

District 5610//Gearing Up

DISTRICT LEADERS // www.Rotary5610.org // PO Box 674, Rapid City, SD 57709
 DG // LINDA PETERSON, RAPID CITY, SD // linda4rotary@me.com
 DGE // STEVE SIKORSKI // SIOUX FALLS, SD // sdsikorski@msn.com
 DGN // ED JACOBSON // PIERRE, SD // coach@pie.midco.net
 PDG // NANCY MOOSE, MADISON, SD // Nancy.Moose@dsu.edu
 TREASURER // GEORGE TWITERO, RAPID CITY, SD // gtwitero@msn.com
 D ADMINISTRATOR // ELLA SHAFER, RAPID CITY, SD // ella.shafar@chssd.org

SEPTEMBER, 2014 // Volume 14, Issue 3

DG Report: Linda Peterson

One of the huge benefits that each District Governor experiences is club visits. Discovering all the great projects and community improvements that each club completes in their community each year is amazing! Some of our smaller clubs in rural towns complete a dozen or more activities each year! I am challenging our larger clubs and even multi-clubs in the larger towns to research the needs in their communities and devise bigger and more meaningful and sustainable projects. We should try to make the impact of Rotary felt in our cities as much as the smaller communities have!



Sioux Falls South

In a few weeks, we will meet in Rapid City for our District Conference! Clubs: sign up your members that plan to attend, on the District website under Events. We need to know the head count by September 26. Ella is collecting the signups for the Saturday night dinners, so download the form and send it to her very soon!

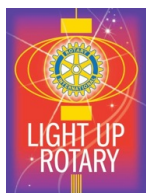
Another effort to LIGHT UP ROTARY is for clubs to create a slideshow about their projects for presenting at the District Conference in October. Get the timed slideshow format at the District website. It is 10 slides long, you have 20 seconds per slide to explain each slide, and you are done in 3 minutes 20 seconds! Once created, it will be useful for your club to present at events or presentations to demonstrate your service projects.

I want every Rotarian to LIGHT UP ROTARY with their actions and voices. Let's tell the communities that Rotary is here, and ready to take action!

Log on, Lean in, and LIGHT UP ROTARY!

In this issue...

| | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|----|--|
| 2 | District Grant Literacy Proposal | 8 | Club Events in Yankton |
| 3 | Events & Deadlines calendar | 9 | Membership Ideas, Section 3 |
| 4 | 2014 District Conference | 10 | Global Grant Scholarship, Polio Report |
| 5 | Club Visits Schedule and Stories | 11 | Scholar Report, Peru Project |
| 6 | RLI, Rotary Days, Norm's Notations | 12 | Paul Harris Society, Foundation Day |
| 7 | Youth Exchange, Omniciye Club | 13 | Grants and Projects |
| | | 14 | RI News and 2015 RI Convention |



District & Clubs Info Links

Join the social networks of Rotary, both global and local on our District page.
www.rotary5610.org
www.rotary.org

Rotary's Six Areas of Focus // Grants Reports



Literacy Project: South Dakota Spelling Bee

Rotary District 5610 has joined the University of South Dakota to promote literacy statewide through support of the Scripps National Spelling Bee. The Vermillion club has applied for a \$1,000 District grant that will be matched by individual clubs. The Vermillion Rotary Club has already added its sponsorship of \$200.

The University of South Dakota has sponsored the statewide competition since 2012, but the Scripps National Spelling Bee has been challenging youngsters nationwide since 1941. The mission of the Scripps National Spelling Bee: *"Our purpose is to help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts, and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives."*

The competition is open to all children in grades K-8. South Dakota has more than 500 schools that are eligible to compete, but last year only 62 participated. The purpose of Rotary's sponsorship is to encourage more schools to enter the competition, which provides teachers with spelling and vocabulary lessons and even gives the school a free year's subscription to the online Encyclopedia Britannica Kids.

Schools pay a fee of \$130 to enter if they meet the October 15 deadline. USD provides a gift packet to all new schools that compete for the first time. Each school holds local spell-offs, and those winners move on to regional competition in one of five locations. The state Spelling Bee is held at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion in March, and from there the winner receives a free trip to Washington, D.C., to participate in the national contest in May, which is broadcast live on ESPN 3.

Here's how your club can participate:

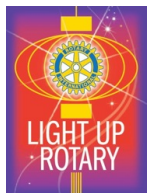
- Approve matching money to the \$1,000 district grant.
- Encourage K-8 schools in your area to enter the Scripps Spelling Bee.
- Pay the entry fee on behalf of one or more schools.
- Individual Rotarians can volunteer to help conduct a local or regional spelling bee.
- Clubs can invite spellers and their teachers to be on their meeting program.
- Clubs can purchase advertising to congratulate the local and regional winners and increase awareness of the Spelling Bee as well as Rotary's support for literacy.

For more information contact the Scripps Spelling Bee director for South Dakota, Cheryl Havermann, at the University of South Dakota. cheryl.havermann@usd.edu



District Calendar, Newsletter and Website needs your stories and events!

