

series of biographies on a variety of inspirational people such as presidents, entrepreneurs, leaders, and other well-known present day and historical figures.

The project will begin at Pioneer Memorial Library and our goal is to provide the full set of 150 books for the whole community.



Visit http://

<u>www.whowasbookseries.com/books/</u> to learn more about this interesting project..

Rotary Club E Wichita: We participated in a Hygiene Pantry service project recently. It was very successful and our members really enjoyed it and found it very rewarding. Rtn Robin McGonigle, whose church sponsors the monthly Pantry, sent a thank you email to her fellow EWR volunteers, telling them that the Pantry served a record 544 families.

Rotary Club W Wichita: A small group of our club



members got together and prepped the wood for our annual Bookshelf Building project which was held on Thursday, November 15, 7:00 p.m. at Bob Goebel's workshop.





Club members, assisted by our Assistant Governor Arlen Honts and Ann Oliver of Lawrence Elementary built the workshops afterward.





Rotary Club E Wichita: Ten delivery teams of club members delivered 91 turkey dinners on Tuesday before Thanksgiving. Afterward, the heavy-lifters enjoyed a bit of fellowship!

# More Club News

Rotary Club W Wichita: Last fall, the Rotary Club of West Wichita worked with international students from the Cultural Ambassadors Program at Wichita State University to create a stencil for a large world map. This



fall, the **East Wichita Interact** students used that stencil to create a colorful map of the world in their school court-yard. The map can be used to teach geography, of course, but also math, history, science, social studies and nearly any subject, in a fun interactive way.

Rotary Club Ulysses: We are proud that our item for the District Conference auction to benefit The Rotary Foundation sold for \$175!



Rotary Club W Wichita: Extra Effort Awards were presented to the 4th graders from Lawrence Elementary at a recent meeting.

Rotary Club Garden City: Our club used a District Grant to build a new fence for Miles for Smiles, a therapeutic horse riding pro-

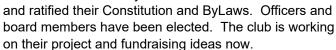


gram for mentally and physically handicapped individuals. We didn't know we could work this hard!



Rotary Club Concordia: We have a new Interact Club in Concordia and D5670! We received the charter on October 31 and are helping the club get organized.

Rtn. Joshua Meyer is the sponsor of the new club and reports that there are 31 members. They have met



Two projects have been selected for focus this school year. The first project is to hold a school-wide clean-up day in December to pickup leaves, trash and other items. Along with this clean-up day, the students want to make and decorate the hallways for the Christmas season followed by cookies and hot chocolate for all the volunteers.

The second project will be a bigger project—replacing 2 of the water fountains in the school with new water fountains that allow students to fill up water bottles and that have a filtration system. They hope to have the project completed in early May.

Interact members will also be speaking at the school during an activities day presentation to discuss the benefits of joining the new Interact Club and recruit additional members to the club.

Congratulations, Rotary Club of Concordia and the Interact Club of Concordia Panthers!

# Rotary Interact Club - Helping to Build the Leaders of Tomorrow

The top reasons to have a Rotary Interact club in your community.

- This is your future for your club. These are our Rotary members of tomorrow. They learn about Rotary and learn to love it before they have even become a Rotarian.
- They will teach you the true meaning of Service Above Self on some given days. They will drive you crazy some days, make you laugh until you cry, and teach you new aps on your cell phone.
- They are a great work force for your fundraisers and community activities. They are full of energy. They can climb tall ladders, hop on the tailgates of pickups, and turn summersaults for a parade.
- Their community activity is vital. They can and will help at the food pantry, main street Christmas lights,

Toys for Tots, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebrations and what ever activities are vital for your community.

- Their community service sure looks great on a scholarship application for them.
- Taking service trips help them and fellow Rotarians realize the needs outside of their community. It can make both them and you very grateful for what you have.
- All Rotarians can get to know them by attending weekly noon meetings. If your club sings, they can also improve your singing.

If you would like to start a Rotary Interact club and have questions, just give me, Gloria Homeier, a call at 785-483-1139 and I would be glad to help you. (D5670 Interact Committee Chair). *Thanks for submitting this article!* 



# Service Trip to Guatemala March 17-22, 2019

Join Russell Rotary Interact Club on a service trip to Guatemala March 17-22, 2019.

We will be traveling to the Patantic Region of Guatemala to install water filtration systems and wood stoves and dispense worm pills to area children. In this region, many families still need water filtration systems. These systems cost \$50.00 each. We also want to raise funds to provide stoves for some of the families. The cost of the concrete stoves is \$250 each. Each family must raise \$50.00 themselves and we hope to raise the additional \$200 for at least 10 families. These families earn an average of \$200 a month so saving the \$50 for a cook stove takes them guite a while. Currently most families



cook over indoor wood fires.

All the children need worm pills every six months, because the water is so contaminated. In Guatemala, 500 children die each day from contaminated water.



The cost for the trip is approximately \$1,650 per person. \$850 will go to motel rooms, food and transportation and is due by December 1. The other \$800 is for air transportation.

If you are unable to go with us, please encourage your club members to donate \$50 for a water filtration system or \$200 for a cook stove for a family.

