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Interact Week 2-8, 2008

Multi-Dist. Ambassadorial Scholar orientation, Nashville, TN 12/12-13/08

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI), Lexington, KY 2-7-2009

President Elect Training (PETS) Nashville, TN 03/26-29/2009

District Conference, Frankfort, KY 05/28-31-2009

RI Conference, Birmingham, England 06/21-24/2009

RYLA 5/22-25/2009 (contact PDG Kay Sharon: 270.723.1899 or ksharon1@comcast.net

Governor Terry



**TERRY R. SHOCKLEY
DISTRICT GOVERNOR
R. I. DISTRICT 6710**



GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR

November is the designated month to celebrate The Rotary Foundation. As clubs continue to celebrate and promote TRF every month through on-going contributions to various world wide programs meeting educational and humanitarian needs; I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the clubs and Rotarians of the District for your participation in the Foundation Training Programs. These programs were held at four locations around the District in July.

The number of clubs that have contacted our District Trainer and Assistant Governors to request additional training on various aspects of the Foundation is encouraging as are the generous goals clubs have established for giving to TRF Annual Giving Fund. One half of those gifts to the Annual Fund are returned to our District three years later. **WITHOUT THE FOUNDATION, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL WOULD JUST BE - ROTARY.**

May the spirit of Thanksgiving be with you throughout the year. **HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

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 Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

November is an excellent time to schedule club programs to promote the many good works of The Rotary Foundation. It is also a good time to appraise your club's success in meeting the annual TRF giving for the Rotary Year and to make changes necessary to accomplish the goals you developed at the beginning of the year.

Please note R.I. President D. K. Lee's response to the question, "Why do we have the Foundation?" "We have the Foundation because our Foundation lifts Rotary up. It lets every club and every district do the most it possibly can. It allows every one of us to be part of all of Rotary's work, and it brings that work to greater and greater heights."

As we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month, we should all remember that The Rotary Foundation is 'our' Foundation. It's here for us and because of us it allows us to do more, to be more, and to bring more hope to the world."

The responsibility for keeping our Foundation strong lies with each of us.

THE FOUNDATION AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

November is Rotary Foundation Month, and www.rotary.org is the place to find information about the Foundation's programs and services.

The Foundation provides a variety of humanitarian and district-level grants. Find information, guidelines, and applications at www.rotary.org/projectfundingguide.

Looking for a way to get involved with the Foundation's polio eradication efforts? Get the facts and latest news at www.rotary.org/en/serviceandfellowship/polio. You'll also find information on how to raise public awareness or volunteer for this important cause.

In addition, Web visitors who want to contribute to the Foundation can do so at www.rotary.org/contribute. This page offers many ideas of how to give back and have a positive impact on people's lives.

The Foundation also supports educational programs, scholarships, and fellowships. Explore it all online at www.rotary.org. The Rotarian, November 2008.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY and COLLEGE OF GOVERNORS MEETINGS

Both the District Assembly and College of Governors meetings were well attended on November 22 in Horse Cave. The Assembly consisted of two presentations. A presentation was given by the Cadiz Rotary Club describing techniques for conducting a successful Radio Auction. The Dollywood Foundation gave the second presentation regarding the "Imagination Library", which is a literacy program that provides books for parents to read to their children ranging in age from birth to 5 five years. The Rotary Club of Cadiz, having recently completed implementation of the "Imagination Library" program, also made a corresponding presentation regarding successful implementation of a literacy program. There is no substitute for the sharing of practical steps and the pit-falls involved in implementing a new program.

The Rotary Club of Cadiz is available as a resource for any club that is considering the "Imagination Library" project or a Radio Auction. Please contact Tim McGinnis, Club President at 202 Main Street, Cadiz, KY 42211; e-mail: tim.mcginnis@trigg.kyschools.us, or call 270.522.6075. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Cadiz for excellent presentations and for a willingness to share and to be a resource to clubs for these types of projects.

