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HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROTARY- 100 YEARS OF SERVICE & SUCCESS



Yes Rotary is now a Centurion organization created in February 1905 by a group of dedicated businessmen. Chicago is the home of Rotary International R.I. and that is where, from June 18 to 22, we will celebrate that phenomenal accomplishment. Rotary started with one club in one city and has now grown to more than 32,000 clubs in 166 countries.

R.I. predicts over 50,00 Rotarians and their guests will attend this spectacular event in the Chicago Convention Center. The I.F.S.R. along with the Inter-American Region will be very active during the convention. To highlight a few there will be a major size parade on Saturday, June 18th. Scouts will be in full uniform and you can march with them. For particulars contact **John Marmet** at: gmarmet@aol.com

There will be seating at the Tuesday evening, June 21st FELLOWSHIP DINNER & DANCE. Seating will be limited and tickets are \$50 each. If interested contact **N. L. "Bud" Allison** at: ifsrna@prodigy.net

This is formal notice that IFSR will hold its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 22nd from 7:30am to 9:am in **Room N228** in McCormack Center. IFSR members and prospective members are invited. The important business of the Fellowship and annual elections will be

part of the agenda. World Chair **David A. Judge** will be presiding. To contact his email address is: david.a.judge@virgin.net

The IFSR and IAR will have a display booth (stand) in the exhibit hall and volunteers are needed to serve in the booth greeting visitors. If possible, Scout uniform is desired during the hours you work the booth. **Jim Miller** and **Bari Saunders** are handling the decorations. To volunteer to help for a few hours during the convention contact : **Randy Seefeldt** at randyseefeldt@sbcglobal.net

The picture shown here is our booth last year:



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New Address

The postal address of the World Scout Bureau has changed: Now World Scout Bureau, Rue du Pre-Jerome 5, P.O. Box 91, CH-1211 Geneva 4 Plainpalais.

Chairman's Column:***IFSR World Chairman's Parting Message***

IFSR Scouting Rotarians is a Great Fellowship which is underused by many of us. Through IFSR we have the opportunity to repay Scouting for much of what we initially learnt as youngsters about "Service to Others".

I shall shortly complete three years as IFSR World Chairman, a term of office Christine and I have thoroughly enjoyed together. We have aimed to put back our efforts in appreciation of the memorable times we had in Guiding and Scouting.

One of our hobbies is traveling together around the world. As we traveled we tried to promote and encourage Scouting Rotarians wherever we visited. There have been very prestigious highlights like being the only "Brits" in the Golden Royal Pavilion at the opening of the World Scout Jamboree in Thailand by The Crown Prince of Thailand.

Also the award in The 2004 Birthday Honours list of Queen Elizabeth II, of the MBE, with the London Gazette publishing a rare triple



citation- "MBE to David A. Judge for services to Rotary International, Scouting Worldwide and the community of Essex". Followed by the Investiture by Prince Charles, wearing the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet. I wore my Sea Scout Uniform.

On a more personal, but highly satisfying level we "discovered" a Scout Troop of just 10 Scouts run by a 14 year old at Joe Homan's Boys Town in Southern India and were able to personally support them. This small Troop encouraged the many thousands of pilgrims on a pilgrimage who passed The Boys Town to hand over their plastic bags for recycling in exchange for a strong biodegradable paper bag. The Scouts raised funds and sponsorship to distribute 10,000 paper bags and collected more plastic bags for recycling and not polluting the countryside.

Additional to these events has been so very many more where we have been so lucky to meet and be hosted by wonderful Scouting Rotarians around the world. Please, all IFSR members "Be Prepared to put Service Above Self" and get active in this wonderful International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

David and Christine Judge

Plan Now for the 2007 World Jamboree

Each member needs to NOW get their District or District Governor to begin planning and promoting and support funding of the Centennial Scout Project for the World Jamboree in 2007. This project can have a big impact on the Rotary-Scouting relationships. For further information, contact the IFSR Chairman, **David A. Judge** at david.a.judge@virgin.net.

Our World Officers

World Chair: **David A. Judge** david.a.judge@virgin.net
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Check Your Mailing Label

Your Label will show your current dues status. Any delinquent members at year's end will have their membership dropped for non-payment. Please stay current. We value your participation!

IFSR Comes to Lebanon

By **Fahed Assaf** Assistant Governor

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those persons who made this become a reality! It all started with an idea at the Rotary Leadership Institute when Lebanon Division Chairman, PADG **Michael Jaxsar** asked me as a founding member of the RLI-LD, and as a Scout's leader to arrange at the coming spring seminar for all Rotary Clubs in Lebanon the opportunity to learn about Scouting.

