



# Rotary District 6110 News

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Don Wasson, District Governor

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2000 Theme: Create Awareness - Take Action

June is Rotary Recreational & Vocational Fellowship Month

## Comments on District 6110

 Cliché after cliché are on the tips of my fingers as I begin typing this farewell directed to all you Rotarians (and other readers) of the Governor's Newsletter. The original intent of this portion of the newsletter was to "comment on" activities throughout this district. So, that's going to be how we end the 12<sup>th</sup> issue – dated June 2001. I'd like to discuss the Rotary Peace Scholarship, a change in emphasis in clubs, a thank you from "first lady" Shirley, another mention of the Assistant Governors, and the promotion of diversity in our club memberships.



The Rotary World Peace Scholarships – 70 of them worldwide for study in 2002-2004—are generating excitement. We've had questions at Fayetteville, Joplin, Pittsburg, and Tulsa. Past RI Director Jim Rountree's vision inspired us to become a Pioneer District in support of this new educational initiative to train future diplomats, political scientists, and national leaders in ways to resolve conflict. Jim serves on the guiding committee at RI to launch this world-changing effort. Each Rotarian can pride him/herself in knowing that we were the ninth district in all the world of Rotary to put up the \$50,000 to underwrite one of the first scholars who will study at 7 universities around the world. In San Antonio at the RI convention we'll be honored on stage with 69 other districts on Tuesday morning, June 26, 2001, for that commit-

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\$6,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS – Pryor, Fredonia and Henryetta Rotarians received \$6,000 from the Organ Donor Awareness project during District Conference April 28. Left to right are Jack Hatzenbuehler, president, Pryor; Beverly Gaines, Fredonia; Lawanda Rinne, president, Fredonia; and David Dykes, Jr., president, Henryetta. Dykes was named "Outstanding District Rotarian in Organ Donor Awareness" and received the Harold 'Buz' Walker Award. Beverly Gaines and the Fredonia Rotary Club took a scholarship of \$2,000 for their display depicting a successful Organ Donation Project.

## Organ Donor initiative heading for RI Convention in San Antonio

Flashing "hearts" will be everywhere at the Rotary International convention in San Antonio June 24-27. Broken Arrow Rotarians will be manning a booth in the main halls of the convention promoting the idea of organ and tissue donations, Randall Barron, member of the Rotary Club of Broken Arrow, says.

"We have prepared for 5,000 visitors at our display in San Antonio," Barron notes, "and we hope you'll be one of them."

Barron also notes that District 6110's efforts at getting organ donor cards signed is one of the best in all of Rotary. More than 5,600 cards were forwarded to the national database this past year, he says.

The Broken Arrow club's fund-raising efforts peak again on June 18 when the Organ Donor Awareness Golf Tournament will be held at Golf Club of Oklahoma. Rotarians expect to raise in excess of \$50,000. From this amount high school scholarships totaling \$6,000 will go to scholarship programs in Rotary clubs throughout the district that sign up the most organ donors. The presentations were made at District Conference April 28. Fredonia, Henryetta and Pryor were top performers.

## RI Convention "LIVE" on the internet

RI President Frank Devlyn has announced the Rotary International 2001 **Virtual Convention** web site. It is **currently under construction** and will go "live" on **June 22** with daily (hourly) updates throughout the 2001 Rotary International Convention, Rotary Institute and RYLA International Convention and all other Rotary related events being held in San Antonio, 22-27 June, 2001.

This is the very first time that Rotary will have a "Virtual Convention" that will enable Rotarians around the world to view both the Institute and Convention activities and proceedings soon after they occur throughout both events. During the convention, a team of "reporters" with digital cameras will provide hourly / daily reports and photos that will be posted to this Virtual Convention web site.

## North Tulsa's humanitarian efforts to help Russian child reported

Ilia, a 15-year-old Russian boy from Rostov-on-Don, got a special visit from Ron and Donna Petty last December. Both are members of the Rotary Club of North Tulsa. The club received a grant from The Rotary Foundation in 1999 to pay for Ilia's cancer surgery – surgery so specialized that it had to be done in Germany.

In a letter to PDG Dave Baker, Donna Petty tells of their trip to Russia and says, "Rotary hands reached across the world, forgetting the past history between our countries and said we value the lives of all people. . . . While visiting . . . Ilia shared plans for his future and spoke of when he will tell his grandchildren of the Americans who helped him get well."

Donna Petty continued with her note to Baker: "Ilia is a typical 15-year-old young man; he likes music, computers and has posters of American athletes on his bedroom wall. I have no doubt that he will soar like an eagle and one day will pass this act of kindness on to someone else in need. This is so much bigger than just helping one young man. You see, Rotary witnessed to the inhabitants of his city the meaning of "Service". Many people that Ron and I met had heard the story of Rotary helping this young man in their city. Even though many of them did not know Ilia, they thanked us for caring about one of their people and asked, 'do all Americans have big hearts?'"

