# D. ADDITIONAL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP - ARTICLE V, SECTION 4

11. Is additional active membership a kind of membership?

No. It is a type of active membership.

12. Does an additional active member have all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of an active member?

Yes, except for the right to propose an additional active member under Section 4 (a).

13. What is meany by "second additional active"?

The common example of additional active membership is someone from the same or competing firm being proposed by the holder of the classification, which is in accordance with Section 4 (a). However, there is also a way for a qualified individual to be an additional active under Section 4 (b) and this is often referred to as "second additional active." Such a member can be proposed by any member with the permission of the holder of the classification. The candidate also must have been a Rotarian in another club who lost active membership after ceasing to be employed in the classification held within that club's territory. This often is used when a Rotarian moves to a new community and the classification is filled and there is already an additional active member under 4 (a). It can also be used when a Rotarian changes jobs and would then be classified differently. In regard to this latter situation, second additional active membership is not allowed in the same club in which a Rotarian was an active member. However, the member could join another club that shares the same territory, Unlike an active member or an additional active member under 4 (a), a second additional active member must have a place of business or residence within the club's territorial limits.

### E. CLASSIFICATIONS - ARTICLE VI

14. What is a classification?

It is a word or phrase that describes the principal and recognised activity of the firm with which an active (including additional active) member is connected - if self-employed, the service provided - or the principal activity of the member.

15. Is there a list of all possible classifications?

No. There has never been a list that was purported to include all possible Rotary classifications nor could there be. Each club decides what classifications are valid within its territory.

16. Is "senior active " or "past service" a classification?

No. They are kinds of Rotary club membership.

17. What is meant by "major and minor classifications"?

It used to be a common practice, which many clubs still use, to give a classification where the first word states the principal field of endeavor and then a word or phrase describing the firm's specialty within the field. For example. "Medicine-Dermatology" would be given to someone who is self-employed or works in a firm that deals solely with treating skin diseases. In many clubs, the classification now used would simply be "Dermatology."

- 18. Can a senior active's former classification be changed if the member changes occupations? No. A former classification is that classification that a Rotarian had upon ceasing to be an active member. It does not change after that.
- 19. What is the appropriate wording of a classification foe a priest in charge of the local Russian Orthodox Church?

"Religion," "Russian Orthodox Churches," "Christianity-Orthodoxy," etc. are all acceptable terminologies for a classification. The exact wording is up to each club, as long as it describes the activity of the institution. Such classifications as "priest," "pastor," "clergy," "minister," etc. are also proper.

20. Is "Mortgage Banking" the appropriate classification for a bank officer in charge of the mortgage department?

Yes. According to an enactment adopted by the 1989 Council on Legislation, this bank officer could hold either the classification of "Mortgage Banking," which describes the member's principal activity, or "Commercial Banking," which describes the principal activity of the member's firm.

# 21. Can more than one classification be created for an extremely large and diverse corporation or institution?

Yes. If a corporation has distinctly separate divisions that act virtually independently of each other, the R.I. Board considers it proper for a club to establish a classification for each such division. For example, a large university contains a school of medicine, a business school and law school. Each school grants its own degrees and sets most of its own policies. It would then be proper for a classification to be established for each school within the university, plus a classification of "University Administration" to be loaned to one of the executives that oversees all of those school. It would not be appropriate for a classification to be established for the various departments within those schools. This example can be applied to conglomerates and other very large corporations, but not to businesses such as a local bank or law firm.

#### 22. What is the "Ten Percent Rule"?

The Board of Directors of R.I. suggests (requires on the charter lists of new clubs) that a club's membership should be balanced, so that no one business interest dominates. Therefore, it established the "10 Percent Rule," which means not more than 10 percent of the classifications in any club should be in any one related field, such as education, law, insurance, government, etc.

### F. PAST SERVICE MEMBERSHIP - ARTICLE V, SECTION 6

### 23. What is the purpose of past service membership?

It provides a way for many active members who retire prior to being qualified for senior active membership to continue their club membership.

### 24. Can past service membership be given to any retired individual?

No. The only people who can be elected to past service membership are former active members who have lost active membership because of retirement or who have lost their classification through no fault of their own and are either 55 years of age or older or have been active members of one of more clubs for three or more years.

# 25. Can a senior active member be elected to past service membership upon retirement? No. A person who becomes senior active can never again be an active or past service member in any Rotary club.

### 26. Can a past service member hold office in the club?

Yes. Past service members have all of the privileges, rights and responsibilities that active members have except that they do not have a classification and cannot propose additional active members under Section 4 (a).

### G. SENIOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP - ARTICLE V, SECTION 5

### 27. Can a person elect not to become senior active?

No. Senior active membership is automatic for all active and past service members that qualify.

Rotary's roots are deep in Vermont's Green Mountain Valley.

# The road to Wallingford



### by Candy Isaac

bit of Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary, lives on in every Rotary club. But perhaps this is most true in Paul's boyhood hometown of Wallingford, a New England village in the beautiful Green Mountains of Vermont, U.S.A. In the same one-room schoolhouse where the young Paul learned to read and write, members of the Rotary Club of Wallingford have been meeting every Monday evening since the club was chartered more than 60 years ago.

