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WHAT HAS SUZANNE BEEN UP TO?

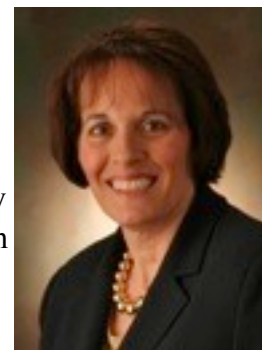
When you became a member of Rotary did you know what it meant to be a member? I didn't. In fact it wasn't until 2004, when I was asked to be Club President, when I learned what it means to be a member of Rotary. Thinking that this might be the case for many Rotary members in District 6460 I would like to share the following excerpt that I pulled off of the Rotary International website which talks about being a Member of Rotary.

After reading the article I want you to ask yourself, am I a member of Rotary? Or, do I just show up for the meetings? I also challenge you to take a look at your club. Is your club meeting the goals of Rotary by encouraging attendance, being involved in service both locally and internationally, finding and keeping members, paying dues, and last but certainly not least, becoming involved in Rotary as a leader. Not every club is a Rotary Club – some just meet to meet. If that is your club, change it.

What Rotarians get out of Rotary depends largely on what they put into it. Many membership requirements are designed to help club members more fully participate in and enjoy their Rotary experience.

Attendance

Attending weekly club meetings allows members to enjoy fellowship, enrich their professional and personal knowledge, and meet other business leaders in their community.



DG Suzanne Ellerbrock

If members miss a meeting of their own club, they're encouraged to expand their Rotary horizons by [attending a meeting](#) of any other [Rotary club](#) in the world.

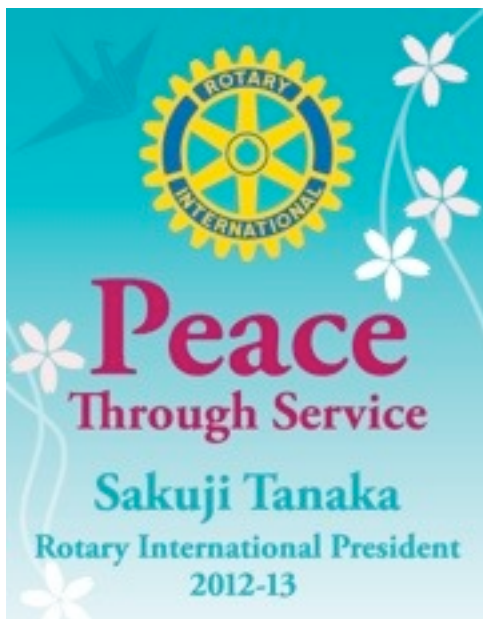
Service

By participating in local and international service projects, club members can volunteer their time and talents where they're most needed.

The Avenues of Service are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which club activity is based:

- Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the club's effective functioning.
- Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others

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IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 8-10

Midwest President Elect Training
Westin Chicago Northwest
Itasca, IL

APRIL 5-7

RYLA
Lake Williamson
Carlinville, IL

APRIL 20

District 6460 Assembly
Hilton Springfield
Springfield, IL

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through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.

- Community Service covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community.
- International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace.
- New Generations Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities, service projects, and exchange programs.

Read more about Rotary [fellowship and service](#).

Finding and keeping members

To keep clubs strong, every Rotarian must share the responsibility of bringing new people into Rotary. Even

[new members](#) can bring guests to club meetings or invite them to participate in a service project.

Keeping members involved in Rotary is another responsibility. Fostering strong fellowship and encouraging early participation in service projects are two of the best ways to sustain a club's membership.

Dues

Club members are required to pay [annual dues](#) to their clubs, districts, and Rotary International, as well as the subscription fee to the appropriate Rotary magazine.

Leadership

Club members are encouraged to volunteer for leadership roles at the club level and beyond. To learn more about leadership opportunities in your district, see the [district leadership seminar](#) page and the [club committees page](#).

MEMBERSHIP MONTHLY

By Angie Braidia, Membership Chair, District 6460

Fellow Rotarians welcome to the New Year! As New Year's go, it is time for all of us to set up our membership New Year's resolutions....and I am here to help!

