

# The District Newsletter

## Tappe Inherits Pin and ‘Stuff’

Hello Fellow Rotarians,

Well, I guess it is official! On Saturday June 29, 2013 District Governor Dian Edwards passed the PIN to me to be your new District Governor. She will be a hard act to follow but I will try my best to represent our district with both humility and pride.

She also passed along a pickup full of district “stuff” that I will need throughout the Rotary year. One of the things that I inherited is our district ShelterBox that we will set up at our District Conference in May. In the meantime, if any club would like to borrow it for a Rotary display at some function, let me know and I will try to get it to your place.

The “passing of the pin” event was a very nice program organized by our District Trainer Loraine Lawler. It was attended by ten Past District Governors, two future District Governors, several Assistant Governors, several Club Presidents-Elect, some committee folks and friends, and some good members of my McCook Rotary Club.

At this event we were also able to solidify the appointment of PDG Ron Bazata as our new Membership Chairman. Everyone knows that Ron has a real passion for Rotary and has a ton of energy to spread the word. I very much appreciate his help on this task and hope that our new club presidents will call on him for assistance.

Another key position of Foundation Chair has been filled for some time now by Don Peterson. He has our district off to a running start with Grant activities. I’ll talk about other district leaders in future articles.

In the meantime, I am looking forward to visiting your club in the near future. Keep up the good Rotary work that you do.

Duane Tappe  
*District 5630 Governor 2013-14*



*Outgoing District Governor Dian Edwards passes the pin to new District Governor Duane Tappe.*

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Twenty-eight clubs will get grant funds
- Passing the Pin Dinner Photos
- GO ROTARY! Bazata heading up Membership

*District 5630's first female district governors: Marcie Schmidt (left) of Minden and Diane Finch-Oerter of North Platte Noon. Diane was a member of the Arnold club when she was the district governor.*



## RI Helps With Transition to New Rotary Year

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Information, foundation giving, e-learning, club and committee goal setting are just a few clicks away with Member Access through the Rotary International website [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

Member Access is a great way for each Rotary member to track his or her individual giving, monitor club goals, and get club information. Don't have your Member Access? Easy to set up with email address and your member number. Member number is on your mailing label of The Rotarian magazine.

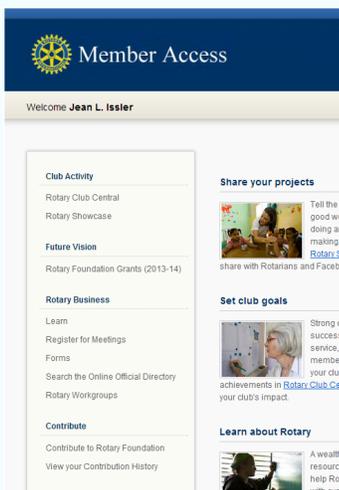
Club officers can use Member Access to submit changes in membership, report club officers, and set goals that can be tracked through the year. Be sure to update through the Club secretary or Club president. It is always a good idea to print Club based reports at the beginning of the Rotary year.

Membership committee members can find club membership trends for the past 3-5 years at their fingertips rather than the long worksheet that took hours in years past.

Foundation committee members will want to print out a "new year" report of club member giving status. The report can be very helpful in setting club giving goals that can be entered and tracked through Member Access. Much easier than legal pads and computer worksheets of the past.

And finally, any member can sign up for digital newsletters from Rotary International. Club presidents may want the Rotary Leader, New Generations Committee members may sign up for their area. Other newsletters include the Weekly Update, Public Relations, and Service Projects. I learn a lot every time I read them. These newsletters sometimes have great You Tube clips too.

Take a few minutes to set up your Member Access and subscribe to some newsletters. Then Engage Rotary and Change Lives. Happy New Rotary Year!!



*You are now a deputy and this is your badge.*



## You Are A Membership Deputy

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Greetings District 5630 Rotarians!

District Governor Tappe and District Governor Elect Rickertsen have successfully convinced me to accept the District Membership chair for this year. I have accepted this position so I could say that I did serve as a chair at the District level at some point in my Rotary career.

My goal is simple for every member of every club in our District. I officially am deputizing each of you starting July 1, 2013. You are now the CEO of your one-person membership committee.

