



ROTARY DISTRICT 5670 NEWS & INFORMATION

COMING EVENTS

- **DG Visits**—July, August & September
- **Membership & Foundation Seminar and Paul Harris Banquet** — noon Aug 11th 8:30 - 4 p.m. at Lyons Celebration Centre with special speakers Andy Smallwood, one of 19 Rotary International Directors will be the main speaker; and PDG Stuart Palmer, Zone 27 Asst. Membership coordinator will be stressing the Ignite Membership Program. At noon, Paul Harris Fellows will be presented. Please send reservations by August 1 to Lyons Rotary Club Box 714, Lyons, KS 67554. Registration fee \$30/person. **THIS IS A MUST ATTEND FOR ALL PRESIDENTS, MEMBERSHIP & FOUNDATION CHAIRPERSONS.**
- **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)** — July 27 - 29 at Great Bend Camp Aldrich
- **District 5670 Conference** — May 3 - 4 at Lyons Celebration Centre. Since this will be the final conference of the year, we will be working to compile a memory book. *We need input from the last 101 years of D 5670!* Begin to collect information and watch for an address next month to begin sending in information.

Friesen Installed as Governor for District 5670



PDG Keith Hooper presents Bob Friesen with the District Governor's pin at the installation ceremony July 7th.

I personally thank you Rotarians for the honor and support shown to me. I was overwhelmed with the 73 persons attending the installation. My committee [Gary Sechrist Chr., Barb Koch, Shirley Fair, Susan Sankey, John Sweet] and the Lyons host club organized a great installation service. The Rotary members and guests were welcomed by Kelly Nusser, Lyons Club President , and the city manager of Lyons, John Sweet. We were led in invocation by Orië Ensz, Lyons Good

Samaritan Center, Administrator. A tribute to PDG Keith Hooper was given by PDG Peter Marcus. PDG Hooper gave a report of D 5670 and the gains in membership and giving to the Rotary Foundation along with the numerous projects and district accomplishments for last year. The "home of the District Governors" banner was presented to Kelly Nusser for display at the Lyons club. PDG Mack Teasley led the installation for the District Governor and the District Committee members. After which DG Bob Friesen gave a synopsis of the goals and the future of D5670. Our Speaker, Dr. Fred Dierksen, Supt. USD #376, presented the parallel between the restructuring of the Kansas legislature and D5670 redistricting. Not all change is counter-productive. Announcements were given and then the song **Let There Be Peace** was sung and the prayer of blessing and benediction was given by Pastor Andy Heer, the DG son-in-law.

Peace Through Service



The installation ceremony was held July 7th to welcome Bob Friesen as the District Governor.

At top, Rotarians join hands as they sing “Let There Be Peace”; top left, PDG Bob Steimel and his wife are presented with Major Donor Awards; top center, Dr. Fred Dierksen provides the keynote address; top right, PDG Teasley installs DG Friesen; left, Helen Friesen, DG Bob’s wife; right, PDG Hooper, left, receives the PDG pin from PDG Marcus; bottom, The Friesen family visits during the luncheon—Stephanie Heer and her husband Rev. Any Heer, and right Kristen Dunn, daughter of DG Bob and Helen.



2012-2013 GOALS

WE ARE A STRONG INTACT DISTRICT

- Increase the membership 5%. **IGNITE** your club's membership.
- Increase giving to the Foundation annual fund by 30%.
Everybody give at least \$100 this next year to become a sustaining member (30 cents / day one give \$109 and is eligible for an incentive award).
- Every club give, support or assist your local community blood donations.
One pint saves three people ♥♥♥
- **HAVE FUN AS A ROTARY CLUB!**

DISTRICT CLUB EDITS/UPDATE

After we put together the directory we have found some changes and updates to the information. Getting information is like pulling hens teeth, since they do not have teeth, it is most difficult to have the information in a changing world.