Please send your club events/notices to Linda Peterson, for listing on the newsletter and website event listing! Also, Assistant Governors and District Committee chairs may write their reports and send in for timely inclusion in the newsletter. —Linda Peterson, Newsletter Editor // linda4rotary@me.com



D5610 District & Clubs Calendar // Deadlines // To Do

July: RI year begins
RI president takes office
District Governor takes office, begins club

visits

Club Presidents take office
Semi-annual report & Dues payable to Club, District, RI
District CAP & DDF grant applications deadline

August: Membership and Extension

September: New Generations
Zone training & assembly, Denver, Sept. 9-14, 2014,
San Antonio, TX, Sept. 15-20, 2015
District Conference, Sioux Falls, Sept. 24-26, 2015

October: Vocational Service
District Conference, Rapid City, Oct. 2-4, 2014
discussion of Club projects and grants,
recognition of Club honors and citations, celebrations
District Grants Funds awarded

November: Rotary Foundation
IRS 990 filing due for Clubs and District
District Foundation Workshop & Dinner, Nov. 1, 2014
Mitchell Highland Center
Delete/Add members on club membership with RI for
accurate dues

December: Family time
Send your Every Rotarian Every Year contribution to
The Rotary Foundation for donation credit.

January: Rotary Awareness
RI International Assembly, San Diego 1/18-24/2015,
1/17-23/2016, 1/15-17/2017
Dues payable to Club, District, RI

RLI training
Club officers elected, list on RI member access

February: World Understanding, RI anniversary 2/23
RLI training

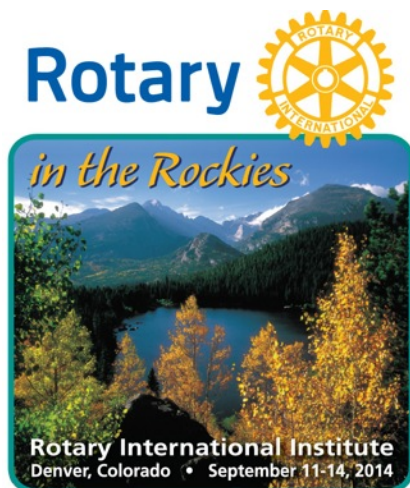
March: Literacy
RI grants reports deadline
District committee reports due for District Assembly,
Budget draft ready
RLI training

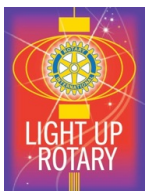
April: Rotary Magazine
District Presidents-Elect Training, District Training &
Assembly, April 9-11, 2015, Mitchell Highland Center
Agenda: training for all club officers, District AGs,
committee chairs, transfer of duties and information to
DG-Elect and committee chairs
graduation ceremonies for RLI participants
District committee chairs plan of projects due,
AGs reports due, all expense receipts due
Club Presidential Citation applications due to RI

May:
District-wide Rotary Serves! Week
Club project/grant reports due to TRF, District reports due
Delete/Add members on club membership with RI for
accurate dues

June: Rotary Fellowship
RI International Conferences:
6/6-9/2015 Sao Paulo, Brazil;
5/29-6/1/2016 Seoul, Korea;
6/10-14/2017 Atlanta, Georgia
CAP grant, District grant reports closed
and TRF global grant applications/reports due
Club MOUs due for next year
Clubs' Strategic Plan due on Club Central

*(see the District website for current events on the
calendar)*





D5610 // District Conference 2014

Registration is now open and deadline to register is September 26!

Go to the District website at rotary5610.org

Scroll down the right side Events for District Conference, click on the text, it will take you to the registration area.

District 5610 Conference/2014

Host Rotary Club of Rapid City, in coordination with Black Hills Clubs:
Rapid City-Rushmore, Rapid City Evening, Custer,
Hot Springs, and Spearfish-Northern Hills
with **Linda Peterson, DG 2014-15**
invite you to attend the

District 5610 Conference/2014 October 2-4, 2014

Hosted at the beautiful
Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, downtown Rapid City



This is what Rotary International does better than any other Service Club! So let's talk about it, how do we do it in our District 5610, listen to what other clubs have done, and be prepared to present what you do in your club! Learn from current experts in their fields on how to promote your projects, get better funding, and listen to Rotary International speakers on current topics.

Take a weekend to enjoy the hospitality of Rapid City, stroll downtown on the Legacy Promenade, tour the Presidents statues, shop, dine, relax at Main Street Square, enjoy the Bierbörse on Saturday evening, and experience the fascinating downtown scene!



Conference and hotel reservations open July, 2014.
Stay tuned for details!
www.Rotary5610.org
www.mainstreetsquare.com
www.visitrapidcity.com
www.rushmoreplaza.com
505 N 5th St Rapid City, SD 57701 (605) 348-4000



Contact Linda Peterson, DG2014-15
Linda4Rotary@me.com
H 605-341-5006 C 605-390-0800



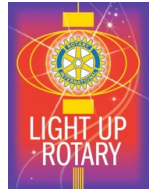
D5610 // 2014 DG Club Visits

Club Visits in August



Sioux Falls Downtown club hosted us on Monday, Canton on Tuesday, and Wagner on Wednesday. We met up with Sen. John Thune in Wagner, so Club President Craig graciously allowed the DG time first, no telling how long a politician may go on!

