



THE FINAL QUARTER

For the past few weeks during the NCAA Basketball Tournament, we've observed that the final quarter of a game usually determines the winner—whether the team makes that final push or falters.



So, here we are, you and I. We are entering the final quarter of this Rotary year. Will we finish as a winner—doing good in our

communities and in the world to reach our goals?

Every club has its goals listed on My Rotary; but have you looked at them recently to assess how well you have performed? Let's prioritize what is *really* important and work on that!

When we began this journey a year ago, everyone agreed that membership was, and is, the life-blood of our success. Through February, our District recruited 150 new members, but we lost 154—a net loss of 4. We still have time to turn that into a positive number. So, are you doing your part?

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Rotarian SPOTLIGHT



This month's *Spotlight* is on Dennis McEnaney of the Mt. Vernon Rotary Club. See page 3 for why he was chosen.

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NOTICE: Resignation of DGND John Hundley accepted – see page 2

COMING EVENTS

April 22 – St. Clair Co. Sunset – G1 Bingo

April 23 – District Assembly – John A. Logan College, Carterville

April 30 – Mouse Derby/Auction - Columbia

May 6 – 17th Annual Golf Outing - Carterville

May 14 – This Able Veteran – Dinner

May 16 – Four Club Meeting - Golconda

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Have you invited a prospective member into your Club and shared the reasons for your personal Rotary passion? It's never too late – don't give up!

We have other things to accomplish in the next several months. The annual Cards v. Cubs game is coming up in May. Last year's ticket sales netted our District over \$11,000—money that benefited our college scholarship recipients. Can we repeat?

Also, now is the time to select those high school students who would benefit from RYLA attendance to help in their maturity and enhance their leadership potential.

Our Belize Children's Program continues to need help, and I urge you to consider your club's participation in support of my District Project, The National Children's Cancer Society.

Read about all these and many more District happenings in the following pages of my April newsletter. As always, remember the 4-Way Test in everything you think, do and say!

Hundley resigns

District Governor Tom Guebert reluctantly accepted the resignation of John Hundley, Mt. Vernon Rotary Club, as District Governor Nominee Designate. Hundley would have been Governor in the year 2018-19. District Governor Guebert has instructed PDG Mike Nowobilski, Nominating Committee Chair, to convene the District Nominating Committee to search for a suitable replacement. RI By-Laws require the committee to notify each club President of the opening and request nominations. Nominees should have District level experience, been a past club President, and be in good standing. Once a nominee is selected, each club will be notified.

May 23, 24 – Cards/Cubs Games

May 28 – June 1 – RI Convention, Seoul , South Korea

June 4 – 13th Annual 5K Run/Walk - Swansea

June 11 – District Changeover/Foundation Dinner, Mt. Vernon

July 23 – District Foundation/Membership Seminar – John A. Logan College

July 29-31 – RYLA – Camp Little Grassy



In order to help District Governor Guebert reach his goal of raising \$20,000 for NCCS, raffle tickets are available to win one of two autographed baseballs signed by Hall of Famers Bob Gibson and Joe Torre. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. For tickets, contact DG Tom at tcguebert@gmail.com or call 618-978-0883.



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Dennis McEnaney, Mt. Vernon Rotary Club, has spearheaded the Mt. Vernon High School STRIVE program, sponsored by both his and the Mt. Vernon West Club, for over ten years. STRIVE is an acronym for Start Small, Think Tall, Reach Out, Invest All, Visualize Finish, and Expect the Best. (See page 5 for more information on the STRIVE program.)

McEnaney, former manager of the local Ameren Power Company, is a Mt. Vernon City Councilman. He is well respected in the business community and active in the Jefferson



County Chamber of Commerce. Throughout the year you will see him at numerous educational and civic functions, as well as charitable events. He has enlisted the support of Rend Lake College to offer additional scholarships for students in the STRIVE program.

McEnaney says it has been very satisfying to witness the students, who normally have no chance of a scholarship, work hard to earn the two Rend Lake College scholarships and the two \$250 scholarships offered by the clubs.

Dennis McEnaney has demonstrated his dedication to one of Rotary's Avenues of Service—literacy—deserving of this month's *Spotlight* for being “**a gift to the world.**”

Monthly Themes

Rotary International has realigned the themes for each month. Part of the **Governor's Trophy Point System** is to host events reflecting the theme for that particular month. For the remainder of the year the themes are as follows:

April – Maternal and Child Health Care

May – Youth Service

June – Rotary Fellowships

District 6510 2015-16 Goals

- Each One, Reach One
Membership Goal 1,650
- National Children's Cancer Society (NCCS) – \$20000 in club fundraisers
- Foundation (TRF) Goal \$165,000 (\$100 per member average)
- Polio Plus - \$50,000
- Every Rotarian Volunteer 8 hours of community service or fundraising activity
- *As fellow Rotarians, I ask for your help in striving to achieve these goals . . . not for me . . . but for your Club, your community and to truly . . .*

“Be a Gift to the World”!

ATTENTION!!!!!!

For your information

With DG Tom traveling to Asia for the Rotary Convention from mid-May to mid-June, there will be only one more newsletter that will be sent out by May 15th.

