

SERVICE Above Self



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In service together

Rotary's second century of service has begun! With **SERVICE Above Self** as our continuing motto and 2005-2006 theme, Rotarians in central Indiana are ready for our new year.

Looking back on 2004-2005, the widely-publicized Afghan baby Qudrat's surgery vividly demonstrated how central Indiana Rotarians provide the gift of life to children needing heart surgery. On a global scale, polio eradication is nearly a reality, thanks to

the efforts of Rotary and cooperating agencies. From Anderson to Zionsville,

Rotarians completed centennial parks and other projects benefiting their local communities. What a year!

Rotary's public image can always be enhanced, however. Beginning July 1, our district website content will focus on informing the general public about what central Indiana Rotarians are doing. Please bookmark www.rotary6560.org and send in your suggestions to make it even better! We are grateful to eTapestry and Fishers Rotarian Chip Muston for assistance developing the new site design.

Building on this momen-

tum, now is the time to invite new members to join Rotary. You will be hearing more soon about the "A.I.M." program from membership chair PDG Hugh Baker. Our goal is that EVERY CLUB has a net increase of at least 2 new members this year. Let's all start early on this effort!

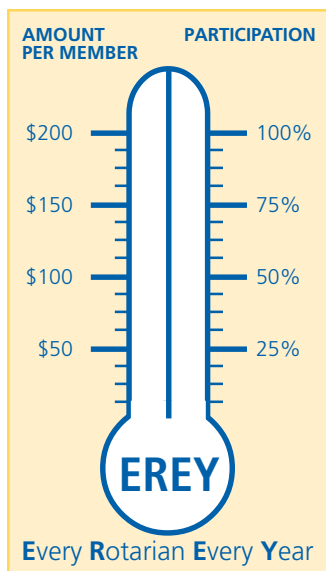
I am delighted that EVERY ONE of our 44 clubs has set an annual fund goal this year. Each club will soon have a colorful exhibit that charts its progress toward EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR contributing to the Annual Fund. (See lower left)

Through our links to Mexico during 2005-2006, EVERY ROTARIAN in our district can be personally involved in our Group Study

Exchange team as a host or outbound team nominator, in joining Mexican clubs to fund fire trucks from Indiana for Mexican communities, or to help sponsor a wheelchair for a needy disabled Mexican citizen.

As they say in my native state of Missouri, "seeing is believing." By your involvement this year, you will be able to see personally the impact of contributions through Rotary to projects in Mexico and beyond. The more you see, the more you will believe that giving to the Rotary Foundation deserves to be a higher priority for us all.

Let's work together to become even more committed believers in the power of Rotary! —Martin



New district program unveiled

Rotary "Friendship Exchange" is being launched this year in District 6560. A Rotary International program since 1984, it aims to advance international understanding and peace through personal contact across borders while developing interclub relationships for both fellowship and service. The program uses a similar format to other

Rotary exchange programs. This is an opportunity for individual Rotarians and families to travel abroad and be hosted by local Rotarian families. These visits usually last 3 to 7 days. Teams of Rotarians can also participate. These visits can last up to a month and can be invitational in nature.

The District will contact other participating districts

around the world and assist in all arrangements. Financial responsibility—including the cost of travel, lodging and meals not provided by a host, and personal expenses—belongs to the participants.

We ask that each club appoint a "Friendship" chair to coordinate activities with the district committee.

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Renaissance defined:

rebirth or revival of culture, skills, or learning forgotten or previously ignored.

The human race often ignores, or forgets, the skills it learned to raise itself to enormous productivity. Occasionally, a Rotary Club can be susceptible to a regression of basic characteristics, principles, and benefits regarding the purpose of Rotary. Development, sustaining, and building the features Rotary brings to its members can be lost if its principles are not regularly practiced. Membership job transfers too can put undue

pressures on Rotary attendance. Each club needs to continually seek community leaders for membership, and to regularly practice the principles of Rotary.