- Current email address for PDG Robert Severence : robertseverence@gmail.com
- Assistant Governor is Randall Krug, not Klug
- Phillipsburg President is Shane Kinter 746 Fourth Street, Phillipsburg, KS 67661
- Beloit Presidents phone numbers are H- 785-428-3292 C 785-534-0585 Wife Dedra
- Jared Hopper [Clay Center] not Jarred

Please send updates and information to bfriesen5670@hotmail.com

We sincerely apologize for any errors. YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

REDISTRICTING

Club preferences have been sent to RID Andy Smallwood and Laurie McCarthy, RI Redistricting Committee. Here is the listing and requests of each club.

CLUBS TO D 5630 NEBRASKA

Atwood

CLUBS TO D 5710 KANSAS CITY

Abilene, Washington, Clay Center, Concordia, Salina, Lindsborg, Smith Center

CLUBS TO D5690 WICHITA

Colby, Goodland, Sharon Springs, Hays Noon, Hays Sun Rise, Ellis, Ness City, Great Bend, Osborne, Downs, Lyons, Sterling, Ellinwood, Beloit, Hoxie, McPherson, Russell, Phillipsburg, Stockton, Oberlin, Hill City, Norton.

We believe, that as we join the other districts, all of us will be strengthened and will be able to progress as a stronger Rotary team. This is a plus for Rotary.

GRANTS

PDG Mack Teasley is accepting your club grants. Previously he sent grant applications to each club president.

Get applications to him ASAP.

“Always be a little kinder than necessary.” - James A. Barrie

DG Visits: July

We have visited club Presidents: Randy Koops at Downs, Dennis Portenier at Washington, Eric Burks at Beloit, Jarrod Hooper at Clay Center, Daniel Brungardt at Great Bend, Perry Henman in Ellis, Alberta Slaby in Norton, Duane Dorshorst in Oberliln for July. We are attending RYLA July 27-29 in Great Bend.



The REFs Call

Monthly news from Robert E. Friesen, District 5670 Governor

A number of years ago as the squad leader of an Army team I found myself in the forests of Minnesota. It was a moonless night in the middle of trees every couple of feet. I had been given a compass to lead the troops to a selected target objective. To go to the target meant going through muck, valleys, dodging trees and through the dump.

As I start the 2012 year as governor, I have been given the compass of District 5670. This year will have its trees, valleys, trials and maybe a dump or two.

The aim is to lead D 5670 for a successful year regardless of the obstacles and situations. Hopefully as a district I will find your support as we work together this Rotary Year. None of us have or will have all the answers. As we join forces, we will make 2012- 2013 a great year. Rotarians' have a great impact on our local, District and International Service. As we help others, we are actually helping ourselves.

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love."

—Mother Teresa

Since RI and the COL made the ruling and requirement of 1200 minimum members we have little choice at this time but to comply with a redistrict. The district reached a maximum of 1170 members.

Yes, District 5670 will be restructured: Do we give up and roll over? NO! The Rotary motto is Service Above Self still is our goal.. Yes there will be changes in a number of ways. If changes do not occur in life, our body dies. And so it is with any organization. Example, if changes had not occurred at your conception, you would not exist. Approximated a trillion body cells are replaced each day in our bodies to maintain our daily life.

So it is that D5670 will change in many ways. Do I like it? NO! D5670 has been going for 101 years. We will lose some pride and management of some programs like the district scholarship and RYLA to name a few. As we join with another district, we will be consolidating and strengthening both districts.

I believe the change will build a better and stronger Rotary. We will be able to pool some of our resources and be able to accomplish some Scholars and Global grants. D 5670 was not able to accomplish these projects on our own in the past. In 2013 these will be possible.

The RI Restructure Committee and the committee of 5670 are in the process of exploration and fact finding at this time for a stronger union.

Where, how, who, when are all questions to be answered? As we progress with the findings, we will notifying each club build a stronger and better Rotary District. Let us think positive and not become side tracked or neglect the Rotary mission, rather strive for serving others.

"Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do which must be done whither you like it or not."

—Charles Kingsley



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