Several interesting over-views of District projects were presented along with many, many District committee reports. THANKS TO ALL THAT CONTRIBUTED TO A WELL ATTENDED AND SUCCESSFUL DISTRICT ASSEMBLY.

Special "Thanks" to the Rotary Club of Horse Cave for hosting the event, providing coffee and snacks, making arrangements for meeting and dining rooms, and providing Rotary volunteers to man the registration desk throughout the day. Special recognition is given to David Shadborne, Club President; Ann Matera, Secretary and Hosting Coordinator, and Sandra Wilson in appreciation for their efforts in making this a successful assembly.

SPEECH CONTEST

All Rotary Clubs in the District should have received a packet containing the guidelines and forms for conducting the Speech Contest. If you did not receive a packet, please contact Stan Klausing, Coordinator of the District Speech Contest. He can be reached at 502-241-9393 (home), 502.445.6845 (work), e-mail: stanklausing@bellsouth.net.

In addition to monetary rewards, the Speech Contest offers high school students an opportunity to speak on a meaningful topic, to sharpen their speaking skills, and to gain recognition. The students will also learn about Rotary and have the potential opportunity to take part in Interact or one of Rotary's other youth oriented programs. Rotarians also benefit from the satisfaction that comes from implementing a service project involving youth. Due to the District Conference being held at the end of May instead of April next year, the Speech Contest is being extended "to time it" a little closer to the finals.

Club Contest should be completed by the end of February 2009;

Sectional Contests (we will be combining several Areas this year into Sections which will net a total of 6 Sectional Contests instead of the 11 we had last year) are to be completed by the end of March 2009;

District Finals will be held at the end of May at the District Conference in Frankfort.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2011-2012

District 6710 Rotary Clubs are invited to submit suggestions for nominations for our District Governor to serve in 2011-2012.

Qualifications for District Governor are given at:

www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningADistrict/DistrictLeaders/Pages/ridefault.aspx.

According to RI bylaws (13.020.4), the suggestions (for DG 2011-2012) shall be submitted in the form of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the club naming the suggested candidate. The resolution shall be certified by the club secretary and sent along with the completed "Governor-Nominee Data Form" (copy is attached), to PDG Bill Miller, Chairman of the District Nominations Committee at 111 Shelby Street, Frankfort, KY 40601. All nomination materials must be received by November 30, 2008. You may call PDG Bill at 502.223.0512 if you have questions about the process.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2010-2011

Due to the resignation of DGN Chuck Vaughn, District 6710 Rotary Clubs are also invited to submit suggestions for nominations for District Governor to serve in the 2010-2011 Rotary year.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In accordance with paragraphs 1.6.3 through 1.6.11 of the District 6710 Operations Manual, the District Primary Nominating Committee, comprised of PDG's Bill Robertson, Kay Sharon, and Barry K. Holder, Chairman, have selected the following Rotarians to nominate the rotary District 6710 Governor Nominee Select for service as Governor during the Rotary Year 2011-12:

- PDG William A. "Bill" Miller, Frankfort, Chairman
- PDG Tom Lett, Henderson
- PDG Mary Jo Duke, Clinton
- President Fred Briggs, Mayfield
- President John Halsell, Paducah
- Secretary Cecil May III, Fulton
- Secretary Jim Gutermuth, Buechel/Fern Creek

This committee will also nominate the District Governor Nominee for service as District Governor during Rotary Year 2011-12

ROTARACT/INTERACT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Annual District Rotaract conference held at U of L in Louisville on Saturday, November 15, 2008 was a great success. The conference provided an outstanding training program that was expanded to include members of Interact in all conference training sessions and activities. In addition, an on-site project was completed and presented to a local charity during the conference.

Congratulations to Mary Kathryn DeLodder for an outstanding job of planning and overseeing the conference.

GSE REQUEST FOR HOSTS

This is the official call for Rotary Clubs of District 6710 to host visiting GSE teams. There will be two (2) teams visiting. Most teams have four members and one Rotarian leader. The teams will be visiting from Norway and from Brazil.

Both teams will visit on the same dates: May 4 - June 1, 2009.

