

**Eugene Institute 2002
Rotary Zones 23 & 24**

“Peace on Earth”

October 10-13, 2002

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**INSTITUTE OPENING AND PRESENTATION
OF DISTRICT GOVERNORS ELECT**

Thursday, October 10, 2002

6:15 – 8:20PM

MC – Bob Holcomb, PDG

Welcome – Floyd Olson, RID

Announcing DGEs – Paul Netzel, PDG

Keynote Speaker – Ambassador William Luers,

- PDG Bob Holcomb, Corvallis (Dist. 5110) welcomed attendees to Zones 23 & 24 Institute 2002 and introduced the Eugene Symphony Youth Ensemble.

- National Anthem of Nigeria was provided by recording. National Anthems of U.S. and Canada were sung by attendees.

- DGE's of Zones 23 and 24 were presented by PDG Paul Netzel, DGE's, partners and escorts were preceded by:
P.I.P.E. Jonathan and Ade Majiyagbe
Director Floyd and Sandra Olson
R.I.D.E. Ronald and Vicki Beaubien

- Welcome and Greeting by Director and Convener Floyd Olson
Director Floyd welcomed the attendees and related his remarks to this year's international theme of "Sowing the Seeds of Love," by drawing parallels to planting, growing, and nurturing of seeds and the results that Rotarians get from utilizing the seeds of the past and endlessly growing the seeds of the future. He also offered gratitude to those responsible for successful Institute!

- Invocation on the "Opportunities to Serve," offered by Rev. Dan Halvorson

- Dinner Served with Rotary Fellowship in Hilton Eugene and Conference Center Playwrights Hall

- MC Bob Holcomb introduced himself and thanked Chairman Charlie Cole and Committees. He reported that 492 persons were registered and reminded attendees that it was unlikely to rain, but if it does, we could blame R.I.P.P. Cliff Dochterman.

Ambassador William Luers

Topic: "Peace on Earth"

- Keynote Speaker, Ambassador William Luers, was introduced by M.C. Bob Holcomb. He is currently President and CEO of the United Nations Association of the USA. Bob said Mr. Luers would be speaking on "Does the United States have an interest in building international partnerships."

- Former Ambassador to Czechoslovakia and Venezuela William Luers illustrated a long association with Rotary, with having spoken to many Rotary Clubs around the U.S. over many years. The high point of this association was in being made an Honorary Rotarian by R.I.P.P. Frank Devlyn.
- Speaker Luers recognized Rotary for its hallmark program, PolioPlus and said that Rotary has a practical mixture of ideals and practical doing!
- He explained that the United Nations Association started with the United Nations and now has approximately 100 affiliates around the world. He said the U.N. does a poor job of public relations and one of the roles of the U.N. Association is to educate, inform, and advocate for the United Nations. They do this through a number of programs including a curriculum called Global Classrooms, currently in six major cities, teaching children to play-model the U.N., with debate, representation, etc. They hope to expand this to all major cities.
- In answering the question as whether the U.S. has an interest in building partnerships, Ambassador Luers said we can't just go to war to answer all questions. War can lead to consequences that cannot be anticipated. War is hell! So, there is a need for partnerships and we usually want them on our terms. After the cold war, it was unclear as to what black and white could be. We started to think in ambiguities. George Bush, Sr. in 1991 patiently started to build partnerships. He said that whatever one thinks about Bush's domestic policy, his foreign policy was good!
- Now, the younger George Bush is dealing with what the U.N. failed to deal with and the Clinton Administration washed its hands from dealing with Iraq. The President is on track with telling the United Nations that it must act or become irrelevant! His speech did not explain the urgency and he must learn from his father about building partnerships. Ambassador Luers said it could be a profoundly damaging force for the United States and for the United Nations, otherwise.
- How this President directs the idea of partnerships will define how the rest of the world sees us – as bully and a country, who cares little about the rest of the world, or as a partner and leader. We are at a crossroads!
- He added that no matter what evil there is out there, Rotary needs to help our President understand that it is by partnerships around this globe, that miracles can be achieved!
- Ambassador Luers was presented with a crystal Rotary Globe as appreciation for his time with our Rotary Institute.

