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**Rotary International District 5630** 

# **The District Newsletter**

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### "New Generations" is Focus of September Calendar



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District Office 920 West Ave. Holdrege, NE 68949 308-991-8657 Fax 888-285-8825 rotary5630@gmail.com Greetings to All District 5630 Rotarians!

September is the month that Rotary International features New Generations, the youngest generation in the family of Rotary.

Many are participants in Rotary's youth and young adult programs: Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), and Rotary Youth Exchange. Others are service-minded young people involved in Rotary club and district activities.

New Generations Service became Rotary's Fifth Avenue of Service in 2010. It is defined in Article 5 of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution:

"New Generations Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities, involvement in community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world peace and cultural understanding. Rotary clubs should be committed to involving youth and young adults in their vocational community, and international service projects, and to providing programs and resources that support them."

I am pleased to report that New Generations Service is alive and well in District 5630. Great Plains RYLA, held at the 4H Camp in Halsey during this past July, provided a wonderful leadership development program for 80 students whose participation was sponsored by their community Rotary clubs.

The number of Interact Clubs in our district continues to grow. We have one active Rotaract Club at UNK and another at Chadron State is in the planning stage. Our Rotary Youth Exchange program is strong and well-managed. We have much to be proud of with the programs provided for our youth.

Another dimension to New Generations that is making an impact in the Rotary world is the advent of innovative club venues established to provide opportunities for a new generation of young professionals who can participate in



**District Governor Dian Edwards** 

Rotary service while balancing priorities of family and work. We encourage these "out of the box" approaches that revitalize and sustain membership growth.

If Rotary service to your community can be enhanced through the involvement of your community's young professionals, please consider the sponsorship of an extension club. "New Generations" is the future of Rotary!

In Service of Rotary,

Dian

Dian Edwards, District Governor

### **Gates Foundation CEO to Speak at Joint District Meeting**

**Jeff Raikes**, Chief Executive Officer of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, will be the honored speaker at a joint meeting of Districts 5630 and 5650 on November 20, 11:30a.m. to 1:00p.m. in Grand Island (location to be determined). He will give an update on the latest efforts to push the completion of the Polio Plus Campaign.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

# INVITATION

All Rotarians and guests are cordially invited to recognize the generosity of fellow Rotarians at the

### Rotary Foundation Recognition Luncheon

11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 6, 2012

At the Ramada Inn, 301 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave Kearney, NE, 68847

RSOP: Loraine Lawler, <u>vololaviler@charter.net</u>, 308-754-8195 (leave message) by September 28. Please indicate meal only or meal and Foundation Seminar. COSF: \$10, payable at the door.

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# The <mark>Honor</mark>

### What: Rotary District 5630 Foundation Seminar

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Who should attend the Rotary Foundation Seminar

Club **Foun**dation Committee Chairs and members

Service Project Committee members

**Club Presidents** 

**Club Treasurers** 

Donors

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#### Why

Learn about the **Foun**dation **Fun**ds –Annual Giving, Permanent, Polio Plus, Restricted

Learn about the Return on the Investment – District Designated Funds, The World Fund, Polio Plus Fund,

### Restricted Funds

Learn about Future Vision and what your club must do to be "Qualified" for grants so you can continue "*To Do Good in the World*." Starting 2013-2014, only "Qualified" clubs may apply for grants. **This is impor**tant!!! Have some fun - there might be prizes! Husker and Loper Football updates during breaks. Help honor the District's donors to the Permanent and Annual Funds - this is important !!! (and there will be Junch!)

When: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, October 6, 2012

Where: Ramada Inn & Conference Center, 301 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Kearney, NE

Cost: \$10 to defray cost of lunch included in registration

RSVP: Loraine Lawler, <u>rololawler@charter.net</u>, 308.754.8195 by September 28. Please indicate attending Foundation Seminar, club name, and club office (example: president, foundation chair, service project committee member).

The Ramada Inn has set aside a special room rate of \$79 plus taxes until September 22, for Rotarians attending the Foundation events. Please mention the **Rotary District 5630** Foundation Seminar when requesting the special rates.

### **Exchange Students Start Year With Host Families**

In late July and early August, this year's long term exchange students Robert Pankratz of Hastings and Jessica Vance of Grant departed for their respective host countries, Brazil and Finland.