James Rustin, Paul's great-grandfather, built the "little red schoolhouse" in 1818. It has since been used as a grammar school, teahouse, grocery store, trade school, and church. In 1928, six Rotarians who were Paul's boyhood friends purchased the property and established the Paul P. Harris Testimonial, Inc. The Wallingford Rotary Club received stewardship of the Paul P. Harris Memorial Building, as it was officially called, in 1948 and club members have since lovingly maintained it in tribute to Paul. For the most part, the responsibility, fiscal and otherwise, is quietly shouldered by the Wallingford

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cooked meal, it lures visiting Rotarians from the next town, and the next continent.

As the late Past District Governor and Wallingford Rotary historian Bill Wedwaldt wrote in an informational pamphlet about the memorial building, "Paul always emphatically asserted that the idea for Rotary was born in the little schoolhouse, his early association with the friendly, helpful people of Wallingford, and the strong influence of his paternal grandparents during his impressionable years. He lived for 18 years in Wallingford and had also inherited his grandfather's 'broad spirit of tolerance' and his grandmother's 'dedicated loving service'—the spirit of Rotary."

In his autobiography, "My Road to Rotary," published posthumously in 1948, Paul Harris wrote: "The genealogy of my contributions to the (Rotary Club) movement goes back to my Valley, the friendliness of its folks, their religious and political tolerance. In a way, the movement

came out of the valley."

Any complete picture of Paul Harris and the beginnings of Rotary must include a look at his years in the Green Mountain Valley. After a visit to Wallingford, it is easy to imagine the young Paul as he vividly described himself in "My Road to Rotary." "What the boy loved, the man loves, and gleanings of the boy shape the course of the man. The boy taught the man the necessity of being tolerant of all forms of religious and political faiths. The boy taught the man of the joys of neighborliness and friendliness and goodwill toward all. It took considerable time for these lessons to sink in—the grown-up boy was too busy having a good time—but I am glad to be able to say that eventually the man took the teachings of the boy seriously and tried to extend them to all men."

Unfortunate circumstances led Paul Harris to New England at the age of three. Serious financial problems forced his parents to send Paul and his five-year-old brother Cecil from their birthplace in Racine, Wisconsin, U.S.A., to live with their paternal grandparents, Howard and Pamela Harris, in Vermont. Paul recalled the summer night in 1871 when he arrived by train in Wallingford with his father and brother. "All was darkness except as it was broken by the flickering light of a lantern held by a tall man I had never seen before. On the delicate film of my consciousness the scene was etched so deep and clear that it cannot be obliterated or dimmed while life lasts. The tall man took my clenched fist in his warm, strong hand. This tall man was my grandfather."

Paul Harris remained in the care of his grandparents throughout his youth. The neighborliness of New England life made a lasting impression on him. During his early days in Chicago, as a struggling young lawyer, he longed for the small-town atmosphere where people knew and helped each other.

"Oh for the green fields of my New England Valley and the voice of a kindly old friend," Paul wrote of that period of his life. "I have made acquaintances (in Chicago) but not real friends.

"The thought persisted that I was experiencing only what had happened to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others in the great city; I was sure that there must be many other young men who had come from farms and small villages to establish themselves in Chicago. In fact, I knew a few. Why not bring them together? If the others were longing for fellowship as I was, something would come of it."

According to Bill Wedwaldt, "The roots of Rotary grow deeply in Wallingford, and the local Rotarians have been charged to preserve forever that hallowed ground by a passage in "My Road to Rotary." '... What has this to do with my New England Valley? Just this: Rotary was born of the spirit of tolerance, goodwill and service, all qualities which characterized New England folk of my boyhood days, and I have tried to interpret, as far as lies within me, that faith to other men.' "

t has been over 100 years since Paul Harris first arrived in Wallingford. A surprising number of things remain the same. His grandparents' house, where he grew up, still stands just two doors down from the little red schoolhouse. The H.H. (for Howard Harris) is dimly readable in the slate roof, and it seems fitting that a member of the Wallingford club lives there. Though the train no longer stops in town, the depot where Paul first arrived in 1871 still stands. It's just down the road from Fox Pond (now called Elfin Lake), once a favorite spot of the young Paul. Wallingford Rotarians fondly recall Paul's 1935 visit to town for the dedication of the Paul P. Harris Memorial Building, and his tour of his boyhood haunts. Addressing a group of Rotary leaders who visited the little red schoolhouse in 1975, Bill Wedwaldt reminisced, "Charter member Harry Townsend accompanied him on his trek. Finally, they arrived at Fox Pond. Paul said, It was from this point that as a boy I used to swim across the pond. I think that I will do it once more.' The more remonstrances that were made, the faster Paul divested himself of his clothes. Finally, Harry said, 'B'God, you're not going alone.' They both swam the half mile across the lake, and while they rested on the rocks, Paul spoke of his boyhood in Wallingford. He was 67 years old at the time."

The Wallingford Rotary Club preserves not only the physical memory of Paul Harris and a link to Rotary's roots, through the caretaking of the schoolhouse and its contents, but it embodies the implementation of his values as ideally as Rotary's founder might have imagined. Combining the New England tradition of fellowship with service, the club is devoted to the welfare of the members of its community. "If somebody needs help, we're there for them. It's not that it's expected, it's just something we want to do," says David Lambert, current club president.

