

Rotary
District 5100

Diane's District Diary

September 2019 - Diane's District Diary



by Diane Cordero de Noriega
District Governor 2019-20

Dear District:

August was a full and exciting month. I made a special visit to the Three Creeks Vancouver Club for a presentation by our Zone Area Coordinator, Steve Lingenbrink, a longtime friend of District 5100. My club visits included many of the Portland Area clubs: Albina, SE

Portland, NE Portland, Central East Portland, Columbia County, and Portland Metro. It was my honor to visit The Rotary Club of Portland Pearl and present their 100% Paul Harris Banner. This is a remarkable achievement! Congratulations! My visits also included Portland Rotaract. They are a strong and lively bunch with a full slate of service projects and cool ideas.

A major highlight was the Emerging Professionals Summit. This was something I have dreamed of doing in our District ever since I attended the Zone-sponsored Young Professionals Summit in Berkeley, CA four years ago. We had past RI Director Brad Howard and the consummate young professional, Mitty Chang with us as major speakers. They also stayed all day and participated in our breakout working sessions. We had good representation from clubs all over the District as well as our Assistant Governors in attendance. After our post-summit debrief, we will be deciding if this might become an annual or semi-annual event.

Looking forward to September, there are some notable events coming up. First, there is the Zone Institute in Denver, Colorado. This will be the first Institute with our new Zone configuration. We are now Zone 27. Jo Crenshaw will be in Governor Elect Training and Jim Boyle will participate in Governor Nominee Training. Locally, here in District 5100, we will hold our Annual Rotary Foundation Seminar, coordinated by our TRF Chair, Tom Markos. This will be on September 28th at The Clackamas Banquet Center from 8am to 2pm. Registration is open in DACdb under the calendar tab.

Finally, I was so happy to host the Annual AG BBQ at my home August 25. It is our way of recognizing, appreciating, and enjoying, all our AGs who give of their time and energy supporting our clubs. They are important liaisons between the Governor and the clubs, communicating information both ways. My Rotary family surprised me with a tres leches birthday cake! Wow - it was delicious! It was a wonderful evening.



Share your club stories with the District on social media
#rotaryd5100
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Upcoming District Events

Sept. 28, 2019 - The Rotary Foundation Seminar, Clackamas Banquet Center

Oct. 5, 2019 - Membership & Public Image Seminar

Oct. 19, 2019 - Eastern Oregon, The Rotary Foundation Seminar, Pendleton



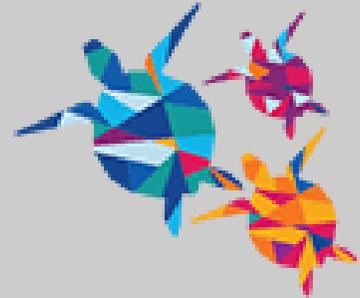
Feb. 20, 2020 - PrePETS, SeaTac, Doubletree Hotel

Feb. 21-23, 2020 - PETS, Seatac, Doubletree Hotel, [PNW PETS](#)

Apr. 18, 2020 - District Training Assembly, Oregon City High School

May 14-17, 2020 - District Conference, Mt. Hood Oregon Resort, Welches, OR

Rotary International Convention
June 6-10, 2020, Honolulu, HI



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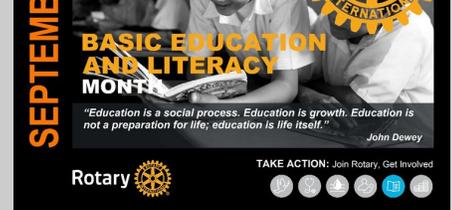
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**September is Basic Education
and Literacy Month**





Mark your Calendars:

District Training Assembly: April 18, 2020 at Oregon City High School
District Conference: May 14-17, 2020 at Mt. Hood Oregon Resort in Welches.

Questions/concerns/praise to share?

You can reach me via email at: dcdnoriega@me.com

Membership Corner & New Rotarian Spotlight

by Claudia Yakos, District Membership Chair



GROW ROTARY

As a global network that strives to build a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change, Rotary values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

August was Membership and New Club Development Month. Now is the perfect time to celebrate your club's members and consider the many options available for strengthening your membership. The following ideas can get you started (click to access detailed information on the underlined links):

Show your Rotary pride by adding a [Proud Member frame](#) to your profile picture on Facebook.

[Watch RI President Mark Daniel Maloney](#) speak about growing Rotary and share his short membership video at your next club or district meeting. RI President Mark Daniel Maloney has several ideas for how Rotary leaders can "grow our membership so that we can achieve more." Starting new Rotary clubs and offering innovative membership models are just two options that can increase membership. Read about more ideas in [Rotary Leader](#).