Robert writes that he has a very nice family and home in Brazil. Although his host family speaks little to no English, he says he is picking up the Portuguese language day by day. He has a host sister and host brother, each of whom attend college, and another host brother who is on exchange in Boston. His host father works on a ranch.

Robert has been invited to join the Interact Club, which has 40-50 members and is very active. He reports the club recently hosted a pizza dinner and raised over \$9000 Reais (about \$4500 USD). He likes the fact that the Interact club has a party after every meeting, which usually consists of pizza or BBQ at someone's house. Since the meetings are on Fridays, he says that works very well.

Jessi writes that everything is going great and she is making

new friends. Upon arrival in Finland, she attended Orientation Camp at Karkku. She found the camp to be very helpful. She began taking Finnish lessons on September 5.

Jessi contrasts Finland with western Nebraska noting that "it rains a whole lot more and there are a lot more trees." She adds that school is very different. Jessi has up to eight subjects and has each subject three times per week. She is also enjoying many new foods, including reindeer steak.



Robert Pankratz, far right, attends the Rotary Inaugural Ball for incoming club presidents in his host district in Brazil. His classmates and friends from the local Interact club are, from left, Thailor Dartora, Interact president; Guilherme Delicato; and Catarine Leonardo.



Jessi Vance, right, is pictured with her host sister, Noora, in front of the Sibelius Monument in Sibelius Park in Helsinki, Finland.



### Youth Exchange Applications for 2012-2013 School Year Available, Due Mid-October

By Ronna Morse Rotary Youth Exchange Chair ryechair@5630rye.org 402-322-0404

Applications for high school students who want to participate in Rotary Youth Exchange in 2013-14 are now available at www.5630rye.org.

Rotarians are encouraged to make outstanding students in their community aware of the exchange program. Rotarians are also urged to contact their local school administrators and teachers about the program. District 5630 offers both long term exchanges (an academic year) and short term exchanges (family to family exchanges for 6 -12 weeks).

Candidates for the program should be good students, be 15-18 1/2 years old, be curious individuals and be willing to serve as ambassadors.

The Preliminary Application, Confidential Personal Reference Form, a Fee Schedule and the Application Procedure can all be found on the district's youth exchange website, www.5630rye.org.

There is also a downloadable poster available on the website. A list of possible exchange countries is included with the application form.

Students must submit their application and supporting documentation to the local Rotary Club by **October 15**.

Between October 16 and 31, local Rotarians should interview the applicants and their parents to determine which students should be advanced to District Interviews.

Clubs should notify Ronna Morse, Youth Exchange Committee Chair, on November 1 with the names of the students who will advance to District Interviews. These interviews will be held November 17 in North Platte.

For more information, contact Ronna Morse at or or any of these Youth Exchange Committee members:

Dick and Paula Witt, Hastings
Kellie Soden, McCook
Cressy Daharsh, Gothenburg
Steve Herman, Curtis
Glenn Knuth, Grand Island
Fritz Anderson, Grand Island

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Exchange students Palmiere Vuolo, Milka Punto, and Enrique Pinto Chabes get together in Valentine for orientation.

### **Exchange Students Receive Orientation to Nebraska**

Rotary District 5630 welcomed three exchange students in August. Milka Punto of Finland, Enrique Pinto Chabes of Peru and Palmiere Vuolo of Brazil arrived on the 9th and 10th of August. They are hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Chadron, Hastings and Ogallala, respectively. The students gathered in Valentine August 24-26 for Inbound Orientation. Rotarians Kellie Soden of McCook, Dick and Paula Witt of Hastings, Steve and Diane Herman of Curtis and Ronna Morse of Valentine met with them to review the rules of exchange. They were also provided with information and tools to help them adjust to life in Nebraska.

The Rotarians and exchange students also took a tubing trip down the Niobrara River and attended a horse sale.



**Benefactors and Bequests: TRF Perpetuity** 

By Frank J. Sibert District Foundation Chair <u>fjs@rcom-ne.com</u> 402-389-0271

Last month we discussed how to become a benefactor. You may recall that you may become a benefactor by sending a commitment notice of \$1000 to The Rotary Foundation 14280 Collections Center Drive Chicago, IL 60693

There is a simple form to fill out and send. I will send you one if you would like.