The little red schoolhouse is made available at no charge to non-profit community groups. It is a popular meeting spot and is used for senior citizens' lunches, and meetings of the Boy Scouts, Friends of the Wilder-

ness Society, Quakers, Hunters' Safety, and Weight Watchers. One local couple even used it for their wedding reception. The club welcomes visiting Rotarians to tour the building any day of the week. As Bill Wedwaldt said, "You will receive a friendly, warm welcome along with the fellowship that is Rotary. You will enjoy an outstanding experience in Rotary long to be remembered."

There is no telephone in the little red schoolhouse, because "it isn't a necessary item," says Dave Lambert. And 82-year-old Thelma Perry has been serving her delicious New England-style dinners to the club every Monday night since 1947, with the help of her "girls." Last year she took her first month off in over 40 years.

Wallingford is an example of small-town America at its best. In the spirit of Paul Harris and his New England upbringing, the Wallingford club is an example of Rotary at its best. Its members retain a strong loyalty and commitment to the preservation of Paul Harris's past, on behalf of Rotarians worldwide.

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### A modern 'Tale of Two Cities'

Isao Morioka

In 1943, four years before his death, Paul Harris made his final visit to Wallingford. He brought with him many mementos received during his travels and entrusted these important keepsakes to the care of his friends at the Rotary Club of Wallingford. Of special significance are the original handwritten manuscript of "My Road To Rotary," and a life-size bronze bust of Paul Harris made by Japanese sculptor Isao Morioka, founder of Rittaishashinzo Studios in Tokyo, Japan. The bust was presented to Paul during a trip to Japan in 1935 by Umekichi Yoneyama, the founder of Rotary in Japan. It was thought that this bust was lost, as reported in the April 1990 issue of THE ROTARIAN in "Paul Harris, Lost and Found." But John T. Lyford, past governor of R.I. District 787, along with Rotarians Walter R. Beer, Ir. and Bastian Auer, wrote to THE ROTARIAN—"The living likeness of Rotary's founder is not lost. It presides over the head table in the home of Wallingford Rotary."

he remarkable process of recovering the bust was achieved last October. Kimihiko Morioka, son of Isao, and vice-president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo-Keihin, was so delighted with the news that the original bust still existed that he accepted an invitation to visit Wallingford. He brought with him his father's framed photograph so that, in a symbolic way, his father could "personally" verify that the original bust was still intact.

Speaking briefly to the Wallingford Memorial Rotary Club in English, a language with which Kimihiko is barely acquainted, was a tedious, difficult process for him. His effort was rewarded with a long standing ovation. Morioka says, however, that he is aware that the respectful response to his speech was not for him, but for his father, who risked his life and

liberty in an atmosphere of hostility to everything American in order to preserve the sculptographic films and a duplicate bronze Harris bust during World War II.

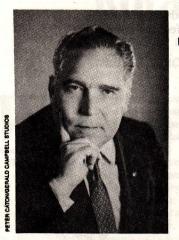
Following Kimihiko's address to the club members, David Lambert, current president of the Wallingford club, read a resolution.

"In recognition of the great honor and privilege our club has enjoyed throughout the years as treasured caretakers of the bust of Paul P. Harris and the revered friendship between Paul and its creator—be it known that today the Wallingford Rotary Club has post-humously awarded to Isao Morioka honorary membership in our club."

Mr. Morioka was fortunate to visit Wallingford during New England's stunningly beautiful autumn. He stressed the parallels between the story of the Harris bust survival and Charles Dickens' "A Tale of Two Cities." In Dickens' classic novel, two men with an uncanny resemblance to each other travel between two cities, one war-torn and one unaffected by the conflict. One sacrifices himself to save the other. In Kimihiko's version, one bust endured war in Tokyo while its look-a-like sat quietly in a beautiful New England valley awaiting a happier, more peaceful world. But the bitter conflict that separated the two countries is over, and these two busts serve now to remind the world's Rotarians never to forget their ideals of fairness, truth, and service above self.



Kimihiko Morioka, vice-president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo-Keihin and son of sculptor Isao Morioka, received a standing ovation when he told the tale of the Paul Harris bust.



# The Spirit of Rotary

The spirit of Rotary is the true essence of this organization. Invisible, intangible and sometimes inexplicable—yet this spirit brings meaning and substance to our organization. It has the power to transform casual contacts into lasting friendships. It changes discord into harmony

and rivalry into understanding. The spirit of Rotary binds us with ties of tolerance and brotherhood, and brings nobility to the daily acts of service that are

the real purpose of our movement.

Rotary does not ask us to be heroes to our fellow men and women. It does not ask that we do the impossible as proof of our willingness to serve. No—Rotary is made up of regular people, everyday people—but people inclined to give of themselves when another might selfishly refuse. By giving a little of their time, a little of their goodwill, of their experience or their knowledge, Rotarians ensure that something gets done to meet the need. And in the process, the spirit of Rotary transforms these small acts of service into exalted missions.

I would like to tell you a story.

As we are all aware, in many Rotary clubs there are those few members who are always making excuses. They say they are very busy or will get to it later,

and try to dodge their share of service.