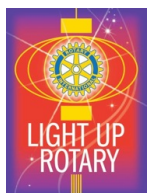
The next week we visited Sioux Falls North, South, West, Watertown, and Luverne - all single club visits. On Tuesday, we joined Marshall, Marshall Sunrise, Canby and Minneota in a multi-club social at the Marshall Corn & Chicken Feed with over 70 attendees! It was very enjoyable!



Watertown had a great turnout for their board meeting.



| DG Linda Peterson -- Itinerary of Club Visits 2014 -- District 5610 | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-------------|---------|--|
| Club | Date of Visit | Day of Week | Time | Location |
| Custer | Mon, Jul 7 | Monday | Noon | Senior Center, 538 Mt. Rushmore Rd |
| Rapid City Evening | Mon, Jul 7 | Monday | 6:00pm | RC High School, 601 Columbus Street |
| Rapid City Rushmore | Tues, Jul 8 | Tuesday | 7:00am | Howard Johnson Express, 950 North St. |
| N. Hills - Spearfish | Wed, Jul 9 | Wednesday | Noon | Holiday Inn Northern Black Hills |
| Rapid City | Thurs, Jul 10 | Thursday | noon | Adoba Eco Hotel, 445 Mt. Rushmore Road |
| Pierre/Ft. Pierre | Mon, Jul 14 | Monday | Noon | Ramkota, River Center |
| Gettysburg | Thurs, July 17 | Thursday | Noon | Firehouse Lounge, 109 N Main St |
| Mobridge | Mon, July 21 | Monday | Noon | Moose Lodge, W. Hwy. 12 |
| Zone District Leaders Int | July 25-26 | Denver | | Embassy Suites Airport |
| Multi-club visit: Sioux City Downtown, Mon, Jul 28 noon | | | | |
| Sioux City Downtown | Mon, Jul 28 noon | Monday | Noon | Sioux City Convention Ctr, 801 4th St |
| South Sioux City | Mon, Jul 28 noon | Tuesday | noon | South SC Golf Dome, 618 W. 29th St |
| Suburban Sioux City | Mon, Jul 28 noon | Tuesday | 5:30pm | Various Places |
| Vermillion | Tues, Jul 29 | Tuesday | Noon | Al Neuharth Media Center, 555 Dakota St. |
| Multi-club visit: Tyndall Tues Jul 29, evening | | | | |
| Tyndall | Tues Jul 29, evening | Monday | Noon | Corral Restaurant, 1705 Main St. |
| Yankton | Tues Jul 29, evening | Tuesday | Noon | Hillcrest Country Club, 2206 Mulberry St. |
| Wagner | Tues Jul 29, evening | Wednesday | Noon | Rotary Building, 39330 Moon Meadow Dr. |
| Scotland | Tues Jul 29, evening | Thursday | Noon | Rec Bar or the Main Hideout, Main St. |
| Gregory | Wed, July 30 | Wednesday | Noon | Stukels Corner Cafe, 109 N Main St |
| Winner | Thurs, July 31 | Thursday | Noon | Holiday House, 31671 S Dakota Hwy 44 |
| Sioux Falls Downtown | Mon Aug 11 | Monday | Noon | Holiday Inn, 100 W 8th Street |
| Canton | Tues, Aug 12 | Tuesday | Noon | Pizza Ranch, 719 E. 5th St. |
| Sioux Falls South | Mon, Aug 18 | Monday | 5:15pm | CJ Callaway's, 500 E. 69th St. |
| Luverne | Tues, Aug 19 | Tuesday | Noon | Blue Mound Banquet Ctr, 401 W. Hatting |
| Multi-club visit: Marshall, Corn & Chicken Feed - evening event | | | | |
| Minneota | Tues, Aug 19 dinner | Wednesday | 12:30pm | Madison Ave. Apts., 700 N. Madison St. |
| Marshall Sunrise | Tues, Aug 19 dinner | Thursday | 7:00am | Marshall YMCA, 200 A St. |
| Canby | Tues, Aug 19 dinner | Thursday | Noon | PK Egan's Restaurant, 115 St. Olaf Ave. N. |
| Marshall | Tues, Aug 19 dinner | Tuesday | 12:05pm | Shay's Rest/Ramada, 1500 E College Dr |
| Sioux Falls North | Wed, Aug 20 | Wednesday | Noon | Pizza Ranch, 3809 E 10th St |
| Watertown | Thurs, Aug 21 | Thursday | 12:15pm | Ramkota-Events Cntr, 1901 9th Ave. SW. |
| Sioux Falls West | Fri, Aug 22 | Friday | Noon | Westward Ho CC, Sherman Pk. |
| Labor Day Sept 1 | | | | |
| Zone Institute Sept 9-14 | | | | |
| Hot Springs | Thurs, Sept 4 | Thursday | 7:00am | Dale's Family Rest, 745 Battle Mt. Av. |
| LeMars | Tues, Sept 16 | Tuesday | Noon | American St Bk basemt, 235 5th Ave SW |
| Centerville | Thurs, Sept 18 | Thursday | Noon | Senior CC/Dakota Diner, 548 Broadway |
| District Conference Oct 2-4 | | | | |
| | | | | Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn |
| Cherokee | Mon, Oct 13 | Monday | Noon | Danny's, 1013 S. 2nd |
| Mapleton | Tues, Oct 14 | Tuesday | 5:30pm | Beef & Brew, 418 Main St. |
| Denison | Thurs, Oct 16 | Thursday | Noon | Cronk's Cafe, 812 4th Ave. S. |
| Multi-club visit: RV or Sibley location tha? | | | | |
| Rock Valley | Mon, Oct 20 | Monday | Noon | Cedar Rock Grill (basemt), 1523 14th St. |
| Sibley | Mon, Oct 20 | Monday | Noon | Pizza Ranch, 316 9th St |
| Madison | Mon, Oct 27, 2014 | Monday | Noon | Nicky's Restaurant, 1407 NW 2nd St. |
| Brookings | Tue, Oct 28, 2014 | Tuesday | Noon | Brookings Activity Center, 320 5th Av |
| Huron | Wed, Oct 29, 2014 | Wednesday | Noon | Crossroads Hotel, 100 4th St SW |
| Mitchell | Thu, Oct 30, 2014 | Thursday | Noon | Ramada Inn, 1525 W. Havans |
| District Foundation Training Nov. 1 | | | | |
| Aberdeen | Mon, Nov 3 | Monday | Noon | Mitchell Highland Center, Mitchell |
| Election Day Tue, Nov 4, 2014 | | | | |
| Clark | Tues, Nov 4 | Tuesday | 12:05pm | Mavericks, 720 Lamont St S |
| | | | | Look Out Bar & Grill, 116 1st Ave. E. |