Welcome new members to your club with [Rotary Basics](#). The online course covers all things Rotary in an interactive, multimedia format. The course was designed for new members, but it's also a good refresher for long-time members who want to test their Rotary knowledge.

Encourage local businesses, nonprofits, and government groups to get involved in Rotary by offering corporate memberships. Learn more about this innovative membership model in the [Guide to Corporate Membership](#).

Did you know you can start a satellite club with as few as eight members? The [Guide to Satellite Clubs](#) explains what a satellite club is, how it can benefit your community, and steps for starting one.

Passport clubs encourage their members to visit other clubs and participate in their activities as a way to get fresh ideas. Learn more about this club model in the new [Guide to Passport Clubs](#).

The newly updated [Club Flexibility page](#) has great ideas and tips for how your club can stay relevant to current and future members.

Finally, Rotary has a series of membership courses available in the [Learning Center](#) - such as [Building a Diverse Club](#). Each course includes self-guided learning modules that let you explore real-life scenarios you might experience in your club. All membership courses are highlighted in purple.

You can find all these resources and more at rotary.org/membership to stay relevant to

Youth Exchange
by Dan Boldt, District YE Chair



Dear District 5100 Rotarians,

This nice summary of our recently-completed Rebound Student Reunion comes from Johnny Archer, one of several ROTEX (former exchange students dedicated to the exchange program) who volunteered their time to organize and present the Reunion to our recently-returned students...

The 2018-19 newly-stateside Rebound students were reunited last week at their final Rotary Youth Exchange event, held at Canby Grove Christian Center.



The week-end-long retreat provided an opportunity for everyone to share stories, draw comparisons, and reflect on their exchanges, through sessions put on by D5100 ROTEX, with the support of the District Youth Exchange Committee.

Isabel, returning to Salem (Sunrise) from South Korea, told us that, "the Rebound week end really helped me debrief my exchange. It was great to finally be back with all the other Rebounds."

Fernando, who is back in Seaside from Germany, commented that there was an opportunity to, "socialize with friends we hadn't seen in over a year while also being provided very important, useful information."

Aside from story-sharing, the weekend additionally provided the Rebounds with training for how to cope with the next year, which will be filled with transitions

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

Does your club have a new member you'd like to see featured? If so, please contact District Membership Chair, [Claudia Yakos](#).

The Rotary Foundation Grants by PDG Tom Markos, District TRF Chair



If you talk with anyone who has participated in a Rotary Global or District grant project that specifically helped someone in need, you have had what we will call the "Rotary Experience." I believe that when you get the opportunity to help someone in a way that changes their life, you have not only helped them, you will also make a change in your own life.

Through The Rotary Foundation and Global and District grants, we as Rotarians are changing the lives of our recipients at the same time we are working towards personal development and improving understanding throughout the world.

The move back home, or to the "final host family," can be a challenging time as Rebounds discover what has changed (and sometimes more shockingly, what hasn't) in their communities.

Once settled in, most will begin the search for what comes next, whether that be college or work, moving out, or seeking further opportunities to travel. Sierra, rebound to Silverton from Slovakia, commented that during the weekend we, "focused on getting ready for the future."

Isabella, returning to Beaverton from Taiwan, reminded us of the lifetime of open doors ahead of each rebound: "it was so nice to see everyone again and learn about how to use your exchange experience after high school."

Another, Eric (Newberg Early Birds), who returned from Thailand, wrote that, "exchange leaves behind a lot of emotions that are hard to understand sometimes and it's so helpful to be able to talk about it with people who can understand and relate."

Just as a Rotary Youth Exchange student's commitment to the program lasts for three years (Outbound Candidate, Outbound, Rebound), each club's commitment to its students should be at least as long. While there is no longer a financial responsibility, we encourage you to reach out to your Rebounds and see how they're doing. Invite them to your meetings (free lunch goes a long way); invite them on outings; remind them of the support system they have in Rotary.

For suggestions on how to help, get in touch with your local ROTEX at 5100rotex@gmail.com

Thank you Johnny, Ervanny, Mollie, Will, August, Anna, Jordan, Maggie, and Xander for creating a timely and on-

point weekend for our District 5100 Rebounds.

Yours in Rotary Service,
[Dan Boldt](#)

New District Contacts

We have several new District Committee chairs. Contact information is available under the District Committee tab in [DACdb](#), which is available to all members. If you have difficulty logging in or have questions, contact [Liz Butson](#) at the District office for assistance.

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South Salem





There are many ways to achieve Rotary Experiences and I just know this is one that changes lives. Consider working on a Global or District Grant in your club; there is never a shortage of projects in our world. Become a Rotary Person of Action.

Consider attending our TRF seminars in [Portland](#) or [Pendleton](#) to learn more about the Rotary Experience through The Rotary Foundation.

[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.

