



# District 5690 News



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## Message from District Governor Phil Michel



I don't know about you, but by the time I've finished reading the daily newspaper or watching TV news, I'm often fed up.....and disappointed as well. Seems to me as if the vast majority of what I see, read, or hear is either negative, discouraging, or downright ugly.

But you and I both know that there is a tremendous amount of good happening in the world, don't we? In fact, we in Rotary are a big part of those positive activities, aren't we?

Just think about the literally thousands of people we touch in one way or another in our communities. Schools, parks, scholarships, support for the elderly, flags on the 4th, holiday lights, youth programs, parades...whew! It wears me out just writing about it! And by the way, while all of this has been going on, we are on the threshold of eliminating the scourge of polio from the world.

So how come more people don't know more about this? Well, I'm afraid that, in many cases, it's because we simply haven't taken the time to tell them. And that's a shame, because we know that,

while many people know ABOUT Rotary, most don't know what we DO! So while we have correctly placed heavy emphasis on growing our membership, we are leaving a potent tool on our workbench if we don't tell our story to the community...one person at a time.

**January is Rotary Awareness Month,** but if you ask me, I'd tell you that EVERY month should be RI Awareness month!

While we often relate awareness with visibility in the media...and while that's certainly important, in my judgment, the single most effective PR campaign we can carry out is simply telling our story. Please do not assume that everyone knows what we're all about. You'd be surprised at how many of your friends, even family, neighbors, co-workers, customers etc. don't really know what Rotary is all about.

So how about starting a real "grass roots" Rotary Awareness movement in your town? Will you join me? Please do!

**DG Phil Michel**  
2011-12 District Governor 5690

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**February 23, 2012**  
**Happy Birthday, Rotary!**

**April 12-14, 2012**  
**PETS—Salina, KS**

**March 17, 2012**  
**Deadline for electronically reporting Club Officers to RI**

**May 26-30, 2012**  
**RYLA—Winfield, KS**



## January is Rotary Awareness Month

Spread the word about Rotary in January! At your next club assembly, make sure members are informed of the latest projects and initiatives so they can raise awareness about Rotary in the community. Also consider these tips:

- Share the [RI Strategic Plan](#) at a new member orientation.
- Update members on polio eradication at your next weekly meeting by getting the latest facts at [www.polioeradication.org](http://www.polioeradication.org).
- Include [news from RI](#) on your club and website and in the club bulletin so members are aware of how Rotarians around the world are serving their communities.
- Publicize Rotary club events in the community. Consider conducting a [public relations](#) training session.
- Watch and share [Rotary Minute](#) videos with others.
- Invite local media to a question-and-answer “press conference” during one of your meetings in January.
- Post video of a club meeting or service project on your website, and tell people about it on Facebook or Twitter.
- Coordinate a community service project with another local organization, and invite the media to come along.
- Write a letter to the editor of your local paper about your club’s community and international humanitarian projects.
- Invite a friend or co-worker to a meeting.

**Encourage every Rotarian to spread the word about Rotary every day and all year long!**

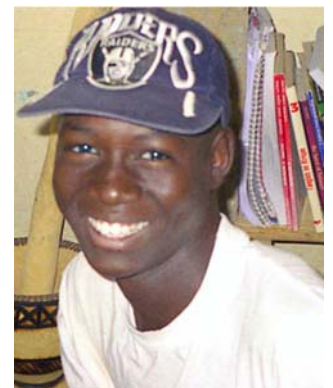
### Did you know?

Rotary International provides training opportunities for all Rotarians. [The Rotary E-Learning Center](#) is your online resource for the independent study of Rotary, particularly for new members and club officers. Rotary International also produces training resources for a variety of training seminars held throughout the year for district leaders and for club leaders and members. Check it out!