RLI is coming - sooner than you think!

Did you always want to be an RLI facilitator but didn't know how to become one? Have you heard fellow club members talk about the wealth of knowledge they gained through participation in RLI and observed their renewed enthusiasm for Rotary, and now you want to be an RLI graduate too? If you fall into either of these categories, we definitely want to talk to you. And if you don't, we would like to talk to you also.

We will be finalizing this year's RLI program at the District Rotary Conference in Rapid City. We plan to have facilitator training on November 1 in Mitchell (see page 12 for RSVP information). We've had requests to have at least one RLI course before the end of the calendar year.

We value everyone's input, so if you have any ideas or requests, please forward them to the assistant governor for your area, e-mail me directly, lglyngstad@mncomm.com, or text me at 605 280-3119.

—Larry Lyngstad, District RLI Coordinator

Plan Rotary Days to Light Up Rotary!

RI President Gary Huang is encouraging all clubs to Light Up Rotary in 2014-15 by hosting Rotary Days. The concept of a Rotary Day is simple: hold a fun, informal event in your community for both Rotarians and the general public and use it as an opportunity to introduce non-Rotarians to Rotary and drive interest in membership and other opportunities for engagement. These events are also a great opportunity to get Rotary Alumni and New Generations program participants more involved in their local club. Rotarians can refer to the [Rotary Days brochure](#) for ideas on how to structure and promote their Rotary Day events.

In addition, sponsoring or participating in a Rotary Day event is one of the required activities that will help clubs qualify for the [2014-15 Presidential Citation](#). We're encouraging all Rotary Day organizers to share photos, videos, and stories of their events with the Rotary community and beyond. Here are just a few ways you and your clubs can publicize your impact:

- Post photos of your event on [Instagram](#) using the hashtag #RotaryDay
- [Tweet](#) promotional information and updates, also using the hashtag #RotaryDay
- Post a video of your Rotary Day on [YouTube](#) and email a link and description to rotary.service@rotary.org. Videos may be featured in Rotary media and one outstanding video will receive a special award plaque from RI President Gary Huang.
- Share your story with Rotary staff for possible inclusion in a blog, newsletter, or The Rotarian magazine. Contact us at rotary.service@rotary.org.
- Visit [the President's web page](#) to view a calendar of upcoming Rotary Day events or add your event to the calendar.



Norm's Notations: First Dude & Logistics Engineer to the DG // Records for August, 2014

Clubs Visited: 12

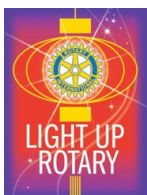
Number of Attendees: 300+

Best Chicken served: Marshall's Corn & Chicken Feed

Miles: 2040

Did you know: Luverne has the Brandenburg Gallery and Military Museum - very worthwhile. There is an Ola, SD - if you can't locate it, it is near the Bijou Hills. Cook's Kitchen in Brookings has a great breakfast, practically dripping in butter! And the Terry Redlin exhibition in Watertown is spectacular!

DON'T FORGET TO BRING THE CHILDREN'S BOOKS TO THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE!