If you are interested in going on the trip, contact Gloria Homeier at 785-483-1139 or email <a href="mailto:afullhouse@ruraltel.net">afullhouse@ruraltel.net</a>. You can send any donations to Russell Rotary Interact Club, 610 N Elm Street, Suite C, Russell, KS 67665.

# Rotarians' Focus on Peace is Growing

On 1 July 2017, trustees of The Rotary Foundation approved a ground-breaking initiative to raise support for Rotary's peace-related activities. It is called the **Peace Major Gifts Initiative (MGI) action plan**.

In addition to the Rotary Peace Centers, the Peace MGI seeks endowed and directed gifts and commitments for global grants in the Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Area of Focus.

It will also raise support for new peace-related programs and partnerships that have been approved by the Trustees.

Outright and bequest contributions will be sought for visionary projects that further Rotary's mission as it relates to peace, such as the Rotary Peace Symposia held in various locations around the world. Finally, the expansion and refreshment of the Rotary Peace Centers and related

activities create an opportunity to engage and re-engage some of Rotary's most generous donors.

Zone 21b/27 Rotary Director Larry Dimmitt gave this initiative a major boost in connection with the 2018 Zone Institute in Boise Idaho. Director Dimmitt approved collecting data from institute attendees regarding their interest in the respective Areas of Focus. Over fifty of the institute attendees selected Peace as their primary area of interest.

"By knowing peace is their major interest, district and zone leaders can engage Rotarians more productively," said PDG Martin Limbird, a member of the Peace MGI committee and the Rotary Club of Fort Collins, Colorado. "I welcome invitations to meet with interested Rotarians individually or for club and district events".

For further information, contact Limbird at <u>rotary-martin@comcast.net</u> or by phone to 765 744 9137.

# Rotary's Vision Statement

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

#### In Memoriam

District 5690 was saddened to learn of the recent deaths of two of its renowned Past District Governors. PDG John Kempf served twice as District Governor and PDG Eldon Addy was the oldest living PDG from our district. Both men were distinguished not only in their Rotary service, but in their careers as well. They will be missed.



#### **PDG John David Kempf**

John David Kempf was born in Philadelphia, PA on October 27, 1933 and passed away on November 6, 2018 at Menorah Park in Dewitt, NY. John grew up in West Hartford, CT and graduated from Middlebury College with a degree in physical chemistry. He joined the military in 1956 and spent three

years at Fort Sill, OK where he was an instructor for the Corporal Missile initial guidance system and played golf on the Fort Sill team, which won the Fourth Army Championship with the help of Juan "Chi Chi" Rodriguez.

In 1958 he joined the General Electric Corporation and concurrently attended Drexel Institute of Technology where he earned a second degree in Electrical engineering. He spent his whole life working in manufacturing, everything from kid's Christmas toys to satellites, retiring from GE in Arkansas City, KS in 1993.

John was very involved with Rotary since joining in 1981. He served as President of the Arkansas City Club, twice

as District 5690 Governor (1989-90 & 2006-07), but was proudest of bringing the Rotary Youth Exchange Program to his club. John raised money to build wells in the Philippines and traveled there as a volunteer to help with installation. He also raised funds and served as a volunteer worker for Habitat for Humanity. Rotary offered John opportunities to do two of his favorite things - giving back to his community and traveling with his wife Joan. When not working or volunteering, John could be found either on the golf course, puttering in his yard or watching his beloved Chicago Cubs.

John returned to Western, NY in April 2016 after the death of his second wife Joan. Returning to the northeast allowed John to be nearer his children and grandchildren. John is survived by four children from his first marriage and five grandchildren. He is also survived by two stepchildren, the children of his second wife Joan. Contributions may be made to The Rotary Foundation at <a href="https://www.rotary.org/en/donate">https://www.rotary.org/en/donate</a> Share condolences at <a href="https://www.faroneandsoninc.com">www.faroneandsoninc.com</a>.



#### **PDG Eldon Heath Addy**

Eldon Addy of Colorado Springs, CO, passed away peacefully on October 25, 2018. He was 103 years old and had been a member of the RC Wichita for 53 years.

Born on January 23, 1915, in McClouth, KS, he is survived by his son, Don and his wife

Susan, of Colorado Springs; his daughter, Cathryn of Hartford, CT and 3 granddaughters and 2 great grand children. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Dorothy.

He graduated in 1937 from Ottawa University, Ottawa, KS, and later served as a Trustee for 10 years. In 1938 he moved to Detroit, MI, to take a position in the motor freight industry. In 1944, he moved the family to Lawrence, KS where he was the manager of the Bowersock Flour Mill. He relocated to Wichita, KS in 1946 to become sales manager for the Kansas Milling Company, retiring from the milling industry in 1993. Subsequent to his milling career, he took a position with the Wichita Chamber of Com-

merce and managed the Kansas Junior Livestock Show for 20 years. He was formerly President of the Rotary Club of Wichita Downtown (1974-75), and served as Rotary District 569 Governor (1983-84).

