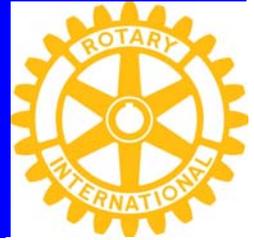




District 5690 News



IN THIS ISSUE

Page 1-3

*Message from DG
District Conference
Recap & Photos*

Page3

*November is Rotary
Foundation Month
Focus on Membership*

Page4

*Global Grant in Brazil—
D5670 & 5690 partner
Polio Update @ 10/23/18
Get your Polio Shoes!*

Page5

*The “Ovation! Factor—
Leadership/Management Skills Essential
Travel to Russia in
May 2019*

Page6

*Street Banners available
for your event
Public Image Campaign
in Kansas
Fighting Modern Slavery*

Page 7-8

Club News—lots of it!

Page9

*Donor Advised Fund
Webinar on Nov. 1
World Toilet Day Nov. 19
Celebrate Interact Week*

Page 10

*Membership Growth
Webinar Nov. 5 info*

Page 11

*Membership Report
@ 9/30/18*



Dear Rotarians,

The Big event this month was the District 5670/5690 Conference in Russell, KS. If you were unable to come, you missed a historic event. The Conference started off Friday evening, October 19, with a social, dinner and Rotary International President’s Representative **David Roper** speaking to the Conference.



David talked about RI President Barry Rassin and what his initiatives are for the year. He shared most of the work Rotary does throughout the world is to create a more peaceful world. He

also shared where the Polio Plus campaign is currently. Polio Type III is gone for the world, Type II is also gone since 2012, and Type I currently has 17 cases worldwide. He asked us to keep giving—we are so close. In closing he shared that the Rotary Wheel represents Help and Hope for people around the world.

Auction, Auction, Auction time: We decided to have an auction after hearing from David. D5670 has had this event over the

Message from District Governor Sterling Hall

years, but this was the first time for D5690. What an exciting and wonderful event. All money raised was going to The Rotary Foundation. *Aaaannnd . . .* the total amount raised was \$7460.00! Unbelievable! Thank you to all who bought items for the auction. The highest selling item was 2 basketball tickets for \$925.



Saturday morning RI President’s Rep **David Roper** spoke with the group again. He talked about our upcoming merger and how he was excited for us. The Council on Legislation will meet this coming year and David shared there are currently 116 items to review and take action on. These will be for RI, District and Club level. He talked about the average club size and the changes in the past 20 years. He recommended we be flexible and experiment with our clubs to change our normal pattern. Look at your membership rules and also add Corporate membership.



The business meeting was the next session. **DGE Kurt Harper** presided over the vote on incorporation and merging the existing

corporations.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Nov. 1, 2018
Donor Advised Fund webinar
(pg 9)

Nov. 19, 2018
World Toilet Day

Feb. 28-March 2, 2019
PETS
Wichita Marriott

Nov. 5, 2018
Membership Webinar (pg 10)

Nov. 27, 2018
Giving Tuesday
#GivingTuesday

June 1-5, 2019
Rotary Intl. Convention
Hamburg, Germany

District Conference Recap by DG Sterling Hall (cont'd)

PDG Curtis Dick, Merger Committee co-chair, presented the District 5680 bylaws, which were approved.

Kent Erb, District Executive, presented the budget for District 5680 and it was approved.

Kurt Harper, District Governor-elect presented how the new district was going to establish its Nominating Committee. Mack Teasley, District 5670, talked about the Graduate Scholarship program and how it would work. Larry Tobias, District 5670 Grants Chair, talked about the District Grants in the future which is still a work in progress. At the end of the meeting it was announced that incorporation and merger were both approved by the needed votes. So our new District 5680 is now official as of July 1, 2019.

The next session was mainly about our youth. Arlen Honts started by talking about a Friendship Exchange after the RI Convention in Hamburg. Then Interact students from Russell and Winfield talked about what projects they have been doing in their clubs and around the world. Dean Kennedy, RYLA Chair, gave a report on how RYLA went this past year and the future of RYLA. He also shared RYLA has been at Winfield for 25 years. Rod Kreie, Youth Exchange chair, brought two students who are Youth Exchange students this year. They shared stories and answered questions. The countries they come from are Mexico and Brazil. Two of our District Scholars from Nigeria and China spoke at the Conference. They are both in school at Fort Hays State University. They both answered questions from conference participants.



