

Coconut Telegraph

March 2019



by Larry Hatch
District Governor 2018-19

As I write this, I'm sitting in Seattle waiting for the opening of PETS. It doesn't seem that long ago that I was here getting ready to experience PETS with the President-Elects who would be serving with me this Rotary year. Now it's DGE Diane's turn. While I was waiting for my bag at the airport yesterday a young lady said "I bet I know where you're going" pointing to the Rotary logo on my shirt. We struck up a conversation and I found out she was the President-Elect from Pullman, WA. She started questioning me about PETS, wondering what it was all about. I told her to sit back and enjoy the ride and on Sunday I was sure she would say it was one of the best experiences in Rotary.



PEs at first District session on Friday.



Introduction of DGE Diane Noriega at the Friday night dinner session.

As I travel around the District asking people to sign up for Rotary Direct, with the incentive that I'll give them 250 Paul Harris points; I sense a lot of people do not understand what the points are and how they work. I discovered this document [Understanding Foundation Recognition Points](#) and I think it gives the reader a better understanding of what they are, how they are accumulated and how they can be used.

During my visits I talk about membership and retention saying we don't have a membership problem, we have a retention problem. We started the year with 3,490 members and currently stand at 3,526. Salem is in the lead with 10 new members, Milwaukie with 8, West Linn with 7, and SW Pacific County Peninsula, Hermiston and Newberg Early Birds each at 6 new members. 23 other clubs have grown by one or more



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Mark Your Calendar

Upcoming District Events

Apr. 13, 2019 - District Training Assembly - Centennial High School, Gresham, OR

May 17-19, 2019 - District Conference, [Riverhouse on the Deschutes](#)

Rotary International Convention

June 1-5, 2019, Hamburg, Germany

members. Let's keep the momentum of growth but our current members. Pay attention to those who are not regularly attending meetings or functions. Contact them, let them know they are missed, and their participation is important to the club.

District conference registration is open on DACdb and the conference committee is finalizing the schedule and speakers. One of my goals was less conference and more time to enjoy the surrounding area with family and/or friends. We're working with the Bend area clubs and hopefully will have a joint community service project with them Friday afternoon as well as some guided tours. More to come as soon as things are finalized.

Fins up,
Larry

Questions/concerns/praise to share?
You can reach me via email at: dglarry1819@outlook.com

Membership

by *Claudia Yakos, District Membership Chair*



The Importance of Satisfying Our Members Needs

Leading clubs to become more effective requires a multi-year effort, not a hit-and-miss one-month-a-year stab. It takes focus, which is often lost in time and busyness of other activities. However, it is vital that clubs keep membership satisfaction in sharp focus because the success of any Rotary club depends on its ability to attract and retain members just as the success of any business depends on its ability to attract and retain its customers.

New Rotarians join Rotary because they want to network and establish additional friendships. If early in their career stages, they also want to develop leadership skills. If they are long-time Rotarians who have recently moved to the area, they still want to network and establish friendships. It may be for business, social, or service reasons, but it's still networking and developing friendships. The new members, particularly those in growing businesses, want to be known as having high ethical standards in their business and profession. If the club has been diligent in pursuing their distinctive position, members will enjoy witnessing high ethical standards in use and that applying the ideal of service to their community life is beneficial to all concerned, including themselves, whether it is for personal or business reasons.

These activities will gratify members for a long while, but some will strive for higher levels of achievement by advancing international understanding and goodwill, and will participate in one or more of the many international programs the Rotary organization has to offer. By now, the twenty-plus year Rotarian has developed lifelong friendships and experienced years of varying types of service. If the club continues to aggressively execute their distinctive position, the veteran members will continue developing acquaintances as an opportunity for service, by sharing experiences with new Rotarians, extending Rotary's circle of life.

Sound like a fairy tale? It isn't. It's representative of Rotarians whose clubs are intent on making membership worthwhile. Any club can achieve this sustaining cycle of life if they perpetually advance the Object of Rotary for their members, and the community's business, professional, and civic leaders who have discretionary use of their time. All this is possible if, and only if, clubs strive for consistency in pursuing excellence to the degree their members demand.

Effective clubs concentrate on satisfying all members' needs, but membership-challenged clubs will face a dilemma in the changes they must make. Putting together the necessary changes will be even harder than it sounds because members themselves usually have only a few needs at any given time. The club must strive to ensure these needs are met while accommodating long-time members, whose needs have changed.

