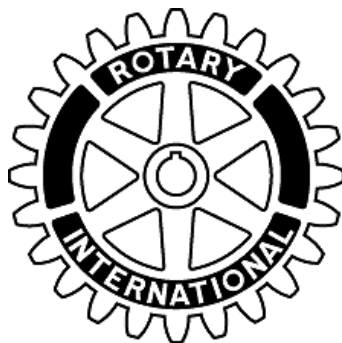


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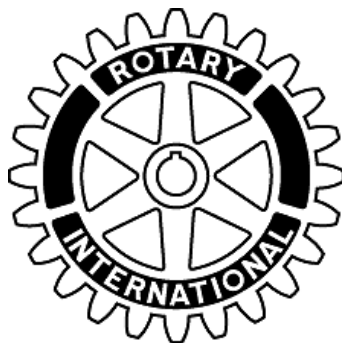
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—As written by Past District Governor Chauncey W. McIntyre of St. Petersburg.

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—As written by Past District Governor Joe Pendleton of Clearwater.

The history of District 695 covers a period starting with July 1, 1981 and ending with June 30, 1988. We wish to thank the various District governors for their cooperation in the furnishing us with information covering their respective tenures in that office. We are especially grateful for the advice and encouragement from PDG Clyde O. Anderson, without which we would not have been able to complete this task. Special recognition is also due William A. Roberts, District 695 Secretary/Treasurer, for his furnishing district financial documents contained herein.

—As written by Past President Charlie Mason, of Clearwater East, District Historian for the year 1987-1988.

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PART I

1912 - JULY 1943

INTRODUCTION

The idea of having a District Historian was advanced by Governor Millard Davidson at his Assembly, held at Clearwater in 1936. The club officers present voted to authorize such an appointment by the District Governor and approved an initial appropriation from the District Fund to meet anticipated expense.

The appointment of the Historian was made in May 1937. Immediate arrangement was made for a visit to the Secretariat in Chicago where two days were spent in research in the rich and precisely filed records maintained there. Grateful acknowledgment is made to our then Secretary, Chesley R. Perry, and members of his staff for their courteous and valuable assistance.

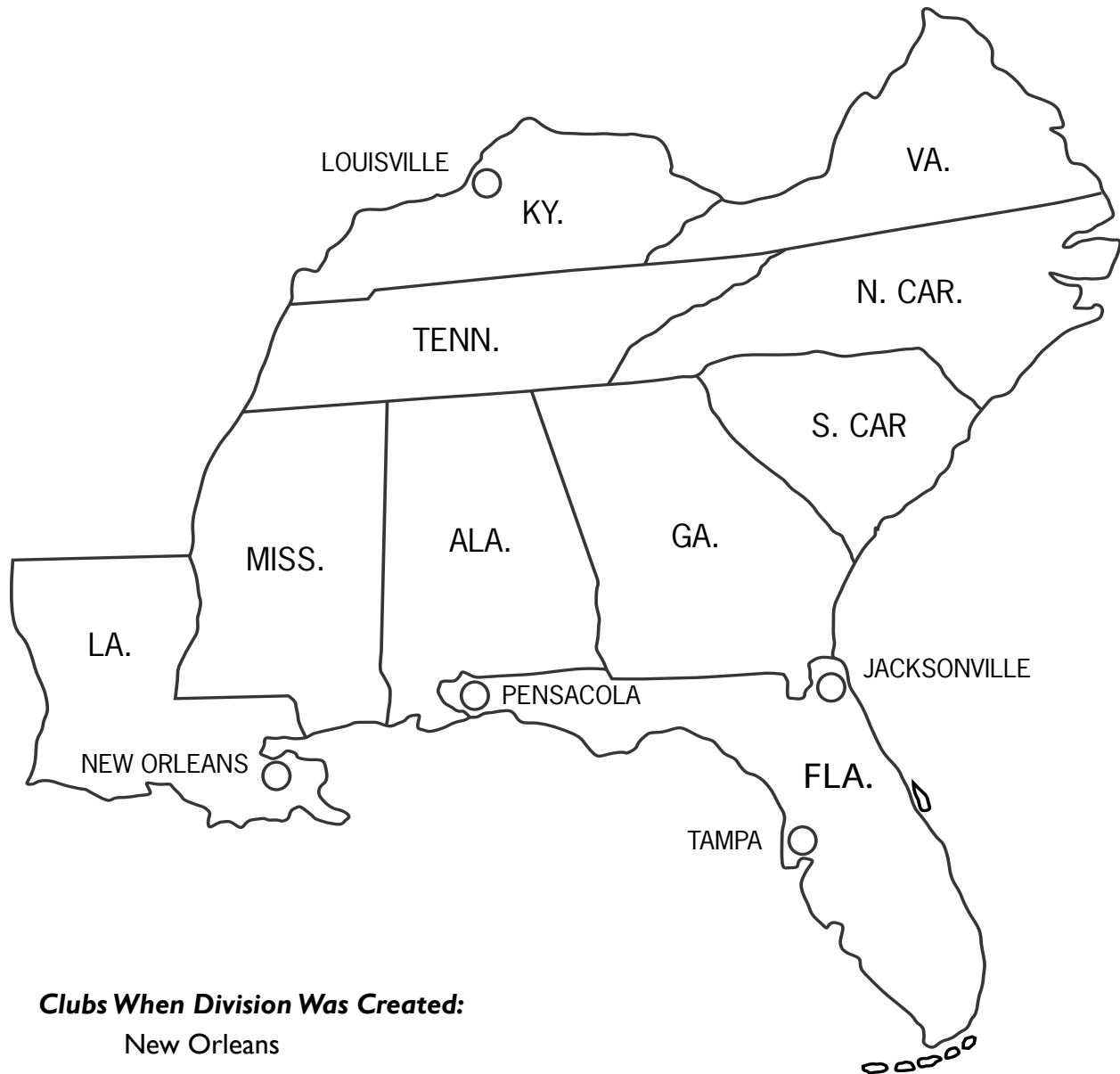
An original objective of building up a District Historical file, containing basic facts about the organization and history of each club in the District has not been fully realized at the time of this publication. In some instances, this is due to the loss of early records of individual clubs, while in others, it is just failure to respond to repeated appeals sent out by the Historian to local club officers. Without waiting for this file to be completed, the Historian was able to give a brief summary of the District History at the Conference held at Ocala in 1938 at the request of Governor Roland Horton.

The present publication is considered a "first draft." It is probable that as the result of its circulation new ideas for its improvement — some corrections — some additions — will come to the attention of the Historian. It may prove desirable to re-edit the material and re-publish it finally in more elaborate printed form. We await comment and suggestions from individual Rotarians, and further instruction by the District.

— *Earl G. Thatcher, District Historian*

SOUTHERN DIVISION

1912 – 1915



Clubs When Division Was Created:

- New Orleans
- Jacksonville
- Louisville

Florida Clubs Added During Period:

- Tampa
- Pensacola

1905

*Attorney
Paul P.
Harris of
Chicago,
Illinois,
envisions a
new kind
of group for
professionals
to cultivate
business ties
and develop
friendships.
On the
evening of
February 23,
he invites
three friends
to a meeting
and plants
the seeds of
the world's
oldest
and most
prestigious
service club
organization.*

1907

*A simple
donation of
a horse for a
local doctor
was Rotary's
first act of
community
service.
Shortly
after, Rotary
began its
commitment
to
humanitarian
service by
coordinating
efforts to
construct
a public
lavatory.*

PART ONE

ROTARY'S BEGINNING

Rotary had its birth in Chicago under the inspiration and leadership of Paul P. Harris, a lawyer, who called together a group of his friends and business associates for the first meeting on February 23, 1905. To Rotarians of Florida, it is interesting to know that Paul Harris had at one time lived in Jacksonville, Florida.

The spread of the organization to other communities was slow getting started, but later became very rapid. It was nearly four years before a second club was formed, this being at San Francisco, but within the next two years, 14 other clubs came into existence in the United States. A convention was held in Chicago in 1910 where there was created "The National Association of Rotary Clubs." Sixty delegates were present representing the sixteen clubs then in existence.

The movement became international in character when Winnipeg, Canada was chartered in November 1910, and the first overseas club was formed in Dublin, Ireland in March 1911. When the third general convention met at Duluth, Minnesota in 1919, the new scope of the organization was recognized and the name of the parent body was changed to "International Association of Rotary Clubs."

SOUTHERN DIVISION 1912 – 1915

For the origin of Rotary in the area now comprising the District here under review, we run back to 1912, when the Jacksonville club was founded, largely under the leadership of George W. Clarke. By that time, 40 clubs had been chartered by the International Association of Rotary Clubs, Jacksonville coming in as number 41. New Orleans was the only other club then in existence in the ten Southeastern states.

At the Duluth Convention in 1912, action was taken to facilitate administration of the clubs affiliated in the International Association. Provision was made to create six general divisions, one comprising the whole of Canada, and five others covering the United States. By the time the establishment of these divisions had been put into effect, a club had been formed at Louisville, Kentucky, so that, as the Southern Division became an administrative unit, this club, New Orleans and Jacksonville were the only cities involved. The area, however, contained plenty of room for extension, as it included Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

George Clark was appointed the administrative officer of this Division, being given the title of Vice-President. There was a Vice-President of the International Association for each of the six Divisions. Clarke was succeeded by John E. Shelby, of Birmingham, who served two terms, 1913-1914 and 1914-1915.

This period from 1912 to 1915 witnessed a rapid growth in Rotary, with the introduction of many clubs throughout the South. By the end of Shelby's second term, there were 24 clubs in the Southern Division, each of the ten States having representation. Pensacola and Tampa had been added to Florida's representations.

In the meantime, a notable event was the first get-together of the Southern Division clubs, Jacksonville being the host city. This was in October 1914; Frank Mulholland was then President of I.A.R.C., and was in attendance. Chairman of the committee in charge was one of the able leaders of the new Tampa Club, a man whose name was to become internationally known later—John Turner. The Jacksonville Rotarians turned a neat trick at this, the first Conference, by putting out a special Rotary section of the local newspaper, *The Florida Metropolis*. Among the names of the clever editors was that of Rotarian Robertson T. Arnold, who later became a District Governor.

DISTRICT 5 — 1915 – 1918

The Convention of I.A.R.C. for 1915 was held at San Francisco. Here again it was found expedient to further divide administrative responsibilities. There had been a rapid increase in number of clubs, the areas of the Divisions were too vast for either proper supervision or for any unification of fellowship. So the six Divisions were cut up into a total of 19 areas which were given the term *Districts*, and identified by number. Leaving out of our present District the areas not further related to our present District, we center our attention on what was designated as District Five. It comprised Georgia, Alabama and Florida. As indicated before, Jacksonville, Pensacola and Tampa were the only Florida clubs at this time.

In January of 1916, District Five joined with other Districts of the former Southern Division in what was called a *Conclave of the Southern Rotary Clubs*. This was held at New Orleans. Allen D. Albert was then President of I.A.R.C., and Frank P. Glass, of Birmingham, was Governor of the 5th District.

District Five held its own Conference in November of the same year, meeting at Jacksonville. Ralph D. Quisenberry, of Montgomery, had become the Governor of the District, and John Gay was president of the host club. Delegates from eleven other cities were present, and among the names of those taking active part were George Clarke, L. W. Josselyn, John D. Baker and George Leonard, of Jacksonville; W. P. Cunningham, of Pensacola; John Turner, Dr. L. A. Bize and W. G. Brorein, of Tampa. Arch C. Klumpf was then President of I.A.R.C.

The 5th District existed one more year under the leadership of Malcolm D. Jones, of Macon. The conference under his direction was held late during his administration in March of 1918, at Selma, Alabama. H. J. Brunier, of San Francisco, a Vice-President of I.A.R.C., was the representative of that body delegated to meet with this group, including only Pensacola and Jacksonville from Florida.

This period was marked by a significant new development of Rotary, largely to the credit of John Turner, of Tampa. As early as 1915, interest had been aroused among the Tampa club members regarding the starting of a Rotary Club in Havana, Cuba. John Shelby, as Vice-President of I.A.R.C., visited Tampa in April 1915, and discussed the possibility with Rafael Martinez Ybor, Cuban Consul. Authorization was given to proceed with the organization, but there was delay until early in 1916, when John Turner, then President of the Tampa Club, was appointed Chairman of a special "Committee on Extension of Rotary in Latin America." Angel L. Cuesta, Sr., of Tampa, George L. Leonard, Jacksonville, and Vincent J. Vidal, Pensacola, were also on this committee. Assistance was given by Ernest Berger, of Tampa, who had a business in Havana. Through visits made by

1910

At 16 clubs and 1,800 members, Rotary is rapidly expanding throughout the United States. The "National Association of Rotary Clubs of America" holds its first convention in Chicago, where it elects Paul P. Harris president.

1911

At the 1911 convention in Portland, Oregon, Chesley R. Perry, Rotary's first general secretary, reads a speech containing the phrase, "He profits most who serves best." Later, Rotarians also begin to use the phrase "Service, not self."

1916

With World War I raging in Europe, Rotarians from Britain, Canada, and the U.S. donate money to aid relief efforts and care for refugees. Elsewhere, Rotary continues to thrive. The Rotary Club of Havana, Cuba, is chartered, becoming the first non-English speaking club.

1919

The Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines, is chartered, launching the dissemination of Rotary throughout Asia. Within two years there are Rotary clubs in Calcutta, India, Shanghai, China, and Tokyo, Japan.

St. Petersburg was chartered in February 1920 and became the 615th Rotary club.

Turner and Cuesta, and with the help of Berger, the Havana Club was organized and on June 17, 1916 officially elected to I.A.R.C.

Later, the committee was instrumental in organizing a club of 45 members in San Juan, Puerto Rico, chartered on April 9, 1918, and in Santiago de Cuba, chartered in December 1918. John Turner also is credited with a good share of the responsibility for establishment of clubs in Madrid and Barcelona, Spain.

DISTRICT 8 — 1918 – 1922

As a result of still further expansion of Rotary, there came another shift in the area administration set-up, action being taken at the International Convention at Kansas City in June 1918. District No. 5 was designated as number Eight, but the only change in territory was the addition of Cuba and Puerto Rico, which were included as a temporary arrangement. John Gay, of Jacksonville, became the first Governor of the newly named area.

Key West and Miami were Florida clubs which had been chartered in 1916, and Lakeland had come in February 1918, while the District was still designated as No. 5.

During John Gay's term, Gainesville, West Palm Beach and Ocala were added. It should be noted in passing that the other two states of the District were likewise rapidly building up the number of clubs.

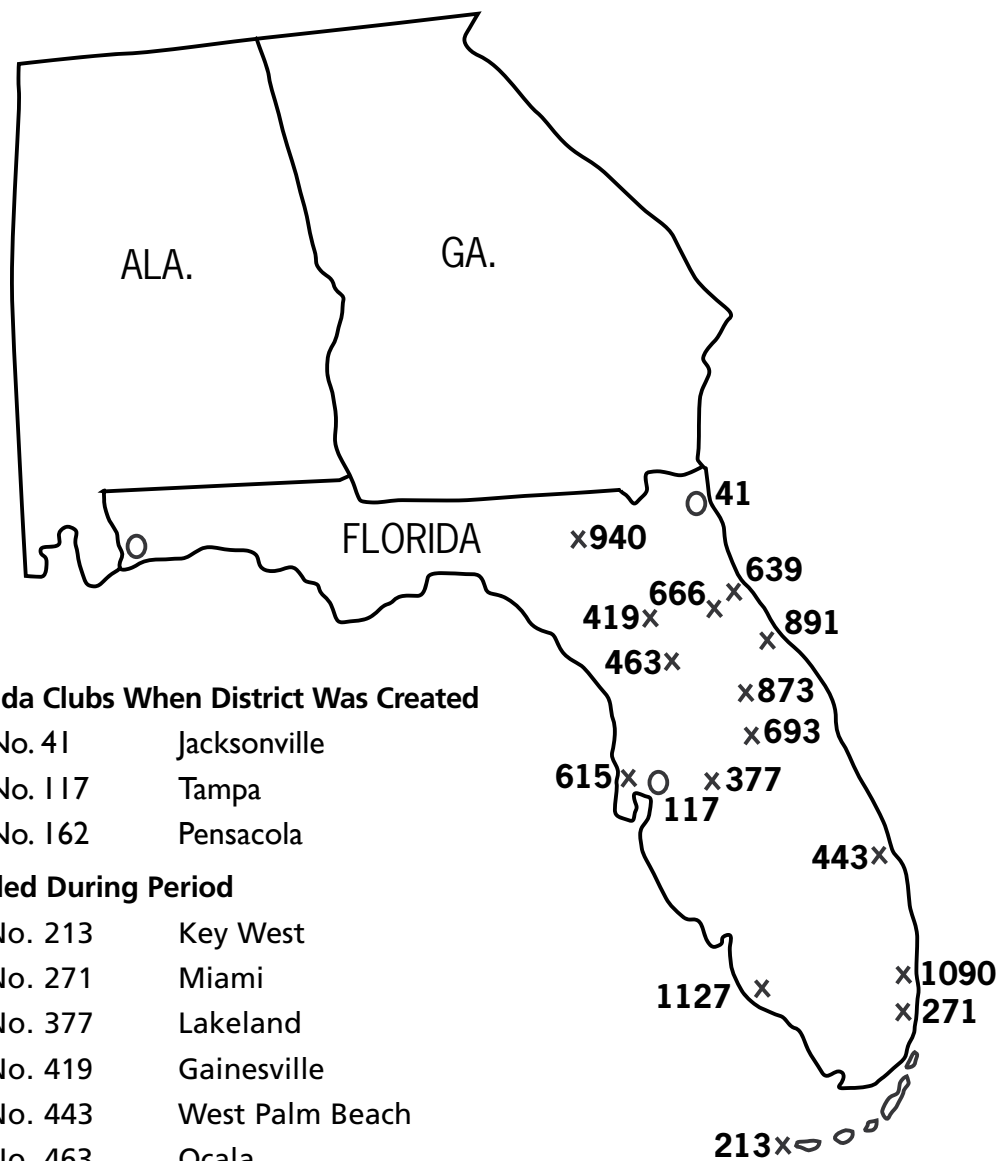
The District Conference of 1919 was held at Albany, Georgia, in April. John Poole was then President of I.A.R.C., and one of the addresses was made by Charles R. Perry, Secretary of I.A.R.C. Florida was represented by members from Jacksonville, Lakeland, Pensacola, Tampa and West Palm Beach.

Truman McGill, of Selma, Alabama, was the next District Governor. During his administration, four new Florida clubs received their charters. They were St. Petersburg, St. Augustine, Palatka and Orlando. At the District Conference held in March 18-19, 1920, at Tampa, 41 clubs were represented in the total registration of 659. Estes Snedecor, 2nd Vice-President of I.A.R.C., who was one of the speakers, called this conference "the largest held in the Southern States." Other speakers on the program included Ed D. Lambright, of Tampa, and Frank B. Shutts, of Miami.

During the next administration, headed by Wilbur Smith, of Atlanta, as District Governor, Sanford, Daytona Beach and Live Oak joined the representation of Florida clubs newly chartered. Ft. Lauderdale and Ft. Myers were added after John Turner became Governor for the year 1921-1922, which was the last year in which the area was known as the Eighth District.

In the meantime, two very large conferences were held. At Birmingham, in March 1921, 899 were registered, representing 47 clubs. I.A.R.C. was represented by Crawford C. McCullough, 1st Vice-President, and by Albert Adams, Past President. At Savannah, March 23-24, 1922, with 875 registered, every club in the District was represented—a total of 52. Wm. Coppock, 2nd Vice President, represented I.A.R.C. and Dr. Charles Barker, of Chicago, was another famous speaker.

DISTRICT FIVE, 1915–1918
DISTRICT EIGHT, 1918–1922



O–Florida Clubs When District Was Created

- No. 41 Jacksonville
- No. 117 Tampa
- No. 162 Pensacola

X–Added During Period

- No. 213 Key West
- No. 271 Miami
- No. 377 Lakeland
- No. 419 Gainesville
- No. 443 West Palm Beach
- No. 463 Ocala
- No. 615 St. Petersburg
- No. 639 St. Augustine
- No. 666 Palatka
- No. 693 Orlando
- No. 873 Sanford
- No. 891 Daytona Beach
- No. 940 Live Oak
- No. 1090 Ft. Lauderdale
- No. 1127 Ft. Myers

DISTRICT 39 — 1922 - 1928

Shortly before John Turner became Governor of the Eighth District, Puerto Rico was detached from this administrative area due to inaccessibility. In May 1921, the Cuban clubs were similarly withdrawn and were set up as a new District designated as No. 25.

As a part of this readjustment, Alabama was transferred to the jurisdiction of District 26, and with that state went the Northwest portion of Florida up to the West line of Jefferson County. This removed Pensacola from the the rest of the Florida clubs. When Tallahassee was chartered in December 1922, that club was in the 26th District also. Quincy, chartered in 1923, and Marianna in 1929, were within the area of the 26th District.

The entire State of Georgia and all of Florida, except the Northwest section, were now designated as District 39. The first Governor of the newly defined area was Porter Pierpont, of Savannah, Georgia. There was a total of 18 clubs in Florida at this time, one of which, Pensacola, was not under Pierpont's jurisdiction. Four were added during the administrative year, namely, Eustis, Lake City, Titusville and Perry. A fifth, Tallahassee, was going into District 26 where it remained until 1924.

When the District Conference was held at St. Petersburg in March 1923, 38 clubs sent delegates, making a total registration of 984. Attendance was stimulated by a contest between the Georgia and Florida clubs with a prize of \$350. This was won by Florida, and the delegates voted to give the proceeds to the Florida Children's Home Society. R. Jeffery Lydiatt, a Director, represented Rotary International, and Albert Adams, a Past President, also participated. David Scholtz, later to become Governor of Florida, was a delegate from Daytona Beach, and had a place in the program.

S. Kendrick Guernsey was next in line as District Governor. He had risen from the ranks of the Orlando club and was destined to continue for many years as an able leader in both Florida and the wider responsibilities of Rotary International. During his administration, the Ft. Pierce club was chartered, and the West Florida line of the District was shifted to the Apalachicola River, which meant the transfer of Tallahassee and the recently chartered Quincy club from the 26th to the 39th District. The geographical status of Georgia and Florida as District 39 thus remained until the historic year of 1928.

Guernsey had a record-breaking Conference, held at Macon in March 1924. 46 out of a total of 47 clubs were represented with 996 delegated registered. Guy Gundaker, President of Rotary International, was present, as was Past President Albert Adams. Other prominent guests included Hart I. Seeley, of Waverly, N.Y., and later President of RI, and Cary G. Hardee, Governor of the State of Florida.

Within the next administrative year, from July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1925, nine new Florida clubs came into existence. Will Lanier, the District Governor, was then a resident of West Point, Georgia, and later moved to Orlando. The new clubs chartered under his jurisdiction were Avon Park, Sebring, Bartow, Cocoa, Clearwater, Homestead, Punta Gorda, Haines City and Winter Haven.

Another Conference attendance record was broken and an all-time high established when the gathering was held at West Palm Beach, March 19-20,

1924

Beginning with the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905, Rotary clubs had used a wheel symbol as an emblem, yet each club had its own variation. Then, in December 1918, the gearwheel was adopted as the official corporate seal. After "re-engineering" the emblem with a keyway to give it the appearance of a realistic gearwheel, the final design was approved by the Board in a January 1924 meeting.

Clearwater receives their charter in January 1925.

1925. 1141 were officially registered. Will Lanier was prevented from attending because of illness, and the immediate Past Governor, Ken Guernsey, presided. While the representative of Rotary International was Alexander McFarlane of Vancouver, a Director, yet the Conference was also honored by the presence of Past President Guy Gundaker. A notable diversion from the conference program was the fire which completely destroyed the large Royal Poinciana Hotel in Palm Beach. A proposal to divide the District, separating Georgia and Florida, was considered, but action was postponed.

John B. Orr, of Miami, was chosen District Governor for 1925-1926. These were the days of the great Florida "boom." It is not surprising that ten new clubs were chartered in Florida within the twelve months of Orr's administration. These were Auburndale, High Springs, Winter Garden, Lake Wales, Sarasota, Hollywood, Fernandina, Leesburg, Bradenton, and Vero Beach. It is a tribute to the stability of Rotary itself that not one of these clubs has failed. In fact, Rotary has not found it necessary to withdraw the charter from any Florida club. Yet it might easily have been expected that some of the clubs chartered during this period had ridden in on the crest of the "boom" and would be unable to withstand the readjustment period.

The conference of April 15-16, 1926, was held at Augusta. There were 913 persons registered, representing 61 clubs out of the 64 within District 39. Paul Graves, of Brighton, England, a Director, was delegated to represent Rotary International, and Paul Rieger, of San Francisco, made an address, representing the Boy's Work Committee of Rotary International. Auburndale, Florida, won a trophy for attendance.

When John Sheffield became District Governor, July 1, 1926, Florida had 44 clubs, although Pensacola was still in the 26th District. New clubs admitted during his administration were Green Cove Springs, Deland, Melbourne, Crescent City, Hastings, Tarpon Springs and Apopka. The Conference of 1927, held at Tampa, was another great gathering, 1017 being registered. Paul Harris, founder of Rotary and Honorary President, was a notable guest. James W. Davidson, noted for his valuable service in the extension of Rotary around the world, was the official representative of Rotary International.

Sheffield was succeeded by Robertson T. Arnold, of Jacksonville, who found himself carrying the administrative responsibilities of 75 clubs and over 3400 Rotarians in the 39th District. Two of these clubs were newly chartered in Florida, namely Frostproof and Lake Worth.

At Arnold's Conference in Atlanta, May 14-15, 1928, the question of the separation of Georgia and Florida was squarely faced as an administrative necessity. With deep regret of all concerned, the divisive step was finally agreed upon. By designation of the Board of Directors of RI, Georgia now became the 69th District, while Florida retained the old title of the 39th. Within the new boundary there were 52 clubs comprised of 1956 members, and this was the field taken over by Harry H. Root, of Tampa, as he came into office as District Governor for 1928-1929.

1925

As Rotary clubs spring up in all parts of the world, Rotary International opens its first international office in Zurich, Switzerland. At Rotary's 20th anniversary, clubs are present on six continents and membership has swelled to 100,000.

Tarpon Springs receives their charter in March 1927.

DISTRICT 39 — REVISED, 1928-1937

DISTRICT 167 — 1937-1943

With the adjustment of District 39 to the limitations of the State of Florida, there began a stable period of gradual progress. The worldwide depression beginning in 1929 and continuing for several years slowed down extension activities but resulted in no loss of clubs or number of members.

Under the administration of Harry Root, of Tampa, a new club was chartered in New Smyrna Beach. Marianna was chartered in May 1929, but was in the far West Florida territory still remaining in the 26th District. The conference of 1929 was held in Orlando, with 600 registered and with John E. Carlson, Director, representing RI.

Howard W. Selby of West Palm Beach became the District Governor for 1929-1930. Stuart, Pahokee and Pompano were new clubs coming in during this period. Clyde L. Hulsizer, a Director if RI, was the official delegate to the Conference, which was held at Sarasota, with a registration of 449.

It was during the administration of F. Irving Holmes, of Fort Myers, that one more change in geographic lines brought District 39 to comprise the entire State of Florida. The District line at the Apalachicola River was removed and the Northwest Florida was transferred from the 26th District to the 39th. This brought Pensacola back to its original relationship with the rest of the State, and with her came Marianna. The District Conference was held in Jacksonville, April 16-17.

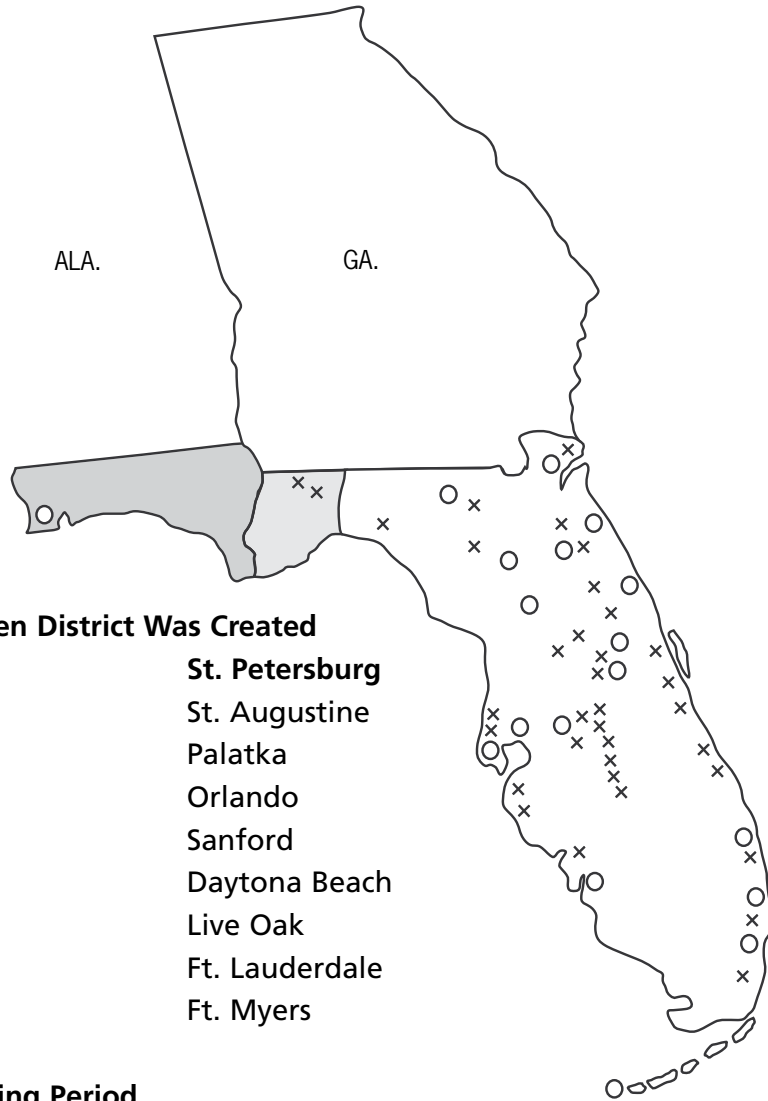
For a period of about five years, Rotary in Florida carried on bravely against the unfavorable economic conditions. Many expedients were followed by individual clubs to hold their members together, but all clubs survived. Conferences were smaller in attendance, but were kept at the previous high standard as to program. The successive Governors during this period were Joe S. Diver, Jacksonville; James Donn, Miami; Ed R. Bentley, Lakeland; Earl G. Thatcher, Vero Beach; and Alfred P. Marshall, Clearwater. Conference cities were Miami, Tampa, Eustis, Bradenton, and Tallahassee. Prominent Rotary International officials who came in as representative delegates were John Nelson, 3rd Vice-President, who later became President; Ernesto J. Aguilar, Director; Robert E. L. Hill, Director and later President; Clinton P. Anderson, Past President; and Ed F. McFaddin, Director.

With Governor Marshall, there came a turn for the better—the first new club in nearly six years being chartered. This was Belle Glade, which was officially recognized in January 1936. Millard Davidson, of Marianna, next to hold the Governor's office, was able to consummate previous efforts at Panama City, securing a charter for that locality in February 1937. He also welcomed a new club at Starke, chartered in June 1937.

Another pair of clubs was added during the administration of Roland S. Horton of Lake Worth, namely, Miami Beach, October 1937, and Chattahoochie, January 1938. When Horton took office, the District number was changed from 39 to 167, but there was no alteration of territory.

Within the next year, while Garland Powell, of Gainesville, was Governor, Dixie County (Cross City) received its club charter. Boynton Beach and Trenton were

DISTRICT 39, 1922–1928



0–Florida Clubs When District Was Created

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| Jacksonville | St. Petersburg |
| Tampa | St. Augustine |
| Pensacola (26th) | Palatka |
| Key West | Orlando |
| Miami | Sanford |
| Lakeland | Daytona Beach |
| Gainesville | Live Oak |
| W. Palm Beach | Ft. Lauderdale |
| Ocala | Ft. Myers |

X–Clubs Added During Period

- | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| No. 1280 Tallahassee (26th) | No. 1308 Eustis | No. 1344 Lake City |
| No. 1409 Titusville | No. 1463 Perry | No. 1523 Quincy (26th) |
| No. 1669 Ft. Pierce | No. 1813 Avon Park | No. 1816 Sebring |
| No. 1852 Bartow | No. 1862 Cocoa | No. 1875 Clearwater |
| No. 1894 Homestead | No. 2001 Punta Gorda | No. 2043 Haines City |
| No. 2068 Winter Haven | No. 2190 Auburndale | No. 2202 High Springs |
| No. 2265 Winter Garden | No. 2269 Lake Wales | No. 2284 Sarasota |
| No. 2318 Hollywood | No. 2356 Fernandina | No. 2372 Leesburg |
| No. 2375 Bradenton | No. 2377 Vero Beach | No. 2404 Green Cove Springs |
| No. 2455 Deland | No. 2482 Melbourne | No. 2487 Crescent City |
| No. 2495 Hastings | No. 2520 Apopka | No. 2621 Tarpon Springs |
| No. 2699 Frostproof | No. 2715 Lake Worth | |

1928

*The Rotary
Foundation, a
not-for-profit
corporation
that supports
the efforts
of Rotary
International
to achieve
world
understanding
and peace
through
international
humanitarian,
educational,
and cultural
exchange
programs,
is formally
established.*

both recognized officially in March 1940, James Franklin, of Ft. Myers, being the District Governor. Under the administration of J. Chalmers Buchanan, of Jacksonville, Port St. Joe was chartered, being club No. 5400. Thus, the growth of Rotary is clearly symbolized within the historical review of its development in Florida which started with Jacksonville as Club No. 41, and stands at this point of writing with No. 5400 as the latest addition.

In the years covered in paragraphs immediately preceding, Conferences were held at Jacksonville, Ocala, St. Petersburg, Hollywood and Tampa. Official representatives in attendance were Abit Nix, a Past Director of RI; Bruce Williams, 1st Vice-President; Karl Miller, a Director; Elbridge W. Palmer, a Director; and Ed F. McFaddin, a Past Director.

To bring our review up to the time of its compilation, we record three more administrations: Fairfax Haskins, of Sebring, 1941-1942; G. T. Melton, of Lake City, 1942-1943; and Harry M. Smith, of Winter Garden, 1943-1944. Haskins conducted the Conference of 1942 at Hollywood, and a streamlined Conference adapted to war restrictions was held at Jacksonville, under Melton, in 1943.

These last few years of current history have been clouded by the great world war, with Rotarians everywhere seeking to aid, by both personal and club activity, in the country's supreme effort to reserve its heritage of freedom.

PART II

JULY 1943 - JUNE 1956

PART TWO

INTRODUCTION

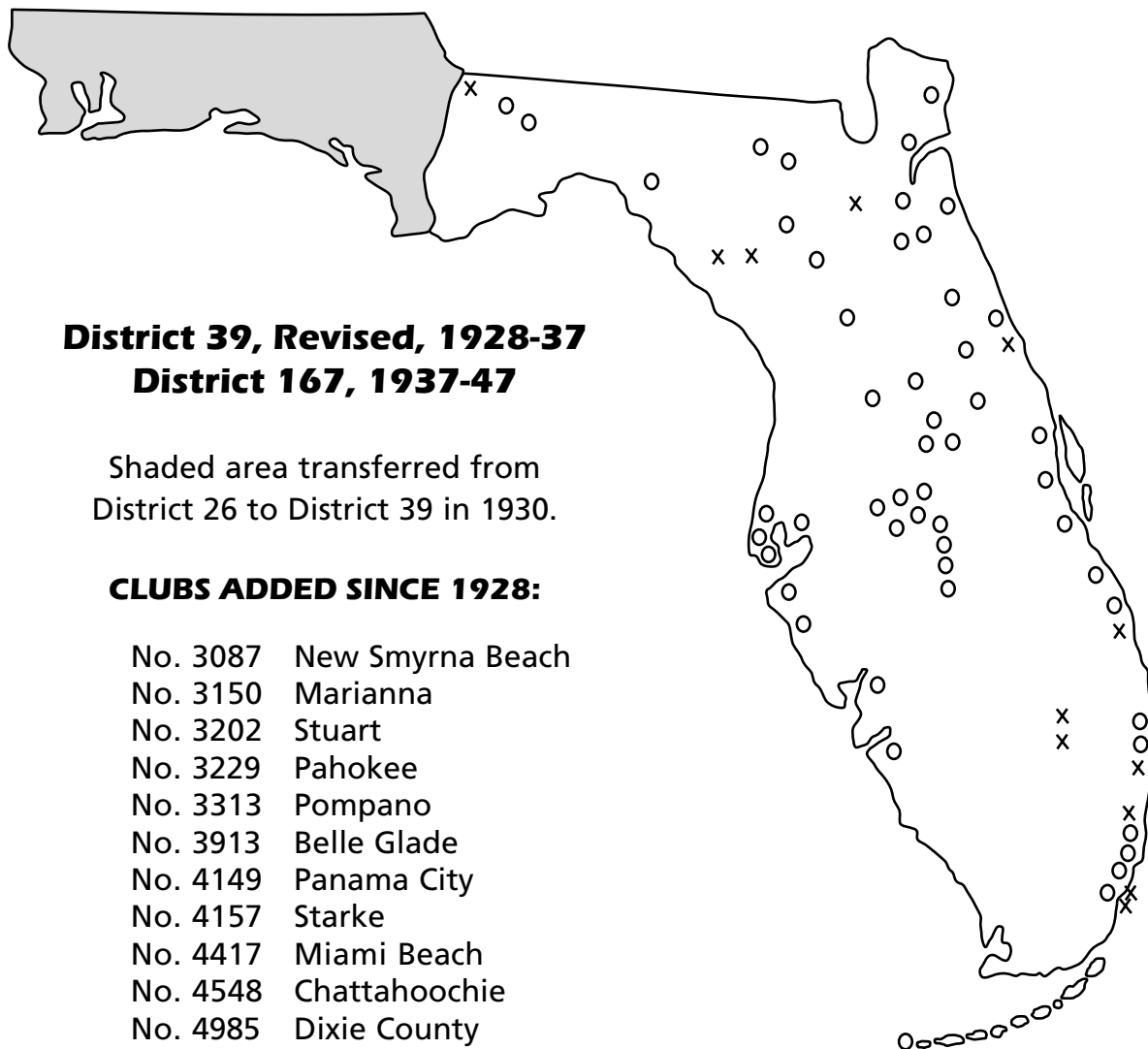
The growing need for an up-to-date history of our District came to light during our Golden Anniversary year, 1954-1955, when clubs all over the District busied themselves in writing their local club histories in preparation for their Golden Anniversary celebration. The matter was discussed at a meeting of Past District Governors at the District Assembly in Lake Wales in April 1955, and retiring Governor Chet Perry was commissioned to prepare such a history during the following year.

In August, 1955, letters and questionnaires went out to all Past Governors who had served since 1943, and the long job of assembling the data began. Since that time, with the enthusiastic help of many former Governors, and the active assistance of Governor Art Kitchen, most of the basic data was assembled. Special thanks is given to Alf Marshall of Clearwater and to the Clearwater Club for turning over to the District their private files of Governor's Monthly Letters dating back many years. As a result, we now have files of these letters, bound for easy reference and protection, dating back continuously for 21 years, together with many Conference and Assembly programs, which will become a part of our District files made available to each succeeding District Governor.

It should be noted that some of the material is presented in lesser detail than others, but only because after considerable effort more complete data covering certain periods of our history could not be obtained.

Apologies are offered in advance for any inadvertent errors or omissions in this presentation. After taking note of the difficulties in reconstructing a factual record of events after a lapse of many years, it is the fervent hope of your current historian that future club and district officers will take action to record basic historical data as it occurs. Such record will be invaluable to the clubs and to the district in later years.

—Chesley F. Perry
District Historian



District 39, Revised, 1928-37
District 167, 1937-47

Shaded area transferred from District 26 to District 39 in 1930.

CLUBS ADDED SINCE 1928:

- No. 3087 New Smyrna Beach
- No. 3150 Marianna
- No. 3202 Stuart
- No. 3229 Pahokee
- No. 3313 Pompano
- No. 3913 Belle Glade
- No. 4149 Panama City
- No. 4157 Starke
- No. 4417 Miami Beach
- No. 4548 Chattahoochie
- No. 4985 Dixie County
- No. 5190 Boynton Beach
- No. 5201 Trenton
- No. 5400 Port St. Joe
- No. 5838 Okeechobee
- No. 5891 Apalachicola
- No. 6200 Coral Gables
- No. 6221 Jacksonville Beaches
- No. 6290 Arcadia
- No. 6362 Dania
- No. 6472 Dunedin**
- No. 6563 Winter Park

PART TWO

DISTRICT 167 — 1943-1947

DISTRICT 167 — 1943 - 1947

As this part of our history begins, July 1, 1943, there were 2,780 Rotarians in the 67 clubs in District 167, which comprised the entire State of Florida.

Harry M. Smith of Winter Garden served as District Governor and, in spite of the curtailing influences and restrictions of the war, a gain of 333 members was recorded during the year to bring the membership to 3,113 on June 30th, 1944.

Gasoline rationing required the District Governor to travel largely by bus. Clubs obliged by changing meeting dates to suit the restricted travel schedule, and, in many instances, provided transportation to nearby clubs. Clubs continued their fine fellowship and Rotary service despite restricted luncheons, which in some instances consisted of sandwiches and pie one week, and soup and pie the next. The Daytona Beach club members had to serve as their own waiters—in Homestead, the members washed the dishes—St. Petersburg turned to cafeteria style—and New Smyrna Beach ate in a hot dog stand.

It was truly a year of Service above Self - as busy Rotarians, already doing double duty because of manpower shortages, gave time and leadership to war work, bond sales, USO, Red Cross, plane spotting, entertaining soldiers and many relief activities. Governor Harry attended the International Assembly in St. Louis, and following his return, conducted our District Assembly in Lakeland with 62 of the 67 clubs represented by their incoming officers.

The District Conference was held in St. Petersburg, with a registration of 444. Frank C. Barnes of Manistee, Michigan, was the personal representative of International President Charles L. Wheeler. One of the highlights of the Conference was a demonstration meeting by one of the Four-Square Clubs of St. Petersburg. (Four-Square Clubs are composed of boys in 5th and 6th grades, and their meetings, organization and activities are patterned after Rotary.) John P. Welsh served as Conference chairman.

The District Fund assessment of 75¢ per member provided for the usual expenses of the District, including an allowance of \$600.00 for the host club Conference expenses, which was further financed by a \$3.50 registration fee per person.

Members of the District Fund Committee were G. T. Melton, Chairman; Fairfax T. Haskins, H. F. Cordez, Whitney Spiegel, Pat Railey, John D. Harris and John Masek, Secretary.

At the close of the year, there were 5,238 clubs in all of Rotary, with 214,500 members. Of these, 214 clubs and 7,500 members were counted "Inactive" on account of the war.

DISTRICT 167 — YEAR OF 1944-1945

Dean Walter J. Matherly, of the University of Florida, Gainesville, served as Governor of the 167th District during 1944-45: Following the International Assembly in Chicago, Walter returned to convene the District Assembly June 18-

1943

Rotary International officially adopts The 4-Way Test, one of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics. Chicago Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor, who served RI as president in 1954-55, wrote the initial 24-word test when he was asked to help save an aluminum company verging on bankruptcy in the aftermath of the Great Depression. Taylor's "ethical compass" has since been translated into 100 languages.

20, 1944, in Jacksonville. Despite travel restrictions, 42 incoming presidents and 25 secretaries were among the 166 persons registered.

No new clubs had been chartered in Florida since 1941, and Governor Matherly appointed Special Representatives to survey some 24 prospective communities over the State in the interest of Rotary extension.

Okeechobee was the first of two new clubs admitted into membership in RI during the year. They were chartered on October 16, 1944, and their formal charter presentation meeting was held November 22, with all 19 charter members present, in addition to many Rotarians from other clubs. Pahokee was the sponsoring club, with D. D. Caudill as the Governor's Special Representative.

Apalachicola became a member club in Rotary International on January 25, 1945, under the sponsorship of Port St. Joe club. A. V. Benson, formerly a member of the High Springs club was Special Representative. Charter night was held on March 5th. The 24 charter members selected T. E. Austin as President; G. R. Porter as Vice-President; C. H. Floyd as Secretary; and T. J. Hicks as Treasurer.

The District Conference was scheduled to be held in Miami Beach on April 28-30. In keeping with the spirit and the letter of travel and meeting restrictions then in effect throughout the United States, the Conference was officially cancelled. Since the Conference delegates customarily elect the District Governor, immediate plans were instituted to provide for his election by mail ballot.

The Governor's Citation for Club Service was presented to the Winter Haven Club, and for International Service, to the Miami Club. The annual President's Award went to the Lake Wales Club.

Travel restrictions were a severe handicap in maintaining the strenuous schedule of the District Governor. To a large extent, each club furnished transportation to the next one. Governor Walter was an outstanding speaker, resulting in many invitations to address various meetings and groups. In addition to filling 74 official Rotary speaking engagements, he addressed 24 High School assemblies, and spoke to 27 other community groups during the year.

The number of clubs increased from 67 to 69 during his administration. A membership increase of 380 was recorded, bringing the District to a total of 3,493 members at the year's end. The International Convention, held in Chicago, was limited in attendance to Past and Present officers of RI, and the incoming District Governors.

The District Fund Committee for the year was composed of Harry Smith, Winter Garden, Chairman; G. T. Melton, Lake City; Pat Railey, Miami; John D. Harris, St. Petersburg; J. Saxon Lloyd, Daytona Beach, Millard Davidson, Marianna; and Herbert Dear, High Springs, Secretary.

DISTRICT 167 — YEAR OF 1945-46

World War II came to a close in the second month of the Rotary year. District Governor Fred M. Bultman, of Jacksonville, was at the helm of the District during this momentous period, which saw the return of our fighting men from around the world, reuniting of families, and the lifting of rationing and other necessary

1943-1945

In a series of meetings between 1943 and 1945, a group of Rotarians participate in the early formation of the United Nations.

1945

The establishment of the Rotary Relief Fund to help war victims and a resolution calling for the "respect for human rights" in 1940 set the stage for Rotary's increasingly active and prominent role in promoting world peace.

wartime restrictions, and brought to Rotary its greatest challenge in the field of International goodwill.

Governor Fred attended the International Assembly in Chicago in May of 1945, which because of restrictions then in effect was held in four sections on as many dates. Upon his return, and by reason of restricted travel, three District Assemblies were held: in Jacksonville on July 9th, in Tampa on July 17th, and in Miami on July 19th.

Three new clubs came into being during the year. The first was Coral Gables, on March 4, 1946, under the sponsorship of the Miami club. Next was Jacksonville Beach on March 18, 1946, sponsored by Jacksonville, the home club of the District Governor. Then came Arcadia on May 20, 1946, sponsored by the Fort Myers club, with Paul G. Franklin as the Governor's Special Representative. This brought the number of clubs in Florida (District 167) to an impressive 72 and directed attention to the need of district division to make administration easier.

An interesting innovation in the publishing of the *Governor's Monthly Letter* was inaugurated that year. Each month, in addition to the regular letter written by the Governor, a Past Governor was invited to contribute a message of one or two pages, which was published as a part of the Monthly Letter. Among the contributors noted were John Turner, S. Kendrick Guernsey, Fairfax Haskins, F. Irving Holmes, Alfred P. Marshall and James A. Franklin.

The Governor organized a special train from Florida for the convenience of Rotarians attending the International Convention held in Atlantic City.

Miami Beach renewed its invitation of the previous year to be hosts to the District Conference. The Floridian Hotel served as Headquarters, and registrations included 363 Rotarians, 243 Rotary Anns, and 18 guests, for a total attendance of 624. Porter W. Carswell, of Waynesboro, Georgia, served as President Tom Warren's representative at the Conference. A feature of the Conference was the many exhibits depicting the activities of clubs around the District.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Walter J. Matherly, Gainesville, Chairman; Harry M. Smith, Winter Garden, Secretary; John D. Harris, St. Petersburg; H. F. Cordez, Miami; E. Snow Martin, Lakeland; C. D. Johnson, Quincy; and W. A. Willison, Green Cove Springs.

Membership grew sharply during this first post-war year, showing an increase of 507 to reach an even 4,000 at the year's end.

DISTRICT 167 — YEAR OF 1946-47

The last year that all of the clubs in Florida served under the banner of one District (167) was the year 1946-47. District Governor Al Geiger of St. Petersburg was the last to serve all of Florida, and the final Governor of District 167.

During the year, the District grew from 72 to 75 clubs, and from 4,000 to 4,442 members. At that time, it was the third largest District in the Rotary world, and plans had already been announced to divide the two larger districts. Governor A1 faced the problem of administration of such a large district squarely, called a meeting of all Past District Governors in Orlando on March 30, 1947, to consider the problem, and recommended district division. The group concurred and steps

were taken that resulted in division into three separate districts beginning July 1, 1947. For complete details on re-districting, see the summary on succeeding pages.

