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August is Membership & Extension Month

Everything that Rotary does depends on its members and we are all encouraged to bring in new members. We need members to do the work of Rotary by participating in The Rotary Foundation programs and financially supporting The Rotary Foundation. One of the obligations a person accepts when joining a Rotary club is to share Rotary. Rotary International clearly supports the position that every Rotarian has an “obligation to share Rotary with others and to help extend Rotary by proposing qualified persons to Rotary club membership.”



My expectation is that every Rotary club in our District 6990 will have one more member at the end of the year than they had on July 1, 2009. It would be wonderful if every Rotarian in our District 6990 could bring in at least one potential candidate as a guest to a club meeting. Only a Rotarian may propose a customer, neighbor, client, supplier, executive, relative, business associate, professional or other qualified person to join a Rotary club. The proposer or sponsor is the key person in the growth and advancement of Rotary. Without a sponsor, an individual will never have the opportunity to become a Rotarian. Individuals must be asked to join Rotary.

Also, the steady growth in new clubs is extremely important in extending the world-wide programs and influence of Rotary International. In fact, in recent years, the formation of new Rotary Clubs has been the major factor in Rotary’s membership increases.

A club must be organized to serve a specific “locality” in which there are enough business or professional people of good character and where there are opportunities for Rotary service. Right now, a new Rotary Club in our District 6990 is in the process of getting started at the **Miami Metro Zoo** in southwest Miami-Dade. It was recently granted Provisional Status and will be chartered in the near future.

RI President John Kenny or the RI Board cannot invite an individual to join your Rotary Club or help start a new Rotary club in our District. We, as Rotarians, are the only ones who can. And yes, *The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands!*

Yours in Rotary,
Lee Phares, DG

RI President Kenny's Message for 2009-2010 *(edited)*



With over a century of successful Rotary service, we are proud to be confident of a future in which generation after generation of Rotarians will bring hope to those in need and peace to a world full of conflict. We see ourselves as part of a great Rotary tradition, as links in a chain joining our future to our past. If that chain is to continue, every link in it must be strong. It is our responsibility, yours and mine, to forge solid links to Rotary's future. It is our responsibility to ensure that Rotary will be stronger next year than it is now, and even stronger the year after that. It is our responsibility to fulfill our promise of a polio-free world today so that Rotary can take on other great challenges tomorrow. As Mohandas Gandhi once told us, "The future depends on what we do in the present." If we hope to see Rotary continue through a second century, we cannot simply leave well alone. If the road ahead is to be long, then we will need a map to travel it – and we have that map.

With input from Rotarians worldwide, Rotary International has developed a strategic plan with seven priorities that set the course for a strong future. Now is the time for us to take the initiative to make this plan a reality:

- Eradicating polio is our first and main priority.
- Advancing the recognition and public image of Rotary will help Rotary attract new members and cooperation from other organizations.
- Increasing Rotary's capacity to provide service speaks to the heart of Rotary's mission. Every Rotarian can contribute to reaching this goal by volunteering a little more time, talent, and enthusiasm along all four Avenues of Service in 2009-10.
- Expanding membership globally in both numbers and quality is a key priority because everything Rotary hopes to accomplish depends on its members. Each of us is responsible for bringing in qualified new members.
- Emphasizing Rotary's unique vocational service commitment will enable us to distinguish Rotary from other service and humanitarian organizations. By demonstrating our strong commitment to high ethical standards in our professional lives, we can provide a model for our colleagues, our employees, our customers – even our competitors – to follow.
- Optimizing leadership talents within RI is essential to Rotary's future.
- Fully implementing the strategic planning process to ensure continuity will allow us to make smooth transition during the annual change in leadership at the club, district, and international levels.

The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands

This simple truth will be our theme for 2009-10, serving as a constant reminder of the personal responsibility that each Rotarian holds. Winston Churchill once said: "The price of greatness is responsibility." Rotary is a great organization, and it has the potential to become even greater – if each one of us rises to the challenge and takes responsibility for its future. In Rotary, each one of us has been assigned a job. Its title is Rotarian. Our duties are to offer relevant service locally and internationally, and to expand our club's capacity for service by inviting professional and business leaders to become members and promoting a positive image locally. Our job description also calls for each of us to be an example of ethical behavior in our professional and personal lives, to act as leaders in our club and community, and to fully support Rotary's highest priority of polio eradication. The job of Rotarian brings immense benefits. We enjoy incomparable fellowship with one another and the great personal satisfaction that comes from serving others. If you believe in Rotary and its power to make a difference in the world, it is time to stand up and commit to doing the best job you can — with all of your mind, your heart, and your soul.