"We very proudly responded that all Rotarians do," she says.

Petty and the North Tulsa club are helping the city of Rostov-on-Don organize a new Rotary Club.

## YE auction best yet

Paul Reagan, chair for Youth Exchange activities, reports the results of the on-line auction in April and early May. "It's our best year ever," he says.

Total bids when the auction closed Saturday, May 12, at 5 p.m. were \$5,917.13! Who bid 13 cents?

## Bull Shoal-Lakeview scholarships benefiting adults as well as teens

Adults needing to retrain with a college education have been awarded \$4,000 in scholarships by the Bull Shoals-Lakeview Rotary Club. "This is new ground for our Rotary Club," Larry Strickert says. In addition to the 8 vocational grants, the club also gave out \$10,000 in scholarships to 13 graduating seniors in various May ceremonies.

Bull Shoals-Lakeview celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year May 12 with their annual Pancake Day. Money raised at this event supplies most all the funds for the graduating seniors' scholarships, Strickert explains. Most of the money for the adult scholarships comes from individual club members' contributions honoring a family member or friend. Totals for all of the 21 grants this year reached \$14,000, "both records," he says.

Jennie Richmond, a 39-year-old wife and mom with three children, is the first recipient of the Adult Vocational Scholarship program. She says, "I've always tried to teach my children that an education is one of the most important things in life." Richmond's scholarship application details how she quit school at 16 to get married, "and even though I would not trade my life, there are a few things I would change."

Richmond's life changed last December when she was laid off from her job. "What seemed at the time to be the worst thing that could happen has turned out to be the one thing I needed to make me take another look at my life and what I want for my future."

Richmond is now enrolled at Arkansas State University in Mountain Home studying to be an LPN. "My ultimate goal is to return in two or three years to become a Registered Nurse."

Bull Shoals-Lakeview club members, Club President Bill Self, Governor Don Wasson and partner Shirley, along with the Flippin High School Interact Club served over 800 people pancakes, sausage, blue berries, strawberries, and all the rest of the trimmings on May 12. The event begins at 7 a.m. and ends at noon. "People come from everywhere," President Bill says.

## Oswego 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event to be highlighted by Rountree talk

A "roaring" good time is planned for Rotarians who attend the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Oswego (KS) on June 12. "We would love for anyone who would like to come to join us," Asst. Gov. Glenn Fischer says.

Featured speaker will be Past Governor and Past RI Director Jim Rountree of Rogers, AR. Jim will have an exciting story to tell about the new Rotary World Peace Scholarships as he serves on the RI committee organizing the new initiative to award 70 \$50,000 scholarships annually to specifically study peace and conflict resolution.

Festivities will begin at the Oswego Community Building at 6:30 p.m. "We really need reservations by June 8," Kathy Moyer, member of the Oswego club, says. Call her at (620) 795-2921. You can also contact Fischer at (620) 795-4741 – home; or (620) 795-4532 – work. (Note: 620 is the NEW area code for S. E. Kansas.)

Governor Don Wasson will also give a short talk. "A roaring good time" has something to do with the evening's entertainment, Fischer says.



*DG Don, David Sutherland and Larry Strickert were selling pancakes right and left at Bull Shoals-Lakeview Rotary Club's 40th annual event May 12. Club members and Interactors served over 800 area residents pancakes and all the trimmings.*

## Second new district Interact club 'off and running' in Fayetteville

Three officers of the new Interact Club in Fayetteville attended Rotary May 31 as they prepare themselves to lead 40 Interactors next year, Fayetteville President Barbara Prichard reports.

Fayetteville Interactors join with the new club in Nevada, MO which was organized in February.

Rotarian Rebecca Garner – with help from Fayetteville educator Debbie Goodall — have spearheaded the organization efforts. Interactors had their first “meeting” on May 15 when over 40 came for a pizza luncheon arranged by Garner and Fayetteville Rotarian Marty Woodruff. “They had election of officers and as soon as the president was elected, she took over the meeting and it was off and running!” Garner says.

Even when the new club was in the sign-up stage, future Interactors operated a karaoke contest at the Fayro Girls Softball Tournament in early May. “The kids were already raising money,” Prichard notes. “Speeches from newly elected officers are evidence that students do want to be involved in helpful ways in their community.”

Interactors will continue to be involved with the Fayro Girls Softball tournament next year.

