

Rotary Club of Concord - Monday 3rd August 2020

Chartered 24th September, 1956

Rotary District 9675



A refresher course for many & a learning curve for some

When perusing and analysing the results of the Rotary Health Check survey during last Monday's meeting, in a question regarding The Rotary Foundation I was a little taken

aback when I saw that 7% of the respondents (and I must admit here, regarding the size of our membership that does not equate to very many of our members) posed the question "What is the Rotary Foundation?"

Doing Good In The World



So... a modicum of information never goes astray and indeed it will help me fill some space!

The Rotary Foundation transforms our gifts into projects that change

lives both close to home and around the world.

As the charitable arm of Rotary International, the Foundation taps into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into the priorities, such as eradicating polio and promoting peace. Foundation grants empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact.

Strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that the Foundation makes the very most of all contributions.

The collective leadership and expertise of well over million members helps it tackle some of the world's biggest challenges, locally and globally. United by common values and vision for the future the Foundation sharpens its focus with targeted specific causes that will reach communities most in need.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

For more than 100 years, the guiding principles have been the foundation upon which Rotary values and tradition stand. The Four-Way Test, Object of Rotary, and the Avenues of Service express its commitment to service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.

AREAS OF FOCUS

The Foundation directs its efforts in six areas to enhance local and global impact.

The most successful and sustainable projects and activities usually tend to fall within the



following areas:

- Promoting peace
- Fighting disease
- Providing clean water
- Saving mothers & children
- Supporting education
- Growing local economies



HISTORY OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

At the **1917** convention, the sixth and outgoing RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed to set up an endowment “for the purpose of doing good in the world.” In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.

It has grown from an initial contribution of US\$26.50 to more than US\$1 billion and has one of the largest and most prestigious international fellowship programs in the world.

GROWTH OF THE FOUNDATION

In **1929**, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organisation, created by Rotarian Edgar F. “Daddy” Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.

When Rotary founder Paul Harris died in **1947**, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.

EVOLUTION OF FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

Also starting in 1947, the Foundation established its first program, Fellowships for Advance Study, later known as Ambassadorial Scholarships which was the largest non-governmental and most international scholarship program in the world. Scholars studied in a country other than their own where they serve as unofficial ambassadors of goodwill. Over 37,000 scholars from some 110 countries received scholarships at a cost of almost US\$446 million. The program ended in 2013. Scholarships are now funded by district and global grants and are offered directly through Rotary clubs..

From 1965-66 three programs were launched:

- Group Study Exchange awards which are made to paired Rotary districts to provide travel expenses for a team of non-Rotarians from a variety of vocations. Rotarian hosts organize a four- to six-week itinerary of educational and cultural points of interest. Since 1965, almost 48,000 individuals in more than 11,000 teams from more than 100 countries have participated at a cost of US\$85 million.
- Awards for Technical Training
- Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants and which provide matching funds for the international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts. Since 1965, more than 20,000 Matching Grants projects in 166 countries have been funded at a cost of more than US\$198 million.

In 1978 Rotary introduced the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The first 3-H Grant funded a project to immunise 6 million Philippine children against polio which was in turn followed by the PolioPlus program to eradicate polio worldwide in 1985.

In 1987-88, the first peace forums were held, leading to Rotary Peace Fellowships and



in 2013, new district, global, and packaged grants were created to enable Rotarians around the world to respond to the world's greatest needs.

In short, the Rotary Foundation is a non-profit corporation that supports the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.



A Well-Planned Retirement

Another heartwarming narrative

Outside England's Bristol Zoo there is a parking lot for 150 cars and 8 buses and for 25 years, its parking fees (cars **\$1.40**, buses about **\$7.00**) were managed by a very pleasant attendant.

Then, one day, after 25 solid years of never missing a day of work, he just didn't show up; so the zoo management called the city council and asked it to send them another parking agent.

The council after doing a little research got back to them with the information that the parking lot was the zoo's own responsibility.

The zoo advised the council that the attendant was a city employee.

The city council responded that the lot attendant had never been on the city payroll.

Meanwhile, sitting in his villa somewhere on the coast of Spain, or France, or Italy, is a man who'd apparently had a ticket booth installed completely on his own and then had simply begun to show up every day, commencing to collect and keep the parking fees, estimated at about \$560 per day.... for 25 years.

Assuming he worked 7 days a week, this amounts to just over \$7 million dollars..... and no one even knows his name.



Some updates on New Generation (Youth Service)

RYDA



Back in March RYDA was all set to release news on the freshly minted RYDA 5.0 program, which had begun rolling out across Australia and New Zealand in February. Then.... well, everyone knows what happened next which resulted in RYDA workshops being put on hold and work was undertaken to support their classroom teachers as they found themselves under increased pressure to change the way they taught. The result was RYDA 5.0 at a Social Distance.



OK, what is new in RYDA 5.0?

The link between the RYDA workshop and pre and post classroom learning has been upgraded with a complete implementation guide for teachers to navigate their role in providing road safety education for their students by reflecting RYDA's road safety messages in school policy, school curriculum and community engagement.