John Kenny
President, Rotary International, 2009-10

Apply Now to be the D6990 Outbound GSE Team Leader

The deadline is rapidly approaching for Group Study Exchange Team Leader hopefuls to apply for this wonderful opportunity to lead a team of young professionals in May 2010 to District 4450 in Peru. **Applications must be received prior to the October 3rd interviews.**

Candidates should be a mature and seasoned Rotarian with leadership experience and abilities, language proficiency and be willing and able to keep pace with the

vigorous program of travel and study planned for the team members. The Team Leader will be responsible for facilitating all aspects of the exchange as well as inspiring the team with a sense of mission. To learn more about Group Study Exchange, go to: http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/160en.pdf.

Contact Joe Roth, District GSE Chair, at 954-646-6844 or prescent0405@aol.com for more application information.

PROFILE

Meet Jim Smith *District Secretary*

Though a resident of laid-back Key West, busy Rotarian Jim Smith hardly leads a relaxed lifestyle. From running to real estate to serving as 6990 District Secretary, he keeps moving in high gear.

Born in Memphis, Tennessee, James E. Smith, Jr. graduated from Whitehaven High School, where he was voted Best Athlete and Best Citizen. He attended the United States Coast Guard Academy, obtaining a Bachelor of Science in Engineering in 1969 and began a 30-year career in the Coast Guard. Jim obtained a Master of Science in Operations Research/Systems Analysis from U.S. Navy Postgraduate School in 1975 and went on to get a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. When he left the Coast Guard in 1999, Jim was Assistant Superintendent of the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut and Chief of Staff of the USCG Service Academy.

After retiring from the Coast Guard, Jim moved to Key West, where he had served from 1991-94 as Commander of the Coast Guard Group Key West in charge of all USCG operations in southeast Florida, Bahamas, Cuba and Gulf of Mexico. In Key West, he served as VP of Lending of the Keys Federal Credit Union.

Jim was invited to join the Rotary Club of Key West Sunrise with the classification of Military in 1991 by PDG Roy Anderson. Jim served for five years on the club's board of directors, serving as president and assistant governor before being selected as

District Secretary by District Governor Lee Phares.

Jim is a broker associate and part-owner of a real estate company in the lower Florida Keys. His Rotary classification is now Real Estate. His other community activities include the UU Fellowship of Key West (President 2003-2005, Board member, current Treasurer), the Community Foundation of the Florida Keys (Development Chair, Secretary, current Treasurer), Key West Association of Realtors (Grievance Chair, Professional Standards Chair, Secretary, Treasurer), and the Key West Southernmost Runners Club (Treasurer, Board member, Leukemia Society marathon coach).

Married to Marilyn Stevenson in 1969 (they recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary), the Smiths are the proud parents of Cale Smith, 36 (grandparents of granddaughters Corley and Layne); Cale is a member of the Rotary Club of the Upper Keys, and Saralyn Smith, 31, VP Training and Development, Velocity Sports, Huntington Beach, California. Saralyn is also a professional beach volleyball player, ranked 12th nationally with AVP. Jim enjoys running and fitness and has competed in 38 marathons. He is also a drummer for rock-n-roll band and reads during his more quiet times.



Calendar of Events

Please take note and change your bookmark because the district website has moved! Go to www.ri6990.org to read the latest news or log on to the DaCdb and view the District Calendar. Input your club's important fundraisers and events directly to the DaCdb!

August 29, 2009 – Rotary Leadership Institute
– American Intercontinental University, Weston
See complete class schedules and register online at:
www.rlittraining.org

October 23, 2009 – Inbound GSE Team from D4450 Peru Arrives. Contact GSE Chair Joe Roth, Weston RC, to get on the Team's hosting and presentation schedule.

November 6-8, 2009 – District Conference, Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Hollywood, FL
Be there or be square! Singers, dancers, musicians, comics, jugglers, and talent of all sort wanted.