Please submit any information, articles and pictures by May 3rd to the addresses listed below. Your support would be appreciated.

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and copied to

strong55@sbcglobal.net

CARDS/CUBS GAME

Let's sell as many tickets as possible for either game on May 23rd and 24th at the price of \$38 per ticket (see flyer on page 10). Ticket sales are open to anyone.

Last year we raised over \$11,000, so let's see if we can repeat or break this record. **Monies raised will be used for scholarships!**

RYLA

Be sure your club is sponsoring one or more high school students to attend RYLA in July. This is the 20th Anniversary for our District and the team has special activities planned. See page 11 for more information and a flyer about this event. Or, go to www.rotaryyouth.org/ryla

RI Information

All U.S. Rotary Clubs and Districts are insured under the U.S. Rotary Club & District Liability Insurance Program, which includes general liability and directors' and officers' liability insurance.

For information visit the Insurance Information Portal at <https://www.locktonportal.com/sites/rotary/resources>

REMINDER – please review above portal for policy exclusions. Note, there is very limited coverage as relates to fireworks and any event involving fire arms and knives, such as shooting tournaments or gun raffles.

If there is any question about an activity in which your club is involved, please visit the portal and take steps necessary to adequately protect your club, the District and RI from risk.

Please note the user name and password for the Portal is different from your "My Rotary" account user name and password.

Username: Rotarian
Password: Resources#1

Information can also be found in Article 11.020.6 of RI's By-Laws.

Adopt a STRIVE Program

Rotary Global Rewards



Are you using Global Rewards yet? Many of our District members are, including our Assistant Governor, Jason Boone. The following testimony is from Patrick Eakes, Assistant Rotary Coordinator, Zone 33.

“Through Rotary Global Awards, we purchased a card that gave us free entry to over 25 Chicago attractions, and were able to skip the long lines for most of them.”

For more information check it out on rotaryglobalrewards@rotary.org

Rotary Marks and the Brand Center

Are you familiar with the “Brand Center”? This online tool has reference guides for how to use Rotary’s Marks and images correctly, as well as other helpful resources such as logo, brochure, and letterhead templates. Be sure you and your club comply with RI’s Marks policies and let this tool go to work for you!

Four Rotary Clubs within the District, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon West, Flora, and Sparta, sponsor a STRIVE program at their local high schools. STRIVE is an acronym for Start Small, Think Tall, Reach Out, Invest All, Visualize Finish, and Expect the Best.

STRIVE is a scholarship program that recognizes and rewards students who achieve the greatest improvement in grades along with good attendance during their senior year. While all seniors are eligible, this program is geared for the bottom half of the class who would otherwise have no chance of earning scholarships.

STRIVE is an individual student-oriented program to aide and honor high school seniors challenged to work and study hard. Rotary members serve as mentors to provide guidance and encourage participants to:

- 1.) Be regular in attendance;
- 2.) Work and study to the best of their ability;
- 3.) Display a positive attitude; and
- 4.) Practice the Rotary 4-Way Test.

Regular monthly meetings are held with mentors and cover topics such as resume preparation, job interviews, credit issues, college opportunities and other related topics. The importance of educational performance improvement and attendance is stressed at each meeting.

Clubs interested in sponsoring a STRIVE program can contact one of the above clubs for more information and should contact the local community college for partnering.

DISTRICT HAPPENINGS



Mt. Carmel Interact students learning about polio plus



Illinois Governor Rauner attending Jackson-Williamson County Sunset Club with AG Terry Mathias, DG Tom, and Club Presidents Dan Harshbarger, Fran Becque and Brian Flath



Good attendance for Carterville Meeting



Our inbound youth exchange students enjoying their weekend in Chicago at Chinatown



Greg & Catherine Yank being recognized at RI Headquarters for their Arch Klumpf Society Membership

PETS in picture story



Matt Smallheer & Brian Derry listen intently



Greg Yank sharing the value of Rotary



PDG Jeff Thorton leads discussion with President nominees



Jason Boone and Mike Russel leading a District 6510 breakout session on membership



A friendly discussion before dinner



District 6510's own PDG Mel Weith chairing this year's PETS clad in true Mardi Gras colors!

Belize Children's Project
World Community Service Project
Rotary International - District 6510
News & Needs
April, 2016

News:

Our two youngest Belizean girls, Melany (5) and Sadie (7), are adjusting very well with their host families while here for surgery.

Melany is recovering from her surgery and working hard on her therapy to get her walk strengthened again with a straight leg. By the time you read this article, she should be back home in Belize.

Sadie is enjoying every minute here also, and has blended in with her host family very well. Sadie had extensive hip surgery on March 14, so please keep her in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Both of these girls are so brave about their surgeries and recovery. We can't thank our host families enough for taking these children into their homes and taking such wonderful care of them. We could not do this without them. We give a heartfelt "Thank You!"

Needs:

We will need the assistance of the local transportation committee in a few weeks when Sadie comes out of her cast and is able to begin her physical therapy. We hope that the Rotarians on that committee will have time in their schedules to help transport this little sweetheart.