D5610 Youth News // Satellite club // Rotaract, Interact



Current Rotaract and Interact Clubs

We need to build up the database for our District Rotaract and Interact clubs. The following list needs sponsor clubs and liaison contacts added. Please help get this information more robust! Contact Ella Shafer, D Admin.

Rotaract Clubs & sponsoring club:

SDSM&T Rotaract, Rapid City-Rushmore club
SDSU Rotaract, Brookings club
Dakota State University Rotaract, Madison club
University of Sioux Falls Rotaract, ?? club

Interact Clubs & sponsoring club:

Roosevelt high school, Sioux Falls, SD
New Technology high school, Sioux Falls, SD
Canton high school, Canton, SD
Denison high school, Denison, IA
Wolsey high school, Huron RC, SD
2nd chance alternative high school, Mitchell, SD
St. Thomas More high school, Rapid City-Rushmore RC, SD

Youth Exchange students arrive!

Five exchange students have arrived in Rotary District 5610. In Denison, Iowa is Mara, from Romania. In Brandon, SD is Sheila, from Spain, sponsored by Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls; Daniela is sponsored by Rotary Sioux Falls West and attending Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls. Gabriel, from Brazil, is in Brookings; Lucca, a German student, is sponsored by Rapid City Rotary clubs.



The students will travel together to a Rotary Youth Exchange Inbound Orientation September 12-14, taking place at Joy Hallow camp in Iowa. In October, they will mix with Rotarians and learn more about District 5610 at the District Conference in Rapid City. The Rapid City Clubs are currently searching for 2-4 households to host the students during the District Conference October 4-6. If you are available to have 1-2 of the students stay with you, please contact Cindy Bailie.

There are several other fun gatherings planned for the students throughout their visit here, stay tuned for updates and photos! If you have the chance, please invite a Rotary Exchange student to experience life in the United States with you—a dinner at your home, a sporting event, weekend away, touring your place of work, or any other opportunities. Engaging the exchange is beneficial to the students and to us!

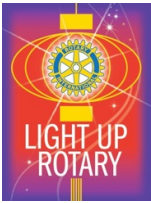
—Jane Gullickson, Youth Exchange Incoming Chair

(top: Daniela on right, right: Gabriel on left)



Omnicity Club officially welcomed!

On a beautiful late summer afternoon, August 28, a group of Rotarians from Rapid City-Rushmore and Rapid City Rotary clubs welcomed members into the new Omnicity Club, a satellite club of RC-Rushmore.



D5610 News // Committees & Clubs



This space is for Rotary Clubs to celebrate important events with the District-wide Rotary membership. For happenings, announcements and sharing, go to the District Facebook page. If you "like" and "friend" the District 5610 Group, you will get lots of fast-happening news, and post your own events and photos. <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryDistrict5610>

Yankton Club gets busy!

Yankton Rotary Club presented a check to Yankton Area Literacy Council to improve literacy skills through volunteers and expand awareness throughout the community. Pictured are Amy Nelson, Yankton Rotary President and Bev Calvert, Yankton Literacy Council Coordinator.



Yankton Rotary welcomes kids back to school with our "Rotary's Got Your Back" program. This year Yankton Rotary Club donated school supplies collected with the help of Wal-Mart and donations from the community. Yankton Rotarians Jill Hunhoff (left) and Yankton Rotary Club President Amy Nelson (right) recently presented the donation to First Dakota National Bank in Yankton. First Dakota National Bank will be distributing school supplies to local schools to assist teachers to prepare students going

back to school.

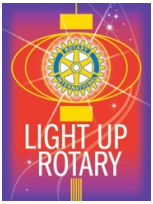
Yankton Rotary Club kicks off its annual Football Book Fundraiser by presenting a check to Yankton Junior Football. Pictured are Yankton Rotary President Amy Nelson and Curt Dykstra of Yankton Junior Football. "Football books are our club's major fundraiser," said Nelson. "and we thought contributing to Junior Football would be a great way to thank the community for supporting our football books over the years." Football books can be purchased for \$20.00 from any Rotarian. Please contact Simon Fuller, Past President for more information at 665-2600.

— Amy Nelson, President, Yankton Rotary



District Bylaws Approved:

As of September 1, 2014: 30 clubs have approved the District Bylaws as revised. This represents a two-thirds vote of 43 clubs, thereby the District Bylaws are accepted.



New Member Information Programs

ENGAGEMENT // Educating New Members

A new member information program should help new members expand on the knowledge gained from the prospective member program and broaden their understanding of their membership in a Rotary club. Your club's program should cover the following topics in three separate information sessions:

- **Rotary policies and procedures (Session 1 - July issue)**
- **Opportunities for service (Session 2 - August issue)**
- **Rotary history and achievements (Session 3 - below)**

Session Format and Logistics

New member information sessions are usually held as one-on-one meetings, since simultaneous new member inductions can't always be planned. If your club has new members join in pairs or small groups, hold these as group sessions. Always assign each new member his or her own mentor.

The session leader(s) may alternate from session to session. For instance, in one program, the mentor meets with the new member for the first session, a club leader conducts the next one, and a club member handles the third. If you're leading a session, invite the new member to meet in your place of business, over lunch or dinner, or before or after a regularly scheduled club meeting.