The District Assembly was conducted by Governor Al in Orlando, July 14-16, 1946, shortly after his return from the International Assembly held in Swampscott, Massachusetts. Fifty-six of the then 72 clubs were represented in Orlando.

The first of the three new clubs chartered was Dania, admitted into membership in RI on August 7, 1946. It was sponsored by Hollywood, with Roy B. Harris as Special Representative. Charter presentation was held on October 7, 1946.

Club number two was Dunedin, which came into being on January 20, 1947. Clearwater was the sponsoring club, and Past RI Director, Tom Hood, then of Clearwater, was Special Representative, and became Charter President of the new club. Alf Marshall, John Chestnut and Dr. Harold Winchester of Clearwater served on the extension committee, and Dr. Winchester also became a charter member of the new club. A unique feature of their Charter night, held February 18, was that two Past Presidents of RI took part in the program. They were Frank Mulholland and Russell Greiner.

Winter Park became the 75th and final club to come into the District before its division. It was chartered April 18, 1947, with Charter presentation held on April 24th. Orlando was the sponsoring club, with Jim Keith as the Governor's Representative. Kenneth E. Wacker, later destined for further Rotary honors and responsibilities, was charter President of the new club.

On January 27, 1947, Rotary's beloved founder, PAUL HARRIS, passed away. Acting upon the suggestion of the Board of Directors of Rotary International, Governor Al telegraphed each club in the District, suggesting that as a memorial to Paul, that each Rotarian in the District be invited to make a \$10.00 investment in the Rotary Foundation for the furtherance of International fellowships and in other ways to promote International goodwill. (See detailed story on the Rotary Foundation near the end of this history.) Suffice it to say that a considerable interest developed in the Foundation during the remaining months of this Rotary year, and at the District Conference late in April, six clubs were reported as 100% participants. They were Coral Gables, Jacksonville Beach, Crescent City, Tampa, Dania and Leesburg.

The Conference in Daytona Beach, April 27-29, was attended by 426 Rotarians, 242 ladies, for a total registration of 668. Rilea W. Doe, Director of RI from Oakland, California, was President Richard Hedke's personal representative at the Conference. In addition to Rilea's address, other outstanding conference talks were made by Hal Fikret, Orlando; Dr. Russell Williams, Miami; District Governor Gamble Cleveland, Valdosta, Georgia; and Bishop Henry I. Loutitt of Orlando.

During the Governor's Banquet the following awards were presented: President's Award, Avon Park; Governor's Citation for Club Service, Winter Haven; for Vocational Service, Gainesville; for Community Service, Hollywood; and International Service, Miami. Garland Powell of Gainesville served as a member of the Rotary Foundation Committee of Rotary International during the year. District Governors Nominee to serve the three Florida districts were chosen as follows: 167 A - Lawrence M. Hirzig of Jacksonville; 167 B - James I. Keller, Jr., of Miami; 167 C - Paul Stine of Orlando.

Dunedin received its charter on January 20, 1947.

1947

Paul Harris passes away on January 27, 1947. Contributions made in his memory started The Rotary Foundation on its way.

DIVISION OF DISTRICT 167, JULY 1, 1947, AND EVENTS LEADING UP TO FORMATION OF 167-A, 167-B AND 167-C

For several years, consideration had been given to the matter of district division. Previous proposals had anticipated the division into two Districts, North Florida and South Florida. Such proposals never gained substantial backing, however, probably because of the unwillingness of Rotarians and clubs to do anything that might supplement political or economic differences which had come to exist between northern and southern sections of the State.

Rotarians were reluctant to separate themselves from the friendships and fellowship existing between members of the clubs throughout the State, yet more and more it was recognized that administration of so many clubs spread over such a wide area was demanding more time and effort than it was reasonable to expect from a District Governor on a volunteer basis. Also, it was recognized that the great distances required for attendance at Conferences and Assemblies were a deterrent to attendance at these important functions.

The following letter from Governor Al to the officers of all clubs in the district as of April 3, 1947, may be of interest:

Supplementary Governor's Letter

Subject: District Division

Many of us in the 167th District have realized for some time that sooner or later we would have to face realistically the question of district division. For administrative purposes, Rotary Clubs are grouped by districts with a District Governor representing Rotary International as chief administrative and supervisory officer over the district. It is possible for a district to grow in size to such an extent that division is necessary if a Governor is to be able to do his job in the way it should be done. Our District Governors are men who are active in business and professional life, and, for that reason, cannot give their full time to this work.

At the beginning of this Rotary year we were the third largest district in all of Rotary from the standpoint of number of clubs and number of members. District 132 with 88 clubs, and District 174 with 83 clubs, were larger than we. Since the beginning of the year District 132 has been divided, and in the Spokes Magazine, publication of the New York City Club, of April 1, I note an article on district division of District 174. It is generally felt that when a district gets over 50 clubs, it becomes more and more difficult for a Governor to be able to give the time necessary to take care of all the details of administration.

I wish to be clearly understood on this matter. I have thoroughly enjoyed my work this year as Governor. I will say, however, that to cover the entire State of Florida, and take care of all the things that the Governor should take care of, does consume a great deal of time; in fact, more time than many men can afford to give. We now have 74 clubs in our district and in all probability a charter for the 75th will be granted this week. There are

many fine, capable men in our District for Governor, but up to this time there has been no name presented as nominee for the next year.

“At a meeting Sunday, March 30, called for all Past District Governors to discuss this matter, the following were present: John Turner, Alf Marshall, Bert Arnold, Ed Bentley, Roland Horton and Harry Smith. These Past District Governors voted unanimously for district division. Many Past Governors could not attend this meeting, however, some of these expressed themselves, by telegram or letter, as favorable to district division into three districts.

“You will find attached herewith a suggested plan of division, listing the clubs and the counties as they would be in three new districts. Within the next few days you will receive from Rotary International a ballot on this question. You will kindly express yourself either as approving or disapproving district division. If we divide the district as suggested, Governors will be nominated at the District Conference at Daytona Beach for each of the new districts. These Governor nominees will attend the Assembly of Rotary International at Sun Valley, and the International Convention at San Francisco. They will take over the duties of administering the new districts July 1.

*Rotarily yours,
(Signed) Albert J. Geiger*

The division was consummated, and as of June 30, 1947, following are the clubs assigned to each of the 3 new districts, together with the number of members in each club.

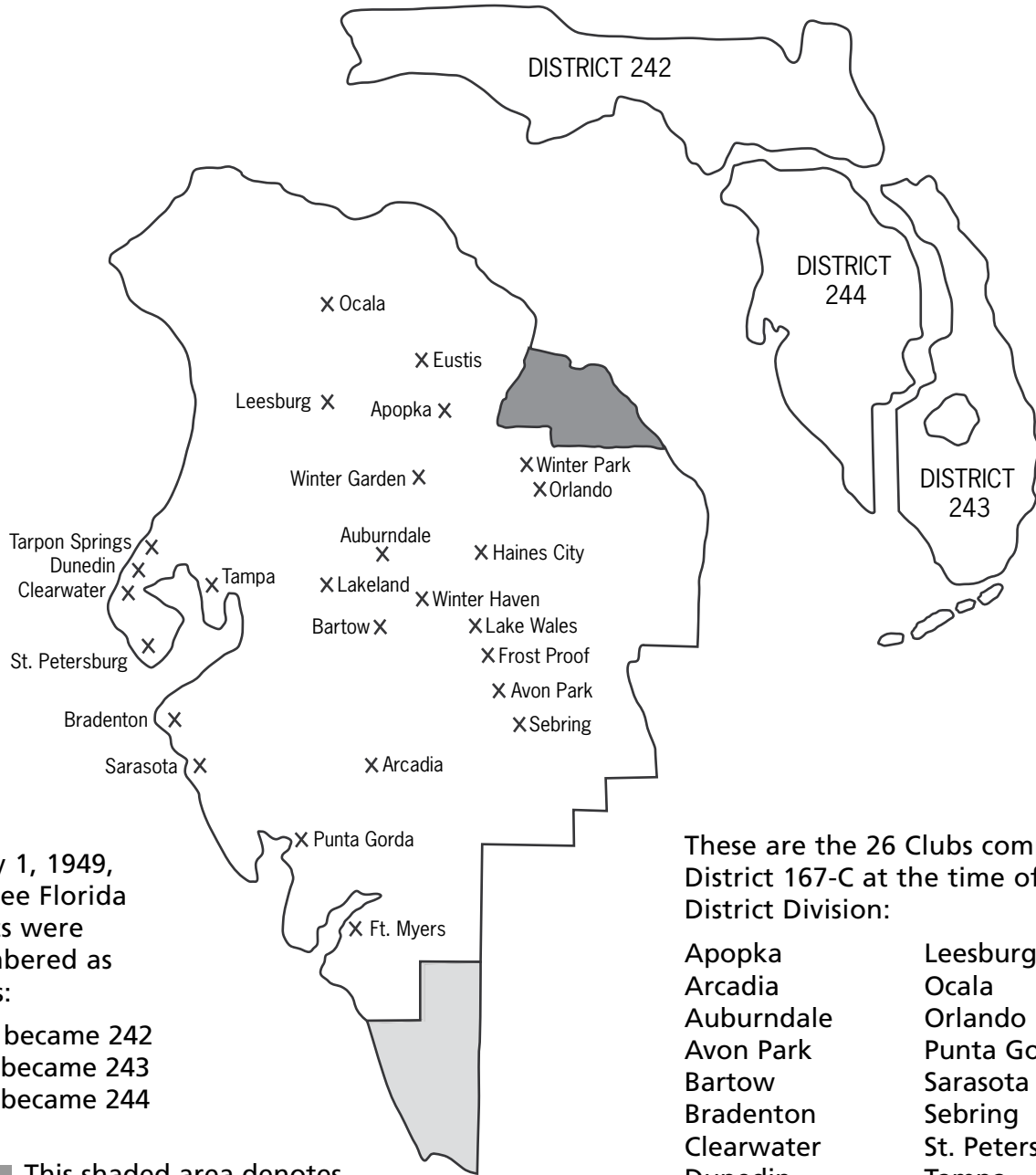
**CHRONOLOGY OF THE 75 CLUBS IN FLORIDA, COMPRISING
DISTRICT 167 AT THE TIME OF DISTRICT DIVISION, June 30, 1947**

CHARTER NO.	CHARTER DATE	CLUB	SPONSOR
41	June 1913	Jacksonville	
117	June 1914	Tampa	Jacksonville
162	Mar. 1915	Pensacola	Mobile, Ala.
213	Apr. 1916	Key West	Tampa
271	Mar. 1917	Miami	Jacksonville
377	Feb. 1918	Lakeland	Tampa
419	Aug. 1918	Gainesville	Jacksonville
443	Feb. 1919	W. Palm Beach	Miami
463	May 1919	Ocala	Jacksonville
615	Feb. 1920	St. Petersburg	Tampa
639	Apr. 1920	St. Augustine	Jacksonville
666	Apr. 1920	Palatka	Gainesville
693	May 1920	Orlando	Tampa
873	Apr. 1921	Sanford	Orlando
891	Apr. 1921	Daytona Beach	St. Augustine
940	May 1921	Live Oak	Valdosta Ga.
1090	Jan. 1922	Ft. Lauderdale	Miami
1127	Apr. 1922	Fort Myers	Lakeland
1280	Dec. 1922	Tallahassee	Thomasville Ga.
1308	Jan. 1923	Eustis	Orlando
1344	Feb. 1923	Lake City	Jacksonville
1409	Mar. 1923	Titusville	Daytona Beach
1463	Apr. 1923	Perry	Live Oak
1523	Sept 1923	Quincy	Dothan, Ala.
1669	Mar. 1924	Fort Pierce	W. Palm Beach
1813	Aug. 1924	Avon Park	Lakeland
1816	Sept 1924	Sebring	Lakeland
1852	Dec. 1924	Bartow	Lakeland
1862	Dec. 1924	Cocoa	Titusville
1875	Jan. 1925	Clearwater	St. Petersburg
1894	Jan. 1925	Homestead	Miami
2001	Apr. 1925	Punta Gorda	Fort Myers
2043	May 1925	Haines City	Lakeland
2068	June 1925	Winter Haven	Lakeland
2190	Dec. 1925	Auburndale	Lakeland
2202	Jan. 1926	High Springs	Lake City
2265	Mar. 1926	Winter Garden	Orlando
2269	Mar. 1926	Lake Wales	Tampa

CHARTER NO.	CHARTER DATE	CLUB	SPONSOR
2284	Mar. 1926	Sarasota	St. Petersburg
2318	Apr. 1926	Hollywood	Miami
2356	May 1926	Fernandina	Jacksonville
2372	June 1926	Leesburg	Ocala
2375	June 1926	Bradenton	Tampa
2377	June 1926	Vero Beach	West Palm Beach
2404	July 1926	Green Cove Springs	Palatka
2455	Oct. 1926	Deland	Daytona Beach
2482	Jan. 1927	Melbourne	Cocoa
2487	Feb. 1927	Crescent City	Palatka
2495	Feb. 1927	Hastings	St. Augustine
2521	Mar. 1927	Tarpon Springs	Clearwater
2620	May 1927	Apopka	Orlando
2699	Nov. 1927	Frostproof	Avon Park
2715	Feb. 1928	Lake Worth	West Palm Beach
3087	Mar. 1929	New Smyrna Beach	Daytona Beach
3150	May 1929	Marianna	Dothan, Ala.
3202	Aug. 1929	Stuart	Fort Pierce
3229	Oct. 1929	Pahokee	Homestead
3313	Apr. 1930	Pompano	Fort Lauderdale
3913	Jan. 1936	Belle Glade	Pahokee
4149	Feb. 1937	Panama City	Marianna
4157	June 1937	Starke	Gainesville
4437	Oct. 1937	Miami Beach	Miami
4548	Jan. 1938	Chattahoochie	Quincy
4985	May 1939	Dixie County	Perry
5190	Mar. 1940	Boynton Beach	West Palm Beach
5201	Mar. 1940	Trenton	Gainesville
5400	June 1941	Port St. Joe	Panama City
5838	Oct. 1944	Okeechobee	Pahokee
5891	Jan. 1945	Apalachicola	Port St. Joe
6200	Mar. 1946	Coral Gables	Miami
6221	Mar. 1946	Jacksonville Bchs.	Jacksonville
6290	May 1946	Arcadia	Fort Myers
6362	Aug. 1946	Dania	Hollywood
6472	Jan. 1947	Dunedin	Clearwater
6563	Apr. 1947	Winter Park	Orlando



Note: Chronology of all clubs in District 244 as of June 30, 1956, is published on a later date.

FLORIDA DIVIDED INTO DISTRICTS – JULY 1, 1947



On July 1, 1949, the three Florida Districts were re-numbered as follows:

- 167-A became 242
- 167-B became 243
- 167-C became 244

-  This shaded area denotes Seminole County (Sanford), which was added to 244 on January 1, 1948.
-  This shaded area denotes the western portion of Collier County (Naples) added to District 244 during 1951-52.

These are the 26 Clubs comprising District 167-C at the time of District Division:

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|-------------|----------------|
| Apopka | Leesburg |
| Arcadia | Ocala |
| Auburndale | Orlando |
| Avon Park | Punta Gorda |
| Bartow | Sarasota |
| Bradenton | Sebring |
| Clearwater | St. Petersburg |
| Dunedin | Tampa |
| Eustis | Tarpon Springs |
| Fort Myers | Winter Garden |
| Frostproof | Winter Haven |
| Haines City | Winter Park |
| Lakeland | |
| Lake Wales | |

DISTRICT 167-A FLORIDA (That portion North of the Northern boundaries of the counties of Levy, Marion, Lake and Volusia), embracing 34 counties and the following clubs:

Club	Members
1. Apalachicola	32
2. Chattahoochee	37
3. Crescent City	28
4. Dixie County	22
5. Fernandina	26
6. Gainesville	101
7. Green Cove Springs	30
8. Hastings	21
9. High Springs	32
10. Jacksonville	212
11. Jacksonville Beach	26
12. Lake City	36

Club	Members
13. Live Oak	36
14. Marianna	47
15. Palatka	40
16. Panama City	66
17. Pensacola	123
18. Perry	40
19. Port St. Joe	28
20. Quincy	41
21. Starke	34
22. St. Augustine	58
23. Tallahassee	87
24. Trenton	25

District 167-A, Total Members 1,250

DISTRICT 167-B, FLORIDA (The Counties of Volusia, Seminole, Brevard, Indian River, Okeechobee, Dade and Monroe), embracing the following clubs:

Club	Members
1. Belle Glade	47
2. Boynton Beach	29
3. Cocoa	41
4. Coral Gables	39
5. Dania	26
6. Daytona Beach	101
7. Deland	52
8. Ft. Lauderdale	126
9. Ft. Pierce	68
10. Hollywood	67
11. Homestead	35
12. Key West	46
13. Lake Worth	70

Club	Members
14. Melbourne	22
15. Miami	243
16. Miami Beach	58
17. New Smyrna Beach	52
18. Okeechobee	29
19. Pahokee	47
20. Pompano	29
21. Sanford*	53
22. Stuart	43
23. Titusville	25
24. Vero Beach	62
25: West Palm Beach	122

District 167B, Total Members 1,510

DISTRICT 167-C, FLORIDA (The Counties of Levy, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Lake, Orange, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Osceola, Manatee, Highlands, Sarasota, DeSota, Charlotte and Lee), embracing the following clubs:

Club	Members
1. Apopka	28
2. Arcadia	23
3. Auburndale	58
4. Avon Park	46
5. Bartow	45
6. Bradenton	75
7. Clearwater	74
8. Dunedin	38
9. Eustis	31
10. Frostproof	35
11. Fort Myers	76
12. Haines City	54
13. Lakeland	82

Club	Members
14. Lake Wales	86
15. Leesburg	34
16. Ocala	69
17. Orlando	156
18. Punta Gorda	19
19. Sarasota	65
20. Sebring	39
21. St. Petersburg	136
22. Tampa	212
23. Tarpon Springs	37
24. Winter Garden	55
25. Winter Haven	74
26. Winter Park	29

District 167-C, Total Members1,682

* Sanford was originally placed in District 167-B, but with the concurrence of all concerned was transferred the following year to District 167-C.

DISTRICT 167-C — YEAR OF 1947-48

Paul Stine of Orlando became the first Governor of District 167-C which, at its inception, had 26 clubs and 1,682 members. The area included central and Southwest Florida (See map) and embraced 19 counties.

Governor Paul presided over the District Assembly held in Winter Haven July 20-22, with 143 Rotarians and 60 ladies present, including representation from all 26 clubs.

Since the death of Paul Harris in January 1947, worldwide interest centered upon the Rotary Foundation, and by June 30, 1948, there were 12 clubs participating 100%, and the total investment in the Foundation by the clubs in the District totaled \$12,756.00. Worldwide, the Foundation had grown to its initial goal of \$2,000,000.00.

Palmetto became club number 27 in the District on December 1, 1947, under the sponsorship of the Bradenton club. W. J. Daniel served as Special Representative, and L.P. Thomas was elected Charter President, with R. P. Hutton as Secretary.

On December 26, 1947, a charter was granted to a new club at Venice-Nokomis under the sponsorship of Sarasota. Walter Kennedy served as Special Representative. James T. Blalock was first President and Rev. D.C. Crawford was Secretary.

The Sanford club, which at the time of the District division had been placed in 167-B, the Eastern District, was transferred to 167-C on January 1, 1948, with the consent of all concerned.

In addition to being the pace setting year for the new district 167-C, 1947-48 will also be remembered as the year that a native son, S. Kendrick Guernsey, a Charter member of the Orlando club, and more recently of Jacksonville, served with distinction as the President of Rotary International. His leadership furnished inspiration to all.

Specific district objectives included the building of an esprit-de-corps in the new district, Rotary information and fireside meetings, plus great emphasis on the Rotary Foundation.

The District Conference convened in Clearwater March 28-30 with 304 registered, including 185 Rotarians and 119 Rotary Anns. The Bartow club received the President's Award. The Governor's Citation was awarded to Winter Haven for Club Service; to Sarasota for Community Service, and to Tampa for Vocational and International Service. The President's representative at the Conference was H. Van Churchill of New Kensington, Pennsylvania. Included as program participants were Past RI President Frank Mulholland, Past Governors Harry Smith, Tom Hood, Fairfax Haskins, Al Geiger and Garland Powell; Lem P. Woods, President of the Tampa club; Dr. Robert McGowan, Lakeland; John D. Harris, St. Petersburg, and Kenneth E. Wacker, President of the Winter Park Club.

The first International Convention to be held in the Southern hemisphere was held in Rio de Janeiro in May 1948.

Albert J. Geiger served as Chairman of the Extension Committee of RI, and Garland Powell as Chairman of the Rotary Foundation Committee during the year.

1947

More than 300,000 Rotarians in 70 countries mourn the death of Rotary's founder, Paul P. Harris. An outpouring of contributions made in his honor allows The Rotary Foundation of RI to launch its first program the following year. Under the auspices of what would become known as the Ambassadorial Scholarships program, 18 "Rotary Fellows" act as ambassadors of goodwill studying abroad.

1947-1948

In 1947-48, S. Kendrick Guernsey, a Charter member of the Orlando club, and more recently of Jacksonville, served with distinction as the President of Rotary International.

The reduced size of the District brought about an increase in the district fund per capita contribution to \$1.50. Members of the District Fund Committee were A1 Geiger, Chairman; Harry Smith, Secretary-Treasurer; O.C. Cone, John D. Harris, Chet Perry, Lester Armstrong and Leo Wotitzky.

The year ended with 29 clubs and 1823 members, a gain of 3 clubs and 141 members. Attendance averaged 87.01% for the year.

DISTRICT 167-C — YEAR OF 1948-49

After returning from the International Assembly in Quebec in June 1948, Morris E. White, of Tampa, newly elected District Governor, conducted the District Assembly in Winter Garden. It was attended by 26 incoming Presidents, 15 incoming Secretaries, and 54 other Rotarians.

Two new clubs were added during the year, both under the sponsorship of Tampa. The Rotary Club of Ybor City became club number 30 in our District upon its admission into membership in RI on September 16, 1948. J.C. Hughey of Tampa was the Governor's Special Representative. Anthony P. Pizzo was chosen Charter President, Joe E. Chamoun, Vice-President; Joe T. DiBona, Secretary, and A.E. Fernandez, Treasurer. The Charter night meeting, held at the Cuban Club on October 20, assumed an International air accented by the presence of the Secretary and a Past President of the Havana, Cuba, club.

The second new club to join our Rotary family was Dade City, admitted into membership on March 16, 1949. J.C. Hughey again served as Governor's Representative. Charlie Touchton was elected President of this new club, Dr. W.H. Walters, Vice-President, Earl Jones, Secretary and Darell Blue, Treasurer.

Rotary's International President, Angus Mitchell, of Australia, visited the District in February. Arriving in Tampa early on the morning of February 15, 1949, he was entertained by the new Ybor City club at a breakfast, and at noon he addressed an inter-city meeting in Tampa. The following day he spoke to an inter-city gathering in Orlando. He was accompanied by Past RI President Ken Guernsey on both occasions.

Following the recommendation of the Directors of RI, the practice of presenting a "President's Award" and "District Governor's Citation" was discontinued throughout Rotary.

In March, 1949, it was announced that RI had officially changed the number of our District from 167-C to 244, effective July 1, 1949.

This year marked the first time that our District was invited to name a graduate student to receive the Rotary Foundation Fellowship award, but there were no candidates proposed by the clubs in the District.

Sarasota was host to the District Conference April 24-26, 1949. Plenary sessions were held at Lido Beach. Past President Ken Guernsey was the personal representative of President Angus Mitchell at the Conference. Tom Culler served as Conference Chairman, and Alf Marshall as Program Chairman. Conference registration was 424, with 199 Rotarians and 100 ladies in attendance in addition to the members of the Sarasota club who registered 100%.

Dade City was the second new club admitted into membership during the 1948-1949 Rotary year on March 16, 1949.

In March, 1949, it was announced that RI had officially changed the number of our District from 167-C to 244, effective July 1, 1949.

Governor Morris and a large contingent of Rotarians and ladies from the District attended Rotary's largest International Convention, which was held in New York City.

Members serving on the District Fund Committee were Paul Stine, Chairman; Harry Smith, Secretary; Al Geiger, Chet Perry, C.L. "Army" Armstrong, Bob Baynard and John D. Harris.

Average attendance for the year was 88.58%. The year ended with 31 clubs, and 1,938 members, a gain of two clubs and 115 members.

District 167-C now becomes District 244, with no changes in boundaries.

DISTRICT 244 - 1949 - 1956

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1949-50

Dr. Walter C. Kennedy of Sarasota became the first Governor of District 244. It had been two years since the old 167th had been divided into 167-A, 167-B and 167-C, and now, without change in territories, these became 242, 243 and 244 respectively. Governor Walter attended the International Assembly in Lake Placid in June 1949, and upon his return conducted the District Assembly for incoming club officers at Tarpon Springs, July 10th and 11th. Attendance at the District Assembly was 166, including representatives of 24 of the 31 clubs in the District.

On February 20, 1950, the Rotary Club of Gulf Beaches (St. Petersburg) was chartered. St. Petersburg was the sponsoring club, and E. H. Mathews served as the Governor's Special Representative. Charter night was held on March 20.

Kissimmee joined our family of clubs with the issuance of its charter on June 7, 1950. The Rotary Club of Winter Park was the sponsoring club and Mano W. Stuckey served as Special Representative. Charter presentation meeting was held June 26.

Tampa and Ybor City were hosts to our District Conference on April 30 - May 2, 1950, with Norman G. Foster, of Ottawa, Canada, as representative of International President Percy Hodgson. The total Conference registration was 903, a record attendance, which had not been equalled since 1927, when Tampa had also been host to a Conference of District 39, then comprising all of Florida and Georgia with a registration of 1017. And, as this is written, early in 1956, 903 still stands as the highest Conference registration in District 244.

One of the Conference highlights was the "Comida Entre Camaradas" (Dinner Among Friends) which was held at the Circulo Cubano in Ybor City Sunday evening. It was an out-of-doors fiesta with typical Latin atmosphere and hospitality. Among program participants at the Conference were Conference Chairman L. M. Anderson, Jr., Jack Peters, Tampa; W. A. McRae, Jr., Bartow; Rev. George A. Foster, Ocala; Dr. R.H. Jordan, Avon Park; Joe Chamoun, Ybor City; Paul Stine, Orlando; and Harry Smith, Winter Garden. L.N. Dantzler of Tampa was Program Chairman.

Conference registration fees were \$13.00 for Rotarians, and \$2.00 for their ladies. All clubs in the District were represented.

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and "He
Profits Most
Who Serves
Best," after
many years
of general
but unofficial
usage.*

Eugene Bovis of Kissimmee, sponsored by the Orlando club, became the first Rotary Foundation Fellow to be selected from our District. He studied one year in France, and almost immediately after his return home he accepted a position in the Foreign Service of the State Department, and as this is written 5 years later, he is continuing in this work with its tremendous opportunities for development of International goodwill.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Morris White, Chairman, Harry Smith, Secretary, Paul Stine, John Harris, Chet Perry and Robert S. Baynard.

The International Convention in Detroit, June 18-22, was a "Delegates Convention," following a practice then in effect limiting attendance in alternate years to RI officers and club delegates and their alternates.

Harry M. Smith served as a member of the 1950 Convention Committee.

District attendance for the year averaged 88.34%. The year ended with 33 clubs and 2,018 members.

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1950-51

District Governor Frank M. Rhodes of St. Petersburg took over the leadership of District 244 on July 1, 1950.

Governor Frank attended the International Assembly in Chicago and the International Convention in Detroit, both in June 1950, in preparation for the year ahead. The Detroit Convention will be remembered as the time when Rotary International officially adopted its mottoes, "Service Above Self" and "He Profits Most Who Serves Best," after many years of general but unofficial usage.

Governor Frank convened the District Assembly for new club officers in Lakeland July 16-17, 1950. There were 32 of the 33 clubs represented.

Rotary's International President, Arthur Lagueux of Canada, visited the District on February 6, 1951. He spoke at the St. Petersburg club to an inter-city audience of over 700 Rotarians, representing 351 different Rotary clubs, including 19 clubs in District 244, and 28 Canadian clubs.

Orlando and Winter Park were hosts to the District Conference held in Orlando, April 22-24, 1951. Jim Keith, Orlando, served as Conference Chairman, with John D. Harris of St. Petersburg as Program Chairman. A double barreled program including United States Senator Spessard Holland as speaker and the famous Charlotte Boys Choir sparked the Fellowship dinner. RI Director Cleve Allen of Coral Gables was personal representative of President Lagueux: Other program participants included Morris White, Tampa; Alfred P. Marshall, Clearwater; Tom Hood, Dunedin; Dr. Earl B. Edington, St. Petersburg; Dr. J. Ollie Edmunds, President of Stetson College; Dr. Walter Kennedy, Sarasota; Millard Davidson, then of Tampa; Harry M. Smith, Winter Garden, and Dr. Roy Angel, Miami.

Conference registration was 647 with all clubs in the District represented.

During the year, Orlando became the first club in the District to add \$10.00 to their initiation fees to maintain 100% member participation in the Rotary Foundation.

Members of the District Fund Committee included Dr. Walter Kennedy, Chairman; Harry M. Smith, Secretary; John D. Harris, Chet Perry, Morris White, and Paul Stine. District Fund assessment was \$1.00 per member. Conference registration fee was \$2.50 per person.

Average attendance during the year was 87.81%, and membership had risen to 2,082 at the year's end.

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1951-52

V. Mallory Roberts, Jr., of Winter Haven served as District Governor during 1951-52. Mallory attended the International Assembly at Lake Placid, New York, and the International Convention in Atlantic City during the latter part of May, returning him home in time to conduct our District Assembly in Eustis, June 24-25, 1951. Incoming officers representing 29 of our 33 clubs were present at the District Assembly to further prepare them for the year ahead.

Rules governing Senior Active memberships were revised at the Atlantic City Convention with the number of years required for eligibility reduced from 20 to 15.

Under the sponsorship of the Fort Myers Club, with Chet Perry as the Governor's Special Representative, the Naples club was chartered on November 26, 1951. An interesting sidelight was that when the charter papers were submitted to RI it came to light that all of Collier County, including Naples, was in the jurisdiction of District 243. However, with the consent of all concerned, the Board of Directors of RI transferred the western part of Collier County, including Naples, to District 244, but since this could not be completed prior to the issuing of the Charter, District Governor Irwin Waite of Miami (District 243) was invited to formally present the Charter at the charter program held January 8, 1952. Governor Mallory was the principal speaker on that occasion. Leonard King was Charter President of the new 24 member club, and Henry Hoffman, Secretary.

Governor Mallory instituted a club Bulletin Contest, with two divisions—clubs under 100 members and those over 100. A plaque was presented to Dunedin as winner in the group of smaller clubs and to St. Petersburg among the larger clubs.

Because the forthcoming International Convention to be held in Mexico City was to be a delegates convention, with attendance limited to one for each 50 members of a club, and because of limited accommodations available, the Directors of RI requested that all Districts conduct elections by mail so that incoming Governors could be certified to them by early February. This was done, and Kenneth E. Wacker of Winter Park was elected for the coming year.

The third annual Conference of District 244 was held in St. Petersburg, April 20-22, 1952. Phil Lovejoy, Secretary of RI, was the personal representative of International President Frank E. Spain, of Birmingham. John S. Rhodes of St. Petersburg served as Conference Chairman, Robert R. Guthrie, St. Petersburg, as Program Chairman. St. Petersburg, under President Hugh McIntyre, was host club, with Gulf Beaches, Ralph Milliken, President, serving as co-hosts.

Among program participants were Regional Boy Scout Executive W.A. Dodson, Atlanta; Irwin R. Waite, Miami; Dean James C. Peale, Lakeland; W.A. McRae, Jr., Bartow; Frank M. Rhodes, St. Petersburg; Dr. J. Wallace Hamilton, St. Petersburg;

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In May, 1951, rules governing Senior Active memberships were revised at the Atlantic City Convention with the number of years required for eligibility reduced from 20 to 15.

In 1952, Dunedin won the first district Bulletin Contest in the "Clubs under 100" division and St. Petersburg won in the "Clubs over 100" division.

At the June 1952 District Assembly, clubs voted to increase the District Fund per capita assessment so as to provide up to \$3,000.00 allowance to a District Conference Host club for Conference expenses, and providing further that all Conference registration fees be abolished.

Paul Stine, Orlando; Harry M. Smith, Winter Garden; Walter Kennedy, Sarasota and Alf Marshall, Clearwater. Conference registration fees were \$3.50 per person.

The Dunedin Club proposed a resolution providing for doing away with individual Conference registration fees, and financing the Conferences with a larger District appropriation to be raised by an increase in the District Fund per capita tax. The matter was referred to the District Fund Committee for study and report to the next District Assembly to be held in June.

President Frank Spain did not visit the district in person, but did address the Tampa club at a regular meeting over long distance telephone.

Special emphasis during the year was placed on improved club programs, and in influencing as many eligible members as possible to take advantage of the new regulations relating to Senior Active memberships.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Frank M. Rhodes, Chairman; Harry Smith, Secretary; Dr. Walter Kennedy, Morris White, John D. Harris and Dr. W. H. Walters.

The year ended with 34 clubs, and 2,223 members, a gain of 141. District attendance averaged 88.34% for the year.

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1952-53

A new chronology of District events was instituted worldwide during 1952-53. As a result, District Governor Kenneth E. Wacker, of Winter Park, conducted two District Assemblies—the first at Venice, June 22-23, 1952, for the then incoming club officers, and the second in Fort Myers, April 19-20, 1953, for the officers who were to serve the following year. This change permitted each succeeding Governor to utilize his increased knowledge and experience at the end of his year in the training of incoming club officers rather than to do it at the outset of the year.

Thirty-two (32) of the 34 clubs were represented at the June Assembly in Venice. At this Assembly, it was voted to increase the District Fund per capita assessment so as to provide up to \$3,000.00 allowance to a District Conference Host club for Conference expenses, and providing further that all Conference registration fees be abolished.

District 244 again had an opportunity to name a Foundation Fellow, and Governor Ken appointed a selection committee composed of Mallory Roberts, Chairman; Robert McCarlin, Dean James C. Peale and O. K. Pike. Applications from candidates for the award were received from Tampa, Fort Myers and Orlando, and Joe Pittman of Orlando was awarded a Rotary Fellowship for a year of post graduate study at the University of Geneva, in Switzerland, for the academic year 1953-54.

With the change in Assembly dates came also a change in the time for holding the District Conference. Historically, our Conferences had been held in April, but that became the time of holding our Assembly, and the Conference was set back to Fall. The first Fall Conference was also our first Tri-District Conference, serving as a reunion for all Florida Rotarians. It was held in Daytona Beach, October 26,

27 and 28. Headline attractions included program participation by Past President Ken Guernsey, Webb Fallin, of Bell Buckle, Tennessee, and Herbert J. Taylor, of Chicago, who served as personal representative of President H. J. Brunnier. A pre-Conference treat was the Saturday night presentation of the opera, "Carmen." Other program participants from District 244 included Mallory Roberts, Frank Rhodes, Paul Stine, Morris White, Harry Smith and Walter Kennedy.

Conference registration was 607, including 184 from District 244. Our attendance was materially affected by a threat of a hurricane approaching the State at the time, and 27 of our 34 clubs were represented in Daytona Beach.

Governor Ken gave leadership to the District on all fronts, but special emphasis was placed on the importance of properly indoctrinating the new member.

The second District Assembly, held in Fort Myers, April 1920, was attended by representatives of all 34 clubs in the District. A novel and effective program was introduced in the form of a club assembly, with incoming club officers participating and giving the highlights of their clubs activities in the various fields of Rotary endeavor.

Ken had attended the International Assembly in Lake Placid, New York, and the International Convention at Mexico City in 1952 in preparation for his year as Governor. In 1953, he headed a good-sized delegation from District 244 who attended the International Convention in Paris.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Mallory Roberts, Chairman; Morris White, John D. Harris, Walter Winchester, Frank Rhodes, and Harry Smith, Secretary.

Attendance for the year averaged 87.06% and membership on June 20, 1953, had risen to 2,304.

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1953 - 1954

International President Joaquin Serratosa Cibils challenged every district in the Rotary world to extend Rotary into 5 new communities during the year. Two districts in USCB accomplished this goal, one of which was our own 244 under the leadership of District Governor Malcolm R. Duggan of Bradenton.

Clearwater Beach, with 22 charter members, was admitted into membership in RI on November 2, 1953. Sponsored by Clearwater, Cliff McKay was the Governor's Special Representative, and Alf Marshall assisted. Seven members of the Clearwater club became charter members of the new club. Charter night was held November 30, with an attendance of 227 from 9 clubs with Dr. Richard Cumming of Ocala as principal speaker. Charter President was Cliff McKay, and Gib Fields served as the first club Secretary.

Interbay (Tampa) was chartered December 14, 1953, under the sponsorship of the Tampa club with J. C. Hughey serving as Special Representative. Charter night was held at the Tampa Yacht Club on January 6, with 230 present from 15 clubs. Morris E. White of Tampa was principal speaker. Rex King was Charter President and Harry Watrous, Secretary.

Mount Dora, sponsored by Leesburg, with Bill Rumley serving as Special Representative, joined our Rotary family when its charter was approved by RI

The District Conference was moved from the spring to the fall in 1952 to avoid conflicts in scheduling with the assembly. The first fall conference was also a Tri-District Conference, serving as a reunion for all Florida Rotarians.

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Largo became the fourth new club during the 1953-1954 year with the issuance of its charter on March 30, 1954. Clearwater was again the sponsoring club—their second new club in 4 months

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on March 19, 1954. Dr. Charles Brown, a former Rotarian for many years in the Midwest, had moved to Mount Dora and was most active in the organizational work and became the club's first President, and Francis Henderson became Secretary. There were 24 charter members. Another banner crowd attended the Charter presentation meeting held in Leesburg on May 6, with J. Cleve Allen, Past RI Director from Coral Gables, as principal speaker.

Largo became the fourth new club during the year, with the issuance of its charter on March 30, 1954. Clearwater was again the sponsoring club—their second new club in 4 months—and Howard P. Rives served as Special Representative. Past Director J. Cleve Allen of Coral Gables was guest speaker at the Charter Night program, held at the Fort Harrison Hotel on April 22nd. Jack Laurance became Charter President and Winfield A. Reed, Secretary.

An interesting sidelight on the chartering of the Pinellas Park club was that President Serratos announced from the rostrum of our great International Convention in Seattle that Pinellas Park had been chartered June 7th, and that this made District 244 one of two districts in USCB to achieve an increase of 5 new clubs during the year. St. Petersburg was the sponsoring club, with Everett Sumner Special Representative. John D. O'Brien was Charter President and Robert B. McEachern, Secretary. Charter was presented June 28, just two days before the year's end, at the Detroit Hotel in St. Petersburg.

Bradenton, the home club of the District Governor served as host to the District Conference, October 25-27, 1953. Registration for Fellowship Dinner was 569, Governor's Banquet 325 and Monday's luncheon 227, with 31 of the 34 clubs represented. The President's representative was Jose M. Fernandez of Rio de Janeiro. Luis Machado from Havana addressed the Governor's Banquet. The presence of these two men added an international flavor to the Conference, furthered by a Spanish dinner and a program of Latin music. An impressive and entertaining feature of the Fellowship Dinner was the excellent choral group and orchestra, featuring local talent, which was brought together specifically for this occasion. Cliff Earnshaw served as Conference Chairman. Featured speakers included Dr. Louis Schulz, Winter Park; Alfred P. Marshall, Clearwater; James B. Keith, Orlando; Frank A. McDonald, Tampa; W. A. Dodson, Atlanta; Frank Rhodes, St. Petersburg; Dr. Robert B. Hamilton, Winter Haven; Kenneth E. Wacker, Winter Park; and Francis Jones, Tampa.

Governor Dug inaugurated the idea of holding meetings of Past District Governors annually, at the time of the Conference or Assembly, specifically to discuss problems brought up by the current Governor, and to be of any possible assistance to the incoming Governor. At the first such meeting, it was recommended that the Governor in office take the responsibility for securing one or more invitations from clubs to be hosts at the next District Conference.

Another innovation was the holding of drawings for door prizes to be awarded to ladies in attendance during the plenary sessions. The idea emphasized the sincerity of the invitation to the ladies to attend these sessions. This was the first Conference held within the District without a registration fee. (It had been abolished a year earlier, but the Conference was a Tri-District affair in Daytona, and registration fees for those attending from District 244 were paid from the District Fund.) Total amount spent from the District Fund in promoting attendance and putting on the Conference was approximately \$3,400. (Rotarians paid their own hotel and meal expenses only.)

Fairfax T. Haskins, Alfred P. Marshall and Frank M. Rhodes served as judges of the Bulletin Contest conducted by the District Governor. Winning clubs were Tampa, St. Petersburg, Kissimmee and Dunedin. Awards were in the form of plaques bearing the inscription, "1953-54 Award for Proficiency of Club Bulletins." The District Assembly was held in Winter Haven, April 1, 12, 1954, with all 37 clubs represented during at least part of the meeting.

Governor Dug headed a delegation of 28 who attended the second annual Caribbean Concentration—a fellowship meeting of Rotarians in the Caribbean area—held in Havana, November 19-23, 1953.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Kenneth E. Wacker, Chairman; Mallory Roberts, Gwen Hilton, John D. Harris, Vic Northcutt, Harry H. Looney, and Harry M. Smith, Secretary.

During the year, the number of clubs had increased from 34 to 39, and the number of members grew from 2,304 to 2,529, a gain of 225. Average attendance for the year was 87.54%.

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1954-55

The year 1954-55 will be remembered as the Golden Anniversary year of Rotary. Herbert J. Taylor, author of Rotary's Four-Way Test, served as President of RI, and high on the list of International objectives for the year was increased interest in the Rotary Foundation, Sharing Rotary, Special Golden Anniversary projects in each avenue of Rotary service, and implementation of the Four-Way Test.

District 244, under the leadership of Governor Chesley F. Perry, Fort Myers, was active in the furtherance of these objectives.

The Rotary Club of Brooksville was the first of six new clubs chartered during the year. With 21 Charter members, the club was admitted into membership in RI on November 5, 1954. Sponsored by Dade City, and with Charlie Touchton as Special Representative, this new club chose Adrian Bell as its first President, and Alvin Coogler, as Secretary. Morris E. White, of Tampa, was speaker at their Charter Night Program on December 6, with 200 present from 21 clubs in the District.

North Hillsborough (Tampa) with 24 charter members became a part of our Rotary family of clubs on November 29, 1954. Tampa was the sponsoring club, and Bob Cozart, Jr., Special Representative. Max Sparks served as the first President, and Win P. Rash as Secretary. Charter presentation meeting was held at the Tampa Terrace Hotel on December 13, with 195 in attendance, representing 20 clubs.

St. Petersburg sponsored its second club in 6 months—this time, it was Gulfport, which came into being on December 28, 1954. Everett Sumner, who had served as Special Representative at Pinellas Park, served again at Gulfport. Charter Night was attended by 219 persons from 23 clubs, and was held January 12, 1955, at the Stetson Law College in Gulfport. William Belfie was Charter President, and Harold F. Archibald, Secretary.

1954-1955

Herbert J. Taylor, author of Rotary's Four-Way Test, served as President of RI during the Golden Anniversary year of Rotary, 1954-1955.

The Rotary Club of Brooksville was the first of six new clubs chartered during the year when it was admitted into membership in RI on November 5, 1954. Gulfport became the second new club on December 28, 1954.

On January 26, 1955, the Clermont club was born, sponsored by Winter Garden with W. Ross Walton as Special Representative. Tom Holmes, a Winter Park Rotarian, had moved to Clermont and sparked its organization, becoming its first President. C. Welborn Daniel was Secretary. With 21 members, this club's Charter presentation meeting was held in Clermont on February 17 with more than 250 well-wishers on hand. Ken Wacker was speaker of the evening.

Fort Myers Beach became next to the Southern-most club in the District when its charter was issued on April 28. Dr. Walter Grace of the sponsoring Fort Myers club was Special Representative. The 22 new members of this club elected Rolfe Schell as President, and Warren Tiedt as Secretary. Alf Marshall was guest speaker at their Charter program on May 12, at which 13 clubs were represented.

Plant City became the sixth new club for the year and the 45th club in the District on May 27, 1955. George Tyler, President of the sponsoring Bartow club, was responsible for bringing this group together as Special Representative. "B. J." Phillips became President and Garner Helms Secretary. A crowd of 225 from more than 20 clubs welcomed this club into the District at their Charter Night at the Plant Hotel on June 17, 1955. Paul Stine was speaker of the evening.

To implement the theme of Sharing Rotary, a one day Extension Institute was held in Lakeland, August 29, 1954, with Extension Counselor Malcolm Duggan conducting the meeting. It was attended by 31 club presidents, 4 vice-presidents, 30 classification chairmen and a total of 78 Rotarians. It was a new idea, conducted throughout USCB and a most successful meeting.

Clearwater and Clearwater Beach were hosts to the District Conference October 17-19, 1954. Registration totaled 656, representing 38 of the then 39 clubs. Special features included a gala "Golden Anniversary Pageant" depicting 50 years of Service Above Self, and staged during the Fellowship Dinner program by the Fort Myers club. Robert R. Walden of St. Petersburg had the longest perfect attendance record of anyone present with 35 years. Nineteen others present had 100% records ranging from 20 to 34 years. Seventeen of the 24 living Past Governors ever to have served our District were honored guests at an Anniversary Reception.

Kenneth G. Partridge, Director of RI from Port Credit, Ontario, Canada, was the President's representative to the Conference. Wally Zschach served as Conference Chairman. The program was highlighted with many addresses including those by District Golden Anniversary Chairman, Dr. Richard Cumming, Ocala; Ken Wacker, Winter Park; Fairfax Haskins, Sebring; Morris E. White, Tampa; Foundation Fellows Joe Pittman of Orlando and Wright Booth of Daytona; "Hi" McGrath of Mansfield, Ohio; W.R. Robbins, Miami; Dr. Ken Williams, Ocala; Hal Fikret, Orlando; Harry Smith, Winter Garden, and a group of nine "Minute Men" from as many clubs, who gave 2-minute summaries of outstanding club projects. The Rotary movie, "The Great Adventure," produced by RI was shown in virtually every club in the District as part of Anniversary observance. Nineteen clubs introduced the Four-Way Test in the schools. Fifteen more clubs became 100% investors in the Rotary Foundation, bringing our total of 100% clubs to 30. Foundation investment during the year totaled \$9,919.50 raising our District's total investment above \$31,367.32.

There were nine candidates for the Foundation Fellowship award, and Miss Louise Sand, of St. Petersburg, was awarded the Fellowship for a year's study at

the University of Santiago in Chile. The committee making the award included Governor Chet Perry, Malcolm R. Duggan, Bradenton; Shelley Boone, Haines City; Nathaniel Turnbull, Winter Park; and Billy Anderson, Tampa. Through arrangements with a Rotary District in Massachusetts, Miss Otima Mukerji, a Foundation Student from India, and Miss Marie-Claude Peugeot, a Fulbright Scholar from France, both students at Wellesley College, were guests of clubs in our District for a week in April. They visited and were entertained by clubs in Winter Park, Orlando, Clermont, Lake Wales, Ybor City, St. Petersburg and Clearwater, furthering interest in The Foundation program and International goodwill.

Past Governor Harry Smith and Governor Chet Perry were among speakers at the III Caribbean Concentration held November 18-21, 1954, in San Juan. A group of 40, representing 7 clubs, attended from our District.

Director Roy D. Hickman of Birmingham, and former Foundation student Miss Sue Ann Wood, currently of St. Petersburg, were featured speakers at the District Assembly in Lake Wales, April 24-25. 42 of the then 43 incoming Presidents were among the 199 Rotarians and 62 ladies attending the Assembly for the entire meeting. The Bulletin Editors who were awarded framed certificates for "Excellence" of their bulletins were: Claude Burbank, Pinellas Park,; Jimmie Harrison, Gulf Beaches; Quil Toler, Leesburg; Bob Richardson and Chester Dow, Bradenton; Frank Widere, St. Petersburg; and Francis Jones and Anch Cuesta of Tampa. Colonel Read Harding of Arcadia received an award for originality of his club bulletin. The bulletin awards committee was composed of Malcolm Duggan, Bradenton; George Ray, Sarasota and Dr. Frank Pyle of Orlando.

Rotarians from District 242 and from Cuba joined those from our District on a Special Train arranged for the Golden Anniversary Convention in Chicago in June.

Past Governor Ken Wacker and his Rotary Ann Mary Ellen served as Aides to President Herb and Gloria Taylor respectively during the International Assembly in Lake Placid and the Chicago convention.

Governor Chet was chosen from the current class of District Governors to serve on the Faculty during the nine-day International Assembly in Lake Placid, N.Y., in May, and addressed the 238 incoming Governors there on the subject of "Your Job."

