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A Note From District Governor Tony Williams

Greetings from DG Tony Williams:

People often ask me why I became a Rotarian. I became a Rotarian first because I was asked to come to a club meeting and second because I found the eradication of polio to be one of the main areas of service for Rotary International. When I share the story of one of my childhood friends contracting polio at the age of five and he never ran again or was able to climb, I can remember so clearly how it felt to think about how severe a disease it was. I knew then, if an organization was working to make sure polio is never able to cripple another child I wanted to be a part of that organization. As I made my visits throughout the district and asked how many people knew someone who had been affected by polio, there are always hands raised. But, thankfully the number of hands raised is not as many as would have been 30 years ago. I wonder if those who are not aware of how polio affected so many really realize the blessing of living in a country where there is not a threat of hearing that diagnosis for a family member.



Because of the help Bill and Melinda Gates are offering to help triple the efforts of the fund-raising for the cause of making sure polio is eradicated throughout the whole world, we have the opportunity to increase our energies and work hard to ensure no one in the world has to hear a doctor tell them their child has this dreadful disease. Just think – 99.9% of the people in the world have been vaccinated against this disease. Since so many people have never heard of polio affecting anyone they know personally, it is hard to imagine the reason for increasing the support for those still in the fight. That could be farther than the truth. We have the power and are THIS CLOSE! to ridding the world of polio.

I was reading an article in October’s “The Rotarian” magazine about World Polio Day on October 24. Some of our members, especially younger Rotarians who were born after the development of the polio vaccine, assume because the disease doesn’t afflict anyone

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Important Dates

October 12-16, 2016
Rotary Zones 30-31 Institute
Cincinnati, OH

October 21-22, 2016
District Conference
Prairie Capital Convention Center
Springfield, IL

January 28, 2017
Presidents Elect Training Seminar
(PETS) Orientation
Scheel’s
Springfield, IL

February 18, 2017
District Team Training Seminar
(DTTS)
Scheel’s
Springfield, IL

March 2-4 28, 2017
Midwest Presidents Elect Training
Seminar (PETS)
Westin Chicago Northwest
Itasca, IL

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in their country, it's no longer a problem (Reference: Banerjee, K. (2016). Celebrate world polio day on 24 October. *Rotarian*. October 2016. Evanston, IL).

However, polio is just a plane ride away. To make everyone aware of how it is imperative that we double our efforts now to "END POLIO NOW" Rotary communities are seeing information being spread with information about this disease and how close we are to ending this suffering.

This year in Atlanta, the CDC will be celebrating World Polio Day on October 24 to raise awareness of the need to help. Won't you join Atlanta across the globe and in our district to raise the awareness and take an extra collection for the End Polio Now campaign? Polio is still out there. We might be THIS CLOSE but until the number of cases drops to zero new cases, we still have a fight. We can see the end of the fight, but that is when we should get stronger. Let's end this fight on a high note and knock the wind out of this disease. What an opportunity we have to shout to the world this message. Take the initiative in your club to take an extra collection, plan a fund-raising project, or proclaim to others so they will know the end of polio in our lifetime. Kalyan Banerjee (2016) is asking for 1000 World Polio Day events across the planet. Will you have one and submit pictures and information to District 6460? Be sure to invite me so I can celebrate with you.

In your service,

Anthony "Tony" Williams
District 6460 Governor

JOIN LEADERS • EXCHANGE IDEAS • TAKE ACTION

Perfect Attendance Awards - Macomb

Dennis Danowski, Rotary Club of Macomb (Library Director, Macomb Public Library)

The Rotary Club of Macomb distributed perfect attendance pins for 2015-2016. Receiving the pins are (left to right) R, Kellie Esters (1 year), Steve Hopper (3 years), Dominick Ascone (3 years), Dennis Iversen (13 years), Dennis Danowski (19 years), Nick Estes (41 years).



Update on Our District 6460 Menghini Scholar, Emiliano Vera

Provided through Keith and Phyllis Lape, Rotary Club of Jacksonville

Editor's Note: Emiliano Vera is the recipient of the District 6460 William Menghini Ambassadorial Scholarship. Emiliano is attending college in Mexico. He has written the following report after beginning classes in Mexico.

Hi all,

It's been a while since my last update, but it's been a great time here.

It's the rainy season and it has rained every day that I have been in Mexico, always between 3-7 pm interestingly. One day we had an earthquake siren go off in class, but it was so small that I couldn't even feel anything.

I enjoy my classes a lot, and my professors are really advanced in their field. One professor for a social communications class has worked in for several big companies like Coca-Cola.

Another professor is Australian and speaks Spanish with an accent, so my mind has to work a bit more when I respond to him.

My last professor is the most interesting to me. She focuses on migration in the Middle East and North Africa and she has some amazing experiences that she shares with us in class. For example, as part of her studies she once crossed the entire Sahara desert, passing through 6 countries and never once seeing a border or having to show her passport. She speaks probably 6 African languages. I want to work closely with her as I move into more independent research.

To make sure I stay active, I enrolled in a belly dancing class. I wanted to take the salsa and bachata class, but because all of my classes are at night, the belly dancing one was the only one that fit with my schedule. I'm the only male in the class, and probably the only male that has been in that class in a long time, and the professor by habit kept using female pronouns, only to remember every now and then and correct herself.

I've been meeting more friends outside of the university than inside. Mexican college students like to party more than I can handle, while many of the students are significantly older than me. I've made several friends through the local Rotaract clubs though.