This month I want to talk about becoming a member of the Be-

quest Society. The Bequest Society is recognition of Rotary members that have arranged to give \$10,000 or more to the Foundation. You may make your gift to the permanent fund by will/bequest, out right gift or other in ways.

The Permanent Fund builds long -term stability for the future of the Rotary Foundation. It provides an extra stream of income to meet an increasing demand for the Foundation's educational, humanitarian and cultural programs.

The fund is endowed and will provide financing for Rotary's

projects for perpetuity.

I mentioned last month that TRF (The Rotary Foundation) has set a goal to reach \$1 billion by 2025. The mission of the Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, good will and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

A big job. It will take a lot of money.

You and I can help. Dig deep and support The Foundation.



On hand to celebrate a new PHF are Imperial Club President Bill Bryan, ADG Brenda Styskal of Grant, DG Dian Edwards, and the new Paul Harris Fellow, Don Newman. (*Imperial Republican* photo)

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### **DG Dian Edwards Visits Imperial**

On Tuesday, August 28, Rotarians in Imperial welcomed DG Dian Edwards, Bill Edwards, and ADG Brenda Styskal to their meeting at Brickstone Restaurant.

In a pre-lunch meeting, Dian informed board members of the formation of Rotary E-Clubs as well as the upcoming District Foundation Seminar in Kearney and Rotary Leadership Institute Training Session in Sidney. She encouraged Imperial's participation in Visioning, the Youth Exchange Program, and the Dictionary Project. During the lunch meeting, the room was packed with members and visitors as Dian presented Don Newman with a Paul Harris Fellow award, the ninth such award in the past year for Imperial club members.

Imperial Foundation Chair Lori Pankonin is credited with actively promoting the achievement.

# **Rotary Leadership Institute Arrives in D5630**

#### By Dian Edwards District Governor <u>dg5630.2012@gmail.com</u> 402-340-6166

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a leadership development program offered in three full day sessions (Parts I, II and III). The courses are designed to provide Rotary knowledge and to develop leadership skills for voluntary organizations. Each of our 36 clubs in District 5630 is asked to sponsor at least two of their club members to complete the RLI this year. Clubs are encouraged to send more if their budgets allow (\$25 per person, per session). The return on a club's investment will be fantastic!

If your club cares about its future, it will want the best leadership possible. This is an outstanding opportunity for each club to improve the Rotary knowledge of its key people, who will also be exposed to new ideas of leadership. The exchange of ideas with other experienced Rotarians alone makes the courses worthwhile.

Some examples of course sessions include:

- •The Perfect Meeting
- •A Look Outside the Club
- •Membership Orientation and Activation
- •Introduction to Leadership
- •Creating Service Projects

- Problem Solving Workshops
- Vocational Service
- •Effective Committees
- Membership Development
- •The Rotary Foundation
- •Analyzing a Rotary Club
- •The Object of Rotary •The District
- International Service
  Problems of Leadership
- •Creative Service



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Part I of the RLI will be offered from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on the dates and locations listed below:

October 13, 2012 – St. Paul Community Library, 1301 Howard Avenue, St. Paul October 20, 2012 – Zion Lutheran Church, Fellowship Hall, 2421 Avenue C, Kearney October 27, 2012 – Mid Plains Community College, South Campus Room 131, North Platte November 3, 2012 – Cabela's Training Center, 1 Cabela Drive, Sidney

#### What are the costs?

\$25 per registrant per day. The fees cover breakfast, lunch, coffee breaks and considerable materials given to participants. Course fees also pay for meeting space, audio-visual equipment and promotional costs. The Institute strongly recommends that clubs pay the fees for their participants.

# Who should be nominated to attend the Institute courses?

The Institute recommends that clubs nominate those Rotarians who appear to have the potential for club leadership, not necessarily as future presidents. They should preferably be at least 3-4 years away from a possible presidency or other key leadership post. Candidates should certainly have a strong interest in Rotary and be ready to be exposed to the larger world of Rotary. The Institute requests each

club to nominate one or two Rotarians each year and to support previous nominees in completing Parts II and III.