Session Outlines

Make sure that each session clearly addresses a new topic. Customize the following session outlines to fit your club's needs, and distribute publications for the programs or topics your club is involved with. Many publications are also available as free downloads from www.rotary.org. Refer new members to the RI Web site, your club Web site, or your district Web site whenever relevant.

Session Three - Rotary History and Achievements

1. Origin, growth, and achievements of Rotary International:
 - History of RI and The Rotary Foundation
 - RI Board of Directors
 - The Rotary Foundation Trustees
 - Object of Rotary
 - Mission of Rotary International
2. Tradition of high ethical standards
 - The Four-Way Test
3. History and achievements of local club
4. Spouse/partner and family involvement

Session Three Resources

Present relevant items to new members, and review the materials with them. Loan new members videos from the club library when necessary.

- The ABCs of Rotary (363-EN)
- Connect for Good (Rotary Basics 595-EN)
- This is Rotary (001-EN)
- Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation Annual Reports (187A-EN)
- RI Theme Brochure & Presidential Citation Brochure (900-EN & 900A-EN)
- Doing Good in the World DVD (978-MU)
- End Polio Now DVD (999-DVD)
- New Member Information Kit (426-ENB)

Find more information at www.rotary.org.

Global Grant Scholarship Applicants Wanted!

We need your help identifying candidates for this wonderful scholarship sponsored by Rotary District 5610 and Rotary International!

*Successful applicants will receive a \$30,000 grant for GRADUATE level studies.

*Must provide proof of at least provisional acceptance to a university OUTSIDE the USA.

*Graduate Studies must be related to one of the six areas of Rotary International focus: Peace and Conflict Resolution; Disease Prevention and Treatment; Water & Sanitation; Maternal & Child Health; Basic Education Literacy; Economic & Community Development.

How to apply:

- 1) Application deadline is FEBRUARY 1, 2015.
- 2) Applicants cannot be related in any way to a member of Rotary.
- 3) Applicants must residents of District 5610.

Further information can be obtained by contacting: *David Lorenz* (dlorenz@usd.edu), *Scholarship Chair*

Polio Push

Dr. Bruce Alyward gave an excellent presentation at the Rotary International Convention in Sidney Australia. He noted that the year had been difficult with immunization workers being targeted and killed by the Taliban. This has forced us to withdraw workers in North Waziristan, Pakistan. The result has been a large number of paralyzed children in this area. Another setback was polio getting out of Nigeria and causing paralysis in a number of countries of Africa. The civil war in Syria also let polio back into that country.

However the problems of the last 6 months have been met with increased action to encircle polio and stop its spread. This has been successful. Nigeria has responded with more National Immunization Days resulting in the number of cases falling to only 4 in the year to date. In Pakistan increased efforts have resulted in all children being immunized as they come in or out of North Waziristan. The Pakistani government has launched an armed offensive against the Taliban in North Waziristan. Hopefully that will be successful enough to get Immunizers back in that province.

Globally the count of polio cases shows that there have been 112 cases compared to 95 at this time last year. Pakistan is up from 18 last year to 88 so far this year. Nigeria has decreased to only 4 cases and Afghanistan has increased from 3 to 7 cases.

This is a critical time so hopefully every club and member will continue giving. Our district is asking for \$40 per member this year.

— *Dr. Willis Sutliff, Polio Plus Chair*



Make Your Polio Plus Donations NOW! Use your Rotary website member access, sign in, go to The Rotary Foundation, choose “Give”, pick the appropriate plan, do it in 5 easy steps.

Make Your Rotary Foundation Donations NOW! Use your Rotary website member access, sign in, go to The Rotary Foundation, choose “Give Now”, pick your appropriate plan, do it in 5 easy steps.

www.Rotary.org

Global Grant Scholar Arrives in Belgium

Rotary District 5610 is pleased to announce that our nominee, Ms. Emily Nachtigal, originally from Platte, SD, has been awarded a Global Grant Scholarship by Rotary International. Emily has been awarded a \$30,000 scholarship to pursue an International Master of Science degree specializing in Rural Development. She will be studying at Ghent University in Ghent, Belgium. Rotarians in Ghent have graciously agreed to serve as her hosts.

Emily graduated from Platte-Geddes High School and then continued her education at the University of Minnesota. She graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in Applied Economics. Following her graduation from the University of Minnesota, Emily was a staff member for the Governor of Minnesota and most recently was the assistant to the majority leader of the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Emily's roots in South Dakota agriculture are the focus of her studies and her professional goals following graduation. Ensuring that children across the world have access to healthy, nutritional food is very important to Emily. She hopes to work with policyholders and stakeholders to help them understand that having strong rural economies is just as important for a state or country as a strong urban economy.

Don't be surprised if some day Emily is United State Secretary of Agriculture, as that is her long term career goal. Those in District 5610 who have been privileged to visit with Emily have no doubt she has unlimited potential.

Watch for updates from Emily in future District 5610 newsletters. Congratulations to Emily Nachtigal and a special thanks to the Scotland, SD Rotary Club for identifying her as a candidate and nominating her!



