

Rotary International District 5630

# The District Newsletter

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## District Conference Successful; Still Looking Forward



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I want to take the opportunity in this month's district newsletter to extend my gratitude to so many of our District 5630 Rotarians who made our 2013 District Conference such a success. Excellent planning and a coordinated effort by many hands resulted in a district conference of the highest quality. Our district committee reports were professional. Our featured speakers were outstanding. Our district award winners were most worthy. Moreover, the entertainment was just the right balance to follow the days' informative and inspirational sessions. Please enjoy the pictures taken at the conference in this month's newsletter.

I am pleased to report that our Annual Fund Challenge Match was a resounding success. With the contributions received by District Rotarians and the match of funds from our District Treasury, we have surpassed our projected TRF Annual Fund giving goal. With our additional collective contributions to the annual fund, we should be able to reach \$100,000 in contributions to the annual fund. Can you help me make that happen? I also urge you to fulfill your Polio-

Plus pledges for this year. Let's finish the year with a good showing of the generosity of our District 5630 Rotarians!

Together we have already done much to strengthen and support our membership and to "do good in the world" through humanitarian service. However, we still have much work to do. During the two months remaining in my term as district governor, I hope you will promote attendance from your clubs at the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) training sessions. Earlier this year, three training sessions of Part 1 of the RLI were held in St. Paul, Kearney, and Sidney. We would like to hold another session of Part 1 in North Platte on June 29, as well as Part 2 in Kearney on May 18 and in Sidney at a date not yet determined. Please respond to an email message I will send out soon that will include specifics about these sessions. The RLI is the way we can learn more about Rotary and develop future leaders for our clubs and district.

The Inbound Group Study Exchange Team from Rotary District 4580 has been a great pleasure to host in our district.



District Governor Dian Edwards

Waldir, Geselle, Christiane, Fabricia, and Odirleny made an excellent presentation to our District Conference. They are now continuing their travels within our district to exchange information about Basic Education and Literacy with us. The team will travel back to Minas Gerais, Brazil on May 11. Thank you to the clubs and the host homes that have extended such great hospitality to the GSE Team during their time with us.

Thank you, my dear friends in Rotary, for this wonderful year of good projects, generosity of spirit, and outstanding leadership.

In Service of Rotary,

*Dian*

Dian Edwards,  
District Governor

## District Conference 2013



The following clubs and individuals were recipients of District Awards at the District Governor's Banquet on April 27, 2013:

- St. Paul** – Club of the Year, 2012-2013 Presidential Citation and Governor's Citation
- Kearney Dawn** – 2012-2013 Presidential Citation and Governor's Citation
- Kearney Noon** – 2012-2013 Presidential Citation and Governor's Citation
- Ogallala** – 2012-2013 Presidential Citation
- McCook Interact** – 2012-2013 Presidential Citation
- Scott McLaughlin** (Kearney Dawn) – District Rotarian of the Year
- Brett Meyer** (Gothenburg Noon) – District Rookie Rotarian of the Year
- Roger Hoffman** (Kearney Dawn) – Sustaining Humanitarian Service
- Dale Schultz** (Hastings Noon) – PolioPlus Distinguished Service
- Cindi Allen** (Ogallala) – New Generations Distinguished Service
- Don Peterson** (Kearney Dawn) – Future Vision Distinguished Service
- Todd Adams** (Ogallala) – Appreciation for 5 Year Service as District Treasurer
- Frank Sibert** (Kearney Noon) – Appreciation for 3 Year Service as Foundation Chair
- Nicole Sedlacek & Merri Schneider** (O'Neill) – Distinguished Service as Conference Co-Chairs



Dian welcomes RI President's Representative David Moyers and his wife Rita.



Business Meeting



Past District Governor's Dinner



Youth Exchange Students

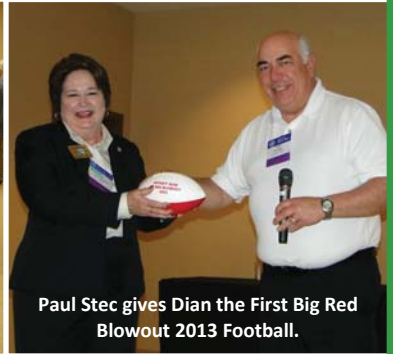
# District Conference 2013



Cindi Allen



Silent Auction



Paul Stec gives Dian the First Big Red Blowout 2013 Football.