Members of the District Fund Committee were Malcolm R. Duggan, Chairman; Harry Smith, Secretary; Kenneth E. Wacker, John D. Harris, Frank McDonald, John D. Shanklin, and Gwen Hilton. Membership grew from 2,529 to 2,875, a gain of 346, and the year ended with 45 clubs in the District. Average attendance for the year was 87.04%

DISTRICT 244 — YEAR OF 1955-56

Dr. Arthur S. Kitchen of Clearwater assumed the leadership of District 244 on July 1, 1955.

Governor Art attended the International Assembly in Lake Placid, N.Y., and the Golden Anniversary Convention of Rotary in Chicago, Immediately upon his return Governor Art began in earnest to implement President A. Z. Baker's objectives of "Developing our Resources" in all avenues of Rotary service.

1955

Rotary celebrates its golden anniversary in Chicago. Fifty years after Paul P. Harris and his colleagues began Rotary's journey, there are 8,500 clubs in 89 countries.

The Rotary Club of Zephyrhills became the 47th club in District 244 upon their admission into membership in RI on March 13, 1956.

The one-day District Extension Institute inaugurated in the USCB the year before was expanded into a Rotary Information and Extension Institute, and was held in Bartow on September 11, 1955, with Rotary Information and Extension Counselor A. L. LeVeille of Daytona Beach conducting the meeting. There were 101 Rotarians in attendance from the 45 clubs then in the District, including 35 club Presidents. This new and instructive one-day Institute was enthusiastically welcomed by those in attendance.

The District Conference was held October 16-18, 1955, in Sarasota, with International Secretary George R. Means serving as representative of President A. Z. Baker. The total registration was 576 with 43 of the 45 clubs represented. Three District Governors were in attendance, including Governor Art, Governor Bill Robbins of District 243, and Governor Joe Drummond of District 242. Mac Harnion of Sarasota served as Conference Chairman. George R. Means was the feature speaker at the Fellowship Dinner, and Past Governor Ken Wacker addressed the Governor's Banquet. Other featured speakers were Rotary Foundation Fellow Louise Sand of St. Petersburg; Rev. Fred Kyle, Jr., of Bradenton; Past Governor Walter LeGrande of Daytona Beach; William McRae of Bartow, and Anthony P. Pizza of Ybor City. During one of the plenary sessions, the Winter Garden club staged the Rotary playlet, "Accepted with Regrets," which was well-dramatized and was accepted with pleasure by all who heard it.

The Conference elected Harry M. Smith as delegate to the 1956 session of the Council on Legislation, with Governor Art as alternate member.

The first new club to join our Rotary family was Oneco, admitted into membership in RI on November 23, 1955, under the sponsorship of the Bradenton club. Raymond Turner, a Past President of Bradenton, was the Governor's Special Representative. The Charter Night meeting held in Bradenton established a new record for attendance at such affairs, with 287 present. Past RI Director Porter Carswell of Waynesboro, Georgia, was guest speaker. This new 25 member club elected W. Hugh McElhiney as its Charter President and William P. Mixon, Jr., as their first Secretary. In presenting their check payable to the Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$250.00, Oneco became the first club in our District to become 100% Foundation participants on Charter Night.

The Rotary Club of Zephyrhills became the 47th club in District 244 upon their admission into membership in RI on March 13, 1956. This new club was co-sponsored by the Dade City and Ybor City clubs. J. C. Hughey of the Tampa club was the Governor's Special Representative, this being the sixth time that "J. C." successfully served in this capacity in organizing new clubs. Charter Night was held in the Zephyrhills school cafeteria on April 5th, with another banner crowd of 275 from 24 clubs in attendance. Past Governor Morris White of Tampa was principal speaker. This young club demonstrated its enthusiasm for the Rotary Foundation by sending its check for \$240.00 to this fund, along with its Charter fee to Rotary International, thus becoming a 100% Foundation participant while yet a provisional club. Governor Art and John D. Harris initiated action to amend the Charter of the Florida Educational Loan Corporation at a meeting in Gainesville attended by the Governors of Districts 242, 243 and 244 with Loan Corporation officers and attorney. This resulted in the adoption of an amended Charter in June 1956 which changed the name to EDUCATIONAL LOAN CORPORATION OF ROTARY CLUBS IN FLORIDA. The amended charter provides for administration by

directors chosen annually by each Rotary District in Florida. Further details will be found in a brief history of the Loan Corporation published on subsequent pages.

The District Assembly was held at the Marion Hotel in Ocala on April 22-23, 1956, with 300 Rotarians and 104 ladies from all of our 47 clubs in attendance. Dr. Freeman H. Hart, Professor of Humanities of the University of Florida, and Rev. George A. Foster, of Fort Lauderdale, were among the outstanding speakers.

Nine more clubs became 100% Foundation participants and the District's Foundation investment increased by \$6,453.00 to bring our total to nearly \$38,000.00.

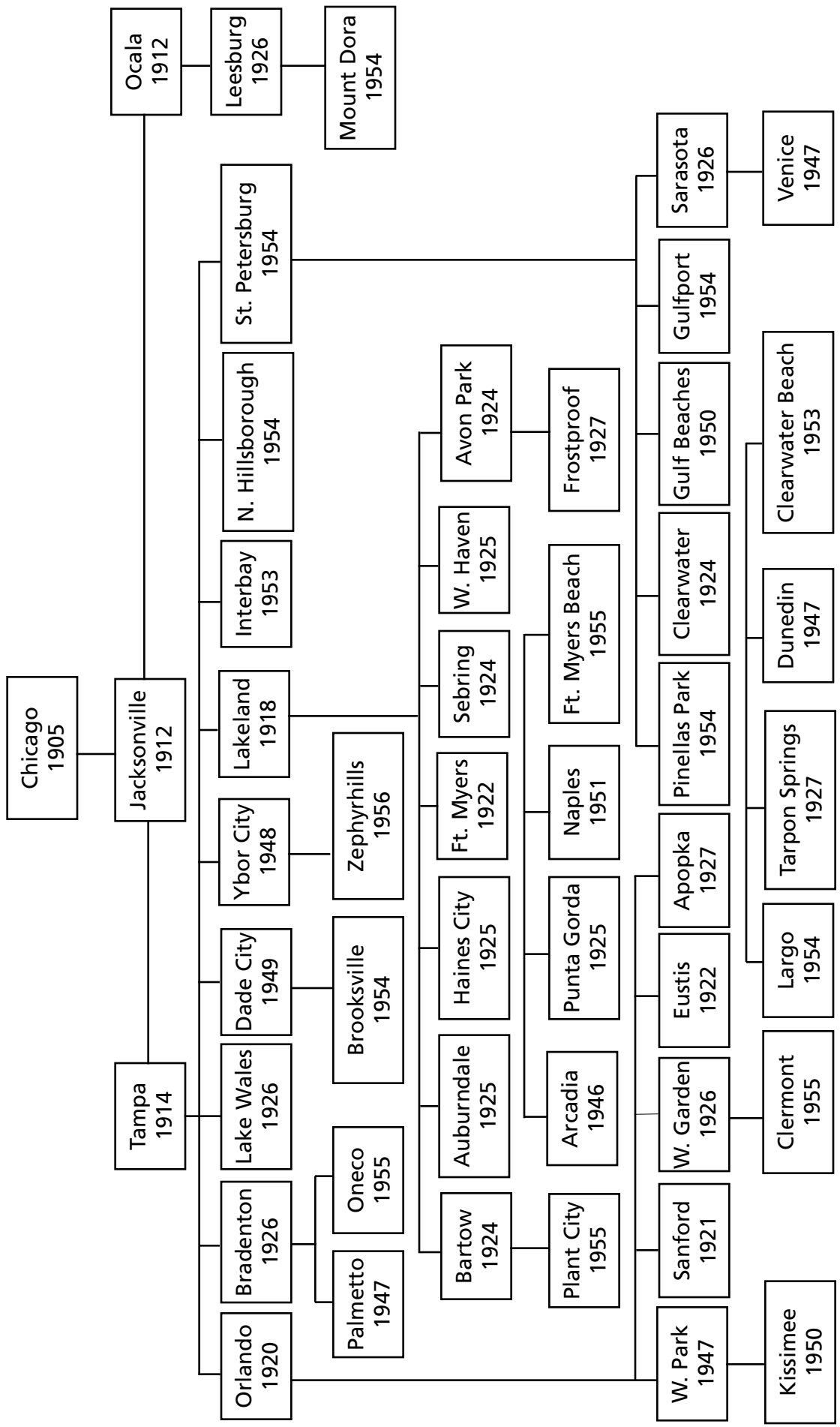
Chet Perry began a three-year term as a member of the Magazine Committee of RI, and Malcolm R. Duggan served as a member of the Service to Youth Consultive group during the year. Dr. Walter Winchester of Dunedin, and Bill McCree of Orlando, served as Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms during the International Convention in Philadelphia in June 1956.

Winners of the bulletin contest conducted by the District Governor were presented with attractive framed certificates during the District Assembly. The awards were as follows: "G" clubs, best bulletin, North Hillsborough; honorable mention, Pinellas Park; "F" clubs, best bulletin, Dade City, honorable mention, Eustis and Dunedin; "E" clubs, Leesburg, honorable mention, Bradenton; "D" clubs, St. Petersburg, honorable mention, Lakeland and Sarasota; "C" clubs, Tampa, honorable mention, Orlando.

Members of the District Fund Committee were Chesley F. Perry, Chairman; Malcolm R. Duggan; A. S. Moffett, Tampa; John D. Harris, St. Petersburg; G. H. Fields, Clearwater Beach; Gwen Hilton, Kissimmee; and Harry M. Smith, Winter Garden, Secretary.

The year ended with 47 clubs and 2,975 members. Average attendance for the year was 87.27%.

**FAMILY TREE OF THE 47 ROTARY CLUBS
IN DISTRICT 244 AS OF JUNE 30, 1956**



CHRONOLOGY OF THE 47 CLUBS COMPRISING DISTRICT 244 AS OF JUNE 30, 1956

	CLUB	DATE ADMITTED	DISTRICT # AT TIME OF CHARTERING	ADMINISTRATION
1.	Tampa	June 1, 1914	Southern Division	John Shelby
2.	Lakeiand	Feb. 18, 1918	5	Malcolm Jones
3.	Ocala	May 1, 1919	8	John Gay
4.	St. Petersburg	Feb. 1, 1920	8	Truman McGill
5.	Orlando	May 1, 1920	8	Truman McGill
6.	Sanford	April 1, 1921	8	Wilbur Smith
7.	Fort Myers	April 1, 1922	8	John Turner
8.	Eustis	Jan. 5, 1923	39	Porter Pierpont
9.	Avon Park	Aug. 22, 1924	39	Will Lanier
10.	Sebring	Sept. 8, 1924	39	Will Lanier
11.	Bartow	Dec. 9, 1924	39	Will Lanier
12.	Clearwater	Jan. 2, 1925	39	Will Lanier
13.	Punta Gorda	April 22, 1925	39	Will Lanier
14.	Haines City	May 12, 1925	39	Will Lanier
15.	Winter Haven	June 1, 1925	39	Will Lanier
16.	Auburndale	Dec. 24, 1925	39	John B. Orr
17.	Winter Garden	March 4, 1926	39	John B. Orr
18.	Lake Wales	March 4, 1926	39	John B. Orr
19.	Sarasota	March 8, 1926	39	John B. Orr
20.	Leesburg	June 9, 1926	39	John B. Orr
21.	Bradenton	June 9, 1926	39	John B. Orr
22.	Tarpon Springs	March 19, 1927	39	John Sheffield
23.	Apopka	May 24, 1927	39	John Sheffield
24.	Frostproof	Nov. 10, 1927	39	Bert Arnold
25.	Arcadia	May 20, 1946	167	Fred Bul tman
26.	Dunedin	Jan. 20, 1947	167	A1 Geiger
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28.	Palmetto	Dec. 1, 1947	167-C	Paul Stine
29.	Venice	Dec. 26, 1947	167-C	Paul Stine
30.	Ybor City	Sept. 16, 1948	167-C	Morris White
31.	Dade City	March 16, 1949	167-C	Morris White
32.	Gulf Beaches	Feb. 20, 1950	244	Walter Kennedy
33.	Kissimmee	June 7, 1950	244	Walter Kennedy
34.	Naples	Nov. 26, 1951	244	Mallory Robe rts
35.	Clearwater Beach	Nov. 2, 1953	244	Malcolm Duggan
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39.	Pinellas Park	June 7, 1954	244	Malcolm Duggan
40.	Brooksville	Nov. 5, 1954	244	Chesley Perry
41.	N. Hillsborough	Nov. 29, 1954	244	Chesley Perry
42.	Gulfport	Dec. 28, 1954	244	Chesley Perry
43.	Clermont	Jan. 26, 1955	244	Chesley Perry
44.	Fort Myers Beach	Apr. 28, 1955	244	Chesley Perry
45.	Plant City	May 17, 1955	244	Chesley Perry
46.	Oneco	Nov. 23, 1955	244	Arthur Kitchen
47.	Zephyrhills	March 13, 1956	244	Arthur Kitchen

SUMMARY

We go to press with this volume in July 1956. Frank McDonald of Tampa has just begun his term as District Governor. Winter Haven has been chosen as the host club for the District Conference. The Board of Directors of RI has announced a plan for re-numbering of all Rotary Districts to provide for potential expansion, and has announced that all Districts in the USCB will be re-numbered with numbers ranging between 500 and 799. Effective July 1, 1957, District 244 will become District 696.

Since the District was divided just 9 years ago, it has grown from 26 clubs with 1,682 members to 47 clubs with 2,975 members. Average attendance over the 9 years was 87.66% with a high of 88.58% and a low of 87.01%, which is stable by any standard. It is beyond the scope of this presentation to record Rotary's growth as measured by the fulfillment of its ideals and its accomplishments in terms of "Service Above Self." Suffice it to say that in these things, too, Rotary in District 244 has kept the pace.

CHESLEY F. PERRY, PDG
Fort Myers, Florida

PART III

JULY 1956 - JUNE 1976

PART THREE

DISTRICT 696 — 1956 - 1976

INTRODUCTION

The history of the 20 years between 1956 and 1976 deals with a period of rapid expansion for Rotary on the Florida West Coast. It was a time of population increase and urbanization. Growth trends produced sprawling cities with pockets of business activity. Several clubs in or adjacent to a single city or town became common. Although the area of District 696 decreased substantially, its total number of clubs increased by 33.

Of the original clubs of the District, 21 celebrated 50th anniversaries. The combination of older clubs, coupled with changes in RI senior active membership regulations generally made clubs less representative of the business makeup of their areas and proliferation of business and professional specialization brought on a strong push for classification breakdown and liberalization. All of these things together with the new trend toward social mobility adversely affected club unity and solidarity.

The years between 1956 and 1976 were those of change. There is a swing of the pendulum of Rotary conduct toward the pattern of a "new society" within the time span covered, but the basic Rotary philosophy of Service remains constant and firm.

—CHAUNCEY W. McINTYRE
District Historian

DISTRICT 696

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1956 - 1957

As Frank A. McDonald, of Tampa, picked up the reins of government, there were 47 clubs with a membership of 2,957 Rotarians in the District. Gian Paolo Lang of Livorno, Italy, was President of Rotary International's 9,200 clubs with their 439,000 members. Director of Zone Four, RI, was Webb Folin of Shelbyville, Tennessee. For his year in office, President Lang had selected three slogans: "Keep Rotary Simple," "More Rotary for Rotarians," and "Learn More About Each Other."

The District Institute was at Bartow on September 30th with PDG Bill Robbins of Fort Lauderdale as Counselor. Winter Haven hosted the District Conference on October 14-15-16. Roy Hickman, Past Vice President of RI and President's Representative for the Conference, spoke at the Fellowship Dinner. PDG Bill Robbins, who had just returned from Russia, was speaker at the Monday noon luncheon and Les Aikman, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, addressed the Governor's Banquet. PDG Chesley Perry, member of the Magazine Committee of RI, announced that District 244, now 696, was among the top ten of the world in gain of subscriptions to *The Rotarian*.

At the District Assembly in Clearwater on April 14-15, the speakers were Cliff McKay, a Rotary Fellow on his way to Ceylon, and PDG D.E. Greyton.

Frank McDonald's term marked the end of District 244.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1957 - 1958

Governor James B. Keith of Orlando was first to head up the District under its new designation of 696, the number change being made on July 1, 1957. New District 696 included the counties of Levy, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Lake, Orange, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Osceola, Manatee, Hardee, Highlands, Sarasota, DeSoto, Charlotte, Lee and parts of Collier and Seminole, and had a total of 47 clubs.

New RI President Charles G. Tennent of Asheville, North Carolina, chose as slogan for the Rotary Year, "Enlist - Extend - Explore - Serve." This he used as his topic when he later honored the District with a visit to the Tampa club.

Bartow was host to the District Institute conducted by PDG Willis Holt of West Palm Beach. Luther Hodges, who later became a President of RI himself, represented President Tennent at the District Conference in Orlando on October 27-29. Conference theme was "Youth Service" with Clarence Walker as luncheon speaker. Special guests were four foreign students from FSU sponsored and introduced by Fred Kyle. St. Petersburg hosted the 354 registrants at Assembly, April 20-21. Principal speaker was Dr. Wallace Hamilton, minister and author. Chesley Perry served as moderator of the panel of Past Governors.

At the International Convention in Dallas, where 11,000 were in attendance, it was announced that Rotary had grown to 446,000 members in 9,500 clubs.

New Port Richey, sponsored by Tarpon Springs, was chartered on March 18, 1959.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1958 - 1959

Clifford A. Randall of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was elected President of Rotary International at the 50th Annual Convention held in Madison Square Garden at New York City. Cliff later visited Florida, speaking at Bradenton, Miami and Jacksonville. Cliff's visit inspired Richard C. Cumming, Governor of District 696 for 1958-59, to great activity in the promotion and spread of Rotary in the District, which resulted in the formation of four new clubs: Sarasota Bay, sponsored by Sarasota and chartered November 13, 1958; Saint Cloud, sponsored by Kissimmee and chartered March 10, 1959; New Port Richey, sponsored by Tarpon Springs and chartered March 18, 1959; and Englewood, sponsored by Venice-Nokomis and chartered May 28, 1959. It was Dick's custom to plant a memorial tree on the occasion of each charter ceremony and, so far as is known, all four of these trees still thrive as do the clubs they stand for.

As usual, the District Institute took place in Bartow, this year on September 14th. Frank J. Anzalone of Independence, Louisiana, was moderator. Shalimar Hotel in Silver Springs was site of the District Conference on October 26-28. District Assembly was at Leesburg on April 15-17. The year ended with 51 clubs in District 696.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1959 - 1960

This year started with an International total of 479,500 Rotarians and 10,291 clubs in 41 countries. Worldwide, there were 261 District Governors with Everett Sumner of St. Petersburg heading up District 696.

Governor Everett added two more clubs to the District roster - Sarasota Keys, sponsored by Sarasota, chartered May 12, 1960; and Fort Meade, sponsored by Bartow, chartered June 10, 1960.

Loomis B. Slater from Hollywood, Institute counselor at Bartow on September 27th, outlined RI plans for the year and announced that the District 696 contribution to the Rotary Foundation had increased by \$6,000 to a total of \$55,000. The District Conference at Tampa on October 25-27 was most successful with a registration of 669. The major address for the event, in line with President Thomas' slogan for his year, "Building Bridges of Friendship," was given by RI Director Porter Carswell. William Weiland, Director of the Office of Caribbean Affairs, spoke at the Fellowship Dinner and Judge John Germany talked on "The People and Arms of Russia" at the luncheon. District Assembly was hosted by the Gulf Beaches Club at the Tides Hotel on May 1st.

The District total of clubs reached 53.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1960 - 1961

Stephan H. Grimes of Bartow, classification "Law" became District Governor. Steve followed up on the work of the previous year by bringing in club members 54 and 55. Maitland, sponsored by Winter Park, was chartered October 24, 1960, and Port Charlotte, offspring of Englewood, came in on February 10, 1961.

Hurricane Dona blew the District Institute, originally scheduled for September 11th, forward to November 6th, making this the first time a District Conference

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was held ahead of the Institute. The Conference was at Cherry Plaza Hotel in Orlando on October 2-4. This year marked the "first ever" International Wheel Club Convention with one being held at the Princess Martha Hotel in St. Petersburg. 696 led the world in number of Wheel Clubs in a single district. Mention of this was made in the 50th Anniversary issue of the *The Rotarian* on January 1961.

Rotarian circulation reached 390,000 copies in 130 countries and its companion Spanish edition went to 42,000 subscribers in 50 countries.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1961 - 1962

Governor Robert S. Baynard of Venice was first of our 696 governors to cover his circuit of club visits largely by plane. Bob added three more clubs to the District roster. J. C. Hughey of Tampa, as District Extension Chairman, was responsible for the necessary preliminary work to start Brandon on November 10, 1961, with Tampa as sponsor; followed by Seminole on June 10, 1962, sponsored by Largo; and, finally, Immokalee, on June 13, 1962, with Naples as sponsor. The District at year end had 58 clubs and 3,650 members.

Institute was, as usual, in Bartow. The Conference was at Bradenton on November 16-19 with Past RI President Charles Tennent representing RI President Joseph Obey. Rev. Bill Slider spoke at the Governor's Banquet. Clearwater hosted the Assembly April 29-30.

A Rotary World Youth Assembly was adopted as District Project for the year. It was to be a gathering of representative young people from every District of Rotary all to be hosted by 696. Bradenton suggested the idea. Dr. Clyde Anderson and Chauncey McIntyre were co-Chairmen. Investigative effort and expense were supplied by St. Petersburg Rotary Club. The project received the endorsement of RI, the U. S State Department and the Florida State Governor. In response to more than 500 invitations sent to districts and clubs worldwide, 131 replies were received. When summarized, these showed a world economic and national climate not favorable to such a gathering and the idea was regrettably abandoned.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1962 - 1963

J. Frank Davies of Tampa served as Governor. Frank did much to foster and enhance acquaintance and friendship within the District. At the Conference in Tampa, chaired by Hampton Dunn, 53 of the 58 clubs were in attendance with a total of more than 700 registrations. Pat Gilchrist represented the President of RI. Justice Millard Caldwell talked at the luncheon meeting, his address later appearing in the January issue of "Vital Speeches." Frank's assembly in Bradenton on May 12-13 drew 500 Rotarians at its Fellowship Dinner.

By the year end, 41 clubs had contributed \$8,777 to the Rotary Foundation. There were a total of 122 hundred percent attendance club meetings in 696 within the year. Total membership in the 58 clubs of the District was 3,735.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1963 - 1964

Governor Lester Ginkel of Winter Park stressed youth and youth work and by the year end District 696 led the world in number of Interact Clubs in a single district.

1962

The inauguration of Interact kicks off a decade of official launches of Rotary programs dedicated to youth.

Seminole, sponsored by Largo, was chartered on June 10, 1962.

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The first Interact Convention to be held in District 696, and one of the first held in the world, took place in Orlando, April 10-11, 1965, with 336 registrants representing 42 Interact clubs in attendance.

At the District Conference in Sarasota, Bill Robbins of Fort Lauderdale, who was the founder of the Wheel Club movement, which later became Interact, told of the past, the present and the expected future of Interact, the Rotary-sponsored youth movement. Roy Hickman of Birmingham was personal representative for RI President Carl Miller. Sam Knowles, Governor of District 699, was guest of honor.

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DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1964 - 1965

Chauncey W. McIntyre of St. Petersburg became Governor of 696 and Charlie Pettengill became the new RI President. Charlie's theme for the year was "Live Rotary" which, in District 696, was paraphrased to "Live Today's Rotary." In line with this, major administrative pressure was directed toward bringing about a self analysis of conduct, projects and objectives by all clubs of the District. In most cases, this resulted in the abandonment of outdated projects, changes in procedures and new directions of emphasis. There was no great immediate club or membership gain but the rejuvenated outlook provided impetus for substantial increases in both over succeeding years.

In District affairs, results were immediate and led to several important changes in procedure. A nominating committee of specified changing makeup replaced the former floor nomination method of District Governor selection. A plan for the election of District Governors two years in advance of service was instituted. The by-laws of the Educational Loan Corporation of Rotary Clubs of Florida were modified to give administration of the Corporation's Fund to the University of Florida without losing its Rotary identity or origin.

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The Institute on July 8th was given a new format. It was conducted entirely by past officers of RI and every club president attending received a complete transcript of all addresses and proceedings to be used for future reference as needed. St. Petersburg sponsored the Conference held at Port-O-Call on October 23-24. Registration was 727, largest of any Conference since Florida was divided into three districts.

As another innovation, a new style Assembly-Institute was held in Tampa on June 25-26. This meeting was a trial run to find a substitute for the early in the year Institute and late in the year Assembly of former years. 57 of the Districts 60 clubs were represented. At year's end, District 696 had 3,940 Rotarians in 60 clubs. Overall attendance for the year was 86.71%.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1965 - 1966

James A. Franklin, Jr., of Fort Myers became Governor, following in the footsteps of his father, James A. Franklin, who was Governor in 1939 - 1940 when District 696 was numbered District 167.

Although Jim chartered only one club, Marco Island, sponsored by Naples, on May 28, 1966, as 61st club of the District, internal growth of District 696 was phenomenal. A membership of 4,022 by year end made it the third largest in all of U.S.C.B. and again initiated discussion of a division to make the District government less costly and more-manageable. RI, however, decided the time had not yet come for such a move.

District Foundation contributions continued to increase to a total of \$105,210.

The District meetings grew. At the Conference in Naples, registration was 826 from 59 clubs setting another new record. 29 attended the first Annual PDG Breakfast. 363 Rotarians were present at the first Plenary Session. RI President's representative was PDG Ted Kirby.

St. Petersburg hosted the District Interact Conference on April 15th at which representatives of 38 of the 40 Interact clubs were present.

Alan Scarboro was elected Governor of this, now second largest Interact District in the world.

On June 24th, the Assembly in Lakeland drew 500 plus registrants.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1966 - 1967

Under leadership of Governor John B. Neuner of Plant City, Rotary in District 696 continued to grow and by the third quarter of the year was the largest member-wise in U.S.C.B. Within that period, it also became a 100% Rotary Foundation District. Clubs of the District numbered 62 when Anna Maria, started by Bradenton, was chartered on December 19th, 1966. Interact Club total reached 46 district-wide.

Again, we were honored with a visit by a current RI President when Richard L. Evans came to Tampa on November 7th to speak to an audience of more than 700.

Our interest in Rotary at the highest levels was evidenced by the attendance of seven past RI officers from 696 at the Zone 4 Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

300 plus delegates registered at the Interact District Conference in Orlando. Herb Hack, of the Orlando club, was general Chairman. John Thompson of Tarpon Springs was elected Interact 696 Governor.

The District 696 Conference at Orlando honored Clarence Cabbage of Winter Park for his outstanding work in the International avenue. Through his personal efforts, Clarence raised money, largely from District 696 clubs, to found 17 libraries in five Latin American countries.

1965

The Rotary Foundation creates the Group Study Exchange program, and the first 34 teams, from Australia, Great Britain, Japan, and the United States, go abroad.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1967 - 1968

1967

Rotary officially launches the World Community Service program, expanding the ability of Rotary clubs to do good throughout the world. Today, clubs provide an estimated US\$26 million in funds and supplies through World Community Service annually.

Governor Edward St. Phillip of Sarasota took over the District's 4,210 Rotarians in 62 clubs. The large size of the District brought on a renewal of efforts to divide it into more manageable segments but still without success. However, the election of Ken Wacker of Winter Park to the office of RI Director from Zone 4 gave hope that RI action on a division of the District might soon be forthcoming.

At the suggestion of Orlando, the clubs of 696 joined in sponsoring the funding of the Rack Gia Orphanage in Viet Nam. A total of \$10,528 was raised and expended in completing this successful project.

George De La Torre of St. Petersburg became Governor of Interact at the Conference in Tampa. George, who came to the United States as a Cuban refugee unable to speak English only three years ago, was loud in his praise of what Rotary had done for him and his family.

District 696 was paired with a District in Australia for a Group Study Exchange in 1969 under the Rotary Foundation. Institute this year was replaced with a meeting called Leadership Forum. The function and the time remained approximately the same. It was held at Cypress Gardens on September 10th.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1968 - 1969

R.I. President Kiyoshi Togasaki adopted as his theme, "Participate." Governor Leslie B. Anderson of Winter Haven accepted this literally by starting eight new clubs—the most by one governor in the history of the District. They were: West Orlando, sponsor Orlando, July 25th, 1968; Orange County East, sponsor Winter Park, October 17, 1968; Lakeland South, sponsor, Lakeland, October 17, 1968; Fort Myers South, sponsor Fort Myers, December 30, 1968; Seminole County South, sponsor Orange County East, March 8, 1969; Windermere, sponsor Winter Garden, March 10, 1969; Ocala-Silver Springs, sponsor Ocala, June 13, 1969; Naples North, sponsor Naples, June 13, 1969; These brought the total of clubs in the District to 70 and increased the pressure on RI to divide and bring District size down. Being Governor had become a full time job. RI agreed to act at the earliest possible opportunity.

At the start of his year, Les made up and distributed a District Directory to all club presidents and past officers of RI. This contained the names and addresses of all District officers, committee personnel, club meeting dates and locations, a schedule of club visit dates, and much other useful information. Such a Directory has since become a yearly feature and is published by each Governor at District expense.

By the end of the year, membership had increased to 4,553, a District growth of 120 Rotarians.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1969 - 1970

In 1970, District 696 reached its maximum size of 4,730 members in 70 clubs under the leadership of Governor A. V. "Swede" Benson. RI agreed to a District division and the end of this Rotary year was set as time for the change.

The first District Directory to all club presidents and past officers of RI was distributed in 1968. Such a Directory has since become a yearly feature and is published by each Governor at District expense.

The Group Study Exchange with District 255 in Australia was, from the 696 standpoint, a great success. The team under leadership of PDG Les Ginkel left Florida in June and returned in August to immediately start a round of club visits to tell of their Australian experience. When the costs and the results of the project were assessed, it was agreed that another G.S.E. should be undertaken.

The District Conference, sponsored by St. Petersburg, was held at Port-O-Call and drew 650 registrants from 56 clubs. RI President's Representative was Past Director Pratt Secrest.

Major speakers were Congressman William Cramer and Lt. Governor Ray Osborn. At the Conference, the District Fund Committee made plans for the Fund division to be made at the time of District division. A new Governor was elected for the new District 695 to be formed from part of District 696 and all necessary voting approval by clubs on the division was completed.

New District 696 boundaries were established as that portion of Florida south of the northern boundary of Pasco County, west of Interstate Road I-75, south of the northern boundary of Hillsborough County, west of the eastern boundaries of the counties of Hillsborough, Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte and Lee and that portion of Collier County west of longitude 81° - 39'. Clubs remaining in District 696 were:

Anna Maria Isles	Immokalee	Punta Gorda
Bradenton	Interbay	Ruskin - Sun City
Brandon	Largo	St. Petersburg
Cape Coral	Marco Isle	Sarasota
Clearwater	Naples	Sarasota Bay
Clearwater Beach	Naples North	Sarasota Keys
Dunedin	New Port Richey	Seminole
Englewood	North Hillsborough	South Manatee
Fort Myers	Palmetto	Tampa
Fort Myers Beach	Pinellas Park	Tarpon Springs
Fort Myers South	Plant City	Venice - Nokomis
Gulf Beaches	Port Charlotte	West St. Petersburg
		Ybor City

These 37 clubs had a membership of 2,508. Two clubs, Ocala and Ocala-Silver Springs, formerly in District 696 were placed in District 694. The balance of the former 696 clubs numbering 31 were placed in the newly formed District 695.

At the time of division, the balance in the 696 District Fund was \$13,865. This was divided on the basis of number of members moving to or remaining in each of the districts involved. District 694 received \$286, District 695 received \$5,582 and District 696 received \$7,997.

Accumulated Rotary Foundation contributions from 696 clubs were \$141,375 at the time of District division. The 37 clubs of the new District 696 were responsible for and received credit for \$84,201 of this total. Except for two newly formed clubs, this was a 100% District with Clearwater its highest contributor at 1,000%.

CHRONOLOGY OF THE CLUBS OF

CLUB	DATE ADMITTED	DISTRICT WHEN ADMITTED	SPONSOR CLUB	GOVERNOR
1. Tampa	June 1, 1914	South. Div.	Jacksonville	John Shelby
2. Lakeland	Feb. 18, 1918	5	Tampa	Malcolm Jones
3. Ocala	May 1, 1919	8	Jacksonville	John Gay
4. St. Petersburg	Feb. 1, 1920	8	Tampa	Truman McGill
5. Orlando	May 1, 1920	8	Tampa	Truman McGill
6. Sanford	April 1, 1921	8	Orlando	Wilbur Smith
7. Fort Myers	April 1, 1922	8	Lakeland	John Turner
8. Eustis	Jan. 5, 1923	39	Orlando	Porter Pierpont
9. Avon Park	Aug. 22, 1924	39	Lakeland	Will Lanier
10. Sebring	Sept. 8, 1924	39	Lakeland	Will Lanier
11. Bartow	Dec. 9, 1924	39	Lakeland	Will Lanier
12. Clearwater	Jan. 2, 1925	39	St. Petersburg	Will Lanier
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18. Lake Wales	March 4, 1926	39	Tampa	John B. Orr
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20. Leesburg	June 9, 1926	39	Ocala	John B. Orr
21. Bradenton	June 9, 1926	39	Tampa	John B. Orr
22. Tarpon Springs	March 10, 1927	39	Clearwater	John Sheffield
23. Apopka	May 24, 1927	39	Orlando	John Sheffield
24. Frostproof	Nov. 10, 1927	39	Avon Park	Bert Arnold
25. Arcadia	May 20, 1946	167	Fort Myers	Fred Bultman
26. Dunedin	Jan. 20, 1947	161	Clearwater	A1 Geiger
27. Winter Park	April 12, 1947	167	Orlando	Al Geiger
28. Palmetto	Dec. 1, 1947	167-C	Bradenton	Paul Stine
29. Venice	Dec. 26, 1947	167-C	Sarasota	Paul Stine
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32. Gulf Beaches	Feb. 20, 1950	244	St. Petersburg	Walter Kennedy
33. Kissimmee	June 7, 1950	244	Winter Park	Walter Kennedy
34. Naples	Nov. 26, 1951	244	Fort Myers	Mallory Roberts
35. Clearwater Beach	Nov. 2, 1953	244	Clearwater	Malcolm Duggan

DISTRICT 696 AS OF JUNE 30, 1970

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36. Interbay (Tampa)	Dec. 14, 1953	244	Tampa	Malcolm Duggan
37. Mount Dora	March 19, 1954	244	Leesburg	Malcolm Duggan
38. Largo	March 30, 1954	244	Clearwater	Malcolm Duggan
39. Pinellas Park	June 7, 1954	244	St. Petersburg	Malcolm Duggan
40. Brooksville	Nov. 5, 1954	244	Dade City	Chesley Perry
41. North Hillsborough	Nov. 29, 1954	244	Tampa	Chesley Perry
42. Gulfport	Dec. 28, 1954	244	St. Petersburg	Chesley Perry
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44. Fort Myers Beach	April 28, 1955	244	Fort Myers	Chesley Perry
45. Plant City	May 17, 1955	244	Bartow	Chesley Perry
46. Oneco	Nov. 23, 1955	244	Bradenton	Arthur Kitchen
47. Zephyrhills	March 13, 1956	244	Ybor City	Arthur Kitchen
48. Sarasota Bay	Nov. 13, 1958	696	Sarasota	Richard Cumming
49. St. Cloud	March 10, 1959	696	Kissimmee	Richard Cumming
50. New Port Richey	March 18, 1959	696	Tarpon Springs	Richard Cumming
51. Englewood	May 28, 1959	696	Venice-Nokomis	Richard Gunning
52. Sarasota Keys	May 12, 1960	696	Sarasota	Everett Sumner
53. Fort Meade	June 10, 1960	696	Bartow	Everett Sumner
54. Maitland	Oct. 24, 1960	696	Winter Park	Stephen Grimes
55. Port Charlotte	Feb. 10, 1961	696	Englewood	Stephen Grimes
56. Brandon	Nov. 10, 1961	696	Tampa	Robert Baynard
57. Seminole	June 10, 1962	696	Largo	Robert Baynard
58. Immokalee	June 13, 1962	696	Naples	Robert Baynard
59. Ruskin - Sun City	April 1, 1964	696	Ybor City	Lester Ginkel
60. Cape Coral	May 21, 1964	696	Fort Myers	Lester Ginkel
61. Marco Island	May 28, 1966	696	Naples	James Franklin, Jr.
62. Anna Maria Island	Dec. 19, 1966	696	Bradenton	John Neuner
63. West Orlando	July 25, 1968	696	Orlando	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
64. Orange County East	Oct. 17, 1968	696	Winter Park	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
65. Lakeland South	Oct. 17, 1968	696	Lakeland	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
66. Fort Myers South	Dec. 30, 1968	696	Fort Myers	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
67. Seminole County So.	March 8, 1969	696	Orange County E.	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
68. Windermere	March 10, 1969	696	Winter Garden	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
69. Ocala-Silver Springs	June 13, 1969	696	Ocala	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
70. Naples North	June 13, 1969	696	Naples	Leslie Anderson, Jr.

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sponsored by
Largo and
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DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1970 - 1971

Governor Dan McLeroy of Englewood promptly added a club to the reduced District, East Clearwater, sponsored by Clearwater, chartered on July 27, 1970.

Thirty-seven of the clubs were represented at the District Conference in Fort Myers and all 38 were present at the Assembly in Sarasota. A major event was the tour of the Group Study Exchange team from Australia. All clubs were visited.

Governor Dan increased the District membership by 193 to a total of 2,790.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1971 - 1972

Governor Hampton Dunn of Tampa was responsible for the addition of three more clubs to the District roster. Club number 39, Dunedin North, was chartered November 21, 1971. Jim Fresh of the Dunedin club, RI President Earnst's special representative at the Charter Night, led the organizing efforts. PDG Charles West gave the Charter Night address. President of the new club was Woodrow V. Register, who later became a Governor of District 696. Dunedin North was the second breakfast club in the District and first in its northern end.

Club number 40 was Belleair Bluffs, sponsored by Largo and chartered on May 10, 1972. Jerry Hubbell was the moving spirit for organization of the club and was its first president. Jerry also went on to later become a District Governor. Club number 41 was Northwest Tampa, jointly sponsored by Interbay and North Hillsborough, chartered June 30, 1972, the last day of Hamp's year.

696 continued as a 100% Rotary Foundation District with 10 clubs at 100%, 13 at 200%, 9 at 300%, 3 at 400%, 1 at 500%, 2 at 600% and 1, Clearwater, at 1100%. Foundation contributions up to February 29, 1972, were \$96,574.

The June 30th financial statement showed the District to have weathered the transition from 70 clubs down to 37 clubs in good shape. After payments to 694 and 695 and a year of 696 operating expense, the District Fund had a surplus of \$8,060 going into the new year.

District Conference was at Manger Motor Inn in Tampa on October 21-23. Mich Emanuel, Tampa President, selected Ward Dougherty as chairman for the very successful event. John Nightingale, Past President of RIBI, served as personal representative for President Earnst. Among the dignitaries present was Ken Wacker, Past RI Director from Winter Park. PDG Win Pendelton was M.C. at the banquet. A new event added to the program was the Club President's Breakfast. No speeches—a get-together for exchange of ideas and fellowship.

The year which began with 38 clubs and 2,668 members ended with 41 clubs and 2,819 members.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1972 - 1973

Governor Joseph E. Selden, Jr., of Fort Myers featured an administration of growth. First of the ten objectives he listed in his initial monthly letter was the establishment of five new clubs. This he fulfilled: Club 42 was Naples East, jointly sponsored by Naples and Naples North, chartered on March 10, 1973; Club 43, Hudson, sponsored by New Port Richey and chartered June 14, 1973; Club 44,

North Fort Myers, sponsored by Cape Coral, also chartered June 14, 1973; Club 45, Fort Myers East, sponsored by Fort Myers, chartered June 25, 1973; and Club 46, Leheigh Acres, sponsored jointly by Fort Myers and Cape Coral, chartered June 30, 1973.

Louis Nightingale of the Marco Island club was Chairman of the District Conference held at the Marco Island Hotel on October 21-23. PDG James Franklin, Jr., prepared the program, which differed from usual format in that one whole session was devoted to the subject of "The Fragile Ecology of South Florida," with a speaker's panel covering Wildlife Management, Marine Biology, Power, Food, Soil Conservation and Wildlife Development, each talk being followed by an audience participation period. Another entire plenary session was taken up by a panel, members of which were Steve Peronis, Tampa University, Armstead Selden, Assistant Secretary for Defense, and Past Vice President of RI Marcel Corbat. Discussion subject was "Rotary's Place In a Troubled World."

In other Conference actions, the clubs agreed to undertake a Group Study Exchange in 1973 - 1975, to adopt "Project 696" under Perry Snell of Sarasota as our official World Community Service Project (See Project 696 elsewhere in this text.) and to recommend certain changes in Zone nominating procedure to RI. Total registration for the conference was 603 with all clubs represented.

RI President Roy Hickman visited the St. Petersburg Club, speaking to an audience of nearly 1,000 at our intercity meeting. Roy stated that, except for the RI Convention, this was the largest audience he faced in his year as RI President.

The Zone 4 Institute for RI Officers again met in District 696, this time at the Marco Island Hotel on December 3-5. Among the outstanding speakers were 1st Vice President William R. Robbins of RI and Past President of RIBI Jack Pride.

District Assembly at St. Petersburg had a registration of 220 with all clubs but one represented: Haywood Turner of Ybor City reported to the Assembly that the District had collected \$3,000 and turned it over to the Rotary Club of Managua for their Earthquake Relief Fund.

At year's end, there were 46 clubs and 2,965 members in 696.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1973 - 1974

This was a difficult year for the District due to a sad change in its leadership. Moody F. Rinehart, who had been elected as its Governor, died on August 11, 1973. Moody had the District well organized, all committees appointed and functioning, major events scheduled, some club visits completed and there was every prospect of another banner year when his death came. There was an immediate gathering and caucus of past governors. After considerable soul searching, PDG Edward St. Phillip, who had served the District well in 1967-1968, agreed to step in and on August 21st was appointed by RI President Bill Carter to be Governor of the District. So far as possible, Ed continued all of Moody's appointments and endeavored to complete his objectives. All of the remaining club visits were made and all scheduled events occurred.

The District Conference was hosted by Dunedin, Dunedin North, Tarpon Springs and New Port Richey at the beautiful Innisbrook Club on October 19th. It was

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packed full of Rotary from its beginning with RI President-Elect Bill Robbin's banquet address to its ending with Governor Ed's closing remarks and tribute to Moody Rinehart. District Assembly was at Punta Gorda on May 17-18.

Sarasota Gulf Gate, sponsored by Sarasota, and chartered on December 11, 1973, was the only addition to the District roster. The year ended with 47 clubs and 3,133 members.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1974 - 1975

William R. Robbins of District 699, Florida, became the second Floridian to become President of RI. Bill selected as his theme, "Renew the Spirit of Rotary" which Paul Sanborn, the 1974-75 Governor of District 696, made the focus of his year. "Renew" was a part of every letter and the core of every meeting.

First event of importance was the District Conference under the joint sponsorship of the three Naples clubs: 519 registered and enjoyed the Rotary and the hospitality at the Naples Beach Club on October 25-27. One of the unique features was a display of the flags and home club banners of all District clubs. It was announced that the District had contributed an average of \$4.61 per member for a total of \$13,363 to the Rotary Foundation the previous year. Because of this amount three Foundation Fellowships were made in the District. They went to Mark Leib of Tampa to go to Bristol, England; Elizabeth McCampbell of St. Petersburg, going to Marburg, Germany; and Dan Denton of Bradenton, going to Cardiff, Wales. All were for the 1976-1977 academic year.

The Group Study Exchange team made up of Messrs. Green of Fort Myers, Dixon of Tampa, Hoffman of Fort Myers, Canova of Immokalee, and McGuire of Palmetto, under the leadership of PDG Joseph Selden, Jr., left on January 12, 1975, for their visit to India District 317. Return was on February 23, 1975. Joe and all of the group reported on the trip at the District Assembly with a professional quality film show and talks. RI footed a bill of \$11,550 for the trip.

Clearwater was the fourth club of the present District 696 to celebrate its 50th Anniversary. RI President Bill Robbins was on hand as speaker at the Golden Banquet on February 1st. Of the clubs of the original District 696, Clearwater's celebration was the 12th such event. Rotary's 70th birthday was also noted in February.

Governor Paul makes some interesting comments in his final monthly letter on District 696 Rotary. One is that 418 letters were written to new members within the year yet the net membership gain for the year was less than 50. "Member retention, not member growth," he says, "should be the goal."

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1975 - 1976

Dr. Clyde O. Anderson of St. Petersburg became Governor of 696 and Ernesto I. De Mello was elected President of RI. Both elections took place at Boca Raton, Florida, the new site of the International Institute. The change from Lake Placid, New York, site of the annual training school for Governors over all of Rotary's former years, was noted with regret and nostalgic memories by all past officers of RI but was recognized in an inevitable accompaniment to Rotary's growth.

At the end of the 1974-75 year, the 16,549 Rotary Clubs with approximately 775,000 members in 151 countries were divided into 357 Districts. District 696, after its many breakups and boundary changes had stabilized at 47 clubs and 3,189 members.

From the very beginning of his year, Governor Clyde directed a major effort toward upgrading club spirit and encouraging civic performance. He was a believer in inspiration through personal contact and made many follow up, social and administrative calls after his round of required visits. These were so numerous that he became known as the "callin' and visitin'" Governor.

Because of a mix-up in dates, the District Institute intended for the instruction of new club officers was late. Institute and District Conference were held as one gathering with Institute on October 30th and Conference October 31 - November 2. Meetings were at the Don CeSar Hotel in Pass-a-Grille with the five lower Pinellas clubs—St. Petersburg, Gulf Beaches, Pinellas Park, Seminole and West St. Petersburg—as co-hosts. Dr. Al Geiger, Jr., Past President of St. Petersburg Rotary Club and son of former PDG Al Geiger, was general Chairman of both events.

PDG W. H. Stuart of Bartow was Institute Counselor. All clubs were represented in the total of 166 Rotarians registered, which included 40 club presidents and 33 presidents-elect. Bill's presentation and institute format made a strong impression on his listeners and gave them the necessary inspiration to work toward a well organized and productive year.

The District Conference, planned around a Bicentennial theme, was a continuation of the club upgrading objective. Past RI Director Kenneth E. Wacker, a former Governor of District 696 and serving as RI President DeMello's personal representative to the Conference, spoke at the Bicentennial Banquet. Other addresses were by PDG Mark Hollis and by Dr. Billy O. Wireman. Each of the inspirational plenary sessions stressed "how to" information for club officers. Best liked and most impressive of these was the panel presentation "Rotary and Me" given by five District Rotary Anns. Total registration for the Conference was 773 with all clubs represented. It was especially noteworthy that, out of a Conference budget of \$4,500, the Conference Committee was able to return \$2,765 in unused funds to the District.

All clubs of the District were again represented at the Assembly meeting on April 23-24 at Sarasota's Hyatt House and sponsored by the Sarasota club. Total registration was 364. The voting delegates unanimously passed regulations modifying District election procedures, a 1976-1977 District Budget of \$13,075 and the continuation of Project 696 to completion.

Governor Clyde placed great emphasis on club civic activity which resulted in a multitude of individual club civic projects. Sarasota's \$10,000 gift to the city, New Port Richey's development of a 20-acre Boy Scout Camp, Tampa Rotary's \$5,000 gift to Guatemalan Earthquake Relief, and Englewood's auction are but a few typical of their scope and magnitude. Almost every club held some sort of a barbecue, picnic or rally to promote fellowship.

The Rotary Foundation came in for its share of promotion also. The number of Paul Harris Fellows was increased by 37, doubling the total in the District. 22 new sustaining members were also added to the Foundation. Total contributions

for the year were \$37,970.50 and the District accumulated total was raised to \$196,396. The District per capita contribution of \$12 was a new high. A Group Study Exchange, third for the District, was arranged with District 141 in Finland. All of these things together made this the best Foundation year in District history.

SUMMARY

As the District goes into its 65th year, it is strong, stable and growing. Woodrow V. Register of Dunedin North becomes Governor for 1976 - 1977 and Gerald B. Hubbell of Belleair Bluffs will be Governor in 1977 - 1978. Several new clubs are in prospect. Projects continuing into the future are operative at both District and Club level. The Rotary commitment to continue its expanding pattern of the past is assured.

