



District Update

News for Rotary District 6740



November, 2010



**Robert Ryan (Patty)
Governor**

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with events and news
from your club!*

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District Update
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“A Day at the Games”

The morning came early and well before sunrise. After car rides of varying lengths, entry was made into the Kentucky Horse Park, a parking pass was picked up from a fellow Rotarian and our volunteers proceeded toward the volunteer check-in station.

After signing in, receiving credentials, a serving jacket and a stand assignment, our volunteers passed through security for a golf cart ride through the chilly morning air to one of our assigned venues. The earliest to arrive were transported to the trade show “grab and go” concession stand. The next venue to be filled was the Clubhouse Restaurant located near the front gate of the Horse Park.

The vast majority of our volunteers were dispatched to the Alltech Arena or Walnut Grove, the largest of the public concessions, located directly across from the Main Stadium. As the sun rose over the Park, our first shift of volunteers had taken their stands ready to welcome the day’s visitors.

Depending on the day, either the Main Stadium or the Alltech Arena sprung to life shortly after sunrise, as the dressage, reining or vaulting got underway. In the chilly morning air, most early visitors sought out coffee, hot tea and hot chocolate from our welcoming volunteers. As the warmth of the morning settled in and lunch time arrived, the food venues would spring into action, especially Walnut Grove, with its four different food stations and upwards of thirty cashiers, where countless thousands of visitors were fed daily.

As the only public concession stand in the trade show area, the trade show volunteers served a steady stream of hungry exhibitors and worldwide visitors. During peak periods, the food line at the Clubhouse Restaurant extended out the door and around the side of the building.

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Around 11:00 a.m., the second shift of volunteers would arrive to help meet the growing lunch crowd. Time passed rapidly leaving our volunteers wondering where the two hour lunch period had gone.

With the lunch crowd on its way to the next competitive event, our Shift A volunteers would decide whether they would head for the exit or stay and enjoy the Taste of Normandy, the Alltech Experience, the Kentucky Experience or a little “retail therapy” at the tradeshow booths. Some paused at the Walnut Grove beer garden for a little liquid refreshment before striking off for the rest of the Games experience. During the last days of the Games, some of our volunteers had the bills of their commemorative caps dipped in Maker’s Mark wax.

Our second and third shifts worked into the evening hours to fill the food orders of the Games visitors and WEG volunteers. Many did not exit the Park until after sundown. On the later evenings, our volunteers labored under the lights of the Main Stadium as the event finals were contested.

With their day at the Park at an end, our volunteers returned to the volunteer tent, checked out, surrendered their credentials, picked up their flex pass for another day at the Games and headed home for a well deserved rest, reflecting on all the foreign visitors they had encountered, memories made and the newly acquired Rotarian friendships. As a part of one of the largest Rotary fundraising activities ever staged, our fellow Rotarians could rest knowing that they had welcomed the world to the Games and been a part of a historic volunteer effort to save countless young children from a lifetime of debilitating polio.

I am convinced that our District Rotarians were greatly enriched by our World Equestrian Games experiences, which will serve our District long after the Games are over. Dean and I sincerely appreciate each volunteer who found a place in their lives to help make our dream become reality. It is truly amazing what Rotarians can accomplish when we join together to serve the needs of those less fortunate and put “Service Above Self”.

- Robert Ryan, District Governor



SCENES FROM ROTARY WEG

Photos compliments of Peggy Froh Asseo, Director of Planned & Major Gifts, The Rotary Foundation



A Letter From Peggy Froh Asseo Director of Planned & Major Gifts The Rotary Foundation

From: Peggy Froh Asseo [mailto:PeggyFroh.Asseo@rotary.org]
Sent: Thursday, October 07, 2010 10:18 AM
To: Robert S. Ryan; 'Dean Hammond'; 'mjmorrell@aol.com'; 'wtmalicote@aol.com'
Subject: WEG Photos

Hi everyone,

First, a sincere thank-you to everyone who made my visit to Lexington such a delight. Rotarians are noted for their hospitality, but you-all took it to a new level. I hope that at some point I can repay your generosity, perhaps when you come to One Rotary Center for a visit.

I have posted a series of downloadable Rotary volunteer photos on my Picasa website: www.picasaweb.google.com/pfasseo. It's the album called Rotary WEG 2010. They're high-resolution so they should work well for any newsletters. It's the second album in the upper left-hand-corner. I've posted an additional album (right next to it) called World Equestrian Games that are mostly horse photos. Please feel free to use any of those photos in your newsletter as well, and share the website with anyone who might be interested in seeing them online.