Friday, October 11, 2002

8:15 – 9:25AM

PLENARY SESSION #1

WELCOME & WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE

MC – Carolyn Schuetz, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – David Horn, PDG

Welcome – Jim Torrey, Mayor, City of Eugene

Speaker - George Buckley, PDG -Topic, “Children of the Castle”

PDG Carolyn Schultz opened the session by stating what a pleasure it was to serve on the Institute Committee. Carolyn also reported that there was a record registration at the Institute. President Elect Jonathan and RID Floyd were introduced with a variety of other Rotary VIPs.

Eugene Mayor Jim Tory spoke about the impact Rotary has had on his community. He specifically mentions the Eugene Rotary Duck Race and the impact the significant funds that are raised each year have on the community. The Mayor reports his first experience with the duck race and the challenge of selecting the winning duck. We learned the phrase “Criss Cross Apple Sauce” as a method to get kindergarten children and Rotarians to sit down and pay attention. The Mayor stated that Eugene is better off because of Rotary.

The keynote speaker George Buckley was introduced as a committed Rotarian who has changed many children’s lives. He spoke about the “Children of the Castle”. He grabbed the audience attention by folding and tearing a newspaper into a Rotary Wheel. When he visited a Rotary sponsored artificial limb centre in Uganda, he was fitted with an artificial leg. Because he has one leg he was able to understand the work Rotary does at the limb centre in Uganda.

The presentation was illustrated with a gripping slide show. The compelling photos of children who George Buckley found in back rooms of asylums in Rumania captured the audience’s attention. He found naked children locked in cages sleeping on the floor. Many of the children have AIDS but this is never reported. One child named Zoltan had a particular impact on George Buckley.

What he found inspired him to take truckloads of goods into the country. This included medicine, food, clothing and toys. He wrote to numerous world leaders including President George Bush, Sr. and received replies. A number of children’s play rooms or stimulation rooms were built for the children. The before and after pictures were remarkable. The children change from stoic looks to smiles.

Many additional projects sprang from his visits. One was the delivery of an inflatable zodiac rescue boat. Desks were built for \$7 each for a school with a \$1000 donation by UK Rotarians.

In Bosnia he found more children in need of assistance. The US army supplied a helicopter and trucks to get aid to the children.

UK Rotarians prepared and shipped 17,000 shoeboxes containing small gifts and personal hygiene items, pens, pencils and small toys to Romania and Bosnia. Recently small homes have been purchased for street children in Romania. For \$12,000 to \$15,000 a home for six or seven children can be purchased. Children as young as 14 found on the street take care of themselves in these homes.

He concluded with the words of President John Adams, “There are only two kinds of people in this world who really count, those who make commitments and those who keep them.” He urged Rotarians to make three commitments. The first to the children of the world who suffer because of war, ignorance, inhumanity and terrorism. The second is to keep our promise to the world’s children and eradicate polio. The third commitment is to increase Rotary’s membership to make the first two commitments possible.

The smiles on the face of the children in the slides told the story and demonstrated the success of the project. He ended by stressing that Rotary does “Bring Peace on Earth”

Friday, October 11, 2002
9:40 – 10:30AM

PLENARY SESSION #2

MC – Stan Dickison

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Speaker – Bob Lovely Zone 23/24 Clean Water Project, Chair

The emphasis was on getting the clubs to unite and commit to clean water projects. If they were unable to establish a project on their own, then a project or projects could be obtained by the clean water chair.

Friday, October, 11, 2002

10:35 –11:20AM

WORKSHOP SESSION

The Secretariat

FACILITATOR: Ivan Cornelius.

Presenter: RI General Secretary Ed Futa.

Assisted by David Bender, RI Fund and James R. Damato, RI Club and District Administration.