Dian Edwards, RI Regional Membership Coordinator, spoke at lunchtime about membership. She started with the trilogy of Rotary. She told us we need to start with our “Why” then we can move to the “How.” Then we should take that How and figure out “What” we want to do.

She said we should use the new flexibility plan membership which allows us to achieve the outcomes we desire. She told us we should go to RI and get the form “The Rotary Club Health Check” and see how our club looks. Rotary is doing good in the world. We have our 6 areas of Focus which comes to us through our Rotary Foundation.



Lyn Kenney, a featured speaker, presented a history of women in Rotary. She was very detailed with the steps women went through to finally get into Rotary. The women’s movement in Rotary was from 1911 to 1987. They were accepted into Rotary in 1988, so we are celebrating 30 years of women in Rotary this year. Every Woman

Rotarian then received a “Women in Rotary” pin for being at the Conference.

We enjoyed reports from different members. Kevin Tuebsing, Regional Foundation Coordinator, shared about our Rotary Foundation and what is happening in our districts. He ended his talk by saying “It’s about charity beyond me.” Please Give!

Marshall Stanton talked about the Shelter Box program. He told us that about every two weeks a disaster happens somewhere in the world. There are 85 million people displaced world-wide right now. He closed by saying “A need exists – A need persists.”



Helen and PDG Mike Barnes told us about the Community Service Directory that was included in our registration packet. It’s a list of the Service projects each club does throughout the year. They started this directory 20 years ago.



Andrea Krauss, 5670 District Governor, reported on the ad campaign that was shared by four districts. She told how many contacts these ads made through radio (NPR), public TV, billboards and ads at the T-Bones games in Kansas City.

During the last session of the day, Dustin Smith of the Russell club told us about their Rotary Rescue project through which the Russell club provides support to the Red Cross by providing disaster assistance to victims of home fires in the Russell community. We then did a service project, led by Becky LaPolice of the Salina club, to put together Home Fire Awareness kits for the Central and Western Kansas Chapter of the Red Cross.

The evening events started with another wonderful meal. District Awards were presented by PDG Gary Norris and PDG Robert Mendoza. They gave out Foundation giving awards for D5670 and D5690 for the past year 2017-2018. *(A list of awards presented will appear in next month’s newsletter.)*



PDG Robert Mendoza then presented for D5690 the “Service Above Self” award to **Dr. Fred and Joyce Heismeyer**. Congratulations Dr. Fred and Joyce!



PDG Robert presented the district traveling trophy to the best club in the District: Boise City, OK. Congratulations to Boise City.

District Conference Recap by DG Sterling Hall (cont'd)



Bowtie Todd Jenkins

Our evening speaker was Bowtie Todd Jenkins. He started his time with us talking about a young man he met who lived in the projects. The young man didn't have much hope for his future life, but he also looked for the positive. At a point in time he met a Rotarian, which started to help the young man. He ended up going on a Youth Exchange, which changed his life. Now he is a Rotary member himself and travels all over the world doing good through Rotary and telling his story. As you can probably guess this story was about Todd himself. If you were not there for his speech, you missed an extraordinary event. I'm sure you can find him on YouTube.

The evening was closed out with RI President's Rep David Roper making final remarks for the future of our merging districts.

Good fellowship, wonderful food, new friends, great sessions and A New District 5680.

Yours in Rotary,

Sterling Hall

018-19 District Governor 5690

Rotary Club of Sublette

Watch for more photos and stories from District Conference in next month's Newsletter!

View photos of conference at <https://rotary5690.org/PhotoAlbums/district-conference-photos>

November is Rotary Foundation Month

In November Rotarians around the world celebrate the great work of The Rotary Foundation! Foundation Month is a great time to highlight projects that your club is doing with The Rotary Foundation, or, to educate members on how the Foundation works. Here are a few resources and ideas to help you spread the word this November:

- Dedicate a few minutes at each club meeting in November to educating members about The Rotary Foundation. One easy way to do this is to play a newly released Area of Focus video at the beginning of your club meeting.
- Write a thank you note (or several!) to a donor in your club to thank them for their recent support of the Foundation.
- Use Rotary's Event Planning Guide to create a thoughtful community celebration.
- Tell your friends about why you support The Rotary Foundation and invite them to make a contribution.
- Customize the Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) PowerPoint presentation with stories from your club's projects and Foundation giving During the month of November.