## Pryor's 5<sup>th</sup> Friday

Pryor Rotarians “skip” the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting in any given month. June is one of those months. Friday, June 29, 2001, there will be no meeting at the First United Methodist Church, so says Cathy Webster, club secretary.

## Newest members...

Many club secretaries report new members to the Governor's office.

*Tulsa Southeast* – Rob Smith, Cheryl Slaton

*Tulsa Sunrise* – Jessica Powell, John Carson, Carl Quist

*Ft. Smith* – Orville C. Clift

*Independence* – Thomas Schwarz

## Club insurance policy to be issued by RI

Rotary clubs and their activities will continue to have liability insurance in 2001-2002. However the coverage will be provided by Rotary International's “new” company rather than through the Huggins program the district used in 2000-2001, according to DGE Fred Baker, Ft. Smith.

The insurance premium per member will be \$2.50 (last year it was \$2.68) and this amount will be forwarded to Rotary International by club secretaries when they prepare the Semi-Annual Report (SAR). District dues will be reduced by a like amount, PDG Conaly Bedell, finance chairman, says. “Our committee has not concluded exact calculations,” Bedell says. Others on the committee are District Treasurer Russ Robinson, PDG Dave Baker, DG Don Wasson and DGE Fred Baker.

Assistant Governor Charles Keeter asked last month if the Joplin Daybreak club's annual Shrimpfest is covered by insurance. Earlier this year President Mike Schlichtman of Cassville asked if his club had coverage for its annual rodeo.

Things will not change even though RI is taking over collection of premiums, DG Don Wasson says. “The Shrimpfest, the rodeo, and things like Apple Butter Makin' Days festivities in Mt. Vernon, MO will continue to be covered by the policy.” Wasson says that anything Rotarians sponsor, except things like building homes and operating swimming pools, is covered up to \$2 million in liability.

For exact details and information on reporting claims, look on the Internet at [insurance@rotaryintl.org](mailto:insurance@rotaryintl.org) or call Elaine Marin, risk manager at RI, 847.866.3428.

## RI Membership Challenge results posted; we came in 6<sup>th</sup> with 73 new members

District 6110 clubs posted a 73-member gain through May 15 according to figures posted on RI President Frank Devlyn's web site. “We didn't win the Zone 29 competition,” District Governor Don Wasson notes, “but we did come in second to District 5710 (NE Kansas) which gained just over 100 new members.

On a percentage basis, District 5710 had a 3.94% gain. District 6110's percentage gain was 1.54% — ranking us 6<sup>th</sup> out of 13 districts in Zone 29, Governor Don calculated. Total gain in this zone was 250 members. Four districts ended the contest period of May 15 with negative figures.

Around the world, Rotary's gain was 18,054 members, President Devlyn's web site says.

Governor Don notes that the almost-200-member gain reported as of December 31 eroded to the 73-member figure. “It was disappointing to see early-year efforts thwarted by resignations, attendance problems and other reasons,” he said.

Next Rotary year's Membership Development efforts continue, according to DGE Fred Baker. Under a plan being implemented by incoming RI President Richard King, the district will have a 20-member committee working individually with clubs to continue to growth to 1.5 million members by Rotary's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year in 2005. Currently Rotary membership is near 1,180,000 in 163 countries and geographic regions.

## June issue of *The Rotarian* publishes photo of Gov. Don, Devlyn, Rinehart

When RI President Frank Devlyn visited District 6110 on February 7 he participated in groundbreaking ceremonies at Celia Clinton Elementary School in Tulsa. An action photo — complete with shovel and hard hats — submitted by Tulsa Rotarian Jerry Cornelius showing children at the school with District Governor Don Wasson and Tulsa Rotary Club President Tom Rinehart, is in the June issue.

The \$75,000 Serendipity outdoor classroom being underwritten by the Rotary Club of Tulsa is nearing completion. Funds to pay for the new classroom come from earnings on the \$1.2 million Community Fund and individual gifts of the Tulsa club members.

# CLUB NOTES

**OWASSO and TULSA WILL ROGERS** — Registration figures at district conference show 66 clubs participated April 27-29. Many brought their club banners as club presidents had agreed to do when Governor Don Wasson visited clubs. Two clubs have failed to retrieve their banners – Owasso and Tulsa Will Rogers. Governor Don has the banners.

**SPRINGDALE** – RYLA committee person Maureen Cover-Bryan, Rogers, AR, along with student leaders from 2001 RYLA camp, presented a program at the Springdale Rotary Club May 7. President-Elect Pam Bohannan says the program has kindled much interest in next year's camp s at Heart of the Hills camp near Tahlequah. This year 56 clubs participated; "we know of at least one more for next year," DGE Fred Baker says.