As a way of awakening the spirit of service in these "armchair" Rotarians, one club set up a committee called the "Once-a-Year Service Committee." Its members were those who consistently avoided getting involved with club projects, and who were willing to commit to just one single act of service in an entire Rotary year.

One day, the club president called one of these members and said to him, "Jack, today is the day for you to perform your one annual service." Jack quickly replied, "But, Mr. President, does it have to be today? I am just so busy!" And then the president explained, "We really are in need of your help. Another member, Dr. Charles, is out in a suburb of the city. He is taking care of a poor woman who is pregnant and about to have her baby. This woman is completely on her own and has her little five-year-old son with her—and there is no one for her to leave him with. Dr. Charles called me to ask for help. Your only duty this year, my dear friend Jack, is to go right away and pick up this child and keep him for a few hours, just until things get back to normal. Please, do your part."

Jack had no alternative; he got in his car and went to the address he had been given. No sooner had he arrived than the boy was whisked into his care, and Dr. Charles was speeding off in the other direction to take the woman to the

hospital.

Jack, with the boy next to him in the passenger seat, turned the wheel of his own car and began driving home. Along the way, he could feel the boy's eyes staring at him. Finally the child asked:

"Mister, are you God?"

Jack was annoyed and answered him gruffly: "Don't talk nonsense, boy. Of course I'm not God."

A few minutes went by, and the boy, unhappy with Jack's answer, asked again: "Are you God?"

"That's ridiculous! What makes you think

I'm God?!"

And the little boy looked at him innocently and said: "Mama was crying and in all kinds of pain, and she said 'In this situation, only God can help us.' You came and you helped us, and so I got to thinking that you must be God."

Those simple words from the little boy's mouth struck silence in Jack's heart and made him realize that sometimes just performing a small service is enough to allow us to fill God's shoes. Ever since then, Jack has never once refused any of the excellent opportunities he has had to serve, to be useful. . . and as a Rotarian, to do something to help his fellow man.

Service brings happiness. Service comforts our souls and enriches our perceptions. As a past president of my club in Santos used to say:

"Service to others is the rent we pay for inhabiting this

Allow me to close with these thoughts, taken from the work of the inspired poet Tagore:

I was sleeping and dreamt

That life was pure joy;

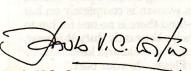
I awakened to see

That life was mere service;

Then I served and I saw

That serving was joy.

This is the soul and the spirit of Rotary, and the soul and the spirit of the *real* Rotarian. So take Service to heart, my friends, and HONOR ROTARY WITH FAITH AND ENTHUSIASM!



Paulo V.C. Costa, President, R.I.

# Rotary's noblest prize

Recipients of the Rotary Award for World Understanding make service to others their ultimate goal.

John Paul II, an English countess, and the developer of the oral polio vaccine have in common?

All are recipients of the Rotary International Award for World Understanding.

These winners may come from different areas and have different experiences and perspectives, but in considering the needs and concerns of the human race, their combined accomplishments make up a most impressive agenda: nutrition, health, compassion, leadership, literacy, and protest against oppression. More than the organization's highest honor, the Rotary Award for World Understanding represents its highest ideal: Service Above Self.

The award was established at the 1980 R.I. Convention in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., at the suggestion of Paulo Costa, now president of R.I. Its crystal flame symbolizes ideal of service, and is given each year to a person or organization whose actions promote international understanding, goodwill, and peace. As part

of their recognition, award winners are asked to select 10 Rotary

Foundation Scholars from developing countries. The scholars they name receive awards to study in fields related to improving the human condition in their home countries.

Over the years, each award winner has been profiled individually in THE ROTARIAN. This year, to mark the 10th anniversary of the first award, your editors are spotlighting



all past recipients to give Rotarians a better understanding of the award's significance and its winners' accomplishments.

-JOSEPH T. AGNEW, FOR THE EDITORS

1981—DR. NOBORU IWAMURA: Dr. Iwamura, who accepted the first Rotary Award for World Understanding award at the R.I. Convention in São Paulo, Brazil, turned his back on a traditional medical career to spend 18 years trekking through mountain villages in Nepal to vaccinate people against tuberculosis. Dr. Iwamura's efforts, which came during a time when the disease had reached epidemic proportions, inspired a movement in his native Japan called Peace, Health, and Human De-



Dr. Noboru Iwamura

velopments (PHD). Under PHD, Japanese Rotarians collected cancelled stamps to raise money for the tuberculosis vaccine. The PHD movement eventually spread through Rotary clubs in Asia, the Pacific Rim countries, then to America and Europe, allowing the vaccine to be sent not only to Nepal, but to other countries in Asia. Besides founding the Nepal TB Association, Dr. Iwamura also worked to improve the nutritional and educational level of the Nepalese.

Dr. Iwamura's motto is "Go to the people; live among the people; learn from the people; plan with the people; work with the people; start with what they know; build on what they have." Today, he is retired and living in Japan with his wife, Fumiko. They are the adoptive parents of 12 Nepalese children—six boys and six girls.

1982—POPE JOHN PAUL II: His Holiness learned from R.I. President Stanley McCaffrey at a private Vatican audience in March that he had won the Rotary World Understanding Award. He acknowledged the honor with characteristic humility and simplicity by saying, "I shall keep working, I shall keep working."