Use this opportunity to celebrate and showcase the different ways you and your club is doing good in the world.

Membership

The newly revised [State of Rotary Membership](#) presentation is now available. Viewing it, you'll learn about growth, attrition and the opportunity to enrich membership. The updated slides include July 1 2018 membership data.

The 16-slide PowerPoint presentation can be given as is, or you can easily regionalize it to create a custom presentation for your members.

[Read](#) how Sherri Muniz, Rotary coordinator for region 26 (USA) used this valuable resource, and discover other ways to use the presentation effectively.

Watch a recording of the presentation with narration on our [Vimeo Channel](#). *(Highly recommended by editor!)*

"Clones" Strengthen club's membership

Dwindling attendance forced the Rotary Club of Langhorne, Pennsylvania, USA, to rethink its approach. It now allows members to designate "clones" to attend meetings and participate in projects on their behalf or along with them.

[Find out](#) how cloning got new people involved in the club and its activities, saved busy members from leaving Rotary, and ultimately gave new energy to the club.

Districts 5690 & 5670 Partner on Global Grant in Brazil

Editor's Note: This story is about the power of Rotary. In mid-March 2018, my friend of more than 15 years, Leonel in Brazil District 4700 reached out requesting assistance with a Global Grant Project. Because of our upcoming merger I contacted not only our own district Rotary Foundation leaders, but also those in D5670 and soon it was agreed that each of our districts would split the amount needed to fund the project. And here is the result—just a few months later. Rotary Connects!



On October 22, 2018, an inverted microscope equipment Vert A1 FL-LED was delivered to the cell therapy laboratory of the life sciences knowledge area of the University of Caxias do Sul. Marc to Carl Zeiss with his accessories and refrigerated centrifuge, through the project of RI Foundation Global Grants GG1871236 funded by Rotary International Rotary Foundation, in partnership with districts 4700 of Brazil, 5670 and 5690, of the North American State of Kansas.



This project was conducted with the effective participation of Governors 2017/18, Luiz Acorsi of District 4700, Gary Norris of District 5670-Kansas, USA and Robert Mendoza of District 5690-Kansas, USA, Of the chairs of the district committees, Rudimar Borghetti, District 4700, Robert Friesen, District 5670, Ray Purdy, District 5690, Governor 2002/03, District 5670, Mack Teasley; and Governor 2002/03, District 5690, Geri Appel.

This project was prepared by the team of researchers at

the University of Caxias do Sul, captained by the coordinator of the health graduate program, Prof. Dr. Asdrubales Falavigna and Dr. Natália Fontana Nicoletti, with due consent and support from Rector Prof. Evaldo Antonio Kuiava.



Leonel Nascimento, Brazil D4700 is on the left .

Such equipment, along with existing ones, will improve the empowerment of healthcare professionals, promote prevention programs to limit the spread of communicable diseases and reduce incidence and complications caused by non-communicable Diseases, improve community health infrastructure places, inform and mobilize communities in order to prevent disease spread, prevent physical disability resulting from diseases or injuries, and support studies related to prevention and treatment of diseases.

Attending the event were DG-4700 2018/19-Nelço Tesser; D4700 Chair of the Rotary Foundation Committee and DG 2013/14-Rudimar Borghetti; DG 1994/95, Romeo Rossi-representing the college of governors of District 4700, the Rector of the University of Caxias do Sul- Prof. Dr. Evaldo Antonio Kuiava; , the director of the life sciences knowledge area-Prof. Dr. Asdrubales Falvigna; Natalia Fontana Nicoletti-UCSs's research coordinator; Dr. Leonardo Do Nascimento-doctor and researcher; and several university collaborators.

It's Rotary Making a Difference and Being the Inspiration!

End Polio Now Shoes



Like these shoes? You can have a pair of your very own!