**ROGERS EARLY RISERS** – "Education" activities are high on the list of things the Rogers Early Risers enjoy. The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Partners in Education Awards ceremonies were held April 19. President Kent Sohosky showed Governor Don an impressive list of contributors who gave over \$10,000 for scholarships during the black-tie event.

**BULL SHOALS-LAKEVIEW** – The 40<sup>th</sup> annual Pancake Day at Bull Shoals-Lakeview brought our another crowd to help support scholarship efforts of the club. See another article in this month's newsletter.

**BROKEN ARROW** – Annually the Broken Arrow Rotary Club sponsors a golf tournament to benefit the Organ Donor Awareness program. This year's event will be June 18 at Golf Club of Oklahoma. Organ Donor sponsors raise more than \$50,000 for the work of the committee. If you'd like to participate contact Randall Barron at (918) 366-369-1581 or [marvelbarr@cs.com](mailto:marvelbarr@cs.com)

**COFFEYVILLE** – "Defenders" of Coffeyville pride themselves in that they stopped the Dalton Gang's infamous bank-robbing tactics before the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Part of this heritage is showcased in the city's Brown Museum. The club held its annual workday

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ment. Your assistant governors all have information and applications. District Conference chair Doug Collins commented last month "the thing I like most about Rotary is that it gives us the chance to change the world!" Your applicant for the Rotary World Peace Scholarships might be that person to "change the world."

Some of you will remember the "heart" of the Governor's Address which I gave at all 77 clubs across the district. I asked you to judge your own club in how effective it is in fulfilling the Object of Rotary. Remember? It went something like this . . . .



1. Are you growing your membership?
2. Does your club have meaningful service projects?
3. Does your club support The Rotary Foundation and participate in its programs?
4. Are you training members for future club and District leadership?

I can tell you that I have egg all over my face this week. The realization of what I was *really* saying when I repeated these words over and over at club meetings (and even in my sleep!) hit me



during conversations with President-Elect Jerry Kite at Bixby. Jerry wanted information on the Four Avenues of Service so he could organize committees for (1) Club, (2) Community, (3) Vocational, and (4) International Service. In the newest version of Rotary document 226-EN there is very little mention of Club, Community, Vocational, and International. *Here comes the "egg on my face"*. After blasting off an email to a couple of RI Directors, to the staff at the Secretariat in Evanston, and PDGs across this district, I find out that a Rotary International Board of Directors' decision in February 1999 changed the emphasis *from* the Four Avenues of Service *to* the Four Questions that I posed to each club during the Governor's Address. (Membership, Service Projects, Foundation, Training.) Ray Bredberg, our "main man" at RI, advises, "You will see more and more emphasis in this direction rather than the four avenues of service." We need to support DGE Fred Baker and his efforts to implement these new directions for Rotary. So, to all you incoming officers in the district, please read carefully the RI form 226-EN in your PETS workbook. And, finally, to Jerry Kite, thanks for "opening the 226-EN envelope" that unlocks the future of Rotary's emphasis.

"First Lady" Shirley wants to tell each of you how much she appreciates all the courtesies extended to us this past year. High on her list is the evening we spent at Carthage, MO last fall.



President Eric Ferrell and others at Carthage were so helpful," she recalls. "Also, the ladies at Bull Shoals who hosted a luncheon at Gaston's was unforgettable." She says she better quit there and just say that she enjoyed every mile (over 30,000) of this journey across the district.



Fifteen Assistant Governors are busy at work right now preparing new leaders for service in 2001-2002. My appreciation level for the work they do has grown every day this year. Each of them should get a pat on the back for the work they do! When you get the chance, tell them how much YOU appreciate their service.

Each Rotary club was urged to seek "diversity" this year. Extending membership to minorities and women certainly received lots of emphasis. One of the significant results of this initiative is being announced here. The Carthage club's board of directors approved three women members – the first women ever in the club's 84-year history — at its May meeting. This club's every-other-week meeting will be enhanced we're sure, by including the community's female leaders as a normal part of Rotary.

I must end this "comments" column by personally thanking *all* you great Rotary members who have walked beside Shirley and me this year. It was a life-changing experience. I have to single out one person among the 4,800+ members. That person is PDG Dave Baker from Eureka Springs. He has been a true friend this whole year!

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## Japanese Rotary magazine gives insights about Chinese

*Rotary No Tomo*, a magazine published in Japan, has interesting insights this month on how the developments in China will impact the world. *Rotary No Tomo*, literally translated, means Friend of Rotary.

One short article tells of Chinese Chairman Jiang Zemin's goal of providing one egg for each of the 1.3 billion citizens of the nation in the next few years. The Japanese Rotarian, Shizuo Imai, RI Director 1995-97, quotes World Watch Institute's Lester Brown as saying, "Jiang Zemin wants the people of China to be healthy and eat one egg a day. That's natural, for he's a politician. . . . But if the people of China are to have one egg a day, that requires 1.3 billion laying hens. How much feed grain would you need for 1.3 billion laying hens? The same amount that Australia grows in one year."

