



Sign up now for the 2016-17 District Essentials of Rotary Knowledge (ERK) Course

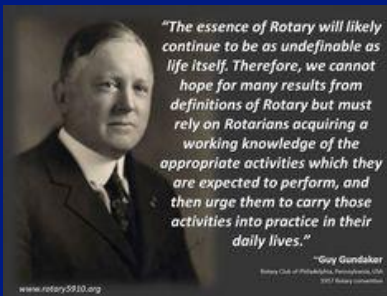
District 5100 is regarded as one of the finest Rotary districts worldwide. One of the reasons for this high esteem is due to our commitment for training Rotarians and developing them into leaders.

Aside from having one of the premier DTAs (District Training Assembly), our Zone 25 is also recognized for its outstanding PETS (President Elect Training Seminar) program held annually in Seattle.

Our goal now is to achieve the same level of excellence with our online, self-paced Rotary learning program known as Essentials of Rotary Knowledge (ERK).

Read more about how you can take part in this year's ERK course below.





The district recently launched a new website for [Essentials of Rotary Knowledge](#). This website includes insightful training modules from a great number of Past District Governors. ERK also incorporated components from Rotary Leadership Institutes (RLI) from other Districts around the world. This helpful information can now be easily accessed in one place online.

The ERK course consists of two sections. The first section covers Rotary's Five Avenues of Service - Club, Community, International, Vocational, and Youth Services. By completing this section, Rotarians and Rotaractors will know how they can better contribute to their community and how Rotary addresses and solves international needs.

The second ERK section covers topics such as The History of Rotary, The Organizational Structure of Rotary, Membership, The Rotary Foundation, and Leadership. This section helps Rotarians and Rotaractors become better leaders and fosters engagement and general knowledge of our organization. Being knowledgeable about Rotary equips you to better serve, especially in leadership positions. This course is highly recommended for incoming club presidents and any other Rotarians looking to expand their knowledge about Rotary or wanting to contribute more in a service capacity with their club and community.

Many ERK participants find it more interactive and fulfilling to take this course with others in their club. The course is self-paced, however each module usually takes 1-2 hours per week, and each section takes roughly four months.

Where we stand on Polio Eradication September 13, 2016

Wild Polio Virus Cases	YTD 2016	YTD 2015	TOTAL 2015
Endemic Countries	23	41	74
Non-Endemic Countries	3	0	0
Pakistan	14	32	54
Afghanistan	9	9	20

The October issue of *The Rotarian* contains an informative article about the ground game in Pakistan and an interview with Tom Frieden, Director of the CDC, a vital partner in the eradication effort. In addition, there is a letter from RI President, John Germ. The articles can be viewed online at therotarian.com.

Nigeria

Emergency regional outbreak response is continuing, under the guidance of the Polio Eradication Emergency Operations Center (EOC), led by the Government of Nigeria and with support from WHO and GPEI (Global Polio Eradication Initiative) partners. Nigeria has launched a massive immunization campaign with our partners and neighboring countries to control this regrettable uptick in polio cases. Similar approaches to outbreak response were successfully implemented in previous years in the Middle East and the Horn of Africa.

If you would like to request a PolioPlus speaker for World Polio Day (October 24), please contact [Doug Taylor](#).

East Salem Rotary has Wine Dispenser For Sale

East Salem Rotary has a two year old MicroMatic 4 keg wine dispenser with state of the art hardware for sale for \$3500.00. In addition, they have three five gallon kegs of wine for sale. (2013 Arch Terrace Chardonnay, 2013 Chateau Bianca Heritage Red

What Does Balance Mean to your Club?

Thank you to Deniel Banks, District 5100 Small Club Advocate and Large Club Liaison for providing our Membership Minute this month.

Rotarians are known for having fun. Maybe it's a laugh or even ten at a club meeting. Perhaps 'fun' is getting together with other club members at a club social or even outside club activities. Some clubs even have a 'Five Way Test' with 'fun' being a fifth area of notoriety. Other clubs in our district and elsewhere have 'fun' as a club vision, mission, and objective.

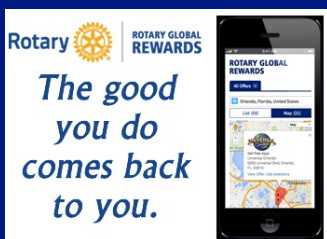
What does 'fun' have to do with 'balance'? Well, beyond balancing club 'fun' with service activities, it might be valuable to balance 'fun' with other things to grow your club. Here are some questions that you and your club might consider answering to become a more vibrant, healthy, and growing club:

- * How often and in how many ways does the club create and implement a balance of choices for keeping club members fully engaged?
- * Is your club balanced in how you define diversity - mirroring your community (in gender, age, ethnicity, vocations, etc.)?
- * How about a balance of topics and types of speakers? (Consider that a speaker is a potential

To enroll, [click here](#). The cost is \$40 and most clubs reimburse members upon successful completion of ERK. Graduates receive a certificate of completion signed by the District Governor, an ERK knowledge pin, and recognition at the District Conference in the spring and/or a celebration with their club members by their respective Assistant Governor.

Questions may be directed to ERK Co-Chair [Jim Boyle](#). Sign up now and learn more about how our shared passion for service is helping better the world.

Rotary Global Rewards



Since the launch of Rotary Global Rewards on 1 July 2015, over 100,000 members have visited the site! We would like to thank you for supporting the program by spreading awareness of it among your district and clubs.

If you have not visited Rotary Global Rewards recently, we now have over 1,500 offers worldwide. We recommend using the member benefits program both locally and when you travel.

If you would like to give discounts to other Rotarians, add your company's special offers to the growing portfolio of Rotary Global Rewards. To date, over 350 offers have been posted by Rotarians.

