

# THE DISTRICT RECORD



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## THEME OF THE MONTH

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### IMPORTANT DATES

Semi-Annual Reports due to RI from Club Secretary 12/31/2008

Names of President Elects and Secretary Elects for 2009-2010 to RI and DGE 12/31/2008

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

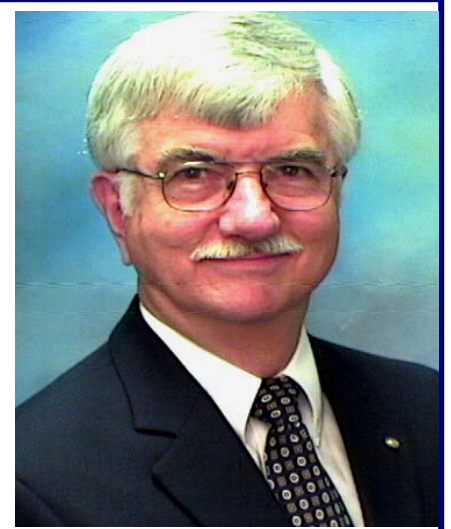
President Elect Training (PETS) Nashville, TN 03/26-29/2009

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



## **GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

Happy 2009! Can you believe we are already into another calendar year and have passed the half-way mark of our Rotary year.

This is a good time for each of us to review the goals and accomplishments of our respective clubs. Be sure to appraise your membership growth, your foundation giving, and what your club is doing to reduce child mortality in your community and/or around the world. The District Goals for 2008-2009 are included in this newsletter as a reminder and for a comparison of your club's activities and results as you "MAKE DREAMS REAL" for the children of the world.

January is "Rotary Awareness" month. Let us continue to spread the information about the good works of Rotary within our respective communities, professions and vocations as well as our humanitarian services around the globe. What better way to make our communities aware of the work of Rotary than to have a fundraising project that includes your community's involvement in meeting the challenge grant to eradicate polio. Also, create awareness through the generous distribution of Rotary materials such as the "What's Rotary?" cards.

### **DISTRICT 6710 GOALS FOR 2008-2009**

**Goal 1: " FINISH THE PROMISE"**

- Continue the efforts to Eradicate Polio

**Goal 2: STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Continue the implementation of the District Strategic Plan
- Review/revise the District Strategic Plan

**Goal 3: MEMBERSHIP**

- Increase membership by a net of 10%
- Establish two new Rotary Clubs

**Goal 4: PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

- All clubs improve lives of children and reduce the mortality rate
- Health and Hunger programs by 70 % of clubs
- Water project by 60 % of clubs
- Literacy program by 90 % of clubs
- Rotaract to expand by two new clubs
- Interact to expand by two new clubs
- RYLA Program with sponsors from 75% of clubs
- Family of Rotary program by 100 % of clubs

**Goal 5: ROTARY FOUNDATIONS PROGRAMS**

- Support two Group Study Exchanges
- Award three Ambassadorial Scholarships
- Provide District Simplified Grants on competitive bases to clubs
- Share with Districts in Zone 29 &30 on a water project
- World Community Service project by 10 % of clubs

**Goal 6: ROTARY FOUNDATION SHARING**

- Annual Fund goal of \$200,000
  - Continue the Star Club Recognition
  - Continue the Paul Harris Society Recognition
  - Continue promoting PHF recognition
  - Continue promoting EREY
  - 100% of clubs give to the Foundation

**Goal 7: CLUB RECOGNITION**

- Presidential Citation earned by 50 % of clubs
- Clubs of Distinction earned by 20% of clubs

**Goal 8: DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

- Attendance of 300 at the District Conference
- Attendance by 75 % of clubs

**Goal 9: LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

- Continue support of the Rotary Leadership Institute
- Continue attending the PETS Alliance Session

2/22/08

## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINEE (DGN) SELECTED**

The District Nominating Committee has selected Woody Northup, Past President of the Rotary Club of Louisville and owner of Radio Sound, Inc., as Rotary 6710 District Governor for 2010-2011. Woody's professional background and involvement in various professional and civic groups ranging from Greater Louisville, INC. to the Volunteers of America in Kentucky provide him with a wealth of experience for the position of District Governor. Woody's wife, is former Third District Congresswoman and past Kentucky General Assembly member, Anne Northup. Woody will make an outstanding leader and help our district be even more successful. Be sure and congratulate Woody on his selection.

### **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](http://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" to PDG Bill Miller, Chairman of the District Nominations Committee at 111 Shelby Street, Frankfort, KY 40601. all nomination materials must be received by February 28, 2009. You may call PDG Bill at 502.223.0512 if you have questions about the process..

### **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

## **Rotary, Gates Foundation announce \$355 million for polio eradication**

***New challenge grant helps bridge critical funding gap, inspire other donors in global effort to end crippling childhood disease***

**SAN DIEGO, Calif., U.S.A. (Jan. 21, 2009)** -- Rotary International and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have announced they will contribute a combined \$355 million in new funds for polio eradication.