Within the workshops, RYDA have created several fun and engaging activities around mind state and it's impact on road safety, new in-session quizzes on fatigue and hazard perception and new engaging videos to capture our students attention.

The RYDA website has been re-vamped, creating a number of fact sheets, blogs, games and tips, student reflection journals and even a dinner table conversation starter for parents. All designed to support longer-term, extended learning to help students become active citizens with positive, socially connected road user identities.



What is RYDA 5.0 at a social distance?

Bespoke classrooms and distance learning resources have been created to meet the challenges faced by students in this time of uncertainty with resources ranging from light activities to keep students learning during lockdown and self-isolation to complete classroom or virtual classroom lesson plans.

Feedback to RYDA from teachers has been overwhelmingly positive with many confirming that they have either shared the resources with their students and/or families or have planned to utilise them later in the year to tie in with upcoming lesson plans/curriculum learning.



The road forward for RYDA workshops

Aware that nothing beats face-to-face and personal engagement when it comes to learning, wherever restrictions have been lifted workshops are now up and running, all delivered in compliance with government and individual school policies. A number of RYDA workshops have already been successfully delivered in Queensland in Brisbane and

Toowoomba with a number more upcoming in Sydney and across New Zealand. Hopefully in the very near future we will be able to continue our association and once again volunteer for assisting in workshops at Olympic Park. ***Watch this space!***



**National Youth
Science Forum**

While acknowledging that the Covid-19 situation provides many uncertainties NSYF have assured everyone that planning for the 2021 NYSF team Year 12 Program is on track for January next year.



They are actively monitoring Covid-19 related restrictions and health advice in the lead up to the NYSF Year 12 Program in January and have a series of contingency options ready to go as required.

Should they not be able to proceed in January, NSYF are working on a range of back-up plans which will be communicated to successful applicants in due course.

Ms Nina Power attended the cancelled NYSF last year due to bushfire smoke and has now been automatically enrolled for the coming NYSF.

Our Interview Committee Don Hughes, Peter Reynolds, Allan Petersen & Peter Robinson have interviewed and endorsed two candidates from PLC, Ms Linda Chen and Ms Emily Nielsen both of whom need to have an additional interview by NYSF Committee for final selection.





Another Casualty

The District RYPEN committee has made the decision that the program will not be running this year. The committee is designing a virtual RYPEN in case a vaccine isn't found and may run that in the first six months of 2021 to replace the face to face camp which has been booked at Teen Ranch for 7th - 9 May 2021 if necessary. Confirmation will come closer to the date.

August is Membership Month

....which means it's time to celebrate our Rotary club, our members, as well as the good we do in our community and around the world.

There are many ways for us to join in the celebration.

Say it loud, say it proud! Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member of Rotary and broadcast the wonderful work that Rotary does and the fantastic results that have been achieved.



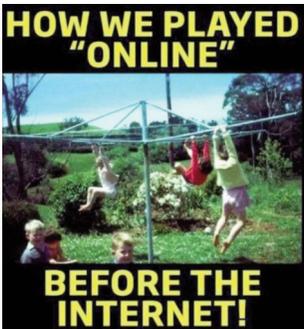
Exchange ideas and thoughts for successful membership strategies that have worked well in the past and get the message out to the community.

Post photos to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram of our club members at work abroad and in the community to show how Rotary makes a positive impact in the world.

Making a difference. Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories with friends and acquaintances about Rotary's service projects and how they improve lives all around the world. Check out the Rotary websites, Facebook, Twitter, and magazines to see what Rotary members around the world are doing to celebrate Membership Month.

What does Rotary mean to you? Rotary members have pushed polio to the brink of eradication, delivered clean water to those in need, improved their local communities, provided scholarships to the next generation of peacemakers, and continued to do good in the world.

Potential club members are everywhere. But to get them to join Rotary, clubs must use creativity. So let's get our heads together and have another positive membership result this Rotary year.



Birthdays

Kitty Guerin **12th August**, Alan Wright **12th August**, Judith Kane **18th August**, Graham McIntosh **18th August**, Allan Petersen **18th August**, Alice Kang **28th August**, Liane Brown **29th August**, Lorna Wright **31st August**.

4 birthdays on August 18... !Are we all invited to the celebrations? Where is it and what should we bring???

Wedding Anniversaries

Allan & Welwyn Petersen **24th August**, Helen & Bill McCaffrey



Covid Lockdown - "A view from my window"



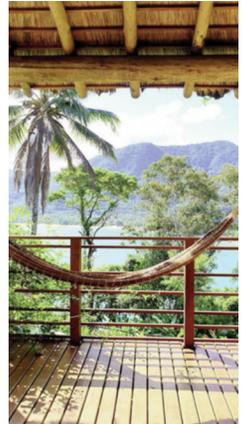
Geert Van Kaathoven
Piettenberg Bay, Sth Africa 26/4



Natalia Ivlikova
Moscow, Russia 14/4



Mark Waite
Singapore 26/4



Sandrine Fresnel
Ubatuba, Brazil 23/4



Popescue Rares
Vinales, Cuba 14/4



Masha Medvedeva
Faibranks, Alaska 13/4



Marianne Sunde Hestetun
Kvitsoy Island, Norway 21/4



Lavina S Hemming
Nimbin, Australia 18/4



Linda Oling Jimenez
Tuscon, Arizona



Jules Griffith
Tromso, Norway 25/4



Lydur Skulason
Reykjavik, Iceland 8/4



Helen Atherton
Kymeton, Victoria 20/4





When insults had class

These glorious insults are from an era before the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words.