From that start, I contacted IFSR leaders and on September 7, 2004, I received the appointment from PDG **David A. Judge** of D1240 the IFSR World Chairman, to start establishing the IFSR in the region and in D2450 in specific. On October 19, 2004 District 2450 Governor **Mounir Sabet** gave his approval and blessing in starting the IFSR in our area. From there it then became a reality. We need to also thank **N. L. 'Bud' Allison**, IFSR World Treasurer, a great supporter of what we were attempting who provided me with specifics on how to proceed. Our thanks to Chief **Roukoz Kassis**- Chairman of the Lebanese Scouts Federation for his help and participation in the forthcoming 2005 seminar which will be held this Spring. We look forward to being a valued member of the international IFSR family of Scouting Rotarians.

IFSR Constitution Fine Tuned in Chicago

By Brian Theissen

It is less than 14 years since the first IFSR members to be gathered in Mexico City for the RI Convention to get our Fellowship underway. With a sketchy Constitution that allowed us to begin our operation. Over those years we have grown from a handful of Rotarians who also loved Scouting to a over 900 international Rotary Fellowship with members in 41 countries, in 49 of the 50 United States, on all continents except Antarctica and leadership anxious to maintain and strengthen Rotary's relationship with Boy and Girl Scouting around the world.

Since that time we have glued on some pieces here and there. A comprehensive analysis in 2004 with the input from RI'S Fellowship Committee (our own **Marcus Crotts** is one of its guru's) and its specific requirements that were not always complied with in our old document.

After asking for comments and suggestions in the October 2004 issue of the Scouting Rotarian, the study group developed a new proposed Constitution. It has been circulated among the IFSR leadership and will formally be submitted for approval at our next Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 22 June at 7:30am in room number **North 228** in the McCormack Center, at the 100th Anniversary Convention in Chicago.

Changes are not dramatic but more for fine tuning... Some of which include:

- *Expressly including in our Aim the strengthening of relations with not just WOSM but with WAGGGS as well.

- *Modifying dues and membership to conform to RI Fellowship requirements that the only full members are Rotarians; "Associates" may be non-Rotarian IFSR supporters.

- *Outlining our organizational structure with the six IFSR World Regions, but Sections and Districts in smaller groups to organize and participate in more local IFSR events.

- *Clearer definition of officer rules, requirements, terms, and reporting responsibilities – worldwide and within Regions and Zones.

- *Recognitions available within IFSR including the **Silver Wheel** the top award recognition.

- *IFSR participation/booths at Jamborees as well as Rotary International events.

- *Publications and web site (do I hear you volunteering to help on this?)

- *Meetings at International and Regional/Section levels.

- *Elections considerations.

We look forward to this update of the Constitution and your active voice in reviewing and approving it to bring us current with RI and our leadership needs!

A copy of the proposed Constitution with revisions can be obtained from me (BDTAlamo@padbell.net) in WordPerfect or by mail at P. O. Box 1242, Alamo, California 94507 (phone 925 837 3355; fax 925 837 3352).

RIBI Breakfast in Chicago

All RIBI members and guests are invited to our breakfast on Monday, June 20th at 7:30am at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Hotel. Cost L20 each. Invite your Rotary friends and guests. Apply to you District Convention Coordinator or directly to District Governor Himansu Basu, district 1120.

Join the Chicago Centennial Day Parade

This is an invitation to all who are coming to Chicago for the Convention to join local Scouts, etc. in the gigantic parade and march with other IFSR members by contacting **John Marmet**. 2005 marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the international service organization, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, in Chicago, Illinois. Rotary exists in over 120 countries today, from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, living up to its motto: **Service Above Self**. Scouting (founded 95 years ago) and Rotary have had a long association with Rotary being the first service organization to sponsor a Boy Scout Troop.

This year, in Chicago, 70,000 Rotarians and their families will converge on Chicago's McCormick Place to hold their International Convention. On Saturday, June 18, 2005 Chicago will hold a Rotary Parade in downtown Chicago celebrating that event and **YOU AND YOUR SCOUTS ARE INVITED**.

A special marching unit has been arranged to take part in the parade composed of Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Explorers, from the six Boy Scout Councils in the Chicago area, as well as Girl Scouts and Scout Leader Rotarians from all over the world.

Join us for this once in a lifetime experience as Rotary International celebrates its 100th year. Remember there is not a whole lot of difference between "Service above Self" and "Do a Good Turn Daily". To join us contact our Rotary Centennial Parade Coordinator, Scouter **John Marmet** of the Northeast Illinois Council.

On June 18th 2005 your Scouts will be asked to assemble at 6:00 am. The parade will step off at 10:00 am sharp. Have your Scouts in best parade uniforms to march in honor of Rotary's 100th anniversary. While the Scouts and their leaders will be from the greater Chicago area, adult Scouters in uniform from anywhere in the world attending the Rotary Convention are invited to participate as well. Details about the assembly point will be sent to all who have expressed an interest when that information becomes available.