Ed opened by saying that “most sessions almost never have time for Q and A’s”. He introduced David and James from the secretariat team and went right on to the Q and A session.

Mark, DG 5160 is very pleased with the service of the secretariat office.

Ed Futa. There are 502 employees at RI of which 25% have been born abroad, and 120 in the international offices. Headquarter is thinking of redoing the Board Room to include soundproof rooms for simultaneous translating.

Q- Conrad von Bibre D5300. Is there a cash crunch?

A. 1) Yes as of June 30, 02 our fiscal year end there was a \$6.7 to 7 million loss. This is only the 2nd time in the last 10 years. Reduced investment revenue not spending was the cause. Spending came in at \$1.2 million under budget, after a \$7 million reduction in the spending budget. If we had closed our books 5 weeks earlier, there would have been a \$22,000 surplus.

2) Dues revenue was less than projected. Last year, we had a big membership increase, but the dues aren’t due until later because they are billed only twice a year.

3) The loss on the Barcelona convention was between \$400,000 and 500,000. We normally carry a \$500,00 reserve for conventions. But after 9/11 we increased it to \$800,000. After 9/11 Spain wouldn’t let in people from some countries. This stopped 4000 that were registered from coming to the convention.

Q. Why are some detailed applications for matching grants being sent back for more information?

A. The Trustees have mandated the forms and they must be filled in correctly in order to keep good records. This is the area of greatest growth and has most of our new employees and they are being trained as fast as possible. The staff is also frustrated with the details. We are working to put the forms on-line so that you can do it there

Q. Jim D5060 would like more articles in the Rotarian on the foundation instead of general interest articles.

- A. The Rotarian is run by committee and to attract advertisers (pays for the cost of the magazine) general interest format is what they want. Keep sending in your stories.
- Q. Len D5280. It takes 3 or 4 days for a call back. Nobody answers the phone.
A. New employees are still in training. Use E-mail, it works.
- Q. Too much is being sent by Fed-Ex.
A. Ed is already looking into it. It will be stopped.
- Q. Jim D5170. We are getting duplicate mail.
A. The duplication of mail is caused by having too many databases. We are currently consolidating them by hand, which will take about 2 years.
- Q. Virginia asked, "Is the Global Quest producing single gender clubs?"
A. There were some in the beginning but is really producing more mixed gender clubs now.
- Q. Some of the new clubs are being formed with foreign languages to the local country. What is the Board policy on this?
A. Don't ask the Board! The spirit of Rotary should be inclusive rather than exclusive. Rotarians who make up must not feel excluded. As they develop, the next generation will cause the melding into a diversified club.
Bill Lane. D5070 has a new Afgan club and the meeting is conducted in mixed languages.
- Q. Lee. D5300 What is the direction in simplifying categories of recognition?
A. It is always under study. Don't use all of the tools to sell. Do your own simplification.
- Q. It is hard to get the contribution reports.
A. We are working to have it available on the web site.
- Q. Linda. Will the secretariat maintain services under a major emergency?
A. Yes through electronic communications. RI has redundancy back up in Zurich and India. We are working for the other 5 to be online.
A seamless flow of information is a dream.. Working on this moving target is very frustrating. In about 2 years we will be getting close, baring any new problems. We are still converting the old software into our coordinated system.
- Q. Matching funds final reports and communications are slow.
A. Now matching grants applications are booming and are over loading the staff, which is causing a big lag time.
- Q. Is the Secretariat under staffed?
A. It is a bureaucracy, which is necessary for efficiency. It is being changed into a service-oriented bureaucracy. We are training the new first time entry-level employees into being truly service oriented

Friday, October 11, 2002
12:15 – 1:45PM

PLENARY SESSION #3

MC – Carole Wylie, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – Mike Merrill, PDG

Entertainment – Violinist Sydnie Yao Reed

Speaker – PRID Bill Ives - “Is there a Rotary Club in this town?”

One of the things that makes Bill’s speaking so great is his manor of presentation. He keeps you on the edge of your seat anticipating his next thought.