We only have 5 more months to go before the end of this Rotary Year, so it is time to reassess where we are and make plans to meet our membership goals for the 2012-2013 year. Here are a few recommendations:

- 1. Assess where you are vs. your goal and make changes now!**
- 2. Make sure your Membership Chair or delegate speaks at every meeting with enthusiasm about your goals, who your members have spoken with in the last week and names of possible new members. Do this at every meeting!**
- 3. Make sure that any new members who were brought into your club in the first 6 months of the year are encouraged to bring in a new member before the end of the Rotary Year! They are enthusiastic now....strike while the iron is hot! Expect each to bring in 1 new member!**
- 4. Discuss progress and plans at each Board meeting. If what you have been doing has not produced results for your club make changes and expect results!**

I had the pleasure this past weekend to meet up with many of our current presidents in district 6460 and to hear of the great things that each were doing to get membership going in their respective clubs. The key theme's that were presented centered on being more creative in our approach to membership and creating friendlier Rotary environments. Here are just a few of those ideas:

- 1. RAH Rotary after Hours:** Many groups are planning and having after hour social mixers. Some are held at restaurants, some at members' businesses and some at members' homes. All guarantees a fun time....and don't forget to ask neighboring clubs to join you.

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BENLD ROTARY CLUB'S LAST MEETING

By Misty Fritz



Just a month shy of its 75th anniversary, the Benld Rotary Club has disbanded, holding its final meeting on Jan. 29 to discuss the disbursement of its remaining funds.

The club was founded Feb. 28, 1938, and membership has been dwindling for the last several years, resulting in the current members voting a few months ago to disband the group.

Helen Downey and Larry Thompson of the local Rotary International district also attended Tuesday's meeting to offer guidance or answer questions as needed. Though the club initially intended to donate a portion of its funds to Rotary International, because they were raised under the Rotary International name, Thompson suggested the club distribute that money locally instead.

"It really should benefit the community here,"

said Thompson. "I'd recommend the club contribute all the money to local organizations because it would be good to memorialize the club for a long time, if there's something you can actually buy or put money as a gift toward, so you can get recognition."

"The money was raised from people here in town," said Mickey Robinson. "I think we should try to keep as much as possible in the community. Every dollar was raised through the community here."

John Fassero suggested the club make contributions to the Benld Italian-American Club and Unit 7 Fire Protection District.

"The Italian Club is going to build another pavilion or redo the one that's over there," said Fassero. "I know they're going to borrow \$35,000 for that, so that would help them offset a little bit that they would not have to borrow, and that's a long-standing organization, so that would be something to consider as well, and they are borrowing money for the improvement, which says something about their anticipation for being around a while, because they're going to have to pay that off."

"The fire district benefits everybody within the school district," he continued, "so we're catching all the communities. I do know they need, among other things, three turnout suits -- coats, pants, boots, helmet, and all of that -- here in Benld, at \$2,200 per set, so this would help some of that."

According to Rotary International rules, the club's funds can only be donated to 501(c)3 charitable organizations. Because the club recently donated \$1,000 to the Gillespie Caring Center, it was not included in considerations for a donation from the remaining funds.

The club had \$6,218.77 remaining in its account. Ultimately, those present decided to contribute \$2,000 to the Partnership for Educational Excellence to fund four \$500 scholarships and \$1,000 each to the Benld Italian-American Club, Frank Bertetti Benld Public Library, Gillespie Public Library and Unit 7 Fire Protection District. The remaining \$218.77 will also go to the Italian-American Club.

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2. **Dinner/Movie Night:** Schedule a “date night” with spouses and fellow Rotarians in your club.
3. **Long Range Planning Sessions:** Hold a separate meeting with new and seasoned members of your club to take a hard look at what your club is doing. Is it working? If it is not, what changes will your club make to achieve your long term goals?
4. **Members as Speakers/Classification Talks:** Schedule your members in your club to be the featured speaker of your meeting.
5. **Club Assembly Monthly:** Schedule Club Assembly each month as part of your meeting. This allows your members to understand all that is going on in the club and become more involved.
6. **Create a Video about your Club:** The Granite City Club created an informational video about Rotary and their club to use as a tool for prospective members and found that it was even helpful for current members. You will find it on their Facebook page. What? Facebook Page?
7. **Facebook Page:** I am adding this in as no business or group can survive without this powerful medium for communication. You cannot turn away from this especially if you want to attract younger members.
8. **Junior Rotarian Programs:** Clubs are taking a proactive approach to attracting younger members by looking at things such as reduced membership fees, project participation as part of attendance, reduced lunch fees, and shortened meeting requirements. (If you would like a copy of this program, please email me and I will forward a copy of the program to you.)