Young Women in Peru gain Leadership skills

The Visionaria Peru project consists of an ten-day educational "Leadership Institute" followed by six-week project-based community "Activism Tracks". With the support of a Rotary International Global Grant, the team of Boulder New Generations Rotary Club members have created a dynamic and unique leadership curriculum building upon and culturally adapting (1) proven empowerment methods, (2) international handbooks and leadership strategies for young women, and (3) partnerships with sustainable development professionals, Peruvian educators, and community leaders (like the Cusco Rotary Club!). The Visionaria Peru program and grant design continues to be iterated and the Boulder Rotarians hope to serve as a model and resource for other Rotarians supporting the development of young women and the innate abilities of these women to multiply Rotarians' efforts in every Rotary Area of Focus, the world-around.

For more information, please see the project website: <http://www.thevisionarianetwork.org/>
Contact: Marika Meertens, Boulder New Generations Rotary Club, marika.meertens@gmail.com

—Marika Mertens, Boulder New Generations Rotary Club

Paul Harris Society announces new online registration

I am excited to announce that any donor interested in joining the Paul Harris Society will be able to do so electronically! In addition to all of the other options that have been available to join, you will be able to go to the Rotary Website's Paul Harris Society page, www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety, click on the JOIN TODAY button and take a few minutes to complete the application. Here's ways to join:

- Visit the NEW PHS page on the Rotary website to join online.
- Participate in Rotary Direct (Rotary's recurring giving program) at the PHS level (i.e. US \$85 monthly, US \$250 quarterly or US \$1,000 annually) and you will automatically become a PHS member. To make online-gifts recurring, you need to manually change the "frequency" under Step 2 of the contribution process.
- Use the PHS form which can be faxed to 847-328-5260 or email annualfund@rotary.org.
- E-mail contact.center@rotary.org or call +1-866-976-8279 to join or confirm your PHS membership.
- District Paul Harris Society Coordinators can email new PHS members (full name, Rotary Club and Rotary id number) to annualfund@rotary.org or fax their PHS Form/PHS brochure to +1-847-328-5260.

Note: If any of the PHS/contribution forms contain credit card information, then using the fax +1-847-328-5260 is the safest and most secure method for transmitting the information to The Rotary Foundation.

Let's take advantage of this opportunity to have you recognized for your continuing support of the Rotary objectives through your annual generous donations to the Rotary Foundation.

—Michael Rich, PHS Committee Chair

Foundation Training Seminar and Dinner

You are invited to attend the Grants, Foundation and/or RLI training on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Please see the information below about these new training sessions. We encourage and welcome any and all District 5610 Rotarians to attend. Join us at the Highland Conference Center in Mitchell, SD. Lunch and dinner will be provided at no cost, and the banquet will be the perfect reward for your club's Paul Harris Fellows and Paul Harris Society honorees!

Please RSVP before October 18 to the listed contact below:

Foundation Grants Training 10:00 – Noon

Foundation Seminar 12:30 – 5:00

Banquet 6:00 – 10:00

Foundation Training RSVP to Ella Shafer

ella.shafer@chssd.org

RLI Facilitator Training 9:00 – 4:00

RSVP to: Larry Lyngstad, RLI Committee Chair

lglyngstad@mncomm.com

We have a block of rooms being held through October 17 under **District 5610 Foundation Training** with a discounted rate of \$79 at the Comfort Inn & Suites. Phone: 605-990-2400

Rotarians are invited to attend the First Annual
District 5610

Rotary Foundation Training & Dinner



Saturday, November 1, 2014

Learn how you can support our charitable Foundation - one of THE BEST in the world!
The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.
The Rotary Foundation helps fund our humanitarian activities, from local service projects to global initiatives. Your club or district can apply for grants from the Foundation to invest in projects and provide scholarships. The Foundation also leads the charge on worldwide Rotary campaigns such as eradicating polio and promoting peace.
Rotarians and friends of Rotary support the Foundation's work through voluntary contributions.

Hosted at

Mitchell Highland Conference Center, Mitchell, SD

Training & Dinner reservations open July, 2014
on the District Website www.Rotary5610.org

Contact Bruce Nearhood, Foundation Chair, for more information.
See the District website for news and additional Foundation Committee members.
Visit www.Rotary.org to learn more about the Rotary Foundation.



Global Grant applications/suggested projects needing partner clubs:

Sewing Machines for Women Project G-674 with India D3120, Allahabad, www.MatchingGrants.org/global/project674.html
In 2011 -12 our district participated in a Rotary International Matching Grant with District 3120 in India to buy sewing machines for young Indian women so that they could set up their own small businesses to support themselves and their families. The project was a great success. District 3120 would like to do another sewing machine project and are asking our district to partner again. We would like the clubs who want to participate to donate a minimum of \$500 for the grant and need to know by September 15, 2014. —Pat Sutliff, PDG

Peppermint Energy, Pierre-Ft. Pierre club, in partnership with Peppermint Energy and numerous other nongovernmental and philanthropic organizations, is initiating the International Rural Electrification Program. Rotary member, Chris Maxwell and president of Peppermint Energy, discussed at the district meeting last fall, the efforts to provide rural electrification around the world and the company's all-in-one solar generated called the Forty2.