He asks someone in a small town is there a Rotary Club in this town. Awaits the answer and if it no, he asks how come into town. Trying to ascertain whether the person might pass a sign saying Rotary meets here.

He goes on to say that Community service is like a Kaliedascope; there are many things that you are able to see that can be done.

Bill recommends that we look for similarities between people rather than differences.

Friday, October 11, 2002

2:00PM

WORKSHOP SESSION

Conflict Resolution

Facilitators: Nancy Peregrine (University of Washington master guidance and counseling)

Jim Hauser (consultant on mediation training, Stanford U.)

When faced with a conflict situation with an individual or a group, it is imperative to take time to get your own emotions under control first, before you act or confront anyone. The first two minutes of confrontation usually determine the resolution possibilities. Aim for problem solving rather than escalating the conflict.

Use “I” statements instead of the accusatory “you”. Ex: “I am disappointed”, “I am upset” and “How can you and I solve this?”

Validate your feelings with the other person by stating “I feel...” Take some responsibility if it applies to the situation such as “I can see my level of supervision was inadequate.”

Listen to the other person quietly and try not to interrupt as they tell their side.

Keep your voice moderate. Try not to raise your voice at any time.

Restate the problem and finally develop a plan together to solve it. Explore several options. If a solution is not becoming apparent, take a break and come together at a future time after you both have had a chance to think about it. Obtain additional necessary information, if applicable. Take small steps to re-establish trust.

Friday, October 11, 2002
6:00 – 9:30PM

REUNION DINNERS

The classes of Governors held receptions and dinners in the hotel and at various other locations.

Saturday, October 12, 2002

8:00 – 9:30AM

Plenary Session #4

MC – John Rasmussen, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – Dick Clarke, PDG

Entertainment – Eugene Symphony Brass Ensemble

Speaker – Virginia Nordby, Rotary Centers for Peace and Conflict Resolution

Meeting opened by MC John Rasmussem (PDG – D5030). John expounded on his version of “The Four Way Test”.

The “Thought for the Day” was given by Dick Clarke (PDG – D5030) who read a poem written by a RYLA student entitled “If You Think You Can –You Can”.

Those in attendance were then entertained by the “Eugene Symphony Brass Ensemble” who received a well-deserved ovation for their outstanding performance.

The Keynote Speaker was Virginia B. Norby (PDG – D6380). The topic of her talk was “The Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution”. Highlights of her talk included:

1. The need for Meditators and Peacebuilders.
2. Rotarians think BIG – Want to help whenever needed.
3. All clubs should promote Peace and Goodwill.
4. Any District can nominate a candidate for selection to the program.
5. Former Ambassadorial Scholars may be nominated and would make excellent candidates.
6. What can Rotary expect from the Rotary World Peace Scholars at the Club, District, Regional and International level?
7. The education of the clubs is paramount to its success.
8. Financial support is needed and ongoing, Major gifts and district DDF is an essential way of supporting the program.

At the conclusion of the talk Virginia received a standing ovation for her OUTSTANDING presentation.

The meeting concluded with “The Rotary Foundation Minute” at which time local Auto Dealer M.Thomas Collier announced he was making a level 5 contribution Foundation”.

Saturday October 12, 2002

9:45 – 10:45AM

WORKSHOP SESSION

Global Quest Update

Facilitator: Roy Massey, PDG .

Because membership growth was the major priority of Immediate Past President Rick King, some impressive gains were made during his year. Global Quest was the vehicle, which yielded approximately 44,000 new members worldwide. Closer to home our two zones produced significant growth: in Zone 23 we had a gain of 4.53% or 27,158 members; in 24, a 6% increase or 30, 160 new Rotarians were added to the rolls.

Facilitator Massey also presented other data which confirmed that Global Quest had "bucked the trend of the last few years of declining membership in clubs and organizations in the USA. He did mention, however, that a large portion of Rotary's growth occurred in the Far East and Southeast Asia.