### Update from Ambassadorial Scholar “Nass” Barry Hamadoun

Dear Elizabeth, (*District Ambassadorial Scholar Committee Chair*)

How have you been? I just wanted to wish you and your family Merry Christmas and happy holidays. Here (Orleans, France) everything is OK. A Rotarian invited me to visit him in another town. I have a presentation on Monday in a local club and after that I will go spend some days with this person and his family. Actually I don't know him, but he heard about me and it happens that he is a good friend of my counselor. I have been visiting many Rotarian families and I was surprised to find out that even many Rotarians spouses don't know what Rotary is. I like visiting them at their home. They are very nice and this is a good way for me to meet their wives and talk to them. I don't know if I have mentioned it to you or not but unfortunately women are not involved in Rotary here in France as they do in U.S. They are invited once a month at the clubs and that's it. However, in my club there is one lady who is a member, but she is very busy and she is not always present at the meeting. Give my warm regards to your husband and your two kids. Merry Christmas.



Nass

## Register for PETS today!

### Rotary International Heartland Multi-District President/Secretary Elect Training Seminar April 12-14, 2012—Salina, KS

**Important Note:** As enacted at the Rotary Council of Legislation, RI requires attendance by Presidents Elect at PETS as stated: “if the president-elect does not attend the presidents-elect training seminar and the district assembly, and has not been excused by the governor-elect or, if so excused, does not send a designated club representative to such meetings, the president-elect shall not be able to serve as club president. In such an event, the current president shall continue to serve the club as club president until a successor who has attended a presidents-elect training seminar and district assembly or training deemed sufficient by the governor-elect has been duly elected.”

**Why you should attend:** Besides it being **Mandatory for presidents-elect**, the training prepares incoming club presidents, secretaries and club members to lead their clubs, placing emphasis on their roles, expectations and direction from the District Governor and the RI Theme for the upcoming year. The separate Leadership training provides an opportunity for District and Club leaders to participate in group discussions with outstanding leaders from Rotary.

**Attire:** Daytime – business casual. Evening – business

**Registration Fee:** **The registration fee for all Presidents-elect from all clubs in all Districts is prepaid.** These registrants therefore do NOT need to include payment with their registration form, but **MUST REGISTER**. All other registrants, Secretaries-elect, other Rotarians, spouses and guests should pay the registration fees listed on the registration form.

**Agenda:** There are optional ‘elective’ seminars on Thursday afternoon. There will be 3-4 relevant topics presented that have been selected by your District Governors Elect. You will be able to select 2 of these seminars to attend.

Basic Agenda for the training is listed below:

#### Thursday

1:00pm – Early Registration

1:30 - 2:30pm – Optional Seminar 1

2:45 - 3:45pm – Optional Seminar 2

5:00pm – Cash Bar at Marriott Courtyard

6:00pm – D5690 Dinner at Martinelli's, 158 S. Santa Fe Ave., Salina (non-hosted)

#### Friday

7:45 - 9:00am – Registration (register early avoid the long lines) Coffee and Donuts

9:00 - 12:00 – General session and District Breakout Session

12:15 - 1:30pm – Lunch and General Session

1:45 - 5:30pm – Training Sessions

6:30 - 10:00pm – Cash Bar, Banquet Dinner with Rotary International Speaker

#### Saturday

7:00 - 8:15am – Full Buffet Breakfast and General Session

8:30 - 12:00 – Training Session and District Breakout Session

12:15 - 1:30pm – Lunch and General Session

**Click here** to register for PETS 2012. Or cut and paste this link: <http://heartlandpets.org/LinkForms/RegistrationForm.pdf>

## DG 2014-15 Nominations Open

The month of November begins the process for selecting the District Governor for the 2013-2014 Rotary year. One of the most important things a club can do is to allow the district to benefit from your clubs leaders by encouraging them to be a District 5690 leader.

Pertinent dates for the District Governor Nomination process are as follows:

- November 15 District Governor Nygaard will email / mail packets issuing the official call inviting clubs to submit candidates for consideration by the nominating committee. These will be sent to all club presidents.
- Dec / Jan Additional announcements for District Governor will be published in the December and January issues of the monthly newsletter.
- January 15 Deadline for the receipt by either the governor or the nominating committee chair of club nominations of District Governor candidates.
- February 15 Deadline for selection of nominee for governor by the nominating committee. The nominating committee chair will promptly notify all candidates of the decision.