The Gates Foundation is awarding Rotary a \$255 million challenge grant, which Rotary will match with \$100 million raised by its members and supporters over the next three years. As a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), Rotary's chief role is fundraising, advocacy and mobilizing volunteers. The announcement came during the Rotary International Assembly, the humanitarian service organization's annual leadership conference.

"Rotarians, government leaders and health professionals have made a phenomenal commitment to get us to a point at which polio afflicts only a small number of the world's children," said Bill Gates, co-chair of the Gates Foundation. "However, complete elimination of the polio virus is difficult and will continue to be difficult for a number of years. Rotary in particular has inspired my own personal commitment to get deeply involved in achieving eradication."

In accepting the Gates challenge, Rotary Foundation Chair Jonathan Majiyagbe said the funding partnership will inspire other polio eradication allies, both current and new, to ramp up their support.

"With the support of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, we are on the brink of eradicating one of the most feared diseases in the world," Majiyagbe said. "This shared commitment of Rotary and the Gates Foundation should encourage governments and nongovernmental organizations to ensure that resources are available to end polio once and for all."

"This partnership of Rotary and the Gates Foundation offers a historic opportunity to rid the world of a disease that robs children of their futures," said RI President Dong Kurn Lee. "It is a significant boost toward making real our dream of a polio-free world."

Rotary will spend the grant money in direct support of immunization activities carried out by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which is spearheaded by Rotary and its partners, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF. Rotary will distribute the funds through grants to WHO and UNICEF.

Polio eradication has been Rotary's top priority since 1985, and since then Rotary clubs have raised nearly \$800 million for the effort. Although the initiative has slashed the number of polio cases by 99 percent, the wild poliovirus still persists in four countries: Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan, and imported cases from those nations threaten to reinfect countries where the virus has been stopped. The initiative currently faces a critical funding shortfall that must be closed if eradication is to be achieved.

This is the second challenge grant Rotary has received from the Gates Foundation for polio eradication. In November 2007, Rotary accepted a \$100 million challenge grant, which Rotary is matching dollar-for-dollar. The two challenge grants represent a combined total of \$555 million in polio eradication funds. Rotary's three-year effort to raise the matching funds for both grants is called Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge. Rotary invites the general public to participate by visiting **[rotary.org/endpolio](http://rotary.org/endpolio)** to learn about polio eradication and contribute to the challenge match.

## ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLI)

*Do your part to assure that we have stronger clubs and a stronger District by preparing our future leaders now.*

Each club president is encouraged to identify a couple of future leaders and urge them to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute. The next institute will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2009, at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, Lexington, KY. The cost of \$85 covers all materials, meals, and the meeting rooms.

Two methods of registration are available:

1.) Print off the brochure at <http://www.rizones29-30.net/veiw/44> and send it to the registrar or

2.) Register on line at <http://www.hoa-rli.org/main.sc>.

If you have questions, please e-mail PDG Dave Weller at [rotarydave6710@bellsouth.net](mailto:rotarydave6710@bellsouth.net) or PDG Kav Sharon at [ksharon1@comcast.net](mailto:ksharon1@comcast.net).

## SPEECH CONTEST UPDATE - Stan Klausing, Coordinator

The Speech Contest is now in full swing. Everyone seems to be quite excited with this year's topic "**Make Dreams Real**". We look forward to the student speeches at the club and advanced contests.

**January and February are Club Speech Contest months.** Several Clubs have already held their Speech Contest. Those that have need to fill out and submit the Report of Individual Club Contests form that is included in the 2008-09 Speech Contest Packet. Please fax or e-mail the Club Contest Report form to one of the addresses on the form. The Speech Contest Packet can be downloaded from the District Web Site, [www.district6710.org](http://www.district6710.org). Click on "Speech Contest 2008-2009" listing in the contents bar on the left side of the page. Once on the Speech Contest page, click on the "pdf" link to the Speech Contest Packet that is under the Organizational Chart. The Club Report Form is on page 7. Remember, all Clubs that are having Speech Contests are to complete their contests by the end of February and report their results.

**Sectional Contests** are to be scheduled during March. Host clubs, locations, dates and times for each Sectional Contest are still being finalized by the Assistant Governors. The following clubs have committed to hosting their Sectional Contest as of this writing: Section 1 - Paducah; Section 2 – Madisonville, Section 3 - TBD, Section 4 - Danville, Section 5 - TBD, and Section 6 - TBD.

The **Regional Contests** are scheduled in April. The West Regional is being hosted by the Owensboro Rotary Club on April 15th. The Central Regional is being hosted by the Elizabethtown Rotary on April 21st. The Louisville Rotary Club will be hosting the East Regional Contest on April 23rd.