Rotarian Shizuo also analyzes the future of the world by talking of different groups' vision of how it SHOULD be. He talks of the "Market Model" that says if a country with a huge population like China does not have enough food, then we can either sell them the food or the machines to grow it with.

The "Fortress Model" would have the world unfold in a different way. "This group is rather pessimistic," Shizuo says. "It opposes the World Trade Organization (WTO) as a group that has been set up by the economically powerful industrialized nations in a way that only they will profit from globalization. The fortress model people are pessimistic because they don't believe that globalization and the WTO will work for the benefit of all."

Finally he discusses the "Transformation Model". He says this group proclaims, "No, we humans must dream larger dreams and gain greater wisdom. We can change our values so that we will find out that living together, rather than a self-centered existence, will yield us greater happiness. Everyone will come together to help solve environmental problems and stop pollution, as one example."

Shizuo concludes by talking about Rotary. "Rotary is idealistic. Rotary is not a group that says, 'That's all I was able to do today.' It's important to take small steps everyday and look forward to realizing a dream. Rotary is not the kind of organization about which it might be said, 'It doesn't make any difference whether it exists or not.' Rotary is an organization that must exist. That's the reason we have to examine everything that is around us. I want it to be said that we were able to make it through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century because Rotary was there."

## Scholarship deadline a little earlier

Deadline for scholarship applications for the Rotary International Ambassadorial and the District Kirchner Ambassador Scholarship has been set for July 10, according to Jack Bache, District Secretary. Clubs will need to have completed applications in the hands of Secretary Bache by that time. Applications for the Kirchner Scholarship are the same as that used for the RI Ambassador and are available on the RI web site at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

Interviews for the two scholarships (1 Ambassador, 1 Kirchner) will be August 11 at Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, KS. "This is about two weeks earlier than before," Bache says. The earlier date has been chosen so that applicants won't have to return from universities for the interviews, according to Steven Kaderly, Lamar, MO, chair of the committee.

The two awards this year will be \$25,000 for the Ambassadorial and \$20,000 for the Kirchner, Bache says. The \$20,000-level is for this year only. Normally the Kirchner scholarship, available to relatives of Rotarians, is for \$15,000. "We hope to have applications specifically for the Kirchner this year," PDG Max Glover, chairman of the Kirchner committee, said.

Rotary International's stated objective is to "Promote World Peace and Understanding." Through these ambassador-type scholarship programs, where the students will study in a country other than their own, results have been dramatic during the 40+ years of the program, PDG Glover says.