All of these programs are geared to taking a fresh new look at what we do in Rotary and finding ways to work around today’s busy life style.

I look forward to sharing your stories, so please send them to me at angela.braida@ziemergroup.com .

Good Luck and Happy New Year!

Angie Braida-Membership Chair

GRANITE CITY CLUB HAS DEVELOPED A PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

The Granite City Rotary Club has put together a video posted on their facebook site that promotes Rotary and the Rotary Club of Granite City. You can view this video at <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=1753199754438&set=vb.114469455305827&type=2&theater>



DISTRICT CLUBS SUPPORT SANDY VICTIMS

By Stephen Hopper, DGND

As Chair of the Rotary District 6460 Committee for the Relief from Super Storm Sandy, I am very pleased to report that nine of our District's Rotary Clubs and thirty-two individuals contributed a total of \$5,000 in disaster aid to our Rotary District 6460 Foundation. Rotary Clubs that sent checks included Edwardsville, Land of Goshen, Canton, Jacksonville, Farmington, Springfield South, Springfield, Springfield Westside, and Peoria. As recommended by the Committee, all of the funds raised for disaster relief have been forwarded to the Walter D. Head Foundation of District 7490, which will divide the gifts equally among the six Rotary Districts that were so greatly impacted by this massive storm.

More details of the impact of Super Storm Sandy and the significant relief efforts underway in the area can be accessed by clicking on the "Hurricane Sandy Disaster Aid" tab at the following website: nynjrotary.org

Our new Rotary District 6460 Foundation worked well as a vehicle for receiving the disaster contributions. Our Foundation will be an excellent tool to enhance the impact of Rotary in the future. In addition, our District leadership will be considering how we can position ourselves to respond more quickly and effectively as future disasters occur.

My thanks to District Governor Suzanne Ellerbrock for having the foresight to establish the committee to coordinate our relief efforts. I appreciate the efforts of the Rotarians who served as members of the Committee. They include DG Suzanne, PDG Keith Lape, PDG David Parsons, PDG Fred Osburn and GSE Committee Chair Lee Malany. Lee's insights were valuable as he was on-site in part of the storm ravaged area for some time.

PDG Fred Osburn noted that our District received significant donations following the Mississippi River flooding in 1993. It was great to be able to provide similar assistance to others in need.

ROTARY CLUB OF PEORIA CENTENNIAL PROJECT ANNOUNCED

By Brigitte M. Grant

The Rotary Club of Peoria will celebrate its 100th Anniversary in June 2013. As part of the celebration, the Club has announced its support for the Peoria Rotary Adventure Grove, an outdoor area adjacent to the new Peoria Zoo and the soon to be completed Playhouse, a children's museum being developed by the Junior League of Peoria. The Club will raise \$100,000 which will be matched by the Peoria Park District in order to complete construction of improvements in the Adventure Grove, including interpretive areas, storybook signs, benches and a large Rotary symbol in pavers. The area will provide a fun and educational transition between the new Zoo and the Playhouse, which will provide a full day destination for children and their families in the heart of the City. Board members and Past Presidents have pledged more than a third of the goal and the Club hopes to complete fundraising from its members by year end.

Additionally the Club will hold a centennial celebration the evening of June 14, 2013 at the Peoria Civic Center. The evening will include historical reenactments covering the last 100 years for the 76th oldest Rotary club in the world. For more information watch the Rotary Club of Peoria website <http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?cid=5163> and for Facebook users "Like" the Rotary Club of Peoria page so that you can receive updates about Downtown Rotary.

COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION 2013

The Council on Legislation, Rotary's "parliament," meets every three years to deliberate and act upon all proposed enactments and resolutions submitted by clubs, district conferences, the General Council and Conference of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland, and the RI Board. The Council itself also makes proposals.

The Council comprises more than 500 representatives from every part of the Rotary world. Voting members include one elected representative of the clubs of each Rotary district. Our representative from District 6460 is Past District Governor, Keith Lape. Some nonvoting members include the chair and vice chair of the Council, the RI president, members of the RI Board, and past RI presidents. The council will meet 21-26 April 2013.