The goal of international understanding based on respect for all persons was one of the themes of Pope John Paul's first encyclical, *Redemptor Hominus*, issued 15 March 1979. The Church's awareness of what redemption teaches about the dignity of men, he wrote, "enables us to approach all cultures, all ideological concepts, all people of goodwill . . . with esteem, respect, and dis-



Pope John Paul II

cernment." Pope John Paul has demonstrated his affection for all people through his global travels, and by using his own prominence as a platform from which to focus world attention on human needs worldwide. The Pope has also endorsed Rotary's Health, Hunger, and Humanity (3-H) program, which was started around the time of the R.I. Convention in Rome in 1979.

1983—DR. LOTTA HITSCHMANOVA: Dr. Hitschmanova, founding director of the Unitarian Service



Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova

Committee (USC) in Ottawa, On., Canada, was honored at the R.I. Convention in Toronto for her 38 years of humanitarian activities worldwide. She received the award from 1982-83 R.I. President Hiroji Mukasa. Dr. Hitschmanova, who died in August 1990, was known and respected internationally for her personal role with USC Canada in providing food, medical care, and self-help projects to developing nations. Founded by Dr. Hitschmanova in 1945 to aid child victims of World War II, USC is a nondenominational agency supported by do-

nations from service clubs like Rotary, as well as from individuals, families, and churches across Canada.

Born in 1909 in Prague, Czechoslovakia, Dr. Hitschmanova left her homeland in 1938 to work among refugees in the south of France until 1942, when she was granted a Canadian visa. She said of the founding of USC: "From the very start, we have shown that a voluntary agency can perform certain functions impossible for governments or large organizations. We have sought areas where solutions to basic problems needed to be worked out through experimental programs, in close coperation with local staff who could best show their own people how to help themselves." In 1983, the year Dr. Hitschmanova was chosen for the award, USC raised more than U.S. \$5 million to fund 211 projects in six countries.

1984—THE WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT (WOSM): Long before Laszlo Nagy, secretary general of WOSM, accepted the award at the Rotary International Convention in Birmingham, England, Rotarians had recognized and supported Scouting as a valuable resource in helping young people develop their



Mexican Boy Scouts assist an R.I. tree-planting ceremony

full potential as productive and responsible adults.

Today, Rotarians remain among the foremost sponsors of scouting, seeing it, like Rotary, as an excellent way to serve others. The Scouting movement was founded in England in 1907 by Robert Baden-Powell and was based on his book, "Scouting for Boys." Rotary participation and support of Scouting was evident as early as 1916, when Rotarians in Edinburgh, Scotland, joined by 100 local Scouts, organized a special Christmas party for children whose fathers were serving in World War I. The Rotary Club of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, U.S.A., organized a Scout troop in its community in 1917. In 1922, the Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines, established a local Scout council.

Today, many of the clubs in Rotary's 172 geographical regions sponsor Scout troops in their communities. Rotarians also support scouting through financial contributions, donations of equipment, and personal participation. Rotary founder Paul P. Harris was himself

a recipient of Scouting's prestigious Silver Buffalo award. His and others efforts represent to a high degree the slogan "Every Rotarian an Example to Youth."

1985—DR. ALBERT SABIN: Dr. Sabin, developer of the oral polio vaccine, accepted Rotary's highest honor and challenged Rotarians to act swiftly to end polio worldwide when he accepted the World Understanding Award at the R.I. Convention in Kansas City, Missouri,



Dr. Albert Sabin

U.S.A. Dr. Sabin was also honored for his untiring work and dedication to improving the lives of people.

Shortly after Dr. Sabin received the award, R.I., through its PolioPlus Campaign, motivated its membership to pledge more than \$230 million to immunize children around the globe against polio by 2005, the year in which Rotary will celebrate its 100th birthday. Dr. Sabin has served as an advisor to the PolioPlus Campaign, but combatting polio is not his only cause. He has also made major research advances against pneumonia, encephalitis, and other diseases. Dr. Sabin is an honorary member of many Rotary clubs in the U.S. and elsewhere.

1986—THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC): For more than 100 years, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) has acted to protect and assist victims of armed conflicts. The Red Cross movement was started in 1859 by Swiss citizen Jean Henry Dunant, who called for the formation of national relief society to help those killed and wounded following the Italian campaign of Garibaldi against the Austrian-Hungarian empire.

During the 20th century, the movement was divided into two entities: The ICRC, which provides food, shelter, and medical relief for victims of international or civil wars, internal troubles, and tensions; and The National Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, both of which provide relief to victims of natural disasters, such as earthquakes and hurricanes.

The ICRC, an independent council of 25 Swiss citizens, has its headquarters in Geneva. The international community has given the ICRC the responsibilities of ensuring that prisoners of war and political



An ICRC nurse assists an Ethiopian refugee in Sudan.

detainees are treated humanely, and to work for the repatriation of prisoners of war who are seriously wounded or ill. The ICRC also spreads knowledge of the basic rules of international humanitarian law, and promotes respect for human life in times of armed conflict. In accepting the award at the R.I. Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A., Harald Schmid de Gruneck, the Red Cross delegate to international organizations, said: "The ICRC must enlist goodwill wherever it is to be found. Above all, the goodwill of individuals such as yourselves, because goodwill begins with you."