CHRONOLOGY OF THE CLUBS OF DISTRICT 696 AS OF JUNE 30, 1976

CLUB	DATE ADMITTED	ORIGINALDISTRICT	SPONSOR CLUB	GOVERNOR
1. Tampa	June 1, 1914	South. Div.	Jacksonville	John Shelby
2. St. Petersburg	Feb. 1, 1920	8	Tampa	Truman McGill
3. Fort Myers	April 1, 1922	8	Lakeland	John Turner
4. Clearwater	Jan. 2, 1925	39	St. Petersburg	Will Lanier
5. Punta Gorda	April 22, 1925	39	Fort Myers	Will Lanier
6. Sarasota	March 8, 1926	39	St: Petersburg	John B. Orr
7. Bradenton	June 9, 1926	39	Tampa	John B. Orr
8. Tarpon Springs	March 10, 1927	39	Clearwater	John Sheffield
9. Dunedin	Jan. 20, 1947	167	Clearwater	A1 Geiger
10. Palmetto	Dec. 1, 1947	167-C	Bradenton	Paul Stine
11. Venice-Nokomis	Dec. 26, 1947	167-C	Sarasota	Paul Stirre
12. Ybor City	Sept. 16, 1948	167-C	Tampa	Morris White
13. Gulf Beaches	Feb. 20, 1950	244	St. Petersburg	Walter Kennedy
14. Naples	Nov. 26, 1951	244	Fort Myers	Mallory Roberts
15. Clearwater Beach	Nov. 2, 1953	244	Clearwater	Malcolm Duggan
16. Interbay (Tampa)	Dec. 14, 1953	244	Tampa	Malcolm Duggan
17. Largo	March 30, 1954	244	Clearwater	Malcolm Duggan
18. Pinellas Park	June 7, 1954	244	St. Petersburg	Malcolm Duggan
19. North Hillsborough	Nov. 29, 1954	244	Tampa	Chesley Perry
20. West St. Petersburg	Dec. 28, 1954	244	St. Petersburg	Chesley Perry
21. Fort Myers Beach	April 28, 1955	244	Fort Myers	Chesley Perry
22. Plant City	May 17, 1955	244	Bartow	Chesley Perry
23. South Manatee	Nov. 23, 1955	244	Bradenton	Arthur Kitchen
24. Sarasota Bay	Nov. 13, 1958	696	Sarasota	Richard Cumming
25. New Port Richey	March 18, 1959	696	Tarpon Springs	Richard Cumming
26. Englewood	May 28, 1959	696	Venice-Nokomis	Richard Cumming
27. Sarasota Keys	May 12, 1960	696	Sarasota	Everett Sumner
28. Port Charlotte	Feb. 10, 1961	696	Englewood	Stephen Grimes
29. Brandon	Nov. 10, 1961	696	Tampa	Robert Baynard
30. Seminole	June 10, 1962	696	Largo	Robert Baynard
31. Immokalee	June 13, 1962	696	Naples	Robert Baynard
32. Ruskin - Sun City	April 1, 1962	696	Ybor City	Lester Ginkel
33. Cape Coral	May 21, 1964	696	Fort Myers	Lester Ginkel
34. Marco Island	May 28, 1966	696	Naples	James Franklin, Jr.
35. Anna Maria Island	Dec. 19, 1966	696	Bradenton	John Neuner
36. Fort Myers South	Dec. 30, 1968	696	Fort Myers	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
37. Naples North	June 13, 1969	696	Naples	Leslie Anderson, Jr.
38. East Clearwater	July 27, 1970	696	Clearwater	Dan H. McLeroy
39. Dunedin North	Nov. 21, 1971	696	Dunedin	Hampton Dunn
40. Belleair Bluffs	May 10, 1972	696	Largo	Hampton Dunn
41. Northwest Tampa	June 30, 1972	696	Interbay & N. Hillsborough	Hampton Dunn
42. Naples East	March 10, 1973	696	Naples & Naples North	Joe Selden, Jr.
43. Hudson	June 14, 1973	696	New Port Richey	Joe Selden, Jr.
44. North Fort Myers	June 14, 1973	696	Cape Coral	Joe Selden, Jr.
45. Fort Myers East	June 25, 1973	696	Fort Myers	Joe Selden, Jr.
46. Leheigh Acres	June 30, 1973	696	Fort Myers & Cape Coral	Joe Selden, Jr.
47. Sarasota Gulf Gate	Dec. 11, 1973	696	Sarasota	Moody Rinehart

CONFERENCES AND ASSEMBLIES

1914 - 1976

Administration	Admin. Year	Host City Conference	Host City Assembly
John E. Shelby	1914-15	Jacksonville	
Frank P. Glass	1915-16	New Orleans, La.	
Ralph Quisenberry	1916-17	Jacksonville	
Malcolm Jones	1917-18	Selma, Ala.	
John Gay	1918-19	A1 bany, .Ga.	
Truman McGill	1919-20	Tampa	
Wilbur Smith	1920-21	Birmingham, Ala.	Americus, Ga.
John Turner	1921-22	Savannah, Ga.	Jacksonville
Porter Pierpont	1922-23	St. Petersburg	Thomasville, Ga.
S. Kendrick Guernsey	1923-24	Macon, Ga.	St. Augustine
Will Lanier	1924-25	West Palm Beach	Tybee Beach, Ga.
John B. Orr	1925-26	Augusta, Ga.	Ocala
John Sheffield	1926-21	Tampa	Valdosta, Ga.
Robertson T. Arnold	1927-28	Atlanta, Ga.	Jacksonville
Harry H. Root	1928-29	Orlando	Tampa
Howard W. Selby	1929-30	Sarasota	West Palm Beach
F. Irving Holmes	.1930-31	Jacksonville	Fort Myers
Joe S. Diver	1931-32	Miami	Daytona Beach
James Donn	1932-33	Tampa	Winter Haven
Ed R. Bentley	1933-34	Eustis	Orlando
Earle G. Thatcher	1934-35	Bradenton	Lakeland
Alfred P. Marshall	1935-36	Tallahassee	Vero Beach
Mallard Davidson	1936-37	Jacksonville	Clearwater
Roland S. Horton	1937-38	Ocala	Bartow
Garland Powell	1938-39	St. Petersburg	Lake City
James A. Franklin	1939-40	Hollywood	Orlando
J. Chalmers Buchanan	1940-41	Tampa	Gainesviile
Fairfax T. Haskins	1941-42	Hollywood	St. Augustine
G. T. Melton	1942-43	Jacksonville	Jacksonville
Harry M. Smith	1943-44	St. Petersburg	Lakeland
Walter J. Matherly	1944-45	None (War)	Jacksonville
Fred M. Bultman	1945-46	Miami Beach	Tampa
Fred M. Bultman	1945-46		Miami

Administration	Admin. Year	Host City Conference	Host City Assembly
Fred M. Bultman	1945-46		Jacksonville
Albert J. Geiger	1946-47	Daytona Beach	Orlando
Paul Stine	1947-48	Clearwater	Winter Haven
Morris White	1948-49	Sarasota	Winter Garden
Walter C. Kennedy	1949-50	Tampa	Tarpon Springs
Frank M. Rhodes	1950-51	St. Petersburg	Lakeland
Mallory Roberts	1951-52	St. Petersburg	Eustis
Kenneth E. Wacker	1952-53	Daytona Beach	Venice
Kenneth E. Wacker	1952-53		Fort Myers
Malcolm R. Duggan	1953-54	Bradenton	Winter Haven
Chesley F. Perry	1954-55	Clearwater	Lake Wales
Arthur S. Kitchen	1955-56	Sarasota	Ocala
Frank A. McDonald	1956-57	Winter Haven	Clearwater
James B. Keith	1957-58	Orlando	St. Petersburg
Richard C. Cumming	1958-59	Silver Springs	Leesburg
Everett Sumner	1959-60	Tampa	Gulf Beaches
Stephen A. Grimes	1960-61	Orlando	Lakeland
Robert S. Baynard	1961-62	Bradenton	Clearwater
J. Frank Davies	1962-63	Tampa	Bradenton
Lester Ginkel	1963-64	Sarasota	Clearwater
Chauncey W. McIntyre	1964-65	St. Petersburg	Tampa
James Franklin, Jr.	1965-66	Naples	Lakeland
John Neuner	1966-67	Orlando	Bradenton
Edward St. Phillip	1967-68	Sarasota	Ocala
Leslie Anderson	1968-69	Winter Haven	Interbay (Tampa)
Arthur V. Benson	1969-70	St. Petersburg	Orlando
Dan McLeroy	1970-71	Fort Mye rs	Sarasota
Hampton Dunn	1971-72	Tampa	Cl e arwater
Joseph Selden, Jr.	1972-73	Marco Island	St. Petersburg
Moody F. Rinehart	1973-74		
Edward St. Phillip	1973-74	Dunedin	Punta Gorda
Paul Sanborn	1974-75	Naples	Clearwater Beach
Clyde O. Anderson	1975-76	St. Petersburg	Sarasota

PART III-A*

DISTRICT FUND COMMITTEE

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

**DISTRICT 696 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
COLLEGE OF GOVERNORS**

FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL LOAN CORPORATION FUND

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

PROJECT 696

*Section III-A is taken from Part III, pages 60-84 of the previous district history published in 1988. The Rotary Loan Fund from 1962 -1975 can be found at the beginning of the Financial Statements section. The listing of the district governors is now a separate section.

DISTRICT FUND COMMITTEE

PART I

The idea of providing extra funds for meeting special needs within the District, not covered by the administrative allowance made to the District Governors by Rotary International, was originated in the Assembly session at Jacksonville, September 1927. Bert Arnold was then the District Governor, his administrative duties for RI covering 75 clubs with over 3,400 members. His was the heaviest load of responsibility carried by any governor during the history of the area.

The original purpose of raising funds was to enable the Governor to attend inter-city and other special meetings not on his routine schedule of official duties; to import speakers for Assemblies and Conferences; and to cover other incidentals which would not be provided for except from the Governor's personal resources. It later provided sufficient funds to pay the Governor's expenses in attending the International Convention at the close of his year's administration, and for District Conference expenses, and it became a regular practice for the District to make this arrangement.

The plan adopted was to have each club pay to the Governor each year 25¢ per member. This gave rise to the name "Two-bit Fund" which persisted until 1934.

At the District Assembly in 1934, Governor E.G. Thatcher held a special conference with Past Governors present and proposed the creation of a District Fund Committee. His idea was to relieve the Governor of the embarrassment of appealing to the clubs for money for his own use and, at the same time, remove from his exclusive control the administration of the funds, establishing a system for proper accounting thereof. He recommended that the "Two-bit Fund" be changed from a Governor's Fund to a District Fund, under committee administration. The other Governors present approved, and in the Assembly session, the idea was approved by the Presidents and Secretaries. A committee of five was named, from which group a Treasurer was selected. The immediate Past Governor was designated to be chairman each year. The size of the committee was established so that there could be a chairman and one member additional representing each of the four "Size" classifications of clubs. The per capita assessment was set at 35¢. In 1935, the size of the committee was increased when a new classification of clubs, according to number of members, was made.

In 1936, when it was understood that the International Convention would be held in a foreign country in 1937, the Assembly made provision for the extra cost of the retiring Governor's attendance by increasing the per capita to 50¢.

A further change came in 1937 when the Fund assessment per member was raised to \$1.00. The purpose of this increase was to cover two additional items of expense. One was the customary gift to the District Governor, presented at the District Conference. This formally had been a responsibility of the host club, and customarily meant an additional assessment made by that club upon all other clubs in the District on a per capita basis of 25¢. The second item of expenses now covered in the District Fund was a portion of the cost of the District Conference. The theory was that cost of the Conference should fall at least partially on all

members within the District, rather than wholly upon the ones who attend and pay the registration fee, or upon the host club.

During the war years of the early forties, the assessment was reduced first to 75¢ and for a time to 50¢, the reason being that war restrictions caused restricted travel and Conference and Convention activities. In 1945-46, the Conference was cancelled in keeping with the spirit of prevailing restrictions.

PART II

At the Daytona Beach Conference in April 1947, provision was made for a division of the accumulated funds in the treasury of District 167 among the three new districts being formed as of July 1, 1947. Distribution was made in proportion to membership in the new districts. With greatly decreased membership following division, District 167-C authorized an increase in the per capita maximum assessment. From 1947 until 1956, the assessment has varied between \$1.00 and \$2.00, depending upon the needs. District 167-C (later 244) continued the \$600.00 host club Conference allowance until 1951-52 when it increased to \$1,000.00

In July 1952, the Assembly voted to discontinue the registration fee at the Conference, and materially increase the allowance to the host club for Conference expense. Although authorization has been given the committee to increase the assessment to \$3.00 per capita, the maximum assessed to date is \$2.00. Authorization was given for a host club conference allowance up to \$3,000.00, and in the last two or three years substantially this amount has been expended.

Also in 1952, by reason of a change in Assembly dates from June or July back to April, the Districts fiscal year was changed to run from Assembly to Assembly. The immediate Past Governor automatically acts as chairman of the committee, his predecessor is vice-chairman, and the other five members appointed by the incoming Governor represent "C," "D," "E," "F," and "G" clubs respectively.

The District Fund per capita assessment was reduced from \$2.00 to \$1.50 effective July 1, 1956, because of increased District membership and substantial accumulated cash reserves.

PART III

The period from 1956 to the present has been one of escalating costs and a changing financial philosophy. The basic purpose of the District Fund, to make administration and operational expenses the responsibility of all District Rotarians, has however remained firm.

Yearly District budgets have steadily increased with that for the 1976-77 year reaching \$13,075.00. The major change in budgeted amounts is attributable mainly to increased allowances for District functions and for supplemental expense allowances to the District Governor: In 1974-77, the Conference will receive \$4,000 and the Assembly \$500. The total to the Governor and governor nominee for travel allowances and gifts will be \$4,425. The 1976-77 budget requires a District per capita assessment of \$3.50, based on a membership of 3,200.

It is presently the District policy to retain a fund reserve equal to at least one

year's budget. This currently is up to \$21,409 and may be expended on District Fund Committee recommendation and District membership vote. The reserve is kept in bounds by operating from time to time with a reduced per capita assessment and a deficit budget with the difference coming from reserve. At the time of the District boundary changes in 1970, the reserve, which had reached \$13,865, was divided among the three districts on the basis of membership changes, giving \$286 to District 694, \$5,582 to District 695 and \$7,997 to District 696. "District Rules of Procedure," which outline district policy and set forth the powers of the District Fund Committee, are changed from time to time to reflect current trends. Amendments were made in 1953, 1957 and 1960. The "Rules" were completely rewritten in 1971 by a committee consisting of PDGs McIntyre, Davies and Duggan. Between then and the present there have been two amendments, both of the modifications to reflect RI constitutional changes.

All District financial policies are sound, conservative and in complete control of District membership. This is, in great measure, due to the faithful guidance and direction of PDG Malcolm Duggan of Bradenton, who served the District as Treasurer from 1956 through 1973. On the occasion of his retirement, "Dug" was presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award by the appreciative clubs of District 696.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

PART I - II

Immediately following the death of Paul Harris in January 1947, District Governor Al Geiger telegraphed each club in the District suggesting participation in the Foundation program in the amount of \$10.00 per member as a memorial to the founder of Rotary.

Three months later, six Florida clubs were 100% participants, including two in what is now District 244, Tampa and Leesburg. By reason of district division in July 1947, a breakdown of our District's investment as of that date is not available, but by July 1, 1948, it is recorded that there were twelve 100% clubs with a total District-wide investment of \$12,756.25.

1936-48	\$12,756.25
1948-49	523.00
1949-50	315.00
1950-51	1,719.07
1951-52	2,442.00
1952-53	1,758.00
1953-54	1,935.00
1954-55	9,919.50
1955-56	<u>6,453.85</u>
TOTAL	\$37,821.17

Three Foundation students have gone out from our District for a year of study abroad. H. Eugene Bovis of Kissimmee (nominated by the Orlando club) was our first Foundation student. He was chosen in 1949-50 and studied the following year at the University of Grenoble, France, and since his graduation has been serving in Europe with the Foreign Service of the USA State Department.

Joe Pittman of Orlando was chosen as our second Foundation student during 1952-53, and studied during the next academic year at the University of Geneva in Switzerland. Upon his return, he addressed the Clearwater District Conference and spoke to about half of the clubs in the District. He is continuing his studies at Harvard in the field of medicine.

In 1954-55, Miss Louise Sand of St. Petersburg was chosen from a field of nine outstanding students to receive the Foundation Fellowship. At the time of her selection, Louise was an instructor in languages at Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, and since March 1956, has been a Fellowship student at the University of Santiago, Chile. The District is entitled to name another Foundation student during the Rotary year 1956-57.

Thirty-eight of our 47 clubs are designated as 100% Foundation clubs as of July 1, 1956, with a large proportion continuing to be "Supporters of the Foundation" by investing an additional \$1.00 per member per year plus \$10.00 for each new member. With a membership of 2,975 on June 30, 1956, the average per capita investment is \$12.70. (See table of Investment by Clubs in Rotary.

PART III

When in 1970 District 696 was again divided, the contributions of its clubs to the Foundation had reached the levels shown in the adjacent table. All but the two youngest clubs were at or above the 100% level, each 100% being equal to an accumulated total contribution of \$10 per member. Two clubs were at 100%, 22 were at 200%, 25 were at 300%, 11 were at 400%, 7 were over 400% and one club, Clearwater, had reached 1000%. The total for all clubs was \$141,375.00. Income of the Foundation was sufficient to allow one scholarship grant per district and 696 continued to send outstanding students for foreign study.

After the District division, the accumulated total credited to the clubs of the new District 696 was \$84,200.

In the years succeeding 1970, in spite of the reduced number of clubs (37) in the District, accumulated total contributions continued to rise and by June 30, 1976, had reached \$196,396.00 or \$62.09 per District member. In the interim, the number of scholarships allotted by the Foundation to each district became a function of the yearly per capita contribution within the District with as many as six scholarship allocations per district possible. For the 1975-76 year, District 696 per capita contributions permitted granting of three scholarship awards. Fourteen applications were received from which the three were selected.

A recently inaugurated Paul Harris Memorial Fellowship plan helped increase district contributions. This memorial award is given to any individual who makes, or has made in his name, a lump sum contribution of \$1,000. To date, there are 74 Paul Harris awardees in District 696, with 37 of these becoming Fellows during this 1975-76 year.

INVESTMENT BY CLUBS IN ROTARY FOUNDATION. JUNE 30, 1956

CLUB	MEMBERS	AMOUNT
Apopka	40	112.00
Arcadia	37	210.00
Auburndale*	60	610.00
Avon Park*	45	455.00
Bartow*	13	803.00
Bradenton*	84	1,396.00
Brooksville	25	20.00
Clearwater*	122	2,184.75
Clearwater Beach*	29	410.00
Clermont*	21	210.00
Dade City*	33	340.00
Dunedin*	45	507.00
Eustis	40	165.00
Fort Myers*	105	1,408.35
Fort Myers Beach	22	110.00
Frostproof	32,	230.00
Gulf Beaches*	56	628.00
Gulfport*	21	240.00
Haines City*	60	620.00
Interbay (Tampa)*	40	410.00
Kissimmee*	23	260.00
Lakeland*	124	1,526.00
Lake Wales*	84	1,110.00
Largo*	31	310.00
Leesburg*	57	1,042.00
Mount Dora	39	110.00
Naples*	33	370.00
North Hillsborough (Tampa)*	23	324.00
Ocala* "	103	1,186.00
Oneco*	24	260.00
Orlando* **	203	4,159.07
Palmetto*	35	350.00
Pinellas Park	22	120.00
Plant City	23	150.00
Punta Gorda*	16	186.00
Sanford*	15	760.00
Sarasota*	107	1,726.00
Sebring*	57	627.00
St. Petersburg*	193	2,657.00
Tampa*	270	3,560.00
Tarpon Springs*	49	638.00
Venice - Nokomis*	55	705.00
Winter Garden*	52	989.00
Winter Haven*	101	1,435.00
Winter Park*	95	1,252.00
Ybor City*	67	700.00
Zephyrhills*	24	240.00
TOTALS	2,975	\$37821.17

*These 38 of the 47 clubs are 100% clubs.

INVESTMENT BY CLUBS IN ROTARY FOUNDATION. JUNE 30, 1970

CLUB	MEMBERS	AMOUNT
Anna Maria Island	32	320.00
Apopka	69	1,486.00
Arcadia	41	420.00
Auburndale	56	1,300.00
Avon Park	57	2,712.25
Bartow	76	1,363.00
Bradenton	107	2,964.00
Brandon	24	260.00
Brooksville	34	400.00
Cape Coral	34	497.00
Clearwater	166	17,300.00
Clearwater Beach	41	1,370.00
Dade City	42	1,170.00
Dunedin	88	3,520.00
Englewood	44	1,320.00
Eustis	36	1,647.50
Fort Meade	18	286.00
Fort Myers	129	3,253.85
Fort Myers Beach	32	1,765.00
Fort Myers South	22	880.00
Frostproof	24	290.00
Gulf Beaches	43	1,135.00
Haines City	65	1,555.00
Immokalee	24	440.00
Interbay (Tampa)	73	1,450.00
Kissimmee	54	11,099.00
Lakeland	179	6,605.50
Lakeland South	32	---
Lake Wales	77	3,274.00
Largo	60	2,006.70
Leesburg	59	1,964.00
Maitland	41	1,472.75
Marco Island	31	310.00
Mount Dora	57	1,640.00
Naples North	23	310.00

CLUB	MEMBERS	AMOUNT
Naples	102	1,660.00
New Port Richey	34	860.00
North Hillsborough	61	2,038.00
Ocala	111	3,227.00
Ocala-Silver Springs	35	310.00
Orange County East	48	783.00
Orlando	253	7,775.82
Palmetto	39	486.00
Pinellas Park	47	1,095.00
Plant City	43	900.00
Port Charlotte	32	520.00
Punta Gorda	40	1,080.00
Ruskin - Sun City	50	510.00
St. Cloud	23	270.00
St. Petersburg	255	14,496.00
Sanford	62	1,380.00
Sarasota	110	4,076.00
Sarasota Bay	82	2,421.00
Sarasota Keys	47	990.00
Sebring	58	1,268.00
Seminole	37	1,209.00
Seminole County South	33	330.00
South Lake County	31	806.00
South Manatee	31	330.00
Tampa	291	6,714.70
Tarpon Springs	34	858.00
Venice - Nokomis	59	1,639.50
West Orlando	34	680.00
West St. Petersburg	43	860.00
Windermere	35	430.00
Winter Garden	63	2,673.00
Winter Haven	116	3,950.00
Winter Park	139	4,075.00
Ybor City	81	1,755.00
Zephyrhills	38	533.00
70 Clubs TOTAL	4,587	\$141,375.57

DISTRICT 696 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF GOVERNORS

At the District 696 Conference on October 23, 1964, RI Director Leroy Williams outlined a tentative plan just approved by the RI Board for forming those Past Governors, resident in each District, into an organization called "The District College of Governors." The 22 Past Governors in attendance at that Conference met, immediately approved the plan and formally voted its adoption, thus becoming the first College of Governors to organize, officially, anywhere in the Rotary world. The "Objectives and Procedures" formulated by that group at that time have become a model for later "Colleges." These were:

1. The name of the organization shall be College of Governors, District 696, Rotary International.
2. All Past District Governors, including those who may have served in other RI Districts, who are members of any Rotary Club in the District, are automatically members of the College of Governors.
3. The incoming District Governor shall, each year, appoint a "Chancellor" to serve concurrently with his term as District Governor. Appointment is to be made any time prior to the beginning of the new Governor's term of office and for the purpose of ensuring complete and harmonious cooperation between the Administration and the College.
4. Meetings of the College are to be held upon the call of the District Governor, preferably coincident with Assemblies, Conferences or other District meetings.
5. The purpose shall be to assist the District Governor in such a manner as he may suggest, including but not limited to visiting or speaking to clubs in furthering the ideals and objectives of Rotary and to counsel with the Governor upon his request upon matters affecting Rotary in general, and District 696, in particular.

The College has continued to function with meetings at District gatherings each year. Its membership has varied from the original 22 to a maximum of 45 at the present time. Some years, fellowship is its only function, while in other years and under other governors, the College has been a very helpful adjunct to District administration.

FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL LOAN CORPORATION FUND

Name Changed in 1956 to

"EDUCATIONAL LOAN CORPORATION OF ROTARY CLUBS IN FLORIDA"

PARTS I - II

The Florida Educational Loan Corporation had its birth in 1922 through the desire of generous minded men to make possible to needy Florida boys a better equipment for life, by lending assistance to ambitious ones in their struggle for an education. The idea originated with members of the Gainesville Rotary club, was sponsored by other clubs in the State, and developed into a District enterprise (then State-wide). Funds have been accumulated from Rotary Clubs, Rotarians and friends, principally through their purchase of stock in the corporation. This stock produces no monetary return. As of March 31, 1955, the total Capital stock issued totaled \$42,000.00, with other donations totaling \$5,958.85. From this original investment, a total of more than 1,050 separate loans have been made, totaling some \$121,000.00. Of these loans, \$109,000.00 have been repaid. The March 1955 balance sheet shows current liquid assets of cash and U.S. Bonds in the amount of just over \$42,400.00, which was equal to the total amount invested. Additionally, there were receivables of some \$16,000.00 in notes and interest, plus \$8,000.00 accrued interest on government bonds.

During many of these years, loans were available to boys in attendance at the University of Florida and girls at the Florida State College for Women, after satisfactory completion of their freshman year, and upon meeting several requirements designed to maintain the self-respect of the borrower and the security of the loan.

Original officers of the corporation were as follows: John A. Turner, President; A.A. Murphree, Active Vice-President; Harry Hoyt, Vice-President; Frank Stoneman, Vice-President; Oliver J. Semmes, Vice-President; A. Ferd Thomason, Vice-President; and K. H. Graham, Secretary-Treasurer.

The corporation charter was revised to provide that the Advisory Committee shall be made up of the presidents of all of the Rotary Clubs of the District (Florida) or their officially appointed representatives. Comprehensive reports are given to club officers and members at the District Assemblies and Conferences, and prior to district division in 1947, the annual meeting of the Corporation was usually held in conjunction with the District Assembly.

The division of Florida into three districts in 1947 posed new problems. Funds were too limited to permit division into three separate funds which also would cause increased problems of administration and costs. Annual meetings could not be held as before because now there were three separate District Assemblies. Garland Powell of Gainesville continued as President of the Corporation from 1943 until 1956, and Klein Graham, who had administered the funds as Secretary-Treasurer from the inception of the Corporation, continued in this capacity.

The success of the corporation in accomplishment of its laudable purpose is in a large measure due to the faithful and economical administration of Klein Graham and the capable leadership of President Garland Powell.

In January 1956, with the active backing of District Governor Art Kitchen and John D. Harris of St. Petersburg, a meeting was held in Gainesville to plan for the future of the corporation and amend its official documents to provide for ease of operation among the three districts. Present were President Garland Powell of Gainesville; Vice Presidents Roland Hardy of Miami and John D. Harris of St. Petersburg; Secretary Klein Graham of Gainesville; Robert C. Beaty, Dean of Men at the University of Florida; Richard Mills of Gainesville, the attorney for the corporation; and District Governors C.R. Drummond of 242, William R. Robbins of 243 and A.S. Kitchen of 244.

As a result of this and a subsequent meeting in Jacksonville, an amended charter was drawn up and adopted at a stockholders meeting in Gainesville on June 12, 1956, and became a charter of record on June 21 when signed by the Circuit Judge.

The new charter provided for a change of name to "Educational Loan Corporation of Rotary Clubs in Florida." The management of the corporation was vested in a Board of Directors. Each District Governor will annually appoint a Rotarian from his district to serve a two-year term as Director, starting on July 1st, but the incumbent governors (1955-56) would each appoint a Rotarian from his district to serve for a one-year period and one to serve for a two-year period beginning July 1, 1956.

Present funds of the corporation as of June 30, 1956, and all monies accruing therefrom will be used solely for the purpose of aiding qualified young men and women to complete their college education at the University of Florida inasmuch as it was considered that this was the intent of the original donors to the fund. Future funds received by the corporation may be used for student aid at any accredited institution of higher learning in Florida.

District Governor Art Kitchen then appointed Alfred P. Marshall of Clearwater to represent District 244 for a one-year term, and Paul J. Stine of Orlando to serve a two-year term, starting July 1, 1956. They will meet in July in Gainesville with other directors where it is expected they will adopt bylaws, elect officers and start the corporation off under its amended charter, permitting continuation of the purposes of the corporation in a workable manner.

PART III

After 1956, the Corporation continued to grow in size and complexity for the next several years, during which no changes in management procedures were made. It was, however, more and more evident that the time necessary for proper administration was beyond that available from a part-time committee and from the volunteer workers of the Gainesville club. A number of plans for the future of the Fund were considered. Most promising of these envisioned transfer of Fund operation but not complete Fund control to the University of Florida. Favoring such action were the facts that most of the loans made were to University of Florida students; that the University was conversant with the Fund's past history and objectives; that the Fund, located as it would be

in Gainesville, could maintain close contact with the former operating personnel at the Gainesville Rotary Club.

Overtures were made and in April 1961, the University Endowment Corporation agreed to accept the management task. On July 1, 1961, the Board of Directors of the Rotary Educational Loan Fund changed its constitution and bylaws to permit transfer of assets to the University Endowment Corporation and to authorize management of the Fund by it. Control was retained over the size, number, and terms of loans to be made. The changes necessary were largely worked out by Arthur Kitchen, PDG, and long-time board member. Members of the Board voting the plan into effect were:

- L. O. Gratz, Acting President, District 694
- R. C. Beaty, Secretary-Treasurer, District 694
- E. Robert Langley, District 694
- R.S. Baynard, District 696
- Paul J. Stine, District 696
- Rowland Hardy, District 699
- Sam Knowles, District 699.

An immediate transfer of approximately \$41,500 was made. In August 1962, the balance of the funds of the Educational Loan Fund Corporation of the Rotary Clubs of Florida was transferred to the University Endowment Fund, which in turn transferred them to the University of Florida Student Loan Fund for management. The total sum involved was \$66,725.

By 1965, the Fund operation under the University had been stabilized and the balance of the money, and assets available, had been transferred to it. Discussions on how the future of the operation should be finalized had been going on without bringing agreement among the members of the Rotary Loan Fund Board, the districts involved and the representatives of the Gainesville Rotary Club, who had for years borne the brunt of the management chore.

On April 20, 1965, the Board of Directors of the Loan Fund met to consider the following letter as a suggested compromise plan for future procedure:



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Service Above Self - He Profits Most Who Serves Best

March 25, 1965

Mr. A. S. Kitchen, O. D.
12 So. Ft. Harrison Ave.
Clearwater, Florida

Dear Art:

I have read and given serious consideration to your letter with Alf Marshall's suggestions concerning the future conduct and disposition of the Educational Loan Corporation of Rotary Clubs of Florida Inc. My thinking, here expressed, takes into consideration this letter, the minutes of the committee meeting of December 1st and the minutes of the two or three previous meetings.

It is evident that there are divergent opinions on the course to be followed. The three current governors of Florida districts, who are the men most conversant with today's club sentiment and club conduct, hold that active continuation of the Corporation in its present form can serve no further purpose—a view which apparently is also shared by the president of the Corporation. Some committee members who have a sentimental attachment to the Corporation, arising from long and dedicated service in its behalf, and who have a knowledge of the clubs of the district retained from memory and associations of some years back, favor continuation of the present operation.

As I told you in the conversation leading up to your letter, I am most concerned with bringing these views together to a degree which will permit some sort of concrete action now. There is both point and reason in so doing—we have the power to act, and if change is to be made it can best be done by those who are familiar with the history, aims and objectives of the Corporation.

Pertinent to action, there are these considerations:

(1) The reaction of the membership of the clubs of the district is not an important factor. Generally, membership turnover in our clubs approximates ten percent a year, and since there has been no general active publicity or sales effort in behalf of the Loan Corporation for several years, only a small part of the men who are now Rotarians are aware of its existence.

Those remaining who do know, have little interest in it and will continue to decrease in numbers.

(2) Clubs of the district are presently using currently acquired scholarship funds to support local needs at nearby institutions. This is a conclusion based on an examination of the programs and the projects of all of the clubs of the district.

(3) The three current governors, who are the most familiar with the thinking of our clubs, consider further appreciable expansion of the fund doubtful or impossible.

(4) Any decision made should be predicated on the facts of today's conditions and should not be influenced by sentiment or nostalgia.

It would seem, in view of the needs of the district, the feelings of those concerned and the above facts, that a sensible and reasonable course of action might be this modification of Alf's suggested plan to:

(1) Continue the corporate entity for the purpose of maintaining the identity of the existing fund as being Rotary derived, subject to some degree of preferential Rotary usage but not for the purpose of solicitation and collection of additional funds.

(2) Provide for the future administration of the Corporation by designating the governors of the districts of Florida, as elected each year, to be the Board of Directors and the Business Manager of the University of Florida to be the Secretary-Treasurer, this Board to meet only on call which may be issued for reason by any Director or the Secretary-Treasurer.

(3) Place all existing funds in the hands of the Business Manager of the University of Florida for administration with the stipulation that they are to be loaned under a designation which will preserve the name, identity and purpose of their origin.

(4) Require that an annual report and audit be prepared and furnished to the governors of the Rotary districts of Florida and that this be made available by them, to all of the Rotary clubs of Florida on request.

The course of action outlined will fulfill the objectives we seek. It will perpetuate the name, purpose and function of the Corporation. It will assure continued association of the Corporation with the Rotary districts of Florida. It will make available to the clubs of Florida who desire it, information on the Corporation. It will provide a mechanism for change should future conditions require it.

After we have set up the Educational Loan Corporation of Rotary Clubs of Florida Inc. along these lines, we can all rest content in the knowledge that, even though we are gone, this part of the Rotary of our time can and will continue to function in the manner its founders intended.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Chauncey W. McIntyre Governor, District 696 RI

Copy - A. P. Marshall, P. J. Stine, Les Ginkel, Fred DeHon, Wm. J. Hamrick, L. O. Gratz, James Franklin Jr.

After consideration and discussion, the suggested plan was adopted and implemented. In 1967, it was decided that further continuation of a corporate structure was neither necessary nor advisable. Judgment of Dissolution of the Corporation was entered June 6, 1967, and completed on June 9th. As of June 30, 1967, total assets were \$75,160.50,

Fund operation as a Rotary-sponsored entity has continued by the Student Loan Fund of the University of Florida and, as of June 30, 1975, assets have grown to \$83,899.95. In the 1975 year, 35 loans were made, and over the life of the Fund to date there have been 951 loans made with an aggregate value of \$313,419.80.

A financial history of this outstanding Rotary accomplishment is included in the Financial Section.

Current status and expected future of this great Rotary Club project is best outlined by the attached letter from J. Wayne Reitz, former University of Florida President, who has been associated with the Fund almost from inception.

J. WAYNE REITZ
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT EMERITUS

May 18, 1976

Mr. Chauncey W. McIntyre
Governor, District 696 Rotary international
650 Pinellas Point Drive South
Apartment 144
St. Petersburg, Florida 33705

Dear Mr. McIntyre:

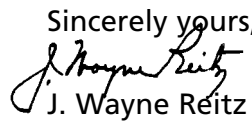
Thank you for your letter of May 5 addressed to Mr. G. Steven Wilkerson in which you make additional inquiry concerning the Educational Loan Corporation fund of Rotary Clubs of Florida which was officially dissolved on June 6, 1967. The fund was turned over to the University of Florida in a letter dated June 30, 1967, addressed to me as President, and signed by L. B., Gravely, Secretary-Treasurer.

You now seek information concerning any specific terms under which the fund is now administered. The fund is administered by the Student Financial Aid Division of the University of Florida. It is recorded as the Rotary Loan Fund and it is so known by students who borrow from it. The conditions of the loans are (1) 3% interest on the unpaid balance; (2) must be a Florida resident; (3) maintain a grade "C" or better average in one's academic work and other qualifications; (4) maximum amount of the loan is \$1,000 in any 12 month period; and, (5) the maximum loan is \$2,000. Normally loans are made only to juniors, seniors, and graduate or graduate professional students. Repayment of the loan starts three months after leaving the University and the suggested rate of repayment is \$30 a month.

The above reflects the manner in which this loan fund has been administered since 1967 and insofar as I know, will continue to be administered in the future.

A report of the loan fund activities each year is sent to the treasurer of the local Rotary Club. In the past it was sent to incoming district governors, but when this was done, it inevitably resulted in much correspondence since the fund is no longer an official part of Rotary.

You may be assured, however, that it is indeed a significant loan fund and much appreciated by students.

Sincerely yours,

J. Wayne Reitz
President Emeritus

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

District 696 has participated in two Group Study Exchanges to date. One with District 255, Australia, in 1969-1970 and the other with District 317, India, in 1974-1975.

On April 5, 1969, an exchange team under the leadership of PDG Les Ginkel left Tampa for a 66-day stay in District 255 in Queensland, Australia, and in New Guinea. Team members, all non-Rotarians, were Dallas Townsend, Agricultural Agent, Immokalee ; George Feaster, Funeral Director, Largo; Alan Galletly, Public Relations, St. Petersburg; Harry Piper, Insurance, Seminole; Richard Stabell, Educator, Winter Park; Davis Sommers, Geologist, Tampa.

It is noteworthy that five of these men have since become Rotarians. The group covered the more than one million square miles of District 255 by plane and car, making well over a hundred talks before clubs and other groups. To attain maximum exposure, they split into teams of two or three, visiting several places in a single day. Distances between stops were great, the weather was hot, air-conditioning was almost non-existent, but in spite of the difficulties, they fulfilled their duties as goodwill ambassadors by making friends and telling the story of the United States. After returning to this country, team members spoke to clubs and gatherings throughout the District giving the story of District 255, Australia and New Guinea.

On May 5, 1970, an Australian team of Messrs. Bishop, McFarlane, McDonald, Ness, Starr and Johnson, under the leadership of Rotarian Norm Travis, came to the United States for the Australian half of the exchange. Arrangements were made for stopovers at Grand Canyon and other notable spots before arrival at Tampa, where they started a heavy schedule of visits, which included all of the clubs of this District, as well as Cape Kennedy Space Center and East Coast cities. The team returned to District 255 by way of Washington and New York, giving its members a comprehensive look at our country. The side trips and special stopovers, made possible through the cooperation of Rotary Clubs in the areas visited, added much to the pleasure and benefit of the exchange, which was completed on June 24, 1970.

After a careful assessment of the costs and benefits involved in the visit, the District Clubs voted to apply for a second exchange immediately. This application was acted on favorably by RI and an exchange was set up with District 317 in India. This pairing, which involved problems of language and racial difference, was even more beneficial and successful than the first had been. The lessons learned during the first exchange served to modify plans for the second. Visitation schedules were lightened, travel was reduced, more time was allocated for person to person exchanges and a generally slower pace was set. This improved the quality and the benefits derived from the program for both visitor and visited. Organization for the visit to the District was carefully worked out by District Governor Paul Sanborn and the Exchange committee. District clubs were divided into seven groups, each made up of clubs contiguous geographically and each under a separate chairman. These were Woodrow V. Register, Group I, Dunedin; Clyde Anderson, M.D., Group II, St. Petersburg; Arthur Turner, Group III, Tampa; Dr. Don Azbell, Group IV, Palmetto; James Ransier, Group V, Port Charlotte; Joseph Selden, M. D., Group VI-A, Fort Myers; Philip Sowersby, Group

VI-B, Naples. The individual groups were responsible for all activities within their areas including visits, tours, transportation and lodging. The results were excellent, permitting visits to all clubs, visits to all points of interest in every area and maximum exposure to District Rotarians.

The Indian team was under the leadership of Madhav Medhekar, Rotarian, Economist, Lawyer and Author. Members were Nirmal Bose, M.D., Surgeon; Anand Naik, Management Finance; Krishnaji Aiyer, Sales Executive; Jayant Naik, Building Contractor; Ravi Rohidekar, Metallurgical Engineer. All were fluent in English. All expressed genuine admiration for our country, especially Florida, and they were greatly surprised and impressed to learn that Americans are an industrious, warmly hospitable, family oriented people. Their tour started April 7 and ended on May 19, 1974.

For the second exchange, PDG Joseph Selden, M.D., of Fort Myers, headed the District 696 team which left for District 317, India, on January 11, 1975. District 317 lies south of Bombay in portions of four states, each speaking a different language. Fortunately, all inter-communication was in English so there were no problems. The members of the visiting group were Greg Baker, Marine Contractor, Brandon; Murray Ganova, Agri-Business, Immokalee; Fred Greene, TV Public Affairs Director, North Fort Myers; Richard Hoffman, Department of Agriculture Soil Conservationist, Fort Myers; Hugh McGuire, Attorney, Bradenton. All aspects of cultural and life habits were freely discussed at group and club meetings so that both sides gained a feeling of acquaintanceship which could not have been otherwise reached. Joe Selden expressed this in one of his many talks after his return when he said, "As a result of the talks in the homes and varied discussions at the meetings, we were able to appreciate their intelligence, their sense of humor, their generosity and hospitality and, above all, their unlimited patience. This experience of getting to know people so closely cannot be available to the ordinary tourist."

The Group Study Exchange has been a success in District 696. Application was made in November 1975, by District Governor Clyde Anderson, for a third Exchange. This was awarded by RI to the District in May 1976. A Group Study Exchange team from District 141, Finland, will visit District 696 in April-May 1977, and the 696 Group Study Exchange team will visit Finland in July-August 1977.

All indications are that such exchange visits will be an on-going part of Rotary of the District in future years.

PROJECT 696

PHASE I

Project 696 was the result of a deliberate effort to establish a worthwhile International Service Project. Joe Selden, M.D., District Governor, 1972-73, appointed Perry Snell, Past President of the Sarasota Rotary Club, as District Chairman of World Community Service, asking him to promote a worthy district international project. Perry found that individual club projects over past years had been unsuccessful because of problems of time, of correspondence difficulties and finance. To avoid these, he envisioned a single district-wide project with all responsibility for handling these troublesome factors placed in the hands of one person. This concept was presented to the clubs and the Project 696 concept, as it was called, was adopted without any specific objective. Clubs were asked to budget funds and to pledge support, which they did, and the search for a specific area of action started. Clubs in Central America were solicited for ideas and needs which might be met cooperatively. The reply received from Adan Pineda, Vice President of the 16-man club of Santa Barbara, Honduras, was the most promising. It asked for assistance in equipping a 30 bed TB Annex to a local hospital planned for construction by the Government of Honduras. After a trip to Santa Barbara to carefully assess the need, and the possibility of joint effort, Perry Snell presented a definite plan for action at the District 696 Conference at Marco Island in October of 1972. Adoption as Project 696 was voted. As a safety factor against failure, and to show his confidence in the clubs of the District, PDG John Neuner of Plant City, pledged his personal willingness to complete Project 696 should the clubs be unable to do so. Progress was rapid. Fort Myers Rotarians were offered all of the equipment of a recently closed hospital in Arcadia. Alfonzo Zuniga, M.D., a Rotarian doctor, came from Santa Barbara, inspected the equipment, and selected what was needed. From hospitals in Sarasota and Fort Myers, he obtained many additional useful medical items. Dr. Zimmerman, a retired Rotarian dentist, donated all of his hand dental equipment. Rotarian Alex Suarez provided a dental chair with power from Anderson Surgical Supply. As additional offers poured in, Nurse Blondell Bock, of Central Services, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, was sent to Santa Barbara to re-assess the need there, and to plan an expansion of the project. Later, she was placed in charge of final selection of all material. With Rotarians supplying the hands and Mayflower Van Lines the transportation, everything was moved from the various locations to a central warehouse in Fort Myers, also furnished by Mayflower. At the same time, an expanded District organization was set up to allow more Rotarians to participate. Selected were Barry Williams, Largo; Robert Carr, St. Petersburg; Dr. Bryon Wilson, Tampa; Gen. William Batell, Sun City; Rev. Arlo Leinback, Englewood; John Gadd, Fort Myers; Dr. Davis Vaughn, Clearwater.

In December, the entire project was brought to a halt when the military took over the government of Honduras, discarding the national budget which had provided construction funds. It remained at a standstill until February 1973. Perry Snell and Newt Magnuson, with their wives, then flew to Honduras to discuss with the still enthusiastic little band of Santa Barbara Rotarians possible alternative methods of getting the job done. Perry suggested that District 696 Rotarians might assist with construction costs, if the local club could set up a schedule of building priorities and begin what was within its means. Newt further challenged them by agreeing to underwrite cost of the concrete blocks for part of the structure along with all of the necessary reinforcing steel. They returned to Florida, but the outcome remained in doubt until April, when a letter was received with photographs showing the structure with block walls three feet high and steel in place. The Santa Barbara Rotarians had shown their faith in their Florida supporters. Two weeks later, they received a donation of the full cost of the building from the American-Honduras Rosario Mining Company. Soon Barry Williams of Largo flew to Santa Barbara to make an inspection and

to carry over a microscope donated by Clearwater Rotary Club. He pronounced the building ready to receive the hospital equipment.

Mayflower Van Lines in Fort Myers and Sarasota each donated vans to carry the material to Miami where the Alcoa CCT Line transported them to Puerto Cortes, Honduras, at half price (\$1,000).

Sr. Jaun Hattan, a business man of San Pedro Sula, arranged for and donated transportation from Puerto Cortes to Santa Barbara. Coordination for the various firms involved was possible through the work of Mrs. Ruth Paz, a ham radio operator (HR2RP) in San Pedro Sula.

By midsummer, the hospital was completed and on August 18, 1973, slightly over one year after the initial studies were made, 14 District 696 Rotarians attended its dedication ceremony at Santa Barbara. They were Barry Williams, Largo; Mr. and Mrs. John Probst, Interbay Tampa; Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Duggan, Bradenton; Nick Paulos, Sarasota; Perry Snell, Sarasota; Robert Perkins, Sarasota; Roger Mashke, Englewood; Bill Bromley, Englewood; Dr. and Mrs. Joe Selden, Fort Myers. Dr. Selden was official representative for District 696. Mrs. Selden cut the ribbon marking the official opening. Sr. Enrique Aguilar, Minister of Public Health for Honduras, accepted the building for the Government. At the Fiesta that evening, flags were exchanged and Perry Snell was presented with a mahogany carving of the Great Seal of the United States.

An additional gift of ceiling fans for the maternity section was presented by Malcolm Duggan and additional supplies flown in by Lansa were acknowledged. Officially, Phase I of Project 696 was then complete, but contributions for upgrading and operation continued. In 1974, M.E. Russell made a substantial contribution to the Sarasota club which, combined with additional money from the club treasury, purchased an \$1,800 stove for the Hospital.

PHASE II

The enthusiasm of District 696 Rotarians and their continued Interest in Rotary's International avenues caused Governor Ed St. Phillip and later Governor Paul Sanborn, to ask Perry Snell to explore the possibility of another joint effort to be known as Project 696, Phase II. In May of 1974, Perry Snell and Ray Skinner, president-elect of the Sarasota club, flew to Honduras to assess other needs there, particularly in the areas of schools, rural health facilities, water and sanitation. Potable water in many places appeared to be the most pressing necessity. It was agreed that District 696, in cooperation with the Santa Barbara Rotarians, would develop a plan to meet that lack. After several months of study of government geological reports, a number of sites were selected for consideration. In May 1975, Perry, with Horace Sutcliff, a former Rotarian who is a member of the Water Resource Division of the U.S., Geological Survey, made an inspection of the sites to complete an evaluation of needs, costs, place, details and final selection. In cooperation with Sr. Mauro E. Castellon and Rotary president Justinano Sabillon, it was agreed that the well sites should be at Gualjoquito, Galeras, Llano de Conejos and Jilote and that with proper distribution systems, all four towns could be served by two wells. Of the total cost, one-half was to be paid by District 696 and the balance divided between the local communities, the department of the government, and the Santa Barbara Rotary Club.

As an adjunct to Phase II, a review of further needs of the Phase I hospital and of the Galeras school was also made. It was decided to purchase laundry equipment to handle 750 pounds of hospital items daily, using a gift of \$600 from the Ruskin Sun City Center Club, plus other subscribed funds as payment.

PHASE III

Many of the studies and surveys made in Phase II did not become a reality until late in 1975 and in 1976. Again, Perry Snell was Chairman of Project 696, Phase III, and under the guidance of District Governor Clyde Anderson, a vigorous campaign was made to raise the necessary funds, approximately \$6,070, to implement plans previously authorized. Drilling of the wells is currently in progress.

Much credit for the ongoing success of Project 696 is due to Perry Snell, who retired in June 1976, after three years as chairman.

From inception, Project 696 has been an outstanding example of Rotary and Rotarians at work. Total contributions from clubs and individuals for the work have amounted to \$9,197 in cash, plus thousands more in goods and equipment. Expenditures thus far have been \$6,348 in cash. There is more than enough money on hand to complete the work underway and to leave a starting balance for additional work. A study of needs and direction for the future of Project 696 is currently being made and its continuation may be expected.

SUMMARY

The years between 1956 and 1976 were definitely those of transition. "From what" we know, but "to what" remains to be written in a later Part Four.

Hopefully, my successor will find more data and information preserved for his use. That parts of this chronicle are more complete than others is only because more data was available.

What is written has been gleaned from a partial file of Governor's Letters, from club bulletins, from the archives of RI and from the memories of Past Governors and older Rotarians. To all who have contributed, we acknowledge our indebtedness.