#### How do I pre-register?

Enrollment is limited at each site. To reserve a spot in a class on the date and at the location you prefer,

please send your name and contact information to our RLI Coordinator, PDG Dave Snow, email: <u>dpclsnow@charter.net</u>. **Class reservations must be** made no later than one week before the class offering date. "The exchange of ideas with other experienced Rotarians alone makes the courses worthwhile."





By Delane Wycoff Polio Plus Chair <u>delanew@charter.net</u> 308-532-4797

The Big Red Rotary Football Blowout is behind us, so we should have established a good start to our District 5630 funding. NOW we can turn our attention to the TOP PRIORITY of Rotary International, which is POLIO PLUS.

There is a risk of polio breaking out and spreading. Type 3 polio cases have been increasing in Nigeria. Type 1 polio is flaring back up in Pakistan and the funding for world polio eradication has never been more critical.

With September already here, clubs in our district still have time to organize for the upcoming World Polio Day in October. Many clubs in our district already have annual traditions for a variety of events that promote community awareness and getting community participation in the contributions for world polio eradication.

World Polio Day in October Means Prep Needed Now

Did you know that each club in District 5630 is being asked to raise a **minimum of \$50.00 per member** by the end of our Rotary year, June 30, 2013?

Last year, many clubs easily exceeded this amount, but there were several clubs that were weak in their support for Polio Plus. This was surprising because Polio Plus has been designated as the **Top Priority** of Rotary International. It is such an important and worthy program that we expected support to be much stronger.

Now is the perfect time for *all clubs* to get organized to prepare for World Polio Day. If your club lacks ideas for fundraising or public-awareness events, there are some useful resources available on the Rotary web-site at <u>www.rotary.org</u>. (Search for "Polio Plus Fundraising").

Since World Polio Day falls on a Wednesday this year, many clubs will be holding their events on weekends leading up to that date.

As your club makes plans, please remember to assign someone the duty of taking photographs so that you can submit them along with a description of your event. We hope to use this column to share your Polio Plus activities and successes in fundraising.

Please send your photos and a brief event summary to <u>de-</u> <u>lanew@charter.net</u> so that we can share what your club is doing through this newsletter. Good luck in your fundraising events!

# Schultz Organizing Polio Immunization Trip to India



#### By Dale Schultz dschultz1949@gmail.com

I am still making plans to travel to India in February of 2013. I have confirmed with my contact in New Delhi that there will be an NID (National Immunization Day) sometime in mid-February. He told me that the exact date won't be determined until early December. At that point, airfare reservations can be made.

If it's like the past NID events, it will likely be somewhere around February 10<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>. They are usually held on a Sunday. The World Health Organization and the country of India will decide upon the date.

This notice is being published so that, if you are serious about traveling on an NID, you can confirm with me your desire to go. I have set a deadline for November 1, 2012.

The reason for the deadline is that if you're going, you will need to obtain an Indian visa, which took me six weeks to get when I went in November 2010.

Your passport needs to be up to

date and valid for at least six months beyond February 2013. In November, I would like to meet with those interested in traveling so that we can go over what will need to be done such as the shots needed, etc. You will need a Polio shot as well as others.

I will likely plan on leaving on a Thursday, arriving late Friday night (24-25 hour trip), then recovering from the jet lag and touring on Saturday. The NID will be on Sunday and Monday, then I'll do more touring on

# **Immunization Trip...**

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (possibly Friday also) I'll be heading back either Friday or Saturday depending on what touring is done.

As far as a budget to plan, I would use somewhere in the

\$2,500-3,000 range depending on hotel/food expenses. This wouldn't include what you spend on personal items, souvenirs, etc. In order to save on hotel expense, if it can be done, rooms can be shared. We can work those details out once it's determined who will be going on the trip. I'm working on the possibility of obtaining some funds for those that might need some assistance for the trip. There's nothing firm yet but working on it.

Please email me if you are serious about traveling on this trip. <u>dschultz1949@gmail.com</u>

## **District Officers Attend First Annual DLI**

By Cheryl Bryan Public Relations Representative <u>cheryl@cherylsdesk.com</u> 308-883-0265

Ninety-eight representatives from every district in Zone 27, which includes Rotary clubs in 12 western states, attended the first Zone 27 District Leadership Institute in Denver on July 27 and 28.