The **District Finals** will be held in late May in Frankfort during the District Conference. Date will be May 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>. Details are still being coordinated with the Conference planners. Look for a surprise here regarding the District Finals in next month's newsletter.

## THREE FROM DISTRICT 6710 ATTEND AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARS ORIENTATION

All three District 6710 Ambassadorial Scholars recently attended the required Orientation Seminar for the 2009-10 class of scholars. The Orientation was held in Nashville, TN, as it has been for the past several years. There were outbound scholars from 10 Rotary Districts.

Kevin Boswell, sponsored by the Prospect/Goshen club, has been assigned to study social justice and peace studies in South Africa.

Ben Cooley, sponsored by the Danville club, is assigned to study community public health in Ireland or Scotland.

Erin Grace, sponsored by the Prospect/Goshen club, is still awaiting assignment. She would like to study Spanish literature in Chile.

Erin was the committee's first alternate and replaces Chase Palisch, sponsored by the Danville club who withdrew to accept a four-year Rhoads Scholarship at Oxford

The Orientation is a day and a half event offered every year for outbound and inbound Ambassadorial Scholars. The faculty for the Orientation consists of Rotarians from participating Districts, former Ambassadorial Scholars, and significant Rotary leaders. Over the past 5 years

Rotary presenters have included Jim Lacy, Past RI President; Ray Klingensmith, RI President for 2010-11; Ed Futa, RI General Secretary; Mark Maloney, Past Foundation Trustee; Bill Sergeant & John Germ, Past RI Vice Presidents

Vernon Gantt and Joe Phillips represent District 6710 on the Orientation planning committee. Tom Diener has served as Master of Ceremony for the past several years.

**NOTE:** Applications for the 2010-11 Ambassadorial Scholarships will be due to Vernon Gantt on 1 April 2009. Interviews will be held 25 April 2009 in Elizabethtown. Visit the District website <http://www.rotarydistrict6710.org/view/24> to obtain up-to-date information or call Vernon Gantt at (270) 767-0160 or (270) 753-9679.

## **DISTRICT 671 SCHOLARSHIPS**

Each year our District 6710, awards 7 **college scholarships** from the proceeds of our District 671 Foundation. Club Presidents should have received information and an application from Scholarship committee Chair PDG Joe Phillips in the last few days. Some of the letters mailed to the Club Presidents had incorrect dates.

Please Note : Completed applications are due to Joe Phillips by Saturday, February 14th. Applicants are asked to reserve March 7th for interviews with the committee.

PDG Joe Phillips, Chair, P. O. Box #2

Franklin, KY 42135

(270)586-5141

## **WATER & SANITATION:**

- Unsafe water and poor sanitation and hygiene kill 5,000 children under age five around the world every day, or more than 1.8 million each year.
- Eighty-eight percent of diarrheal disease is caused by contaminated water and inadequate sanitation and hygiene.
- Globally, diarrhea kills more people than tuberculosis or malaria. Five times as many children die of diarrhea than HIV/AIDS
- The number of children who die around the world every year from diarrhea is equivalent to the number of children under age five living in London and New York combined.
- For every US\$1 contributed to water and sanitation projects, the expected return is between \$3 and \$34.  
source: UNICEF, WHO

## **REQUEST FOR NEWSLETTER ITEMS AND INFORMATION**

Please send pictures, stories, schedule of special club events and/or results of projects to [terryshockley@yahoo.com](mailto:terryshockley@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 January attendance report is due by February 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](mailto:bubdooley51@yahoo.com)
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010 - Hopefully you have already elected your officers for next year. If not, do so as soon as possible. They were due by 12/31/2008. Remember to send the name and contact information for your 2009-2010 President and Secretary Elects to R.I. and also to DGE Chuck Cicchella at [<geriandchuck@earthlinks.net>](mailto:geriandchuck@earthlinks.net).

## **ADDRESS/E-MAIL CHANGES**

- Hunter Durham, President, Rotary Club of Columbia - new e-mail address: [dzhunter@duo-county.com](mailto:dzhunter@duo-county.com)
- Matt McGill, President-elect, Rotary Club of Bowling Green AM - e-mail correction: [mmegill@eloplaw.com](mailto:mmegill@eloplaw.com)

## CONVENTION



### 2009 RI Convention in Birmingham, England, 21-24 June

Be a part of history and celebrate the 100th Rotary convention, which will take place in Birmingham, the heart of England!

Registration Deadline is March 31, 2009. Register for HOC events online at [www.rotaryconvention2009.com](http://www.rotaryconvention2009.com). **Tickets for the Heart of America Breakfast at the RI Convention are available from DG Terry for \$35.**

### *SPECIAL NOTE OF APPRECIATION*

Jo and I want to express our gratitude to each of you for your kind deeds following the death of our youngest son, Tim. When nothing else could help, the kindness you expressed with flowers, cards, calls and words of support and encouragement will be eternally appreciated.

We are proud of and thankful for our Rotary family and friends who are so caring and thoughtful.