Order here: <https://rotary5400.org/page/stomp-out-polio/>

A portion of the cost of these high-tops goes to PolioPlus and YOU get credit for it if you provide your member number when you order!

Polio Update @ 10/23/18

This year: Total wild polio cases for 2018: **22.**

Last year: Total wild polio cases in 2017: **22**

AFGHANISTAN: The total number of officially reported WPV1 cases in Afghanistan in 2018 is 16.

PAKISTAN: Two new cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) was reported in the last week.. The total number of officially reported WPV1 cases in Pakistan in 2018 is 6.

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>

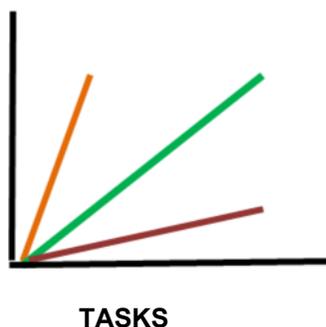
LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT SKILLS

Essential for a successful Rotary Leader

There is a difference between management and leadership skills. As a club leader you need to use both skill-sets; those associated with being a leader *and* those associated with being a manager.

As club leaders, we are asked to relate well with other Rotarians and community leaders, as well as to get the task done. We utilize both leadership and management skills to ensure the success of our club today and to help ensure the future sustainability of Rotary in our community. Our challenge is how to do both – the relationship building and the task completion. Both behaviors are essential in our role as a club leader.

RELATIONSHIPS



Relationships and Tasks need to be a focus of club leaders. Ideally, there would be a balance of our focus (identified by the green line). However, due to our work preference, stress, deadlines, personalities, etc., individually we tend to focus more on one or the other – relationships or tasks (identified by the brown lines). Your challenge is to attempt to maintain a balance.

In all our interactions we need to balance our focus between strengthening relationships and getting tasks accomplished. As a Rotarian leader it is necessary for you to determine how much time, energy and resources you



will commit to each. You will make this decision based upon the situation you're in at the time. Some situations may call for strong relationship building – even if the task is not completed in a timely manner. Other situations will call for you to be task oriented – even if relationships become strained.

Managers have short-term perspectives and focus on routine issues within their immediate committee, club or workgroup. A manager is task focused using the authority of position (title) to get a job done.

- focus on the **present**
- maintain the **status quo** and **stability**
- **implement** policies and procedures
- remain aloof to maintain **objectivity**
- use **position** power

Leaders have long-term and future-oriented perspectives and provide a vision for their followers that looks beyond their immediate surroundings. Leaders focus on developing the group's sense of purpose and cohesiveness. This feeling is often helped by the leader's personal qualities more so than any formal title.

- focus on the **future**
- create **change**
- create **culture** based on shared values
- establish **emotional link** with followers
- use **personal** power

All leaders must maintain a balance between relationships with followers and the task that needs to be accomplished. Further, all leaders will use leadership and management skills to help maintain that balance.

*Column submitted by Fred Heismeyer,
District 5690 Trainer*

Want to Go to Russia in May 2019?

What: Rotarian Grand Tour in Russia, sponsored by Rotary Club of Moscow-East

When: May 20-31, 2019

What tour includes: sightseeing tours, dinners with clubs with networking events aimed at establishing social and business contacts

Where you will go: Moscow-7 days;
St. Petersburg-3 days).

Why: Learn about the culture, history and architecture and what is most important—get familiar and make friends

with the Rotarians of District 2220.

Cost: \$1,900. Includes stays at 4-star hotels, all breakfasts, lunches and dinners May 20-30, fast-speed train to St. Petersburg, Russian Party, entrance tickets to all palaces and museums, river cruise, English-speaking guide. *Not included:* Tickets to the theatre.

DGE Kurt Harper and PDG Geri Appel have detailed information and detailed itinerary. Contact them for more info: Kurt—Kurtharper.rotarydg@gmail.com (316) 371-0796
Geri—geri@kenlerman.com (316) 841-2592

Need a Banner to display in your town?



These 2' x 4' vinyl banners are available for use in your city or club.

Each banner has the "End Polio Now" and "Be the Inspiration" theme logos on each side. They are meant to hang from city light poles equipped with hangers, but they can be repurposed creatively. They are loaned out to Districts and must be returned promptly after use so they can be used by the next club or district. The only cost is shipping to you and back to the owner of the banners (Zone 27 Regional Public Image Coordinator, Linda Peterson).