So how is a club going to change and execute the Object of Rotary to the satisfaction of ALL members?

First, the club must operate on the committee system because that's the only means of effectively involving **all** members in club activities. It is in the committee system that long time members can share their experiences with new members, and new members can inform long time members of changes in the workplace. Every club should have active committees, worthwhile projects, and other interesting programs. It is within these activities that members develop acquaintances as an opportunity for service and where they effectively network, solidify friendships, and have fun while developing leadership skills, all of which helps make membership in the club worth their time and effort.



[Click for more Convention information](#)

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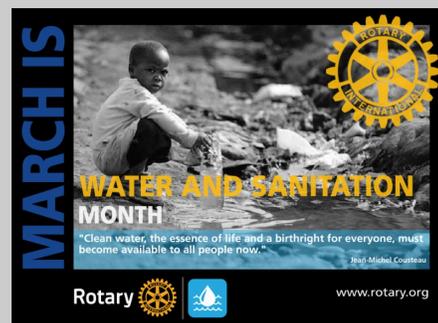
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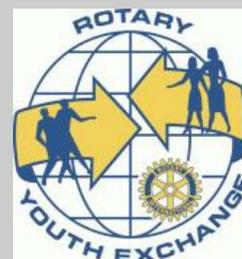
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March is Water and Sanitation Month



Youth Exchange

by *Dan Boldt, District YE Chair*



Youth Exchange Opportunity

skills, all of which helps make membership in the club worth their time and effort.

Second, the cycle will sustain as long as clubs satisfy their members' needs by diligently **Advancing the Object of Rotary!**

Questions? Contact [Claudia Yakos](#), 2019-2021 District 5100 Membership Chair.

REMINDER from DG Larry Hatch: Each club should do an annual climate survey of the membership, see what members are thinking, and determine if any course changes are needed.

The Rotary Foundation

by PDG Tom Markos, District Rotary Foundation Chair



Looking for information about the Rotary Foundation? Want to learn why you should donate to the Rotary Foundation? Interested in learning how to do a District Grant or Global Grant?

Mark your calendar and **Save the Date.**

Sat., April 13th is our **District Training Assembly.**

There will be 10 different sessions presented specifically about areas of The Rotary Foundation. The courses will include:

1. The Rotary Foundation Simplified
2. End Polio Now
3. Resources for TRF Chairs & Members
4. District Grant Qualification & Stewardship
5. District Grant Workshop
6. Global Grant Workshop
7. Finding an International Partner for your global grant
8. Preparing a Community assessment for your global grant
9. Global Grant Qualification & Stewardship
10. Rotary's commitment to Peace

The District Rotary Foundation Committee is preparing these sessions to help you be successful in your use of The Rotary Foundation.

Please consider attending the District Training Assembly and learning just a bit more about The Rotary Foundation. Watch for more information on the **District Training Assembly** coming your way.

[Tom Markos](#)

District Rotary Foundation Chair

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

The Rotary Foundation - District Grants Round Three

ATTENTION ALL CLUBS

- Round Three of District Grants now open.
- Funds will only be available until all money has been allocated.

To secure your share, or for more information, please contact [Christine Huot](#).

PolioPlus - Polio Eradication Funding

by PDG Doug Taylor, District PolioPlus Chair

Youth Exchange Opportunity

If you have supported projects in Guatemala, traveled there on one of our annual team trips, and want to extend a hand to continue our partnerships and connections with Guatemala Rotarians, please consider saying 'YES' to this new Youth Exchange opportunity.

Two students from the southwest coast of Guatemala, from the Coatepeque-Colomba Club, recently approached District 5100 leaders about having their students once again come to our District. Many clubs in our District have been partners with their club for youth exchange and service projects for over 20 years. As always, the Coatepeque Club families want their 'teens' to come to our District. District 5100 Rotarians were asked to share the request with Clubs who have been involved with Youth Exchanges in the past with Coatepeque Rotarian families as well as to reach out to District 5100 Rotarians who have worked on projects over the years with the Coatepeque Club.

In early February, Coatepeque Club members made an in-person request to representatives from the Portland and Tigard clubs for two one-way exchanges. The International Service Team representatives from District 5100 had traveled to Guatemala and Costa Rica for project site visits and meetings with project partners.