Contact our coordinator John Marmet by email at: gmar-met@aol.com or by mail at 950 Milwaukee Avenue, #318, Glenview, IL. 60025-3779. Indicate type of Pack, Troop, Crew, etc. listing the number of Scouts and Scouters in uniform that will march. Advise who is the contact person, address, telephone number and email address. Individual adult Scouters wishing to participate should provide the same contact information. This is a unique opportunity to showcase Scouting to Rotarians and Chicago area parade watchers.

New Documents on the Internet

Jamboree on the air- Report of the 47th (2004) World Scout Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) and the Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI). (3.3mb) <http://www.scout.org.wse/jotaA/wjr04.pdf>

Youth Involvement at World Level, Circular 3, January 2005. http://www.scout.org/front/docs/c502youthinv_e.pdf

Statement on HIV/AIDS-Programmes by the Alliance of Youth CEOs. http://www.scout.org/front/docs/050/aids_e.pdf

Scouting Rotarians in Action

Dalai Lama headlines centennial event of India club. The internationally revered Buddhist monk, Tibetan leader, and Nobel Peace Prize laureate spoke at the Rotary Club of Bangalore Midtown, Karnataka, India meeting. He highlighted the service Rotary provides to society, and the help they provide to the needy. District 3190 Governor **S. R. Yogananda** presented the welcoming address and club President **Kiran Boal** made the introduction of the Dalai Lama to the group.

Centennial Scouts Program Underway

Rotary District 5160 in California, has just announced its support for the Centennial Scout Project. The district has agreed to provide \$9,000 towards sponsoring two Scouts to attend the World Jamboree which will be held in England and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of World Scouting. This Rotary District will be led by District Governor-elect **Brian Thiessen**, a life member and past Interamerican Chairman of IFSR.

All Rotary Districts world wide should support this Centennial Scout Project

This project is designed to bring a local member of the Boy Scouts in that Rotary District and a Scout from one of the "third world" countries together in Friendship and Brotherhood. It is, also, designed to give them a chance to "meet" via the internet or by other means prior to the Jamboree in order to establish a relationship before they meet in England to enjoy camping together as friends. (WOSM will provide the local Rotary Districts with the selected "third world country" Scout or assist in helping make arrangements for the Scout once a Rotary District is identified as participating).

This is a most worthwhile project and directly affects local Scouting as well as all Scout Associations. Locally IFSR members can be the catalyst to see the process happens, help raise awareness and funds to make it happen.

Recognitions of Members

We want to pay tribute to the many members who are making contributions within and without of Scouting. The only way we can learn about these is for each one to inform the editor as they occur. We will salute those we hear about from time to time.

Recent recognitions were afforded to: **David A. Judge**, World Chairman by receiving the MBE (Member of the British Empire) from Queen Elizabeth II (see page 5), **Richard Burdick**, International Commissioner of the BSA received the Youth of Americas Award from the Interamerican Region of WOSM and the Bronze Wolf, highest award given by the World Committee of WOSM; **Jorgen Rasmussen** from Denmark on being Knighted by the Queen; **Dr. Bruce Trefz**, President of the Piedmont Council in Gastonia, NC who served as Chairman for the Philmont International Conference; **Luis Sabater** from the Dominican Republic was recently elected to the Interamerican Regional Committee; **N. L. (Bud) Allison** was presented with the outstanding Masonic-Scouting Community Service Award.

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The Cliff Dochterman Community Service Award of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians (IFSR) To Be Launched at the Chicago Convention



This award is an honor available to recognize members of a Rotary club who act as role models and provide dedicated service to youth through the Rotarian's service in the Boy Scouts of America or Girl Scouts of the USA or other recognized Scouting or Guiding Association. The nominee must be a Rotarian in good standing, nominated by a local Rotary Club. No more than one award may be presented by a local club per Rotary year, except that where a Rotary Club exceeds 50 members, one award may be given for each 50 members per year.

The award is presented to a qualified Rotarian who is currently a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America or Girl Scouts of the USA or other recognized Scouting or Guiding Association, who has displayed excellent service and outstanding dedication to the program of the youth organization through: 1) contributing to the development of the character of the members of that organization; 2) assisting Rotary clubs in forming units; 3) exemplifying the 4-Way Test; 4) recruiting volunteers for the Boy Scouts of America or Girl Scouts of the USA or other Scouting association; and 5) strengthening the relationship between Rotary and that country's recognized Scouting or Guiding Association.

Work accomplishment and dedication, rather than a specific number of years in Scouting or Rotary, will be the major criteria for this award. The official nomination form (currently from the IFSR Chair **David A. Judge** email David.a.judge@virgin.net) must be used and approved by: the Local or National Council of the youth organization, (indicating that the candidate is currently registered and active in the organization or has contributed significant service in the past, even if not currently registered) and the President of the candidate's Rotary Club.