# April Club Attendance/May Foundation Giving Report

Club Name	Members 6-30-00	Attendance Members	Current 4-1-01	Goal	APF Foundation Giving '99-'00	APF Foundation thru 05-31-01
Aurora MO	30	69.00%	27	38	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bartlesville OK	147	69.90%	157	160	\$3,760.00	\$2,585.00
Bartlesville Daybreak OK	66	67.70%	60	72	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
Bentonville AR	95	73.00%	92	100	\$7,963.00	\$5,680.00
Bentonville Daybreak AR	22	NR	24	30	\$0.00	\$0.00
Berryville AR	31	86.00%	34	35	\$2,860.00	\$200.00
Bixby OK		NR	25	50	n/a	\$0.00
Booneville AR	41	78.10%	43	46	\$0.00	\$275.00
Bristow OK	29	61.00%	33	35	\$0.00	\$836.00
Broken Arrow OK	72	73.30%	72	85	\$0.00	\$3,360.00
Bull Shoals/Lakeview AR	57	87.60%	55	63	\$3,796.78	\$2,865.93
Carthage MO	103	58.30%	106	106	\$1,250.00	\$1,400.00
Cassville MO	58	63.00%	54	63	\$200.00	\$1,500.00
Chanute KS	45	47.50%	42	50	\$2,050.00	\$0.00
Claremore OK	83	61.10%	86	90	\$2,000	\$2,000.00
Claremore Reveille OK	31	74.00%	27	42	\$0.00	\$0.00
Coffeyville KS	61	64.00%	62	66	\$1,558.00	\$1,425.00
Drumright OK	25	68.60%	25	30	\$100.00	\$200.00
Eureka Springs AR	52	71.20%	46	60	\$2,400.00	\$2,050.00
Fayetteville AR	198	68.30%	206	200	\$5,535.00	\$1,350.00
Ft. Scott KS	58	50.00%	58	58	\$2,100.00	\$1,100.00
Ft. Smith AR	127	71.60%	121	133	\$3,725.00	\$3,650.00
Ft. Smith Southside AR	37	NR	37	41	\$0.00	\$100.00
Fredonia KS	23	79.00%	25	30	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Frontenac KS	38	75.00%	26	44	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Grove OK	73	76.00%	74	88	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Harrison AR	86	71.10%	89	89	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00
Henryetta OK	27	NR	30	35	\$0.00	\$0.00
Humboldt KS	28	NR	20	33	\$0.00	\$0.00
Independence KS	64	66.00%	65	67	\$50.00	\$4,000.00
Iola KS	42	70.00%	43	45	\$0.00	\$0.00
Joplin MO	154	75.00%	155	159	\$3,855.00	\$3,800.00
Joplin Daybreak MO	65	79.90%	54	68	\$200.00	\$3,600.00
Lamar MO	69	81.00%	68	75	\$7,875.00	\$4,300.00
McAlester OK	96	65.80%	94	100	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Miami OK	92	66.90%	93	100	\$350.00	\$385.00
Mid-Marion Co. AR	34	66.00%	36	38	\$100.00	\$500.00
Mountain Home AR	85	87.70%	80	95	\$0.00	\$1,300.00
Mt. Vernon MO	31	73.00%	36	45	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Muskogee OK	60	49.40%	57	65	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Muskogee Morning OK	8	90.00%	12	13	\$385.00	\$0.00
Neodesha KS	25	57.00%	23	30	\$0.00	\$0.00
Neosho MO	54	64.00%	54	54	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Nevada MO	104	52.40%	110	120	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
N. Fayetteville AR	94	67.00%	89	99	\$6,000.00	\$11,995.00
Nowata OK	9	56.00%	9	14	\$0.00	\$0.00
Okmulgee OK	34	51.00%	31	40	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Oswego KS	17	54.00%	18	19	\$0.00	\$0.00
Owasso OK	31	66.00%	33	40	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ozark AR	25	80.00%	24	?	\$0.00	\$0.00
Paris AR	28	83.00%	28	33	\$0.00	\$0.00
Parsons KS	48	64.00%	48	54	\$100.00	\$0.00
Pittsburg KS	93	73.20%	89	100	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pittsburg Sunrise KS	42	86.00%	45	47	\$1,900.00	\$5,000.00
Poteau OK	50	77.00%	47	54	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pryor OK	43	88.60%	46	49	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00
Rogers AR	112	72.50%	116	130	\$3,200.00	\$200.00
Rogers Early Risers AR	55	74.00%	55	70	\$500.00	\$300.00
Sand Springs OK	97	65.20%	103	115	\$2,000.00	\$1,200.00
Sapulpa OK	62	53.00%	65	67	\$3,000.00	\$2,100.00
Siloam Springs AR	57	53.00%	47	57	\$1,000.00	\$3,390.00
Skiatook OK	32	73.00%	31	35	\$300.00	\$200.00
Southeast Tulsa OK	70	74.30%	72	74	\$1,000.00	\$200.00
Southside Tulsa OK	83	91.90%	89	101	\$3,400.00	\$300.00
Springdale AR	118	64.40%	123	133	\$23,285.00	\$24,395.00
Sunrise of Tulsa OK	65	79.00%	66	72	\$11,400.00	\$12,800.00
Tahlequah Cherokee Co. OK	39	53.90%	32	47	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tulsa After Hours OK	17	NR	18	30	\$1,800.00	\$0.00
Tulsa Central OK	20	69.00%	21	25	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Tulsa Green Country OK	23	NR	23	38	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
North Tulsa	41	57.00%	36	40	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tulsa, OK	443	79.00%	446	475	\$7,900.00	\$7,595.00
Van Buren, AR	57	66.00%	55	60	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Vinita OK	43	50.00%	44	48	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Wagoner OK	38	62.90%	45	46	\$0.00	\$0.00
Webb City-Carl Junction MO	39	77.60%	44	55	\$0.00	\$0.00
Will Rogers-Tulsa OK	78	57.00%	78	85	\$700.00	\$1,400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4762</b>		<b>4852</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>\$140,098.38</b>	<b>\$134,586.93</b>
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## Governor's schedule for the final month

Governor Don and Shirley's schedule for June concludes a year that saw them in Buenos Aires, Alabama, Texas, the four states of this district and participating in well over 200 meetings.

There were board meetings, club meetings, fireside chats, and other special occasions. The odometer on the car has now inched past 31,000 miles of travel.