Being in a Rotary club is more than just attending meetings and sharing friendships. We are not like other service clubs! It is our obligation to share this great organization with friends and business associates and mentor them to assure that they take an active role in your club.

This effort is not a membership rally or a numbers game and is not an effort from the District working its way down to the club level. This is about a challenge directed to you and you alone.

I would love for you to find one new member and then assist them in turning into a Rotarian. I will be willing to come to any club in the District to give a new membership talk, under certain conditions. The first requirement is that the club has made an effort to bring prospects to the meeting. The more the merrier and make it be a requirement that the prospective member can attend meetings if asked to join. It could even be a special meeting at a different time and location.

Secondly, I want an individual or individuals to be dedicated into converting these prospects into new members after my visit. We are not performing miracles but simply attempting to revitalize your club.

Lastly, you must have a plan in advance on how you are going to accept these new people, how you are planning to educate them on the positives of Rotary and how you are going to put them to work!

So there you have it. My contact information is listed above. I am challenging you and your club to act. Will you act or sit on your hands? GO ROTARY!

### DG Tappe's Club Visit Schedule July 2013

9-Jul	Minden	Noon
9-Jul	Kearney Bricks	5:30 p.m.
10-Jul	Kearney Dawn	7:00 a.m.
11-Jul	Curtis	Noon
15-Jul	Sidney	6:15 p.m.
16-Jul	Kimball	6:15 p.m.
18-Jul	Cambridge	Noon
19-Jul	Hastings	Noon
23-Jul	O'Neill	Noon
25-Jul	St. Paul	Noon
30-Jul	Imperial	Noon
31-Jul	Grant	Noon

## Exchange Students Attend SCRYE Camp

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Rotary District 5630's five long-term exchange students for 2013-14 attended the South Central Rotary Youth Exchange (SCRYE) outbound camp in Siloam Springs, Ark., June 19-23. Fifty-eight exchange students from 14 districts in eight states participated in the camp along with 12 Rotexes (former exchange students) and 16 Rotarians. The camp helps prepare the students for their yearlong exchange living in another country and in another culture.

Three Rotexes from District 5630 served as camp counselors. They were: Dakota Bergen of Paxton, Matt Kramer of Hastings and Blake Yarrington of Merna. Paula Witt of the Hastings Sunrise club and Ronna Morse of Valentine accompanied the students.

Paula concluded a three-year term as co-chair of the camp, during which she was instrumental in revising the camp curriculum. The 5630 students will depart for their host countries from late July through mid-August.

### Short Term Exchanges Underway

Four students from District 5630 are participating in the Short Term Youth Exchange Program. Three are overseas now. Hannah Gilbertson of Grand Island is in Switzerland; Taylor Carlberg of Johnson Lake is in Germany and Mary Leonard of Julesburg, CO, is in Belgium.

Emma Petersen of North Platte is hosting her exchange partner, Vittoria Di Guinta, from Italy.

Each girl will live from four to six weeks with their exchange partner's family and then hosts her partner.

## Expect Grant Funds to 28 Clubs in August

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Back in early March, District leadership conducted several training sessions which was part of the requirement for individual clubs to apply for available grant money. The District 5630 Grants subcommittee has been busy the past month reviewing the applications that clubs have prepared for the 2013-14 Rotary year. I am pleased to announce that a total of 28 clubs participated and were approved. Each club was awarded \$625 coming from the District's designated funds (DDF).

As a refresher, these funds come from gifts that were made to Rotary International by District members and individual non-Rotarians. The funds are not designated for one of RI's programs so they become annual giving.

Rotary International keeps these funds for three years. After that time, 50% of that money goes to the World Fund and the remainder comes back to the district as DDF. Those funds can be spent on several Rotary Foundation programs, including district grants.

Our committee will soon be sending letters to each of the 28 clubs with instructions on how to handle the grant money. A request has been sent to RI requesting those funds and each club should expect to receive a check for the grant amount by early August. Most clubs are also contributing club money in addition to the District grant.

If there are any questions, please contact me or anyone on the district grant subcommittee. You will find them listed on the District 5630 website under [Foundation Resources](#).