If your club is interested in partnering on any of the projects or if you have projects that you are already working on that could benefit from solar generators, let us know. Please contact Chris.Maxwell@peppermintenergy.com and Jill Hart at Jill.Novotny@hotmail.com, and copy our executive secretary Ed Jacobson at coach@pie.midco.net.

Romania Birthing Room, Sioux Falls Downtown club, (information to come)

District Grant applications needing partner clubs:

SD Spelling Bee, Vermillion club, Tena Haraldson. Clubs are invited to support the South Dakota Spelling Bee by increasing school participation statewide. The Rotary Foundation grant will be used to encourage new schools to enroll in the competition by covering the cost of materials, supplies and prizes for winners. Individual clubs could pay the early enrollment of \$130 for a local school and/or they could contribute up to \$500 to match the Foundation grant for materials, supplies and prizes for schools and students.

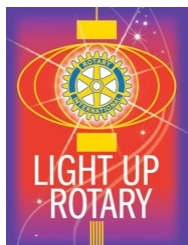
Individual Rotary Clubs would raise awareness of the South Dakota Spelling Bee and encourage schools to participate, expanding the learning opportunities to more youngsters around South Dakota. Clubs could invite young spellers and their teachers to make presentations at club meetings. USD also provides a slide show that explains the program and outcomes. Rotary Clubs could recognize the schools and participants from their areas by placing a congratulatory advertisement in local media. Individual Rotarians could volunteer to help conduct local, regional and state bees by contacting Spelling Bee Director Cheryl Havermann at the University of South Dakota, cheryl.havermann@usd.edu, 605-677-5146.

Journey Museum Educational Program, Rapid City club, Troy Kilpatrick tkilpatrick@journeymuseum.org

Fall and winter programs will have either a science or history focus with stated learning objectives. All lessons will include a writing and reading component that is aligned with standards from the State of South Dakota. The Club for Boys and SD GEAR UP (both of which support low income students), will continue to bring students to the museum for our educational programs. Rotarians are asked to provide funds or docent support for tour guides for classrooms and as classroom aides to the staff.

Club Projects asking for support:

Rapid City Rotary Club Little Free Library children's book donations. Norm Peterson is asking that clubs bring a bag or box of children's book to the District Conference in October. They are stocking a LFL box at Storybook Island and need more children's books, any type up to high school age. pete2@q.com 605-341-5006



D5610 News // RI News & Reports



Make plans NOW to attend the 2015 Rotary International Convention!

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/2014/Pages/saopaulo2015.aspx>

IMPORTANT NOTICE: DATES CHANGED! After careful consideration, Rotary International President Gary Huang and the RI Board have decided to change the dates of the 2015 Rotary Convention in São Paulo to **Saturday, 6 June, through Tuesday, 9 June** – starting and ending one day earlier than previously scheduled.

The dates were changed because the original opening day (Sunday, 7 June) coincided with one of the city's most popular parades. The new start date will dramatically reduce traffic congestion and make it easier for Rotary members to attend the opening plenary sessions. It will also make it convenient to attend our very own Rotary Carnival, a [Host Organization Committee event](#), on Saturday evening.

Check riconvention.org regularly for dates, deadlines, and registration and housing details. Find information about Host Organization Committee events at www.rotary2015saopaulo.org.br.

Dates for the following events **have also changed**. Please check riconvention.org for the latest information:

- International Institute: Thursday-Friday, 4-5 June
- International Institute Luncheon: Thursday, 4 June
- Rotary Peace Symposium & International Institute Dinner: Thursday, 4 June
- Rotaract Preconvention: Thursday-Friday, 4-5 June
- Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention: Thursday-Friday, 4-5 June
- President's Recognition Luncheon: Saturday, 6 June
- Conductor João Carlos Martins and Vai-Vai Percussionists Concert (HOC event): Sunday, 7 June
- President-elect's Leadership Luncheon: Monday, 8 June
- On to Seoul Convention Luncheon: Tuesday, 9 June

The dates for these events have **not** changed:

- Rotary Peace Symposium: Thursday-Friday, 4-5 June
- Youth Exchange Officers Banquet: Friday, 5 June
- Rotary's Carnival (HOC event): Saturday, 6 June
- Ivete Sangalo Concert (HOC event): Monday, 8 June

AN IMPORTANT NOTE FROM ROTARY RESEARCH

Through more than 30 surveys each year, Rotary invites Rotarians and other Rotary family members to provide feedback on important topics. Unfortunately, we receive a large number of "bouncebacks" on our invitation emails due to invalid or outdated email addresses. As we begin our new 2014-15 Rotary year, please encourage your fellow Rotarians to check and update their email addresses on www.rotary.org.

(Editor's Note) When using the District website to email out communications to all the District membership, with almost 2000 members, only 1400 are reached with email. Now is the time to update your membership with a correct email address!