- June 12 Oswego 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- 14 Rotary Club visit in Kansas
- 15 Swearing in DGE Fred Baker  
At Sunrise Rotary's Change of Ducks banquet
- 18 Men of Note performance
- 19 Ft. Smith Change of Horses  
Banquet Swearing Out Ceremony  
For Governor Don Wasson
- 20 Leave for San Antonio  
RI Convention
- 21 Rotary Youth Exchange festivities
- 22 Rotary Institute participation
- 24 RI Convention begins
- 28 Return from RI Convention
- 28 Particiate in North Tulsa Change  
Of Wheels banquet
- July 2 Change of Horses banquet  
Tulsa Will Rogers Rotary Club
- July ? Somewhere in the Mountains of  
Colorado or Wyoming!



ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNOR Don Wasson (R) visited the Grove Rotary Club recently to sing the praises of Lowell Baker, who is finishing a term as Assistant Governor for the civic organization.

## GSE team members offering to give programs at your club

Five individuals of the GSE team to South Korea have definitely had their "lives changed forever", according to team leader Jack Butt, Rotarian from Fayetteville.

To share their incredible experiences and enthusiasm for the GSE (Group Study Exchange) program each of them is offering to give programs throughout the district after July 1, John Kreissler, GSE district chairman, says.

Clubs can contact Butt and other team members at:

Jack Butt, email – jbutt@DavisWrightLaw.com or work phone (501) 521-7600.

Melissa Christman, Poteau – email mchristman@leftorecounty.com home phone (918) 653-5039.

Scott Lawson, Miami – email ScottL@Newellcoach.com work phone (918) 542-3344.

Dan Mitchell, Coffeyville – email danielmyth@hotmail.com home phone (620) 251-7179

Mark White, Rogers – email markwhitesworld@yahoo.com work phone (501) 636-3301.

Butt's 8-page synopsis of the trip to Rotary International tells of the surprises, the joys, the agony, and the "be flexible" attitude of all team members. "All of us, including me as a Rotarian, came away with a profound respect for the GSE program and the universality of Rotary as an effective bridge between countries, continents and cultures."

Butt notes that "we were lucky" because of the full-time interpreter assigned to the group. Also, he says, the team was "prepared" before they left the USA and that saved many embarrassing moments.

Finally Butt complimented the Koreans as "masterful hosts" saying that "our stay was very carefully and very thoroughly planned. . ." One caution Butt gives to future teams traveling to this part of Asia: "Two of us carried laptop computers. It added weight, bulk and fragility to my luggage. The busted screen cost me about \$900 (most of which insurance will cover). There are PC rooms everywhere, and every host family had a PC, connected to the internet. I'm not sure whether I'd take a computer again."

If clubs really want to see and hear more about the trip, they should schedule a presentation by one of the team members, Kreissler says. "Call them now."

## \$24,000 shortfall in giving to Rotary Foundation reported

Annual Programs Fund giving to The Rotary Foundation is \$24,000 short of projections, according to recorded figures received by DG Don Wasson this past week. A complete report is on the back page of this issue of the Newsletter. It shows contributions from clubs through May 31.

DG Don circulated e-mail to all club presidents May 28 asking for their help in reaching the district's goal. "I got an immediate response of over \$3,000 in giving so I know that some clubs have just not gotten around to sending in funds for the Foundation," the governor says.

PDG John Brodbeck, Eureka Springs, is district chair for Foundation giving this year. He notes that \$35,000 has been "restricted giving" for special projects of Rotary clubs. Brodbeck specified the \$5,000 that the Harrison Rotary Club gave to help fund their Heifer project in Thailand as "restricted". District Rotarians have a choice of putting the money into the Annual Programs Fund or Restricted Giving.

The Annual Programs Fund giving comes back to the district in three years. This money is what pays for Ambassador Scholarships, Grants to University Professors, GSE, and all the Matching Grant funds which "double and quadruple" monies given by Rotarians for projects like the Tulsa Green Country club's schoolbook project in Guatemala, Governor Don notes. "I really hope clubs will do some special things like making a special club member a Paul Harris Fellow. Or maybe honoring a non-Rotarian in the community with a PHF for their service," the governor said. "Sometimes money that is laying in clubs' treasuries could be working to support Rotary's goal of World Peace and Understanding."

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there last month. "We planted flowers, trees and packed 4,000 pounds of paint into the basement of the museum," Debbie Carter reports. Members and their families all participated.

JOPLIN – Gov. Don and Shirley were in Joplin May 17 for a special presentation. "Every time we go to Joplin Terry Hecklin (Joplin noon) gives us chocolate candy," Shirley says. Hecklin's famous Richardson Chocolates are made in Joplin.

