

District Messenger
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LEAD THE WAY

District Governor Hal Keitel 2006 -07

July 2006

Governor's Message

As I start my Rotary year as District Governor, I'm deeply humbled and honored. I and the entire district leadership team exist to serve the individual clubs. The magic and energy for projects, whether local or international, rests with the clubs. I was tremendously pleased to spend two days in March with the 2006-07 Club Presidents at PETS. What an enthusiastic, talented group! The club leadership is on a fast track. They helped with the district goals, they approved the district budget and they embraced their roles as your club leader. I congratulate each and every one of you!

One of my heroes in history is Otto von Bismarck, the chancellor of Prussia who united all the German states into one country in 1871. He created the first state pension for the German people. He also stated "I am the first servant of the state". My fellow Rotarians, I am the 'first servant' of District 6250 clubs. My fulltime commitment is to you.

Hal Keitel

Did you notice that DG Hal was quoted in the July issue of The Rotarian?

District Goals for 2006-07

At www.rotary6250.org, click on 'District Information', then '2006-07 District Goals'

Governor's Club Visits

Scheduled club visits are posted on the district website. Click on 'District Information', then 'Governor's Club Visits'.

District Calendar Highlights

August 19 – Regional Foundation Seminar, Eau Claire, 9 – 3 PM

September 28 – Regional Membership Seminar, Milwaukee/Brookfield area.

Send us your committee/club events, to be mentioned here and published on the district website.

District Calendar - click on 'District Calendar', under Key Site Links.

Club Calendar - click on 'Member Clubs', then 'Local Club Calendar'.

May Membership/Attendance Report –

At www.rotary6250.org – click on 'Member Clubs', then under 'In This Section', click on 'Monthly Attendance Reports'. Seventeen clubs did not report for May. One of the District Goals this year is have all clubs regularly report their attendance monthly. The report can be emailed to District Secretary Alan Selene at alanselene@ryansigns.net, or mailed to Alan at One Ondossagon, Madison, WI 53719.

District Attendance Contest

Membership Chair, Earline Orndorff, announces the details of the District Attendance Contest. Two prizes of \$1000 will be awarded - to be used for a local scholarship or project. Read more at the district website- click on 'Calendar/Events', the 'Committee Calendar'. Scroll down to Membership & Retention.

Group Study Exchange

This year, our district is paired with District 1730, which is 'located primarily in the southwestern part of France (that part commonly referred to as the French Riviera) and Monaco. The exchange will be April 22 – May 19, 2007. Needed – a Rotarian Team Leader, non-Rotarian team members (ages 25-40), and host clubs. Contact Rob Stroud for more information. rstroud@stroudlaw.com or (608) 257-2281.

Rotary Friendship Exchange Opportunities

PDG Bob Bendiksen has arranged exchanges with India (January 2007) and New Zealand (April 2007). More info is on the district website. Click on 'Calendar/Events', the 'Committee Calendar', then scroll down to Friendship Exchange.

Club Presidents and Secretaries: Did You Know....?

'Information Resources for New Club Officers' is available on the District Website. The document is located under 'Member Clubs'.

New Rotary District – 2220, Russia West

On June 17, 2006, a new district was formed in Russia. It includes 50 Rotary Clubs, that formerly belonged to three districts in Finland and Sweden. More info is on the district website.

2007 District Conference

May 4-6, 2007 at the Kalahari Resort, WI Dells. The theme will be 'Literacy Leads the Way Out of Poverty'

The District Messenger editor is Julie Keitel. Send info to jkeitel@new.rr.com, or 9 W. 18th Ave, Oshkosh, WI 54902. The monthly deadline will be the 7th of the month, and the newsletter will be published by the 15th. The newsletter is emailed to club presidents and secretaries, assistant governors, and district committee chairs. Please copy and distribute to your club members, or post on your club website. More detailed information is available on the district website.