1987—THE COUNTESS OF RANFURLY: Lady Hermione Ranfurly received the World Understanding Award at the R.I. Convention in Munich, Germany, in recognition of her longtime commitment to promoting literacy in the developing countries of the world. Lady Ranfurly's interest in this area began in 1953 when her husband, the Earl of Ranfurly, served as governor of the Bahamas. It was there she observed widespread illiteracy in out-island settlements.

Upon returning to London in 1957, the couple cofounded the Ranfurly Library Service, a volunteer agency that collects millions of books in the United Kingdom to distribute in developing nations. Rotarians in R.I.B.I., in conjunction with others in developing nations, have become deeply involved in collecting and distributing books through the Ranfurly Library. During 1987, Rotary volunteers collected and distributed close to 12 million donated books to 114 countries. Lady Ranfurly's library receives 10,000 books a week, which are sorted and inventoried before shipment to countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, and isolated islands in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.



The Countess of Ranfurly, O.B.E.

1988—THE SALVATION ARMY: Commissioner Andrew S. Miller, national commander of The Salvation Army in the U.S.A., accepted the international organization's World Understanding Award at the R.I. convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. The Salvation Army was cited for its commitment to serving people in emergency situations, and its dedication to encouraging the destitute to seek paths to greater dignity.

Founded by William Booth in London's infamous East End slums in 1865, The Salvation Army has operated ongoing humanitarian projects that include drug and alcohol abuse treatment/rehabilitation facilities; residences and programs for the elderly; schools and services for youth; hospitals and clinics; disaster assistance; community development projects; and aid for the destitute.

More than 25,000 officers strong, the Army operates 18,500 centers in 86 countries; these centers are supported by another 41,000 full-time employees. Salvation Army schools provide education for more than 100,000 children. Annually, more than 157,000 inpatients and almost one million outpatients receive medical care in Salvation Army hospitals and clinics. The Salvation Army also annually traces 8,000 missing persons, and provides meals for the homeless.

1989—No award was made this year, during which the nature of the award was re-evaluated.

1990—VAÇLAV HAVEL: For many of the 20 years between 1969 and 1989, repeated imprisonment was the only response playwright Vaçlav Havel received for his written and active support of human rights in



The Salvation Army helps a flood victim in Louisiana, U.S.A.

Communist-controlled Czechoslovakia. Following his country's peaceful seven-month transition to democratic rule in late 1989-1990—a time which also saw Rotary's re-entry into several Eastern European countries—he was named acting (and later elected) president of the new Czech and Slovak Federative Republic. President Havel's brother, Ivan, traveled to the R.I. Convention in Portland,



Vaclav Havel

Oregon, to accept the award for him. Ivan read a statement from his brother, in which Vaclav said, "I was touched to receive this distinction, not only as a recognition of my part in the victorious, peaceful revolt of our people against the totalitarian regime, but also as a reminder of the credit to my father, an active Rotarian and the last pre-war president of the Rotary Club of Praha (Prague) [1937-38]... The fact that your convention has brought together delegates from all continents is an eloquent testimony to the democratic and humanistic values of the societies in which Rotary clubs operate."

As men and women and institutions of goodwill continue to make outstanding contributions in the interest of humanity and world peace, Rotary will seek them out to bestow this its highest award and rank them in its distinguished Hall of Honor.

### Pick-A-Project

#### A special kind of park: fun-filled, barrier-free

BY WILLIAM RAMSEY

It started as a dream, as so many worthwhile projects do. It was the vision of three Omaha men who had a special concern and empathy for

disabled people.

They had observed that every playground isn't for all children. While most children ran through and participated in the fun of playgrounds, special children—those with disabilities—sat on the sidelines and watched the laughter and excitement with a sense of longing. They, too, wanted to know the swoop of a swing and the whirl of a

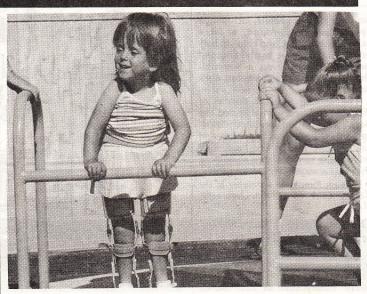
merry-go-round.

Those were the factors that prompted Joe Pernicone, then of the Rotary Club of Omaha, himself the father of a child with a disability, and two members of the American Society of Landscape Architects, to plan a park without the barriers of regular recreational equipment. Such a park would open a door for children with physical and mental disabilities to enjoy the simple but elusive pleasures of something many others take for granted. Although it would serve others as well as the disabled, if would be the first barrier-free park in the United States. The project would take eight years.

In typical Rotary fashion, the objective was set, the plan was formulated and the team was organized. The landscape architects served as design consultants; the city of Omaha donated the property, with a pledge to maintain it; and the Rotary club took on the task of raising the more than U.S. \$500,000 needed to finance it. (More than \$200,000 was available through gifts in kind.)

The finished project, called Pipal Park, includes a garden, an amphitheater, and a picnic area with tables and barbecue grills completely accessible to disabled people.

But the highlight of the park is the main play area, which features both regular and wheelchair-accessible swings and therapeutic equipment



For the first time, disabled children can enjoy merry-go-rounds and other playground equipment built especially for them, thanks to the Rotary Club of Omaha, Nebraska, U.S.A., and other benefactors.