This position is challenging but very rewarding and I ask that you review your member list and consider nominating a candidate. If you have questions, call any committee member. Nomination committee members are Bob Obee (Kinsley), Charlene Mathis (Derby), Dean Kennedy (Winfield), PDG Rod Kreie (Newton), PDG Tom Martin (Wichita DT), PDG David Nygaard (Newton) and PDG Mike Barnes (Boise City/Chair).. For their contact information please refer to the district web site. <http://www.rotary5690.org/>

**PDG Mike Barnes**  
**Nomination Committee Chair**

## Public Relations

### Celebrate a Rotary Day on February 23

With February 23 (the day Rotary was founded), fast approaching, every club is encouraged to plan events to mark Rotary's 107th birthday. [Last year](#), clubs and districts made tremendous efforts to recognize Rotary's work and spread the [End Polio Now](#) message.

Although February 23 is Rotary's official anniversary, any day can be designated a Rotary day in your community. Remember that your public relations plan for the day's celebration should focus on service, which will communicate what Rotary is and does around the world. Clubs planning a lighting event should go to [www.rotary.org/lightings](http://www.rotary.org/lightings) for tips and resources. And be sure to share your plans with us at [pr@rotary.org](mailto:pr@rotary.org).

### Happy Birthday Rotary



On February 23rd, Rotary celebrates its 107th anniversary.

The day also marks the anniversary of the first mass polio vaccinations, which started in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1954

and expanded across the United States.

Begin planning events to commemorate this day by discussing Rotary's history and accomplishments.

## In The News—RC El Dorado & USD #490 Receive Grant for Maps



The [Rotary Club of El Dorado](#) and USD #490 went together to apply for a Trimble Trust grant. We received a \$500.00 grant that will cover the cost of creating two playground maps. One will be finished this spring at Lincoln Elementary School. The other map will be produced this coming fall after the completed construction of the new Skelly Elementary School. In the picture are two Rotarians: [Mary Luebert](#) (back row, 2nd from left), Rotary Club of El Dorado President, and Sue Givens, (front row, 2nd from right), USD #490 superintendent.

In the past 20 years, the George E. Trimble Trust has distributed more than \$300,000 to special needs throughout the community. The latest round of donations were presented last week to five entities, with the four grants totaling \$9,650.

## NOT MERELY PEACE IN OUR TIME - BUT PEACE FOR ALL TIME

*Received as a New Year's Message from good friend, PDG Eddie Blender, Vail, CO*

*"What kind of peace do I mean? What kind of peace do we seek? Not a Pax Americana enforced on the world by American weapons of war. Not the peace of the grave or the security of the slave. I am talking about genuine peace, the kind of peace that makes life on earth worth living, the kind that enables men and nations to grow and to hope and to build a better life for their children--not merely peace for Americans but peace for all men and women--not merely peace in our time but peace for all time."*

PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, June 10, 1963

## 2010-11 Rotary International and Rotary Foundation Annual Report



December 2011

Dear fellow Rotarian:

I am pleased to share the [2010-11 Rotary International and Rotary Foundation Annual Report](#).

Rotary's annual report offers a firsthand look at how Rotarians are responding to a range of needs, with support from RI and its Foundation. The report also highlights the generosity of Rotarians to The Rotary Foundation and to Rotary's top priority of global polio eradication. For those who would like a more detailed look at Rotary finances, the [audited financial statements](#) are available for download.

I am also pleased to announce that we have developed a [website](#) for the report that incorporates video and other resources not available in the print edition. This new website debuts in all Rotary languages on 13 January, before the start of the 2012 International Assembly. As a result, we are able to eliminate an expensive international mailing of the report and replace it with an email message to all Rotary club presidents and district governors that directs them to the site.

As a Rotary senior leader, coordinator, or committee member, please share our annual report with other Rotarians, as well as anyone who may be interested in joining, partnering with, or donating to Rotary. Encourage people to visit [www.rotary.org/en/annualreport](http://www.rotary.org/en/annualreport) after 13 January, or order additional print copies at <http://shop.rotary.org/> to distribute at your Rotary club.

Having just completed six months as your new general secretary, I appreciate all that Rotary accomplished last year. Our organization is poised to strategically meet the challenges of the future with strength, boldness, and vision. I encourage you to review this report carefully, and I welcome your comments.