Our great District 6560 is exceptionally resourceful with talent, leadership and common business sense. With such leadership, the ability to rescue a club from closure is unmatched. The Indianapolis Sunrise Club is now calling upon this District for rescue and a

renaissance. A can-do attitude is quickly coming to this club to restore it to a point of prominence.

With the help of the Indianapolis Downtown Rotary Club, the Fishers Rotary Club, the Danville Rotary Club, and the Carmel Rotary Club, a storm of potential new Rotarian names for the Sunrise Club are now surfacing. Additionally, new programs are being established to encourage such potential members to quickly understand the **POWER OF ROTARY**. On July 21, our Deputy Governor, Jim Graham, will begin the

Renaissance for the **Sunrise Club** with a special presentation detailing the touching journey of Qudrat Ullah Wardak, and District 6560's Gift of Life program.

You can help with this club's rebirth by identifying potential members, especially those who live or work near where the club meets, The American Red Cross of Greater Indianapolis, 441 E. 10th, Indianapolis 46202. The club meets Thursdays, 7:30am to 8:30am. For details, contact me at traitjohnson@aol.com

—Terry Johnson,
Deputy Governor

Meet District Governor-Nominee Jim Graham

Jim Graham from the Rotary Club of Brownsburg is slated to serve District 6560 as its Governor in the year 2007-2008.

Jim's first contact with Rotary happened in 1956 when he was invited to speak at the newly formed Phillipsburg, Ohio Rotary Club. His grandfather, Dr. O.M. Graham, had founded the club a few months earlier and Jim, home on leave having completed Navy flight training, spoke about his early Navy service.

Jim has been a member of the Brownsburg club since 1993, the same year he also served as President of the club. Jim's wife Roberta joined the club a year later and served as President in 1997. He and Roberta are both Paul Harris Fellows.

Being named GSE team leader in 2002 to South Africa was a life-changing



Jim Graham

experience in Jim's Rotary life. His trip resulted in six matching grants with more on the way. Jim spoke to all 44 clubs in the district about the

GSE trip. He has since served as Assistant Governor for two years, then as Deputy Governor.

Jim, although officially retired, retains the post as Chief Pilot of the Indiana State Medical Association and part-time work and ownership of Pacific World

Trade, trading with China and acting as the State of Indiana's representative in China. He is active in Boy Scouts and served as Chairman of the Navy/Marine Corps Alumni League of Purdue, where he holds an Masters degree in Chemical Engineering. He is a retired military officer with 8 years of service as a Naval Aviator and 20 as an Army National Guard pilot. He retired as President of AGA Corporation, a distribution and real estate investment company.

Website updated

A revised district website with a new look awaits Rotarians on July 1. With the goal of appealing to non-Rotarians, the site also includes member-specific information as well. A lead story will feature Hoosier Rotary activities. Hotlinks will include other public interest issues such as Gift of Life, Gift of Sight, etc.

We welcome your feedback and your assistance with news from around the district. We want to make this site a must see for everyone!

Nominations sought for 2008-2009 District Governor

District 6560 Rotary clubs are invited to submit suggestions for nominations for our district governor in 2008-09 to follow DGN Jim Graham, Brownsburg. According to RI bylaws, "the suggestions shall be submitted in the form of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the club naming the suggested candidate. The resolution shall be certified by the club secretary. A club may suggest a candidate for governor-nominee who is a member of another club, so long as the suggesting club first obtains the concurrence of the club where the candidate is a member." Such club nominations are to reach PDG Hugh Baker, chair of the district nominations committee, by September 15, 2005. Club nominations should be sent to Hugh at 8205 Zionsville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46268. The nominations committee is also charged to independently "seek out and propose the best available candidate". The nominations committee will meet to review nominations in early January, 2006.