The purpose of the DLI is to "provide the highest quality of annual training to Rotarians serving their District in the roles of Governor, Governor-Elect, Governor-Nominee, Foundation Chair, Foundation Subcommittee Chair, Membership Chair, and Public Relations Chair." The Institute began Friday evening with a banquet featuring Rotary International Director Elect Mary Beth Selene of Madison, WI speaking on "One Rotary." Saturday morning start with a Joint Preliminary Session led by Greg Podd, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator from Evergreen, CO.

This was followed by three breakout sessions: 1. Rotary Foundation, including Transition to Future Vision, led by Podd and PDG Pamela Russell of San Diego, CA; 2. Membership, chaired by PDG Lynne Baker, Zone 27 Rotary Coordinator from Fort Collins, CO, and featuring Selene; and 3. Public Relations, led by Zone 27 Image Coordinator Joe Foote of Norman, OK.

Attending from District 5630 were DG Dian Edwards, DGN Koby Rickertsen, Foundation Chair Frank Sibert, Membership Chair Michael Davis, Public Relations Representative Cheryl Bryan, Bill Bryan, PDG Bill Ballou, and Larry Todd, Grants Subcommittee Chair.

Podd has announced that because of the success of the gathering and enthusiastic response from those attending, a second DLI will take place next year on the same weekend, July 26 and 27, 2013 at the same venue, Embassy Suites near Denver International Airport.



Making connections at the District Leadership Institute in July at Denver are, front row from left: Greg Podd, Mike Tormey (D5450), Dian Edwards, Bill Ballou, Cheryl Bryan, Sean Allen (TRF), Frank Sibert. Back row: Larry Todd, Koby Rickertsen





Group Study Exchange



Ouro Preto, Minas Gerais, Brazil (http:// www.theodora.com/wfb/photos/brazil/ brazil\_photos\_19.html SOURCE: Brazil Ministry of Tourism)



Brazil

**GSE Applications Open for Brazil Trip** 

By Jim Sheaffer Group Study Exchange Chair 634 Chadron Avenue Chadron, NE 69337 jsheaffer@csc.edu

#### **Rotary District 5630 (formerly**

**563)** has participated in the Group Study Exchange since its inception in 1965. Over the years, we have hosted study teams from countries all over the world including Japan, Australia, England, Nigeria, and India. In each case, a team from 5630 spent a number of weeks in those same countries.

Many of you who are reading this may have been members of such teams, or helped recruit others who represented your clubs and communities. Likewise, many of you enjoyed the opportunity to have some of these young professionals in your homes as guests for a few days.

It has been a good program, but we live in a changing world and **the 2012-2013 Rotary Year is the final year for Group Study Exchange in its present form.** Future exchanges will emphasize any one of the six new Rotary Foundation's "Areas of Focus." Let me tell you a bit more about this year's exchange.

### Governor Dian has arranged a Group Study Exchange with

District 4580 in Brazil. This District is in the Brazilian State of Minas Gerais between Brazilia and Rio de Janeiro. Ron Miller and I, both from Chadron, will be working with her to facilitate this exchange. We are appealing to clubs and individuals across the district to help make this one of the best exchanges ever. Enthusiastic young professionals who are not Rotarians are invited to apply to be part of this goodwill exchange. Four individuals who are non-Rotarians will be selected to participate, along with a Rotarian team leader.

Interested Rotarians are urged to apply to be team leader. **The team will be in Brazil four weeks: May 11 - June 8, 2013.** A GSE team from Brazil will visit Nebraska in April and May, 2013.

The purpose of a Group Study Exchange is to promote international understanding and goodwill through person-to-person contact. While in Brazil, GSE team members will stay in Rotarians' homes and have the opportunity to meet their professional counterparts. They will also give presentations to Rotary clubs and other groups about their lives, the USA and Nebraska.

The Rotary Foundation provides round-trip air tickets. Rotarians in Brazil provide meals, lodging, and local group travel. Team members pay for personal and incidental expenses. The trip is for four weeks, but participants may extend their stay at their own expense.

Persons interested in applying should be employed full-time in a recognized business or profession. The GSE focus is on young professionals. Individuals aged 25 to 40 are encouraged to apply. Applicants must live or be employed in Rotary District 5630.

A Rotary club must endorse each applicant. Applicants will be interviewed and GSE team members will be selected on Saturday, November 10 in North Platte. The team leader will have been selected two or three weeks earlier.