The application and a check in the amount to cover the cost of the award shall be sent to the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians for final approval and issuance of the Award. The award will consist of a Certificate, appropriate medal to be developed, and uniform insignia as may be approved by that local Scouting or Guiding organization (for Boy Scouts of America it is the Community Service Award's square knot). The recognition is not available at this time but should be available by October 2005. For further information beginning July 1, 2005 contact **N. L. "Bud" Allison** at email ifsrna@prodigy.net

Prince Charles Invests David A. Judge MBE



On the 15th of October at Buckingham Palace, Prince Charles invested David with the Order of the MBE (Member of the British Empire). Prince Charles chatted with David for several minutes and recalled previous meetings they had. Accompanying David were his wife Christine, her younger son Martin and David's daughter Christine.

Following the investiture, Colchester Member of Parliament Bob Russell hosted the family, including daughter Christine's husband Bill, to lunch at The Palace of Westminster. Bob is a personal friend of David and Christine and a great supporter of Scouting. David described it as "a truly memorable day"

While watching , the Royal Wedding of Prince Charles and Camilla, on TV recently, David and Christine recognized several members of the Royal Household (Officers) who they met when they were at Buckingham Palace.

and Rotary cooperation. These are to consist of photos of Scouting events, and local stories regarding both Rotary and Scouting.

A new recognition program is to be used by Rotary clubs. The Cliff Dochterman Community Service Award recognizes Scouters in Rotary that have provided exemplary service to Scouting. Particulars will soon be available. The local Rotary or District Governor presents the award. It includes a medalion and a Scouters knot for the uniform. The IAR and the IFSR Secretaries will have application forms and rules once final arrangements have been completed.

The group was invited to have lunch with the Houston council's Wood Badge training troops and leaders preparing for the up-coming Wood Badge Courses (3) to be held in the Sam Houston Area Council during the next few months.



Group Photo of Attendees

A new flyer called "Rotary and Scouting" now available through the National BSA Relationships Office was distributed. This was developed for use with units in the Boy Scouts of America and copies may be obtained by local Scout councils through the Relationships Division in Irving (PO Box 152079, Irving, TX. 75015-2079.)

IFSR and IAR Meet in Houston

A joint Committee's meeting was held at the new Scout Service Center in mid January. Presiding was IFSR World Chair **David A. Judge**. Chairing the IAR portion of the meeting was IAR's Chair **Bari Saunders**. Discussion topics included Scouting's role at the Rotary Centennial Convention in Chicago this June. IFSR and IAR will have its booth/stand in the exhibit area. Chairman Saunders discussed the Centennial Parade and related events. Chairman Judge gave an overview of IFSR activities, support of the Brownsea Island project, the World Jamboree goal of 2 Scouts from each Rotary district (District clubs financially support one Scout from their District and one from a third World country chosen by the World Scout Organization (WOSM). Also attendees were urged to make use of displays that would tell the Story of Scouting



left to right **Bari Saunders** IFSR-IAR Chair, and Past IFSR-IAR Chair **Jim Miller Sr** Reviewing exhibit elements for the BSA's National Jamboree—July 28—August 4th

Educational Books Needed for Bequia and St. Vincent Islands

The Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth, Bequia, St. Vincent, and the Grenadines is in need of donated books for the children. **Chester Peters**, Secretary of their Rotary Club indicates that many of their schools and libraries are short of quality reading and educational materials.

Scout **Aric Abbott** of Winter Springs, Florida contacted the Rotary Club in Bequia indicating he would like to gather books as his Eagle Scout Project. Also IFSR member **Steve Robinson** of Bequia has been active on that island in various international projects.

The collection of quality reading material for young people in this Eagle Scout's project is just another example of how IFSR groups can make a difference and serve as one of our 4 Way Test objectives. If those interested in additional information on helping these two islands expand their libraries should contact Mr. Chester Peters at . phone 784-458-3452 or email bequiarioary@vincysurf.com



Pope Welcomed Scouts

Pope Jean Paul II held a private audience in St. Peter's square for 40,000 Italian Scouts.

New IFSR Officers for 2005/6 Proposed at Chicago Meeting

A slate of proposed international officers will be presented to the members at the IFSR Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 22nd. in room N228 in the McCormack Center. The meeting will begin at 7:30am and adjourn at 9am. Pending approval by the voting membership at the meeting, the following are recommended: for Chairman- **H. Ted Olson**; for Vice Chairman Administration- **N. L. "Bud" Allison**; for Treasurer- **Chad Greer**; for Secretary- **Marshall Hollis**; for International Commissioner- **David A. Judge**. Additional items of business of the IFSR will be discussed and we hope your schedule will allow your attending this important event.