July is Literacy Month

Items of Note

- **Increasing membership** and support of the Rotary Foundation are the responsibility of every Rotarian. Please consider showing your commitment to these priorities by planning to attend the membership and foundation seminars in Covington, KY on Saturday, July 16. There is no charge for these seminars. For more information, contact PDG Hugh Baker at hugh@howard-salesinc.com or PDG Tom Branum at tombranum_senior@insightbb.com
- **All 44** of our district's clubs submitted TRF support goal statements in support of the Rotary's Annual Fund for 2005-6, with a total of over \$252,000. Three cheers to the Assistant Governors and Jim Graham for helping the clubs get their pledges in.
- **Remember the deadline** for the club Secretary report to be received by district Secretary is now the 8th of each month. Be sure to submit your reports on time!

New district structure

Rotary district 6560's officers' responsibility is to help clubs be more effective. To achieve that goal, our district has a new organizational structure, delegating responsibilities to over 100 volunteer Rotarians belonging to 34 clubs. **Deputy Governor Jim Graham** coordinates the services of the 13 Assistant Governors, **Deputy Governor Terry Johnson** coordinates the work of the chairs of the following committees: Speech Contest, Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange, Gift of Life, Gift of Sight, Rotary Fellowships, Friendship Exchange, District Awards, Riley District campaign, Water Resource Group, Literacy Resource Group. **PDG Tom Branum** chairs the Rotary Foundation Committee, overseeing the following committees: Annual Fund, Permanent Fund, Group Study Exchange, Paul Harris Society, Scholarships, Matching Grants, TRF alumni, and Rotary Volunteers. **PDG Hugh Baker** coordinates Membership promotion and Club extension. **District Governor-elect Bing Pratt** coordinates the Indianapolis Air Show campaign for Riley as well as the work of the district executive committee. For more information, see our website at www.rotary6560.org.

Robert G. Jones remembered

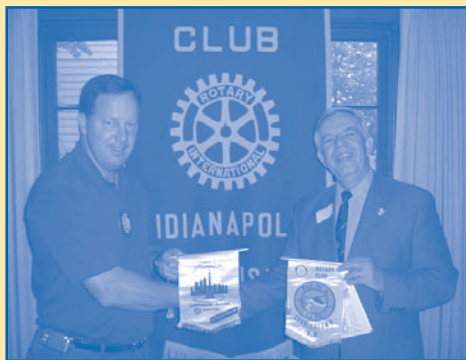
PDG Bob Jones of the Rotary Club of Hartford City died Thursday, June 2, 2005, at the age of 84. Bob, along with his grandfather, father and brother, owned and operated Jones Dairy in Hartford City until the business was sold to Riggins Dairy in Muncie in 1960. He retired from 3M Company in Hartford City.

Bob was a devoted Rotarian having had perfect attendance for over 50 years and was a Paul Harris Fellow. He attended weekly meetings in many cities when traveling throughout the world. Bob served as Secretary-Treasurer and President of his local club. In 1977-98 he was District 656 Governor. Bob lived his life following the Rotary motto: Service above Self.

A devoted grandpa, avid Chicago Cubs fan, and world traveler, Bob is survived by June, his wife of almost 62 years, three children, five grandchildren and one great grandchild. Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church in Hartford City or to the Hartford City Rotary Club.

Welcome guests to Rotary

It's always great to have visitors join us for our weekly meetings. Visiting other clubs while away from your own club can be a great experience. Please make every effort to make your visitors feel welcome. Pictured here is 2004-05 Rotary Club of Indianapolis Sunrise President



Mike Keil exchanging banners with a recent New York visitor.

Matching Grant arrives

Members of the Ficksburg Rotary Club in South Africa were excited to be Matching Grant participants with the Rotary Club of Brownsburg. In early June everything came through to assist with a desperately needed hospice expansion for near death AIDS victims. Roberta and Jim Graham visited the site and took video and still pictures of the hospice and some of the victims. Both the Grahams and the South African club are appreciative of the support for this humanitarian effort in a section of the world ravished by the effects of AIDS, both on those who have the disease and by those children who are deprived of parents or contract AIDS through abuse. The Ficksburg club anticipates that the hospice will now be in a position to take on more patients and give much improved service.