PolioPlus - Polio News

by PDG Norb Murray, District PolioPlus Chair



The polio-virus has made it well known it is not going without a fight. However, we continue to make inroads narrowing its territory to Afghanistan and Pakistan. Nigeria reached the three-year milestone of being free of the wild poliovirus on August 21. This makes Nigeria eligible to be declared polio free, and thereby the entire region of the African continent will be polio free.

The end may be in sight, but it does not mean we can let up. Look what happened with measles when the populace got complacent and avoided immunization. What it does mean is that we must increase our efforts to overcome the challenge.

As Rotarians, our role is to support vaccine production and distribution and subsequent follow-up and surveillance through funding and encouragement.

Rotary's goal for 2019-20 is to raise \$50 million dollars. This will be matched 2:1 by the

Assistant Governor	South Salem
Friendship Exchange	Adina Flynn Portland Pearl
International Service	PDG Renee Campbell Salem
Interact	Kyle Palmer Silverton
Rotaract	Rhett Martin Silverton Rotaract
RYLA	Daniel Spalding Portland New Generations
Vision Facilitation	David O'Connor SE Portland

Club News - Forest Grove Peace Village Camp Recap

by Blake Timm, IPP RC Forest Grove



Peace Village Global's roots are in the Forest Grove community, but the program had never held one of its youth camps there. Until now.

A small, but mighty group of 11 youth, five high school volunteers and a talented group of Rotarians and adult volunteers brought Peace Village to Forest Grove from August 13 to 16. The camp was sponsored by the Forest Grove Rotary Club and Forest Grove Daybreak Rotary Club and was partially funded through District 5100 Matching Grants.

Volunteers from across the community presented four days of classes and activities focused around Peace Village's four pillars: Mindfulness, media literacy, connection to nature and conflict resolution. The camp focused on youth in grades 6 through 8.

"Observing the campers learning and applying new knowledge was very special," said Howard Sullivan, a member of the Forest Grove Rotary Club who served as one of the camp's co-directors. "As the week progressed, the students looked forward to the beginning of the school year with new skills. It was a pretty cool observation."

The Forest Grove Peace Village utilized a fantastic cadre of volunteers to conduct activities related to the four

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for a total of \$150 million. \$35 million is to be from Rotary clubs and \$15 million from District Designated Funds and the Rotary Foundation World Fund. The challenge to each Rotary club is \$1500. Wilsonville Rotary has a great start having raised over \$7500 to date. The challenge is out to the other clubs to beat it.

World Polio Day is October 24. This is a great time to rally Rotarians and friends to the cause. It is an opportunity to create or increase awareness and for fundraising for polio eradication. It can be as simple as dedicating your club meeting to polio or having an article appear in your local news publication or on social media.



Fundraising ideas are endless, only limited by your imagination. It could be something within the club such as dedicating fines collected during the week. My club of Tualatin has a pool based on the outcome of the Pac-12 Northern Division football season. On a much grander scale is the El Tour de Tucson bicycle ride put on by District 5500 in Tucson, Arizona. In its 37th year, it is held the Saturday before Thanksgiving and will have as many as 6,500 riders. Clubs and districts around the country have taken the idea to

hold similar rides, some using stationary bikes in a local fitness facility. I have a "101 Fundraising Ideas" pamphlet put out by the Rotary Club of Murray, Kentucky. If you would like a copy, email me and I'll send it to you.



HOST

- Organize a viewing party for friends and club members to watch the Online Global Update.
- Don't forget to tell us how you're celebrating! [Register your event.](#)
- Invite local media, officials, and leaders to introduce them to Rotary.
- Dedicate a club meeting to World Polio Day and update your website with the event details.
- Create a fundraising or community event. Every \$1 raised is matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

WRITE

- Email or call local reporters and pitch a story about World Polio Day and your club's contributions to the effort.
- Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper about the importance of ending polio. Send it to the op-ed or editorial features editor for consideration.
- Write your government officials asking for their continued support of polio eradication efforts.

SHARE

- Share the sample social media posts on your Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.
- Use the #endpolio hashtag to follow and join the global conversation on social media.
- Follow End Polio Now on Facebook and Twitter.
- Update your Facebook cover photo and Twitter avatar, using the graphics provided.
- Use **Brand Center** to create a People of Action End Polio Now social media post that promotes your club's local events.

VIEW

- Mark your calendar to tune in for Rotary's World Polio Day Online Global Update on 24 October.
- Visit the Rotary International Facebook page to RSVP to the Online Global Update.
- Follow the event on social media and share it with your network.

[Donate Now](#) endpolio.org



The following are links to resources for information concerning polio eradication and World Polio Day:

pillars, including the drama teacher from Forest Grove High School and local musicians.