If you want to display banners in your city or town, contact your city street department or tourism bureau for display instructions. Then, then send Linda Peterson an email (linda4rotary@me.com) with the dates requested and she will send them to you.

Contact PDG Geri Appel for more info geri@kenlerman.com



Public Image Campaign in Kansas a Success



At a recent Rotary Zone meeting, Kansas Districts 5670, 5690, 5710, and Missouri district 6040 were recognized for a recent Public Image Campaign with the "People of Action" media campaign materials..

Nearly \$28,000 was raised to purchase billboards and radio announcements to cover the entire state of Kansas and Northwest Missouri."

The purpose was to raise public awareness of the 161 clubs in the four districts and all media used directed peo-

ple to **FindRotary.org** a special URL linked directly to the main Rotary website where staff was able to track hits from the various media connections.

Two months after the campaign, we know it had a positive impact on Rotarians who heard or saw the ads. Eighteen new membership leads were generated and organizers believe it did as much for awareness and retention as anything.

Rotarian Pat O'Donnell (RC Olath/past E Wichita) was the lead on this project and we thank him for his leadership and legwork on this multi-district and multi-zone Public Image/Membership campaign.

Fighting Modern Slavery

An estimated 40.3 million people around the world live in slavery involving either sexual exploitation or forced labor. A Rotarian Action Group and Freedom United are giving Rotarians a chance to do something to stop it.

5 hard facts on modern child slavery:

- 1 in 4 victims of slavery are children
- 10 million children are considered slaves
- 300,000 child soldiers are forced to fight war
- 700 million women alive today were married as children
- 17.2 million children are working as domestic workers

The Global Slavery index estimates that, worldwide, 40.3 million people are subject to some form of slavery: bonded labor, forced labor, child slavery, sex trafficking or forced marriage.

The Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery has been coordinating Rotary clubs' efforts to fight slavery since 2013. The group has recently collaborated with Freedom United, a nonprofit organization that has mobilized millions of partners, activists and advocates through online campaigns to convince governments and companies to end slavery.

Through Freedom United's website, Rotary clubs of any size can sign up to form "freedom rings," which raise community awareness of slavery while sharing information with one another through an online platform. Freedom United helps clubs plan a two-hour community event by arranging speakers that can include experts, survivors, and representative of local nonprofits that are already fighting modern slavery. At the end of the event, people are invited to join the ring.

Read more at <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-clubs-fight-modern-slavery-freedom-united>

Club News from around the District

Rotary Club W Wichita: Our annual wine dinner was the largest to date and the silent and live auctions saw spirited bidding. President Brian Goudie and Roger Bowles helped advertise the live auction items. Special guests included DG Sterling Hall, DGE Kurt Harper and PDG Geri Appel.



Rotary Club Salina: At the South/Central tailgate football party recently, we handed out over 1,500 business cards with information about Rotary. We also enjoyed a picnic in the park for Rotarians and their families. Leftovers were donated to the Ashby House.



Rotary Club Beloit: We were very pleased with newspaper coverage of our annual dictionary project. We received many thank you letters from the kids. We distributed about 70 dictionaries this year.



Rotary Club Colby: Kansas Highway Patrol Technical Sergeant, Jason Duffey and his K-9 partner, Cy, provided a great program for us. We enjoyed seeing Cy at work as Trooper Duffey demonstrated evidence recovery.



Rotary Club Garden City: We kept warm inside the barn at our fall social. It wasn't a fund-raising event, just a fun night for members!

Rotary Club W Wichita Sunrise: Our volunteer day at the Boundless Playscape brought out 17 McConnell airmen and spouses plus 18 Sunrise Rotary volunteers, spouses and children. Planters at the maze area were filled with 62 plants, weed were pulled, and push-brooms, shovels and blowers tried to corral the sand in the sand play area.



Rotary Club Oberlin: Our club worked with the Amusement Authority which provides rides for our annual Fair. The goal of the authority is to provide one new ride a year. We have applied for a grant to provide a fence around the Ferris Wheel and to repair the seats.

