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District Governor Deb Severson 2005-06

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Governor's Corner



As the end of the 2005-2006 Rotary year fast approaches, it is important to remember a few last minute details to complete the year-end;

1. Clubs should complete their annual audit.
2. Clubs should plan ahead now for Literacy month activities for July.
3. Semiannual reports are due by club secretaries.
4. Membership-Attendance Reports are due to the District Secretary by club secretaries.

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation are due by June 30 in order to count toward this year's goal.

I would like to acknowledge the dedicated service of the many volunteers who have worked on District wide committees this year. Their support for the clubs and willingness to provide information and assistance to the 3500 Rotarians in District 6250 is commendable. Thank you for all you do!

To the clubs and Rotarians in District 6250, you THE BEST! Your communities and the world thank you for your service and your support. This is a strong, giving district that will continue to provide service to others for the next 100 years. The projects and services you provide make a difference in the lives of so many people.

Thank you for welcoming me into your clubs and for sharing your stories. Continue to share those stories with others, especially prospective members. You have so much to be proud of; do not be timid about telling others of your accomplishments.

Each and every one of you has enriched my life. I will close this Rotary year with fond memories and a deep pride to have had the opportunity to serve as your District Governor. The friendships will last a lifetime.

Thank you for contributing to the success of this Rotary year. Remember, these words by Past RI President, Bob Barth of Switzerland as he described what it means to be a Rotarian;

**I am dependable
I am reliable
I give more than I take
I am available**

Yours in Service,
Deb Severson,
District Governor 2005-2006

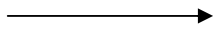
**Congratulations
Janesville
Rotary Club
On recruiting 28
New members !!!!**

District 6250 Rotarians shared Rotary and fellowship at the 2006 District Conference and Celebration which was held May 19-21 at the Lake Lawn Resort in Delevan, WI





Copenhagen,
Denmark



Stockholm,
Sweden





Foreign exchange student 1981-1982, Johan Svetoft hosted by the Menomonie Rotary Club & his wife Meta with Past District Governor Mark Kinney & wife Julie.

Hjaiti Christiansen, Youth Exchange 1996-1997, Iceland and his new Celia, hosted by the Rotary Club of La Crosse North.



Past District Governor Mark Kinney & wife Julie with German Exchange Student Janne Druemmer 2001-2002 hosted by the Menomonie Rotary Club



Marsha Barwick
New Generations Chair

Revitalizing Your Club

Revitalizing your club can be approached from many aspects, beginning with focusing on getting the people you need to succeed on your team.

1. Building your club is not a one-person job.

In the old days, there was a king or queen of the club who ruled either with a tight fist or benevolently. The rest of the members were there to do the ruler's bidding and to accomplish their goals. Building today's club is a team sport. While you may have the title of president, your biggest job is to make sure your active volunteers get value out of their involvement.

2. Start your core group with the intention of expansion.

Creating a culture where everybody is allowed to do meaningful work needs to be in place when you recruit your seed team.

If you only invite hard working martyrs to be on your team, you will only have a handful of hardworking martyrs on your team when all is done.

3. Personally invite people to join the effort.

Call upon people who you know or admire and invite them to be part of something exciting. How you paint the picture of involvement will impact the likelihood of them saying "yes" to you. If you make the opportunity sound like a ton of work you are going to hit the wall of "no time." Everyone has no time these days. It will be up to you to make the opportunity so appealing that they can't resist finding time to be involved.

4. Consider calling those who used to be involved and haven't been seen in a while.

Out of sight does not necessarily mean out of heart. Often times members hang on paying their dues because they believe in the chapter or have a heartfelt connection; however, they don't show up because they may feel disenfranchised. Consider inviting folks to be officially on your leadership team, board of directors - or to serve as presidential advisors who offer advice and support without the commitment of an office.

In the world of volunteerism, your goal is to build momentum in your club - and that takes people. Momentum fuels excitement and the concept that your club is the "place to be." Your team, board or advisors may fuel the energy needed to attract more people.

5. Look at your personal network for key supporters.

Tap your personal network for a key person or two to help you revitalize your club. There are lots of people out there who will be willing to support your efforts to revitalize. The key is to find creative ways for potential involvement - and to personally invite folks to be part of the party.

New Generations ~ Celebrating the Rotary of Tomorrow

Excerpts are from Leadership Coach Cynthia D'Amour who is the author of five books including "How to Turn Generation Me into Active Members of Your Association".

For more information about District 6250 New Generation activities contact Marsha Barwick at 715-384-3656 or barwick.marsha@marshfieldclinic.org.



Rotary International

ROTARY DISTRICT 6250 MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE REPORT MAY 2006