Considerably more information is available on the District website, <u>www.rotary5630.org</u>; just scroll down to "2013 Group Study Exchange to Brazil." From there, you may print the applications for team members and the application for the team leader.

Rotarians, please spread the

word. Search out members of your communities who would benefit from such an experience; hand them an application and encourage them to apply. Since an area of focus on this trip will be "Basic Education and Literacy," you might consider speaking to your local teachers or librarians. Don't forget the college professors. However, applicants are NOT restricted to these occupations.

You should return the completed application form to your Rotary club and your club will endorse the application with the requisite signatures. Forward the forms to me at the address above this article.. A club may send more than one application. It will help the GSE Committee in the selection process if you can submit the forms before the end of October.

Ron Miller, as GSE Incoming Chair, will be working with the clubs across the district to set up a schedule for club visits by the team from Brazil. **Would your club consider hosting the GSE team from Brazil for three to five days?** Although these visits will be in April and May, like everything else in GSE, these arrangements need to be made far in advance: sooner, rather than later is the motto. Contact Ron at <u>rjmllr46@yhoo.com</u>.

#### Youth Exchange Students, Volunteers Take Part in Regional Activities

By Ronna Morse Rotary Youth Exchange Chair ryechair@5630rye.org 402-322-0404

The Youth Exchange students and volunteers in District 5630 had a busy summer. Rotarian Paula Witt of the Hastings Sunrise Rotary Club is the District Outbound Coordinator for a second year. She co-chaired the South Central Rotary Youth Exchange (SCRYE) Outbound Camp in June.

Fifty-seven outbound students attended the camp including District 5630 students Robert Pankratz of Hastings and Jessica Vance of Grant. The major focus of the five-day camp is to prepare students for their exchange experience. They are trained about culture shock, cultural adaptation and leaving a legacy in their host country. Assisting as volunteers and counselors at the SCRYE camp were: Jamie Nikkel, formerly of Hastings, exchange student to Denmark 1999-2000 and now a Rotary member in Edmond, Oklahoma; Blake Yarrington of Merna, an exchange student to Germany 2010-11; Dakota Bergen of Paxton, exchange student to Sweden 2010-11: and Matt Witt of Edmond Oklahoma, formerly of Hastings, an exchange student to Turkey 05-06.

Paula Witt returned to Oklahoma in August with recently returned exchange students Kyle Brosnihan (Germany) and Matt Kramer (Sweden), both of Hastings, for Reunion Camp.

Paula was the camp coordinator for 34 students from across the

SCRYE multi-district who gathered to revisit their exchange experiences.

The students shared some highs and lows of their exchange. They discovered how the experience changed their lives and they developed strategies to integrate their cultural experiences into their futures.

In late July, Ronna Morse, of the Valentine Rotary Club, attended the SCRYE Summer Meeting in Kansas City. At the meeting, youth exchange volunteers were trained in the use of a new database system. It is used to record information required by the US Department of State and by Rotary International for exchange programs. Ronna also serves on the SCRYE Board of Directors and the SCRYE Management Committee.

# Valentine Rotary Hosts DG Edwards

Valentine was, of course, one of the stops for DG Dian Edwards as she made her trek across District 5630 visiting each club.

A pre-meeting gathering was held at the home of Valentine President JB and Sherry Fischer. In the photo are, front row from left, J.B. Fischer, Dian Edwards, PDG Bob Stetter; back row, Sherry Fischer, Bill Edwards, Delia Stetter.

At the club meeting, JB Fischer and Dian Edwards display the 2012-13 Peace Through Service theme banner along with the Valentine club banner.





The Ogallala Rotary Club will host the Harlem Ambassadors on September 22 at 2:00PM at the Ogallala Auditorium during the Ogallala Indian Summer Rendezvous. \$10 Advance Seats for adults \$8 for students. Corporate seating will be available. More information to follow soon on Facebook under Ogallala Rotary.

The Harlem Ambassadors feature a "Harlem-style" Basketball Show, including ball handling tricks, slam dunks and comedy routines. The Harlem Ambassadors are the largest provider of entertainment services to the military having performed at over 100 bases worldwide. Their team consists of female and male professionals with major college and pro experience.

Come join us for some terrific and hilarious entertainment and also catch some fun at the Rendezvous!