Sincerely,  
John Hewko  
General Secretary  
Twitter: @johnhewko

## RC El Dorado Changes Meeting Location—Effective 1/18/12

Due to the El Dorado City Commission's decision to close the restaurant at the Prairie Trails Golf Course, the last meeting of the **RC El Dorado** at Prairie Trails was Wednesday, January 11, 2012. Effective immediately and starting with the January 18 meeting, they will meet at the Welcome Center on the campus of Butler Community College.

*Directions:* From Wichita, take K-254 to El Dorado. Continue on Central (K-254) past stoplights at Boyer and Village. Turn right at the third stoplight at Haverhill Road (Bank of America is on the NW corner). Continue south on Haverhill Road past the stoplight at Towanda. The campus will be on your right. Enter the east entrance off of Haverhill Road. The Welcome Center is a large two story building immediately on your right. Park on the west side of the building. Enter the lobby and go downstairs to the meeting rooms.

Any questions, contact [Steve Pershall](#) / Rotary Club of El Dorado at (316) 321-2439.

# Club News from around the District

**Rotary Club of Liberal** reports: Children's Christmas party was the largest attendance in history.

**Rotary Club of Ulysses** reports: We distributed dictionaries to 3rd grade students.



**Rotary Club of W. Sedgwick County Sunrise** reports: **Fred Warren** and **Cody Wray** presented the Extra Effort Awards on December 20th to seven 1st graders selected by their teachers at Kenlser Elementary. Each of the students received a certificate. Hamzeh Elsukar was chosen as the overall winner to receive a backpack.

**Rotary Club of West Wichita** reports: The club rang bells for the Salvation Army Built bookshelves along with the help of the Interact Club for all the 1st graders at Lawrence Elementary (to be delivered at our meeting at the school the end of January) Purchased and delivered groceries and gifts for needy families at Christmas.

**Rotary Club of East Wichita** reports: (as seen in "The Rotary Notary") From Cuber (sic) With Love – Past President and future District Governor, **Sue Pearce**, recently returned from a 3-day jazz festival in Cuba where the conditions weren't ideal. "I've had hotter water in a tent in Africa," said Sue, a world traveler. "You don't realize what freedoms we have until you go to a communist country. Our guide was afraid to say certain things." Jon Tilton gave Sue almost 300 toothbrushes to distribute and she gave baseballs to Cuban kids who are obsessed with the sport. "I can't wait to return," Sue said.

**Rotary Club of W. Sedgwick County Sunrise** reports: Purchased and delivered groceries and gifts for five needy families at Christmas. Donated items for a care package to send to a troop in Afghanistan. (a Rotarian Dave Abbott met in Connecticut while doing a make-up there has a son serving in the troop the care package was sent to.) Presented our second set of "Extra Effort Awards" to students at Kensler Elementary. (see above)

**Rotary Club of Pratt** reports: The Rotarians and their families enjoyed singing Christmas carols and visiting with Santa on Dec. 22, making sure Santa knew for sure what they wanted for Christmas.

**Rotary Club of East Wichita** reports: You can meet people like this only at East Wichita Rotary (thanks, Earl Browne, editor, *Rotary Notary*)



**Rotary Club of East Wichita** reports: Announcements- President Jim Faith said he attended the recent unveiling of the Downtown Rotary clock tower near the former Coleman building at 2<sup>nd</sup> and St. Francis. "I was proud to be a Rotarian," Jim said. "The Downtown Club did an awesome job." (your editor agrees—a proud moment for Rotary!)

**Rotary Club of Pratt** reports: upcoming events include the sweetheart banquet on February 9 and the annual Chili feed on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the same month. A special thanks to Don Belden for heading up the Lemon Park lights "take down." Tom Jones and Bruce Kempton were his helpers this past Sunday.

**Rotary Club of Wichita** reports: We commemorated our Centennial gift to the community on January 9. (See story on page 8)

A few close up photos of the Rotary Time Tower and plaza in downtown Wichita.

Photo courtesy  
Wichita Downtown  
Development Corp.