Rotary Club Winfield: The Winfield Chamber of Commerce thanked everyone that came out for the ribbon cutting for the Rotary Club of Winfield's Island Park Performance Venue on October 6. The Inaugural City Band concert was held that evening at 6pm. Congratulations, RC Winfield on funding this amazing venue!



Rotary Club Wichita DT: We recently hosted Carol Pandak, Director-PolioPlus from Rotary International as our speaker. She updated us on the history and status of polio eradication and a great talk. The meeting generated a full page of photos and story in *The Wichita Eagle*.

Rotary Club Washington: On our Charter Anniversary we joined other community members in a community work day. About a dozen members & family fixed equipment, painted, etc.



More Club News

Rotary Club Pratt: The second annual Oktoberfest was held Saturday, September 22 at the Greens Sports Complex in Pratt. Approximately 650 people attended and the proceeds benefited the Pratt Rotary Club. The evening included yard games, food, a polka band, commemorative beer steins, and lots of fun and com-



radery. Pratt Rotary Club members provided volunteer service, in addition to volunteers from the Young Professionals of Pratt and several other friends of Rotary! Special acknowledgements is also given to the City of Pratt and the corporate sponsors who supported the event.

Rotary Club Ulysses: The duck race was a success! We've once again set a record of number of ducks sold to 1,220 ducks (up from 1080 in 2018)



Rotary Club W Sedgwick County Sunrise: Our club contributed \$5,000 to the USS Wichita Commissioning Committee. Funds will provide items for the crew such as exercise equipment and numerous other items not normally provided by the U S Navy.

Rotary Club Arkansas City: U S Senator Jerry Moran, R-Hays, spoke to our club and others during a town hall at Cowley College. *Photo L-R: Rtn Dick Bonfy, Club President Dan Deener, Lara McGrew, Sen Moran*



Rotary Club Guymon: Club members volunteered their service to the community as Welcome Sack assemblers/inserters for the upcoming OK State Main Street Training.



Rotary Club Wichita Old Town: Our club visited Senior Services Wichita where Executive Director Laural Alkire gave a tour. We saw remodeled facilities including an expanded kitchen where they

prepare 900 meals for Meals on Wheels. There are many opportunities for volunteering with this great organization serving seniors.

Rotary Club Wichita Old Town: Our club spent a day of service building LEGO kits for the Kansas Youth Science & Technology Foundation's FIRST® LEGO® League Tournament Dec. 8. It was a fun and unique service experience. With their funds and time donations this year, the Old Town Club is supporting STEM and robotics education for 4th -8th graders and is a founding sponsor of the KYST Foundation.



Rotary Club Winfield: The Interact Club of Winfield donated \$250 to our club from funds raised at all the awesome fundraisers they do year-round. The contribution is earmarked for polio eradication.



Rotary Club W Wichita: We kicked off our David Weber Extra Effort Awards with 5th grade students and teachers from Lawrence Elementary.



Rotary Club Dodge City: Thanks to Rotarian Nathan Haskell and Luminous Neon, the Dodge City bug has a billboard on the east side of Dodge City. Rotarians and

their families gathers for a photo op followed by a Billy Sims Barbeque picnic inside the warehouse of Luminous Neon.



Rotary Club W Wichita: We presented our David Weber Extra Effort Awards to 5th graders from Benton Elementary shown here with their teachers at a recent club meeting.



Rotary's Donor Advised Fund Webinar

Did you know that The Rotary Foundation has a Donor Advised Fund that can support your year-end financial planning, while saving you money on unnecessary taxes? This giving strategy is a great solution if you are interested in simplifying your own personal philanthropy.

We hope you will join us on **Thursday, November 1 at 1:00 pm CDT** for a 40-minute webinar explaining how the DAF can help you save money now and help communities later. Past Rotary International Vice President Greg Podd will discuss the benefits of opening your own individual account, creating a shared group account, and using the DAF to supplement your Rotary-affiliated group's existing foundation.

A dedicated Q&A session will provide an opportunity to answer any questions you may have about this tax-wise approach to philanthropic planning. [CLICK HERE to register today!](#)

If you are interested but unable to attend, we encourage you to register so you will automatically receive a copy of the slides and a recording of the presentation afterward.