Region & Section Elected Officers

Europe:

RIBI Chair: **Brian Kimberley** brian.kimberley@clara.co.uk

RIBI Secretary: **Ken Scott** kscott4tax@aol.com

RIBI Treasurer: **David Astin** david.astin@ntlworld.com

Luxembourg- **Jacques Prost** jprost@pt.lu

Belgium: **Robert DuJardin** robert.dujardin@chello.be

Section Chairs:

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InterAmerican Region:

C. Bari Saunders Chairman: barisaunders@houston.irr.com

Bruce Trefz Vice Chair: btrtrefz@bellsouth.net

Randy Seefeldt Secretary: randyseefeldt@sbcglobal.net

Al Kappadahl Treasurer: kappadahl@sbcglobal.net

New Web Address for IFSR

The International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians has a new address on the World Wide Web. Just point your browser to www.ifsr-net.org and you can access a wealth of information, news, and resources about IFSR and the world of Rotary and Scouting.

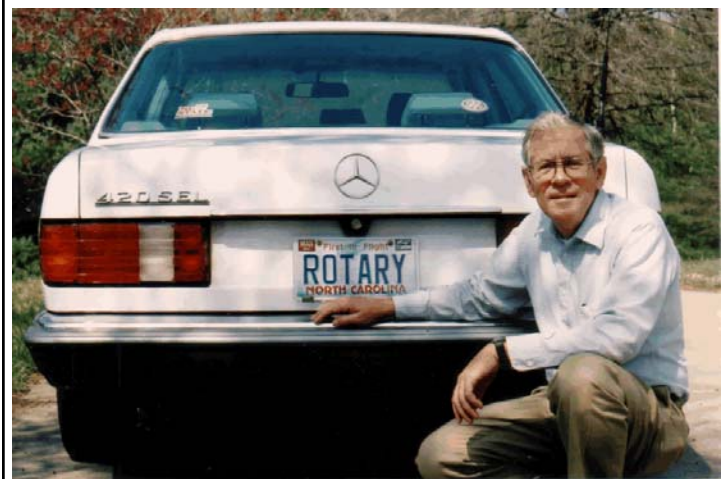
Check the **Newsstand** page for the latest IFSR newsletters and for links to Rotary International and Scouting publications. Find out **Who's Who** in IFSR and just click on their e-mail addresses to get in touch.

Our **Resource** page has a wealth of material that you can use to tell your fellow Rotarians and fellow Scouters about IFSR. You can even download all you need to make a display that you can use at Rotary or district meetings or at Scout fairs and other events.

The IFSR website is a dynamic resource that changes as needed. If you have any ideas for additional information that we should add, please let us know. You can click on the webmaster's address and send an e-mail to submit ideas or suggest corrections. Visit the website today and come back often to find out what's happening around the IFSR world.

If you would like to help in making this new resource even more helpful and are multilingual, we can use your assistance in translating the information into other languages. Contact Jim Miller Senior the webmaster at jimmsr@lsfcu.org to volunteer.

A Dedicated Scouting Rotarian



Pictured here is Marcus Crotts whose automobile license plate aptly demonstrates his love for Rotary. He has been serving as an IFSR Vice Chairman and has attended every Rotary International Convention since 1972 except for 3.

Volunteers Needed To Weld the Relationship between IFSR and Girl Guides/Girl Scouts

By Brian D. Thiessen

IFSR's aim is to "develop a strong association internationally between Rotarians who are or have been active in organizations that are members of the World Organization of Scout Movements ("WOSM") or the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts ("WAGGGS").

While we have been quite successful with the former, including mutual activities and recognitions with WOSM, WAGGGS has not yet formally 'recognized' IFSR and we need some volunteers who will take this on and actively make it happen.

If YOU are involved in Girl Guiding or Girl Scouting, please volunteer to spend some quality time working with other like-minded IFSR members to establish the necessary meetings and exchange of information with our WAGGGS sisters and brothers to see how this bridge can be built. The Committee will work under the overall leadership of IFSR's International Board and Chair **David A. Judge** but should be prepared to be proactive so that not another year goes by without our two great organizations being in full and formal 'recognition'.

IFSR has developed a special Certificate to award girls in Girl Scouts of the USA who receive their highest award, the Gold Bar award, but it cannot be implemented until WAGGGS and the IFSR formally 'recognize' each other and clasp the hands of Rotary and Scouting Fellowship and mutual support.

Is it not YOU that can help make this happen?? If so, contact **David A. Judge** at david.a.judge@virgin.net to follow up on this objective. Our thanks if you'll help in this vital task!



It's Not Too Late to Participate in Tsunami Scout Aid

Area still needs help - Scouts helping Scouts

You no doubt have followed the horror, which resulted from the earthquake and tsunami in Asia and Africa. Starting from the earliest days the World Scout Bureau has been carrying the information available to us on <http://www.scout.org>. This special fund-raising appeal called Tsunami Scout Aid, launched by the World Scout Committee and the Asia-Pacific Region Committee, is now expected to go over US\$300,000 in donations from Scouts, Scout groups, and National Scout Organizations. We know that in several countries the fundraising is continuing and substantial donations are yet to be announced. (Donations have also been made for Scouts via other channels.)