*Pictured at SCRYE Camp, left to right are: Rotexes Blake Yarrington-Merna/Germany and Dakota Bergen-Paxton/Sweden; District 5630 Outbound Students Alyssa Wiese-O'Neill/Austria, Anna Graff-McCook/Germany, Levi McCoy-Hastings/Thailand, Max Garvue-Amherst/Brazil and Dakota Reichman-Chappell/Taiwan.*



*Past District Governors Marcie Schmidt, Dave Snow, and Tom Kraus visit with outgoing District Governor Dian Edwards at the Passing of the Pin Dinner. This dinner celebrates the accomplishments of the past Rotary year and energizes our commitment to the new year.*

## Clubs Shine in PolioPlus Year End Results

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District 5630 finished the year with a record \$83,701.16 raised for Polio Plus. Forty-four percent of this total was raised by one club, Kearney Rotary Club. This was largely through generous philanthropy of a local family that had a personal family experience with polio. The Kearney Rotarians were instrumental in making this donation possible by spreading the word about Rotary's primary international mission to eradicate polio.

Other clubs deserving special recognition are Grant and North Platte Sunrise clubs. Both of these clubs raised funds averaging more than \$100 per member for the year.

Other clubs which deserve special thanks by contributing above the suggested \$50/member minimum were: Arnold, Chappell, Gothenburg, Grand Island, Kearney Dawn, McCook, North Platte (Noon) and Ogallala.

The detailed contributions and comparisons with two previous years are summarized on the next page.

Thank you to all clubs that participated in Polio Plus fundraising last year. For those clubs that did not contribute to Polio Plus, we remind you that this is the TOP PRIORITY of Rotary International and ask you to PLEASE consider a contribution this year.

### Directory Target Date

The district directory books are due to be published July 9.

DG Duane will be delivering books to each club as he makes his visits around the district.

See his visit schedule on page 3.

### New Year, New Look

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Welcome to the 2013 District Newsletter!

You have probably noticed that the format is a bit different than the last edition. I like to change it up for the new Rotary year and match the new theme logo colors.

If you have questions or opinions about the newsletter, I love to get feedback. Let me know what you like and, more importantly, what needs improvement.

# POLIO PLUS, DISTRICT 5630 YEAR END REPORT JUNE 2012 – JULY 2013

ROTARY	District 5630				MINIMUM		2012	2013
	POLIO PLUS	Mem-	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2012-2013	per	per
Club ID	Club Name	bers	Funds	Funds	Goal	FINAL	member	member
	non-designated		3,526.00	2,920.00				
1471	Alliance	30	25.00	270.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	\$8.71	\$33.33
1472	Alma	43	0.00	504.00	2,150.00	0.00	\$12.00	\$0.00
1473	Ansley				0.00			
1474	Arnold	15	400.00	1,127.00	750.00	1,045.00	\$70.44	\$69.67
1475	Broken Bow				0.00			
84524	Broken Bow Area	34			1,700.00	220.00		\$6.47
51481	Burwell	23	35.00	0.00	1,150.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
61111	Cambridge	19	25.00	600.00	950.00	1,300.00	\$31.58	\$68.42
1477	Chadron	49	600.00	0.00	2,450.00	334.00	\$0.00	\$6.82
1478	Chappel	12	1,000.00	1,000.00	600.00	1,025.00	\$83.33	\$85.42
1479	Cozad	32	0.00	0.00	1,600.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1480	Crawford				0.00			
1481	Curtis	18	0.00	3,700.00	900.00	747.19	\$205.56	\$41.51
1482	Eustis				0.00			
1483	Franklin				0.00			
1484	Gothenburg	41	100.00	500.00	2,050.00	2,400.00	\$13.16	\$58.54
84583	Gothenburg After Dark	29			1,450.00	0.00		\$0.00
1485	Grand Island	95	10,600.00	5,585.00	4,750.00	6,739.00	\$59.41	\$70.94
28533	Grand Island Sunrise	17	150.00	0.00	850.00	100.00	\$0.00	\$5.88
1486	Grant	37	539.80	0.00	1,850.00	4,000.00	\$0.00	\$108.11
1487	Hastings	53	2,461.00	3,350.14	2,650.00	1,230.66	\$63.21	\$23.22
29897	Hastings Sunrise	26	650.00	650.00	1,300.00	585.00	\$22.41	\$22.50
1488	Holdrege	93	100.00	1,050.00	4,650.00	1,117.00	\$11.54	\$12.01
1489	Imperial	16	0.00	1,100.00	800.00	0.00	\$64.71	\$0.00
1490	Indianola				0.00	0.00		
1491	Kearney	65	4,660.65	1,650.00	3,250.00	36,853.51	\$25.38	\$566.98
31024	Kearney Dawn	34	3,345.00	120.00	1,700.00	1,895.00	\$3.33	\$55.74
78991	Kearney on the Bricks	9	518.28	0.00	450.00	125.00	\$0.00	\$13.89
1492	Kimball	29	1,181.00	908.92	1,450.00	985.00	\$32.46	\$33.97
1493	Lexington	31	570.00	4,631.00	1,550.00	500.00	\$136.21	\$16.13
1494	McCook	39	2,037.15	1,999.75	1,950.00	2,434.05	\$47.61	\$62.41
1495	Minden	27	617.80	670.00	1,350.00	1,130.00	\$24.81	\$41.85
1496	North Platte	111	20,104.52	8,731.81	5,550.00	7,222.00	\$77.27	\$65.06
30450	North Platte Sunrise	28	1,160.00	2,000.00	1,400.00	3,165.00	\$74.07	\$113.04
29112	O'Neill	56	1,065.00	1,097.50	2,800.00	2,150.00	\$19.25	\$38.39
1497	Ogallala	28	1,640.00	1,000.00	1,400.00	2,240.75	\$37.04	\$80.03
1498	Ord	20	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1499	Orleans				0.00			
1500	Oxford	6	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1501	Rushville	18	0.00	0.00	900.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1502	Sidney	21	512.00	479.00	1,050.00	423.00	\$19.96	\$20.14
23140	St. Paul	47	1,390.00	3,993.00	2,350.00	1,560.00	\$79.86	\$33.19
1503	Valentine	53	3,300.00	5,240.00	2,650.00	1,175.00	\$116.44	\$22.17
	District 5630 Funds		10,000.00	15,000.00				
	TOTAL		72,313.20	69,877.12	65,200.00	83,701.16		



