



The Trail

Huguenot Trail Rotary Club

August 15, 2018

Coming Events

August

- Aug. 15 Karen Liu
Travis Manion Foundation
- Aug. 22 Bob Shumar, Director
Boys State
- Aug. 29 **SOCIAL AT OUTBACK**
12:30 pm LUNCH
NO FORMAL MEETING
Free Bloomin' Onion
Order lunch from the menu
BRING A FRIEND!

September

- Sept. 9 **Run for Heroes**
2 pm
- Sept. 14 **Food Distribution**
Chesterfield Food Bank
5:30 pm



The Traveling Rotarian found itself this time being read by Linda in front of a Sherman tank on the grounds of the U. S. Military Academy in West Point, NY!

Dr. Bonnie Price, our speaker last week, was warmly greeted by Bryon. She spoke about forensic nursing in Bon Secours hospitals, noting that they investigate and testify in court cases involving human trafficking, child and elder abuse, and workplace and domestic violence. Angie Dempsey, of the Bon Secours Foundation, talked about a transitional house the Foundation has established in partnership with Safe Haven.



RI President Selected for 2020-2021

Sushi Kumar Gupta, of the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest, Delhi, India, is the selection of the nominating committee for president of Rotary International in 2020-2021. He will be declared president-nominee on October 1 if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

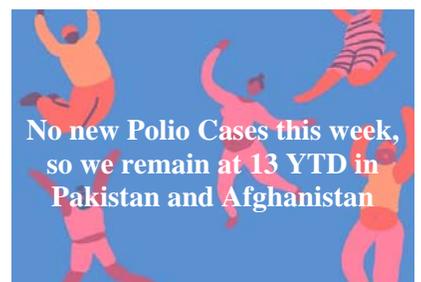
Gupta has been a Rotarian since 1977 and has served in many local, district and international positions. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by the IIS University, Jaipur, in recognition of his contributions to water conservation. He has been recognized by the president of India for distinguished service to tourism and social work. He also has received the Distinguished Service Award from RI. He and his wife, Vinita, are major donors to The Rotary Foundation and are members of the Arch Klumph Society (meaning they have given more than \$250,000 to The Rotary Foundation).

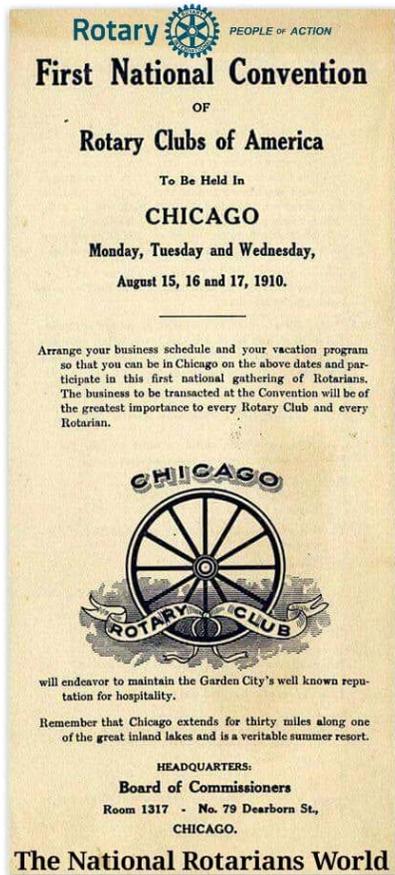
Gupta is chair and managing director of Asian Hotels (West)



Ltd. and owner of Hyatt Regency Mumbai and JW Marriott Hotel New Delhi Aerocity.

Gupta wants to increase Rotary's humanitarian impact as well as the diversity of its membership.





Until the Houston convention in 1914, Rotary had celebrated all its conventions in August. After the convention in Buffalo, 18-21 August 1913, the dates of the Houston convention were changed to 22-26 June 1914. Subsequently, the conventions of San Francisco (1915) and Cincinnati (1916) were celebrated in July. At that point, Rotary established a tradition, programming the convention for a date near the end of the Rotary year, in May or June.

DON'T FOCUS ON GETTING NUMBERS; INSTEAD, START A RELATIONSHIP, TELL YOUR ROTARY STORY AND BY DOING SO YOU INVITE THAT PERSON TO COME ON THE JOURNEY AND BUY INTO THE ROTARY DREAM.

YOU DON'T WANT NUMBERS YOU WANT ROTARIANS!

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World's Greatest Meal Generates \$7 Million

When Susanne Rea became polio chair of District 9550 in Queensland, Australia, she was living a quiet retirement, reading books and gardening.

But as she brainstormed ways to engage her fellow Rotarians in the campaign to end polio, she had an idea and her life changed completely.

In 2014, Rea founded World's Greatest Meal, a program in which Rotarians host meals, anything from two people having lunch together to elaborate gourmet dinners, and ask for donations. WGM started small but has grown enormously and, with matching funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, has raised \$7 million to date. To keep the momentum, Rea reverse-mortgaged her house and embarked on a world tour, speaking, vaccinating and motivating across 32 countries.

She pays her own way, and local Rotarians host her whenever possible. "We raise awareness as well as funds," she said. "I spend a lot of time explaining what goes on in Pakistan with the training of polio workers."

Rea is a childhood polio survivor herself, but she doesn't focus on that. Instead, her motivation is to make an impact during her retirement. Some meals bring a lot of money, she noted, but the number of participants is more important.

"A big donation is wonderful," she said. "But my idea is that it is giving back polio eradication to the ordinary Rotarian, or grassroots Rotarian as I like to call them, because no Rotarian is ordinary."



Polio Crusader, Susanne Rea.

Info for Younger Rotarians

Polio, or poliomyelitis, is a crippling and potentially deadly infectious disease. It is caused by the poliovirus. The virus spreads from person to person and can invade an infected person's brain and spinal cord, causing paralysis (can't move parts of the body).

Most people who get infected with poliovirus (about 72 out of 100) will not have any visible symptoms. About 1 out of 4 people with poliovirus infection will have flu-like symptoms. These symptoms usually last 2 to 5 days then go away on their own.

A smaller proportion of people with poliovirus infection will develop other more serious symptoms that affect the brain and spinal cord:

- Paresthesia (feeling of pins and needles in the legs)
- Meningitis (infection of the covering of the spinal cord and/or brain) occurs in about 1 out of 25 people with poliovirus infection
- Paralysis or weakness in the arms, legs, or both, occurs in about 1 out of 200 people with poliovirus infection

Paralysis is the most severe symptom associated with polio because it can lead to permanent disability and death. Between 2 and 10 out of 100 people who have paralysis from poliovirus infection die because the virus affects the muscles that help them breathe.