Rotary clubs that participate must house up to five individuals in the homes of Rotarians for a period of up to four days and nights. These Rotary clubs must also prepare an itinerary for their visitors including at least one day of vocational study to match the team members' professions.

Rotary clubs interested in hosting should send an e-mail to that effect to Hugh R. McShane, GSE Chair, District 6710, <mailto:hughpris@aol.com>, as soon as possible.

DISTRICT-WIDE MORTALITY PROJECT

Rotary International President D. K. Lee has said, "My primary emphasis for clubs and districts in 2008-2009 is to reduce child mortality."

There are many ways that we can reduce child mortality. Kentucky Health and Family Services has advised that the Kentucky General passed a law requiring children from the age of 4 through 7, or between 40 " and 50" in height be restrained in a safety booster seat when riding in a vehicle. This law went into effect on July 1, 2008.

Here are some Kentucky facts to consider:

- Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death in Kentucky children over 1 year of age
- Kentucky's children die from motor vehicle crashes at a rate of 77% higher than the United States
- In children ages 4-8, many deaths, paralysis, and sever abdominal injuries could be prevented if children rode in booster seats.
- Using a booster seat with a safety belt reduces a child's risk of injury by 59%
- In the age group of 4-8 year olds, most children are not big enough for seat belts (designed for adults) to fit properly. Booster seats raise a child up so that seat belts then fit and will protect the child during a crash.

This is an opportunity for Rotary Clubs around the District to implement a project to reduce Child mortality with their respective local, county, or regional health departments by providing booster seats at a cost of \$45 each for families in need.

If your club is interested in being a part of this mortality reduction project, your club President should contact the Director or Administrator of the nearest health department to schedule a meeting to discuss acceptable guidelines for a program in your community. If you require additional assistance in implementing your project, please advise Chuck Vaughn, District Child Mortality Committee Chairman and/or your Assistant Governor. Chuck can be reached at 270.789.1378 or e-mail: kwsvaughn@hotmail.com

ROTARY CLUBS AND THE IRS

Remember that beginning this year, Rotary clubs with gross receipts of \$25,000 or less must also file a 990-N. The reporting deadline is November 15. THIS IS NEW -- be aware! You were given information about this at PETS, and the RI information paper on it can be found at http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/info_paper_clubs-irs.pdf Please be sure you and your club treasurer have read the RI info. sheet on this, and that you've shared it with your club's accountant, if need be. Club Presidents, see page 38 of your "Club President's Resource Guide 2008-2009"

PDG CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY

The family of Merritt Blow invites Rotarians to attend his 100th birthday celebration on Saturday, January 10, 2009.

Merritt has been active in Rotary since 1945. He was our District Governor in 1980-81. He is a Paul Harris Fellow (1977), and in 1970 Merritt let one of Rotary International's first ever Group Study Exchange teams when he took six Kentuckians to visit Brazil.

The event will take place from 1 pm -3pm at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 5903 Bardstown Road, Fern Creek.

Cards would be appreciated. Merritt's mailing address is 1800 Manor House Drive, Unit 212, Louisville, KY 20220.

RSVP for celebration by December 21 to Merritt's daughter, Candy McAllister, at CandiMc@hotmail.com or by calling 770.552.0983.

INFORMATION FOR NEWSLETTER

Please send pictures, stories, schedule of special club events and/or results of projects to terryrshockley@yahoo.com by the 5th of each month for consideration to be included in the newsletter.

REMINDERS:

- ATTENTION CLUB PRESIDENTS - Make sure that any unpaid District Dues or RI dues are paid immediately. District dues should be sent to Clay Hulette, District Treasurer, P.O. Box 1311, Frankfort, KY 40602. RI dues should be mailed to Rotary International Headquarters.
- ATTENTION CLUB SECRETARY - The November attendance report is due by December 10, 2008. Submit the report to District Secretary Steve Dooley at 1725 Stonehaven Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601, or FAX 502.695.5057, or e-mail to: bubdooley51@yahoo.com



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