I've followed up with the folks in Public Relations, and they are talking with the Rotarian Magazine editor about an article. No promises, but they are doing their best.

You should be so proud of what you're doing for Rotary! Enjoy your triumph...and a good long rest after it's through.

All my best,

Peggy

P.S. my husband loved the Kentucky Bourbon Ale. Next time I have to buy him a case.

Peggy Froh Asseo
Director of Planned & Major Gifts
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(Ed. note: Peggy worked one full week with us during WEG. Thanks Peggy!!)



Photo by Bill Straus

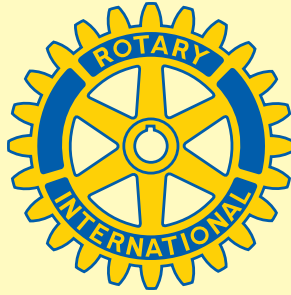
DG Robert Ryan (L) looked on as RI President Ray Klinginsmith (R) received a Key to the City from Lexington Mayor Jim Newberry (C) during his historic visit to our district on September 25.

SOUTHERN GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT

The Lexington Sunrise Rotary Club is sponsoring a concert featuring **The Hoopers**, America's favorite family of Southern Gospel Music. The concert will be held at Tates Creek Christian Church, 3150 Tates Creek Road, Lexington, KY., on Friday, December 3rd at 7:00 pm. All proceeds will benefit the Sunrise Rotary Foundation. Please join us for a great event and a great cause. Tickets may be purchased through The Lexington Rotary Club-Sunrise at \$12.50 per ticket or through the Hoopers web site at \$15.00 per ticket. Contacts at the Sunrise Club are: John Banks, phone numbers below plus cell: (859) 227-0988, e-mail:banksj@firstky.com., and Keith Key, President: (859) 208-9960-cell and e-mail:dkeithkey@insightbb.com We also will have ticket sales (and pick-up) the evening of the event. Please pass this information on to your clubs. Many Thanks!

2010-11 Presidential Citation for Interact and Rotaract Clubs

The 2010-11 Presidential Citation provides an opportunity for Interactors and Rotaractors to conduct projects related to the Avenues of Service. To receive the citation, Interact and Rotaract clubs must score at least 30 out of a possible 50 points, as listed on the certification forms. Sponsor Rotary club presidents must sign the Interact certification form or Rotaract certification form and return it to the district governor for endorsement by 31 March.



GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

**ROTARY DISTRICT 6740 WILL SEND A GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE TEAM
TO NORMANDY, FRANCE, IN SPRING OF 2011.**

The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers. The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas. In a typical four-week tour, applicants participate in five full days of vocational visits, 15 to 20 club presentations, 10 to 15 formal visits and social events, two to three days at the district conference, three to four hours per day of cultural and site tours, and three to four hours per day of free time with host families.

For each team member, the Foundation provides the most economical round-trip airline ticket between the home and host countries. Rotarians in the host area provide for meals, lodging, and group travel within their district.

Applications by young professionals, age 25-40, should be submitted as soon as possible. Applications may also be downloaded from the Rotary International website at <http://www.rotary.org/en/ServiceAndFellowship/Fellowship/GroupStudyExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx>.

An application may also be obtained from Bob Ross phone (859) 278-3290, email bobross275@yahoo.com.

The District GSE Committee is also accepting applications for a Rotarian to lead this trip. Please speak to Bob Ross or George Wilson or GSE Chair Josephine Richardson if you are interested in leading this GSE Team to France next spring.

Rotary Foundation Month

November is Rotary Foundation Month. Your support of the Annual Programs Fund through the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative makes it possible for The Rotary Foundation to continue its work of Doing Good in the World.



2011 MID-SOUTH PETS

March 18-20, 2011

The President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) is designed to provide essential and current information to incoming club presidents in order to prepare them to have an effective and successful year. Presidents-elect will have the opportunity to hear addresses by top Rotary leaders and motivational speakers, attend small group discussion sessions and roundtables on various topics lead by knowledgeable and experienced discussion leaders, and network and exchange ideas with presidents-elect from six Rotary districts.

Rotary Mid-South PETS, Inc. is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization that was formed in 2005 to enhance training for presidents-elect in four Rotary districts in Kentucky and Tennessee. Mid-South PETS, Inc. now includes six districts in Kentucky (6710, 6740), Tennessee (6760, 6780) and Alabama (6860, 6880).