Global Quest yielded other kinds of information--primarily the need for coordinated reporting systems for such data as membership. The numbers he cited were "best guesses" that could only approximate what's really out there. Specifically, with agreement from many in the audience, district websites need to carry accurate membership data to eliminate the need by RI to add up club numbers. Needless to say, those districts without websites need to create them and incorporate sound reporting systems.

We also need to use our websites not only to improve operating efficiency but also to reinforce our membership effort by stimulating a desire to be a Rotarian by both regular and potential Rotarians. For this the main reasons for leaving Rotary and remedies for them must also be factored into our planning for membership growth.

Massey reminded the attendees that Global Quest was a three-year commitment and we need to follow up this year's achievement with continuing fervor. To relax now and simply admire our achievement may cost us our momentum.

Who is to do all of this? We, the PDGs can do it best , he suggested. Our clubs generally looks us to for leadership. We must "rekindle the fire in our bellies" that made us move ahead and transmit it to potential members as well as to those we need to keep within our ranks.

Saturday, October 12, 2002
10:45 – 11:45

WORKSHOP SESSION
Polio Eradication In India

Al Frumkin, PDG – Facilitator
Deepak Kapur, PDG – Presenter

- GLOBAL POLIO CASES in 2002

Afghanistan	7
India	535
Niger	2
Nigeria	113
Pakistan	45
Somalia	2
Zambia	2
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Total in 7 Countries	706

- STATEWISE POLIO CASES in INDIA – 2002

Bihar	24
Chattisgarh	1
Delhi	7
Gujarat	11
Haryana	4
Jharkhand	8
Madhya Pradesh	1
Maharashtra	3
U.P. (Uttar Pradesh)	445
Uttaranchal	9
W.B. (21 in Murshidabad)	22
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Total	535

- CASES BY SEX

Male – 308	Female – 227
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- CASES BY TYPE

P-1 - 485	P-3 - 50
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- CASES BY RELIGION

Muslims – 356	Hindus – 179
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- 3 LOW TRANSMISSION AREAS LEFT IN WORLD

Horn of Africa	Egypt	Angola
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- 4 HIGH TRANSMISSION AREAS LEFT IN WORLD
 India Pakistan Afghanistan NE Nigeria

- WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?
 Land of Poverty Feudalism Despair Hopelessness
 No toilets or bathrooms
 Sewage and sewerage cross each other
 Crowded conditions
 Homes made of cow dung
 Rumors abound, e.g., Muslims fear polio drops cause impotency and feel polio eradication is a plot by the U. S. to get rid of the Taliban
 Their government is lying about progress
 Children are hidden from health workers, many hidden in piles of cow dung

- WHY POLIO VIRUS CONTINUES TO CIRCULATE IN U.P.
 Low-level involvement and ownership by families
 Failure of immunization teams to correctly identify all eligible children
 Poor or non-existent supervision in many areas
 Conditions greatly favor transmission of wild poliovirus
 Very high population density
 Poor sanitation and hygiene
 Government not totally committed
 Majority of cases in Muslim areas that spread many of the rumors

- It is felt by Kapur that certification by 2005 could be delayed because of the recent outbreak in India, primarily in the States of U.P. (Uttar Pradesh) and Bihar. These states are right next to New Delhi.

- District 5170 was praised for 6-7 camps for N.I.D.

- District 5280 was praised for Polio Corrective Surgery

- Future N.I.D.'s and January 5, 2003 and February 9, 2003

Saturday October 12, 2002
11:45 – 1:00

PLENARY SESSION #5

Saturday Luncheon

MC – Bill Mickelberry, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – John Rasmussen

Entertainment – Langley Uklele Ensemble

Speaker – TRF Trustee, Jose Alfredo Pretoni

Trustee gave a lengthy report on how the foundation is doing in our two zones and around the world.