*At the Passing of the Pin Dinner, Duane Tappe thanks Immediate Past District Governor Dian Edwards for her service. The dinner was held in North Platte June 29.*

*Several McCook members showed their support of fellow McCook Rotary Club member and incoming District Governor Duane Tappe by attending the Passing of the Pin Dinner. (left to right) Front: Diana Tappe, Sheila Hancock, Eileen Hubert. Back: PDG Cloyd Clark, Linda Clark, Alan Gunther, DG Duane Tappe, Jeff Hancock, John Hubert, Jan Hubert, Fritz Hubert.*



## Why July 1?

*Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.*

*Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.*

*At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement and determine the number of club delegates to the convention.*

*The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year.*

*Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. At the 1916 event in Cincinnati, OH delegates approved holding future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next convention was held in Atlanta, GA.*

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# July Dates

## Mud & Fun Adventure Run

July 6, 2013 @ 8:00 AM

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Sat

Mud & Fun Adventure Run G.C.A. Days – St. Paul Saturday July 6th, 2013, 8:00 a.m. Course Description: The 5-kilometer (3.1 mile) loop [...]

DISTRICT EVENT

## 10th Annual Rotary Golf Benefit @ Meadowlark Hills Golf Course

July 12, 2013 @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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Fri



The 10th Annual Rotary Golf Classic Sponsored by the Noon, Dawn and Kearney Rotary on the Bricks Clubs. When: Friday July 12th, 2012 [...]

## Awards Final Decision Announced | District Grants

July 31, 2013 – July 31, 2014 **all-day**

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Wed

Today is the date that the Final Awards for District Grants will be awarded, and checks will be mailed to the clubs. Be Sociable, [...]

## Spending Plan Approval TRF | District Grants

July 31, 2013 **all-day**

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Wed

Today is the date that the District Grants Spending Plan will be approved. Be Sociable, Share! Tweet

## Great Plains RYLA @ 4H Camp

July 21, 2013 **all-day**

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Sun

State 4-H Camp at Halsey, NE From the East: Exit I-80 at Elm Creek (exit 257), travel north on Hwy 183 to Hwy 2. Travel [...]

RYLA Camp July 21-25

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