Which brings me to some exciting news - I'm in the process of joining the Rotaract Club of Puebla Colonial! I got invited by a good friend that I was on exchange with in Thailand who is from a nearby town. We meet on Monday nights and then have a "compañerismo" or friendship session afterwards at a local bar. They have all been really great to me and I hope to be a full member soon.

I've also been able to see some family in Mexico. This past weekend we had a big family reunion in Mexico City at my aunt's house to welcome my arrival (even though I've almost been here a month, but everything is a bit behind in Mexican time). She likes to do things over the top, so she decked the house out in full Mexican theme, made everyone wear traditional Mexican clothing, and hired a mariachi band.

Hope everything is going well, and I don't envy your impending fall and winter.

Peace,
Emiliano



Ins and Outs 6460 Youth Exchange News #24 September 2016



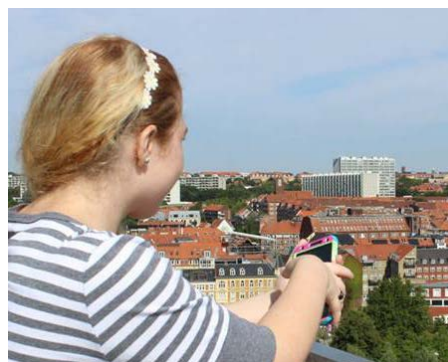
MEET THE INBOUNDS, CLASS OF 2016



- Brazil
- Chile
- Germany
- Italy
- Slovakia
- Sweden
- Thailand



Our Outbounds are in Belgium, Chile, Colombia, Denmark, Indonesia, S Korea,



Doesn't this look fun, rewarding, international? We need you to host for 2017-18!!!! Sooo fulfilling!!! Please ask your club members to consider hosting a student in 2017-2018. You have a year to prepare, find host families, raise funds. This is such a great program. Please consider hosting.

Did you know that District Funds can be used to help with Youth Exchange funding?

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Membership and Foundation Reports Rotary Year 2016-17 September 2016 (Rotary Year 2016-17) District 6460

Rotary Club of:	Membership				Foundation				
	Report through September 2016 (YTD) (RI Data – 10/4/2016)				Report through September 2016 (YTD) (TRF Data – 10/4/2016)				
	7/1/2016	9/30/2016	Gain/ Loss	Member- ship Goal	Giving Goal	Annual Fund Sent	Other Giving Sent	Endow- ment Sent	Total Foundation Giving
Abingdon	14	14	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Aledo	5	5	0		\$125	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Alton-Godfrey	88	88	0		\$0	\$355	\$0	\$0	\$355
Bethalto	22	22	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bushnell	22	22	0		\$1,000	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$25
Cambridge	22	22	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Canton	26	27	1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Carlinville	41	41	0		\$0	\$200	\$50	\$0	\$250
Chillicothe	7	7	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Collinsville, Maryville, Caseyville	22	22	0		\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
East Alton	30	31	1		\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	\$50
East Peoria	28	27	-1		\$750	\$505	\$0	\$0	\$505
Edwardsville	129	128	-1		\$5,000	\$0	\$500	\$0	\$500
Farmington	33	31	-2		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Galesburg	80	81	1		\$0	\$663	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,663
Galesburg Sunrise	38	40	2		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Galva	28	27	-1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Granite City	31	31	0		\$0	\$51	\$0	\$0	\$51
Havana	26	26	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highland	75	75	0		\$0	\$255	\$0	\$0	\$255
Jacksonville	115	119	4		\$13,000	\$3,703	\$758	\$0	\$4,461
Jacksonville Sunrise	8	9	1		\$0	\$1,100	\$0	\$0	\$1,100
Jerseyville	36	38	2		\$0	\$130	\$0	\$0	\$130
Kewanee	43	42	-1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land of Goshen	48	42	-6		\$0	\$49	\$0	\$0	\$49
Macomb	64	65	1		\$6,000	\$250	\$100	\$100	\$450
Macomb Centennial Morning	57	58	1		\$6,000	\$400	\$1,100	\$0	\$1,500
Manito-Forest City	21	21	0		\$0	\$27	\$27	\$0	\$53
Mason City	15	12	-3		\$0	\$405	\$0	\$0	\$405
Menard County	18	18	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Metro East Community	15	17	2		\$1,000	\$100	\$100	\$0	\$200
Midtown Springfield	25	25	0		\$2,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Monmouth	59	59	0		\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Morton	104	107	3		\$7,500	\$2,377	\$200	\$0	\$2,577
Pekin	47	48	1		\$250	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$100
Peoria	168	168	0		\$0	\$300	\$300	\$0	\$600
Peoria North	169	161	-8		\$35,000	\$5,212	\$1,420	\$0	\$6,632
Peoria Sunrise	11	10	-1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pittsfield	56	56	0		\$3,675	\$252	\$51	\$0	\$303
Quincy	98	100	2		\$5,000	\$1,267	\$327	\$26	\$1,620
Quincy East	18	18	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Riverbend	35	34	-1		\$0	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$250
Rushville	24	24	0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Silver Creek	12	14	2		\$0	\$1,000	\$260	\$0	\$1,260
Springfield	70	67	-3		\$20,000	\$1,477	\$500	\$0	\$1,977
Springfield South	34	35	1		\$3,800	\$370	\$115	\$0	\$485
Springfield Sunrise	33	32	-1		\$7,000	\$600	\$25	\$0	\$625
Springfield Westside	18	18	0		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$300	\$0	\$1,300
Washington	56	56	0		\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
Wood River	32	33	1		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
District 6460 Contributions to TRF					---	\$662	\$0	\$0	\$662
District Totals	2276	2273	-3		\$130,300	\$26,132	\$6,132	\$2,126	\$34,391