Saturday, October 12, 2002
6:00 – 9:00PM

DIRECTORS RECEPTION AND BANQUET

MC – Charlie Cole, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – Sandra Olson, First Lady

Entertainment – Eugene Symphony Youth Ensemble

Remarks – Floyd Olson, RID

Speaker – Jonathan Majayagbe, RI President Elect

Master of Ceremonies Charlie Cole, Zone Institute General Chair, opened the Director's Banquet by acknowledging that his district, D5110, earlier in the day had been recognized as the top district in all four categories of The Rotary Foundation giving for Zone 23.

He noted that there had been 512 registrations for this Zone Institute and to the relief of the planning committee "only 30 couldn't find Eugene" and attendance was 482. In addition, for tonight's banquet an additional 160 area Rotarians and guests were in attendance.

Sandra Olson, wife of host R.I. Director Floyd Olson, was introduced and asked to present the Thought for the Evening. She talked about Mattie Stepanek, an 11-year-old who spends his life with a ventilator and a wheelchair, and read his poem, "Pinch of Peace".

Dear God,
Tonight my prayers are for the world.
We have to stop this fighting.
We have to stop the wars.
People need to lay down their weapons,
And find peace in their hearts.
People need to stop arguing and hating.
People need to notice the good things.
People need to remember You, God.
Maybe You could come and
Shoot a little bow-and-arrow pinch
Into all the angry peoples' hearts, God.
Then they would feel You again.
And then they would realize what
They are doing and how horrible the
Killing and hating and fighting is.
And they might even begin to pray.
Then, they could reach in, and

Pull the little bow-and-arrow pinch
Out of their hearts and feel good
And be loving and living people again.
And then,
The world would be at peace, and
The children would be safe, and
The people would be happy and
We could all say ‘thank You’ together.
Amen

Director Sandra Brown Williams and the Eugene Symphony Ensemble presented a very delightful concert. The beautiful smiles and beautiful voices of these performers provided a wonderful musical interlude before dinner. The organization provided us with this description of their concert:

“We welcome you to rainy Eugene. The songs chosen this evening are all about Sowing the Seeds of Love! Like Rotary International, the songs represent different countries and cultures. We will sing about Romantic Love; use an Australian drone combined with the Shaker song, ‘Simple Gifts’, to lead us into the Jamaican challenge that we should ‘Turn the World Around!’ The Buddhist philosophy in ‘Gate, Gate’ is that the suffering will be ‘gone, gone’, as we move from ‘forgetfulness to mindfulness’. We will offer you hope in ‘Somewhere Over the Rainbow’; uplift parental love in the Spanish ‘Amparito’; and end with the thought: ‘whatever we do, we will need to do it together!’”

Following dinner, J. B. Switzer of D5050 encouraged everyone to attend the 94th International Convention in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, on 1-4 June 2003 using an R.I. produced video featuring our President, Bichai Rattakul.

R.I. Director Floyd Olson was then introduced and he thanked the institute planning committee for their superb efforts. He introduced Rotary International President-Elect Jonathan Majiyagbe of Kano, Nigeria. Our 2003-2004 President is a Senior Advocate of Nigeria, is principal counsel in J. B. Majiyagbe & Co., with a wide commercial law practice in Nigeria. Born in Lagos, he is a graduate of the University of London. A Rotarian since 1967, Mr. Majiyagbe is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Kano. He has served R.I. as district governor, International Assembly instructor, committee member, director and trustee of The Rotary Foundation. He is a recipient of The Rotary Foundation Meritorious Service and the Distinguished Service awards. As Chairman of the African Regional PolioPlus Committee and member of the International PolioPlus Committee, Mr. Majiyagbe is dedicated to the global effort to eradicate polio.

Following his formal acknowledgement of all in attendance, he began by telling of another speaker he had recently heard. This gentleman was a graduate of Yale University, and said he would make his remarks around the four letters of his alma mater. “He then proceeded to speak for 15 minutes on Youth, another 15 minutes on Ambition, 15 minutes more on Learning, and concluded with 25 minutes on Education, and all in attendance were so happy he was not a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.”