The format, originated by Earle Thatcher in Part One and continued by Chesley Perry in Part Two, has, so far as possible, been followed in Part Three. Certain portions, notably that covering the Educational Loan Corporation, the District Fund and some tabulations, are continuations of the words of the above writers. Accuracy and completeness of the facts presented are limited by the data available. Repeating the words of Chesley Perry, written in 1956, "It is the fervent hope of your current historian that future club and District officers will take action to record basic historical data as it occurs."

CHAUNCEY W. McINTYRE
District Historian

PART IV

JULY 1976 - JULY 1988

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1976 - 1977

With the inspiring theme, "I Believe in Rotary," chosen by Rotary International President Robert A. Manchester II, Woodrow (Woody) V. Register took over the reins from Clyde Anderson as Governor of District 696.

During Woody's year as governor, three new clubs were added to the district: Rotary Club of South Venice, sponsored by Venice/Nokomis, September 27, 1976; St. Petersburg Gateway, sponsored by St. Petersburg, February 12, 1977; and Rotary Club of Holiday, sponsored by Tarpon Springs, June 10, 1977. At year's end, membership in the District stood at 3,326.

The District Conference was held at the Tampa Airport Holiday Inn, with the Tampa, North Hillsborough and Interbay clubs sharing host duties. Rotary International Director Frank J. Quigley served as President's Representative; 43 clubs were represented by 257 Rotarians. During the conference the 20-year update of the District history was presented by Chauncey McIntyre and a copy distributed to each club. Rotary International honored PDG Paul Sanborn and PDG Clyde Anderson with the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service in appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Foundation in 1975-76.

Two students studied in Europe under the Foundation Scholarship program during the year: Mary Odiorne, graduate studies in Geneva, Switzerland and Linda Gatewood, teacher of the handicapped, in Southampton, England.

The Group Study Exchange Team from District 141 in Finland, was present at the District Assembly in Punta Gorda.

Misappropriation of most of the District's funds by the district treasurer shadowed the administration during this year, but complete recovery through repayment and insurance coverage was accomplished successfully and tighter procedures were implemented for the future.

Tarpon Springs celebrated its 50th anniversary and had as its guest speaker past Director and Vice President of Rotary International, Jim Bomar. PDG Clyde Anderson was appointed to the RI Nominating Committee to select a nominee for Director, Rotary International.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1977 - 1978

Gerald B. (Jerry) Hubbell, Belleair Bluffs, was District Governor. W. Jack Davis, Hamilton, Bermuda, was R.I. President, whose theme for his year was "Serve to Unite Mankind."

District Membership grew from 3,326 to 3,501, and three new clubs were formed during the year: Countryside January, 1978, sponsored by Dunedin North; St. Petersburg Suncoast, sponsored by St. Petersburg and; Lutz/Land O' Lakes in June, 1978.

An Institute was held on October 27, 1978 preceding the Conference. This was the last institute to be sponsored by R.I. and the District voted to underwrite the expense in the future so that these training sessions could continue. The Conference was held at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort hotel, Clearwater Beach; it was sponsored by 7 area clubs. PDG Glenn Dunbar, Toledo, Ohio, represented

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Countryside, sponsored by Dunedin North, was chartered in January, 1978. St. Petersburg Sunset, sponsored by St. Petersburg, and Lutz-Land O' Lakes were chartered in June, 1978.

R.I. President W. Jack Davis. PDG Harry Jackson, Columbus, Georgia served as the Institute Counselor. Astronaut Frank Borman was an outstanding speaker at the model luncheon.

Herbert G. Brown, Clearwater, was elected a Director of Rotary International for the years 1978-79 and 1979-80. Herb is the first Rotarian of District 696 to be so honored. In his official capacity he will travel world-wide, visiting Rotarians, as the R.I. Representative.

District Contributions for the year totaled \$63,378.00 and 165 Paul Harris Fellows were awarded. Total contributions for the year were \$282,418.00 This excellent showing resulted in the award of a third scholarship for the year 1978-79. During this year, the district had Janet Mullin attending the University of Salzburg in Austria, and Robert Orton III attending the University of Bonn, Germany, on Rotary Fellowships.

From Brazil, Bernadette Neto de Ferea arrived in September, 1977, to attend the University of South Florida.

The Rotary Club of Tampa instigated a new project for the District with their Awards Program for Teaching Economics, spearheaded by Joe Edwards. The club set up and fund for this purpose and encouraged other clubs in the district to do the same—to provide awards to teachers in primary and secondary schools for outstanding teaching programs in the principles of economics.

The Assembly was held at the Ramada Inn, New Port Richey, co-hosted by New Port Richey and Hudson. Considerable controversy resulted when the incoming governor proposed to take the conference to Disney World, outside the district.

The year closed on the sad note of the death of Arthur (Swede) Benson on June 20, 1978. "Swede" was an outstanding Rotarian—a member since 1930; he had served five clubs and his district with distinction. He was chairman of the College of Governors during the current year.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1978 - 1979

Under the leadership of Governor Robert Perkins, Sarasota, the district moved into many new areas of service. R.I. President Clem Renouf, Queensland, Australia, had as his slogan, "Reach Out." The new 3-H program, "to improve health, alleviate hunger and enhance human and social development in all peoples as a means of advancing international good-will and peace," began to take hold in the district. Led by the Clearwater Rotary Club, which gave the first \$1,500.00 to buy two inoculation guns to fight Polio in the Philippines, several clubs were participating by the end of the year. Dr. Clyde Anderson, St. Petersburg, was appointed to the R.I. 3-H Committee for zones 4 and 10.

The Conference was held at the Hyatt House, Sarasota, and had 1001 of the clubs represented; more than 1,000 people were registered. PDG C.H. Blumfield represented R.I. President Clem Renouf at the conference. Some 16 new members from various clubs were inducted en masse. Actions taken at plenary sessions included the approval of a \$1,000.00 advance for the state-wide 75th Anniversary Project in 1979-1980 hosting R.I. President Jim Bomar; election of PDG Hampton Dunn as representative from the district to the International Legislative

1977

Rotary returns to Spain. Spanish Rotarians played a role in the organization's growing worldwide mission until 1936, when civil war brought an end to Rotary's status in Spain.

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Committee; approval of national leadership of a special project, "Rotary Asks What's Good About the USA?" and the approval of the Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders project as presented by James Cahoon of the Bradenton Rotary Club.

Governor Perkins established a Speakers Bureau for the Rotary Foundation during his year. The district gave \$87,856 to the Foundation. With 83 new Paul Harris Fellows, the district total reached 248. Three Foundation Scholars were approved, and all clubs in the district had become friends of the Foundation by the year's end.

The Hillsborough County clubs gave a total of \$900.00 to six outstanding elementary school teachers in the Economic Education program; several other clubs took the program back to their local schools.

R. I. appointed PDG Jerry Hubbell and DG Bob Perkins to serve in advisory capacity on an international research committee, and PDG Paul Sanborn was named a member of USCB Consultative group. The district lost another beloved Past District Governor with the death of Dr. Walter C. Kennedy, who served the district when it was numbered 244. He was a charter member of the Sarasota Rotary Club, and was District Governor in 1949-50.

The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs, sponsored by Fort Myers Beach, was chartered November 3, 1978, giving the district 54 clubs and 3,644 members as of June 30, 1978.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1979 - 1980

This was the 75th Year of Rotary International, and on all levels the emphasis was on commemoration of this historic event. Joe Pendleton, Fort Myers, became District Governor, and James L. (Jim) Bomar, Shelbyville, Tenn. became President of R.I. The year began with the appointment of a 75th Anniversary Chairman for the District and for every club; the purpose was to encourage bigger and better projects, greater participation, and unlimited enthusiasm for the memorable occasion. In this 75th year there were 18,829 Rotary Clubs in 154 countries, with a total membership of 875,971 members. The Theme of the year was "Let Service Light the Way." It was a year of great service around the world!

Prior to the end of June, 1979, during the Institute at Boca Raton, past district governors of the four Florida districts, together with Florida's R.I. Director, Herbert Brown, began negotiations aimed at another split of the Florida districts. At the Zone Meeting following, PDG Robert Perkins of District 696 was appointed chairman of a committee to include the immediate Past District Governors and the incumbent Governors of the four districts, to work out the geography and the reassignment of clubs to make six Florida Districts. Work on this project continued throughout the ensuing year with 1980 -1981 as the target date for the change.

In January, 1980, Michael Lawrence, District Secretary-Treasurer, was killed while jogging in the early morning darkness... a tragic loss for the district.

In January, Jim Bomar, President of Rotary International, honored our district by speaking at the St. Petersburg club on their 60th birthday. Dr Clyde Anderson presented President Bomar with a check from the district for \$15,000.00 for

1978

In Tokyo, Japan, the RI annual convention records 39,834 registrants. That same year, Rotary creates Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants to improve health,

1979

The first 3-H project committed Rotary to provide and help deliver polio vaccine to six million children in the Philippines for five years, laying the foundation for PolioPlus in 1985.

use with the 3-H fund—the largest single gift yet made to the fund. This gift had been approved at the Conference business meeting as a suitable way to reduce the excess funds in the district treasury, after written balloting by all the clubs. President Bomar also spoke at the Clearwater club before going on to Lakeland for the state-wide workshop and banquet, where 1,600 Rotarians were in attendance.

PDG Paul Sanborn was awarded the Distinguished Service Award of the Rotary Foundation—one of 38 in the Rotary World. District 696 was well represented on the international level with Herbert Brown serving as director, Dr. Clyde Anderson on the 3-H Committee, Robert Perkins serving as a group leader at Boca Raton, Chauncey McIntyre on the Ad Hoc Committee on new ideas for Rotary Service, and Paul Sanborn on the USCB consultative group on the Foundation.

At the Assembly at Cape Coral, the Group Study Exchange team from District 259, together with the six-man team to be led by Bob Perkins on their trip to Japan in September, worked and lived together and presented a part of the program. The district had three Foundation scholars, and selected four more and a teacher of the handicapped for the year 1980-81. This was all due to increasing participation in the Paul Harris Fellow awards and Foundation contributions.

After a dedicated year of work by Rotarian Jim Calhoon, the first Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (S4/TL) was held at the University of South Florida in Tampa; more than 50 incoming Senior Class officers and Interact officers attended. The seminar was financed by the district's clubs, under the leadership of Rotarian volunteers and their wives. Sixteen Rotarians spoke on vocational subjects, community service, and leadership. The program was so successful that it was generally endorsed as an ongoing annual project.

Interact, with 32 clubs in the district, held its first district assembly and its first district conference at Sanibel; there were 189 students in attendance.

Three new clubs were chartered: Ruskin/Apollo Beach, sponsored by Sun City, on December 11, 1979; Sanibel, sponsored by Fort Myers Beach, March 18, and Charlotte Harbor, sponsored by Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda, on April 4. The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

DISTRICT 696 — YEAR OF 1980 - 1981

It was a year of growth under Seminole Rotary Club's Governor W. O. Gillenwaters. Rolf Klarich of Helsinki, Finland, served as R.I. President's aide under the theme, "Take Time to Serve." W. O. visited all of his clubs at least twice during his year, and took time to form eight new clubs: Seminole Lake, chartered October 22, sponsored by Seminole; Palm Harbor, chartered Jan. 27, Sponsored by Tarpon Springs; Naples Gulf Shore, chartered Jan. 28, sponsored by Naples; Port Richey, chartered Jan 26, sponsored by New Port Richey; Sarasota Sunrise, chartered March 30, sponsored by Sarasota clubs; West Hernando County, chartered May 4, sponsored by Hudson; West Bradenton, chartered May 23, sponsored by Bradenton; and Naples-Pelican Bay, chartered June 11, sponsored by Naples North.

This gave the District 65 clubs and 4,023 members at the point of splitting the district.

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The District Conference was held in St. Petersburg with the Seminole club as host. R.I. Director Valliat Sergeant was the President's Representative for the conference. Since the reapportionment of the State has been approved by Rotary International and the majority of the clubs affected, a thorough review of the technicalities involved in splitting into six districts was presented by PDG Robert Perkins, chairman of the State Committee. Changes in our part of the State involved only Districts 695 and 696. Since both districts had already selected nominees for District Governor, no complications resulted in that area. The new District (696) limits are: the counties of Collier; Hendry; Glades; Lee; Charlotte; Highlands; DeSoto; Sarasota; Manatee; Hardee and Polk—excluding the territorial limits of the Rotary Club of Clewiston in Hendry County.

District 695 and 696 held a Joint Assembly in Punta Gorda at which time it was determined that the funds would be split on a per capita basis; and other details were worked out. There were 87 clubs in attendance at the assembly.

For the 1981-1982 Group Study Exchange Program, district 696 was assigned for district 239 in Sweden. PDG Robert Perkins led the district 696 team to district 259 in Japan for four weeks in September. District 696 was awarded a plaque for the achievement of the 1,400 plateau of giving to the Foundation; two students—one from Ireland and the other from South Africa—studied under a Foundation fellowship at the University of South Florida.

The Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders had a very successful second session. Interact held its district conference at St. Petersburg Beach with 14 clubs participating.

Director Herb Brown was appointed to the R.I. Nominating Committee to choose the 1983-1984 R.I. President.

Among the Outstanding projects: Naples raised \$15,000.00 with a musical revue to assist the City of Naples to build a center for the Performing Arts. Fort Myers Rotary raised \$67,000.00 to build a 72 mile jogging path in memory of past district treasurer Michael Lawrence who was killed while jogging on a residential street.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1981-1982

William A. Laney, Rotary Club of Tampa North, became District Governor and assumed the task of guiding and uniting the 39 clubs comprising the newly designated district 695. There were many problems—chiefly technical—to be resolved within the "new" district.

R.I. President Stanley McCaffrey, Stockton, California, chose as his theme, "World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary."

The district began the year with 39 clubs with a total membership of 2,392. One new club, Homosassa Springs, sponsored by Crystal River, was chartered; their charter was presented at their charter dinner by D.G. Bill Laney on May 3, 1982. Guest of Honor and keynote speaker was past R.I. Director, Herbert Brown.

The district conference was held at the Tampa Marriott hotel on October 15-17; all Tampa clubs served as hosts. Conference chairman was Jack Hilburn of the

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Tampa club. Total registration was 462. PDG M. Adams, representing R.I. President Stanley McCaffrey, was the keynote speaker. Rotarian Adams is a member of the Russellville, Arkansas club.

At the business plenary session, Past R.I. Director, Herbert Brown, was certified as District 695's representative to the R.I. Council on Legislation; PDG Clyde Anderson was named as alternate. Arrangements were made for hosting a Group Study Exchange delegation from Brazil District 464, due to arrive in May.

The District Assembly was hosted by the Plant City club, at the Holiday Inn. Rotarian John Bouseman served as Chairman. Total registration was 263. Key speaker was George Means, past R.I. General Secretary for many years. Guests of Honor were four young Brazilian business men, together with their Rotarian leader from district 464; they had completed their visit and were scheduled to depart on the following day to return to Brazil.

The Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (S4/TL), held in June on the campus of the University of South Florida, was judged highly successful; it was co-sponsored with district 696, and plans were under way to repeat the program in June, 1982.

The Florida Caribbean Initiative Project conference was organized among the six Florida districts and four districts of the Caribbean Basin for the purpose of promoting friendship and understanding between the peoples of the USA and those of the Caribbean islands. Skills and resources available from the six Florida districts were applied to needs identified by the Rotary clubs in the islands. One outstanding accomplishment of this program was the collecting and shipment of 100,000 school books (3 semi-trailer van loads) to the Rotarians of Jamaica. This action was coordinated and chaired by William C. Hammontree, of the Tampa North club.

The 1981-1982 ended with 40 clubs having a total membership of 2,474.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1982 - 1983

R. I. President Hiroji Musaka's theme for this Rotary Year was "Mankind is one." In his greeting to all district 695 presidents he states, "I want to congratulate each of you on your election as a club officer for the 1982-83 year. I hope that each one of you will face the challenge head-on and give your best efforts at all times." His recommended goals were:

- Increase participation in district affairs;
- Sponsor more new Rotary clubs with quality members;
- Increase participation in adding to R.I. Foundation funding;
- Formulate ideas for district projects—to be presented to the district conference;
- Select and sponsor a student delegate to this year's Seminar For Tomorrow's Leaders (S4/TL).

The District 695 Conference was scheduled for October 29-30, 1982, to be held at the Holiday Inn Surfside, Clearwater Beach.

Homosassa Springs, sponsored by Crystal River, was the first club to be chartered in the new district on May 3, 1982.

Rotarian Charles Black, Crystal River club, having been selected by the District 695 nominating committee in August, 1982, had his name presented in nomination to the district conference in October; he was duly elected to the office of District Governor of district 695, effective July 1, 1984.

In Memoriam—Robert R. Walden died in St. Petersburg on September 27, 1982 at 95 years of age. He was the last surviving charter member of the St. Petersburg Rotary Club, founded in 1920. He served as its president in 1925-26, and thereafter more than 35 years as its secretary. He had 54 years of perfect attendance.

Rotary Florida/Caribbean Conference was held at Montego Bay, Jamaica, on April 2,3 and 4, 1982. Topics discussed were applicable to the following islands: Jamaica; St. Kitts; Cayman Islands; Antigua; Haiti; Martinique; Guadalupe and Barbados.

The District 695 Conference was held at the Clearwater Holiday Inn Surfside on October 29-30, 1983. Nine Bay Area clubs hosted the conference, co-chaired by Rotarians Al Geiger and Sherwood White, St. Petersburg. PDG Andreas Aegelin, from St.Gallen, Switzerland, was there representing RI President Hiroji Musaka.

The Rotary Foundation Financial Report for District 695 for the current year ending June 30, 1982, was released in November, indicated the total contribution for the 40 clubs comprising 2,346 members, was \$75,374.13 - an average per capita contribution of \$32.13.

PDG Chauncey McIntyre, St. Petersburg, commented concerning the necessity for improving and expanding communications in two areas: Administrative Rotary which involves Rotary International, past district governors, district governors, the RI Secretariat and the RI Board of Directors. A total of about 3,000 individuals; and Club Rotary which takes in club presidents together with their respective club memberships.

The Group Study Exchange announced a team would visit Brazil District 464 in April, 1983, and be led by Rotarian Robert Graves, Clearwater. Non-Rotarians and their sponsoring clubs were: Richard M. Baker - Seminole; Donald P. Pemberton - Clearwater; Paul Williams - Gulf Beaches; James Goodwin - Seminole; and Hugh M. Gramling - Plant City.

Four (4) RI Foundation Scholarships for District 695 students for the 1983 - 1984 academic year to attend the foreign university of their choice went to: Roseanne Buckley, sponsored by St. Petersburg, to attend Universidad Iberoamerica, Mexico, D.F., Mexico; Gregory S. Rehkopf, sponsored by Clearwater, to attend University de l'etat a Liego, Liega, Belgium; Alicia M. Harting Cottea, to attend University of St. Andrews, Scotland, and Karen A. Alenium, N/W Tampa, to attend Universitat Bern, Switzerland.

Committee for Revision of District 695 Rules of Procedure, chaired by DG Woody Register, includes PDG Chauncey McIntyre, PDG W. O. Gillenwaters, DGN John Bousman and DGNN Charles Black. Committee's findings will be reviewed and voted upon at the April district assembly.

Carlos Canseco Gonzalez, Monterey, Mexico is nominated for R.I. president in 1984 - 1985.

New Rotary Club - Clearwater Feathersound, sponsored by Clearwater East, is being organized; presently meeting at Las Fontanas restaurant. Chartered June 14, 1983.

A new Interact Club, sponsored by Holiday, is meeting at the Gulf Comprehensive High School.

St. Petersburg sponsors two University Graduate Scholarships. One-year grants were given by RI to teachers in St. Petersburg colleges: Richard Bredenberg, Eckerd College to study in Thailand and Gary Vause, Stetson Law School, to study in Brazil.

Second Rotary/Caribbean Project conference set for April, 1983.

Change of name for East Clearwater to Clearwater East has been approved by RI board of directors. It seems no visiting Rotarians could locate it in their international directories under the letter "C".

April District Assembly Follow-up: 337 official registrations; 38 of 40 clubs represented; business was productive—Rules of (district) procedure amendments approved as submitted. District dues of \$8.00 per club member approved as recommended. Training sessions were excellent; PDG speakers Mark Hollis and Clint Hamilton were well received and appreciated.

District 695 adds 41st club. On Tuesday, June 14, at Clearwater's Las Fontanas restaurant, Clearwater/Feathersound club with 23 charter members received its official charter from past RI director, Herbert Brown. Representing the new club, President Andrew Kelleher thanked Herb and all Rotarians for their support in getting this new club started.

Rotary Foundation Scholarship Awardees Announced. Ray Dantzler, Tampa, District chairman of the scholarship awards committee, announced these awards subject to the approval of the RI Foundation board of trustees. Awardees and their respective club sponsors: Douglas Abernathy - St. Pete Gateway; Marjorie Alenius - Northwest Tampa; Mary Laura Martin - St. Petersburg; Gretchen Meinke - St. Petersburg.

As of July 1, 1983, Membership of District 695 stood at 2,618, with contributions to RI Foundation totalling in excess of \$75,000.00.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1983 - 1984

On July 1, 1983, Dr. John W. Bouseman became District Governor, and Dr. William E. Skelton became RI president. His theme was SHARE ROTARY - SERVE PEOPLE. Beginning its third year after re-districting, district 695 comprised 41 clubs with a total membership of 2,567.

The District Conference was held September 22, 23 and 24 at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort hotel. Ed Christiano, Clearwater East, was Chairman. 617 registered individuals attended. RI President Skelton was represented by Mike Pedrick. Important actions taken included the nomination of Ed Christiano to be District Governor for 1985-86, and the acceptance of a proposal of the Clearwater club to undertake a "district unity" fund raising drive, under the chairmanship of Clearwater's Jim Stewart, to inoculate all of Haiti's children against Polio.

*East
Clearwater
changes its
name to
Clearwater
East to
facilitate
locating the
club in the
RI Directory.*

*On June
14, 1982,
Clearwater
Feathersound,
sponsored by
Clearwater
East,
receives
its charter
from past
RI Director
Herb Brown
to become
the 41st club
in District
695.*

The accomplishing of this (fund raising) drive pushed District giving to the RI Foundation to new heights.

On November 7th his home club made John Bouseman a Paul Harris Fellow as a part of the Plant City club's observance of Rotary Foundation month.

At the urging of the Orlando Rotary club, state representative Fran Carlton sponsored HR 1129, calling for the Florida State House of Representatives to adopt the 4-Way Test as a basic course of action. HR 1129 passed April 5, 1984.

The Rotary Club of Gulf Beaches (Treasure Island) distinguished itself by reaching the 8% plateau in its contributions to the RI Foundation; every member of that club became either a Paul Harris Fellow or a sustaining member.

District 695 sent five student exchange participants abroad, and received one Rotary exchange participant in return from Sweden who finished her one year's study in journalism at USF and returned to Sweden.

The third annual Florida/Caribbean conference was held on March 15, 1984 at the Santo Domingo hotel in the Dominican Republic in conjunction with the conference of district 406.

District 695 Assembly was held on April 13-14 at the Holiday Inn, Plant City. 306 Rotarians and guests (entire Group Study Exchange team from District 319, India) attended. At the Business plenary session, the proposed district 695 budget of \$21,775.00 for the year 1985-86 was proposed; this was based on 2,600 members at \$8.00 per member plus \$1,000.00 anticipated interest from District funds on deposit.

The Clearwater East club sponsored a district-wide "Evening Under the Stars" at Adventure Island, Busch Gardens, Tampa, to be held on the evening of May 19, 1984. Unfortunately this resulted in a fiasco, due to sparse attendance plus certain misunderstandings with Busch Gardens.

The annual Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders was held in June, 1984 at the University of South Florida under the leadership of Bert Beison from 696 and Richard Lewis from 695.

The Rotary Club of Tampa Bay, sponsored by the Tampa Interbay club, was the 42nd Rotary club to be chartered in the "new" district 695, in June. Jim Bruner was charter president. Charter night was held on July 6th. This is a breakfast club, presently meeting at the Marriott West Shore hotel, at 7:00 AM.

More than half of the clubs in district 695 met the requirements for the RI Presidential citation. As a result the district governor, as well as the qualifying clubs, received their respective awards.

District 695 ended the year with 42 clubs and 2,685 members as of June 30, 1984.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1984 - 1985

Rotary International's President, Carlos Canseco, assumed his office on July 1, 1984. His plan for action was based on his theme: "Discover a New World

of Service." On the same date Crystal River's Charles A. Black began his term as Governor of Rotary District 695.

District 695 included 42 clubs with a membership totalling 2,685. During the year three new clubs were added: Tampa Bay on July 6, 1984; Clearwater Sunrise on January 7, 1985, and Beverly Hills on January 15, 1985. Total district membership as of June 30, 1985 was 2,785 in 44 clubs.

The district conference was held on September 14, 15 and 16, at Saddlebrook Resort near Zephyrhills. It was termed highly successful—not only from a standpoint of attendance, but also from a standpoint of things accomplished.

PDG David J. Holboro, of Tetbury, England, was there representing RI President Carlos Canseco; Lakeland Rotarian Mark C. Hollis was the key speaker. Presidential citations for 1983-1984 were presented by PDG John Bouseman to the following clubs: Brandon; Brooksville; Clearwater; Crystal River; Dade City; Holiday; Interbay; Largo; Lutz/Land O'Lakes; New Port Richey; Palm Harbor; Countryside; Port Richey; St. Petersburg West; Seminole Lake; Sun City Center; Tampa; Tampa North; Tampa Northwest; Wildwood; St. Petersburg Gateway and Tarpon Springs.

The District Club Assembly was held at Crystal River on April 19 and 20, 1985; workshops were conducted for all incoming club officers, directors, secretaries and committee chairmen to familiarize them with the duties and responsibilities. At business plenary sessions, plans were presented for district participation in a project entitled "Heartbeat International" with respect to the Florida/Caribbean situation. A District budget of \$26,150.00 for 1985-86 was adopted; this represents a per capita participation of \$9.00 each for 2,750 members plus \$1,400.00 interest from funds on deposit.

The following are some excerpts from Governor Charlie's June newsletter:

Attendance District reports 85.33% for the year. Membership increased 4% for the year. These figures, while not meeting goals suggested by RI president Carlos, nevertheless were apparently better than Rotary's world-wide performance for the same period. February, 1985 marked the 80th anniversary of Rotary; in keeping with that being celebrated, a past district governor of District 695, was awarded the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Clyde O. Anderson, St. Petersburg. This award is one of only 15 such awards extant throughout the Rotary world, in recognition of Dr. Clyde's enthusiastic and untiring efforts on behalf of Rotary. If one can think of anything good with respect to Rotary's activities, the chances are that Dr. Clyde had a hand in it; he has served at one time or another in connection with innumerable committees at the club, district, state, areas, and even international levels.

In this respect the Rotary Foundation has prospered most favorably. In his March, 1985 up-date of District 695 Rotary Foundation news Clyde says in part: "I am very happy to inform you that we will have two group study exchange teams instead of the usual one granted by RI. Our district earned six scholarships during that period due to the \$125,000 plus contributed by our district in 1983-84. RI permitted us to trade one scholarship for an extra GSE grant which we did. Furthermore, at least one if not both teams will consist of one Rotarian and his wife plus four other ladies in the age area of 25 to 35 years. How many of you Rotarians want to volunteer?"

*Clearwater
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chartered
on January
7, 1985 and
Beverly
Hills was
chartered on
January 15.*

"I am also very happy to report that the Rotary districts in the state of Florida were able to set up what is known as the Rotary International 'Operation Heartbeat.' This was made possible by a special grant of \$250,000.00 from the Rotary Foundation and a Texas firm that donated 2,000 'pacemakers' valued at over 2.5 million dollars. All this was made possible through the efforts of many good Rotarians—especially those efforts of our past RI Director, Herb Brown.

District 695 definitely supports the Rotary Foundation and is proving this in a good many ways; prior to 1970, we had two Paul Harris Fellows, and Jack Eckerd as Number One! We now have over 575 Paul Harris Fellows and 275 sustaining members as of December 31, 1984."

It should be noted here that two other District 695 Rotarians are the recipients of Certificate of Merit awards: PDG Bill Laney of the Tampa North club—for his fine work in connection with the setting up of Project Heartbeat International; and Rotarian Jim Stewart of the Clearwater club for his work in connection with a Caribbean project to eliminate Polio in Haiti.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1985 - 1986

R.I. President, Ed Cadman, at the 1985 Rotary International convention in Kansas City, addressed the session for incoming club presidents and district governors, emphasizing Rotary's theme for the year—"You Are the Key." He went on to summarize the challenges to be met via the four avenues of service: "Attack contemporary problems with a modern 1985-86 approach. A club with quality and substance will contribute a great deal to our Rotary challenge and our determination to continue to offer 'service above self'."

District 695 governor, Ed Christiano, returned to Clearwater with many ideas to lead Clearwater East in carrying out objectives to achieve club goals for his year in office.

District 695 began the Rotary year as of July 1, 1985 with a total membership of 2,785. During the year two new clubs were chartered: Oldsmar, sponsored jointly by Countryside and Palm Harbor; and Crystal River/Kings Bay, sponsored by Crystal River. Total district membership as of June 30, 1986 was 2,832 with 46 clubs.

Twenty-three Rotarians from District 695 attended the Rotary/Florida Caribbean Conference August 8, 9 and 10 in Barbados. Over 100 Rotarians from Florida attended. Dr. Henry McIntosh, Lakeland, who chairs the operational committee of Heartbeat International, reported that his committee has set up pacemaker banks in Panama; Jamaica; Guatemala; Honduras; Nicaragua; El Salvador and Trinidad; In progress was the process of setting up banks in Haiti, Santo Domingo, Mexico and Barbados.

The Group Study Exchange team from District 695 selected to visit Australia district 975 was: Karen Colin Lea, Katherine Drea Rubright, Lauren Judith Elias and Karen Wilcox Moyer. Chaperoned by Rotarian Gerry Hubbel, Seminole, and his Rotary Ann, Stella, the team departed for Australia on October 17, 1985. They appeared at the Australia District 975 conference, at which time the Prime Minister of Australia, Bob Hawke, was the keynote speaker.

Oldsmar, sponsored jointly by Countryside and Palm Harbor, and Crystal River/Kings Bay, sponsored by Crystal River, were chartered during the 1985-86 Rotary year.

A Rotaract club organized under the guidance of St. Petersburg's Sherwood White, who reported that on Wednesday evening, Sept. 11, 1985, 17 students from Eckerd College and four St. Petersburg Rotarians showed up. The organizing took place on Sept. 18th.

The district 695 conference convened on October 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1985, at Clearwater's Sheraton Sand Key Resort hotel. Plenary Sessions covered a wide range of subjects including Rotary Foundation News; On to Las Vegas ('86 RI Convention Youth activities featuring S4/TL, Interact, Rotaract and Rotary Youth exchange, Membership development; an up-date on the Rotary/Florida Caribbean Project, and the District 695 business session which covered, among routine fiscal reports, a new General Liability insurance program endorsed by RI. It is mandatory that each district shall obtain such coverage through a local agency within the district.

Five district scholarships were awarded by the Scholarship Committee. The five awardees each received a one-year scholarship at a foreign university of his/her choice. Names of the awardees and their sponsoring clubs are: Marcello Cosma - St. Petersburg, John Miotke - Clearwater, Elaine Raybourn - St. Petersburg, Steven Strichter - St. Petersburg, and Laura Upton - St. Petersburg.

Catastrophes struck Mexico and Colombia. In December, 1985, Mexico suffered a severe earthquake; Columbia suffered a terrific volcano eruption that completely destroyed 90% of the town of Amero whose population was 25,000. A total of \$22,000.00 was sent to Mexico from District 695. The Amero Rotary club lost 15 of its 25 members in the disaster.

Charles C. Keller, an attorney, member of the Rotary Club of California, Pennsylvania, has been nominated President of Rotary International for the year 1987-1988.

Polio Plus, the program to immunize the children of the world, was introduced to all Rotary clubs. The ultimate goal is to raise 122.5 million dollars US in five years.

President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) held Saturday, Feb. 15th, at the Holiday Inn, St. Petersburg/Clearwater. This seminar, conducted by President-Elect Bill Leonard, afforded all new incoming club presidents the opportunity to learn in advance the responsibilities and duties of the president of a Rotary club.

IN MEMORIAM

PDG W. O. Gillenwaters, Seminole. A dedicated Rotarian. He was the last district governor of district 696 before district 695 was separated.

Stephen A. Cameron, Clearwater East. Third president and Charter member. Served as club secretary-treasurer during organization period. He was a Paul Harris Fellow; he lived by the 4-Way test.

PDG Frank M. Rhodes - St. Petersburg. A member since 1937 He was district governor of district 244 which at the time comprised 32 clubs throughout the entire state of Florida. He was a Paul Harris Fellow; active in many community affairs.

Chauncey McIntyre - St. Petersburg. A valued member of the St. Petersburg Rotary Club from 1949 until his death on November 12, 1986.

1985

With membership on the verge of one million in its 80th year, Rotary launches PolioPlus, a program to protect children worldwide from the cruel and fatal consequences of polio. By 1988, Rotarians help raise more than US\$247 million for the effort. Inspired by this commitment, and with Rotary's encouragement, the World Health Assembly resolves to eradicate the disease with the goal of freeing the world of polio by 2005, the Rotary Centennial. PolioPlus becomes the first and largest internationally coordinated private-sector support of a public health initiative.

His service to Rotary was well known throughout the Rotary world, having served with various international committees. He was president of the St. Petersburg Rotary Club in 1960-1961 and was district governor of 696 in 1964-65. He served on the R.I. Council of Legislation for two years, as well as his service on many/ other district committees, including the committee to document the history of district 696 for the 20 year period of 7/1/56 through 7/1/76. He was a Paul Harris Fellow, known as "Mr. Rotary" throughout district 696. Any Rotarian having come in contact with Chauncey will long remember him.

The District 695 Assembly was held on April 18 and 19 at the St. Petersburg/ Clearwater airport Holiday Inn; hosted by the Largo club. Featured were Group Exchange students and leaders from Japan. A full slate of workshops for incoming club officers, secretaries, treasurers, bulletin editors and committee chairmen. Committee reports were received on Interact/Rotaract; S4/TL; Florida Caribbean Project; Busch Gardens Project; Rotary Foundation; RI Foundation scholarships. Business meetings covered were approval for 1987 district assembly site, Polio Plus program, adoption of new rules of procedure, and presentation/approval of 1986-87 district budget.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1986 - 1987

Rotary International's New President M.A.T. Capras is a member of the Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines. He comes to office with an impressive list of qualifications—not only in Rotary but also in civic life; he's an attorney by profession. His theme for his Rotary year is "Rotary Brings Hope."

District 695 began the year with 46 clubs and a new Governor—Bill Leonard. Bill is the first member of the Ybor City Rotary Club to occupy that office. He embraced the theme of President M.A.T. Capras, and carried President MAT'S goals for the year to each district club at the time of his visits. The challenge to each club is to earn a citation, signed by the RI president and the district governor by meeting at least four of the following six objectives:

1. Raise club attendance at the district conference by at least 10%.
2. Organize a new Rotary, Interact or Rotaract club.
3. Tackle a new service project
4. Achieve a 3 percent net gain in club membership.
5. Raise contributions to the Rotary Foundation by at least 10%.
6. Your club president and Secretary to attend your district assembly.

Most Rotarians know of Rotary Youth Exchange. It existed in districts 696 and 695 for many years, but was practically dormant until 1986-1987 when Walt Pearson, secretary of the Seminole club, took on the district chairmanship of this program. Thanks to Walt's diligence and expertise in such matters, the program is flourishing now.

The District Conference, held October 16, 17 and 18 at the Holiday Inn Surfside, Clearwater Beach, involved a distinctly Australian atmosphere. 400 Rotarians

attended. R. I. President M.A.T. Capras, was represented by R.I. Director Brian Knowles, Brisbane, Australia. A Group Study Exchange Team from Australia provided the entertainment.

Sixteen clubs had exhibits at the conference. Of particular interest was that of "Heartbeat International," an organization comprising Rotarians, cardiologists and heart pacemakers operating under the direction of Dr Henry McIntosh, with the Watson Clinic (Lakeland), to provide pacemakers worldwide to those who need them. PDG/PRID Herb Brown, Clearwater, introduced a fellow Rotarian, Richard Speer, who pledged \$40,000 to start the Polio Plus campaign in the district.

The 1987 district assembly was held at the West Shore Marriott hotel, Tampa, on April 3 and 4. Co-chairmen Armando Dorta, Tampa, and Jim Stewart, Clearwater staged a fine affair highlighted by the participation of the Group Study Exchange team from Argentina—five young professional men and a group leader.

Outstanding Service awards were presented by Governor Bill service to district 695 to the following Rotarians:

- Walt Pearson, Seminole - for his work with Youth Exchange
- Bill Hammontree, Tampa North - for organizing this conference
- Alan Brown, St. Pete Suncoast - organization of Group Study Exchange program
- Lloyd Grout, PDG, Sun City Center - work in Rotary Information
- Clearwater Feathersound Club - for the district's best bulletin

During the year, four new Rotary clubs were organized and chartered:

<u>Name of Club</u>	<u>Charter Date</u>	<u>Sponsoring Club</u>	<u>Members</u>
Tampa West	Jan. 17, 1987	Ybor City	22
Brandon '86	Mar. 7, 1987	Brandon	27
Temple Terrace	Mar. 28, 1987	Tampa North	40
Seven Springs	May 28, 1987	Holiday & New Port Richey	23

At the year's end the number of clubs in district 695 had increased to 50. Total district membership increased from 2,832 to 2,944.

Twenty five clubs and District 695 received presidential citations for having met R.I. President M.A.T. Capras' challenge—echoing the theme that ROTARY BRINGS HOPE.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1987 - 1988

Rotary began the 1987-88 year under the leadership of Charles Keller, an attorney from Washington, Pennsylvania, with his theme: "Rotarians United in Service, Dedicated to Peace."

The District Governor for the 1987-88 year was James W. Stewart, of the Rotary Club of Clearwater - the 3rd Rotarian from that club to serve as governor for the district in its long history. Both President Keller and Governor Jim urged clubs to continue to meet their community and vocational service commitments while confronting the major challenge of Polio Plus with a goal of 120 Million US

Dollars worldwide and over one million dollars in our district. Both goals were met with money to spare in Rotary's worldwide effort to eradicate polio. Our district's campaign was co-chaired by PDG's Gerry Hubbell and Woody Register.

Polio Plus was one of several firsts for our district and Rotary in 1977-78. District 695 also participated in Youth Exchange for the first time. Walt Pierson of the Seminole Club did an outstanding job in this area as the District hosted seven young people from various parts of the world during the academic year. Rotary also saw long outstanding barriers against female membership broken down. By year's end, many clubs throughout the district had admitted qualified female members to their ranks.

The District was honored to have Past RI President, James Bomar, as President Keller's special representative at our District Conference October 15-17. It was a return visit for Jim who addressed a special joint meeting of district clubs during his year as President marking Rotary's 75th anniversary. We were also privileged to have our District's Service Supervisor, John Whiteford, in attendance, giving club representatives a better grasp of how RI functions day to day. The conference, co-chaired by Dillard Nash and Don Umiker, attracted 900 members during its 3 days.

Coincident with our District Conference was a visit from the Group Study Exchange team from Wales' District 115. Later in the year a GSE team from our district, headed by PDG Bill Laney, returned District 115's visit.

Our district grew by three clubs during 1987-88. January saw the chartering of the Rotary Club of St. Petersburg Beach. Before the end of the year, additional clubs from Tampa Town & Country and Tampa East brought the district size to 53 clubs.

Recognizing a need for better understanding of Rotary's many programs, RI mandated a series of Rotary Information Seminars throughout the Rotary World. District 695's February 6th seminar was chaired by PDG Frank Rasbury of Ocala leaving club representatives with a better understanding of how to explain and promote Rotary's objectives.

The District President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) on March 12 saw more than 100 participants in attendance. The event was conducted by Dr. Clinton Hamilton, a past district governor from Plantation, Florida, and Vice Chairman of the committee for Zones 4 and 10, to standardize PETS sessions.

At our District Assembly on April 22 and 23, incoming officers from our 53 clubs attended training seminars and heard Governor-Nominee Bill Hammontree's plans for the 1988-89 Rotary Year. The event, chaired by Dusty Owens of the Tampa North Rotary Club, drew 350 Rotarians and guests to the St. Petersburg Hilton & Towers.

The year ended on a high note with our International Convention in Philadelphia, with nine District 695 clubs qualifying for Presidential Citations for their efforts to be "Rotarians: United in Service, Dedicated to Peace."

1988

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St. Petersburg Beach was chartered in January 1988.

PART V

JULY 1988 - JUNE 2005

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1988-1989

DISTRICT 695
Rotary Foundation Committee

NEWSLETTER

Update on successful giving by District 695 clubs.

Largo Club Takes Lead in Foundation Giving

Small text columns describing club activities, including mentions of 'Largo Club' and 'Foundation Giving'.

Rotary Foundation Seminar a Winner



Group Study Exchange Team Prepares for Trip to France

Small text columns describing club activities, including mentions of 'Group Study Exchange Team' and 'Trip to France'.

District 695 Rotary Foundation Committee Newsletter

On July 1, 1988, Governor James W. (Jim) Stewart, after having completed a very successful Rotary year, became a Past District Governor as Governor Bill Hammontree became the District Governor of District 695. Governor Bill was assisted wonderfully by his wife, Doris Jean, who attended all visits and functions during his term as Governor.

District 695 consisted of the following counties: Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas and Sumter. The year began with 53 clubs, though a few had diminished in size and function to the point that it was determined that the District would best be served by seeking to strengthen the small clubs, and to increase the membership in the existing clubs, rather than to emphasize club extension.

District 695 and Governor Bill were effectively served by ten (10) Group Representatives. The Group Reps were as follows: Group I, Ronald A. (Ron) Bailey from Homosassa; Group II, Walter E. (Buddy) Selph from Brooksville; Group III, John Stewart from New Port Richey; Group IV, T. Dillard Nash from Clearwater; Group V, Kenneth D. Rejko from Dunedin; Group VI, Paul H. Ponder, Jr. from Largo; Group VII, Philip H. (Phil) Graham from St. Petersburg; Group VIII, John D. Pahl from Valrico; Group IX, Francisco (Frank) Velez from Temple Terrace; and Group X, Philip W. (Phil) Reed from Brandon.

Bill Laney, PDG, was the District Representative for the Council on Legislation and Rolfe Duggar, PDG was the alternate. William A. (Bill) Roberts served as the District's Secretary-Treasurer and G. Richard Bell was the Governor Nominee.

On the international level, A. H. (Royce) Abbey was the President of Rotary International and Philip H. Lindsey was the General Secretary. We were represented in Zones 4 and 10 by F. Allen Kelly, who served as a Director of Rotary International.

President Royce Abbey chose as his theme this challenge, "Put Life into Rotary—YOUR LIFE!" This was an excellent theme challenging each Rotarian to activate and motivate every phase of Rotary by bringing more excitement and quality to the life of Rotary by truly dedicating our own lives to Rotary. This theme was emphasized in all of the activities of District 695 throughout the Rotary year.

The following information and events are not arranged in chronological order, but are somewhat arranged to give the highlights of the year some special recognition.

The District Assembly was held at the Holiday Inn by the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport. Dick Bell, DGN, served as General Chairman and Mike Hamby was in charge of local arrangements. It proved to be a very informative and well attended assembly. Jack Eckerd, Herb Brown, PRID, and E. Ray Jones were outstanding program speakers.

It had been previously arranged to combine our District Conference with District 696, from whom we had separated in 1980-81 when another re-alignment had taken place. District Governor George H. Cobb of District 696 and District Governor Bill Hammontree of District 695 worked together to plan and develop the format.

Dusty Owens and Jacques E. Linder were co-chairmen of the Conference which was held October 27-29, 1988 at the Surfside Holiday Inn on Clearwater Beach.

The joint Conference was honored to have Dave Smith, PDRI, of Austin, Texas to serve as the President's Representative for our Conference. Dave was a Director of Rotary International in 1975-77 and the Second Vice President in 1976-77. He was Chairman of the 1982 Convention Committee. He and his wife, Jodie, were great assets to our programs.

After the Conference, a letter to Governor Bill Hammontree from Past Director Dave Smith contained the following comment: "It was a *great* conference, with just the right mixture of Rotary information and good fellowship. We were impressed with the fine attendance you attained, and were pleased that they came and stayed for all the functions of the Conference."

Both Districts worked together to make the Conference a success, Both Districts shared equally in providing presenters for the different Rotary activities and programs.

Prior to the Conference, a joint Rotary Information Seminar was conducted for four and one-half hours, Thursday, October 27, 1988. This Seminar was conducted by Frank Rasbury, PDG from Ocala. Frank had also been sent to conduct our Seminar last year.

The Rotary Foundation Seminar was held February 19, 1989 at the Sheraton Hotel in New Port Richey. This Seminar was hosted by the Seven Springs Club and the New Port Richey Club. Bill Leonard, PDG, conducted the Seminar. He produced a Manual for the Seminar that was picked up by Rotary International and further developed to be used at all Rotary Information Seminars.

District Governor Nominee Dick Bell conducted his PETS Assembly April 1, 1989. While it was held on April Fool's Day, there was no fooling. Bob Perkins, PDG from Sarasota, conducted the PETS and set forth a high level of knowledge on how to be a successful Club President. The PETS was well attended with only four clubs not being represented.

The Interact Convention was held April 28-29 at the Rocky Point Days Inn. It was well attended and awards were given for many outstanding programs.

Pursuit to Article XII of the Rotary Manual of Procedures, the Rotary clubs of District 695 elected Robert J. (Dusty) Owens to be District Governor Nominee 1990-91.

District 695 enjoyed a GSE team's visit from France, led by Jean Charcolin, PDG. A team from District 695 was selected in January of 1989 to go to France in June, 1989, with Bill Leonard, PDG, to go as the Group Leader.

District 695 said farewell to the Wildwood Rotary Club on January 1, 1989. The Wildwood Rotary Club elected to be numbered among the clubs of District 698 because Wildwood was the only club in Sumter County and they were only a short distance from Leesburg in District 698. Because of their proximity, they felt they could serve better in that District.

In February, it was announced that the old Clearwater/Largo Sunrise Club, which had earlier changed to a "Sunset" club in an effort to stabilize its

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Women begin to officially join Rotary's ranks worldwide (though the United States had seen the first women Rotarians in 1986). Rotary returns to Hungary and Poland, and, in 1990, the Rotary Club of Moscow is chartered as the first service club in the then-Soviet Union. Throughout the 1990s, Rotary continues to expand throughout the world, including Eastern Europe and Asia.

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In February, 1989, Clearwater/Largo Sunrise Club surrendered its charter.

weakened condition and find a broader base from which to draw, was now really *sunsetting* and surrendering its charter. Most members who wanted to continue were absorbed into adjoining clubs.

Bill Burnson, District Chairman of Public Relations and Publicity for The Rotary Foundation began an outstanding monthly newsletter. It was filled each issue with wonderful information and news about Foundation programs and opportunities, as well as ideas on how we could all increase our fundraising efforts for The Rotary Foundation. The newsletter proved very helpful. In March, RI announced that the Director for Zones 4-10, Allan Kelly, had resigned and that Jim Lacey from Cookeville, Tennessee would serve the remainder of the term through June, 1990.

The Tampa Rotary Club celebrated its 75th birthday, having been chartered in May of 1914. The Tampa Club has established clubs throughout the State of Florida, and even on foreign soil.

Past District Governor "Woody" Register and his Communications Committee, George Saclarides and Paul Tomasino, chose the following club bulletins for awards:

Class A – Tampa and St. Petersburg received Outstanding Bulletin awards.

Class B – Ybor City received the Outstanding Bulletin award.

Class C – Pinellas Park had the Best Bulletin and Plant City received the Outstanding Bulletin award.

The contributions of District 695 surpassed its \$102,000 unrestricted goal, while at the same time contributing over \$200,000 to the PolioPlus campaign.

Even though District 695 lost two of its clubs—Clearwater/Largo-Sunrise/Sunset and Wildwood—District 695 still increased its membership by approximately 2%.

Presidents and clubs were challenged by President Royce Abbey to reach certain goals. Letters of Commendations, which are equivalent to "Presidential Citations," were received by the following Presidents and their clubs: Pat Gregory, Brandon; Fred Roche, Brandon '86; Charles W. Finegan, Clearwater; Herbert Larson, Clearwater East; Dr. J. Ellis Rue, Dunedin; William Huettig, Dunedin North; Dr. Carolos Nessi, Homosassa Springs; Eugene L. Beil, Hudson; Tommy B. King, Inverness; Clause B. McGeahy, Largo; Mark Bowman, New Port Richey; Johnny D. Page, Plant City; Thomas Gregory, St. Petersburg; H. Lee Offutt, Seminole; William Wheeler, Sun City Center; C. Lee Maynard, Tampa; Gordon Grant, Carrollwood; Neil Johnson, Tampa North; Jose E. Valiente, Ybor City; and Steven F. Spina, Zephyrhills.