District 4580 Inbound GSE Team from Minas Gerais, Brazil



Cindy Cole, Merri Schneider, Koby Rickertsen, Brett Meyer, Nicole Sedlacek



Scott McLaughlin



John Baylor



Dale Schultz



Volunteer Bartenders @ The Rumbles



Erik Karre, Diana and Duane Tappe



## First Four-Way Test Essay Contest Winner is from Lexington

### Four-Way Test Essay Winners

#### First Place

Gavin Strauss  
Sponsored by Lexington Rotary Club

#### Second Place

Lydia Connell  
Sponsored by the Arnold Rotary Club

#### Third Place

Linda Kuku  
Sponsored by the Grand Island Sunrise Rotary Club

### HOW THE FOUR-WAY TEST CAN IMPACT MY WORLD

By Gavin Strauss  
Bryan Elementary School  
Lexington, Nebraska  
Sponsored By:  
Lexington Rotary Club

How does a young boy know whether he is doing the right thing or making wise choices when no one is there to give him his answer? Beliefs and actions that support the truth, are fair to others, promote goodwill, and that are beneficial to those concerned are the questions considered within the Four-Way Test. I live on a farm in central Nebraska with my parents and two younger brothers. Though I must admit that I don't directly ask myself these questions on a daily basis, I do feel that I have a solid personal understanding of the four-way test and how it should influence my life and the lives of other people. The best way to put the Four-Way Test to work is to start at home.

Truth is the first aspect of the Four-Way Test, and probably the most necessary for life. Living my days by telling the truth, according to God and the Bible has been very helpful to me. All kids in a lifetime cause mischief and make a bad choice or two as they learn. In a bad situation, the truth can always help a child ore than it can hurt. Growing up involves a lot of mistakes, and I have learned that telling the truth is the best policy even though I may still have to face consequences. When I am truthful, it

sets a good example for my brothers and helps my parents to trust me more. I have always liked to keep a good reputation, so by being truthful, I can maintain a clean record.

Fairness is a familiar idea to kids. They use the term the most when they want to try to get their parent's or someone's approval. Living on a farm in the country with two brothers might sound like fun, but at times, it is what I consider unfair. While I like our new house and the space I have to run and play, it is in a place too far from town to walk anywhere. I do not get to ride bikes and run around the neighborhood with friends like most of the other kids I know. The aspect of fairness also reminds me of the fact that fair does not always mean equal. My parents spend a lot of time reading with my 2nd grade brother because it is not easy for him. Reading is easy for me, so it is okay for it to be that way, because he needs the help more than I do.

Good will is helping others out when I know I will get nothing in return of it. When it recently snowed a foot, my neighbor who is older, needed help cleaning his driveway. He is not a farmer with all of the tractors and big blades and tools, so out of good will, my Grandpa offered to move the snow out of his way. I can't drive a tractor, but I have offered good will to him before by walking over to visit or keep him company, or watch the eagles that nest in the trees near his house with him. It

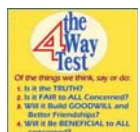
might not be much, but it is a way to pay it forward.

I understand that being selfless and making decisions that will benefit as many people as possible is important too. Living and working on a farm is hard work. In the summer, my Dad and Grandparents change water on hundreds of acres of gravity irrigate corn and beans every twelve hours. Now that I am getting older and stronger, I realize that it is my time to pitch in and help out just like my Dad did when he was my age. Even though the temperature may be hotter than blue blazes, and my friends may be at the pool in town, I need to think about how my work will be beneficial to our family and the world. When I help out, the work gets done faster and leaves time for things like going to the lake for a boat ride or going out for ice cream with my family. The benefits that go to our crops help them stay healthy and will pay off at harvest time, making more food for people and putting money in our pockets.

So what if the young boy, who is unsure of what he should do, applies the Four-Way Test as a guide to making his decisions? He will most likely stay out of trouble! He is also sure to set a positive example for others, help someone in need, and benefit the world by making it a better place. The Four-Way Test is a good way to live life in a world of choices. I am one young boy who will put this test to better use.



Four-Way Test Essay Contest Winner Gavin Strauss receives his contest certificate from DG Dian Edwards at the District Conference in O'Neill.



