

ROTARY DISTRICT 5190

Vic Slaughter • District Governor

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Greetings from Governor Vic!



A new Rotary year is upon us. I look forward to hearing your ideas and sharing my passion for Rotary with you, which brings me to President Wilf Wilkinson's inspiring theme "Rotary Shares." For a Rotarian that should come naturally. We share our ideas, our projects, and our time.

Kathie and I just returned from Salt Lake City after spending a week at the Rotary Institute/Convention. It's hard to express the enthusiasm one feels when hearing about so many inspirational projects that clubs are fulfilling all over the world. Of

course when hearing Bill Gates Senior from the Gates Foundation and Dr. Bruce Aylward of the World Health Organization continually praise Rotary regarding the Herculean effort to eradicate Polio, I'm full of pride as you should be as well. We are on the last lap of the promise Rotary made over 20 years ago to paralyze polio. Dr. Aylward provided the data that shows we are on track with the new vaccines and strategies. India's Government is proactive by inoculating children monthly in order to not miss any of the thousands of newborns. We must see this project through to its completion. Our District Polio Chair, Sue Welsh of Tahoe-Incline, will be monitoring the progress and provide updates and opportunities to SHARE.

Following are 3 events for you to mark on your calendar: 1. GSE (non-Rotarian) applicants are due July 30. Please refer to the website for details or contact Anita Daniels, from the Grass Valley club, our GSE Chair. 2. District Conference!! May

1-4, 2008 in Reno at the new Peppermill Convention Center. Planning has already begun for this big event with much fun in the making. To insure all Rotarians can participate, deep discounts are being worked out for early registration. Details are coming soon. 3. 99th International Convention in Los Angeles June 15-18, 2008. Kathie and I hope to see more of you there. During the coming year, George Summerhill from the Sparks club will be providing interesting monthly articles from his adventures having traveled to 16 RI Conventions. So stay tuned and start making plans to see the stars in LA.

Last but certainly not least, huge congratulations go out to Tasha and Jerry Hall for leading the way as Rotary International Vice President and Director. We can be proud that District 5190 was represented in such a high capacity. Welcome back home and thank you for SHARING ROTARY.

Assistant Governor's Message:

John Upton, Assistant Governor, Area 9



I recently read Paul Harris' book, *My Road To Rotary*, which was published in 1945. At that time, the worldwide Rotary International (RI) membership was 250,000, in 75 nations.

The purpose of this writing is to summarize, as I have extracted them from his book, the Founder's concepts about RI.

Overall, Paul Harris characterizes the formation and extension of Rotary as a "movement" with several purposes. The first is to promote excellence and ethics in professional conduct. Further, it is to be a vehicle for performing community service. In addition, seeing ignorance as "a menace to peace", he saw RI as overcoming ignorance, thus promoting peace in the world, and productive relationships in our communities. Paul observed that Rotary clubs had influenced the character of many communities.

Classifications (one per club) are a basis to stimulate

pride in the dignity of one's occupation, broaden the mind and create sympathy with regard to the problems and accomplishments of other occupations, and encourage mutual helpfulness. Having only one per club "makes for congenial fellowship" and "obviates business and professional jealousies." It is the responsibility of the holder of a classification to be the connecting link between that classification and the idealism of Rotary. A Rotary strength is providing members "the broadening influence of contacts with those engaged in other professions and business undertakings."

The Founder could see Rotary as having only one object, "and that is the promotion of the service concept as the most suitable motivating influence in life." The "four objects" (club, vocational, community, and international service) could be seen as the ways and means, or the four principal activities for, accomplishing the one and only object.

About giving service to the community ("He profits most who serves best"), the Founder's concept was that "an effort to give others the best of it might result in getting the best of it yourself."

About attendance, the Founder saw the minimum possible benefit from Rotary being finding our lives enriched by friendly contacts. Additionally, the cultural programs presented at meetings serve

to improve the mental and moral outlook of club members.

Entire agreement "as to the way in which Rotary can make the most of itself" is too much to expect. "No dogmatic Rotary can be serviceable," and "leaders must temper their judgment with patience and kindly forbearance."