“Your presence means so much to me,” Mr. Majiyagbe said, “because it demonstrates your commitment to make Rotary stronger. Rotary is a dynamic world movement with creative thinking of men and women. And you should not think that because you are a Past District Governor that your time is in the past; Rotarians will continue to look to your knowledge and experience for guidance and inspiration.” He added that “while PDGs are sometimes thought of as the pillars of our organization, your most important role is as a fellow Rotarian.”

He went on to highlight this by noting that individual Rotarians gather for fellowship and because they believe we can build a better life through Rotary. “This spirit of Rotary has drawn together more than 1.25 million Rotarians into 30,000+ clubs who believe in the idea of service,” Mr. Majiyagbe said. “But the success of Rotary hinges not on these numbers, or our rules and regulations, but on you and me as individuals in our day to day expressions of service.”

In 98 years, he said, we have done much of which we can be proud and have touched the lives of so many the world over. He quoted a United Nations official who, talking about Rotary’s initiation of the Polio eradication effort, said it shows the strength of governments and the tenderness of a parent.

“The chances are we will succeed in PolioPlus,” Mr. Majiyagbe said. He outlined the \$80 million campaign and what it will accomplish. But it will also be a challenge for Rotarians to reach this goal and maintain our support of the Annual Programs Fund. “This is an opportunity for Rotarians to prove we are determined. Sixty percent of today’s Rotarians have joined since our initial PolioPlus fund raising effort in the mid-80’s and we ask them to share in this commitment.”

Speaking to the Institute theme of Peace of Earth, Mr. Majiyagbe highlighted the Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution and said we are training the next generation of diplomats, directors of international agencies and mediators. “Some day countries that need assistance to find peace will ask for Rotary Peace Scholars and not United Nations personnel,” he said, “and we will be proud of what we have put in place.”

“We need to address the idea that the rhetoric of hate drives our lives and address it instead with love, and so I ask you to continue to ‘Sow the Seeds of Love’ as President Bichai Rattakul has asked us to this year. We will not have peace until we can lift those without out of their despair,” he continued.

Speaking to the Global Quest, he said, Rotary needs to increase its membership so that we can put more people on this task of helping others. “The needs of the world are challenging and we need more hands. We give each other courage to see the needs of others, and join together to ease that burden. Service without love is artificial.”

In conclusion, he highlighted the efforts of the Rotarians of District 5110 and their financial support to The Rotary Foundation in 2001-2002. “But,” he added, quoting Dag Hammarskjöld, the late Secretary-General of the United Nations, “You haven’t given enough if there is more to be done.”

He thanked RI Director Floyd Olson for conducting such a successful Institute and then quoted an Old Irish Blessing,

May the Road Rise up to Meet You
May the Wind be Always at Your Back
May the Sun Shine Upon Your Face
The Rains Fall Soft Upon Your Fields
And, Until We Meet Again,
May God Hold You in the Palm of His Hand

Director Floyd Olson returned to the stage to present Mr. Majiyagbe with a gift from the Zone Institute and then asked him to remain on stage with him as they called R.I. General Secretary Ed Futa forward to present him with another diamond in his Foundation pin and the crystal with the dove to signify his most recent gift to The Rotary Foundation.

He turned his attention to the Rotary Peace Centers. The program was a dream, which has become reality. The first class is studying as we meet and will graduate in 2004. Rotary will take the lead in peace making.

“Hunger, sickness and despair are the beginning of disaster.” We need to “Sow the Seeds of Love.”

Jonathan then turned to membership. He said, “Retention is the key to success.” We need to put more men and women on the job. We need to put more Rotary into our members.

Each of us can make a difference. Together we can succeed. People become stronger if they know someone cares.

The timeless principles of Rotary will stand us in good stead. We need backbones, not jawbones. People who do, not just talk.

Giving is what it is all about. The Rotary Foundation thanks all Rotarians for their efforts.

He finished by thanking everyone for coming and for their support.