Send your club news to newsletter editor  
Geri Appel at [appelg@kenlerman.com](mailto:appelg@kenlerman.com)

## A good idea for any club's bulletin

### Found in the RC Texhoma Newsletter

There's something that all Rotary club members have in common: We take action. As community volunteers, we reach out to neighbors in need.

- We build, support, and organize.
- We save lives.
- We share our time and experience with young people.
- We support global causes, such as eradicating polio.

Whether you're a veteran volunteer or new to community service, we're looking for people like you. Contact any one of the following Rotarians from your Texhoma club. (Members are listed)

## Join Us On A Haiti Volunteer in Mission Trip March 16-24, 2012



If you have a desire to visit Haiti, meet some of the most cheerful, caring and spiritually centered people you will ever meet. If you would like to help build a school, teach in a school, help in the medical clinic, or simply share your life with some of the poorest people in the Western Hemisphere, now is your opportunity. Please do not think that you do not have anything to offer. Believe us, we have led many mission trips to Haiti, and everyone always keeps busy!

The following are some of our **Mission Goals**:

- Medical team to treat patients at Lambert Clinic
- Complete computer technology lab solar panels (and possibly satellite dish)
- Install roof on 4 new classrooms
- Assist teachers with subjects such as computer, English, playtime, etc.



**What will you experience?** You will experience “community” first-hand – people caring and struggling together. You will see and feel poverty like never before. You will not only ask the question “why so much poverty”, but you will begin to understand why. And most importantly, you will find yourself not only giving of yourself, but you will likely receive more than you can possibly give.

**The cost is \$1,500 per person.** This includes transportation, lodging, meals, and fees. Approximately \$400 of the cost is a donation towards the cost of materials such as medical supplies, and building materials we will use during our time in Haiti.

Interested? Have some questions?

Contact **Sam Muyskens**. He has been to Haiti and back some 25 times. He will be the coordinator of the Volunteer in Mission Trip, and he would love to visit with you. Email him at [gfanow@gmail.com](mailto:gfanow@gmail.com), or call him at **316-708-4545**. (Sam is a member of the RC Wichita DT. PDG **Geri Appel** will be on this trip, too!)

## Meet the Incoming Group Study Exchange Team (GSE) from Denmark

Visit the [District Website](#) to view the team's itinerary while they are in our District April 29—May 25, 2012



### Group Study Exchange Team from Denmark 1480

*(Pictured left to right)*

**Kim Lundberg Hansen** - Relationship Manager at a Bank

**Kia Nana Mulbjerg** - Deputy Head of a public municipality school, prior 10 years as teacher

**Charlotte Ballebye Moller** - Job Consultant at a public sector Jobcenter

**Ejnar Flensborg** - Private sector Land Surveyor

**Philip Green** - General Manager of a Sports Center, Past President of Rotary Club of Naestved Ostre

## RC Wichita's Centennial Project Commemorated



Photos courtesy of Emily Behlmann / Wichita Business Journal

**ROTARY TIME TOWER & PLAZA**—The Rotary Club of Wichita unveiled its Centennial gift to the community - the **ROTARY TIME TOWER**, a moving sculpture that stands four stories tall at the southeast corner of 2nd & St. Francis in Wichita on Monday, January 9th, 2012. There were many special guests in attendance, including Melodee Eby, granddaughter of the club's founder, Harry Stanley.

The Archways from the original Coleman Co. headquarters that used to stand at 2nd and St. Francis now serve as a pedestrian entryway to the parking lot. The Coleman Co. funded the arches' restoration.

An interpretive wall tells the story of the Rotary Club of Wichita. The plaza was designed by Law/Kindgon Architecture. Archways from the original Coleman Co. headquarters that used to stand at 2nd and St. Francis now serve as a pedestrian entryway to the parking lot. The Coleman Co. funded the arches' restoration.



The "Rotary Time Tower" sculpture was designed by local artist Todd Whipple, of Whipple Studios LLC. The four-story sculpture is designed, according to the news release, "to move with the wind, mark time by producing sound every 15 minutes."