It is with the support and leadership of all the clubs in Rotary District 6510, our dedicated volunteers, and our caring host families that we are able to continue our mission. A tremendous "thank you!" to all involved.

For more information, contact Tim Gutknecht (618) 281-7626, Charlene Brennan (618) 691-9120, or Chris Lashley (618) 691-9523.



Sadie with ice cream



Melany at McDonalds



Melany & Sadie at airport

Below is a letter from our Youth Exchange Student, Jenessa Peinado, in Japan

“ February was a bit busy but not any more than usual. I went on a Rotary ski trip at the beginning of this month, and it was lots of fun. It was a wonderful opportunity for all of the exchange



students to get together and just grow closer with one another. Originally this would've been the first time that I would have gone

skiing if it had not been for my previous host family. I'm extremely grateful that they took me skiing before because when I went with the exchange students I was able to keep up with them. That certainly made it a lot easier. Our district ended up gaining another person, and it was great for her to be a part of the ski trip. It was a wonderful way for all of us to just relax and have fun together.

I was also busy with my Rotary club for the past 2-3 weeks helping them prepare to celebrate their 30th anniversary. I assisted by making favors and gift bags that went to a conjoining club from Korea . My club made a PowerPoint presentation which included pictures from the past five years since they celebrate their anniversary every five years. I was honored to actually be a part of their celebration ceremony by presenting the gift bags to our visitors. Thankfully I didn't trip.

My club also joined with two other clubs to present a lecture which lasted about four hours. The good news was that Jacob and Janik, two of my Rotary District Inbound friends, attended the lecture with me. The bad news was the lecture was really long, and it was very hard for us to focus. The speakers' speed made it especially difficult. They were also using quite a number of words we had never heard before. Unfortunately, we couldn't understand most of the lecture which I'm sure is a shame because it happened to be about life goals and such. After the lecture there was a dinner where

we were able to socialize with college exchange students and also members from each other's Rotary clubs. This proved to be a fun way to practice the Japanese language skills we have learned so far.

Finally, this month my district conducted an origami lecture which included all of the exchange students. I thought this lecture was much more interesting because it was interactive. While the person was teaching how to make origami, we were able to sit down and practice it as well. I ended up knowing how to do part of it because for my school we had to make 20 origami paper cranes to have a total of 1000 to wish for peace. The cranes were one of the main things we focused on at the Rotary activity. We had to make 50 in a four day period for our upcoming trip to Hiroshima .

With all of these highlights from the month of February, looking back on it I think it actually was a pretty packed month for just 29 days.

Until next time,”

Jenessa Peinado



NEW FRIENDS FROM AUSTRALIA & MEXICO



A LITTLE FUN WITH A CAKE ICING CHALLENGE

this season just got better



the 2015 season

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS NLC CHAMPIONS 101 WINS

CHICAGO CUBS NL PLAYOFFS 100 WINS

RESERVATION FORM

DUE DATE: APRIL 30, 2016

TICKETS WILL BE MAILED UPON RETURN OF FORM

GAME DATE: MAY 23 (MONDAY - 7:10 P.M.) \$ 38.00

GAME DATE: MAY 24 (TUESDAY - 6:00 P.M.) \$ 38.00

MONDAY - MAY 23 7:10 GAME TIME - 1000 TICKETS AVAILABLE

TUESDAY - MAY 24 6:00 GAME TIME - 1200 TICKETS AVAILABLE

MAY 23 - _____ # X \$ 38.00 \$ _____

OF TICKETS

AMOUNT

(LEFT FIELD LOGE)

MAY 24 - _____ # X \$ 38.00 \$ _____

OF TICKETS

AMOUNT

RIGHT FIELD BOX (SOME IN LOWER RIGHT FIELD BOX)

\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT

MAKE CHECK TO: ROTARY DISTRICT 6460

DO NOT SENT CASH

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ADDRESS - _____

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***RYLA 2016: 20th Annual Rotary Youth
Leadership Academy***
www.rotaryyouth.org/ryla

RYLA IS:

- A leadership training program sponsored by Rotary International that promotes, encourages and rewards outstanding young people
- A scholarship paid 3-day retreat that brings together amazing young men and women from all over Southern, IL to become better leaders
- A weekend of hands-on activities enhancing confidence, team building and leadership skills.

IS RYLA FOR YOU???

- Will be a Freshman-Senior in school year 2016-2017
- Have demonstrated leadership in your school, community or place of worship
- Would like to meet teen leaders from around Southern, IL
...then yes; RYLA is for you!

Learn more, see pictures and register online at

www.rotaryyouth.org/RYLA

To find a local rotary club for sponsorship visit

www.Rotary6510.org

STATS:

July 29-31, 2016
Little Grassy Camp; Makanda,
IL

COST:

\$225 - Fully paid by the
sponsoring local Rotary Club

REGISTRATION:

Once selected by the local
Rotary Club you will complete
the online application at:
www.rotaryyouth.org/ryla

RYLA TIMELINE:

June 1, 2016 - Applications
Deadline.
June 20, 2016 - Selection
confirmation

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