BENTONVILLE – YE student Julian Infuhr from District 1850 in Germany gave his farewell to Bentonville Rotarians May 16. His synopsis of the "good news and bad news" talked about the unchallenging character of American schooling, and his appreciation of American athletic opportunities presented in the Bentonville schools. Julian's suggestion that YE students be permitted to drive cars in the USA was based on the fact he had to wait lots of times for a ride to some activity. Paul Reagan, YE chair for the district, is adamant that YE students will not be permitted to drive cars while here.

EUREKA SPRINGS – Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar Maureen McClung has been honored with induction into Phi Beta Kappa at Hendrix College, Arkansas. McClung will study in New Zealand beginning this fall where she will seek a Postgraduate Diploma of Science with emphasis in Conservation Biology.

FT. SMITH – Shawn Johnson, currently studying in Scotland with a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, reports his willingness to address clubs beginning July 24-Aug. 20. He has a PowerPoint presentation ready to show his year in St. Andrews, Scotland. The short time span is between his return and the beginnings of his law school at the University of Arkansas.

FAYETTEVILLE – 49 girls softball teams converged on Fayetteville for the 1st annual Fayro Girls Invitational Softball Tournament. What started out to be a wished-for success "turned out to be a HUGE success," according to Pres. Barbara Prichard. She gives all the credit to Pres.-Elect Chuck Culver saying he was the go-to guy who made it happen. The club raised lots of money for the UA girls' softball program and made a dramatic impact on the community, Barbara said.

## 53 Clubs to receive Presidential Citation

The following clubs will receive the Presidential Citation for service in 2000-2001 from Rotary International. (It takes quite a while for the Secretariat to complete these citations – imagine 20,000 Citations to certify and distribute!)

<u>Club</u>	<u>President 00-01</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>President 00-01</u>
Aurora	Eric Siefried	Lamar	Jeff Gardner
Bartlesville	Gil Greenwood	Miami	Marcy Thompson
Bartlesville Daybrk	Tom Janer	MidMarion Co.	Cindy Tilley
Bentonville BV	Carol Bemis	Mountain Home	Perry McDonald
Bentonville Daybrk	Joel Benbow	Mt. Vernon	Bill Lee
Berryville	Mary Lou Harp	Muskogee Morn.	Tim Holder
Bixby	Jessica Moffatt	Muskogee	Bret Smith
Booneville	Richard Lee	Neosho	Bill Carlsten
Bristow	J. Owen Corwin	Oswego	Joan Pearson
Bull Shls-Lkvw	Bill Self	Owasso	Jon Roberts
Carthage	Eric Ferrell	Parsons	Kelly Rector
Cassville	Mike Schlichtman	Pittsburg Noon	Terry Diebolt
Claremore	Rick Reimer	Pittsburg Sunrise	Steve Scott
Claremore Rev.	Earlene Washburn	Poteau	Sevilla Vance
Coffeyville	Jerry Marquette	Pryor	Jack Hatzenbuehler
Drumright	Ron Dyer	Sand Springs	Romme Pate
Eureka Springs	Rusty Windle	Sapulpa	Pete Galbraith
Fayetteville	Barbara Prichard	Skiatook	Tim Hutto
Fayetteville North.	Matt Buckner	Springdale	Dennis Smiley
Fort Scott	Mary Lynn Stevenson	North Tulsa	Shelley Thomas
Ft. Smith	Royce Thomas	Tulsa Southeast	Steve Goforth
Fredonia	Lawanda Rinne	Tulsa Southside	Richard Booth
Grove	Bob Daggett	Tulsa Sunrise	Jim Vander Lind
Harrison	Marcille Lawrence	Tulsa Will Rogers	Lee Griffin
Joplin	Michael Gilpin	Tulsa	Tom Rinehart
Joplin Daybreak	Cathy White	Van Buren	Sue Moore
		Webb Cty-Carl Jun.	Ron Lankford

## Kudos...

All of us in District 6110 owe many thank yous to District Secretary Jack Bache and District Treasurer Russ Robinson. They make the mechanics of this administration work smoothly.

You are reading the 12<sup>th</sup> issue of the Governor's Newsletter. Distribution this year has been almost exclusively via the internet – a first for our district. That has been made possible by the expertise of John Bruce, Tulsa Sunrise. You have all seen the "cheery" greetings from him announcing the arrival of the monthly newsletter.

Also, to the Club Internet Communications Officers (CICOs), thanks to each of you for "forwarding" the newsletter to your members. More than 2,500 Rotarians have the opportunity to read the newsletter every month. During the "first" of anything – like distribution electronically – it takes time for all to catch on to what is happening. But that will come with time.

Maybe most important to the newsletter, though, is Kim Impson, McAlester. She, single handedly, has arranged all the information and put it into a format that is presented to you monthly. Kim has chosen a new career now, so we'll all miss her in Rotary here in District 6110.