"What a special day this is for our Rotary Club. It is an honor to commemorate our centennial with a locally designed sculpture as a gift to our community," said club president Sheryl Wohlford. "With this gift we honor all the Rotarians who have given time throughout the last century and those who will give of their time and service for the next 100 years."

Those cutting the ribbon on the Rotary Time Tower and Plaza included Sedgwick County Chairman Dave Unruh, county commissioners, representative Jeff Fluhr of the Wichita Downtown Development Corporation and representatives of the RC Wichita and the Wichita Rotary Charitable Fund which provided \$300,000 for the moving sculpture and urban park. The Coleman Company also contributed, recognizing its history. Both W. C. Coleman and his son, Sheldon Coleman, Sr. served as presidents of the RC Wichita during 1926-27 and 1939-40 respectively.

Go to [http://www.kansas.com/2012/01/09/2169104\\_a2169133/rotary-time-towercoleman-parking.html](http://www.kansas.com/2012/01/09/2169104_a2169133/rotary-time-towercoleman-parking.html) for photos of the ribbon cutting ceremony.

### Happy New Year—from Paul Harris



Now as the **Rotary New Year** begins, I wish you all of the prosperity which your good deeds merit.

May all things you ought have be yours.

May your charities rank among your necessary expenditures.

May you not fall into the popular error of thinking that happiness is to be found in outdoing your neighbors.

May it always be yours to look beneath the veneer of life to the solid substance which lies beneath.

May you be builders, not mere climbers.

May you be able to appraise life's blessings at their real worth.

May you be free to act in accordance with the dictates of your own conscience and good judgment.

May you not be slaves to meaningless customs, social or otherwise.

May you shun the groove followers.

May you have vision to discern the right and health, strength and will to do it.

THAT IS TO SAY, I wish you a happy New Year." [Paul Harris 1916](#)

(Courtesy [www.rghf.org](http://www.rghf.org))

# ROTARY FOUNDATION NEWS AND UPDATES

## Water Project in Nigeria

The Matching Grant our district is participating with in Nigeria has been approved and is being funded. Rotarian Dr. Princewill Oyakhilome and the RC of New Benin will direct and manage the work of constructing 13 bathroom facilities within as many villages in the back country around Benin City, Nigeria.

See the August 2011 District Newsletter for the original announcement of this project. We are partnering with D5400 (Idaho) and several clubs in that district. D5400 has been working with Nigerian Rotarians for more than 3 years, providing clean drinking water for 52,000 during that time.

## Milestone in India

GREAT NEWS! India and all of Rotary is celebrating January 13, 2012 as the date that India has gone one year without a single new case of polio being reported!!

Rotary leaders see the Jan. 13 milestone as a testament to the determination of its international membership of 1.2 million – and especially the 116,000-plus Rotarians of India – to eradicate the infectious disease through the mass immunization of children, a goal Rotary took on 27 years ago.

“With the support of their Rotary brothers and sisters around the world, Indian Rotarians have worked diligently month after month, year after year, to help organize and carry out the National Immunization Days that reach millions of children with the oral polio vaccine,” said **Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee**, of Vapi, India. “As an Indian, I am immensely proud of what Rotary has accomplished. However, we know this is not the end of our work. Rotary and our partners must continue to immunize children in India and in other countries until the goal of a polio-free world is finally achieved.”

Deepak Kapur, of New Delhi, who chairs Rotary’s polio eradication program in India, also credits the Indian Health Ministry for its commitment to the effort. To date, the Indian government has spent more than \$1.2 billion on domestic polio eradication activities. “Government support is crucial if we are to defeat polio, and we are fortunate that our government is our biggest advocate in this effort,” Kapur said.