He was a representative, from District 569, to the Council on Legislation in 1986. In 1988 he was Chairman of the Rotary Zones 5-11 Institute held in Wichita. In 1989 the president of Rotary International selected him to be his personal representative to the District 619 Annual Conference in Alexandria, LA. Again in 1990 he was chosen by the President to represent him at the District 550 Conference in Mesa, AZ. In 1989 he also served as Chairman of the nominating committee to select a director to serve a two-year term, from Zone 5. In 1990 he received the Service Above Self Award from District 569 at its Annual District Conference.

He loved to build things, having built over 75 grandmother and grandfather clocks for relatives, friends, and charities. He dedicated one to the US Army at Ft. Carson, CO, where it still stands today. A private interment ceremony was held in Ozawkie, KS.

## Working with Habitat for Humanity



Habitat for Humanity is helping Rotary clubs carry out projects that provide housing and sanitation to those in need. This partnership particularly benefits the Foundation's low-cost shelter pilot program. If your club or district wants to work with Habitat for Humanity to construct low-cost shelters, see these streamlined guidelines.

#### Thank You, Foundation Donors



As Rotary staff members, we can never take enough time in our daily responsibilities to fully express our gratitude to you, our generous donors, who make the work of The

Rotary Foundation possible.

We understand the multitude of demands on your time and resources. Our donors' commitment and willingness to join Rotary in making the world a better place is truly appreciated.

For these reasons, we have been setting aside a special day, for the past several years, to send personal thanks to as many of you as possible. Today, staff from a variety of areas are taking the time to hand-write hundreds of thankyou notes as a token of our appreciation.

In my 20 plus year career with Rotary, I have been privileged to work with philanthropists from around the world who have displayed enormous commitment to Rotary's ideals through a contribution to our Foundation. On behalf of all Rotary staff, today we salute your generosity by taking a few minutes to say thank you.

> Eric Schmelling, Chief Philanthropy Officer The Rotary Foundation

### Giving Tuesday—November 27



In November, we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month and the contributions our members make to their communities and around the world. And 27 November is Giving Tuesday, a global online movement for charities and individuals to celebrate and encourage giving. This year, make The Rotary Foundation your charity of choice. Donations to the Foundation help supply vaccines to protect children from polio, train peacebuilders in conflict resolution, and build sustainable communities for a better future. You can make a difference.

#### 2018 Year-end Deadlines for TRF Contributions

#### **Credit Cards:**

Via rotary.org – must be authorized by midnight on Wednesday, 31 December 2018.

Via fax (847-328-5260), phone (866-976-8279) or mail must be received prior to the close of business on Wednesday, 31 December 2018.

Credit card contributions should not be sent to Rotary's Lockbox Addresses below; rather they should be done online at Rotary.org to ensure timely recording or fax them to 847-328-5260.

For security purposes, please do not send credit card contributions electronically, rather fax them to 847-328-5260. You can also make contributions over the phone by December 2014 and received by Monday, 5 January calling 866-976-8279 during regular business hours.

Mail (least preferred): Both the postmark on the envelope and the date written on the check must be no later than Wednesday, **31 December 2018** and received by Thursday, 7 January 2015.

Please note: Contributions mailed at the end of December 2018 intended as early gifts for January 2019 will be treated as **December 2018** gifts. Do not mail **January 2019** gifts in the month of January.

> The Rotary Foundation 14280 Collections Center Dr. Chicago, IL 60693 USA

Wire transfers: Must be initiated prior to Wednesday, 31 2014.

Club	7/1/2018	9/30/2018	NET GAIN
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2018-2019
Andover	31	32	1
Arkansas City	65	66	1
Beaver	19	19	0
Boise City	18	18	0
Cimarron	22	22	0
Derby	66	68	2
Dodge City	38	39	1
East Wichita	96	101	5
El Dorado	41	40	-1
Garden City	51	47	-4
Guymon	24	24	0
Howard	16	15	-1
Hugoton	16	16	0
Hutchinson	100	98	-2
Johnson	16	16	0
Kingman	33	33	0
Kinsley	12	12	0
Larned	18	18	0
Liberal	46	46	0
Newton	62	62	0
Pratt	55	56	1
Sublette	18	18	0
Syracuse	18	18	0
Texhoma	15	15	0
Ulysses	34	30	-4
Wellington	19	19	0
W. Sedgwick Co	39	41	2
West Wichita	62	61	-1
Wichita-DT	404	412	8
Wichita-Old Town	8	8	0
Winfield	86	85	-1
TOTALS	1548	1555	7

# Polio Update @ 11/20/18

This year: Total wild polio cases for 2018: 27. Last year: Total wild polio cases in 2017: 22

**AFGHANISTAN:** The total number of officially reported WPV1 cases in Afghanistan in 2018 is 19.

**PAKISTAN:** The total number of officially reported WPV1 cases in Pakistan in 2018 is 8.

#### **NIGERIA and THE LAKE CHAD BASIN:**

No new cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) since 21 August 2016.

More details at http://www.polioeradication.org



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2018-19 RI President Barry Rassin Bahamas



Your Fellow Rotarians will be in Hamburg, June 1-5, 2019 for the 2019 Rotary Convention!