Working with our Asia-Pacific Regional Office, and national Scout organizations in several of the affected countries, we would like to communicate the following points

1. Key Principles: a) We encourage all national Scout organizations to establish a program to raise money, and to coordinate donations nationally. If you want the money to be used by national Scout organizations to support Scout projects to help affected communities, please consider the options in 2 below. If you want the money to be used for immediate disaster relief efforts, please make donations to recognized organizations skilled in this type of work, such as the Red Cross, or UNICEF, through their national offices in your country.

2. The Asia-Pacific Regional Committee, and the World Scout Committee, has launched a special fund-raising appeal globally called "Tsunami Scout Aid". Several Scout organizations have already started campaigns to raise money under various titles and themes, such as "Scouts help Scouts", "one dollar from every Scout", etc. These efforts are much appreciated.

a.) The World Scout Bureau Asia Pacific Regional Office in Manila is coordinating the program. It is working closely with the Central Office in Geneva for the worldwide promotion of this campaign, dissemination of information, etc.

b.) Money raised for Tsunami Scout Aid will be allocated for specific projects proposed by national Scout organizations in the countries affected. Money will be used to help the organizations undertake their work to help in recovery, and in particular, projects being undertaken by Scouts to help affected communities. Such allocations may be for emergencies, but generally will be for longer-term recovery projects.

Donations can be done several ways contact www.scout.org/donate. Thanks to everyone who is helping in this time of need. Please give us your feedback and news: worldbureau@world.scout.org Latest news is provided at www.scout.org.

IFSR Members Meet at World Scout Foundation Event

The World Baden-Powell Fellowship met in Rome April 21-23, 2005 with the Honorary President his Majesty King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden presiding. A breakfast IFSR meeting was held Saturday morning with the following members present: l to r: Jan Olav Aamlid of Thailand, PDG Jones Wong of Hong Kong, Sutham Phanthusan of Thailand, Eduardo Missoni Secretary General W.S.B., Ted Olson of USA, Dick Burdick of USA and Jorgen Rasmussen of Switzerland.

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Request For Information

IFSR Members serving as district Governors of Rotary and those serving as **Council Presidents** or **Senior Scout Executives** of local councils: We would like to list those who are serving in these vital and important positions. Please let us know. We will publish a listing of these as we get them.

Help us keep our records current. Send your changes to the International Secretary Marshall Hollis email: meholis2@bellsouth.net or fax to: 662-837-3600. or mail: 1008 City Avenue North, Ripley, Mississippi, USA.

BSA Membership Facts

Based on December 31, 2004 data the Boy Scouts of America participation totals are as follows: Youth total including Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers, Lone Scouts have a total of 3,145,331 young people. Adult participation includes: Pack Scouters, Troop Scouters, Team Scouters, Crew Scouters, Council Scouters for an total adult membership of 1,173,064.

Unit totals are: Cub Packs 52,966, Scout Troops 43,984, Teams 8,147 and Crews 21,135 for a grand total of 126,232 units. The "Learning For Life" program as of that date, had a grand total of youth and adults of 1,745,614 participants in 16,962 LFL Groups.

Dominican Republic

Louis Sabater, a life member, from the Dominican Republic has been recently elected to serve as a member of the Inter-American Committee. He is our representative for the Caribbean area and is a member of the IFSR Executive Committee.

Rotaract Clubs

A very good assistant to aid with local Scouting projects is a Rotaract Club if one is active in your area. They have manpower, enthusiasm and can be a bridge to serve as leaders for various projects. This is an untapped resource that we need to use. They also make excellent prospective members for your Rotary Clubs. If there is not a Rotaract Club in your area, talk to your Rotary District Governor about starting one! These are young people from 18 to 30 who have talent, enthusiasm, imagination and spirit for worthwhile projects that can interject a new vigor in what you are doing in your community for Rotary and Scouting.

International Youth Exchanges

Sometimes, we wonder what we can do to aid in International Youth Exchanges, especially if we have no children at home. Why not ask your local Scout Council and School officials if there are any opportunities for selecting Scouts to visit in other parts of the World and then inquire about the programs for sending them to another country for a week or two. Better yet, ask about bringing a foreign Scout unit to spend a week or two in the local Scout Camp and arrange home stays for them in cooperation with the local council. Aid them in helping set up the program while they are in your area. Have them visit the Scout Council service center and meet other Scouts.

Royalty Active in Scouting and Rotary

His Majesty **King Carl XVI Gustaf** of Sweden is Honorary President of the World Scout Foundation Baden Powell Fellowship. His Royal Highness **Grand Duke Jean** (retired) now serves as the head of Scouting in Luxembourg. Currently his Royal Highness **Grand Duke Henri** of Luxembourg is the head of Rotary for that country.