"Sir, you will either die on the gallows or of some unspeakable disease."

A member of Parliament to Disraeli

"That depends, Sir, whether I embrace your policies or your mistress."

Disraeli in response

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire."

Winston Churchill

"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying that I approved of it."

Mark Twain

"I've had a perfectly wonderful evening. But I'm afraid that this wasn't it."

Groucho Marx

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend, if you have one."

George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill

"Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second... if there is one."

Winston Churchill in response

"Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go."

Oscar Wilde

This week's politically (in)correct story

An Irish golfer hooked his drive into the woods. When looking for his ball, he came upon a leprechaun who was flat on his back with a bump on his head and a golf ball next to him.

Horrified, the golfer got his water bottle from the golf cart and poured it over the little guy to revive him.

'Arrgh! What happened?' the leprechaun asked.

'I'm afraid I hit you with my golf ball,' the golfer replied.

'Oh, I see. Well, since you got me fair and square, you get three wishes. Whaddya want?'

'Thank God, you're OK!' the man exclaimed. 'I really don't want anything, I'm just glad you're OK and I'm sorry.'

And the golfer walked away.

'What a nice guy!' the leprechaun thought. 'I have to do something for him. I'll give him three things that I would want... a great golf game, all the money that he needs and a fantastic sex life.'

A year had gone by when the golfer finally returned. On the very same hole, he once again hooked his drive into the woods, and the leprechaun was there waiting for him.

'Twas me that made you hit the ball here,' the little guy said. 'I have to ask... how's yer golf game?'

'My golf game is fantastic!' the man exclaimed. 'I'm a pretty famous golfer now.' Then he added, 'By the way, it's good to see you're all right.'

'Oh, I'm fine now, thanks! I did that for yer golf game, you know. And tell me, how's yer financial situation?'

'Why, it's wonderful!' the golfer replied. 'Whenever I need money, I just reach in my pocket and pull out hundred dollar bills that I didn't even know were there.'

'I did that for you also. And, pray tell, how is yer sex life?'

The golfer blushed and turned his head away in embarrassment. Then he very shyly said, 'It's OK.'

'C'mon now,' urged the leprechaun. 'I want to know if I did a good job. How many times a week?'

Blushing even more, the golfer looked around, then he whispered, 'Once, sometimes twice a month.'

'What?' exclaimed the leprechaun. 'That's all? Only once or twice a month?'

'Oh,' the golfer said. 'It's not bad for a priest in a small parish!'



**AUSTRALIANS ALL LET US REJOICE
 FOR WE ARE YOUNG AND FREE
 WE'VE GOLDEN SOIL AND WEALTH FOR TOIL
 OUR HOME IS GIRT BY SEA
 OUR LAND OF BEAUTY
 ABOUNDS RICH
 IN NATURE'S GIFTS AND RARE
 IN HISTORY'S PAGE, LET EVERY STAGE
 ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR**
IN JOYFUL STRAINS THEN LET US SING "ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR"
 BENEATH OUR ADAMANT SOUTHERN CROSS, WE'LL TOIL WITH HEARTS AND HANDS
 TO MAKE THIS COMMONWEALTH OF OURS
 RENOWNED OF ALL THE LANDS
 FOR THOSE WHO'VE COME ACROSS THE SEAS
 WE'VE BOUNDLESS PLAINS TO SHARE
 WITH COURAGE LET US ALL COMBINE
 TO ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR
IN JOYFUL STRAINS THEN LET US SING "ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR"

Rotary Grace
 O Lord Thou Giver of all good,
 We thank Thee for our daily food.
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
 Help us to serve Thee all our days

ROTARY'S CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

- 1) Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviours and activities.
- 2) Use my vocational experiences and talents to serve in Rotary.
- 3) Conduct all of my personal, business and professional affairs ethically, encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others.
- 4) Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings.
- 5) Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society.
- 6) Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others and to improve the quality of life in my community.
- 7) Honour the trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring disfavour or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians.
- 8) Not seek from a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.



If this ever happens... RETIRE IMMEDIATELY!

Good decisions don't just happen.
Ask yourself these 4 questions:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**
 2. Is it **FAIR** to All Concerned?
 3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and Better Friendships?
 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to All Concerned?



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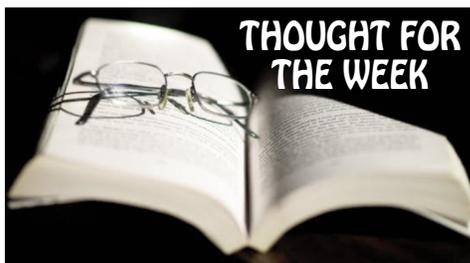
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Spence, Wal (Elaine)

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Even duct tape
can't fix stupid -
but it sure helps
to muffle the
sound.