## Two months left to reaching giving goals

By Frank Sibert  
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There is an excellent story in the recent Rotary Magazine titled "Message from the Chair." The Chair is the chairperson of the Rotary Foundation Trustees. He starts his message by saying it is spring in Canada. He indicates that winter is over and that spring brings new energy. He says that the changing of the seasons brings new energy to Rotarians and can serve as a fresh perspective to the goals they set for the Rotary year 2012-

2013.

Every contribution and every project makes a difference. The Rotary Foundation can do its part to work toward peace from the ground up. It can do its part only if the Rotary Club members do their part by supporting the work of the Foundation. Chairman Wilkinson points out that there is still time to give to the Foundation in this Rotary Year. There is still time to help a community have clean drinking water. Still time to help a young girl have the opportunity to attend school. Still time to give a young mother the safe ma-

ternal care she needs. Still time to help Polio Plus.

He goes on to say that the Foundation programs and projects all start with money. He hopes and I hope that each Rotarian reading this message will have given something based on his or her own situation. It doesn't take much from each of us when you have the support of 1,200,000 members. If you have given this year, the needy people of the world thank you. If you haven't given, then we hope you will. Let's make this last two months a record for District 5630.



### ***Kearney Dawn leads in Alzheimer's walk***

Sue Bigg, left, and Toni Hill of Kearney Dawn Rotary, speak at the Kearney Alzheimer's Walk kick-off celebration on April 25. The club has a team committed to the walk and is encouraging other Rotary clubs to form a team or to join the Dawn club's team.

The Alzheimer's walk will take place September 19. Toni is the coordinator of the annual event. She can be reached at 402-201-4945 or [hilltl@unk.edu](mailto:hilltl@unk.edu). The event web site is [http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=3524&pg=entry](http://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=3524&pg=entry)



## Fan documentary provides avenue for Rotary fundraising



During the 2013 football season, Ryan Tweedy and David Max will be touring the state of Nebraska and other locations to provide screenings of Ryan's Nebraska Cornhuskers documentary film titled *Through These Gates*.

**These screenings are designed to be a fundraiser for each community that hosts a screening. Rotary Clubs can raise approximately \$7.00 for each person that attends the screening for your programs of service.**

### **About the Documentary Film:**

**Ryan Tweedy** was born a Husker and will die a Husker. He is a film editor in Los Angeles and has been filming and editing for this documentary all over the United States for a year and a half. The focus of the film is Husker fans and their passion about Husker athletics. Interviews include Tom Osborne, Barry Switzer, Larry the Cable Guy, Johnny Rodgers, Tommie Frazier, Jan Berringer, and many Husker fans from across the country. More information about the documentary and Ryan's associates in the film making process can be found at the film's website [Huskersfilm.com](http://Huskersfilm.com). Ryan is originally from Lincoln, NE.

**David Max** is the co-founder of [HuskerMax.com](http://HuskerMax.com) and the author of the book *50 Years of Husker Memories*. His family has been season ticket holders at Memorial Stadium since the south end zone was built in 1962. David is originally from Page, NE.

Screenings of the film will be shown in locations from Chadron to Nebraska City and McCook to South Sioux City and locations in between as well as other states. Dates for the screenings are being confirmed now and several dates are already booked.

Ryan and David will personally attend each screening, be available for a question and answer session about the film and the book, and will autograph copies of the DVD and the book. We hope to be able to provide an enjoyable experience for Husker fans across Nebraska and raise money for local community organizations at the same time.

**If you would like more information about scheduling a showing in your community sponsored by your Rotary Club, please contact David Max at [bigredmax@yahoo.com](mailto:bigredmax@yahoo.com) or 949-278-3053.**

# Burwell Golf Part 1

## About Rotary

What would it take to change the world? Rotary International is the world's first service club organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide.

Rotary club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service Above Self.

## Rotary in Burwell

The Burwell Rotary Club meets each Tuesday at 12:00 PM at the Burwell Legion Club facility in downtown Burwell. All visitors are welcome to join us!