The Founder saw as underlying Rotary the invisible power of goodwill, and by virtue of that power Rotary exists. Rotary is about promoting the love of man and your fellow man. "When stripped of all formalities and creeds, fellowship flourishes." "Rotary draw no lines of politics or religion", and "members are entitled to their own opinions of questions of a controversial nature." "The platform is broad enough to include all sorts and conditions of men just so that they can be friendly, tolerant of the views of others, and unselfish." "Friendship was the foundation rock on which Rotary was built and tolerance is the element which holds it together."

Reading Paul Harris words, I remain amazed at the clear and expansive vision he had as to what the "Rotary movement" could be. His Founding visions are, if anything, more relevant and important today. I encourage readers to reflect upon them in relation to their own energy and commitment as Rotarians in our District 5190 communities.

Club Attendance Report: April 2007

Bob Hartsfield ~ PDG Secretary NR = No Report

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1	Chester	48	0	3	66	6,800.00		4	Nevada City	60				10,524.00	
1	Susanville	72	0	0	72	2,350.00		4	Nevada City 49er	87	0	2	86	11,590.00	
1	Susanville Sunrise	46				9,157.00		4	Nevada Co. South	34				6,950.00	
1	Westwood	11				250.00		4	Penn Valley	38				5,950.00	
2	Greenville	14	0	0	62	500.00		5	Auburn	118	1	2	88	12,103.00	4,750.00
2	Loyalton	30				4,950.00		5	Auburn Daybreak	21	0	1	100	5,747.00	100.00
2	Portola	35	0	0	93	3,875.00		5	Auburn Gold	53	0	0	83	6,250.00	1,100.00
2	Quincy	43				1,600.00		6	Cameron Park	63	2	0	68	25,715.00	
3	Incline Village	35	0	1	89	1,525.00		6	Georgetown	38	2	0	82	1,000.00	
3	Tahoe City	60	0	0	62	7,945.75	(1,000.00)	6	Placerville	70				509.66	
3	Tahoe Incline	55	0	0	85	6,150.00	5,200.00	6	Pollock Pines	22	2	1	84	1,600.00	
3	Truckee	85	0	0	79	11,600.00	4,350.00	7	Amador Up Co	29	0	0	78	1,742.00	
3	Truckee Sunrise	37				4,097.00	1,042.00	7	Ione	26				3,430.00	
4	Grass Valley	78	2	0	87	18,757.00	6,000.00	7	Jackson	64	1	1	66	3,560.00	

Rotarian in the Spotlight: *Nancy Chandler*

(Each month we'll be spotlighting Rotarians in District 5190 and telling their stories, talents, hobbies, adventures and projects. If you, or someone you know, is waiting to have their story told, please email the newsletter editor, Paula Peterson, at tahoepaula@sbcglobal.net)

What began as Nancy Chandler's 2 week vacation to Kauai in January, turned into several months away from her Lake Tahoe home, covering the globe with Rotarians and their special projects. This isn't something new for Chandler, who in some Rotarian worlds is still considered "a fairly new member", having just been a member since 2005.

Right after joining, she went off to celebrate the centennial of Rotary at the convention in Chicago. She set off running and hasn't stopped since, jumping into Rotary feet first. She caught the bug and decided to take advantage of the international benefits.

Since that time Nancy has spent every vacation minute doing Rotary International projects. After a visit to her first District Conference, Nancy learned of the Nevada City Rotary Club's trip to Uganda to provide dental care to the pygmies of the area. She didn't hesitate to join them as they traveled to Africa to a strife burdened region of Uganda bordering Rwanda. They loaded all the dental equipment into a shipping container and set off on their journey. The pygmies had been forced into settlements by the government and lacked any type of medical or dental care, so Rotary bringing dental service

was desperately needed. Nancy says that she saw Rotary International signs all over Africa, which makes her extremely proud to be a Rotarian. She says there are constant reminders at how powerful Rotary can be.



In 2006, Nancy joined fellow Rotarians as they traveled to Mulege, Mexico to provide the many services the region's residents needed. Mulege continues to be a joint project between the South Lake Tahoe and Tahoe Douglas Rotary Clubs.