Time is running out to make a charitable gift that qualifies for 2018 tax purposes, so please do not hesitate to call (847) 866-3100 or email us at plannedgiving@rotary.org to discuss your personal objectives with a planned giving team member. We look forward to helping you fulfill your philanthropic goals.

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.”

World Toilet Day—November 19

The United Nations estimates that 2.4 billion people do not have adequate sanitation. 1 billion of these people still defecate in the open. Poor sanitation increases the risk of disease and malnutrition, especially for women and children.



This year [World Toilet Day](http://www.worldtoiletday.info/) (www.worldtoiletday.info/) is focusing on “When Nature Calls . . . We need a Toilet” But billions of people don’t have one. That means human feces, on a massive scale, is not being captured or treated—contaminating the water and soil that sustain human life. We are turning our environment into an open sewer. We must build toilets and sanitation systems that work in harmony with ecosystems. World Toilet Day is about nature-based solutions to our sanitation needs. When nature calls, we have to listen and act.

Please spread the word about sanitation on World Toilet Day. You may have seen it before, but WASRAG Board Member Mark Balla's fantastic TED Talk is a great way of introducing the topic and would make a great club meeting presentation: [Toilet Humor is Serious Business](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r3xr13xFfto) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r3xr13xFfto>)

Celebrate Interact Week

The week of November 5-11 is World Interact Week

Interactors around the world will take action in their communities and share how they make a difference. Invite your club's Interact Club to participate and join the party. Here's how:

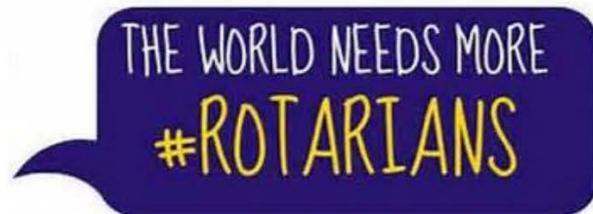
1. **Share your story**—Tell us what makes your Interact Club great for a chance to be featured on the Rotary Voices blog and RI social media.
2. **Record a video**—Create a short video to show your club having fun while making a difference in your school or community.
3. **Earn recognition**—Ask your sponsor Rotary club to complete a certificate of recognition to highlight the positive impact you've made.

Don't forget to share your club's celebration on social media with #WorldInteractWeek!

Fellow Rotarian, the original e-mail was sent with a number of grammatical errors. I take full responsibility for that and wanted to ensure you that that was my gross oversight. Fred Heismeyer

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

A topic that we all talk about but have trouble finding an action to solve



Joint District 5690 & 5670 Webinar

Rotary has invested a lot of energy into making it an organization that is appealing to young and old, male and female, as well as a diverse population that represents a world-wide audience. Growth is an outcome of this effort and your club is the key to this growth. To grow your focus should meet the needs of your community and how your neighbors can address those needs through Rotary and the actions of your club. Growth is not only about recruiting new members, but it also about retaining our current Rotarians. This webinar will address recruitment and retention, as well as provide strategies to help your club grow; leading to more service in your community.

Michael Andrusak and Morris Engle (both District Membership Chairs) will facilitate this webinar and answer your questions. Below is a brief outline of what Michael and Morris plan to discuss.

1. Reverse decline of membership;
2. Retain what we got;
3. Recruit more; and
4. Restore the fallen

And how each club may accomplish those goal differently.

JOIN OUR NOVEMBER 5 WEBINAR BY CONNECTING TO:

Rotary - Membership webinar
Mon, Nov 5, 2018 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM CST

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/899771069>

You can also dial in using your phone.
United States (Toll Free): 1 866 899 4679
United States: +1 (571) 317-3116

Access Code: 899-771-069

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



District 5690



www.rotary5690.org

This is your newsletter!
Send your articles and club information to:

PDG Geri Appel, Editor
Phone: 316-841-2592
Fax: 1-316-733-5077
appelg@kenlerman.com



2018-19 RI President
Barry Rassin
Bahamas



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

Mark Your Calendars

Be sure to attend!

Joint District 5690 & 5760 Webinar
Membership Growth
Monday—November 5, 2018
4:30 PM to 5:30 PM
(details on previous page)

#GIVINGTUESDAY
27 NOVEMBER 2018