Burwell Rotary Club  
P.O. Box 310  
455 Grand Avenue  
Burwell, NE 68823



# Burwell Golf Part 2



## TEE-OFF TIME:

- 10 AM Check-in; 11 AM Shotgun Start

## ENTRY FEES:

- \$50 per Player OR \$200 per Foursome
- Includes Green Fees and Steak Supper
- Limited Cart Rental and Lunch Available for Extra Charge

## REGISTER:

- Reserve Your Foursome/Team Today by Calling: 308-346-4284 or 346-5220

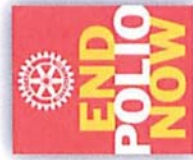
## SPONSORSHIPS:

- Hole Sponsor
    - \$150
  - Hole Sponsor w/Large Sign
    - \$200 (business provides sign)
  - Hole Sponsor w/Foursome
    - \$325
  - Hole Sponsor w/Sign & Foursome
    - \$375
  - Event Sponsor
    - \$500 (limited to first four)
- Includes:**
- Green Fees for Foursome (team)
  - Hole Sponsorship
  - Business logo on event promotional materials
  - Business name noted with all public relations announcements
  - Opportunity to display large sign at event (business provides sign)

## PLAY FOR A PURPOSE

*This 10<sup>th</sup> annual fund-raiser 4-person scramble golf tournament will benefit*

- Local Rotary Projects
  - Longhorn School Pride Program
  - College Scholarships for Local Graduates
  - Dictionary Literacy Program for Kids
- International Rotary Projects
  - Polio Elimination Campaign



## PRIZES & CONTESTS

- Raffle Tickets for Prizes (including a special golf club or putter!)
  - Complete promotion details available at the event.
- Hole-In-One Prize – New Golf Cart!
  - Valued at approx. \$7,500
  - Complete promotion details available at the event.



## SIGN-UP FORM

Sign up for:	(see descriptions on first panel)	Price
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single Player	\$ 50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Foursome Team	\$ 200
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hole Sponsor	\$ 150
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hole Sponsor w/Large Sign	\$ 200
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hole Sponsor w/Foursome	\$ 325
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hole Sponsor w/Large sign & Foursome	\$ 375
<input type="checkbox"/>	Event Sponsor (sign, hole, foursome, PR)	\$ 500

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Method of Payment**

Check (payable to Burwell Rotary Club)

Bill Me

Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Foursome Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature





## North Platte taking entries for golf tournament fundraiser for polio

Please join us in sponsoring a team to help put an end to Polio in the world.

- Open to any adult.
- \$1000/team — men, women, and seniors (65+) use their respective tees
- \$2000 in cash and merchandise
- 1st place team in each flight, plus 2nd and 3rd place
- Flag prizes, award ceremony, cart and green fees included

Friday, May 31; 12:30  
shotgun  
Rivers Edge Golf Club  
North Platte

Use entry form, mail  
with payment\* to:  
Rivers Edge Golf Club  
1008 W. 18th St.  
North Platte, NE  
69101

\*checks payable to  
North Platte Noon  
Rotary Club

Your entry may be  
tax deductible and 40  
-50% may apply to  
your next PHF

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH PLATTE (NOON) FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER  
HELP ERADICATE POLIO GOLF SCRAMBLE  
FRIDAY MAY 31, 2003 @12:30

RIVERS EDGE GOLF CLUB

TEAM ENTRY FROM  
\$1000/ TEAM

M	F	S*	
			1
			2
			3
			4

\*Seniors – Age 65 or older

INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM  
\$250/ INDIVIDUAL

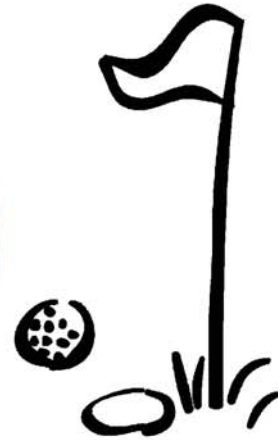
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Make checks payable to: North Platte Noon Rotary, ( memo- Polio Plus)  
Give entry form / entry fee to:  
River's Edge Golf Shop – Jon Engdahl  
Or  
Any N.P. Noon Rotarian Member

Entry Fee includes – Golf Fees, Carts, Flag Prizes, Prize Money, Awards Banquet  
and More!

**ROTARY GOLF CLASSIC**

*4th Annual*



**Friday, June 7th**

**12:00PM Shotgun**

**Southern Hills Golf Course**

Four Person Scramble/Lunch

\$60 per Golfer

Entry fee includes green fees, cart,  
range balls, prizes and lunch.

Cash prizes for top teams in each flight



Register by calling Jeff Schneider  
at 402-984-8098

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*All funds raised with this event to benefit local projects*