Governor Bill Hammontree turned over all materials and records for District 695 to Dick Bell, DGN, and Bill became "Past District Governor" as Dick Bell assumed the role for which he was well prepared—The District Governor of District 695.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1989 - 1990

The district conference was held November 9 – 11 at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Clearwater Beach. One of the first issues facing Governor Richard "Dick" Bell

was a vote for redistricting. District 695 had grown to 51 clubs, making it difficult for a district governor to visit all the clubs within the required July 1 – November 1 time frame. Rotary International decided that Rotary Districts 695, 696, 698 and 699 needed redistricting. Ballots were distributed to each club at the Friday afternoon plenary session. When the ballots were returned, the proposal passed, thus making the district 30% smaller.

Charles Rogers, Interact/Rotaract chairman, held an Interact Training Seminar on October 7 for Interact Club officers, Rotary Club sponsors and faculty sponsors. The seminar was held at Hillsborough Community College Dale Mabry campus.

The district had two Rotary Foundation Scholarship nominees: Rebecca Patterson, a journalism major at the University of Florida sponsored by the Seminole club, and John Harris, a student enrolled at Eckerd College, sponsored by the St. Petersburg club. Rebecca attended the University of Strasbourg in France where she planned to study French media, art and European politics. John studied at the University of Vienna Austria and hoped to get a law degree.

The district gained a new club on December 11 when Belleair Rotary Club and its 67 members held their charter night.

The Pinellas Park Rotary Club sponsored "For Haiti With Love," a self-help project whereby villages in Haiti provide land, labor, sand and gravel and Rotarians provide building materials, transportation costs for the materials and construction management.

The Rotary Foundation Seminar was held February 3rd at the Ramada Inn in Tampa.

The district assembly was held April 27 – 28 at The Plantation, Crystal River.

The District set its goal for unrestricted giving to The Rotary Foundation at \$161,000, the equivalent of \$1 per member per week. By the end of the year, the district gave over \$138,000 in unrestricted funds, up from \$105,000 the year before, when the PolioPlus challenge was the focus of the district's giving.

The number of clubs with total giving to The Rotary Foundation of over \$100,000 doubled. The original three with over 200 members each—Clearwater (\$481,000), Tampa (\$144,879) and St. Petersburg (\$120,301)—were joined by three clubs with 80-90 members each—Seminole (\$105,704), Dunedin (\$100,945) and Clearwater East (\$130,499). The top ten clubs in Foundation Giving for the year were:

Clearwater East	\$24,900
Hudson	\$10,000
Plant City	\$9,022
Brandon	\$6,115
Seminole Lake	\$5,700
Tampa North	\$5,350
Seminole	\$5,025
Dade City	\$5,000
Brandon '86	\$4,600
Inverness	\$4,000



Belleair holds its charter night on December 11, 1989.

This was the first year after many consecutive years that our district was unable to set up a Group Study Exchange, but Governor Bell made sure that the district GSE chair formally applied to Rotary International for an exchange with the Philippines, and incoming district governor, Dusty Owens, received confirmation that District 695 was matched with Philippines District 380, just outside of Manila.

The St. Petersburg West Rotary Club received a Special Grant from The Rotary Foundation for matching funds for their \$10,000 donation. The General Hospital of Hospet, India, was the recipient of the \$20,000, which was used for the furnishing and equipping of an Intensive Care Unit for the hospital. The funds from St. Petersburg West were donated by an Indian-born doctor and his wife, who are honorary members of St. Petersburg West and personal friend of PDG Rolfe Duggar. The doctor, who became a very successful heart surgeon, wanted to do something for the community where he was born.

DISTRICT 695 — YEAR OF 1990 - 1991

Dusty Owens of Temple Terrace became Governor of District 695 in 1990.

The Group Study Exchange from the Philippines visited the district from October 8 – November 15. Team Leader Rufino Luna headed a group of five women. The team studied the business, educational, political, economic and cultural life of the community. The team leader had been a Rotarian since 1971. Walk Pearson of Seminole was chosen as the team leader to lead the all-male group to the Philippines in February. Other members of the team included: John K. Roble, who worked for American Indemnity Group as an insurance adjuster; Carl T. Baker, who holds a BA in Physics/Engineering and a BS in Mechanical Engineering; Daniel B. Fox, who worked for the past 3 years for DACCO, a drug-abuse prevention program and treatment agency, and also served as the coordinator of the school-based prevention program in Hillsborough County; Louis L. Hernandez, who holds a Biblical Education degree and teaches at Suncoast Christian School in Clearwater.

The Foundation Seminar was held on December 1st at the Ramada Inn in Tampa.

The District set its goal at its highest level ever for unrestricted giving to The Rotary Foundation at \$178,000. On January 19th, the district held a Foundation Extravaganza that Rotary International President Paulo Costa and Rotary Foundation Trustees Chairman and Past President of R.I., Carlos Canseco, attended. The event was the climax of a drive to raise \$30,000 - \$40,000 extra for The Rotary Foundation in unrestricted funds and the first time a Rotary International president had come to District 695. President Costa personally recognized all Rotarians who became Paul Harris Fellows and/or benefactors since July 1, 1990.

By the end of the year, the goal was not only met, but surpassed for the first time in many years when the district gave \$187,487. District 695 topped all six Florida districts in unrestricted gifts to The Rotary Foundation as well as paid-up PolioPlus campaign pledges, and was in the top 7 districts in the US and the top 30 Districts in the world.



DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1991 - 1992

The Rotary International theme was *Look Beyond Yourself*. Larry Robison of the Zephyrhills Rotary Club was the District Governor. A goal of \$108,000 was set for unrestricted giving to The Rotary Foundation.

In September, Foundation Chair PDG Dick Bell attended The Rotary Foundation Seminar of the newly formed District 6890 and issued a challenge to see which club could raise the most nonrestricted funds for The Rotary Foundation during the year. The challenge was accepted and the losing district would send \$1000 to the winning district, which in turn would choose a Paul Harris Fellow.

The District's Group Study Exchange was with District 4880 in Argentina. The incoming team arrived November 1 with team leader, Juan Andree Ciliberto, CPA, PhD, and his wife, Maria Cristina Infante de Ciliberto, a former teacher who was interested in visiting area schools. The members included a lawyer, Pablo Alejandro Campabadal; a teacher, Sandra Viviana Moretti; a journalist with three radio programs, Graciela Mirta Santone; and a psicopedagogist, Isabel Patricia Gonzalez. The outgoing team went in April-May. Kathrine Jean Looney, a member of Port Richey Rotary and a Stetson College of Law graduate with involvement in organizations such as Hospice and H.E.L.P., was the team leader. Team members included Mike Hood, a systems engineer and triathlon athlete; Patricia McPherson, a speech therapist; and Esther Brier, a professor of music and professional flautist.

The District Conference, chaired by Jerry Burgess, was held November 8-10, 1991 at the Sabal Park Holiday Inn. We had 335 attendees representing 39 clubs. The Rotary International President's representative was Roy J. P. Whitby from Chiswell Essex, England. The theme of the conference was *Look Beyond Yourself* and the focus was on youth and ecology. The GSE Team from Argentina joined the conference for lunch.

The District Assembly was held at Pasco-Hernando Community College and had 146 attendees representing 39 clubs. PETS was held at Zephyrhills High School with 48 attendees representing 37 clubs.

The Pinellas Rotary Clubs supported the Pinellas County Schools request to use Rotary's Four-Way Test in a social studies unit for third graders. The clubs provided desk plaques for the 90 teachers who attended the in-service in August and wallet cards for all 175 third grade teachers in the district. Part of the unit involved inviting a Rotarian to speak about how he/she used the 4-Way Test in considering alternatives in making decisions.

Dick Breske, a member of Pinellas Park Rotary, was one of several hundred Rotarians from the Americas that attended a Rotary International conference on chronic hunger, poverty and illiteracy in the Caribbean basin held in Trinidad, February 21-22, 1992.

Beginning with the 1991-1992 contribution year, The Rotary Foundation Trustees replaced and improved the reward unit system with the SHARE system, which was easier to understand, allowed more program options and permitted all

LOOK BEYOND YOURSELF! SEPTEMBER 1991
GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER
 DISTRICT 6950 LARRY ROBISON GOVERNOR

FROM THE GOVERNOR
GET INVOLVED WITH THE FUTURE LEADERS - GET YOURSELF!

YOUR FUTURE BELONGS:
 September is "Youth Month" in Rotary. It is a time when all of the youth of our area are back in school and hard at work. It is the time of the year when we need to inspire or re-ignite our club projects such as Interest, Youth Exchange, Scholarships, SATL, etc. Being an educator, that very time is the Youth Program in Rotary.

Since the youth of our world are the hope of the future, it is our job, as the Rotarians of this community, to make sure they have the best opportunities possible. It is not to realize that this year through Youth Exchange we need one of our youth to study in our country and there were 9 openings. The same thing happened last year. Four students returned and a graduate opportunity was given. WEY! We have over 20,000 students in our District 6950. Did you as a Rotarian get the message our club has the Exchange, or did we wait for someone else to do it? Let's be ready this year and have the student's application ready. Remember, Rotary members' most need most participate in Youth Exchange.

What your club about their Career Day, Job Fair, or make for help at their events please take the time to influence our future leaders.

SATL is looking for volunteers so that the program can be expanded to reach more young people. If you have the volunteer, if you need to know more about SATL, ask your President for the information. Don't wait for someone else to do it.

Don't forget that the deadline for Rotary Scholarship applications is October 15. Make sure the schools have been notified.

Together We Succeed
 Larry Robison, Governor

VISITORS HAVE BEEN VERY BEHAVIOR!
 Here and I have come to many new friends over the past few weeks that are very pleasant. The club that we have been here made us feel like we were part of the group. Thanks to all who have worked so hard to make the club so warm.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE
 1991
 NOVEMBER 8-10
 SABAL PARK
 HOLIDAY INN
 TAMPA, FL
 For Details Contact:
 Jerry Burgess, Chairman
 813-784-5466

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DISTRICT 6950 NEWSLETTER
 Rotary Foundation Committee

District 6890 Accepts Challenge from District 6950

Fourth Annual Rotary Foundation Seminar

LAST MINUTE BULLETIN

ROTARY FOUNDATION

Unrestricted Giving 1991-92

Goal	\$108,000
Actual	\$133,000

districts to participate in the Foundation's programs each year at all giving levels. Under the SHARE system, all district giving is totalled at the end of the year and divided into two funds. Sixty percent is credited to the District Designated Fund to be allocated by the district for Foundation programs that are of great interest to it. These funds will be "spent" or used for district programs participation three years later. The remaining 40% is credited to the World Fund, over which the Trustees have sole responsibility for allocation.

During the year, our district increased benefactors by 78% and increased district membership 4%. We also completed the Dunedin Causeway project and gave a donation of \$1000 to Heartbeat International.

Unfortunately, the year ending figures showed that the original \$108,000 goal for Foundation giving fell short. Total giving at the end of June was \$91,279.50 in unrestricted giving and another \$25,000 for PolioPlus.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1992 - 1993

Michael "Mike" D. Hamby became district governor in 1992 and his first newsletter praised R.I. President Cliff Dochterman and his theme "Real Happiness is Helping Others." There were 39 clubs in the district and a goal of \$117,000 was set for Foundation giving.

The district conference was held October 15-17 at the Belleview Mido Hotel in Clearwater and was chaired by PDG Ed Christiano. Dr. Edgar C. Hatcher, PDG and R. I. World Community Service Coordinator, and his Rotary partner JoAnn, served as the President's representative. At the Governor's Banquet, Ed's address, "Is Rotary Forever?" was informative and thought provoking. An added bonus for attendees was entertainment by *The Drifters*.

The Holiday Club, with 38 attendees, won the unofficial "Rattle the Rafters" award at the Roll Call of the Clubs, with Pinellas Park a close second.

The dedication of Rotary's Camp Florida on October 10th culminated two years of hard work that started when Rotarians in Hillsborough County heard of an 18-acre camp that was being sold by the United Methodist Church. Many of the clubs in Hillsborough County had been supporters of children's cancer programs and knew that the American Cancer Society's Reaching Out to Cancer Kids (R. O. C. K.) Camp Program was in danger of being discontinued due to lack of a suitable facility. District 6980 Rotarians found this site to be ideal and 30 individuals personally guaranteed a mortgage of over \$550,000 to purchase the camp. Major repairs were made, and in 1992 the camp hosted over 300 kids, accompanied by a medical oncologist and oncology nurses 24 hours per day, in addition to volunteers. When the video was shown at the district conference, District 6950 Rotarians voted unanimously to transfer \$10,000 in surplus District funds to a special matching fund. After \$10,000 matching funds was raised by the district clubs, the money was given to Rotary's Camp Florida with the promise of a building being dedicated to the district along with a plaque listing the participating clubs.



was chosen as our ambassadorial scholar. While studying in France, the apartment she shared with three other students was destroyed by fire in early October, but no one was injured. To offset the loss of her personal possessions, the St. Petersburg club and those attending the district conference contributed \$2200, which allowed Anna to remain in France to continue her studies.



PDG Woody Register; Manual Koutsourais, mayor of Dunedin and member of Dunedin North; District Governor Mark Hamby; and Lee Niblock, Dunedin Parks & Recreation director, stand in front of the dedication marker on Rotary Boulevard.

19, was led by Jose Galvez, M.D., a member of the Seminole Rotary Club. Team members (with sponsoring clubs) and their professions were Shari Miller (Dunedin), public relations/college; Tara Shea (Clearwater East), social service organization; Paul A. Martin (Seminole), detective/Sheriff's Dept.; Michael A. Morrissey (Seminole) medical research clinician; Cheryl Ann Delena (New Port Richey), elementary education; and alternate Stacie Pounds (St. Petersburg), banking.

The incoming team arrived April 1 and left May 4. The members were: Emilia Valentina Pereira de Araujo, economist; Leila Santos Sarno, dermatologist; Maria Conceicao Benigno Pires Ferreira, pediatrician; Maria Dulce Dantas Ribeiro, dentist; and Paula Sergio Santana Nobre, English teacher.

When DG Hamby attended the International Assembly in March 1992, he met District Governor Nominee Ernst Regg of Vienna, Austria. After the meeting, Hamby took on the goal of supporting the extension of Rotary in the former communist countries of Eastern Europe. To aid in his goal, he appointed a committee consisting of PDG Rolf Duggar (St. Petersburg West) and Fred Treiber (Clearwater/Feathersound), who elected to support the formation of the Rotary Club of Debrecen, Hungary. Led by contributions from the Rotary clubs of Belleair (\$2,000) and Largo (\$1,000), Hamby expected to quickly reach the \$6,000 needed for the partnership. If more than the \$6,000 was received, Hamby planned to

In 1992, The City Commission of Dunedin changed the name of Dunedin Causeway to Rotary Boulevard because of the volunteer and fundraising efforts of the clubs in District 6950 under the leadership of Dunedin and Dunedin North. The project was in response to Rotary's push to "Preserve Planet Earth." The proclamation was signed by Mayor Manuel Koutsourais, a founding member of Dunedin North (see page 130).

PDG Woody Register and the Rotary Clubs of Dunedin and Dunedin North hosted the 5th Annual Rotary Foundation Seminar on January 9, 1993. The seminar took place at Bon Appetit Restaurant in Dunedin.

The Presidents Elect Training Seminar (PETS) was held March 13th at the Sheraton Inn in New Port Richey under the leadership of District Governor Nominee Earl Samstag.

The Group Study Exchange was with District 4450 in Brazil. The outgoing team, which visited Salvador, Brazil from April 14 – May

DISTRICT 6950
Rotary Foundation Committee

NEWSLETTER

1992-93 Foundation Goals

Since 1989 Rotary Foundation goal for the United States is to raise \$1 billion in contributions to the Rotary Foundation. As of January 31, 1993 we have raised \$107,000.00. We need to raise \$892,999.99 more. The money to be raised in the last half of the year will be split 50-50 between the two Rotary Clubs. We need to raise \$446,499.99 more.

Top 10 Clubs per Capita

Belleair	800
Sebring	41
Palmdale	41
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Palmdale	41
Palmdale	41
Palmdale	41
Palmdale	41
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Top 10 Rotarians per Capita

Palmdale	41
Palmdale	41
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Palmdale Park Goal

Palmdale Park Goal is to raise \$100,000.00 by the end of the year. We have raised \$10,000.00. We need to raise \$90,000.00 more.

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Chair

\$117,000

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credit the extra funds towards the formation of a new provisional club in Eger, Hungary.

The district had four ambassadorial scholars: Alfredo Emilio Barquin, sponsored by St. Petersburg; Katherine Lea Ericson, sponsored by St. Petersburg; Kaylois Nadine Henry, sponsored by Tarpon Springs; and Susan Meredith Moss, sponsored by St. Petersburg.

Over 25 people from the district traveled to the International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. The year ended with the same number of clubs – 39. And once more, the district fell short of the Foundation giving goal when the year-end showed only \$83,542.64 in unrestricted giving.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1993 - 1994

At the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, DG Earl Stamstag kicked off his year by hearing first-hand incoming Rotary International President Robert Barth expound on his theme for the year, "Believe in What You Do, Do What You Believe." President Barth believed, "The actions we take are what counts. History is full of examples where a vision that seemed unrealistic one day became reality with the help of millions of people who believed in that vision, and acted in their beliefs." He urged Rotarians "to carry on the activities that make Rotary an international advocate of peace, tolerance, and understanding. Through activities in health care, education, preservation of our earth, Rotarians emphasize the values that are important to people everywhere..."

"Hands-on service is the essence of Rotary," continued President Barth. "Every day, Rotarians use their hands to help others." The two goals outlined for Rotary clubs during Barth's presidency were:

1. Seek a balanced service agenda by choosing projects from among all four Avenues of Service
2. Develop a "club-life culture" with a friendly club atmosphere that is conducive to attracting new young members and nurturing their enthusiasm for Rotary

In addition, Barth planned to present a Citation at the end of the year to Rotarians that sponsored three new club members during the year.

The Governor's first official visit was with the Rotary Club of Crystal River where he was met with a large welcome sign at their meeting place, The Plantation Inn.

The district was much saddened by the death of Director Lambo Schwartz, who died of a heart attack while playing golf in Myrtle Beach, SC, on August 28. Barrie Davis from the Rotary Club of Zebulon (NC) was selected to fulfill his term as Director of Zones 4 & 10. (His daughter, a Rotarian, became a member of the Rotary Club of Dunedin North in 2000 and was instrumental in publishing this updated history.)

In September, the district heard the great news that Herbert G. Brown, a member of the Rotary Club of Clearwater, was nominated for President of Rotary International for 1995-1996.



The District conference was held at The Plantation Inn in Crystal River on November 5-7, 1993. R.I. Director R. Owen McDowell, with his wife, Margaret, from Ashburton, New Zealand, served as the President's representative. PDG Woody Register and his wife, Aida, served as their Aides. The Saturday luncheon featured Florida Secretary of State Jim Smith. A total of 250 people registered from 35 clubs (Clearwater Beach, Gulf Beaches, Oldsmar and St. Petersburg Beach were not represented). The Paul Harris Breakfast was sponsored by Homosassa Springs, with Director Owen McDowell as the keynote speaker. During the Saturday morning session, R. I. President-nominee Herb Brown visited to give a short talk and stay for lunch.

A new session, The Qualifications & Responsibilities of Being a District Governor, was presented to help show Rotarians what is involved, with the hopes of getting them interested in the possibility.

Rolf Duggar, a member of St. Petersburg West Rotary, was elected to the Council on Legislation at Caracas D. F. Venezuela on January 23, 1995 during the business session on Sunday. PDG Woody Register, of Dunedin North Rotary, was elected as the alternate.

The Rotary Foundation Trustees announced in the previous year that the top three clubs in the district in per capita contributions would receive a recognition banner. DG Earl had the pleasure of visiting and presenting banners and letters of congratulations to the three clubs with the highest per capita contributions to The Rotary Foundation during 1992-1993. Clearwater ranked #1 with \$351.21 per capita, followed by Brooksville with \$170.00 per capita, and Clearwater/Feathersound with \$133.21 per capita. The top three clubs in per capita improvement also received recognition from Rotary International, and were: Clearwater with 495% improvement, Crystal River with 200%, and Seven Springs with 128%.

More money was contributed to Rotary's Rose Parade Float than ever before. The district newsletter encouraged contributions from the first issue for the themed float, *Believing in the Future*. By the time of the parade, fourteen clubs had donated: Brooksville, Clearwater Countryside, Crystal River, Gulf Beaches, Hudson, Inverness, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Port Richey, Seven Springs, Spring Hill, St. Petersburg West, Zephyrhills, and Zephyrhills Daybreak.

The District Rotary Foundation Seminar was held on January 15, 1994 at the Treasure Island Tennis & Yacht Club.

PETS was held on March 26, 1994 at the New Port Richey Sheraton Hotel.

The Group Study Exchange took place with District 4270 in Barranquilla, Columbia, South America. The outgoing team was led by Rotarian Henry Ehrman, a past-president of Clearwater Feathersound. Team members were: Mary Donnelly, nurse; Colette Iwanski, English teacher at Eckerd College; Mike Kirkpatrick, Largo police officer; and Connie Williams, Dunedin Parks & Recreation director. The incoming team was led by Carlos Alberto Ruiz Angula, the owner of a flower shop. Team members included a biologist, an architect, a psychologist and school director, and a lawyer.

The district held a picnic at Rotary Camp Florida on April 9, 1994, where Rotarians and their family and friends were able to fish, boat, hike and play

volleyball and basketball.

Clearwater/Feathersound achieved 100% attendance for the 4 months, from January - April.

The district assembly was held May 7, 1994 at the Holiday Inn Feathersound in Clearwater. During the event, the Presidential Citation for Balanced Club Achievement was presented to 10 clubs: Belleair, Clearwater East, Clearwater/Feathersound, Dunedin, Hudson, Pinellas Park, St. Petersburg, Seminole, Seminole Lake, and Zephyrhills Daybreak. Four Rotarians received the Presidential Citation for bringing in three or more new members: Richard Clemow of Belleair, Jean Murphy of Zephyrhills Daybreak, Joe Bugeja of Largo, and Steve Barry of Homosassa Springs. Rotary Foundation District Service Awards for outstanding service in promoting The Rotary Foundation and its goal of world understanding and peace were presented to: PGD Richard "Dick" Bell of Clearwater East, Richard "Dick" Breske of Pinellas Park, PDG Woodrow "Woody" Register of Dunedin North, William "Bill" Slobodkin of Seminole and Gene Stern of Seminole Lake. The clubs receiving bulletin awards were: Seminole (60+), Pinellas Park (35-59), and Seminole Lake (under 34).

Dunedin North Rotary received a matching grant to purchase educational materials, equipment and classroom supplies in Western Samoa, a country that struggled to recover from two devastating cyclones and an earthquake within a 28-month period. The team delivering the supplies was headed by Lynne Famillie, a former Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar to New Zealand in 1982. Crystal River Rotary received a grant to fund a Uganda Water Project and New Port Richey also received funding for the Northern Costa Rica Agriculture and veterinarian Supply Project.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1994 - 1995

Paul H. Ponder, Jr. of the Rotary Club of Largo took over the reins of District 6950 on July 1, 1994. R. I. President William "Bill" Huntley chose as his theme for the year *Be a Friend*. One of his objectives was involvement of clubs at the community level. Some of Governor Paul's goals for the district were:

- More clubs receiving the Presidential Citation Award
- 10% increase in membership
- \$120,000 to The Rotary Foundation
- Increase benefactors to at least 200

Group representatives for 1994-1995, led by T. J. Thompson, were; Steve Lamb, Mary Beth Gary, Michael Sakelson, Harris Brown, Jared Brown, Fred Mailhot, and Al Michetti.

Two ambassadorial scholars were chosen for 1995-1996: Michael Ryan, nominated by Clearwater Countryside, who wanted to obtain a doctorate in Medieval History and teach at the college level; and Timothy Pauly, nominated by St. Petersburg Downtown, a graduate of Eckerd College who wanted to study Anthropology and become involved in an international service company.



The district conference was held November 4-5, 1994 at the Sheraton Sand Key resort in Clearwater. The R. I. President's Representative was Foundation Trustee Asbjorn Austvik of Norway. Guest speakers included Leroy Selmon, former Tampa Bay Buccaneer and current Associate Athletic Director at USF; Dr. Robert Good, a pioneer in the bone marrow transplant field who currently practices at All Children's Hospital; and Dr. Nicholas Goncharoff, an advisor to Boris Yeltsin and past advisor to the US NATO command.

There were 343 registered attendees representing 38 clubs at the conference. The per capita awards presented went to: Clearwater/Feathersound - \$250.00; Homosassa Springs - \$178.57; and Dunedin - \$167.65. The largest percentage increase over the previous year went to: Dunedin - 519%; Zephyrhills Daybreak - 200%; and Belleair - 176%. Ten clubs received the Presidential Citation.

The Rotary Foundation Seminar was hosted by the Dunedin Rotary Club on January 14, 1995, with PDG Jack Bakeman as chair. A record 117 attended. R. I. President-elect Herb Brown and John T. Osterlund, the annual giving supervisor for The Rotary Foundation in Evanston, spoke.

PETS was held March 24-25, 1995 at the New Port Richey Sheraton, with 50 attendees representing 38 clubs.

The Group Study Exchange was with District 2810 on the northeast coast of Honshu, the Mayaga province of Japan. The outgoing team, led by Marvest Lawson of St. Petersburg Gateway, included: Timothy Benton, a music teacher; Joseph Celeste, a radiology technician; Susan Hale, a pharmacist coordinator; and Paige Ramsey, a student recruiter at Schiller University.

The District Assembly was held on April 29, 1995 at the Eastlake Woodlands County Club in Oldsmar.

Rolf Duggar attended the Council on Legislation. Several changes resulted:

- Qualified retirees can join Rotary as past service members
- Rotarians can make-up a missed meeting 14 days prior or after the missed meeting (as opposed to the current 7 days)
- The 30% requirement for attending your own club meetings apply to a 6-month period rather than a full year
- The Rotary world was rezoned, with our district falling in Zone 34
- Members who move out of a club's territory can retain membership in that club, provided they keep up with all the membership requirements and continue to hold the same classifications
- St. Petersburg South Central, sponsored by St. Petersburg, became a provisional club

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1995 - 1996

The 1995-1996 Rotary year began under the leadership of Herbert G. Brown as



President of Rotary International. This was a special honor for our district, as Herb is one of our own, being a member of the Clearwater Rotary Club. His theme for the year was "Act with Integrity, Serve with Love, and Work for Peace."

The District Governor for the 1995-95 year was Frank Erwin, a member of the Clearwater/Countryside Rotary Club.

The four main objectives for the year were to increase membership by 8% net, charter two new clubs in the district, attain a goal of \$120,000 in general giving for The Rotary Foundation and better our communication in the district.

President Brown implemented a membership program called The Calgary Challenge. Awards were given to the top 50 districts in the world for highest percent in membership growth. District 6950 placed second in our Zone 34 as having attained our projected 8% increase in district membership. The district membership chairperson was Woody Register, PDG of the Dunedin North Rotary Club.

Under the leadership of PDG Dick Bell of the Clearwater/East Rotary Club as the District's Foundation Chairperson, the giving goal of \$120,000 was surpassed at the end of May, 1996 by \$33,000 and should have exceeded \$140,000 by June 30, 1996. The goal of having 300 Benefactors in the District was missed; however, the District ranked 13th out of 165 districts in the United States with a total of 242.

A direct mailing of the Governor's Newsletter to all Rotarians in the District was started in September of 1995. The publication was expanded to eight pages with the center two pages being devoted entirely to The Rotary Foundation.

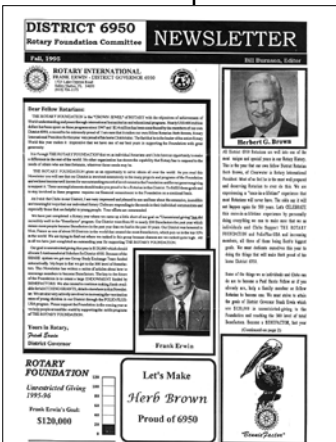
In October of 1995, a special Gala Event was staged as a major fundraiser with the proceeds all going to Rotary's Camp Florida in Brandon, Florida. The camp is used primarily by terminally ill cancer children. Over \$100,000 was raised through this Gala. Along with our District, Districts 6890 and 6960 actively participated in making a huge success of this fundraiser. We were extremely honored to have as the guest of honor and main speaker, our own Herb Brown, President of Rotary International.

Our District Conference was held in late October, 1995 at the St. Petersburg Hilton with adjoining District 6890. President Brown sent as his special representative, John Kenny, a RI Director from Grangemouth, Scotland. PDG Ed Christiano and his Rotary partner Joy served as aides to Director John and his spouse, June.

During the conference, the Group Study Exchange team from District 3050 in India was traveling in our district. Later in the year, our team led by Ann Kennedy of the Dunedin Rotary Club visited India's District 3050.

The District held its annual Foundation Seminar in January, 1996 at the Quality Inn in New Port Richey. There were over 100 Rotarians in attendance. John Osterlund from Rotary International was the guest speaker and did a remarkable job. The New Port Richey Rotary Club was the host club for this event.

The District President-elect Training Seminar (PETS) was held on March 21, 1996



in New Port Richey. Attendance was approximately 80 Rotarians. DGN Milt Jones conducted the event.

At the District Assembly in the latter part of April, incoming officers and directors from 38 clubs attended various sessions and heard DGN Milt Jones outline the District's plans and objectives for the 1996-97 Rotary year. The event was held at the Quality Inn in New Port Richey. Several recognitions were given by Governor Erwin at the Governor's Banquet concluding the Assembly:

Service Above Self – presented to PDG Woody Register, Dunedin North Rotary Club, in recognition of outstanding service to Rotary. Only 150 are given nationally each year by Rotary International.

Meritorious Service Award – Richard Breske, Pinellas Park Rotary Club, for exceptional service to The Rotary Foundation.

Significant Achievement Award – Clearwater East Rotary Club, Community Service Award for their Operation Joy program.

District Governor Citations – Bill Burnson, Seminole; Jim Goins, Clearwater Feathersound; Sandy Ho, Clearwater East; Mike Smith, Clearwater East; Les Holland, Pinellas Park; Harris Brown, Seminole.

The District was saddened in May by the passing of PDG Bill Laney of the Clearwater East Rotary Club. Right up until the time of his death, Bill was one of the most respected and hard working Rotarians in the district. During the 1995-96 Rotary year, Bill and his Rotary partner Virginia were responsible for the formation of the two new clubs, St. Petersburg South Central and Safety Harbor.

The year ended with the International Conference in Calgary, Canada. District 6950 was well represented as a tribute to outgoing President Herb Brown.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1996 - 1997

The 1996-97 Rotary Year began with a great flare at the February Rotary International Assembly in Anaheim, California, when Argentina's Rotary President Luis Vicenti Giay announced the theme, "Build the Future with Action and Vision." Governor Nominee Milton O. Jones from the Rotary Club of Dade City and his partner, Alice A. Jones, a member of the Zephyrhills club, participated in the Assembly and finalized plans for the 1996-97 Rotary year.

The Rotary Assembly was held in New Port Richey with 238 Rotarians and 129 attending the Banquet that evening for Governor Frank Erwin.



To begin the year *Members of the Advisory Council for DG Milt Jones*

2002

Europe is declared polio-free at the RI Convention in Barcelona, Spain. By the end of the year, only seven countries remain polio endemic. As clubs around the world count down to the Rotary Centennial in 2005, RI zeroes in on the final push to eradicate polio, with the announcement of an US\$80 million campaign to help fill a \$275 million funding gap.



Governor Jones appointed an Advisory Council from the College of Governors and scheduled six bimonthly meetings to keep communication and enthusiasm high throughout the year. Past District Governors Dick Bell, Rolfe Duggar, Ed Christiano, Mike Hamby, Gerry Hubble, Bill Laney, Paul Ponder, and Woody Register served on the Advisory Council.

The Rules of Procedure for the District were rewritten and Governor Jones issued six Administrative Memoranda to clarify Policies and Procedures for the year. Laura Brock of the Clearwater East Club was named Treasurer and the Funding and Budgeting procedures for the District were reviewed and updated to allow more flexibility while retaining control by the Fund Committee. Past District Governor Woody Register, "Mr. Rotary of the District" was appointed the District General Secretary, and authorized to open a part-time District Office.

Governor Jones conducted his own PETS Conference focusing on building a Rotary Leadership Team to work with club officers and district committees. Efforts were made to include at least three club members from each club on each of the district committees. In all more than 200 Rotarians participated in the District Leadership Team.

President Giay's program for 1996-97 included six areas of emphasis:

- "Build the Future by Strengthening Membership"
- "Build the Future by Honoring the Past"
- "Build the Future by Bringing Quality into Vocational Service"
- "Build the Future by preparing the New Generations"

"Build the Future by Working for Urban Peace"

"Build the Future by Supporting the Rotary Foundation"

Two special conferences were held, one on "Urban Peace" and the other on "New Generations."



Bricks were the symbol of "Build the Future"

President Giay appointed Past Rotary International Director Elmer Jordan and his wife, Gloria, from Agora Hills, California as his personal representative for the District Conference, which was held at the Saddlebrook Resort on September 12, 13 and 14. There was wonderful participation from all over the District. To kick off the conference, 96 golfers played the great Saddlebrook course and the Rotary Club of Seven Springs won the tournament. Past Director Jordan gave an inspiring message at the Governor's Banquet.

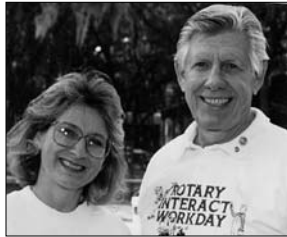
Highlights of the conference included major plenary sessions dealing with Urban Peace. The State's Attorney and a panel of judges and law enforcement officials discussed problems of Urban Peace and made recommendations on how Rotarians could get involved in promoting "Urban Peace" in local Communities.



Special emphasis was made on Youth and "Preparing the New Generations" with some 80 young people featured in a three-hour plenary session on the work and activities of Interact, Rotaract, Student Exchanges and Ambassadorial Scholarships. School Superintendent John Long of Pasco County participated in this part of the conference. The final luncheon featured more than 100 youth and several hundred Rotarians to hear a keynote Address from Hjalma Johnson, an outstanding member of the Dade City club, and the President of the American Bankers Association. Mr. Johnson provided a very positive picture and a bright future for young people willing to work to "Build the Future." The Zephyrhills High School Band provided entertainment at the luncheon. Nearly 800 Rotarians, friends, guests and young people participated in the Rotary Conference for 1996-97.



The "New Generations" Conference drew Interact, Rotaract and exchange students from around the district.



Pam Moore, executive director of Rotary's Camp Florida, with DG Milt Jones at the Rotary "Work Day"

In January 300 Rotarians and Interact students met at Rotary's Camp Florida for a work day and "New Generations" conference. The Clearwater East and Dade City clubs prepared a hamburger and hot dog lunch for this very successful Interact/Rotary activity.

The District gave \$141,000 to the Rotary Foundation, exceeding the goal of \$120,000. In addition, four new clubs were organized and functioning on a provisional basis: Trinity, Spring Hill Central, Hernando East and Indian Rocks, all of which have been subsequently chartered.

The Governor's Banquet held on May 10 drew more than 200 Rotarians and guests. Twenty-two (22) District Rotary Clubs were recognized with special Citations for "Building the Future with Action and Vision." The awards were based on 10 criteria established at the beginning of the year. The criteria included:

1. Achievement of a Presidential Citation
2. Membership growth
3. Attendance weekly
4. Foundation support
5. New Benefactors
6. New club sponsorship
7. Club bulletins
8. Conference attendance
9. Assembly attendance
10. Public relations/ promoting Rotary

"Exemplary Club Awards" went to six clubs: The Rotary Clubs of Clearwater East, Dunedin, Dunedin North, Hudson, Pinellas Park and Seminole. "Outstanding Club

Awards” were presented to nine clubs: The Rotary Clubs of Clearwater Countryside, Clearwater Feather Sound, Dade City, Holiday, Largo, Oldsmar/East Lake, Palm Harbor, Tarpon Springs and Zephyrhills Daybreak. “Excellent Club Awards” went to seven other clubs: The Rotary Clubs of Belleair, Clearwater, Clearwater Beach, Homosassa Springs, Safety Harbor, Spring Hill, and Zephyrhills.

Past District Governor Milt Jones expressed appreciation to the Members of the entire district for a great year of achievements and support for Rotary. In June the gavel and Governor’s pin were passed to Governor Nominee Harris Brown and Rotary International President Giay issued a Golden Century Citation Medal to Governor Jones for his work and leadership during the year.

DISTRICT 6950 - YEAR OF 1997 - 1998

Harris F. Brown, Jr., a member of the Seminole Rotary Club, served as district governor during 1997-1998.

On October 3rd, one hundred Rotarians and guests attended the Charter Night Celebration of The Rotary Club of Trinity, our 40th club in the district. Dr. Ken Martin was inducted as president. By the time of the charter night, the club grew from thirty charter members to thirty-seven.

The theme of the District Conference continued Rotary International’s theme, which was “Show Rotary Cares.” The conference was held at the Adam’s Mark – Clearwater Beach, with 392 attendees representing 39 clubs. Daniel Moores served as the RI President’s Representative. The Matching Grant portion of the Rotary Foundation was highlighted. The two major projects for the year were the funding of supplemental equipment to repair cleft palates and provide equipment for schools in Guatemala to save the “Dump Children.”

The Group Study Exchange was with District 1010 in Scotland. The incoming team visited out district from September 4 to October 10.

The outgoing team was composed of the team leader, Sallie Parks (Dunedin Rotary), Pinellas County Commissioner, and four team members: Tom Gavin, St. Petersburg Police Department in charge of juveniles; Jeff Diamond, Assistant District Attorney, Pinellas County; Harry Schiller, a nurse at Belleair Surgi-center; and Molly Shea, a second grade teacher at Safety Harbor Elementary. The alternate team member was Susan Orneck, real estate.

Three ambassadorial scholars were selected for 1998-1999:

- Gaelynn P. Wolf Bordonaro, sponsored by New Port Richey, a student at the University of Central Florida, whose goal was to obtain a Doctorate in pediatric heart therapy in England or Australia.
- Hope Ann Royston, sponsored by Gulf Beaches, a graduate of Yale University in media and international relations, whose goal was to become a media correspondent; she applied to a school in Australia.
- Heather Anne Joseph, from Bixby, Oklahoma, who attended Eckerd University and was sponsored by downtown St. Petersburg; she majored in anthropology



and planned to study the rural life in India and its affects on the people near New Delhi, India.

This was the first year that the district had an Internet site containing district information, thanks to Don Higgins. Included on the site were club meeting locations and times, district officers with their photographs, calendar of events, the district newsletter and links to other pertinent Rotary sites.

Nadine Jarsumbeck, an exchange student from Bad Saarow (near Berlin), was hosted by Crystal River. She graduated with honors from Crystal River High School and earned letters in soccer, tennis and swimming.

Diane Brown, wife of 1995-1996 Rotary International President Herb Brown (Clearwater), was presented a new Rotary award, the Jean Harris Award, at the annual installation banquet for the Rotary Club of Clearwater. The Jean Harris Award is given in the name of Jean Harris, the wife of Rotary's founder, Paul Harris. It is designated for non-Rotarian women for their efforts and contributions to the development and progress of women in their communities.

Henry Kramer (Holiday) and Sandra Lilo (Seminole Lake) spearheaded a matching grant project, totaling \$54,240, to perform cleft lip and palate surgery for indigent children in Huanuco, Peru. Largo, Palm Harbor and Zephyrhills Daybreak also contributed to the grant. An evaluation trip was made in September, 1997, and the volunteer medical team and other personnel left in January, 1998, for the 10-day mission. This later developed into a continuing program called Rotocleft.

Brooksville received a \$5000 grant to provide supplies for a floating dental clinic in Guatemala. Dunedin North and Clearwater East received a \$19,500 grant for cleft palate repair in Jaipur, India.

Clearwater East and Seminole were presented a 100% Paul Harris Club Banner signifying their achievement of having all members be a Paul Harris Fellow at a particular point in time. The banners were presented by Cliff Dochterman, Chairman, Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, at the Rotary Convention's Paul Harris Luncheon.

The PETS conference was held at East Lake Woodlands, with 68 attendees representing 37 clubs.

The District Assembly was held at the Holiday Inn Select in Clearwater. There were 290 attendees representing 38 clubs. PDG Woody Register received the district's Citation for Meritorious Service, which recognizes a person for exceptional service to The Rotary Foundation.

The District 6950 Interact Convention was held at the Bayside Holiday Inn, Clearwater, on May 22-24. A total of 11 clubs participated and included a record 120 students along with their faculty advisors and Rotarian sponsors.

The second club chartered during the 1997-1998 year was Spring Hill Central, sponsored by Spring Hill, who received their charter in late June with twenty-eight members.

The annual Foundation contribution was \$164,000, the most the district had raised to date.

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Spring Hill Central received their charter in late June, 1998.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1998 - 1999

Rotary International President James L. Lacy, Rotary Club of Cookville, Tennessee, USA, had as his theme, "Follow Your Rotary Dream." Our District Governor that year was Richard F. Breske, from the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park, Florida.

Our district started the year with 41 clubs and finished with 42. New clubs added were Hernando East and Indian Rocks Beach. St. Petersburg South Central Club disbanded with funds and some members moving to St. Petersburg Suncoast Club. The Suncoast club then requested and received permission from Rotary International to change their name to be St. Petersburg Midtown Rotary Club. The Dunedin North Rotary Club sponsored a new Rotaract club that was chartered at Schiller International University in Dunedin.

The Seminole Club led a group of clubs that applied for and received a "New Opportunities Grant" from The Rotary Foundation. The \$12,000 grant was used for one year's support for Luis Fermin of Lima, Peru. Luis is the last person known to have contracted polio in the Americas and is being cared for by Peruvian Rotarians.

In June of 1998, Bill Burnson, DGN died. A call was sent out in July to all clubs for nominations for Bill's replacement. Ballots were sent to the clubs who then elected Patricia Schmoranz of the Seminole Lake Club to be Governor 1999-2000. A few days later, Robin Murray of the Spring Hill Club was selected to be our governor for 2000-2001.

On October 29-31, the District Conference was held at the Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort. Rotary International President James Lacy sent as his personal representative, Tony Serrano and his wife Marie, from South Africa. The conference was attended by 405 Rotarians and guests representing 40 of our 43 Rotary clubs and provisional clubs and 9 Interact clubs.

The Group Study Exchange took place with District 4980 of eastern Uruguay. The incoming team visited from October 3 - November 7.

That year Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation each put in \$10 million earmarked for children's projects. The \$20 million became known as a one-time "Children's Opportunities Grants," which was available to Rotary, Rotaract and Interact clubs world-wide and required no matching monies nor a co-sponsoring club from another country. The program became so popular that requests were received for \$50 million in grants in the first three months after the request forms were available. Four clubs in our district eventually received grants totaling \$50,000 plus, which included \$25,000 for Rotary's Camp Florida projects by the St. Petersburg West Rotary club and \$12,000 for training computers at the Boys & Girls Club by the Pinellas Park Rotary club.

The clubs in our district utilized \$25,000 of other DDF monies for Matching Grants and selected two students to receive Ambassadorial Scholarships.

The final district event of the year was the district assembly held at the Holiday Inn Select, St. Petersburg/Clearwater Airport. Many awards were presented, including The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service presented

New clubs added to the district in 1998-1999 were Hernando East and Indian Rocks Beach. St. Petersburg South Central disbanded. St. Petersburg Suncoast changed their name to St. Petersburg Midtown. A new Rotaract club, sponsored by Dunedin North, was chartered at Schiller International University in Dunedin.

to Rolfe Duggar, PDG of St. Petersburg West Rotary club and District 950 co-Rotarians of the Year presented to Ann Kennedy of the Dunedin Rotary club and Paul Slosberg of the St. Petersburg West Rotary club. (Paul Slosberg later becomes 6950 District Governor 2002-2003.)

Along the way, the clubs of our district did all of the things that Rotary clubs are suppose to do... and then some. LOTS and LOTS of then some!

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 1999 - 2000

Patricia Schmoranz of the Rotary Club of Seminole Lake became the first female governor in District 6950 and one of 25 female district governors worldwide. During her year as governor, the District adopted the District Leadership Plan and revised the District Manual of Procedure. The district started revising accounting lines and defining areas of expenditures and ended the year at budget.

The Governor's Newsletter, published monthly, reached over 2000+ district-wide Rotarians. Over 150 new members were inducted into clubs and approximately \$155,000 was raised for The Rotary Foundation.

The 3-day district conference kicked off with a golf tournament on November 4th at the Belleview Biltmore Golf Club. The President's Representative was Dr. Kenneth Collins, from Mt. Claremont, Australia, a Trustee of The Rotary Foundation and 2000-2002 director-elect for Rotary zones 7 and 8. The highly successful district conference, held at the Belleview Biltmore, had 40 of the 42 clubs represented by 393 registered attendees. The Governor's Banquet had 309 attendees. Our President's Representative was Ken Collins. One special feature of the conference was a table-top show of club projects completed during the year.

The District participated in the Library of Congress' Russian Leadership Program.

Several clubs celebrated special anniversaries during the Rotary year. The Rotary Club of Clearwater celebrated their 75th anniversary with a party that was attended by the entire executive committee of Rotary International, including RI President Carlo Ravizza, RI President-elect Frank Devlyn, RI President-nominee Richard King, TRF Trustee Chair Bill Huntley, TRF Trustee Vice-Chair Herbert Brown, TRF Trustee Chair-nominee Luis Vincent Giay, and RI Director Zones 33 and 34 Robert Menconi. The Rotary Club of the Gulf Beaches celebrated their 50th anniversary. A highlight of the year was participating in Rotary's Camp Florida mortgage burning ceremony, which was made possible by our district's support. The district participated in the Gridiron Classic held at the Citrus Bowl.

PETS was held at St. Petersburg Junior College in Tarpon Springs, with 42 presidents-elect present among the 50 attendees. The District Assembly was held at the Holiday Inn Select with 300 attendees and 38 clubs represented. The GSE exchange was with Taiwan, with both inbound and outbound exchanges. PDG Milt Jones was selected as team leader for the outgoing team. Team members included: Wendy Buffington, an attorney with the Florida State Attorney General Office in Tampa; Amy Jean Ellis, a newspaper reporter for the *St. Petersburg Times* covering education and social services; David Mixon, the Bursar at Saint Leo University; and Brian Moyer, who served with the Pasco County Sheriff's Office for the past 15 years.



1999
Rotary establishes the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution to help prepare future leaders and diplomats.

In 1999, Patricia Schmoranz of Seminole Lake became the first female governor in District 6950 and one of 25 female district governors worldwide.

Three inbound Ambassadorial scholars studied in our district. Kazuyuki Bando from Japan was hosted by St. Petersburg Sunrise and studied at Eckerd College in the English Language Program. Dr. Il Noh from Korea was hosted by Seminole and conducted research on red tide in the Gulf of Mexico at USF-St. Petersburg. Stefan Fedunik from Germany was hosted by St. Petersburg West and studied at Stetson Law School. Richard Endress from Germany was due to arrive at the end of March to study at Eckerd College.

There were three outbound scholars. Sara Westrick, sponsored by St. Petersburg, studied at the Universidad de Belgrano in Buenas Aires. Dr. Victoria Baker, sponsored by St. Petersburg, planned to go to Sri Lanka in the summer to teach in the University of Columbo. Erika Jasen, sponsored by Spring Hill Central, planned to leave in September for the Monash University in Clayton, Victoria, Australia.

The district raised \$12,226 for the PolioPlus Partners Project, which turned into \$49,904 when combined with matching funds. Two Children's Opportunity Grants were awarded and \$50,525+ in district designated funds was spent on international projects.

Dr. Milt Jones, PDG, was elected to serve as our Council of Legislation delegate to the April 2001 meeting.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 2000 - 2001

Robin Murray from the Spring Hill Rotary Club took the reins in July, the first year our district had assistant governors. The eleven assistant governors were Richard Trump, Brenda Wendt, Eugene Beil, Russel Lewandowski, Lee Brown, Keith Kurber, Amy Wiegman, Paul Slosberg, Joe Minarik, Herb Thompson, and Lee Romig.

A Rotary Foundation seminar was held at two locations in September. The first took place on September 23 in Spring Hill and the second took place on September 30 in Dunedin. The Foundation Banquet was held on January 5, 2001 at the Harborview Center in Clearwater. R.I. Dignitaries in attendance were R.I. President Frank Devlyn, President-elect Rick King, President-nominee Bhichai Rattakul, Past President Herb Brown, Past President Luis Vincente Giay, and Past President Glenn Kinross.