During her recent "vacation" on Kauai, she attended a meeting at what she calls a "fabulous" club in Hanelai. She almost joined up with a group of Hawaiian Rotarians heading off to

Philippines to build some homes. Instead, she ended up meeting friends in India and Thailand. Once in Thailand, Nancy learned of the potential of a water project for Rotary in Laos. The recent leader from the GSE Team that visited the district presented the project during his visit, and since Nancy happened to be in the neighborhood, she hopped on over to Laos for a week of discovery, setting the ground work for the upcoming project. Amazingly enough, the clean water project should break ground by the end of the year! Nancy's favorite stop on her whole journey was Laos, which is what she calls a "jewel in the rough". She says that these are wonderful, friendly and very welcoming people and she can't wait for Rotary to provide clean water for them.



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7	Plymoth Foothills	37	0	0	59	166.00		10	Fernley	30	1	0	45	300.00			
8	Reno	204	4	1	65	37,900.00		10	Smith Valley	22	0	1	50	3,250.00	100.00		
8	Reno Centennial	37				2,350.00		10	Tonopah	21	0	0	66	800.00			
8	Reno Central	74	2	0	83	9,590.00		10	Yerington	36				2,000.00	(1,980.00)		
8	Reno South	80	1	0	75	2,200.00	675,200.00	11	Elko	96	0	0	45	8,238.20			
8	Reno Sunrise	54	0	0	64	19,743.69		11	Elko Desert Sunrise	31				3,460.00	25.00		
8	Sparks	112	0	0	80	1,579.00	17,850.00	11	Ely	31				3,000.00			
8	Sparks Centennial	32	0	0	87	4,664.50	350.00	12	Alturas	24	0	0	76	4,155.72	(1,000.00)		
9	Carson City	99	0	0	64	15,461.35		12	Alturas Sunrise	25	0	0	69	3,149.05			
9	Carson City Sunset	25				2,700.00	2,250.00	12	Surprise Valley	18				2,249.04			
9	Minden	28				7,070.00		DISTRICT							985.72	450.00	
9	South Lake Tahoe	43				920.00		2670	18	20				328,840.68	717,286.32		
9	Tahoe Douglas	71	0	1	74	1,750.00		TOTAL Paul Harris							1,046,127.00		
10	Fallon	68	0	6	50	14,931.00	2,499.32										

Club Accomplishments

(Please send information about all club accomplishments, news and events a full month prior to the event so your club can be mentioned and recognized as it should. Send all to the bulletin editor at tahoepaula@sbcglobal.net)

Congratulations to the **Rotary Club of Portola** on their recent fishing derby. 112 entrants fished during the annual event on Lake Davis with the winning catch by a 12 year old young lady, weighing in at 3.27 lbs. She took home the \$1000 prize. Second place won \$500 with third taking home a still respectable \$250. Good job!

Around the District

Tahoe Douglas Rotary joined forces with the Rotary Club of South Lake Tahoe in putting on their annual golf tournament. Snow, rain, wind, cold greeted the golfers instead of the sunshine and warmth one would expect in the Sierras (well, it is Tahoe after all). A high of 38 degrees for the June 6th event didn't chill off spirits and all attending had fun!

As the outgoing Presidents wrap up their year of service, demotion celebrations were in full swing this past month. Congratulations to all outgoing officers on a job well done!

Upcoming Events

Please make note of the events listed below and make the time to attend or help in an event sponsored by another club in the District. It would be an enjoyable time for the entire family or a Rotarian and partner.

The **Grass Valley Rotary Barbeque** will be held on July 27 at Nevada County Fairgrounds. There will be a dunk tank, silent auction, fun and many activities for the whole family.

Truckee Meadows Rotary Golf Challenge at Washoe Golf Course on Friday, August 17. \$150/person with a 4 person scramble format. 7:30 am shotgun start, bbq lunch and awards following golf. Contact Michael Lee 775-322-6937,

Jim Elston 775-329-8336 or Blake Howe 775-323-7189 for more information.

Rotary Club of Portola will host a Fly In and Classic Car Show on Sunday, September 9 at the Beckwourth /Nervino Airport. Attendees may fly or drive in and enjoy breakfast with gin fizzes served from 8 to 11 am. Code Bluegrass will entertain the crowd along with a car show and many raffle prizes including a new 4X4 Yamaha Quad. There will also be model airplane demos as well as real airplane rides. All proceeds go to the Portola High School Scholarship fund. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under. For more information contact Ralph Taylor at 530-832-0589.



Picture of the Month

Don Fultz, recent Rotary International "Service Above Self" recipient with some team members of "On to Uganda" in May of 2005

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