After the COL adjourns, the new enactments approved by the council are introduced into the Rotary Manual...The Manual of Procedure. The Manual of Procedure contains the constitution of Rotary International, the Constitution of Rotary International, Bylaws of Rotary International, the Standard Rotary Club Constitution, and Recommended Rotary Club Bylaws. These documents describe how Rotary functions.

Among the issues to be considered in the 2013 council are:

1. **a revision to the Attendance Requirement (13-11)**
2. **to allow clubs flexibility in structuring their weekly meeting (13-30)**
3. **to provide for satellite meetings (13-31)**
4. **to increase per capita dues (13-126)**

A complete list of resolutions and enactments to be considered may be downloaded from www.rotary.org at the link http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/col13_proposed_legislation_en.pdf. If you or your club have any questions or concerns regarding any of these proposals, please contact Keith Lape at keithlape@myfrontiermail.com.

The proposed legislation document has summaries for each resolution or enactment.

The **revision to the attendance requirement** seeks to revise club attendance requirements, deleting them from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution and instead providing that clubs include in their bylaws the obligations for attendance and/or participation in the club's regular meetings, projects, events, and activities. This enactment would grant clubs greater autonomy over membership retention and recruitment. It would give them the option of focusing on either attendance, participation, or both to measure engagement with their club. This enactment helps foster greater club autonomy, membership retention, and recruitment. Additionally, RI will no longer require monthly attendance reports from clubs. However, clubs and districts may still track their own attendance, and districts may still require clubs to file monthly attendance reports.

Allowing clubs flexibility in structuring their weekly meeting seeks to provide clubs flexibility in structuring their weekly meetings by eliminating the requirement that meetings be held at the same time on the same day. This would permit clubs to work around the schedules of their members. A club service project or club-sponsored event would be permitted to take the place of a club meeting, and a meeting could be occasionally canceled when deemed appropriate by the club board. These changes aim to encourage member participation and engagement and to make membership in Rotary clubs more accessible. Finally, eliminating the requirement that a member attend at least 60 percent of any regular meeting would foster greater club autonomy and better meet member needs.

Providing for satellite meetings seeks to authorize clubs to conduct satellite meetings as alternatives to their regular meetings. This would benefit clubs and members located in areas where it is difficult to organize and sustain stand-

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alone clubs. It also would permit meetings to be held at times and in locations convenient to members who experience difficulty attending regular club meetings. As a result, smaller clubs might join together to form one club but still retain alternate meeting times and locations. This proposal could positively affect club membership by increasing the opportunities for participation by individuals living in areas not adequately served by Rotary.

The proposal **to increase per capita dues** seeks to amend the RI Bylaws to provide for a dues increase of US\$1 per year beginning in 2014-15 and continuing through 2016-17. Per capita dues would be \$27 per half year in 2014-15, \$27.50 per half year in 2015-16, and \$28 per half year in 2016-17 and thereafter. This enactment would also provide for clubs to pay minimum semiannual dues of \$270 in 2014-15, \$275 in 2015-16, and \$280 in 2016-17 and thereafter.



22nd Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Presented by the Rotary Club of Granite City

March 19, 2013 7AM

The program will begin at 7:30 and dismissed no later than 9AM.

St. Gregory's Armenian Community Center

Keynote speaker: **Rod Handley**



Rod Handley is the Founder and President of Character That Counts, a ministry that was established in July 2000. Rod is also the co-founder of TGIW ("Teaching Guys Infinite Wisdom") a ministry which began in Lee's Summit, MO in September 2001. Today, TGIW groups are meeting all over the world.

Rod served as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer/Chief Financial Officer for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) until his departure in May 2000. Rod began working for FCA in 1986, initially serving in Seattle as the Assistant State Director for Washington. He moved to Kansas City in 1989 to work at the FCA National Headquarters.

Rod has published 18 books including, *Character Counts- Who's Counting Yours?* which details how to begin the process of being accountable to one another. The book is a practical tool for helping people who desire to be people of character and integrity.

The cost will be \$160 per table or \$20 per ticket.

Buffet breakfast catered by Ravanellis.