November 11, 2009 – Gates Challenge Helicopter Golf Ball Drop Tickets \$25 @, available soon. Contact Chris Morrison, 305-582-7690 or morrisonclan@att.net

Gov. Lee's Club Visits

Tue Aug 18	12 noon	Upper Keys
Tue Aug 18	6 p.m.	Sunset Key West
Wed Aug 19	7:30 a.m.	Key Largo
Thu Aug 20	12:15 p.m.	Miami
Fri Aug 21	12:15 p.m.	Doral
Tue Aug 25	12:15 p.m.	Deerfield Beach
Wed Aug 26	12:15 p.m.	Marathon
Thu Aug 27	12 noon	Key West
Fri Aug 28	7:15 a.m.	Key West Sunrise
Fri Aug 28	12 noon	Big Pine & Lower Keys
Tue Sep 01	12:15 p.m.	Plantation
Tue Sep 01	6:30 p.m.	Miami Beach
Wed Sep 02	12:15 p.m.	Homestead
Thu Sep 03	7:30 a.m.	Weston I
Thu Sep 03	12:15 p.m.	North Dade
Tue Sep 08	12:15 p.m.	South Miami
Wed Sep 09	7:45 p.m.	Miami-Granada
Thu Sep 10	12:15 p.m.	Coral Gables
Fri Sep 11	7:30 a.m.	Fort Lauderdale South

Rotary District 6990 Presents
The Gates Foundation Challenge Grant

2009 Helicopter Golf Ball Drop*

Polio Eradication Fundraiser



Join in the fun and help the cause!
Thursday, Nov. 11, 1:30 p.m. at
the Biltmore Golf Course, Coral Gables
\$25 donation, 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes!
Contact Chris Morrison, 305-582-7690 or
morrisonclan@att.net

IN MEMORIAM

ARNOLD B. GALPERIN
1933 - 2009



Dedicated Rotarian • Community Leader

Past President, Rotary Club of Miami
Immediate Past Chair of District Rotary Foundation
Chair of District Continuity & Governance Committee
Co-Chair of District Membership & Extension Committee

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

John Knox Village & Key West Sunrise Lead the District in July

Last year's new club, the Rotary Club of John Knox Village, the district's leader in new members, is off to a thundering start as District 6990 commences activities for 2009-2010 by inducting three new members. The RC of Key West Sunrise shares the lead with JKV with its three new members. The Rotary Clubs of Doral, Hollywood, North Dade, Plantation, South Miami and Weston also got off to super starts by inducting two new members each.

Please extend a big Rotary welcome to the new members of the Rotary Clubs of

JOHN KNOX VILLAGE, Johnnie Bondwits - Registered Nurse, Nancy Johns - Dog Groomer and George Hammerton – Banker

KEY WEST SUNRISE, Dan “Doc” Stager -Retired Financial Analyst., Josie Koler – Journalist, and Denny Howley - Process Server

CORAL SPRINGS PARKLAND, Steve Holt – Attorney-Corporate

DORAL, Arianne Brito – Chamber of Commerce Director, and Adolfo Lozano – Information Systems

FORT LAUDERDALE, Rick Marshall – Investor;

HOLLYWOOD, Rosemary Greenwald - Retired Registered Nurse, and Edward Malone – Videographer

KEY BISCAIYNE, Nancy Doke-Harrison - Sales-Carpet Commercial

KEY WEST, Kris Bly – Physician

MARATHON, Drew Barbour - Retail Salesperson

MIAMI, Andy Haase - Hardware-Lumber

MIAMI BEACH, Connie Marianacci – Event Manager

MIAMI-GRANADA, Wilber Gomez – Insurance Adjusto

MIAMI DADELAND-PINECREST, Jennifer Shipley – Librarian

NORTH DADE, Keith Richards -Electrical Engineer, and

Bob Liss - Meat Wholesaler

PERRINE CUTLER RIDGE-PALMETTO BAY, Barry Zimbler – Educator

PLANTATION, Christopher Upton – Financial Manager and Osbjorn Osteig – Business Consultant

POMPANO BEACH, Leila Moavero – Printer

SOUTH MIAMI, Britt Steinhardt – Retailer and Patricia Pardinias – Teacher

WESTON, Lisa Colon Heron, Attorney, and Jim Grant – Printer

New Members July 2009

John Knox Village	3
Key West Sunrise	3
Doral	2
Hollywood	2
North Dade	2
Plantation	2
South Miami	2
Weston	2
Coral Springs-Parkland	1
Fort Lauderdale	1
Key Biscayne	1
Key West	1
Marathon	1
Miami	1
Miami Beach	1
Miami-Granada	1
Miami-Dadeland-Pinecrest	1
Perrine CR-Palmetto Bay	1
Pompano Beach	1

August is Membership and Extension Month.