Some clubs have changed their meeting location and time, Be sure to check your directory for the latest.

Directory changes

The 2005-06 District 6560 directory is hot off the press and already our mobile society is requiring changes be made. Please make a note of the following:

New Brownsburg secretary: Diane Stennett, 1072 N. Green Street, Brownsburg, IN 46112, (W) 317-852-2427 x 5, (E) diane.stennett@nationalcity.com

Craig Sherman (Youth Exch.) **email:** scherm@indyrr.com
Rotary Club of Greenfield Sunrise: Location is in flux. Contact Brad Bowman, 317-468-1267, for current week's site.



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ROTARY FOR RILEY

Through the Indianapolis Air Show

The **8th Indianapolis Air Show** will be at the Mount Comfort Airport on August 27-28. ALL of the net proceeds of the event go to Riley Hospital for Children. Last year this raised \$220,000. The U.S. Navy Blue Angels will be the headline attraction each day.

Save the date and invite friends and family. Tickets will be available in July. Advance purchased tickets will be only \$13 for adults and \$4 for kids.

The Tickets that we ROTARIANS SELL will count towards our Rotarians for Riley gift. Indirectly this helps our Gift of Life program as Riley funds much of the cost for the heart surgeries. DG Martin Limbird is enthusiastic about this opportunity to help Riley and views it as a great event. DGE Bing Pratt or DGN Jim Graham will soon contact clubs about tickets.

Muncie's Rotary Fly-in brought in Rotarians from around the district.

(L-R) Larry Price, President-Elect Franfort RC, Dep. Gov Jim Graham of Brownsburg RC, Russ Kaspoar and Doug Montgomery of Franfort RC. Standing in front of Grahams plane.



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It is also important that we develop a list of Rotarians who are interested in traveling and the destinations they prefer. At the present time, we are in contact with a District in Turkey that would like to have an exchange with us. Our goal is to complete three other exchanges this year.

Please contact District Chair, John Long, at 1279 S. Oden Dr., Greenfield, IN 46140; jal12@ix.netcom.com; 317-462-5224.

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Club	Membership June 30, 04	Membership May, 2005	Attendance May
Anderson	172	NR	NR
Anderson Suburban	11	10	78%
Attica-Williamsport	30	35	82%
Avon	38	31	65%
Brownsburg	40	43	70%
Carmel	101	NR	NR
Connersville	28	28	74%
Crawfordsville	47	47	63%
Danville	40	44	76%
Fishers	97	103	64%
Flora	24	NR	NR
Frankfort	43	48	96%
Greencastle	64	56	60%
Greenfield	81	79	76%
Greenfield Sunrise	20	14	87%
Hagerstown	47	42	59%
Hartford City	33	30	75%
Indianapolis	504	NR	NR
Indianapolis-East	13	16	87%
Indianapolis Northeast	35	37	78%
Indianapolis Sunrise	19	NR	NR
Kokomo	132	143	64%
Kokomo-Early Risers	52	57	76%
Lafayette	252	233	72%
Lafayette Daybreak	49	49	72%
Lebanon	65	65	74%
Marion	108	NR	NR
Marion North	19	14	57%
Muncie	191	195	56%
Muncie Sunrise	97	94	73%
New Castle	56	49	62%
Noblesville	12	NR	NR
Noblesville Middy	33	34	69%
Plainfield	29	26	74%
Portland	36	34	69%
Richmond	46	34	41%
Rockville	34	NR	NR
Rushville	43	47	80%
Shelbyville	35	NR	NR
Sheridan	21	NR	NR
Tipton	26	NR	NR
Union City	32	35	76%
Winchester	37	34	70%
Zionsville	39	35	71%
TOTAL	2930		

Does your club show a "No Report" (NR)? Please check to be sure your secretary submits reports on time.