For additional information or to order tickets contact:

Mark Maynard, Event Coordinator 931-4106 or p.markmaynard@gmail.com

Jason Stroud, Event Treasurer 876-5544 or jstroud@bankguardian.com

Membership Report for December 2012



Rotary Club of...	Attendance			Membership			Foundation		
	December Meetings 34 of 50 reporting			1/31/2013			Report from July 2012 to June 30, 2013		
	#	%	Rank	Start of Year	Now	Gain/ Loss	EREY Goal	EREY Sent	Other Giving Sent
Abingdon	3	55.55	27	16	15	-1	\$500	\$100	\$0
Aledo	3	100.00	1	6	6	0	\$0	\$100	\$0
Alton-Godfrey	3	50.00	31	96	94	-2	\$1,940	\$1,200	\$0
Bethalto	3	61.46	20	30	32	2	\$0	\$0	\$1,250
Bushnell	3	70.00	12	26	25	-1	\$2,500	\$1,600	\$0
Cambridge	0	0.00	35	23	23	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Canton	0	0.00	35	36	30	-6	\$4,200	\$1,100	\$0
Carlinville	2	55.00	28	41	40	-1	\$1,050	\$2,380	\$323
Chillicothe	0	0.00	35	13	17	4	\$0	\$0	\$0
Collinsville	0	0.00	35	34	34	0	\$1,000	\$200	\$0
Delavan	0	0.00	35	10	10	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
East Alton	3	74.07	7	33	32	-1	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,200
East Peoria	3	44.72	34	40	41	1	\$0	\$0	\$0
Edwardsville	0	0.00	35	134	121	-13	\$5,500	\$2,700	\$25
Farmington	2	80.00	4	34	31	-3	\$0	\$0	\$0
Galesburg	3	68.20	14	96	92	-4	\$10,000	\$1,783	\$250
Galesburg Sunrise	3	73.17	8	40	41	1	\$3,800	\$4,300	\$650
Galva	3	63.49	18	22	21	-1	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
Granite City	3	70.90	11	40	48	8	\$3,900	\$0	\$0
Havana	0	0.00	35	23	32	9	\$0	\$360	\$0
Highland	2	67.50	16	69	68	-1	\$5,000	\$200	\$144
Jacksonville	3	67.52	15	111	112	1	\$12,000	\$7,580	\$893
Jacksonville Sunrise	3	90.90	3	10	11	1	\$1,000	\$2,100	\$200
Jerseyville	0	0.00	35	47	49	2	\$4,700	\$0	\$0
Kewanee	3	62.70	19	50	50	0	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,846
Land of Goshen	4	61.37	21	64	59	-5	\$3,250	\$2,825	\$0
Macomb	0	0.00	35	78	82	4	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$50
Macomb Centennial Morn	2	93.00	2	41	43	2	\$0	\$1,246	\$0
Manito-Forest City	3	79.16	5	24	24	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mason City	3	47.83	32	16	17	1	\$320	\$250	\$37
Midtown Springfield	0	0.00	35	28	27	-1	\$0	\$0	\$500
Monmouth	3	56.71	26	84	77	-7	\$6,375	\$0	\$0
Morton	4	59.55	24	113	115	2	\$0	\$4,700	\$34
Pekin	0	0.00	35	52	52	0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Peoria	0	0.00	35	243	239	-4	\$12,450	\$0	\$1,000
Peoria North	3	65.68	17	168	164	-4	\$10,000	\$7,580	\$700
Peoria Sunrise	3	61.00	23	17	19	2	\$1,600	\$1,000	\$0
Petersburg	0	0.00	35	19	18	-1	\$900	\$0	\$100
Pittsfield	0	0.00	35	49	49	0	\$0	\$3,800	\$1,608
Quincy	3	54.40	29	101	102	1	\$10,000	\$275	\$50
Quincy East	3	58.80	25	17	17	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rushville	0	0.00	35	28	27	-1	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Silver Creek	2	71.06	9	15	19	4	\$0	\$0	\$0
Springfield	2	78.99	6	83	82	-1	\$12,000	\$15,750	\$5,408
Springfield South	4	54.28	30	34	37	3	\$0	\$1,400	\$254
Springfield Sunrise	3	71.00	10	33	31	-2	\$800	\$0	\$0
Springfield Westside	0	0.00	35	20	20	0	\$900	\$0	\$0
The Riverbend	3	46.00	30	36	31	-3	\$1,000	\$1,100	\$0
Washington	2	61.11	22	45	44	-1	\$2,080	\$2,000	\$0
Wood River	3	70.00	12	36	33	-3	\$2,500	\$81,100	\$82,424
District 6460 Contributions to Rotary Foundation								\$357	\$2,482
	2524	2503				-19	\$135,265	\$152,286	\$103,428