A Permanent Fund seminar has held on February 3, 2001 at the Clarion Hotel in New Port Richey. PETS (March 30) and the District Assembly (March 31) were held back-to-back also at the Clarion Inn. PETS had presidents-elect from 17 clubs, with total attendance of 34.

The district assembly had 53 attendees representing 17 clubs.

The third Rotary Gridiron Classic was held at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando on January 13, 2001.

The Group Study Exchange took place with a district in Australia. Bill Vinson, from Tarpon Springs Rotary, was the team leader. Team members and their sponsors that year were Valerie Cowgill, Tarpon Springs; Sasha Oberle, Dunedin; Jim Powers, Spring Hill; and Gregory Williams, Spring Hill Central. Our district also hosted Russian guests through Congress and the Library of Congress.



The district had two ambassadorial scholars during the 2000-2001 academic year. Erica Jasen, a graduate of USF-Tampa and sponsored by Spring Hill Central, studied sociology at Monash University in Clayton, Victoria, Australia. Dr. Victoria Baker, a faculty member of Eckerd College who was sponsored by St. Petersburg, taught anthropology at the University of Colombo in Sri Lanka.

During August, 2000, Harold Haftel, a past president of the Tarpon Springs Rotary Club, traveled to El Salvador to oversee the distribution of nearly 10,000 pairs of eyeglasses during a medical mission. While Harold had collected discarded eyeglasses for 20 years and sent them abroad each year, this was the first year he was able to go himself.

Nine clubs (Dade City, Dunedin, Clearwater Feather Sound, Holiday, New Port Richey, Seven Springs, Spring Hill, St. Petersburg West, and Zephyrhills) contributed \$12,750 and applied for District Designated Funds and a Helping Grant from Rotary International, which brought the total to \$38,000. Through this funding, a water and electric power project on the Isle of La Gonave, Haiti was completed. The project funded solar panels, a pump, well, and a generator for a medical clinic in a mountain community at Neuville Cité where there was no electric power or water.

The District Conference was held at the Plantation Inn in Crystal River on May 17-19, 2001. There were 34 out of 40 clubs represented with a total attendance of 284. Dr. Richard Slager represented R. I. President Frank J. Devlyn, who had the theme, "Create Awareness...Take Action." This was the first year the District Conference was held in the May after a change in bylaws was approved allowing the change. The Rotary Club of Tarpon Springs and the Rotary Club of Clearwater East were selected as Club of the Year. Daniel Schroeder of St. Petersburg West and Lynda Vinson were selected as Rotarian of the Year. Best Bulletins of the Year were presented to Central Citrus County, Pinellas Park and New Port Richey.

Governor Robin's year ended with the highest Rotary Foundation giving to date.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 2001 - 2002

Rotary began the 2001-2002 year with Richard D. King, an attorney from Fremont, California, as president. His theme was "Mankind Is Our Business." RI President Rick King believed "If mankind is our business, our product is service and members are our most precious asset. Without a strong membership, we cannot hope to meet the rapidly increasing demand for our products worldwide. In 2001-02, we will carry out a global quest to strengthen Rotary's numbers and accordingly, our ability to do good in the world. This is our number one priority!" It was President King's conviction that as Rotarians, our responsibility is to commit ourselves to the well-being of humanity by growing and strengthening Rotary. The advancement of these goals during 2001-02 contributed toward fulfilling the Object of Rotary then and in the future.

Jared D. Brown was governor and in addition to being the 4th Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Clearwater to serve as Governor, he had the distinction of being one of the youngest District Governors ever to serve District 6950. The Assistant Governors for 2001-2002 were Brenda Wendt, from Spring Hill; Eugene Beil, from Hudson; Neil Sawyer, from Crystal

2001

The 30,000th Rotary club is chartered, and Rotary returns to mainland China with clubs in Shanghai and Beijing

The District Conference returns to May in 2001 after a change in the district's bylaws.



Four new Rotary clubs were formed within the 2001-2002 year and are as follows:
 Dade City Sunrise,
 Keystone Sunrise,
 Pinellas Bardmoor Bayou and
 Tarpon Springs Sunset.



RI President Rick King is shown with DG Jared Brown and his father, PRIP Herb Brown, during "Rock with the King"

River; Lee Brown, from Inverness; Keith Kurber, from Dunedin North; Amy Wiegman, from Safety Harbor; Sandra Lilo, from Seminole Lake; Joseph Minarik, from Seminole; and Herb Thompson, from Clearwater.

The second Rotary TV show aired in October and featured RI's disaster relief efforts throughout the world. Also included on the program was Assistant Governor Dr. Sandra Lilo, who told about the Rotocleft Program. This program involves a team traveling to the Andes to help young children and teenagers with cleft palates live a normal life.

In line with President Rick King's emphasis on membership growth, this was also our district's number one priority. Jared Brown challenged every Rotarian that each of us had a friend, a business associate or a spouse who would make a great Rotarian. His message was reinforced with the tremendous leadership from our membership committee, led by DGN Keith Kurber, District 6950 responded.

The effort of the clubs during the year was nothing short of phenomenal. District 6950 placed first in Zone 34 and came in second in the entire U.S. and Canada with a net membership gain of 14.75%. This placed the District among the top 50 districts in the world. In addition, President Wayne Berryhill and the Rotary Club of Port Richey were also Global Quest winners for clubs under 50 members. Four new Rotary clubs were formed within this year due to the relentless and competent leadership displayed by club extension chair PDG Milt Jones. They are as follows: Dade City Sunrise, Keystone Sunrise, Pinellas Bardmoor Bayou and Tarpon Springs Sunset.

DGN Keith Kurber also chaired one of the largest events in the history of our District, "Rock with the King," held at the Coliseum in January 2002. R. I. President Richard King presented the charter to the Keystone Sunrise Rotary Club and Dade City Sunrise.



Members from Keystone Sunrise and Dade City Sunrise receive their charters at "Rock with the King"

In addition to Milt Jones receiving special Global Quest recognition, our own 6950 patriarch, PDG Woody Register, also earned this recognition by bringing in seventeen new Rotarians.

Two ambassadorial scholars, both sponsored by the St. Petersburg Rotary Club, were approved to study abroad during 2001-2002. Sara Randleman was granted

a year of academic study at the University of Auckland in New Zealand where she planned to study biology and pursue a dream of helping people within the global community. She was hosted by District 9920. Damian Wertz attended the University of Cambridge to study sociology and politics of modern society, with the goal of a career in public service, working for international understanding and peace. He was hosted by District 1080.

The Group Study Exchange was with District 1880, located in the Saxony (formerly East Germany) and the northern part of Bavaria in Germany. The outgoing team was led by Julie Scales, from Dunedin Rotary. Team members were Jonathan Skinner, Nicolas Kuefler and Susanne Nielsen. Jonathan later joined the Dunedin club and Susanne joined the Dunedin North club.

Unfortunately during the year one of the most devastating and horrendous events of all time on U.S. soil, the terrorist events of September 11, 2001, unfolded in front of a world-wide viewing audience. This heinous event galvanized mankind, and the world, including Rotarians, rallied with overwhelming support. Governor Brown was quoted as saying, "this will be forever ingrained in our hearts and minds. Never before has the need for Rotary and Rotary's ideals ever been greater."

Our district's second priority was Annual Giving in support of our "crown jewel," The Rotary Foundation. DG Jared Brown's goal for the year was to raise \$165,000,



Past President Glen Kinross, DG Jared Brown and Past President Herb Brown at the 2002 district conference

and when the dust settled, the Rotarians and the clubs in 6950 had supported it to the tune of over \$310,000. In fact, District 6950 also led Zone 34 with over \$157 per capita giving. This success was directly attributed to a new foundation committee led by PDG Paul Slosberg that launched a new program called "2 Bits." Simply put, for 2 Bits a Day (\$.25 a day) or \$100 per year from each Rotarian, we can carry out all the noble causes.

During the year, two new district-wide fundraisers were introduced. The Tampa Bay Classic, which is a PGA golf tournament held at Innisbrook, raised funds for local charities and was a great fellowship event. The Rotary Rays Day (ADG Gene Beil's creation) held on June 1, 2002, raised over \$13,000 for The Rotary Foundation.

The District Conference was held at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort from May 9-11, 2002. Glen W. Kinross, President of R.I. 1997-98 was the key note speaker and represented President Richard King. Total registration was 587. Inclusive in the number were the Interact members from 29 clubs in District 6950. Diane Brown, First Lady of Rotary, 1995-96, gave an amusing talk on what it means to be married to a Rotary president. In short, attendees had fun learning and sharing



Unique venues for the plenary sessions at the district conference included a catamaran.

Rotary on the beach, on the pool decks, on sailboats as well as in the general assemblies.

Other Rotarians who were recognized for their special and outstanding accomplishments are as follows:

- Richard Breske, Pinellas Park – Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award
- Harris F. Brown, Seminole – Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service
- Milt Jones, Dade City – R. I. Service Above Self Award
- Sandra Lilo, Seminole Lake – R. I. Service Above Self Award

Also, Richard Trump, Brooksville; Keith Kurber, Dunedin North; Gene Beil, Hudson; Doug Palonder, Clearwater East, Bo Higgins, Pinellas Park; Mike Whalen, Largo; and Brenda Wendt, Spring Hill all received the Distinguished Rotarian of the Year District 6950.

Lastly, Governor Brown thanked all the Rotarians in District 6950 for a very special year, one that will be cherished for the time spent together for the betterment of mankind. After all, "Mankind Is Our Business." God Bless Each of You!

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 2002 - 2003

At the International Assembly, a new campaign was announced for the 2002-2003 Rotary year. It was named "Fulfilling Our Promise: Eradicate Polio." Paul W. Slosberg, a member of St. Petersburg West Rotary (after his term, he became a member of Central Citrus County), attended as our incoming district governor.

During Paul Slosberg's year, District 6950 raised over \$262,901 for the Polio campaign, which was more than \$130 per capita. We sent in another \$146,200 for Annual Giving and restricted giving so that total giving to The Rotary Foundation for the year was over \$409,000, or \$203 per capita. We were one of the top districts in all of Zones 33 and 34 in per capita giving to The Rotary Foundation.

Our District Conference, PETS and District Assembly were all well attended.

Our District Assembly was held at the Harborview Center in Clearwater, with 101 attendees representing 42 clubs. Attendance at assembly might have broken a district record. Break out sessions were held at the Assembly for secretaries, sergeants-at-arms, Avenues of Service chairs and Interact chairs. Three of the rooms were filled to capacity.



The district's iron lung was displayed at the assembly to call attention to Rotary's continuing support of polio eradication.



The President's Rep Dr. Gary Romp and his wife, Carole

The PETS conference also was held at the Harborview Center in Clearwater. The conference had 220 people in attendance, with 44 clubs sending their president-elect.

The District Conference, with the theme of "Sow the Seeds of Love," was held in the historic Bellevue Biltmore in Clearwater. A total of 43 clubs were represented by 258 Rotarians and 130 guests. The RI President's representative was Gary Romp.

We asked each club to do at least one community service project each quarter and while we did not accomplish this goal, we did do over 100 community service projects positively affecting thousands of people. Over 75% of our clubs won the Presidential Citation and over half sent students to S4TL.

Finally, the district was well within budget and operated at a surplus. District 6950 was in excellent health when DG Jared Brown turned it over to incoming DG Paul Slosberg, and the district finances remained in excellent health when DG Paul Slosberg turned it over to 2003-2004 DG Keith Kurber.

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The GSE exchange was with District 1580 in the Netherlands. Shown above are the four team members and Hank Oost, the team leader.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 2003 - 2004

Keith Kurber actually began his 2003-04 year in Chattanooga, TN at the Zone Conference in October of 2002. It was there that he attended the first Governor Elect Training Seminar (GETS) and had the opportunity to meet and exchange information with the Rotary International President-Elect, Jonathan Majiyagbe and his wife Ade. Keith's wife, Honey, was particularly impressed to discover that Ade was an International Officer of Inner Wheel. Honey Kurber is a member of the only Inner Wheel club in our District. Keith's training continued at the International Assembly in Anaheim, CA in early 2003 where Keith and his wife, Honey, had their picture taken with Jonathan and Ade. Jonathan was the first African elected as RI President. His theme for the year was "Lend a Hand" and he stressed activities with "the family of Rotary" that continued on for several years.



Ade and RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe with DG Keith Kurber and Honey

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Past District Governor Frank Erwin became this District's first District Trainer as required under the District Leadership Plan. We trained ten

2003

Jonathan Majiyagbe of Kano, Nigeria, becomes Rotary International's first President from Africa.

Five Rotary Centennial bells begin their journey to Rotary clubs around the globe, starting at the RI Convention in Brisbane, Australia, in June 2003.

They will conclude their tour at the 2005 Centennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, USA.



2004
RI hosts its largest convention ever in Osaka, Japan, with a record crowd of 45,595 participants from 112 countries, surpassing the earlier record held by the Tokyo convention in 1978.

Assistant Governors in early March at The Dunedin Country Club. Our PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar) and District Assembly were both held in Clearwater at the Harbor View Convention Center. Attendance and participation were outstanding and rewarding.

Keith and Honey Kurber were deeply saddened at the International Convention in Australia in June, 2003 by the news that Ade had suffered a severe stroke and was hospitalized in London, England. They returned home to Dunedin only to learn that Ade passed away the day they were traveling home. What a tragedy for Jonathan. The Kurbers included in their message to him that Honey would attend all 46 Official Club Visits with DG Keith in her honor, which she did. During Keith's Official Visits, he asked each club to furnish him with a dollar figure for the amount their club donated to "local projects" in their communities, not including International projects. Our district was pleasantly pleased to find that in our four county area, forty-six Rotary clubs give over one million dollars each year to make our communities a better place in which to live.

July 1, the district was up and running with our new Directory, July Newsletter, and an improved web site, www.rotary6950.org. We also enjoyed the unique opportunity of having an internet group list with all 46 club Presidents and all but two of our club Secretaries. Communications had finally reached a new level, with a great savings in postage as an additional benefit.

Our Foundation Seminar, in August, was presented in Tampa and shared with District 6890. District Foundation Chair, Jared Brown negotiated this cooperative effort and also arranged for the keynote speaker, his father, past RI President Herbert G. Brown. Another highlight of this seminar was the introduction of District Simplified Grants, which are matching grants used locally in addition to our International Grants. The total \$25,000 was used to match 23 clubs monies in a total of 13 different local projects.

Centennial projects, as requested by Rotary International, were started, and some were even completed during this year. A joint project by the two Dunedin clubs created a "Nature Center" on Honeymoon Island State Park. This center will be visited by a million people per year and has a value of over \$900,000. The two clubs donated record amounts and were joined by several other clubs and State and Federal Grants. The Rotary Wheel will be viewed by millions over the following years. Representative Tom Anderson (a member of the Dunedin club) Florida House of Representatives, presented a Proclamation honoring the two clubs and District 6950 to DG Keith Kurber for the two clubs' efforts. The New Port Richey club also donated a \$250,000 shelter house to a local public park, The Concourse, and our Rotary Wheel is proudly displayed there also. Other projects, too numerous to mention, took place all over the district.

Three membership seminars were held in the district in North, South and Central locations in order to maximize attendance. Chairman Mike Whelan and PR Chairman Sue Thomas presented outstanding information, which resulted in more than a five percent increase in district membership for the year, an admirable effort. One new club was chartered this year "The Rotary Club of East Lake Woodlands."

Over \$50,000.00 of District Designated Funds was contributed to International Matching Grants.

2004
Rotary's inaugural class of World Peace Scholars graduate.

One new Ambassadorial Scholar was selected to study in Guatemala. We hosted two Rotary Youth Exchange Students, one from Germany and one from Belgium.

The district raised almost \$22,000 for Rotary Camp Florida in a new venture with Tampa Bay Downs Race Course.

The first Florida Multi-District PETS was held in Orlando, including seven of the eight Districts, under the Chairmanship of PDG Milton O. Jones.

Our district Literacy project was "Words for Thirds." Over \$15,000 worth of Pictionary, outstanding Dictionaries loaded with color pictures, were distributed to the third graders in the neediest schools in our district.

Three clubs received 50th anniversary certificates: Clearwater Beach Rotary, Pinellas Park Rotary, and Largo Rotary club.

87% of the 47 clubs received the *Presidential Citation* allowing DG Keith Kurber to be awarded the *District Governor's Presidential Citation*.

Our District Conference, held at The Sheraton Sand Key Resort on Clearwater Beach, was a huge success with a record setting four-hundred and twenty-eight (428) people attending the Awards Banquet.

DG Keith Kurber was honored to have the majority of his children join them in this great celebration. The Friday luncheon speaker was his son, Col. Keith Kurber II, who was operations officer for Operation Enduring Freedom, the securing of Afghanistan. He spoke on that operation and compared Service above Self, with Duty, Honor, Country, which is the West Point motto. The President's Representative was Past RI Vice President Roberto Valentin, who is a personal friend of Past RI President Herbert G. Brown, who hosted Roberto and his wife, Diane, during their first night in Clearwater.

The Rotary Foundation Breakfast featured PDG John T. Capps as the speaker.



Seminole and Dunedin North joined together for a matching grant to provide a well in Nigeria. Shown at the right is Olumayowa Olukoya of the Ijebu-Ife Rotary Club in District 9110 drawing a glass of water.



A significant example of "The Magic of Rotary" happened at this event when our visiting GSE team leader from Argentina gave his presentation and mentioned the great need in his small community hospital for medical supplies. The crowd started donating money towards his needs resulting in a \$48,000 grant, which PDG Paul Slosberg and AG Mike Whelan administered. This "Magic of Rotary" brought tears to the eyes of all present, including the GSE Team from Argentina.

A new award, *The Dr. Milton O. and Alice Jones Exemplary Service Award*, was awarded to the namesakes, particularly for their tremendous service in creating the Florida Multi-District PETS. PDG Paul Slosberg was

awarded the *Citation for Meritorious Service*, and PDG Woody Register was awarded the *Distinguished Service Award*. Woody was Keith Kurber's sponsor and his mentor throughout all of his years in Rotary. He also holds the *Service above Self* award.

All of our annual objectives were met except one. Foundation giving averaged \$97.00 per member, and our objective was \$100.00. The district feels that if we had not had such a tremendous increase in membership, we would have attained the \$100.00 figure, but we are rightly pleased to have the 123 new Rotarians.

DISTRICT 6950 — YEAR OF 2004 - 2005 CENTENNIAL YEAR OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Eugene L. Beil was very proud to have the opportunity to serve as District Governor of Rotary District 6950 in the Centennial year of Rotary International (2004-2005). With the leadership of Glenn Estess as Rotary International President and with a magnificent group of Club Presidents, our District had an excellent year of Celebrating Rotary. Here is the review in Gene's own words...

"A history of our District for the Centennial year would be incomplete without mention of the time spent the two years prior in preparation. Almost immediately after my selection as DGN, I was approached and warned that pressure would be put on me to commit our District to become involved in a multi-districts PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar). I embraced the concept and believe that being part of the inaugural year of FLORIDA PETS is one of the top highlights of my Rotary history. I wish to thank PDG Milt Jones (RI Director-Elect) for his leadership in bringing together seven of the eight Florida Rotary Districts and making this happen. It gives all incoming Presidents a chance to experience the magnitude of Rotary and to hear some premier speakers, which they may not otherwise experience if they do not attend international Conventions.

"In preparation for the Centennial year, I attended GETS (Governor-Elect Training Seminars) in Chattanooga as DGN where bonds began to form among my "classmates" from the 27 other Districts within Zones 33 and 34. As DGE, there was another Zone Institute and GETS in Jacksonville in the fall. Then in February 2004, I attended the intensive week-long training in Anaheim, California. There, DGEs from all 529 Rotary Districts throughout the world get together for training. The theme for the year, "CELEBRATE ROTARY" was revealed at that time. During my year as DGE, PDG Paul Slosberg went on a trip with DGN David West and me to the Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, where we were able to meet many of the people from the various departments who are very helpful to keeping the Rotary wheel turning. I thank Paul for his time in that regard.

"During the year there were many Centennial functions to attend and many dedications of Rotary Centennial projects. I will not attempt to list them all for fear of omitting anyone and causing bad feelings. But nearly every club had a great Centennial year in every way: service to their communities, fellowship



within their clubs, service to the world, and support of The Rotary Foundation. In regards to the latter, our District had a near record year in Annual Giving to TRF. Over \$260,000 was contributed by the members and Clubs of our District without any major donations (\$10,000 or more).

"One of the main jobs of District Governors is that of motivating the Clubs and Rotarians within the District. Effort was made in the Centennial year to make the official visit speech enthusiastic, informative and motivational. Topics covered were the four Avenues of Service, the need to grow and retain membership, and the need to support The Rotary Foundation. Another first for the year was the use of Power Point pictures to accompany the speech. I wish to give a special thanks to Assistant Governor Lynda Vinson for preparation of the Power Point pictures.

"I thank all the many Rotarians of the District who chaired or participated in the many committees of the District. I thank our Zone Director Kenneth Morgan for his leadership and his motivating visits to our District. I would like to specifically recognize and thank my Assistant Governors who were so vital to the success of the Rotary year: Larry Gilbert, Ann Kennedy, Russel Miller, Susan Mittermayr, Douglas Palonder, Paul Perregaux, Judy Schewe, Timothy Schuler, Richard Trump, Lynda Vinson and Mike Whelan.

"In the Centennial year, we had a successful Group Study Exchange with Rotary District 9940 of New Zealand. This was very special to me to be able to arrange an exchange with New Zealand because I am half Kiwi. My mother, Dorothy Beil was born in Auckland, New Zealand (Dorothy Kirker). My father was a United States Marine during World War Two when they met. The GSE teams were both great; the one we sent to NZ represented our District well and the team that visited us here had a great time. I believe the exchange was truly beneficial to both Districts and actually concluded without any troubling incidents. I thank my counterpart in District 9940, PDG Barbara Williams and our District Chair William Vinson.

"There were many instances of cooperative efforts among neighboring districts during the Centennial year. We again teamed up with 6890 for our Foundation Seminar. DGE Doug Palonder and DG George Banning of 6890 spearheaded an Iron Lung Torch Run to the Chicago Convention raising funds for Polio eradication. Districts 6960, 6950 and 6890 all attended a Rotary Rays Day at Tropicana Field, which raised funds for The Rotary Foundation. Other multi-district cooperative events included the first "Rotary Goes To The Dogs" benefiting S4TL (Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders) and Rotary Day at Tampa Downs benefiting Rotary's Camp Florida.

"Another first for District 6950 during the Centennial year, was a District Conference outside of our District. We took the show on the road, or more precisely on a ship. The District 6950 Centennial Conference Cruise was a success. Although the total numbers for the Conference may not exceed the numbers which attend a "Governor's Banquet" when the Conference is local, the numbers of those attending the plenary sessions was probably greater. You might say we had a captive audience. Although there was some constructive criticism, overall the Conference was a great time to CELEBRATE ROTARY. Our President's Representative Frank Collins, Jr. and his wife Celia were a pleasure to have as our guests. Frank was a very good speaker. Again I owe the success of the Conference

2005

Rotary celebrates its 100th anniversary, culminating in the organization's biggest party of the century the Centennial Convention in Chicago, Illinois, USA.

to the efforts of my AGs and especially the committee of Tim Schuler, Brenda Wendt and Kris Gray. I think many Rotarians of the District would like to try another cruise Conference in the future.

"I would be remiss not to mention the tremendous support from all of the members of my home club, the Rotary Club of Hudson. They were behind me throughout the years of preparation and during my year as District Governor. Thanks to all the Hudson Gophers. Our club's founding President often used the phrase that a fellow Rotarian can be counted on to bring a cup of soup in your time of year. I took on the "cup of soup" theme and awarded pins to Rotarians throughout the District for embodying that philosophy.

"Finally, last but not least, I must thank the person who has supported me the most throughout my years of training to be District Governor and during the Centennial year – my wife Margaret E. Beil. Thank-you, Maggie. I know my love of Rotary has caused her to shoulder a tremendous burden with the house, our law office and three minor children. I cannot say enough how much her encouragement and support has meant to me, not only in Rotary, but in everything throughout our past 23 years of marriage."



DG Gene Beil and PDG Keith Kurber wave to the crowd before the Devil Rays' game begins during Rotary Rays Day



S4TL continues to play a large part in our district.

*Right: The Proclamation issued in recognition of Rotary Boulevard;
Following page: The Florida Senate Resolution honoring Rotary International on its
100th anniversary, recognizing February 23, 2005, as Rotary Day in Florida.*

The City Commission of the
City of Dunedin, Florida

P roclamation

in recognition of
ROTARY BOULEVARD

WHEREAS, the City of Dunedin has long recognized the desirability of landscaping Dunedin Causeway to provide an attractive route for the several million people who use it each year; and

WHEREAS, the Causeway was finally landscaped in 1992, twenty-nine years after its construction; and

WHEREAS, that landscaping beautification was made possible through volunteer and fund-raising efforts of the Rotary Clubs of District 6950, under the leadership of the Rotary Club of Dunedin and the Rotary Club of Dunedin North, in the spirit of Rotary International's theme for 1992: "Preserve Planet Earth".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Manuel G. Koutsourais, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor-Commissioner of the City of Dunedin, Florida, do hereby proclaim that Dunedin Causeway be dedicated to the efforts of the Rotary Clubs of District 6950 and be considered in the hearts of Dunedin citizens as

ROTARY BOULEVARD

in honor of, and gratitude for, the outstanding contributions of the Rotarians in the successful realization of the Causeway Beautification Project.

Attest


Acting City Clerk



In witness whereof, I have here-
unto set my hand and caused
the seal of the City of
Dunedin to be affixed
at Dunedin this date

12 November 1992


Mayor-Commissioner

Florida Senate Resolution

By Senator Jones

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A resolution honoring Rotary International on the occasion of
its 100th anniversary and recognizing February 23, 2005, as Rotary Day in Florida.

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Chicago was founded on February 23, 1905, when Chicago attorney Paul Harris and three business associates formed a club to share "mutual cooperation and informal friendship such as all of us had once known in our villages," and

WHEREAS, by 1921, Rotary Clubs had been formed on six continents, prompting the adoption of the name Rotary International in 1922, and

WHEREAS, as Rotary International grew, its focus changed from serving the business and professional needs of its members to serving communities in need, a sentiment expressed in its motto: "Service Above Self," and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Foundation, established in 1928, has garnered contributions in excess of \$80 million annually to support a range of humanitarian grants and educational programs, and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Rotary International made a commitment to immunize all of the world's children against polio, and by the centennial of Rotary in 2005, more than \$500 million will have been committed to the eradication of polio, and

WHEREAS, Rotary International, approaching its 100th anniversary, consists of 1.2 million members in some 31,000 Rotary clubs in 160 countries, all committed to addressing such problems as environmental degradation, illiteracy, world hunger, and children at risk, NOW, THEREFORE,

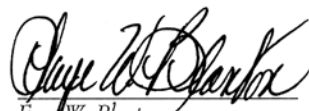
Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Florida Senate honors the ongoing contributions of Rotary International to communities throughout the state, nation, and world, and recognizes February 23, 2005, as Rotary Day in Florida.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Glenn E. Estess, Sr., president of Rotary International, as a token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

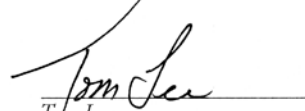
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ATTEST:


Faye W. Blanton
Secretary of the Senate



This is a true and correct copy
of Senate Resolution No. 1666,
adopted by the Florida Senate
on March 10, 2005.


Tom Lee
President of the Senate

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ROTARY DISTRICT FUND COMMITTEES

JUNE 1962 - JUNE 2005

The financials from the previous history published in 1988 were moved from the narrative history and combined into one section. The 1994 Financials were not supplied.

ROTARY LOAN FUND AS OF

ASSETS	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Cash with University of Florida	\$ 4,854	\$ 419	\$ 5,136	\$ 3,658	\$ 4,631
Cash with Endowment Corp.	22,000	-	-	-	-
Investments with University	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-Total	<u>26,854</u>	<u>419</u>	<u>5,136</u>	<u>3,658</u>	<u>4,631</u>
Notes Receivable, July 1	\$ -	\$ 15,153	\$ 38,986	\$ 61,959	\$ 64,857
Loans Granted During Year	15,555	35,725	29,985	12,890	19,272
Less: Principal Repayments	402	11,892	7,012	9,992	15,153
Notes Receivable, June 30	15,153	38,986	61,959	64,856	68,975
Less: Collection Expense Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 42,007</u>	<u>\$ 47,677</u>	<u>\$ 67,095</u>	<u>\$ 68,515</u>	<u>\$ 73,607</u>
FUND BALANCE					
Fund Balance, July 1	\$ -	\$ 42,007	\$ 42,677	\$ 67,095	\$ 68,515
Increases:					
Transferred-from Corp.	42,000	-	23,500	-	2,848
Transferred from Tolbert L. F.	-	5,000	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	1	3	-
Reinstated Notes	-	-	-	-	-
Income from Investments	-	272	186	-	-
Interest Collected During Year	8	154	682	1,459	1,316
Income Credit on Cash Balances	-	-	117	104	230
Interest Recorded by Endow. Corp.	-	259	-	-	-
Transfer of W.B. Garland note from Corp.	-	-	-	-	697
Decreases:					
Transfer to Loan Coll. Fund	\$ 1	\$ 15	\$ 68	\$ 145	\$ -
Stipend to K.N. Graham					
Debtors written off					
Collection Expense					
Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 42,007</u>	<u>\$ 47,617</u>	<u>\$ 67,094</u>	<u>\$ 68,515</u>	<u>\$ 73,607</u>
Loans Granted - Number	44	72	72	40	38
Loans granted - Amount	\$ 15,555	\$ 35,725	\$ 29,985	\$ 12,890	\$ 19,272
Interest and Fees Received	7	138	613	1,314	1,316
Repayment Amounts	402	11,892	7,012	9,992	15,153
Notes Receivable	15,153	38,986	61,959	64,857	68,975

JUNE 30, FROM 1962 - 1975

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
\$	12,068	\$ 2,009	\$ 3,186	\$ 1,198	\$ 1,090	\$ 1,919	\$ 1,399	\$ 3,228	\$ 12,037
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	12,068	2,009	3,186	1,198	1,090	1,919	1,399	3,228	12,037
\$	68,975	\$ 63,092	\$ 74,761	\$ 75,248	\$ 79,463	\$ 80,548	\$ 80,600	\$ 79,468	\$ 80,999
	9,750	25,720	21,550	27,485	23,780	32,023	30,095	25,390	13,110
	15,633	14,051	21,063	23,270	22,695	32,971	31,227	23,859	22,246
	63,092	74,761	75,248	79,463	80,548	79,600	79,468	80,999	71,863
\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57	\$ 57
\$	160.50	\$ 770	\$ 78,434	\$ 80,661	\$ 81,638	\$ 82,519	\$ 80,867	\$ 84,170	\$ 83,843
\$	73,607	\$ 75,161	\$ 76,770	\$ 78,434	\$ 80,661	\$ 81,638	\$ 82,519	\$ 80,867	\$ 84,170
	-	724	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	243	-	1,580	-
	-	1,396	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1,352	-	1,763	2,297	2,015	3,001	2,581	2,097	1,828
	202	340	40	70	49	46	91	388	352
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\$	-	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
		350	140	140	140	105	-	-	-
		500	-	-	372	1,446	3,024	-	1,050
						54	99	116	-
\$	75,161	\$ 76,770	\$ 78,434	\$ 80,661	\$ 81,638	\$ 82,518	\$ 80,867	\$ 84,170	\$ 83,843
	26	94	82	103	89	117	108	64	35
\$	9,750	\$ 25,720	\$ 21,550	\$ 27,485	\$ 23,780	\$ 33,023	\$ 30,095	\$ 25,390	\$ 13,110
	1,352	1,396	1,763	2,297	2,015	3,001	2,581	2,097	1,828
	15,633	14,051	21,063	23,270	22,695	32,971	31,227	23,859	22,246
	63,092	74,761	75,248	79,463	80,548	80,600	79,468	80,999	71,863

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
ROTARY LOAN FUND**

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1975

<u>ASSETS</u>			
CASH			\$12,037.95
ADD:	Notes Receivable, July 1, 1974	\$80,999.00	
	Loans granted During Year	13,110.00	94,109.00
LESS:	Principal Repayments		<u>(22,246.20)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			\$83,899.95
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
LIABILITIES:	Collection Expense Payable		\$57.28
TOTAL LIABILITIES:			\$57.28
FUND BALANCE, July 1, 1974			\$84,170.15
ADD:	Interest Collected During Year	\$1,828.46	
	Income Credit on Cash Balances	352.20	2,180.66
LESS:	Transfet to Loan Collection Fund	\$1,458.14	
	Debtors Written Off	1,050.00	<u>(2,508.14)</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCE			\$83,899.95
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE, June 30, 1976			\$83,899.95

SUMMARY OF LOANS GRANTED AND REPAID

	<u>Number of Loans Granted</u>	<u>Total Amount Loaned</u>	<u>Total Amount Repaid</u>
1961-72	744	\$244,824.80	\$164,225.08
1972-73	108	30,095.00	31,227.22
1973-74	64	25,390.00	23,858.50
1974-75	35	13,110.00	22,246.20
TOTALS	951	\$313,419.80	\$241,557.00

**696 DISTRICT
ROTARY FUND COMMITTEE**

1976-1977 BUDGET

	1975-1976	1976-1977
Gift to retiring District Governor \$ 650.00	\$ 650	\$ 650
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend RI Convention	750	750
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	500	600
Rotary Pin for retiring District Governor	100	125
District Assembly allowance to Host Club	500	500
Gift for Rotary International President's Representative at District Conference	100	100
Honorarium for Secretary-Treasurer District Fund	150	150
Office Incidentals	150	150
District Conference allowance to Host Club	4,500	4,000
Audit 200.00	200	400
Rotary District Student Exchange & Foundation Fellows travel to conference	400	400
Memorials - Deceased PDGs 400.00	400	400
Special Projects - I-75 500.00	500	500
District Governor Supplemental Allowance	1,800	1,800
Contingency Fund 500.00	500	500
District Governor Directory ----	-0-	300
Group Study Exchange ----	-0-	1,000
History ----	-0-	750
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 11,200	\$ 13,075.00

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1977

	Budget	Actual
CASH RECEIPTS		
Dues	\$ 11,200.00	\$ 11,366.00
Interest on savings	1,125.00	802.00
Recovery of unauthorized disbursements		23,853.00
Return of unused District Conference funds (offset against expense)		
Miscellaneous income		565.00
Special contributions		10,428.00
Total cash received	\$ 12,325.00	\$ 47,014.00
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Authorized:		
Gift to retiring District Governor	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend R. I. Convention	750.00	750.00
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	600.00	600.00
Rotary pin for retiring District Governor	125.00	113.00
District Assembly--allowance to host club	500.00	437.00
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	100.00	-0-
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	150.00	150.00
Office incidentals	150.00	150.00
District Conference--allowance to host club (net of \$1,242 returned unspent)	4,000.00	2,758.00
Audit	400.00	1,044.00
Rotary District Student Exchange and Foundations Fellows travel to 696 District Conference	400.00	-0-
Contingency Fund	500.00	666.00
District Governors supplemental allowance	1,800.00	1,800.00
Research of special projects	500.00	-0-
Memorials--Deceased Past District Governors	400.00	-0-
District Governor Directory	300.00	318.00
Group Study Exchange	1,000.00	-0-
Secretarial services	-0-	40.00
District history	-0-	863.00
Printing	-0-	265.00
Interest expense	-0-	84.00
Insurance	-0-	300.00
Special contributions refunded	-0-	10,428.00
Total authorized disbursements		\$ 21,416.00
Unauthorized:		
Due from Richard B. Gray		24,278.00
Total cash disbursed	\$ 12,325.00	45,694.00
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$ -	1,320.00
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1976		19,672.00
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1977		\$ 20,992.00

**696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1977**

CASH BALANCES	
National Bank of Sarasota-	
checking account (authorized)	\$ 882.00
Barnett Bank of Sarasota, N.A.-	
checking account (unauthorized)	3.00
United First Federal Savings & Loan Association-	
savings account (authorized)	24,812.00
Total cash balances	<u>25,697.00</u>
RECEIVABLE	
Due from Richard B. Gray	425.00
Total cash balances and amount receivable	<u>\$ 26,122.00</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY	
General Committee funds	\$ 21,417.00
Funds restricted for special projects	4,705.00
Total committee equity	<u>\$ 26,122.00</u>

**696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
Special Projects Phase II Year Ended June 30, 1977**

CASH RECEIPTS:	
Contributions	\$ -0-
Interest on savings	90
Recovery of unauthorized disbursements	<u>9,377</u>
Total cash received	\$ 9,467
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Authorized:	
Honduras project:	
Purchase of equipment	\$ 200
Travel and lodging	1,332
Teaching services	140
Repairs and maintenance	<u>3,000</u>
Total authorized disbursements	\$ 4,672
Unauthorized:	
Due from Richard B. Gray	<u>9,377</u>
Total cash disbursed	<u>14,049</u>
EXCESS OF DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	\$ (4,582)
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1976	<u>9,287</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1977	<u>\$ 4,705</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1978

	Budget	Actual
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Dues	\$ 11,637	\$ 11,987
Interest on savings	2,538	1,311
Recovery of unauthorized disbursements		948
Return of unused District Conference funds (offset against expense)		-0-
Miscellaneous income		31
Total cash received	<u>\$ 14,175</u>	<u>\$ 14,277</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Authorized:		
Gift to retiring District Governor	\$ 650	\$ 650
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Convention	1,000	1,000
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	600	600
Rotary pin for retiring District Governor	125	125
District Assembly--allowance to host club	500	(230)
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	100	-0-
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	150	150
Office incidentals	150	150
District Conference--allowance to host club (net of \$1,411 returned unspent)	4,000	2,589
Audit	400	385
Rotary District Student Exchange and Foundations Fellows travel to 696 District	400	-0-
Contingency Fund	500	558
District Governors supplemental allowance	2,300	2,356
Research of special projects	500	-0-
Memorials--Deceased Past District Governors	400	100
District Governor Directory	300	310
Group Study Exchange	1,000	84
Bond	300	174
Contingency Fund - Tokyo	500	500
Exchange Officer allowance	300	-0-
Sari-Paul harris Fellow	-0-	250
Miscellaneous costs	-0-	3
Total cash disbursed	<u>\$ 14,175</u>	<u>\$ 9,754</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 4,523</u>
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1977		20,992
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1978		<u>\$ 25,515</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1978

CASH BALANCES			
National Bank of Sarasota-			
checking account		\$	89
United First Federal Savings & Loan Association-			
savings accounts	General Committee Funds	\$ 25,426	
	Economic Fund	212	
	Special Projects	<u>4,506</u>	<u>30,144</u>
Total cash balances			<u>\$ 30,233</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY			
General Committee Funds			\$ 25,515
Funds restricted for special projects			4,506
Funds restricted for Economic Fund			<u>212</u>
Total committee equity			<u>\$ 30,233</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1979

	Budget	Actual
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Dues	\$ 13,000	\$ 11,441
Interest on savings	1,275	2,306
Return of unused District Conference funds (offset against expense)	-0-	-0-
Total cash received	<u>\$ 14,275</u>	<u>\$ 13,747</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Authorized:		
Gift to retiring District Governor	\$ 650	\$ 650
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Convention	1,000	-0-
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	600	600
Rotary pin for retiring District Governor (Note 3)	125	687
District Assembly--allowance to host club	500	-0-
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	100	-0-
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	150	150
Office incidentals--Secretary/Treasurer	150	150
District Conference--allowance to host club (net of \$612 returned unspent)	4,000	3,388
Audit	400	400
Bond	300	220
Rotary District Student Exchange and Foundations Fellows travel to 696 District Conference	400	-0-
Memorials--Deceased Past District Governors	400	200
Special projects	500	-0-
District Governors supplemental allowance	2,300	2,305
Contingency Fund--paid by committee	2,000	-0-
District Governor Directory	400	516
Exchange Officer allowance	300	-0-
Miscellaneous costs	-0-	8
Total cash disbursed	<u>\$ 14,275</u>	<u>9,274</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>4,473</u>
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1978		<u>25,515</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1979		<u>\$ 29,988</u>

**696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1979**

CASH BALANCES	
National Bank of Sarasota-	
checking account	\$ 704
United First Federal Savings & Loan Association-	
savings accounts: General Committee Funds	\$ 29,284
Economic Fund	286
Special Projects	3,932
	<u>33,502</u>
Total cash balances	<u>\$ 34,206</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY	
General Committee funds	\$ 29,988
Funds restricted for special projects	3,932
Funds restricted for Economic Fund	<u>286</u>
Total committee equity	<u>\$ 34,206</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1980

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Dues	\$ 13,000	\$ 12,369
Interest on savings	1,500	957
Return of unused District Conference funds (offset against expense)	-0-	-0-
Total cash received	14,500	13,326
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Conference--allowance to host club	4,000	4,000
District Governor's supplemental allowance	2,300	2,071
Contingency (Note E)	2,000	1,905
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Meeting	1,000	500
Honorarium for District Governor	1,000	1,000
Group Study Exchange	1,000	1,041
District Assembly allowance to host club	600	600
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	600	600
District Governor Directory	500	529
Special projects	500	-0-
Audit	400	450
District Student Exchange and Foundation Fellows travel to District 696 Conference	400	-0-
Past District Governor honors	400	171
Bond	300	48
Exchange Officer allowance	300	-0-
Gift to retiring District Governor	300	300
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	62
Office incidentals - Secretary/Treasurer	300	-0-
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	100	-0-
3-H program of Rotary Foundation (Note F)	-0-	15,000
Total cash disbursed	16,300	28,277
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ (1,800)</u>	(14,951)
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1979		<u>29,988</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1980		<u>\$ 15,037</u>

**696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1980**

CASH BALANCES			
Cash on hand			
Landmark Union Trust Bank		\$	140
checking account			3,656
Home Federal Savings & Loan Association			
savings accounts: General Committee Funds		\$	11,241
Economic Fund			437
Special Projects		4,130	15,808
			<u>19,604</u>
			<u>\$ 19,604</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY			
General Committee funds			\$ 15,037
Funds restricted for Special Projects Fund			4,130
Funds restricted for Economic Fund			437
			<u>19,604</u>
			<u>\$ 19,604</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1981

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Dues	\$ 14,000	\$ 13,485
Interest on savings	1,500	641
Total cash received	<u>\$ 15,500</u>	<u>\$ 14,126</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Conference--allowance to host club	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,796
District Governor's supplemental allowance	2,300	2,300
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Meeting	1,600	1,600
Honorarium for District Governor	1,000	1,000
District Assembly - allowance to host club	600	600
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	600	600
Contingency (note E)	500	310
Group Study Exchange	500	535
District Governor Directory	500	500
Special projects	500	-
Audit	500	1,050
District Student Exchange and Foundation Fellows travel to District 696 Conference	400	-
Past District Governor honors	400	-
Gift to retiring District Governor	400	245
Seminar for Tomorrow's leaders	350	348
Student Exchange	300	52
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
Extension Committee	200	147
Interact	200	-
Office incidentals - Secretary/Treasurer	150	64
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	100	-
Bond	100	-
Total cash disbursed	<u>15,500</u>	<u>13,447</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 679</u>
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1980		<u>15,037</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1981		<u>\$ 15,716</u>

**696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1981**

CASH BALANCES			
Landmark Union Trust Bank-			
checking account			\$ 3,840
Home Federal Savings & Loan Association-			
savings accounts	General Committee Funds	\$ 11,876	
	Economic Fund	461	
	Special Projects	4,363	16,700
			<u>20,540</u>
Total cash balances			<u>\$ 20,540</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY			
General Committee funds			\$ 15,716
Funds restricted for special projects			4,363
Funds restricted for Economic Fund			<u>461</u>
Total committee equity			<u>\$ 20,540</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1982

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Voluntary assessments collected	\$ 12,000	\$ 11,535
Interest on savings	1,900	787
Refunds on prior year's District Assembly	-	563
Total cash received	<u>\$ 13,900</u>	<u>\$ 12,885</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Conference--allowance to host club	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,972
District Governor's supplemental allowance	2,000	2,000
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Meeting	750	750
Honorarium for District Governor	500	500
District Assembly - allowance to host club	600	511
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	700	700
Contingency	1,000	100
Group Study Exchange	800	214
District Governor Directory	600	539
Audit	550	550
Past District Governor honors	400	-
Gift to retiring District Governor	300	249
Seminar for Tomorrow's leaders	500	500
Student Exchange	200	-
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
Extension Committee	200	-
Interact	200	-
Office incidentals - Secretary/Treasurer	100	64
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	-	150
Bond	150	92
State directory	50	243
Total cash disbursed	<u>13,900</u>	<u>11,434</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,451</u>
CASH BALANCE AT JULY 1, 1981		15,716
		<u>17,167</u>
TRANSFERS		
From Economic and Special Funds		4,844
From old District 695		1,767
To new District 696		(9,336)
		<u>(2,725)</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1981		<u>\$ 14,442</u>

**695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1982**

CASH BALANCES	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 14,442</u>
<u>\$ 14,442</u>	
COMMITTEE EQUITY	
General Committee funds	\$ 13,942
Funds restricted for 1983 Council on Legislation	<u>500</u>
<u>\$ 14,442</u>	

**695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
Special Projects Fund Year Ended June 30, 1982**

CASH RECEIPTS:	
Interest on savings	\$ 18
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Transfer to General Committee Fund	<u>4,381</u>
EXCESS OF DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	4,363
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1976	<u>4,363</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1977	<u>\$ -0-</u>

**695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
Economic Fund Year Ended June 30, 1982**

CASH RECEIPTS:	
Interest on savings	\$ 2
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Transfer to General Committee Fund	<u>463</u>
EXCESS OF DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	\$ 461
CASH BALANCE, JULY 1, 1981	<u>461</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1982	<u>\$ -0-</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements General Committee Funds
Year Ended June 30, 1983

	Budget	Actual
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Voluntary assessments collected	\$ 12,500	\$ 13,165
Interest on savings	1,650	886
Refunds on prior year's District Assembly		543
Total cash received	<u>14,150</u>	<u>14,594</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Conference	4,000	4,000
District Governor's supplemental allowance (Note B)	2,000	2,889
Allowance for incoming District Governor to attend Rotary International Meeting	1,000	901
Honorarium for District Governor	500	500
District Assembly	600	1,259
District Governor and District Governor Nominee to Zone Institute	800	800
Contingency	500	20
Group Study Exchange	500	650
District Governor Directory	600	600
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Past District Governor honors	200	-
Gift to retiring District Governor	300	252
Seminar for Tomorrow's leaders	1,000	500
Student Exchange	200	-
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
Extension Committee	300	100
Interact	200	-
Office incidentals - Secretary/Treasurer	100	74
Gift for Rotary International President's representative at conference	200	-
Bond	150	85
State directory	100	-
Rotary International for Zone	100	100
Rotary International Presidents Visit	100	-
Council on legislation	-	1,500
	<u>14,150</u>	<u>14,930</u>
DEFICIT OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (336)</u>
CASH BALANCE AT JULY 1, 1982		<u>14,442</u>
CASH BALANCE, JUNE 30, 1983		<u>\$ 14,106</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balances and Committee Equity
June 30, 1983

CASH BALANCES	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 14,106</u>
	<u>\$ 14,106</u>
COMMITTEE EQUITY	
General Committee funds	<u>\$ 14,106</u>
	<u>\$ 14,106</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
General Committee Fund Year Ended June 30, 1984

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 20,495	\$ 20,320
Interest Income	1,361	1,155
Miscellaneous	4	-
	<u>21,860</u>	<u>21,475</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	632	750
Governor's monthly newsletter	-	700
State directory	260	250
Zone Institute	100	100
Reviewed Financial Statements	-	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	188	300
Fidelity Bond	85	150
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	5,430	5,500
District Assembly	600	600
Past district governor honors	-	200
Past district governor pin	252	325
Honorarium for district governor	1,000	1,000
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,600	1,600
Zone Institute travel allowance	1,000	1,000
District governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
Caribbean conference travel allowance	1,000	1,000
Student Exchange project	-	500
Group Study Exchange project	541	1,000
Interact project	350	350
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	386	750
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,000	1,000
Rotary International representative gift	-	200
District contingency fund	598	1,000
	<u>17,822</u>	<u>21,475</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 4,038</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**695 District Rotary Fund Committee
 Statement of Assets and Fund Balance
 June 30, 1984**

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 18,144</u>
FUND BALANCE	
General Committee funds	<u>\$ 18,144</u>

**695 District Rotary Fund Committee
 Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
 For the Year Ended June 30, 1984**

RECEIPTS	\$ 21,860
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>17,822</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	4,038
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>14,106</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 18,144</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the year ended June 30, 1985