We are sure there are many more who actively support these two organizations.

Ukraine Membership in WOSM

The Ukrainian Scout Youth Public Organization (SPOK) has applied for membership in the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM). They presently have 3,750 members, two-thirds male, and one-third female.

Their Constitution has been approved by the membership of SPOK, and by the World Constitutions Committee, and it has been accepted by the World Scout Committee. More information is in Circular 7, January 2005. http://www.Scptit.org/front/docs/CO507spok_e.pdf

News in Brief

Steve Fossett – the millionaire adventurer" is the title of a book published in January, in French. (He is a member of the World Scout Committee.) **The first chapter explains, at several points, the importance of Scouting in his life.** Other chapters deal with specific record-setting challenges including swimming, sailing, hot air balloons and airplanes. **Peter Van Horn** is the author; Editions Favre. 280 pages, with many photos. Order: <http://www.editionsfavre.com/>

Singapore: President **SR Nathan** was presented with the Asia-Pacific Region's "Distinguished Scout Award" earlier this month. The event resulted in much publicity. President **Nathan** is also the Chief Scout of the Singapore Scout Association.

District Governor Elect **Brian Thiessen** advises that the Finance Committee of his District D-5160 has unanimously voted to participate in the Centennial Scout program for the World Jamboree 2007-(one local Scout and one from a third world country to be selected by WOSM/The Scout Association.) The District has committed to US\$9,000.

Brian urges other Districts to joint the bandwagon and support this project. You'll give 2 deserving young men the opportunity of a lifetime.

Have an Article for Scouting Rotarians in Action?

Your editor is always looking for interesting articles of S/R's in action that may give fellow IFSR members in other countries or cities an idea to be repeated in their area. When possible, an adjoining photo to go with the article will be most appreciated. Send your items to Ted Olson, Scouting Rotarian Editor at: TedO@gires.com Your help in making our Newsletter more valuable to our readers will be greatly appreciated.

Rotary Projects That Support Scouting

FOR MEMBERS AND ROTARY CLUBS

ROTARY DISTRICTS

AND BOY AND GIRL SCOUT COUNCILS

SERVICE ABOVE SELF and TO OUR YOUTH THROUGH ROTARY

How To Use the Four Avenues of Rotary Service

Each Rotary Club can structure its programs in order to strengthen ties to the Community through Scouting. A little imagination and a close working relationship to the local Boy and Girl Scout councils will help accomplish the goals of Rotary and the aims and purposes of Scouting.

Rotary clubs in the USA sponsor over 1,400 Scouting units. The membership is well over 51,000. While this is a good thing, it does not even begin to scratch the surface of what could be done. ALL Rotarians need to ENCOURAGE CLOSER TIES TO THE YOUTH OF OUR COMMUNITIES. These young people are our own sons, daughters, nephews, nieces, neighbors and grandchildren! We owe it to Rotary, to them and to our community and ourselves to make their future the best and brightest possible.

THE INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF SCOUTING ROTARIANS SHOULD PLAY A MAJOR ROLE to BRING ADDITIONAL EMPHASIS TO THE SCOUTING-ROTARY LINKAGE.

CLUB SERVICE

Secure **CLUB speakers and other programs** from among the youth and adult members of Scouting, on various topics using the resources of individuals from Scouting sources for specific areas of interest to members of your club. Have club members **volunteer to assist** with Scout projects in their professional and hobby areas of expertise. When holding club meetings, conferences, conventions and other events **secure the services of Scouts/leaders to assist as runners, etc.** Especially good for opening and closing ceremonies. **Seek your friends in Scouting as potential** for membership in your club. Create **joint fund raising projects**, which will aid both groups. **Invite Scouts and leaders as guests of your club to meetings and participate in some of your local service projects.** Recognize outstanding leaders, both youth and adult. **Recognize Eagle Scouts and Sr. Girl Scouts at Club meetings** when they attain the top rank in their program. A special certificate is available from the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Secure **Merit & Activity Badge counselors** for the hundreds of topics of interest to youth and the community that are necessary for Scout advancement. **Provide a vocational day at School or other location** – ask Scouts to assist. **Provide scholarships** covering specific areas of study. **Plan joint activities**, which will show Rotary to young people and visa-a-versa. **Hold a job fair for Scouts at camp or major Scouting functions** giving the young people of your area an insight into how businesses function and share their future opportunities that are at home!

Use the 4 Avenues of Service to explain ideals and purposes of Rotary to Scout groups.