Both students have a good command of English (the girl has studied English for 10 years). While we would not be able to do a reciprocal exchange with Guatemala because of State Department guidelines, we are able to accept these two students with their District 4250 certifications.

Our District YE Committee would need two clubs each willing to sponsor one of these two students. Each participating club would be responsible for finding and vetting at least two and preferably three host families according to District and Department of State requirements.

Information about the Youth Exchange Program can be found [here](#).

Contact [Dan Boldt](#) or [David Noall](#) if your club is interested in this new hosting opportunity.

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE:

Are you planning to attend the District Conference? If so, would you be interested in providing transportation to

POLIO ERADICATION FUNDING UPDATES

- **Spain** has provided €50 000 to WHO for polio eradication efforts worldwide.
- **Germany's** extraordinary support to GPEI was reaffirmed in December 2018 through contributions to the three polio endemic countries: €10 million to Afghanistan, €15.5 million to Nigeria and €5 million to Pakistan.
- As a part of its long-term, multi-year commitment to global effort for polio eradication, the Government of **Luxembourg** disbursed €500 000 in 2018.
- The **United Arab Emirates** continues its strong support to polio eradication operations in Pakistan and has contributed US\$ 2 048 934 to the UAE-Pakistan Assistance Programme.
- **Canada** has provided Can\$ 1.5 million to WHO as part of its Can\$ 15 million contribution to polio eradication operations in Afghanistan.

From: *Polio News* (Global Polio Eradication Initiative)

As we kick off 2019, polio workers continue their tireless work to reach children everywhere with the lifesaving polio vaccine, to eradicate this scourge once and for all. While the world had hoped to be rid of this disease in 2018, the year saw a number of key milestones to bring us ever closer to that reality. From endorsing the forward-looking Post Certification Strategy to stopping the Syria outbreak, leaders across the globe are working together to root out the virus along borders and safeguard polio-free countries from potential reemergence. As 2018 came to an end, health workers worldwide strategically vaccinated children in hard-to-reach areas, sometimes ahead of schedule, doing whatever it took to keep children protected. With the end of the Endgame Plan 2013-2018, the GPEI is working with stakeholders to present a 2019-2023 strategy to the World Health Assembly. This plan builds on the lessons learned since 2013 and lays out a clear roadmap to achieve global certification and secure a lasting polio-free world once and for all.

For current polio events and updates please visit: [Polio Eradication](#).

For assistance contact: [PDG Doug Taylor](#).

Vocational Service - Speed Networking by David W. Potts, District Vocational Service Chair

My home club, the Rotary Club of Milwaukie, Oregon, held a speed-networking session as part of Vocational Service Month. As we have a number of new members, this was a great way to get our members to learn more about the vocations of our fellow Rotarians. We found it very successful and I would like to share our process with you.

Depending on the size of your club, you may need to adjust the parameters . . . and, for larger clubs, you may need to consider multiple sessions, to allow time for each Rotarian to meet with all others in your club.

Our President began the meeting encouraging all the members to eat their meal while listening to club announcements, so they would not need to carry their lunch with them while moving from group to group.

We started with the event moderator describing the process:

- Members are to split into groups of 6, encouraging them to sit with people with whom they don't usually sit
- Each group will then determine the first one to speak
- The first Rotarian in the group will then be given 2 minutes to speak about their vocation (or, if retired, about what they did when they were working and, if desired,

and/or from Bend for one of our District YEX students? Please contact [Dan Boldt](#) for more information.

Friendship Exchange



District 5100 has been invited to participate in a Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) to District 3810 in the Philippines. District 3810 consists of 102 clubs from Manila, Pasay, Cavite and Mindoro.

The exchange will be for 10 days sometime during the first two weeks of March 2020. The inbound exchange to us will be in May of 2020. The number of participants will be 10, with 5 host homes.

If you are interested in this exchange, please let me know. Please include the number of people traveling with you and the name of your club. Travelers should be willing to host visiting Rotarians for approximately 3 days or find other Rotarians willing to do so.

Rotary Friendship Exchange is a program where two Districts, usually from different countries, plan a 10-14 day visit to another District. All expenses are born by Rotarians. While on exchange, Rotarians share their cultures with each other by sharing meals, attending Rotary meetings, visiting historic sites and museums, etc. Our District has had many exchanges to numerous countries including: India, Brazil, Sri Lanka, Croatia, UK, South Africa, and Canada. We have also had two in-country exchanges to San Diego and the Northeastern United States. Exchanges are coordinated by the Districts but are frequently established by personal contacts Rotarians develop with other Rotarians in other parts of the world.