“Marching ahead, the goal now is to sustain this momentum,” he added, describing as potentially “decisive” the upcoming immunization rounds in January, February, and March, which aim to vaccinate 174 million children against polio. If all ongoing testing for polio cases through Jan. 13 continues to yield negative results, India will be declared by the World Health Organization to have interrupted transmission of indigenous wild poliovirus, laying the groundwork for its removal from the polio-endemic countries list which it now shares with Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nigeria. However, other countries remain at risk for cases imported from the endemic countries,

## Polio Facts & Figures\*

<u>Area</u>	<u># of cases YTD 2011</u>	<u># of cases YTD 2010*</u>
Afghanistan	78	25
India	1	42
Nigeria	52	21
Pakistan	192	144
Non-endemic countries	308	1,120
Total Worldwide	627	1,342

Data as of 11 Jan 2012 / World Health Organization  
Go to [www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Poliothisweek.aspx](http://www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Poliothisweek.aspx) for more information

## RIISING TO THE CHALLENGE

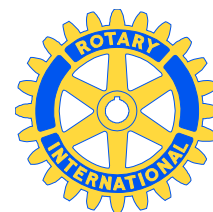
**Rotary’s US\$200 Million  
Challenge Totals\***  
**US\$198.75 Million**  
**As of January 2012**

which is why immunizations in India and other endemic and at-risk countries must continue. Neighboring Pakistan, which has reported 181 cases so far for 2011, is a major threat to India’s continued polio-free status. In 2011, a polio outbreak in China, polio-free for a decade, was traced genetically to Pakistan.

In addition to raising awareness and advocating within the public and private sectors on behalf of the cause, Rotary members to date have contributed more \$1 billion in support of polio eradication. Indian Rotary members have raised more than \$11.6 million. Rotary members now are closing in on a \$200 million fundraising milestone in response to a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which has identified polio eradication as one of its top priorities.

Source [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) Contact [wayne.hearn@rotary.org](mailto:wayne.hearn@rotary.org) for more info

District 5690 MEMBERSHIP & ATTENDANCE						
As of December 31, 2011						
When in YELLOW club did not submit their monthly numbers. Last months numbers are used.						
	7/1/2011	12/31/2011	NET GAIN	ATTENDANCE	7/31/2012	TO GOAL
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2011/12	%	GOAL*	YTD
Andover	28	26	-2	75.00%	40	-14
Arkansas City	61	58	-3	43.97%	67	-9
Beaver	23	24	1	55.20%	23	1
Boise City	14	14	0	90.30%	18	-4
Cimarron	28	28	0	85.00%	29	-1
Derby	66	65	-1	71.88%	70	-5
Dodge City	28	30	2	50.00%	33	-3
East Wichita	132	133	1	59.92%	140	-7
El Dorado	57	54	-3	53.00%	59	-5
Garden City	38	40	2	67.40%	47	-7
Greensburg	12	11	-1	55.00%	16	-5
Guymon	30	30	0	67.00%	35	-5
Hugoton	28	30	2	64.00%	29	1
Hutchinson	123	129	6	92.00%	129	0
Johnson	23	23	0	65.00%	28	-5
Kingman	32	33	1	55.00%	35	-2
Kinsley	20	20	0	66.00%	22	-2
Larned	26	23	-3	53.00%	29	-6
Liberal	48	48	0	108.00%	48	0
Newton	53	55	2	68.00%	60	-5
Pratt	69	75	6	47.00%	73	2
Sublette	18	18	0	72.00%	22	-4
Syracuse	18	19	1	62.00%	26	-7
Texhoma	16	16	0	91.00%	13	3
Ulysses	50	54	4	38.89%	59	-5
Wellington	26	26	0	67.00%	30	-4
W. Sedgwick Co	49	49	0	72.00%	55	-6
West Wichita	66	65	-1	97.00%	68	-3
Wichita-DT	364	376	12	39.36%	400	-24
Wichita-Old Town	20	21	1	53.49%	23	-2
Winfield	70	75	5	50.00%	77	-2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1636</b>	<b>1668</b>	<b>32</b>		<b>1803</b>	<b>-135</b>



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### Rotary Float Wins Trophy



Rotary International's float in the Tournament of Roses parade, "Inching Towards End of Polio," won the Princess Trophy for "The most beautiful float under 35 feet." This was the second consecutive year Rotary International has won the award highlighting critical volunteer work.

### February is World Understanding Month

Understanding and goodwill are essential for world peace. To observe World Understanding Month in February, consider inviting an international scholar or a Rotary Youth Exchange student to speak to your club, discussing international issues, or presenting entertainment from another culture.



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