WHO ATTENDS PETS?

Rotary club presidents-elect

Assistant governors

District governors, governors-elect and governors-nominee

Attendance at PETS is MANDATORY for every club president-elect per the Rotary International Standard Club Constitution, Article 9, Section 5 (c). In exceptional and unusual cases a governor-elect may work with a president-elect to make other arrangements.

Due to space limitations, Mid-South PETS cannot accommodate presidents-nominee or spouses of presidents-elect.

REGISTRATION

Registration for Rotary Mid-South PETS will open December 1, 2010. The registration deadline is March 1, 2011.

LOCATION/ HOTEL INFORMATION

All events are held at the Sheraton Music City Hotel, 777 McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214. All participants (even those living in the vicinity) should stay at this hotel since the program is intense and networking is a key benefit of the program. Each club is encouraged to reimburse participants for hotel and other expenses.



Mark your Calendars for

**“Music City Encore”
Multi District Conference**

April 29-May 1, 2011

**Sheraton Music City
777 McGavock Pike
Nashville, TN**





Mark Your Calendars for the Rotary International Convention May 21-29, 2011

New Orleans is home to a variety of art styles and communities, boasting over one hundred galleries. A large number of these are clustered around the Contemporary Arts Center, in the warehouse district – and close to the Convention

Center, where the Rotary International Convention will be held May 21-29, 2011.

While immersed in a world of European, African, Asian and American art, New Orleans has developed an unusual art style of its own. Sometimes referred to as “swamp art”, you’ll spot it in galleries and French Quarter shops. And quirky (and award-winning) Louisiana art is epitomized in the “Blue Dog” series of George Rodrigue.

The Ogden Museum of Southern Art has five floors of old – and new art from the southern culture.

The National World War II Museum is close by, providing historical photos, films and first-hand stories of the war fronts and the families left at home.

The New Orleans Museum of Art (NOMA) in City Park has visiting collections and a permanent collection that rivals any museum of its size.

Newcomb College Art has a special place in Americana, with outstanding art pottery from the early Women’s College.

Local areas, such as Faubourg Marigny, Central City and Magazine Street provide miles of art galleries, glassmaking studios and performing arts presentations.

And tops on the list of art areas is Royal St, right in the heart of the French Quarter – and just a short walk from any of the area hotels and the Convention Center.

You’ll find beautiful art on buildings, street corners, in city parks and in public gardens.



Jackson Square Art photo -- Courtesy of the New Orleans Convention and Visitors Bureau



Audubon Park photo -- Photographer Jack Edwards, New Orleans Convention and Visitors Bureau website.

DaCdb (DakDeeBee)

District and Club Data Base

Let's take it to light speed! DaCdb is the software that has been adopted by the entire district, through which we can communicate, maintain member, club, and district data, and provide efficient and timely mandatory reporting from the clubs clear up to Rotary International. Additionally, we can send emails through the program to every member in the district or directly to the leadership groups. Attendance can be reported with very little typing and no paper. If clubs wish to purchase optional modules, they can enjoy weekly attendance monitoring, invoicing, and even a website through DaCdb. Of course, they don't have to buy anything to enjoy all the benefits of the standard package, since the district has purchased it for all the clubs to use.

It is ready and waiting for you to use right now. That's right. The data from RI has already been loaded. Each member will need to go in and get his or her data correct. Clubs need to get their data correct, and the district completes the tasks. Club Secretaries can enjoy the benefit of monthly attendance reporting immediately. All they have to do is go into the program and enter the numbers. Once they are entered, the District Secretary, Carol Wilcher will be able to consolidate the numbers and pass them on to RI.

I am already using the "PMail" (Personal Email) functions in DaCdb to communicate with the club Presidents and Secretaries for other activities.

What needs to be done? Get your data correct. I have sent several emails to club officers and Assistant Governors to get their data correct and encourage others in their clubs to do the same. Don't be the last member to get your information entered. Be the first. If nothing else, get your emails entered, so communication can be established immediately.

DaCdb will add a new dimension of efficiency to club operations. Please use it. Your club leadership will be providing guidance for your club to get the information up to date.

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District Governor Visits

December 7, 2010: Multi-club visit

Paintsville, Prestonsburg, Martin County, and West Liberty (In Paintsville)

December 16, 2010: Multi-club visit

Louisa, Russell, and Grayson (In Louisa)