Use your business to **help provide or help locate summer jobs or part time work** for those who need them. **Allow employees who are Scout Leaders (a) time off with pay to participate in Scouting Events (b) time off to participate in Scout Training Functions** (i.e. Wood Badge, Philmont). Possibly share some or all of costs related to these functions. **Provide vocational guidance to Scout districts, councils, youth and units.** Assist unit leaders in **providing Rotary member's opportunities to invite Scout members to visit place of business to learn about** how 4-Way Test can strengthen community relationships.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Promote **Eagle RYLA** among Scouts and Sr. Girl Scouts, **Sponsor Scouting Units.** Provide manpower and \$ resources for Scouting projects locally, nationally, and internationally. Urge others, and provide community \$ resources to continue support for Scouting efforts. In Rotary **Drug Awareness** programs, include Scouts and others as well. Select **outstanding leaders.** Recognize their volunteer efforts. Have them as guests of Club. **Assist at Camps** – provide chaplaincy services and other counselors during summer sessions. Utilize Explorer program and Sr. Girl Scouting as nucleus for **Interact Club** at High Schools. During **Service projects include young people from Scouting.** This encourages them to “Do a Good Turn Daily”. **Literacy programs** – encourage Scouts to serve as mentors. Encourage book collection projects. **Food Collection for food pantries. Scouts are already doing this in many instances.**

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Promote **goodwill and understanding in the global arena for Scout age young people.** Encourage short and long term exchange programs, among Scouts. Provide **scholarships**, assist young people in earning fees necessary for **Jamborees, etc.** Encourage **home visits** for foreign students and members of Scouting groups. **Provide foreign Scout personnel for the local camp staff during summer months.** See your local Scout council for details. Encourage programs and projects which could be used in **International Matching Grants programs.** Secure foreign visitors for special appearances at Scouting functions. Promote **World Community Service** projects in cooperation with Rotary clubs and Scouts in another country. **For information and comments contact N. L. Allison, 6032 Warm Spring, Houston, Texas 77035 USA** Email ifsrna@orodigy.net Telephone 713 721-0695

Important: Your Help is Needed!

Please Complete this Form & Return it to our International Secretary

The form below will serve two purposes. For those who are already IFSR members we want to verify your correct address and related contact details. For those who are not now members and wish to join please complete the application for membership portion as well as the contact details.(Please Check One of the Two boxes).....

/ / I am now an IFSR member / / I wish to join the IFSR and will
and am providing contact details mail details and my payment as shown

INFORMATION UPDATE TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Email _____ Phone (optional) _____

Rotary Club _____ Rotary District _____ Joined the IFSR in _____

I would like to serve as an officer _____ or as District Coordinator _____

Other information you would like to share with other IFSR members _____

Email this information to **Randy Seefeldt** at: randyseefeldt@sbcglobal.net

Please send me information regarding the EAGLE CERTIFICATES ____ These are available for present and past Eagles and should be presented at a Rotary function or Court of Honor.

SCOUTING ROTARIANS WISHING TO JOIN

mail the "Information Update to be completed by all" and your check as now outlined: New ____ Renewal ____ LifeMember ____ Associate ____

Present Scouting position if any _____ Rotary Classification _____

Make checks to: INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF SCOUTING ROTARIANS (in UK, send in Pounds Sterling to **Ken Scott**, Pinewood, 2A Manland Way, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, AL54QS. All other countries including the IAR send to **Randy Seefeldt**, IAR/IFSR Executive Secretary, PO Box 19982, San Diego, CA. 92159-0982, USA

Membership Fees: New \$25.00/L17(includes blue tie or pin (s&h), Renewal=\$20.00/L12 or \$25.00 (for all others). Associate members= \$20.00 or 12 or \$25 (for all others). Life members=\$200.00(USA)-may be paid by credit card indicate card type ____ Number _____ expires _____ Signature _____

News from IFSR/RIBI (Rotary International Gt. Britain & Ireland)

The Section currently has about 120 members. **Ken Scott & John Phillips** with support of others saw that the IFSR had a stand/booth at many Rotary District Conferences around Britain. Latest in the House of Friendship at RIBI National Conference in Manchester where the keynote speaker was HRH The Princess Royal (**Princess Anne**). Plans are for a stand at The Gilwell Reunion 2-4 September 2005. Volunteers contact **Ken Scott**, IFSR/RIBI Secretary- telephone 44 (0) 1582 768597 email kscott4tax@aol.com

Adrian Faiers and **Ken Scott** have compiled a CD power point presentation to promote IFSR. For more information contact pann@globalnet.co.uk IFSR/RIBI 2005 AGM will be held on Saturday 24th September at 2pm at the Jubilee Centre, Bradley Wood Scout Camp, Shepherds Thorn Lane, Brighouse, West Yorkshire HD6 3TU.

The new Jubilee Centre for West Yorks Scouts received great support from many Rotary Clubs in District 1040 while IFSR Life Member **Allan Jagger** was their Governor 1999/2000. Allan was also Fund Raising Chairman for the building project and saw the project through to completion. Allen was also recently elected RIBI National President for 2007/2008.

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