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 21,950	\$ 20,800
Interest Income	2,113	1,000
	<u>24,063</u>	<u>21,800</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	750	750
Governor's monthly newsletter	-	700
State directory	-	250
Zone Institute	500	500
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	100	100
Fidelity Bond	121	150
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	4,951	5,500
District Assembly	600	600
Past district governor honors	-	200
Past district governor pin	325	325
Honorarium for district governor	1,000	1,000
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,000	1,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	250	500
District Governor expense allowance	2,480	2,500
Caribbean conference district governor and committee chairmen participation allowance	1,000	1,000
Caribbean conference expense allowance	1,000	1,000
Caribbean conference secretary expense	-	200
Student Exchange project	-	500
Group Study Exchange project	755	1,000
Interact project	272	350
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	500	750
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,000	1,000
Rotary International representative gift	189	200
District contingency fund	924	1,000
	<u>18,417</u>	<u>21,775</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 5,646</u>	<u>\$ 25</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the year ended June 30, 1985

RECEIPTS	\$ 24,063
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>18,417</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	5,646
DONOR DESIGNATED CASH RECEIPTS - CARIBBEAN PROJECT	1,670
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>18,144</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 25,460</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the year ended June 30, 1986

	Actual	Budget
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 25,120	\$ 24,750
Interest Income	2,142	1,400
	<u>\$ 27,262</u>	<u>\$ 26,150</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Governor's monthly newsletter	1,300	1,300
Zone Institute	100	100
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	100	100
Fidelity Bond	122	150
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	6,500	6,500
District Assembly	888	1,500
Past district governor honors	100	200
Past district governor pin	450	450
Honorarium for district governor	1,000	1,000
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,000	1,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	500	500
District Governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
Caribbean conference district governor and committee chairmen participation allowance	1,500	1,500
Caribbean conference project allowance	-	1,000
Caribbean conference secretary expense	1,000	1,000
President elect training seminar	400	400
Group Study Exchange project	1,000	1,000
Interact project	274	350
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	750	750
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,000	1,000
Rotary International representative gift	200	200
District contingency fund	1,672	1,750
	<u>24,256</u>	<u>26,150</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 3,006</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance
June 30, 1986

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	\$ 13,466
Certificate of deposit	15,000
	<u>TOTAL \$ 28,466</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	\$ 1,670
Caribbean project donations	
FUND BALANCE (NOTE B)	<u>26,796</u>
	<u>TOTAL \$ 28,466</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the year ended June 30, 1987

	Actual	Budget
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 31,095	\$ 30,800
Interest Income	1,889	2,000
	<u>\$ 32,984</u>	<u>\$ 32,800</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Governor's monthly newsletter	1,300	1,300
Zone Institute	100	100
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	85	100
Fidelity Bond	161	150
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	6,500	6,500
District Assembly	1,245	1,500
Past district governor honors	100	200
Past district governor pin	450	450
Honorarium for district governor	1,000	1,000
Rotary International convention travel allowance	-	1,500
Zone Institute travel allowance	-	-
District Governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
Caribbean conference district governor and committee chairmen participation allowance	-	1,500
Caribbean conference project allowance	-	1,000
Caribbean conference secretary expense	1,000	1,000
President elect training seminar	400	400
Group Study Exchange project	1,405	2,000
Interact project	500	500
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	1,000	1,000
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	1,000
Rotary International representative gift	200	200
District contingency fund	1,430	1,500
Special contingency fund	5,888	7,667
General liability insurance	5,433	5,433
	<u>34,597</u>	<u>40,400</u>
EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER CASH RECEIPTS BEFORE PREPAID INSURANCE	\$ (1,613)	\$ (7,600)
LESS DISBURSEMENT FOR GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY EXPIRING JULY 1, 1988	(5,625)	-
EXCESS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS OVER CASH RECEIPTS	<u>\$ (7,238)</u>	<u>\$ (7,600)</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Balance and Committee Equity General Committee Funds
Year Ended June 30, 1987

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	\$ 21,228
TOTAL \$ 21,228	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Caribbean project donations	\$ 1,670
FUND BALANCE (Undesignated)	
	19,558
TOTAL \$ 21,228	

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the year ended June 30, 1987

CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 32,984
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>40,222</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	(7,238)
DONOR DESIGNATED CASH RECEIPTS - CARIBBEAN PROJECT	-
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>28,466</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 21,228</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the year ended June 30, 1988

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 38,457	\$ 38,350
Interest Income	1,961	2,000
caribbean conference project	727	
	<u>\$ 41,145</u>	<u>\$ 40,350</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 1,171	\$ 1,200
Governor's monthly newsletter	1,300	1,300
Zone Institute	100	100
Reviewed Financial Statements	420	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	107	100
Fidelity Bond	166	175
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	6,500	6,500
District Assembly	1,896	2,000
Past district governor honors	-	200
Past district governor pin	450	450
Honorarium for district governor	1,000	1,000
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,000	1,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	1,000	1,000
District Governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
Caribbean conference district governor and committee chairmen participation allowance	-	1,500
Carribbean conference secretary expense	-	1,000
President elect training seminar	1,000	1,000
Group Study Exchange project	3,289	4,000
Interact project	500	500
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	1,000	1,000
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000
Rotary International representative gift	200	200
District contingency fund	1,006	1,000
Special contingency fund	639	2,525
Youth Exchange	1,456	1,500
General liability insurance	6,011	5,900
Dues refund	36	-
	<u>35,047</u>	<u>40,350</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u><u>\$ 6,098</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance
June 30, 1988

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 27,326</u>
TOTAL <u>\$ 27,326</u>	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Caribbean project donations	\$ 1,670
FUND BALANCE (NOTE B) <u>25,656</u>	
TOTAL <u>\$ 27,326</u>	

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the year ended June 30, 1988

CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 41,145
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>35,047</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	6,098
DONOR DESIGNATED CASH RECEIPTS - CARIBBEAN PROJECT	-
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>21,228</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 27,326</u>

696 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 1989

	Actual	Budget
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 39,884	\$ 40,950
Interest Income	3,106	2,000
GSE Team - India	500	
	<u>43,490</u>	<u>42,950</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 1,325	\$ 1,500
Governor's monthly newsletter	1,300	1,300
Zone Institute	200	200
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	100	100
Fidelity Bond	199	175
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	6,500	6,500
District Assembly	2,000	2,000
Past district governor honors	-	200
Past district governor pin	450	450
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,000	1,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	1,000	1,000
District Governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
President elect training seminar	1,000	1,000
Group Study Exchange project	2,739	4,000
Interact project		500
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	350	1,250
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000
Rotary International representative gift	200	200
District contingency fund	2,000	2,000
Special contingency fund	3,569	3,806
Youth Exchange	1,019	1,019
General liability insurance	6,147	6,300
District history publication	2,000	2,000
District foundation seminar & expense	450	1,250
	<u>38,748</u>	<u>42,950</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 4,742</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – Cash Basis
June 30, 1989

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	\$ 32,068
TOTAL	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Caribbean project donations	\$ 1,670
GSE Team - India	500
Total Liabilities	2,170
FUND BALANCE (Undesignated)	29,898
TOTAL	

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1989

CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 43,490
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	38,748
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	4,742
DONOR DESIGNATED CASH RECEIPTS - CARIBBEAN PROJECT	-
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	27,326
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	\$ 32,068

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 1990

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 42,451	\$ 42,120
Interest Income	3,112	2,200
	<u>\$ 45,563</u>	<u>\$ 44,320</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Governor's monthly newsletter	2,500	2,500
Zone Institute	400	400
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	200	200
Fidelity Bond	161	225
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	300	300
District Conference	6,379	6,500
District Assembly	(2,648)	2,000
Past district governor honors	-	200
Past district governor pin	450	450
Rotary International convention travel allowance	2,000	2,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	876	1,500
District Governor expense allowance	2,500	2,500
President elect training seminars	1,000	1,000
Group Study Exchange project	102	4,000
Interact Project	-	500
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	-	1,250
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000
Rotary International representative gift	-	200
District contingency fund	1,897	2,000
Special contingency fund	2,145	2,145
Youth Exchange	1,500	1,500
General liability insurance	6,762	7,800
District foundation seminar & committee expense	1,250	1,250
	<u>31,674</u>	<u>44,320</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u><u>\$ 13,889</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance
June 30, 1990

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 43,787</u>
TOTAL <u>\$ 43,787</u>	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
FUND BALANCE (Undesignated)	<u>43,787</u>
TOTAL <u>\$ 43,787</u>	

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1990

CASH RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 45,563</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	31,674
per Budget Report	\$ 31,674
Discharge of Caribbean Project	1,670
Discharge of GSE Team - India liability	<u>500</u>
Total	<u>33,844</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	11,719
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>32,068</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 43,787</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 1991

	Actual	Budget
CASH RECEIPTS:		
District Assessments	\$ 46,378	\$ 47,850
Interest Income	3,614	3,000
India Water Project	232	-
Tree planting project	600	-
Convention assessments	208	-
General liability insurance surplus	-	1,650
	<u>\$ 51,032</u>	<u>\$ 52,500</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
District Directory	\$ 791	\$ 1,500
Governor's monthly newsletter	2,500	2,500
Zone Institute	200	400
Reviewed Financial Statements	400	400
Secretary / Treasurer expense allowance	206	206
Fidelity Bond	182	200
Honorarium for Secretary/Treasurer District Fund	500	500
District Conference	9,729	12,500
District Assembly	2,000	2,000
Past district governor honors	-	141
Past district governor pin	412	450
Rotary International convention travel allowance	2,000	2,000
Zone Institute travel allowance	1,500	1,500
District Governor expense allowance	2,211	2,500
President elect training seminars	593	1,000
Group Study Exchange project	1,807	4,000
Interact Project	500	500
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	-	1,250
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000
Rotary International representative gift	200	200
District contingency fund	2,000	2,000
Special contingency fund	600	3,100
Youth Exchange	1,653	1,653
General liability insurance	1,962	8,250
District foundation seminar & committee expense	1,500	1,500
District history publication	-	250
Transfer to District 689	11,866	-
Tree Planting Project	600	-
	<u>47,912</u>	<u>52,500</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 3,120</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – Cash Basis
Year Ended June 30, 1991

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 46,907</u>
TOTAL	
	<u>\$ 46,907</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
FUND BALANCE	
Unrestricted	
Designated by the governing board for:	
Transfer to District 689	\$ 9,445
1992 Convention	<u>208</u>
	9,653
Undesignated	<u>37,254</u>
TOTAL	
	<u>\$ 46,907</u>

695 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1991

CASH RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 51,032</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
Budget Report Disbursements	\$ 47,912
TOTAL	
	<u>47,912</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
	3,120
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	
	<u>43,787</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	
	<u>\$ 46,907</u>

6950 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Disbursements Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 1992

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
RECEIPTS			
District assessments	\$ 38,016	\$ 39,600	\$ (1,584)
Interest and dividend Income	2,349	2,000	349
District Directory Refund	456	-	456
Convention assessments	2,204	-	2,204
	<u>43,025</u>	<u>41,600</u>	<u>1,425</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
District directory	1,500	1,500	-
Governor's monthly newsletter	1,345	2,500	(1,155)
Zone Institute	300	400	(100)
Reviewed financial statements	500	500	-
Secretary-treasurer expense allowance	300	300	-
Fidelity bond	183	200	(17)
Honorarium for secretary-treasurer	500	500	-
District conference	2,611	10,000	(7,389)
District assembly	2,000	2,000	-
Past district governor honors	-	200	(200)
Past district governor pin	450	450	-
Rotary International convention travel allowance	1,276	1,500	(224)
Zone Institute travel allowance	1,463	1,500	(37)
District Governor expense allowance	1,863	2,500	(637)
President-elect training seminars	727	1,000	(273)
Group Study exchange project	1,458	2,000	(542)
Interact project	-	100	(100)
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	-	1,000	(1,000)
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000	-
Rotary International representative gift	94	200	(106)
District contingency fund	436	2,450	(2,014)
Special contingency fund	-	2,000	(2,000)
Youth Exchange	634	1,600	(966)
General liability insurance	1,975	2,200	(225)
District foundation seminar & committee expense	772	1,500	(728)
District history publication	-	500	(500)
Heart Beat International	1,000	1,000	-
Convention assessments paid	2,412	-	2,412
Transfer to District 6890	10,618	-	10,618
	<u>36,417</u>	<u>41,600</u>	<u>(5,183)</u>
			-
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ (36,417)</u>	<u>\$ (41,600)</u>	<u>\$ 5,183</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – Cash Basis
June 30, 1992

ASSETS	
Cash in Bank	\$ 53,515
TOTAL	<u>\$ 53,515</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Fund balance (Undesignated)	\$ 53,515
TOTAL	<u>\$ 53,515</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1992

CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 43,025
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
Budget Report Disbursements	\$ 36,417
TOTAL	<u>36,417</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	6,608
CASH BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>46,907</u>
CASH BALANCE END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 53,515</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1993

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
RECEIPTS			
District assessments	\$ 37,134	\$ 39,600	\$ (2,466)
Interest and dividend Income	1,715	1,600	115
Surplus	-	3,250	(3,250)
Assembly Reimbursement	2,312	-	2,312
New Club - Debregen, Hungary	4,000	-	4,000
Camp Rotary	4,648	-	4,648
	<u>49,809</u>	<u>44,450</u>	<u>5,359</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
District directory	1,500	1,500	-
Governor's monthly newsletter	2,500	2,500	-
Zone Institute	400	400	-
Reviewed financial statements	500	500	-
Secretary-treasurer expense allowance	300	300	-
Fidelity bond	183	200	(17)
Honorarium for secretary-treasurer	500	500	-
District conference	10,000	10,000	-
District assembly	2,000	2,000	-
Past district governor honors	75	200	(125)
Past district governor pin	750	750	-
Rotary International convention travel allowance	3,000	3,000	-
Zone Institute travel allowance	2,000	2,000	-
District Governor expense allowance	1,181	1,500	(319)
President-elect training seminars	292	1,000	(708)
Group Study exchange project	1,987	2,000	(13)
Interact project	500	500	-
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	-	1,000	(1,000)
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	2,000	2,000	-
Rotary International representative gift	113	200	(87)
District contingency fund	2,620	2,970	(350)
Special contingency fund	608	1,030	(422)
Youth Exchange	-	1,600	(1,600)
General liability insurance	2,463	3,300	(837)
District foundation seminar & committee expense	280	1,500	(1,220)
District history publication	-	1,000	(1,000)
Heart Beat International	1,000	1,000	-
Hungary Club - transfer to District 1910	-	-	3,000
Convention assessments paid	3,000	-	-
	<u>39,752</u>	<u>44,450</u>	<u>(4,698)</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 10,057	\$ -	\$ 10,057

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – Cash Basis
June 30, 1993

ASSETS		
Cash in Bank		\$ 63,572
TOTAL		<u>\$ 63,572</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE - Debregen, Hungary Club		\$ 1,000
RESTRICTED FUND - Camp Rotary		4,648
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE		<u>57,924</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$ 63,572</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of of Changes in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 1993

	Restricted Debregen, Hungary Club	Restricted Camp Rotary	Unrestricted	Combined All Funds
Fund balance, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,515	\$ 53,515
Cash receipts	4,000	4,648	41,161	49,819
Cash disbursements	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(36,752)</u>	<u>(39,752)</u>
Fund Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,648</u>	<u>\$ 57,924</u>	<u>\$ 63,572</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1993

CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 49,809
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
Budget Report Disbursements	<u>\$ 39,752</u>
TOTAL	<u>39,752</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 10,057</u>

6950 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1995

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
RECEIPTS			
District assesments	\$ 33,750	\$ 37,800	\$ (4,050)
Interest and dividend Income	1,479	1,814	(335)
Surplus	-	7,896	(7,896)
Assembly Reimbursement	408	-	408
Convention assessments	274	-	
	<u>35,911</u>	<u>47,510</u>	<u>(11,599)</u>
Disbursements			
District directory	1,128	2,000	(872)
Governor's monthly newsletter	3,000	3,000	-
Zone Institute	-	400	(400)
Reviewed financial statements	500	500	-
Secretary-treasurer expense allowance	400	400	-
Fidelity bond	174	200	(26)
Honorarium for secretary-treasurer	500	500	-
District conference	7,854	10,000	(2,146)
District assembly	2,200	2,000	200
Past district governor honors	111	200	(89)
Past district governor pin	750	750	-
Rotary International convention travel allowance	3,000	3,000	-
Zone Institute travel allowance	2,000	3,000	(1,000)
District Governor expense allowance	1,260	1,500	(240)
President-elect training seminars	970	1,000	(30)
Group Study exchange project	2,500	2,500	-
Interact project	1,000	1,500	(500)
Rotaract project	-	500	(500)
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	274	1,000	(726)
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,500	2,000	(500)
Rotary International representative gift	200	200	-
District contingency fund	738	2,000	(1,262)
Special contingency fund	1,213	1,000	213
Youth Exchange	39	1,600	(1,561)
General liability insurance	3,034	3,360	(326)
District foundation seminar & committee expense	1,127	1,400	(273)
Heart Beat International	1,000	1,000	-
Council on Legislation delegate travel	-	1,000	(1,000)
	<u>36,472</u>	<u>47,510</u>	<u>(11,038)</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	\$ (561)	\$ -	\$ (561)

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance – Cash Basis
June 30, 1995

Assets	
Cash in Bank	\$ 48,236
Merrill Lynch Ready Assets Trust	887
Loan to Camp Rotary, Florida	2,500
Total	<u>\$ 51,623</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Restricted Fund Balance - Debregen, Hungary Club	\$ 1,000
Restricted Fund - Camp Rotary	-
Restricted Fund Balance	50,623
	<u>\$ 51,623</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of of Changes in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 1995

	Restricted Debregen, Hungary Club	Unrestricted	Combined All Funds
Fund balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,000	\$ 51,184	\$ 52,184
Cash receipts	-0-	35,911	35,911
Cash disbursements	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(36,472)</u>	<u>(36,472)</u>
Fund Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 50,623</u>	<u>\$ 51,623</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1995

Cash Receipts	\$ 35,911
Cash Disbursements	
Budget Report Disbursements	<u>\$ 36,472</u>
Total	<u>36,472</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts over Cash Disbursements	<u>\$ (561)</u>

6950 District Rotary Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Cash Basis
Year Ended June 30, 1996

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
RECEIPTS			
District assesments	\$ 37,980	\$ 38,000	\$ (20)
Interest and dividend Income	1,616	1,800	(184)
Advertising			
Surplus	-	11,050	(11,050)
Assembly Reimbursement	605	-	605
	<u>40,201</u>	<u>50,850</u>	<u>(10,649)</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
District directory	1,988	2,000	(12)
Governor's monthly newsletter	3,989	4,781	(792)
Zone Institute	300	400	(100)
Reviewed financial statements	600	600	-
Secretary-treasurer expense allowance	400	400	-
Fidelity bond	166	200	(34)
Honorarium for secretary-treasurer	500	500	-
District conference	4,374	10,000	(5,626)
District assembly	1,975	2,000	(25)
Group rep's workshop	300	300	-
Past district governor pin	750	750	-
Rotary International convention travel allowance	3,000	3,000	-
Zone Institute travel allowance	2,000	3,000	(1,000)
District Governor expense allowance	1,500	1,500	-
President-elect training seminars	999	1,000	(1)
Group Study exchange project	2,500	2,500	-
Interact project	1,500	1,500	-
Rotaract project	-	500	(500)
Extension, membership and foundation chairmen travel	-	1,000	(1,000)
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,500	1,500	-
Rotary International representative gift	191	200	(9)
District contingency fund	2,000	2,200	(200)
Special contingency fund	1,919	1,919	-
Youth Exchange	-	1,000	(1,000)
General liability insurance	3,173	3,200	(27)
District foundation seminar & committee expense	686	1,400	(714)
District history publication	-	2,500	(2,500)
Heart Beat International	1,000	1,000	-
	<u>37,310</u>	<u>50,850</u>	<u>(13,540)</u>
			-
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 2,891	\$ -	\$ 2,891

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 1996

ASSETS	
Cash in bank	\$ 52,208
Merrill Lynch Ready Assets Trust	<u>2,306</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 54,514</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
Restricted Fund Balance - Debregen, Hungary Club	\$ 1,000
Unrestricted Fund Balance	<u>53,514</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 54,514</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements
For the Year Ended June 30, 1996

CASH RECEIPTS	\$40,201
CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
Budget Report Disbursements	<u>\$ 37,310</u>
TOTAL	<u>37,310</u>
EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 2,891</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Changes in Fund Balance – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

	Restricted Debregen, Hungary Club	Unrestricted Funds	Combined All Funds
Fund Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 1,000	\$ 50,623	\$ 51,623
Cash receipts	- 0-	40,201	40,201
Cash disbursements	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(37,310)</u>	<u>(37,310)</u>
Fund Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 53,514</u>	<u>\$ 54,514</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>OVER (UNDER)</u>
RECEIPTS			
District assesments	\$ 41,938	\$ 40,000	\$ 1,938
Investment income	2,670	2,000	670
Transfer from Rotary International	-	1,000	(1,000)
Advertising	1,300	1,000	300
Surplus	-	16,550	(16,550)
Total Revenues	<u>45,908</u>	<u>60,550</u>	<u>(14,642)</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
District Governor's expenses	2,500	2,500	-
District Governor Nominee's expenses	4,500	4,500	-
General Secretary, personnel and Office Expense	6,511	7,850	(1,339)
Printing and publications			
District history publication	-	2,500	(2,500)
Other	9,203	10,000	(797)
General District expenses	1,471	5,400	(3,929)
Conferences, assemblies and seminars:			
District Conference	8,187	8,000	187
Other	4,655	6,200	(1,545)
Program Funds			
Group Study Exchange	2,506	2,500	6
Interact project	1,500	1,500	-
Rotaract project	-	1,000	(1,000)
Seminars for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,500	1,500	-
Youth Exchange	100	1,000	(900)
Heart Beat International	-	1,000	(1,000)
Other	116	1,100	(984)
Contingency Funds:			
Governor's contingency fund	2,186	2,000	186
Fund committee contingency fund	-	2,000	(2,000)
Total Expenditures	<u>44,935</u>	<u>60,550</u>	<u>(15,615)</u>
			-
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 973</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 973</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 1997

ASSETS	
Cash in bank	\$ 10,872
Banks' Certificates of Deposit	30,000
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	<u>15,053</u>
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	
	<u>\$ 55,925</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,115
Due to RI District Governor	323
Unrestricted Fund Balance	<u>54,487</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
	<u>\$ 55,925</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

REVENUES	\$ 45,908
EXPENDITURES	<u>44,935</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 973</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Changes in Fund Balance – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

	Restricted Debregen, Hungary Club	Unrestricted Funds	Combined All Funds
Fund Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 1,000	\$ 53,514	\$ 54,514
Revenues	-	45,908	45,908
Expenditures	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>(44,935)</u>	<u>(45,935)</u>
Fund Balance, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 54,487</u>	<u>\$ 54,487</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1998

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
REVENUES			
District assessments	\$ 40,507	\$ 43,050	\$ (2,543)
Investment income	3,823	2,500	1,323
Transfer from Rotary International	5,850	5,800	50
Surplus	-	9,300	(9,300)
Total Revenues	50,180	60,650	(10,470)
EXPENDITURES			
District Governor's expenses	6,445	6,500	(55)
District Governor-nominee's expenses	4,500	4,500	-
General Secretary, Personnel and Office expense	5,984	7,550	(1,566)
Printing and Publications:			
District history publication	-	1,500	(1,500)
Governor's newsletter	3,854	5,100	(1,246)
General District Expenses	6,345	7,200	(855)
Conferences, Assemblies and Seminars:			
District Conference	6,718	8,000	(1,282)
Other	7,776	5,500	2,276
Program Funds			
Group Study Exchange	2,500	3,500	(1,000)
Interact project	1,535	1,800	(265)
Rotaract project	-	500	(500)
Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,500	1,500	-
Youth Exchange	900	1,000	(100)
Heart Beat International	1,000	1,000	-
Other	877	2,200	(1,323)
	-	-	-
Contingency Funds			
Governor's contingency fund	307	2,000	(1,693)
Fund committee contingency fund	1,209	1,300	(91)
	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	51,450	60,650	(9,200)
	-	-	-
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (1,270)	\$ -	\$ (1,270)

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balances – Modified Cash Basis
June 30, 1998

ASSETS	
Cash in bank	\$ 6,326
Banks' Certificates of Deposit	31,330
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	16,331
Accounts Receivable	<u>135</u>
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ <u>54,122</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Accounts payable	\$ 905
Due to RI District Governor	
Unrestricted Fund Balance	<u>53,217</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ <u>54,122</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1998

REVENUES	\$ 50,180
EXPENDITURES	<u>51,450</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ (1,270)</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Statement of Changes in Fund Balance – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 1998

	Unrestricted Funds
Fund Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 54,487
Revenues	50,180
Expenditures	<u>(51,450)</u>
Fund Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 53,217</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Activities and Functional Expenses – Actual Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 1999

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues:			
Dues	\$ 41,682	\$ 43,050	\$ (1,368)
Rotary International supplement	5,855	5,800	55
Interest	2,924	4,000	(1,076)
Surplus	-	7,800	(7,800)
Special events, net of cost	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total revenue	\$ 50,461	60,650	(10,189)
Expenses:			
District Governor	\$ 1,750	5,500	(3,750)
District Governor Nominee	6,191	5,000	1,191
General Secretary, personnel & office	6,502	7,050	(548)
Governor's newsletter and directory	12,170	6,600	5,570
General District expenses	6,393	6,700	(307)
Conferences, assemblies & seminars:			-
District conference and assembly	14,240	12,000	2,240
Seminars and workshops	1,429	3,500	(2,071)
Programs:			-
Group Study Exchange	4,001	3,500	501
Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders	1,651	1,500	151
Interact	1,800	1,800	-
Youth Exchange	600	1,000	(400)
Other	350	2,500	(2,150)
Contingency Funds:			-
Governor's	148	2,000	(1,852)
Fund committee	-	2,000	(2,000)
	-	-	-
Total expenses	\$ 57,225	\$ 60,650	\$ (3,425)
	-	-	-
Change in net assets	\$ (6,764)	\$ -	\$ (6,764)
Net assets beginning of the year	\$ 53,217		
Net assets end of the year	\$ 46,453		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 1999

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents:	
Operating accounts	\$ 24,161
Certificate of deposit	17,111
Paine Webber money market fund	11,297
Total cash and cash equivalents	52,569
Accounts receivable	585
Deposit - District Assembly year 2000	250
Total assets	<u>\$ 53,404</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 3,162
Advance payable - Haiti project	400
Prepaid dues	3,389
Total liabilities	6,951
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	46,453
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 53,404</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 1999

Operating activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ (6,764)
Accounts receivable	(450)
Deposits	(250)
Accounts payable	2,257
Advance payable	400
Prepaid dues	3,389
Net cash used in operating activities and net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ (1,418)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>\$ 53,987</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 52,569</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Activities and Functional Expenses – Actual Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues			
Dues	\$ 53,541	\$ 53,250	\$ 291
Rotary International Supplement	6,435	5,800	635
Interest	1,998	3,500	(1,502)
Advertising	-	-	-
Surplus	-	11,850	(11,850)
Special events, net of cost			
Total Revenues	61,974	74,400	(12,426)
Expenditures			
District Governor's expenses	8,535	10,250	(1,715)
District Governor-nominee's expenses	9,054	6,950	2,104
General Secretary, Personnel and Office expense	6,916	6,700	216
Printing and Publications:			
Governor's newsletter and directory	10,275	10,700	
General District Expenses	8,971	8,500	471
Conferences, Assemblies and Seminars:			
District conference, assembly & awards banquet	9,637	14,700	(5,063)
Seminars & workshops	3,211	4,100	(889)
Program Funds			
Group Study Exchange	5,408	5,372	36
Interact project	2,095	2,095	-
Youth Exchange	600	1,000	(400)
Other	182	2,700	(2,518)
Contingency Funds			
Governor's	-	1,333	(1,333)
Total Expenditures	64,884	74,400	(9,516)
Change in net assets	\$ (2,910)	\$ -	\$ (2,910)
Net assets beginning of the year	46,453		
Net assets end of the year	\$ 43,543		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2000

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 1,907
Certificate of Deposit	17,921
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	26,226
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 46,054</u>
Accounts receivable	2,342
Advance to Interact (next year)	1,000
Total assets	<u>\$ 49,396</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 3,395
Cash overdraft Peoples Bank	2,458
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 5,853</u>
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	43,543
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 49,396</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

Operating Activities	
Change in net assets	\$ (2,910)
Account receivables	(1,757)
Deposits/advances	(750)
Accounts payable	233
Advance payable	(400)
Prepaid dues	(3,389)
Cash over draft	2,458
Net cash used in operating activities and net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	<u>(6,515)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	52,569
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 46,054</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Activities and Functional Expenses – Actual Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 2001

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues			
Dues	\$ 49,485	\$ 53,730	\$ (4,245)
Rotary International Supplement	6,395	6,380	15
Interest	2,059	1,700	359
Surplus	-	11,690	(11,690)
Special events, net of cost			
Total Revenues	57,939	73,500	(15,561)
Expenditures			
District Governor's expenses	5,485	9,800	(4,315)
District Governor-nominee's expenses	5,708	7,550	(1,842)
General Secretary, Personnel and Office expense	7,248	7,700	(452)
Printing and Publications:			
Governor's newsletter and directory	7,665	8,100	
General District Expenses	8,966	9,200	(234)
Conferences, Assemblies and Seminars:			
District conference, assembly & awards banquet	8,899	14,900	(6,001)
Seminars & workshops	2,073	4,200	(2,127)
Program Funds			
Group Study Exchange	2,615	5,000	(2,385)
Interact project	1,000	1,800	(800)
Youth Exchange	81	500	(419)
Other	1,709	2,750	(1,041)
Contingency Funds			
Governor's	-	2,000	(2,000)
Total Expenditures	51,449	73,500	(22,051)
Change in net assets	6,490	\$ -	\$ 6,490
Net assets beginning of the year	43,543		
Net assets end of the year	<u>\$ 50,033</u>		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2001

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 8,422
Certificate of Deposit	18,441
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	24,642
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 51,505
Accounts receivable	2,840
Total assets	\$ 54,345
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 2,233
Cash overdraft Peoples Bank	2,079
Total Liabilities	\$ 4,312
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	50,033
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 54,345

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2001

Operating Activities	
Change in net assets	\$ 6,490
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash used by operating activities:	
Account receivables	(498)
Deposits/advances	1,000
Accounts payable	(1,162)
Cash over draft	(379)
Net cash used in operating activities and net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	5,451
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	46,054
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 51,505

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Activities and Functional Expenses – Actual Compared to Budget
For the Year Ended June 30, 2002

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues			
Dues	\$ 55,350	\$ 56,700	\$ (1,350)
Rotary International Supplement	5,497	6,500	(1,003)
Interest	2,204	1,900	304
Surplus	-	1,250	(1,250)
Special events, net of cost	2,506	-	2,506
Total Revenues	65,557	66,350	(793)
Expenditures			
District Governor's expenses	6,509	8,700	(2,191)
District Governor-nominee's expenses	7,107	9,400	(2,293)
General Secretary, Personnel and Office expense	7,660	7,700	(40)
Printing and Publications:			
Governor's newsletter and directory	8,950	9,800	(850)
General District Expenses	2,079	2,100	(21)
Conferences, Assemblies and Seminars:			
District conference, assembly & awards banquet	13,859	10,900	2,959
Seminars & workshops	3,222	4,200	(978)
Program Funds			
Group Study Exchange	3,601	4,500	(899)
Interact project	947	1,800	(853)
Youth Exchange	-	500	(500)
Other	1,440	2,750	(1,310)
Contingency Funds			
Governor's	2,000	2,000	-
Fund committee	-	2,000	(2,000)
Total Expenditures	57,374	66,350	(8,976)
Change in net assets	8,183	\$ -	\$ 8,183
Net assets beginning of the year	50,033		
Net assets end of the year	\$ 58,216		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2002

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 2,661
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	44,050
Vanguard GNMA Fund	10,124
Vanguard short-term corporate fund	10,119
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 66,954</u>
Accounts receivable	<u>36,815</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 103,769</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 45,553</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 45,553</u>
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	<u>58,216</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 103,769</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2002

Operating Activities	
Change in net assets	\$ 8,183
Account receivables	(33,975)
Accounts payable	43,320
Cash over draft	<u>(2,079)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities and net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	15,449
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>51,505</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 66,954</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Actual	Budget	Over (Under)
Revenues:			
Dues	\$ 60,228	\$ 61,600	\$ (1,372)
Rotary International supplement	6,416	5,500	916
Investment Income	1,931	1,000	931
District directory advertising			
RI Conference rebate			
Surplus	-	1,200	(1,200)
Special events, net of cost	126	-	126
			-
Total revenue	68,701	69,300	(599)
			-
Expenses:			
District Governor	7,338	7,800	(462)
District Governor-elect	10,956	10,800	156
General Secretary, personal & office	7,762	7,700	62
District history reserve			
Governor's newsletter and directory	5,475	8,100	(2,625)
General District expenses	2,202	2,700	(498)
Conferences, assemblies & seminars:			-
District Conference	5,278	11,400	(6,122)
P.E.T.S. & Assembly	3,309	4,100	(791)
Seminars and workshops	2,229	2,200	29
Programs:			
Group Study Exchange	3,499	5,000	(1,501)
S4TL	1,500	1,500	-
Youth Exchange	543	700	(157)
Interact and Other	221	3,300	(3,079)
Contingency Funds:			
Governor's	583	2,000	(1,417)
Fund Committee	-	2,000	(2,000)
			-
Total expenses	50,895	69,300	(18,405)
			-
Change in net assets	17,806	\$ -	\$ 17,806
Net assets beginning of year	58,216		
Net assets end of year	\$ 76,022		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2003

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 9,559
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	9,444
Vanguard GNMA Fund	51,168
Vanguard short-term corporate fund	<u>10,609</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 80,780
Accounts receivable	2,239
Prepaid expenses	<u>1,000</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 84,019</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 7,997</u>
Total Liabilities	7,997
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	<u>76,022</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 84,019</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2003

Operating Activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ 17,806
Accounts receivable	34,576
Accounts payable	(37,556)
Prepaid expenses	<u>(1,000)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities and net increase in cash and cash equivalents	13,826
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year	<u>66,954</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 80,780</u>

6950 District Rotary Fund Committee
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements General Committee Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2004

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues:			
Dues	\$ 59,388	\$ 60,000	\$ (612)
Rotary International supplement	6,182	6,800	(618)
Investment Income	943	2,500	(1,557)
District directory advertising			
RI Conference rebate			
Surplus	-	7,750	(7,750)
Special events, net of cost	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total revenue	66,513	77,050	(10,537)
			-
Expenses:			
District Governor	9,259	7,850	1,409
District Governor-elect	10,811	11,200	(389)
General Secretary, personal & office	9,652	8,400	1,252
District history reserve	-	3,000	(3,000)
Governor's newsletter and directory	6,931	7,900	(969)
General District expenses	3,216	4,700	(1,484)
Conferences, assemblies & seminars:			
District Conference	14,259	11,400	2,859
P.E.T.S. & Assembly	3,146	4,100	(954)
Seminars and workshops	2,371	3,500	(1,129)
Programs:			
Group Study Exchange	3,055	5,000	(1,945)
S4TL	2,000	2,000	-
Youth Exchange	1,140	700	440
Interact and Other	2,148	3,300	(1,152)
Contingency Funds:			
Governor's	61	2,000	(1,939)
Fund Committee	900	2,000	(1,100)
	-	-	-
Total expenses	68,949	77,050	(8,101)
			-
Change in net assets	(2,436)	\$ -	\$ (2,436)
Net assets beginning of year	76,022		
Net assets end of year	\$ 73,586		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2004

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 3,754
Certificate of Deposit	3,000
Paine Webber Money Market Fund	1,914
Vanguard GNMA Fund	51,775
Vanguard short-term corporate fund	<u>18,472</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 78,915
Accounts receivable	2,009
Prepaid expenses	<u>855</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 81,779</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 5,585
Words for Thirds	808
Unearned Revenue - directory advertising	<u>1,800</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 8,193
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	<u>73,586</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 81,779</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Operating Activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ (2,436)
Accounts receivable	230
Accounts payable	(2,412)
Prepaid expenses	<u>145</u>
Net cash used in operating activities and net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,865)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year	<u>80,780</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 78,915</u>

Rotary District 6950 Fund Committee
Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER (UNDER)
Revenues:			
Dues	\$ 61,726	\$ 64,670	\$ (2,944)
Rotary International supplement	6,532	6,000	532
Investment Income	3,174	2,000	1,174
District directory advertising	1,900	3,700	
RI Conference rebate	2,525	-	
Surplus	-	5,130	(5,130)
Total revenue	75,857	81,500	(5,643)
Expenses:			
District Governor	6,280	10,800	(4,520)
District Governor-elect	9,492	10,500	(1,008)
General Secretary, personal & office	4,400	7,500	(3,100)
District history reserve	3,000	3,000	-
Governor's newsletter and directory	6,140	8,500	(2,360)
General District expenses	3,199	7,600	(4,401)
Conferences, assemblies & seminars:			
Foundation seminar	1,500	1,500	
Membership seminar	722	1,500	
P.E.T.S. & Assembly	2,898	3,500	(602)
District assembly, net of income	2,328	2,000	
District Conference	10,595	10,300	295
Programs:			
Group Study Exchange	2,227	4,200	(1,973)
Interact	1,238	1,650	(412)
S4TL	3,000	3,000	-
Youth Exchange	916	800	116
Foundation promotion	1,423	300	1,123
Other	321	850	(529)
Contingency Funds:			
Governor's	2,000	2,000	-
Fund Committee	1,152	2,000	(848)
Total expenses	62,831	81,500	(18,669)
Change in net assets	13,026	\$ -	\$ 13,026
Net assets beginning of year	73,586		
Net assets end of year	\$ 86,612		

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2005

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Operating Accounts	\$ 29,292
UBS money market account	10,077
Vanguard GNMA Fund	42,301
Vanguard short-term corporate fund	19,042
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Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 100,712
Accounts receivable	4,539
Prepaid expenses	1,507
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Total assets	<u>\$ 106,758</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 8,985
Funds held in trust:	
Hurricane Relief	5,297
Interact and others	424
Unearned Revenue - directory advertising	5,440
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Total Liabilities	\$ 20,146
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	86,612
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Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 106,758</u>

Rotary District 6950
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended June 30, 2005

Operating Activities:	
Change in net assets	\$ 13,026
Accounts receivable	(2,530)
Accounts payable	3,400
Other liabilities	8,553
Prepaid expenses	652
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Net cash used in operating activities and net increase in cash and cash equivalents	21,797
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year	78,915
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 100,712</u>

CHRONOLOGY OF DISTRICT GOVERNORS

1918-2005

CHRONOLOGY OF DISTRICT GOVERNORS 1912 - 2005

Year	District	Name	Residence
Southern Division			
1912-1913	So. Div.	George W. Clark	Jacksonville
1913-1914	So. Div.	John E. Shelby	Birmingham, AL
1915-1916	5	Frank Glass	Montgomery, AL
1916-1917	5	Ralph D. Quisenberry	Montgomery, AL
1917-1918	5	Malcolm D. Jones	Macon, GA
8th District			
1918-1919	8	*John Gay	Jacksonville
1919-1920	8	*Truman L. McGill	Selma
1920-1921	8	*Wilbur R. Smith	Atlanta
1921-1922	8	*John Turner	Tampa
39th District			
1922-1923	39	*Porter Pierpont	Savannah
1923-1924	39	* S. Lendrick Guernsey	Orlando
1924-1925	39	*William L. Lanier	Orlando
1925-1926	39	*John B. Orr	Miami
1926-1927	39	*John Sheffield	Americus
1927-1928	39	*Robertson T. Arnold	Jacksonville
1928-1929	39R	*Harry H. Root	Tampa
1929-1930	39R	*Howard W. Selby	West Palm Beach
1930-1931	39R	*F. Irving Holmes	Fort Myers
1931-1932	39R	*Joseph F. Diver	Jacksonville
1932-1933	39R	*James Donn	Miami
1933-1934	39R	*Edward R. Bentley	Lakeland
1934-1935	39R	*Earl C. Thatcher	Clearwater
1935-1936	39R	*Alfred P. Marshall	Clearwater
1936-1937	39R	*Millard Davidson	Marianna
167th District			
1937-1938	167	*Rosland S. Horton	Lake Worth
1938-1939	167	*Garland Powell	Gainesville
1939-1940	167	*James A. Franklin, Jr.	Fort Myers
1940-1941	167	*J. Chambers Buchanan	Jacksonville
1941-1942	267	*Fairfax T. Haskins	Sebring
1942-1943	167	*G.T. Melton	Lake City
1943-1944	267	*Harry M. Smith	Winter Garden
1944-1945	167	*Walter J. Matherly	Gainesville
1945-1946	167	*Fred M. Bultman	Jacksonville

Year	District	Name	Residence
1946-1947	167	*Albert J. Geiger	St. Petersburg
167th District - Split into A, B and C			
1947-1948	167C	*Paul Stine	Orlando
1948-1949	167C	*Morris E. White	Tampa
244th District			
1949-1950	244	*Dr. Walter E. Kennedy	Sarasota
1950-1951	244	*Frank M. Rhodes	St. Petersburg
1951-1952	244	*V. Mallory Roberts	Winter Haven
1952-1953	244	*Kenneth E. Waker	Orlando
1953-1954	244	*Malcolm R. Duggan	Bradenton
1954-1955	244	*Chelsey F. Perry	Fort Myers
1955-1956	244	*Arthur S. Kitchen	Clearwater
1956-1957	244	*Frank A. McDonald	Tampa
District 696			
1957-1958	696	*James B. Keith	Orlando
1958-1959	696	Richard C. Cummings	Ocala
1959-1960	696	*Everett Sumner	St. Petersburg
1960-1961	696	Stephen J. Grimes	Bartow
1961-1962	696	*Robert S. Baynard	Venice
1962-1963	696	*J. Frank Davies	Tampa
1963-1964	696	Lester E. Ginkel	Winter Park
1964-1965	696	*Chauncey McIntyre	St. Petersburg
1965-1966	696	James A. Franklin, Jr.	Fort Myers
1966-1967	696	*John B. Neuner	Plant City
1967-1968	696	Edward St. Phillip	Sarasota
1968-1969	696	*Leslie B. Anderson	Winter Haven
1969-1970	696	*A. V. "Sweede" Benson	St. Petersburg
1970-1971	696	Dan H. McLeroy	Englewood
1971-1972	696	*Hampton Dunn	Tampa
1972-1973	696	Dr. Joseph L. Selden, Jr.	Fort Myers
1973-1974	696	*Moody F. Rinehart	Largo
1973-1974	696	Edward St. Phillip	Sarasota
1974-1975	696	Paul Sanborn	Cape Coral
1975-1976	696	*Dr. Clyde O. Anderson	St. Petersburg
1976-1977	696	W.V. "Woody" Register	Dunedin North
1977-1978	696	Gerald B. Hubbell	Belleair Bluffs
1978-1979	696	*Robert E. Perkins	Sarasota

Year	District	Name	Residence
1979-1980	696	Joe L. Pendleton	Fort Myers
1980-1981	696	*W.O. Gillenwaters	Seminole
District 695			
1981-1982	695	*William A. Laney	Tampa North
1982-1983	695	Rolfe D. Duggar	St. Petersburg West
1983-1984	695	John W. Bouseman	Plant City
1984-1985	695	*Charles A. Black	Crystal River
1985-1986	695	Edward J. Christiano	Clearwater East
1986-1987	695	William N. Leonard	Ybor City
1987-1988	695	James W. Stewart	Clearwater
1988-1989	695	William C. Hammontree	Tampa North
1989-1990	695	Richard "Dick" Bell	Clearwater East
1990-1991	695	Robert J. "Dusty" Owens	Tampa North
District 6950			
1991-1992	6950	Larry Robison	Zephyrhills
1992-1993	6950	Michael D. Hamby	Clearwater East
1993-1994	6950	*Earl Samstag	Homosassa Springs
1994-1995	6950	*Paul Ponder	Largo
1995-1996	6950	Frank Erwin	Clearwater East
1996-1997	6950	Milton O. Jones	Dade City
1997-1998	6950	Harris F. Brown	Seminole
1998-1999	6950	Richard F. Breske	Pinellas Park
1999-2000	6950	Patricia A. Schmoranz	Seminole Lake
2000-2001	6950	Robin G. Murray	Spring Hill
2001-2002	6950	Jared D. Brown	Clearwater
2002-2003	6950	Paul W. Slosberg	St. Petersburg West
2003-2004	6950	Keith Kurber	Dunedin North
2004-2005	6950	Eugene Beil	Hudson
2005-2006	6950	David West	Dade City
2006-2007	6950	Doug Palonder	Clearwater East

*Deceased

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1942-2005

ROTARY THEMES

- 1942-1943 The application of practical action in solving problems, locally and worldwide. / Fernando Carbajal
- 1949-1950 To train youth of today (the leaders of tomorrow) in sound business ethics. / Percy C. Hodgson
- 1950-1951 Turning Rotary's aims and ideals into action. / Arthur Lagueux
- 1951-1952 Frank E. Spain
- 1952-1953 Applying the principle of gradualness as a powerful force for good. / H. J. Brunnier
- 1953-1954 Rotary is hope in action. / Joaquin Serratosa
- 1954-1955 To inspire businessmen around the world to honor the Rotary ethic as reflected in the 4-Way Test. / Herbert J. Taylor
- 1955-1956 That Rotarians use their great resources to extend neighborliness around the world. / A. Z. Baker
- 1956-1957 To educate, encourage, and foster understanding among all peoples. / Gian Paolo Lang
- 1957-1958 Enlist-Extend-Explore-Serve / Charles G. Tennent
- 1958-1959 Help Shape the Future / Clifford A. Randall
- 1959-1960 Vitalize! Personalize! Build Bridges of Friendship . Harold T. Thomas
- 1960-1961 You are Rotary - Live it! Express It! Expand It! / J. Edd McLaughlin
- 1961-1962 Act. Aim for Action. Communicate For Understanding. Test for Leadership. / Joseph A. Abey
- 1962-1963 Kindle the Spark Within / Nitish C. Laharry
- 1963-1964 Meeting Rotary's Challenge in the Space Age / Carl P. Miller
- 1964-1965 Live Rotary / Charles W. Pettengill
- 1965-1966 Action, Consolidation and Continuity / C. P. H. Teenstra
- 1966-1967 A Better World through Rotary / Richard L. Evans
- 1967-1968 Make Your Rotary Membership Effective / Luther H. Hodges
- 1968-1969 Participate! / Kyoshi Togasaki
- 1969-1970 Review and Renew / James F. Conway
- 1970-1971 Bridge the Gaps / William E. Walk
- 1971-1972 Good Will Begins with You / Ernst G. Breitholtz
- 1972-1973 Let's Take a New Look and Act / Roy D. Hickman
- 1973-1974 A Time for Action / William C. Carter
- 1974-1975 Renew the Spirit of Rotary / William R. Robbins
- 1975-1976 To Dignify the Human Being / Ernesto Imbassahy de Melio

THROUGH THE YEARS

- 1976-1977 I Believe in Rotary / Robert A. Manchester II
- 1977-1978 Serve to Unite Mankind / W. Jack Davis
- 1978-1979 Reach Out / Clem Renouf
- 1979-1980 Let Service Light the Way / James L. Bomar, Jr.
- 1980-1981 Take Time to Serve / Rolf J. Klärich
- 1981-1982 World Understanding and Peace / Stanley E. McCaffrey
- 1982-1983 Mankind is One-Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World / Hiroji Mukasa
- 1983-1984 Share Rotary - Serve People / William E. Skelton
- 1984-1985 Discover a New World of Service / Carlos Canseco
- 1985-1986 You Are the Key / Edward F. Cadman
- 1986-1987 Rotary Brings Hope / M. A. T. Caparas
- 1987-1988 Rotarians - United in Service Dedicated to Peace / Charles C. Keller
- 1988-1989 Put Life in Rotary - Your Life / Royce Abbey
- 1989-1990 Enjoy Rotary / Hugh M. Archer
- 1990-1991 Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm / Paulo V. C. Costa
- 1991-1992 Look Beyond Yourself / Rajendra K. Saboo
- 1992-1993 Real Happiness is Helping Others / Clifford L. Dochterman
- 1993-1994 Believe In what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In / Robert Barth
- 1994-1995 Be A Friend / Bill Huntley
- 1995-1996 Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace / Herbert G. Brown
- 1996-1997 Build the Future with Action and Vision / Luis Vincent Giay
- 1997-1998 Show Rotary Cares / Glenn Kinross
- 1998-1999 Follow Your Rotary Dream / James L. Lacy
- 1999-2000 Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity / Carlos Ravizza
- 2000-2001 Create Awareness...Take Action / Frank Devlyn
- 2001-2002 Mankind is Our Business / Richard D. King
- 2002-2003 Sow The Seeds of Love / Bhichai Rattakul
- 2003-2004 Lend a Hand / Jonathan Majiyagbe
- 2004-2005 Celebrate Rotary / Glenn E. Estess, Sr.
- 2005-2006 Service Above Self / Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar
- 2006-2007 Lead the Way / William B. Boyd
- 2007-2008 Share Rotary / Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