Do you have a prospective member to invite to your club's next meeting?

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Club	Members - 06/30/2009	Members - Current	YTD-Chg	Chg From Last Mo.	Meetings Held	Average Attend%	ATT % Rank
Allapattah (Miami)	16	16	0	0	5	75.00	13
Bal Harbour	16	15	-1	-1	4	60.00	28
Big Pine & Lower Keys	(missing)	(missing)	0	n/a	0	0.00	48
Coconut Grove	22	22	0	0	5	85.00	4
Coral Gables	141	137	-4	-4	5	81.00	8
Coral Springs	23	(missing)	-23	n/a	0	0.00	47
Coral Springs-Parkland	25	25	0	0	4	69.00	18
Davie/Cooper City	40	40	0	0	5	78.00	10
Deerfield Beach	32	27	-5	-5	3	70.00	16
Doral	30	32	2	2	4	53.13	31
Fort Lauderdale	173	167	-6	-6	5	44.00	33
Fort Lauderdale Beach	16	15	-1	-1	4	84.70	5
Fort Lauderdale North	30	30	0	0	5	72.00	15
Ft. Lauderdale South	31	31	0	0	5	37.42	35
Ft.Lauderdale/Cypress Crk	20	21	1	1	4	50.00	32
Freeport,G.B.I.	(missing)	(missing)	0	n/a	0	0.00	46
Grand Bahama Sunrise	24	(missing)	-24	n/a	0	0.00	45
Hallandale Beach-Aventura	25	25	0	0	4	77.00	11
Hialeah-Miami Springs	36	37	1	1	5	82.16	7
Hollywood	81	82	1	1	4	68.42	20
Homestead	78	78	0	0	5	35.64	36
John Knox Village	41	44	3	3	5	84.50	6
Key Biscayne	43	(missing)	-43	n/a	0	0.00	44
Key Largo	39	39	0	0	5	78.97	9
Key West	125	123	-2	-2	5	63.71	23
Key West Sunrise	67	(missing)	-67	n/a	0	0.00	43
Lucaya,G.B.I.	36	37	1	1	4	62.84	25
Marathon	54	(missing)	-54	n/a	0	0.00	42
Miami	136	(missing)	-136	n/a	0	0.00	41
Miami Airport	10	10	0	0	5	42.00	34
Miami Beach	(missing)	(missing)	0	n/a	0	0.00	40
Miami Dadeland-Pinecrest	30	31	1	1	4	62.90	24
Miami Lakes	18	18	0	0	4	61.10	27
Miami Shores	30	28	-2	-2	5	67.85	21
Miami Sundown	12	(missing)	-12	n/a	0	0.00	39
Miami-Granada	26	25	-1	-1	4	75.00	12
Miramar-Pines	25	23	-2	-2	5	69.00	17
North Dade	24	25	1	1	5	63.80	22
Oakland Park	6	6	0	0	5	100.00	2
Opa-locka & Miami Gardens	17	(missing)	-17	n/a	0	0.00	38
Perrine-Cutl.Ridge/Pal Bay	36	37	1	1	4	98.50	3
Plantation	11	11	0	0	4	72.70	14
Pompano Beach	67	66	-1	-1	4	55.30	30
Pompano Beach-Lighthouse	18	18	0	0	4	100.00	1
South Miami	39	40	1	1	4	58.10	29
Sunset Key West	27	28	1	1	4	68.82	19
Upper Keys	89	(missing)	-89	n/a	0	0.00	37
Weston	103	103	0	0	5	62.70	26
Totals, Net Gain, Avg Atten. 36 of 48 clubs reporting	1988	1512	-476	-11		68.62%	