Month of Last Rept	Club	No. of Mtgs	Percent This Mo	Percent Y-T-D	Current Members	7/1/2005 Members	Increase/(Decrease) Y-T-D	Percent
APRIL	1 BARABOO	NO REPT	0.00	29.73	52	54	(2)	-3.70%
MAY	2 BEAVER DAM	4	68.71	72.05	27	31	(4)	-12.90%
MAY	3 BELOIT	5	57.21	53.04	99	102	(3)	-2.94%
MAY	4 BLACK RIVER FALLS	4	60.00	60.64	56	47	9	19.15%
MAY	5 CALEDONIA	4	67.00	72.82	32	30	2	6.67%
APRIL	6 CHIPPEWA FALLS	NO REPT	0.00	50.73	74	77	(3)	-3.90%
MAY	7 COLUMBUS	5	69.05	70.89	36	42	(6)	-14.29%
APRIL	8 DE FOREST	NO REPT	0.00	51.25	26	32	(6)	-18.75%
MAY	9 EAU CLAIRE	4	53.95	59.74	58	55	3	5.45%
JAN	10 EAU CLAIRE MORNING	NO REPT	0.00	49.98	22	21	1	4.76%
MAR	11 EDGERTON	NO REPT	0.00	58.36	34	31	3	9.68%
	12 ELROY	NO REPT	0.00	0.00	16	16	0	0.00%
OCT	13 FITCHBURG-VERONA	NO REPT	0.00	30.72	17	17	0	0.00%
MAY	14 FORT ATKINSON	4	64.58	70.05	66	67	(1)	-1.49%
MAY	15 GRANTON	5	97.00	95.45	19	17	2	11.76%
MAY	16 HORICON	5	69.00	83.73	16	18	(2)	-11.11%
MAY	17 JANESVILLE	4	56.08	52.71	143	120	23	19.17%
MAY	18 JANESVILLE MORNING	4	53.66	36.10	47	57	(10)	-17.54%
MAY	19 JEFFERSON	4	67.84	60.15	50	55	(5)	-9.09%
MAY	20 LA CRESCENT	4	58.00	48.91	35	35	0	0.00%
MAY	21 LA CROSSE	4	72.88	75.31	176	172	4	2.33%
MAY	22 LA CROSSE EAST	4	61.80	65.22	68	74	(6)	-8.11%
MAY	23 LA CROSSE NORTH	5	54.00	52.18	26	27	(1)	-3.70%
MAY	24 LA CROSSE VALLEY VIEW	5	79.50	79.00	73	77	(4)	-5.19%
MAY	25 LAKE MILLS	5	76.00	67.45	45	42	3	7.14%
MAY	26 LODI	4	76.00	78.18	22	22	0	0.00%
MAY	27 MADISON	5	77.35	81.94	487	497	(10)	-2.01%
APRIL	28 MADISON BREAKFAST	NO REPT	0.00	57.54	44	46	(2)	-4.35%
APRIL	29 MADISON EAST	NO REPT	0.00	45.05	43	42	1	2.38%
APRIL	30 MADISON HORIZONS	NO REPT	0.00	59.69	32	36	(4)	-11.11%
MAY	31 MADISON SOUTH	4	72.14	67.89	88	82	6	7.32%
MAY	32 MADISON WEST	4	75.00	78.27	66	69	(3)	-4.35%
MAY	33 MADISON W. TOWNE-MID.	4	71.62	73.71	77	78	(1)	-1.28%
MAY	34 MARSHFIELD	4	70.17	69.08	88	77	11	14.29%
FEB	35 MARSHFIELD SUNRISE	NO REPT	0.00	55.85	65	67	(2)	-2.99%
JAN	36 MAYVILLE	NO REPT	0.00	27.64	29	29	0	0.00%
SEPT	37 MEDFORD	NO REPT	0.00	22.36	18	16	2	12.50%
APRIL	38 MENOMONIE	NO REPT	0.00	52.24	96	98	(2)	-2.04%
MAY	39 MENOMONIE SUNRISE	4	66.67	68.60	37	36	1	2.78%
MAY	40 MIDDLETON SUNRISE	3	75.00	77.53	16	15	1	6.67%
MAY	41 MOUNT HOREB	5	87.00	68.91	40	41	(1)	0.00%
FEB	42 NEILLSVILLE	NO REPT	0.00	51.52	21	18	3	16.67%
MAY	43 ONALASKA	4	74.50	68.47	36	39	(3)	-7.69%

hMAY	44 OREGON	5	78.92	60.01	30	30	0	0.00%
MAY	45 PLATTEVILLE	4	77.90	76.27	14	12	2	16.67%
MAY	46 PORTAGE	4	57.00	53.36	49	48	1	2.08%
MAY	47 PRAIRIE DU CHIEN	4	74.00	50.36	43	40	3	7.50%
REEDSBURG-W. SAUK NO								
MAR	48 CO.	NO REPT	0.00	38.53	35	34	1	2.94%
MAY	49 RICHLAND COUNTY	5	58.67	60.73	30	30	0	0.00%
MAY	50 SAUK-PRAIRIE	5	62.50	53.43	24	25	(1)	-4.00%
MAY	51 SPARTA	5	61.00	59.36	31	33	(2)	-6.06%
MAY	52 STOUGHTON	5	81.00	65.09	45	49	(4)	-8.16%
APRIL	53 SUN PRAIRIE	NO REPT	0.00	63.65	69	70	(1)	-1.43%
MAY	54 TOMAH	5	47.00	49.68	51	48	3	6.25%
MAY	55 VIROQUA	4	80.00	52.55	24	23	1	4.35%
MAY	56 WATERTOWN	4	70.75	66.28	61	65	(4)	-6.15%
MAY	57 WAUNAKEE	4	75.00	44.36	89	96	(7)	-7.29%
MAY	58 WAUPUN	5	66.40	61.26	25	26	(1)	-3.85%
	59 WISCONSIN DELLS	NO REPT	0.00	0.00	34	34	0	0.00%
MAY	60 WISCONSIN RAPIDS	4	69.31	68.42	118	115	3	2.61%
MAY	61 WIS RAPIDS SUNRISE	4	53.60	57.59	63	72	(9)	-12.50%
			48.27	57.90	3,453	3,474	(21)	-0.60%