This specially designed swing brings joy into the lives of the many disabled people who daily visit barrier-free Pipal Park.

for both kids and adults, including a special merry-go-round, a large raised area of sand, and chin-up bars and hand rings at many different heights. There's even a waterfall that people in wheelchairs can duck under.

The smiling faces of dozens of disabled children who attended the park's dedication ceremony mirrored their feelings of happiness and anticipation; for the first time, they were going to experience something that was always reserved for others.

• William Ramsey is a member of the Rotary Club of Omaha, Nebraska, U.S.A.

# Disney World dreams come true for disabled

Another Rotary club has also found a unique way to help the disabled enjoy a park.

The Rotary Club of Lake Buena Vista, Florida, U.S.A., has a world-famous neighbor: Walt Disney World theme park. About 13 years ago, a member of the club observed that daily, hundreds of visitors come into the park, purchase World Passports good for three or four days—and leave the area without taking full advantage of all that time.

The member suggested that those visitors who had purchased the book of tickets, but not used them all, could donate the unused tickets to the area's mentally or physically disabled children and adults. These people otherwise might not be able to get a chance to enjoy a visit to the park.

By getting the word out via other Rotary clubs, and by using a ticket dropoff box in a Disney Village hotel, the club has expanded the project to helping disadvantaged groups and individuals from all over the United States and Europe. Underprivileged and terminally ill children also can now enjoy a visit to the park, thanks to the ticket donations. Project chairman Philip Wright estimates that U.S. \$10,000 worth of World Passports are donated each year.

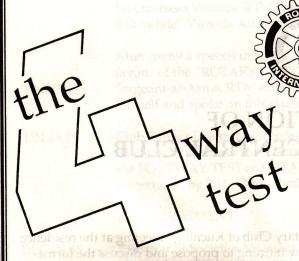
The Lake Buena Vista club is the only non-profit organization allowed by Disney World to function within the borders of the 27,000-acre compound, proudly notes Harold Davis, a club past president who works at the theme park.



"Your honor, before I give the verdict, I'd like to read a little haiku we wrote about Spring and serving on jury duty."



"Many of us at the office, Martin, feel you are taking advantage of your coffee breaks."



# OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRINEDSHIP?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# DECLARATION OF ROTARIANS IN BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:- 2 years and representation and the second of the second of

- Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
- 2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation.
- 3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation; a tomor and all short surface and believe and all short surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces and all short surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces are surfaces are surfaces and all short surfaces are s
- 4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
- 5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
- 6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
- 7. Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession; State 200 of the name of the public concerning my
- 8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.



### FORMATION OF OUR KUCHING CENTRAL CLUB

#### CREATION

AUG 05,85 – The Board of Directors of the "Rotary Club of Kuching" meeting at the residence of President John Chin (85/86) saw it fitting to propose and discuss the formation of a new Rotary Club in Kuching in conjunction with its Golden Jubliee (50 years) celebration in 1986. Meeting agreed that this task be undertaken by PP Lt Col Devan Pilai and PP Dr. Ong Shak Foo.

#### **FORMATION**

- APR 25,86 1st Interest Meeting for the formation of a "New" Rotary Club in Kuching held on Friday 5:30 PM at the Mulu Room, Holiday Inn Kuching organised by President John Chin (85/86), PP Lt Col Devan Pilai and Secretary Joseph Lim and attended by upcoming citizens from various walks of life in the State Capital.
- MAY 02,86 2nd Interest Meeting also at the Holiday Inn Kuching elected the PRO-TEM COMMITTEE of the PROVISIONAL CLUB.
- MAY 09,86 3rd Interest Meeting elected Mr. Chua Teck Kheng, Senior Agriculture Economist attached to the Agriculture Dept Sarawak President of the new Club.
  - Members voted for the weekly fellowship to be held on every Thursday 5:30 PM
  - The proposed name chosen was the "Rotary Club of Bandar Kuching"

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- MAY 12,86 1st Board of Directors' Meeting of the new club was held at the Army Officers' Mess at Reservoir Road, Kuching attended by Club Advisors: IPP John Chin (85.86) PP Lt Col Devan Pilai and PP Dr. Ong Shak Foo.
  - Meeting was informed that the Sponsoring Club "Rotary Club of Kuching" was generally not in favour of the proposed name as it may lead to membership confusion and it was agreed that the choice of a new name be left to the members' during the next weekly Meeting.
- MAY 15,86 1st Weekly Meeting to be held on Thursday 5:30 PM

- 1st Overseas Visitors: RTN Reg Stokes and Ann from the "Rotary Club of Bairnsdale" Victoria Australia who also presented their club Banner to the Club.
- After many a speech in support of this or that name, the majority voted in favour of the "ROTARY CLUB OF KUCHING CENTRAL", (PROVISIONAL)

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- JUN 05,86 Sergeant-at-Arms, RTN Ang Khim Hwa was the 1st member to introduce himself and spoke on this classification Mathematics Education.
- JUN 19,86 Club Banner Design incorporating the historic Borneo High Court House in Kuching by virtue of its "Central" location and symbolising the first 2 tenets of the FOURWAY TEST of ROTARY: the Pursuit of TRUTH and FAIRNESS to be undertaken by RTN Odita Ibrahim.