We have also added two new and exciting global travel offers, a hotel discount center and an airline discount center, which provide great discounts and give up to 10 percent of your purchase back to Rotary.

[Click here](#) for details. Spend less, give more.

Blend and 2013 Woolridge Creek Oregon Cabernet Sauvignon) for \$550 for all three. For more information contact [Phil Sperl](#).



Share your Rotary stories in photos



Rotary New Generations.

Thank you to those who are helping to spread the stories of District 5100 on Instagram. Remember to post your photos to Instagram or Facebook with the hashtag #rotaryd5100. The theme for October is Rotary at Work so post those pictures of your club projects involving youth.

Upcoming Photo Themes:

November: Foundation Projects
December: Holidays Rotary Style
January: Rotary Signage
February: Rotary Travels
March: Rotary in our Schools
April: Rotary Selfies
May: Photo Contest
June: Rotary Fellowship

Get Your News in the District Newsletter

To have your club's items included in the monthly district newsletter, send information **NO LATER THAN** the 20th of the

Rotarian.)

- * Does your club balance local needs with international humanitarian service?
- * It's The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Year. Is your club balancing your giving education and contributions between local and TRF giving?

- * And, while there are a number of ways to bring your club into 'balance,' are you growing great leadership by balancing the knowledge and experience of long time members with mentoring of newer club members?

If you and your club have discovered especially fruitful ways to bring 'balance' to your club, please share your stories by sending an email to District Membership Chair [Diane Noriega](#) or [Deniel Banks](#).

Northeast Portland Rotary Author Night

Every Year 2.6 million Americans die. 70% are NOT prepared, leaving their family with years of litigation costing thousands.

Stephanie Payne, RN and author of *The Sandbox Wars*, *End of Life Decisions*, *The Most Important Gift to your Family* has 30 years' experience dealing with families. Her book is filled with stories about real families and how they handle the death and legacy of their parents.

Instead of fighting like kids in a sandbox learn how to

October District Governor Visits

- 4-Milwaukie
- 5-Oregon City
Portland Rotaract
- 6-Creekside
- 10-Portland New Generations
- 11-Portland Pearl
Northeast Portland
- 12-West Linn
- 18-Tigard Breakfast
Salem Sunset
- 20-West Columbia Gorge
Woodburn
- 21-East Salem
- 25-Portland
Willamette Rotaract
- 27-Monmouth/Independence
Pacific University Rotaract

month to newsletter@district5100.org. For upcoming events, please also provide a link where readers can find more information. The newsletter team reserves the right to reformat and edit content to fit.

Find Rotary Stories on Flipboard

Flipboard launched in July 2010 as the world's first social magazine, where content from social networks, publishers, online sources and photo sharing sites could all be accessed in one place. Since its launch the mobile app has won dozens of awards for design and mobile innovation, including iPad app of the year. The service collects content from social media, news feeds, and other websites, presents it in magazine format, and allows users to "flip" through the articles, images and videos being shared. Readers can also save stories into Flipboard Magazines. As of March 2016 there have been 28 million magazines created by users on Flipboard.

Available for mobile devices via all major app stores or at www.flipboard.com, Flipboard is free and localized in more than 20 languages. The company is headquartered in Palo Alto, California with offices in New York, Vancouver and Beijing.

Be sure to add the Rotary Flipboard channel to your app. You can read Rotary stories on Flipboard by [clicking here](#).

have a happy ending.

Hear Ms. Payne speak Saturday, October 15 at 6:30pm at Kings Omelets Restaurant 10711 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220. Suggested \$5 donation is requested. Light refreshments will be available for purchase.

Proceeds benefit NE Portland Rotary Dictionary Project & Birch Community Services. RSVP Name and number of attendees to 503.784.9560

Rotary Celebrates Veterans



November 11th, Veteran's Day, gives us the opportunity to appreciate and acknowledge the sacrifices made by the U.S. Military in defense of our liberty. As Rotarians, we owe and should thank these veterans for our safety, freedom, and way of life.

Clubs are encouraged to honor and thank club members that have served. Also, consider inviting veteran friends, family and neighbors to a club meeting during this week, thereby extending appreciation to them as well. As Rotarians we share the spirit of "Service Above Self" with our military. The invitation demonstrates Rotary's open and welcoming spirit towards all members of our community. Sometimes, a simple invitation can open doors to new members and/or open engagement

opportunities for current members. Let's acknowledge and thank those who have gone into harm's way to preserve our liberty this Veteran's Day.

The Markos Minute

Another great month of Rotary club visits. We really enjoyed our visits to the Eastern side of our district as well as our visits on the Coast. We learned that Rotary clubs should never be judged by size; many small clubs do great things for their communities.

We hope to make some changes to enhance our district's outreach to the clubs that are not able to get to the Portland area for trainings.

The next membership training event (October 1) will be available live on a [YouTube](#) channel. If you can't make it to the training, click here and you can watch it live. This additional training delivery method will allow many more clubs to hear the latest information about membership training. Please let Diane Noriega know that you will be watching remotely by registering on DaCDB and sending her an email. No need to pay the fee if you are watching remotely.

We also had the privilege of meeting the Rotary Friendship Exchange Rotarians from India. It's those events that really put the "International" in Rotary International. Thanks to all the Rotarians and host families that participated in this great Friendship Exchange.

District 5100 Rocks!!!

Tom Markos
2016-2017 District Governor
District 5100



A group of fun and energetic Rotarians from Central East Portland.



Upcoming Events

(click on the event links for underlined items to learn more)

October 1-[District Membership Training](#)

October 24-[World Polio Day](#)

February 4-Pre-PETS @ Clackamas Community College

February 24-26 PETS @ Doubletree SeaTac

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BY JOINING SOME
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DAVID RITTER