Sunday, October 13, 2002

8:30AM

FAREWELL BREAKFAST

MC – Ken Bose, PDG

Pianist – Graham Hicks

Thought for the Day – Ron Hart, PDG

Celebration of Life – Jim Mealey, PDG - Harriet Schloer

Zone 23/24 Rotary Institute 2003 Promotion – Paul Netzel, PDG

Summation of Eugene Institute – Ken Bose, PDG

Director's Thank You – Floyd Olson, RID

Eugene Symphony Youth Ensemble – Let There Be Peace On Earth

This closing session was opened with a welcome from M.C. Ken Bose. He expressed that "I hope you have found information at this institute that you can share with others."

Ron Hart's, beautifully presented an inspirational and challenging message. He quoted President Bhichai's statement that Rotarians "need to be more diligent than ever in upholding high business standards in view of recent scandals and corporate greed. I am reminded that death robs us of everything we hold dear—the only thing we can take with us is our integrity and good name. If Rotarians live up to the 4-Way Test, Rotary and our world will be well served".

Jim Mealey, assisted by Harriet Schloer, presented a "*Celebration of Life*", our Memorial and Necrology service which included tribute to the following:

Ed Cadman, Past President 1985-86, D. 5060

Stanley McCaffrey, Past President 1981-82, D. 5130

Fred S. Bartlett, PDG 502, 1987-88

Roy E. Anderson, PDG 5040, 1974-75

William S. Ramsey, PDG 5080, 1971-72

Thomas H. McAllister, PDG 5100, 1980-81

Leslie R. Peake, PDG 5100, 1977-78

Sharon S. Eichelberger, PDG 5110, 1975-76

Harold D. Bostock, PDG 5130, 1948-49 (D. 104)

William A. Jamieson, PDG 5130, 1975-76

Neal Hoffman, PDG 5170, 1998-99

Maurice W. "Mick" Jones, PDG 5190 1976-77

Robert L. Hunt, PDG 5240, 1979-80

Keith O. Burnham, PDG 5320, 1966-67, R.I. Director 1975-76; R.I. Vice President 1976-77

Martin J. Lockney, PDG 5320, 1989-90

Edward M Cleve, PDG 5330, 1986-87

In concluding his presentation Jim Mealey stated when we look at a marker that shows the date of birth, a dash, and the date of death: "What matters most of all is the dash between the years. What matters is how we live and love in that dash".

Colleen Cole, wife of Charlie Cole from Eugene, Oregon, expressed appreciation for the generosity of Rotarians and their spouses who had donated clothing and needed items for the Eugene Mission to help mothers with a babies and infant children.

Paul Netzel, extended a warm, and enthusiastic invitation to the 2003 INSTITUTE IN THE HEART OF ORANGE COUNTY. It will begin with a project fair on Thursday, September 18, 2003, and conclude with a spectacular Aloha Breakfast on Sunday, September 21, 2003. We will gather at the Hilton Costa Mesa Hotel. Director-Elect Ron and Vicki Beaubien extend a warm invitation to all Rotarians with the theme "ROTARY'S SECOND CENTURY CHALLENGE_HOW WILL YOU FIT IN?"

Ken Bose Summed up our 2002 Institute. "For almost 100 years Rotarians have individually and collectively been working to make the world a better place for all people. This has been the emphasis of this Rotary Institute. The theme that Director Floyd Olson has chosen: "PEACE ON EARTH" is central to all that Rotary is about".

Ken's closing comments included: "The Hands that serve speak louder than the lips that preach".

I would remind all of us that:

At the end of life we shall not be asked how much pleasure we had, but how much service we gave. Not how happy we were, but how helpful we were. Not how ambition was gratified, but how in love we served.

He, who would be the greatest among men, let him be the server of all". Chief Justice Hugo Black.

Director Floyd and Sandra Olson complimented Ken on his excellent summary and stated, "This has been an Institute of Peace" and thanked all Rotarians for coming.

Ken Bose presented the Eugene Symphony Youth Ensemble who concluded our Institute with their beautiful music and the finale; "*Let There Be Peace on Earth*".