#### ESTABLISHMENT

- DEC 09,86 Registrar of Societies Malaysia issued Certificate of Registration No. 103/86 (Sarawak) Official Recognition of our Club by the Government.
- DEC 23,86 Charter of our Club Formal Recognition of our Club by Rotary International.
  - 65th Club in District 330.
- FEB 20,87 1st Press Report of our Club appeared in the Sarawak Tribune together with a Press Picture of our Charter President.
- MAR 28,87 1st Ladies Night at the Residence of the Charter Secretary RTN Michael Hii.
- APR 20,87 P.O. Box 641 allocated to our Club by the General Post Office Kuching.
- MAY 09,87 1st weekly fellowship to be held on Saturday 1:00 PM at the Holiday Inn Kuching.

List of Past Presidents

CPChala Teck Kheng

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IUN 26,87 - CHARTER INSTALLATION.



# Rotary Club of Kuching Central Chartered Members 1986/1987

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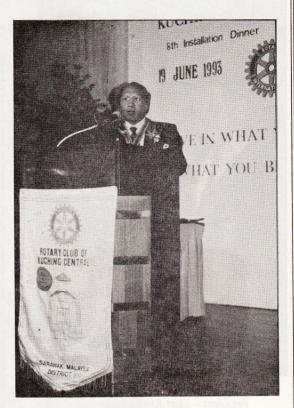
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1986/1987	CP Chua Teck Kheng	Chartered President
1987/1988	PP Chieng Lee Ching	
1988/1989	PP Jacob Dungau Sagan	
1989/1990	PP James Hii	
1990/1991	PP Frankie Yang	
1991/1992	PP Odita Ibrahim	
1992/1993	PP Loa Djin Liang (Left	in February 1993)
	Acting President Ee Gua	an Teck
1993/1994	IPP Dr. Samuel Kiyui	

### **8 INSTALLATION NIGHT**



D.G. Representative PP Patrick Panei installing the 8th President Rtn. Dr. Samuel Kiyui



Delivering his presidential speech



The Club Secretary Rtn. Kho Ping

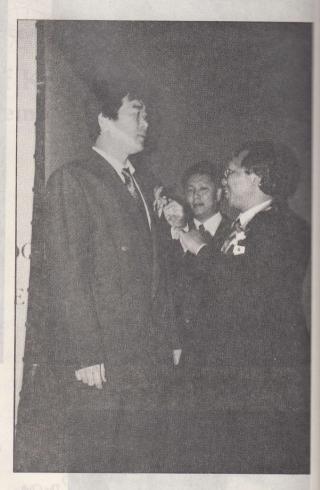


Vice President Rtn. Wilford Teo

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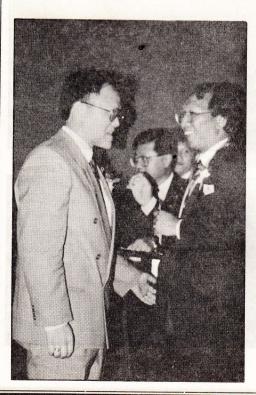
Treasurer Rtn. Philip Tang



Rtn Hamzah Sergeant-at-Arms



Community Service Director Rtn Chin Chia Chau



Youth Service Director Rtn Aw Tai Hui





### COMMUNITY SERVICE Presentation of Used Clothings

On 24 June, the President, Dr. Samuel Kiyui, together with some members of the Club attended a tea reception at Telan Usan where they were introduced to 4 Penan Ketua Kampongs from the Sg. Silat, Upper Baram. The Penans were on a brief visit to Kuching at the invitation of PP Datuk Stephen Wan Ulok.

Over a period of 2 days, calls were made to some members and friends for used clothings and a total of 8 large boxes were collected. These clothing, which will benefit some 700 Penans from 4 longhouses, were presented to the Penan leaders during the tea reception.

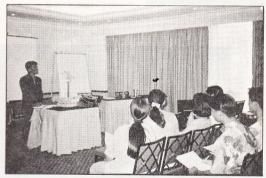
This very generous gesture received from Club members and friends is very much appreciated. The Club would also like to record it's gratitude and thanks to PP Datuk Stephen Wan Ulok for organising the Penan's visit as well as PP Jacob Sagn, PP Odita Ibrahim and Rtn Wilford Teo for their presence and assistance at the handing over ceremony.





### YOUTH SERVICE

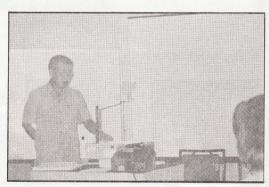
Leadership Training for both Kuching High & Tun Abang Hj Openg School Interactors



Presentation by PP Odita Ibrahim



By CP Chua Teck Kheng



By PP James Hii



Interactor Introducing herself

# CLUB VISITORS AT LUNCHEON MEETING





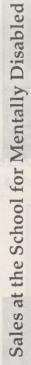
Representative Interactor from Kuching High



Demonstration on "Mouth to Mouth" Life Saving











# District Governor's Visit

# **Visitors From Sister Clubs**

Rotary Club of Queenstown, Singapore

Rotary Club of Chia Yi West, Taiwan