Sarah Ball, the wife of Forest Grove Rotarian John Ball, presented a class where students build and played a small organ as part of the program's connections to music. State Representative Susan McLain, a member of the Forest Grove Daybreak Club, conducted the class on media literacy. Campers also built planter boxes that were donated to West Tuality Habitat for Humanity for use at their projects.

"I think it is a unique experience," said Quinn Bridgewater, a junior at Forest Grove High School that was one of the camp's youth volunteers. "It is not focused on any one thing. It is focused on peace and bringing everything together to show that it all matters. Having a connection with nature, interacting with music, interacting with people. I think being able to experience that is very positive.

While most of the camp was conducted at Pacific University and the Forest Grove United Church of Christ (UCC), it also included a walking field trip to an urban farm for a farming and cooking experience and a nature experience at Stub Stewart State Park on the final day.

It was not just the campers who learned. "I really liked conflict resolution," Bridgewater said. "That is something you're definitely going to

come across every day of your life. There is going to be conflict and the skills to learn how to resolve it were good. It was a good take on it, learning how to approach the situation, learn from different points of view and talk about it. I like how they approached each situation with a story and how each situation can be overcome."

District 5100 Matching Grants helped provide funding for the field trips as well as for scholarships for campers.

A program that has been picked up by a number of clubs in the district, Peace Village was started by Wintry Whitt Smith while a student at Pacific University in the late 1990s. The camp originated in Lincoln City as a reaction to a bullying event that stung the community. Peace Village now has camps in 10 states as well as Kenya and Lebanon. That includes camps in Beaverton, McMinnville and Newberg that are sponsored in part by those community's Rotary Clubs.

In addition to the Forest Grove Rotary Clubs, substantial support and resources was provided to the camp by

<http://polioeradication.org> - Global Polio Eradication Initiative, the partnership created for polio eradication.

<https://www.endpolio.org> - Rotary's main webpage for PolioPlus

<https://www.endpolio.org/world-polio-day> - ideas for World Polio Day

<https://time.com/5432508/world-polio-day-eradication-initiative-vaccine/> - Time Magazine op ed

For assistance contact: [PDG Norb Murray](#)

Vocational Service - The Power of the Pin by David W. Potts, District Vocational Service Chair

At a recent Rotary meeting, a long-term Rotarian mentioned that she had recently been traveling and, while at the airport, noticed a young person with a blazer, adorned with patches and pins. She approached them and asked if they were a Rotary Exchange Student. They responded that they were, and the two of them had a wonderful conversation. As this Rotarian had participated in many Rotary events worldwide, she mentioned that she thought it would be great if there was a way to easily identify other Rotarians.

I exclaimed that her wish had been granted . . . and I pointed to my Rotary [Peace] pin! I exclaimed that the Rotary Wheel identifies Rotarians, worldwide, and that I had enjoyed many conversations that had been initiated by others simply noticing my Rotary pin.

Not only have I held great conversations with other Rotarians, both locally and in distant cities, started by others noticing my Rotary pin (or my noticing theirs), I have also held many conversations with others, introducing them to Rotary after an inquiry about "the pin."

How does Vocational Service have anything to do with "the pin" and our identification as a Rotarian?

First, as a Rotarian, I look to other Rotarians to provide services for me, as I know that, as they follow The 4-Way Test, I can probably trust them. When I meet a Rotarian whose services I could use, I would be inclined to choose them over a non-Rotarian. Second, if your "pin" provides you with a chance to strike up a conversation with someone who may benefit from your services, introducing them to and informing them of your adherence to The 4-Way Test could help them decide to try your services.

I always strive to wear my Rotary pin (OK... I take it off when I sleep)! I encourage every Rotarian to always wear their Rotary pin, as, who knows what opportunity for connection you may have missed when you didn't wear it?

If you have had positive experiences with Vocational Service programs or have ideas for other Vocational Service programs or projects, please let me know, so that I may showcase your experiences for other clubs.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about The 4-Way Test Roundtable Discussion Program, 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

REMINDER - District Governor Information Meeting iPDG Larry Hatch

Please join the Governor's Team on **Sunday, September 15th** at 2:00 pm for the District Governor Information Meeting. This is the first step in learning about becoming District Governor and taking one of the most amazing journeys of your life. We'll have light snacks available before we begin the discussion.

The meeting will be held at the Hearthstone Retirement Community located at 10880 SW Davies Rd., Beaverton. I hope you will join us.

the Forest Grove UCC and the Pacific University Center For Peace & Spirituality.

Information on Peace Village Global can be found [here](#).

Information on the Forest Grove camp can be found [here](#).

ENGAGEMENT TRACKER

Total volunteer hours	Number of volunteers	Total cash contributions	Total in-kind contributions

109,707,361

Hours

616,105,153

People

1,070,202,885

USD

494,002,205

USD

From 177305 projects added since Showcase launched in 2013

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