The District RFE coordinator keeps a list of Rotarians who are interested in RFE and a list of club representatives who agree to report on planned exchanges. We usually have no more than two per year.

If you are interested in RFE and would like your name added to the list, please contact [Sherre Calouri](#), RFE coordinator for District 5100.

Club News - West Linn

- location (or, if retired, about what they did when they were working and, if desired, what they are doing now)
- After 100 seconds, the moderator will give a quick audible cue to indicate there are 20 seconds to wrap up
- After 2 minutes (20 seconds after the cue), the moderator will cue the next member, clockwise, to begin their 2 minute talk
- After each of the 6 members speak, the members would be prompted by the moderator and given 30 seconds to move to a different table; choosing a table with the majority being ones they have not yet met with, for the next session
- The process will begin, again, until time for the program expires

The members then moved and chose the first member of each group to speak and began the process.

After the first session, we decided to purchase 2 minute sand timers for each table, to try, next time. I received input from multiple members, indicating they enjoyed this exercise, and learned things about their fellow Rotarians they didn't know before.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about Rotary Vocational Service, are interested in Vocational Service presentations or projects or if you are interested in starting a Vocational Service committee in your club. You can email me at david.w.potts@att.net or 503-659-5588.

Yours in peace and Rotary service-
Dave

District Conference 2019



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Aurora, OR 97002

Rotary West Linn Rotary Foundation

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RESCHEDULED!

The Rotary Club of West Linn is pleased to announce their **Stomp Out Barn Dance** scheduled for Saturday, Mar. 2, 2019 at Langdon Farms in Aurora.

Click [here](#) for more information or to purchase tickets.

Club News - Kruse Way

A very rare opportunity to hear Oregon's internationally known cancer researcher and Director of the Knight Cancer Institute, Dr. Brian Druker, will take place March 12.

Kruse Way Rotary is honored to invite Rotary members to their regular meeting at the Kruse Oaks Conference Center, 5300 Meadows Road, Lake Oswego, at noon.

Druker developed the world's first non-toxic cancer treatment and leads KCI in pursuit of early detection treatment.

Contact: chad@oregon.com please if you are attending.

Club News - Columbia County

We are gearing up for our OUTSTANDINGLY successful golf tournament June 7, 2019. We love our fellow Rotary clubs so much we would like to give them an early "Save the Date" notice!

Columbia County Rotary 2019 Golf Tournament



Friday, June 7, 2019

**Rotary District 5100 Conference
Registration is open!**

**Join us for a destination conference
in Bend, OR on May 17, 18, 19**

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RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) 2019

RYLA applications are now available, is your club ready?

One important Rotary goal is to help young people develop the leadership qualities and self-confidence they need to become leaders of our business, community, and world. RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) is an important part of that goal. RYLA participants gain important knowledge about themselves, learn how to work with others to promote ideas, and become better people and leaders. All while being introduced to Rotary.

RYLA takes place every July and brings together dozens of young adults from every stage of life, from college students to those just starting life after college, and those with a family and solid career. Working together, participants learn from the world-class speakers and activities during the week, and explore and strengthen their ideas of leadership and community.

Open to all young adults ages 19 - 28, this year RYLA takes place July 13th - 19th up in beautiful Corbett Oregon. Don't be late, applications are due May 31st!

Visit RYLAdistrict5100.org for details.



For more info. contact: [Holly Houston](#)

Club News - Clackamas

SPECIAL RECOGNITION!

On Thursday, February 21st the Rotary Club of Clackamas recognized twelve Rotarians receiving Paul Harris Fellows.

Assistant Governor Dwaine Rhea and Club President Annette Dexter presented the PHF's to the following L to R:

Brett Sherman (PHF), Diane Weber (+1), Clint Ehlers (+2), Tom Bolt (+2), Dr. Brad Carpenter (+3), Bob Johnson (+5), Joel Mobley (+6), Neal Butler (+6), Dr. Shirish Patel (+7). AG Dwaine Rhea, Club President Annette Dexter. Not pictured: Mark Meek (PHF), Tom Bomotti (PHF), Gary Burke (+2)



The Rotary Club of Clackamas has 46 Paul Harris Fellows and an all time giving amount of just under \$300,000.00.



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