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Past President Bill called the meeting to order. Joe Valentino gave the invocation, and District Governor Nominee Shane Pyle led the Pledge of Allegiance. Shane talked about how new District Governors stood on the shoulders of all prior District Governors, and Shane introduced all prior District Governors in attendance.

Bill introduced District Governor Tara Craaybeek, who welcomed everyone. She recounted how she was chosen three years ago to serve as District Governor. Her year as District Governor has gone so quickly. She made new friends, had a new child and had a wonderful time. She thanked her family for all of their support. She thanked all Rotarians from the District and hopes she served them well and made them proud.

Incoming District Governor Steve Sandbo thanked Tara for all of her help in preparing him to be District Governor. Steve noted that our District is growing, has the second largest Interact membership in the central United States, and 22 clubs achieved the President's awards. Steve

presented Tara with a jewelry box made at a Mayan Families trade school which was supported by a Rotary grant. Tara has been trying to decide what to do with all the club flags she collected, so Steve presented her a check for \$150 to use to make something creative from them.

Assistant District Governor Craig Maxey read a letter from Governor Kasich and Lieutenant Governor Taylor recognizing Tara as District Governor, thanking her for her service, and recognizing that Rotary clubs throughout Ohio make it a more vibrant state. Tara thanked everyone.

Past District Governor Bart Mahoney indicated he was flattered when Steve asked him to install Steve as District Governor. Years ago Bart accompanied Steve on a trip to Mayan Families. The days were hard, but the nights were full of typical Rotary fellowship and Zacapa Rum. On that trip Bart asked Steve if he had ever considered becoming District Governor. With the help of the Zacapa, a soon to be District Governor was born. Bart has seen that Steve's enthusiasm was tremendous. Then Steve,

GREETERS

July 5

Doug Burton
Linda Cummins

July 12

Tina Redman
Peg Concilla

July 19

Dick Beckett
Mary Ann Krauss

REGISTRATION DESK

July 7

Dick Stone
Dick Henry/Janine Hummer

July 14

Don Leach
Don Trotier

July 19

Chris Taylor
Tracy Harbold

CALENDAR

July 5

UA City Council Recall
Organizers
Host: TBD

July 12

Herb Asher - Political Science
Professor, The Ohio State
University
Host: Frick

July 19

TBD

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his wife Jill, and all past District Governors at the luncheon joined Bart at the podium. Bart noted that Steve is joining Dick Slager, George Renkert, and Mike Knilans as club members who became District Governor. Bart asked all Rotarians to pledge to support Steve. Bart indicated that Steve is about to embark on a year that will be one of the highlights of his life. Bart also recognized the support that Jill will be providing Steve. The past District Governors passed Steve's District Governor pin among them and then to District Governor Tara. Bart then installed Steve Sandbo as our District Governor, and Jill presented the District Governor pin to District Governor Steve. Steve told Tara what a great role model she has been and presented her with her past District Governor pin and a plaque recognizing her accomplishments.

Tara then presented President Chip with the traditional banner which a club has when a member is the District Governor.

Newly installed District Governor Steve Sandbo thanked everyone for how much training he has been exposed to over the last two and a half years and how much he has learned from other District Governors. Steve believes that our District is the best District in the central United States and one of the greatest Districts in the world. Steve recognized and thanked Ned Clark for arranging this meeting. He recognized Shane Pyle as incoming Designated District Governor. We have the greatest District committees and chairs, and Steve will support them and is glad they are on the same team. He thanked his recent past District Governor mentors for their help and support. He recognized Dwight Poage and Zoe Poage from Mayan Families. He thanked his club for their support. When Bart first proposed that Steve consider becoming District Governor, Steve had to think about whether the time was right. Steve thought about it until a day or two before the application deadline, but still wasn't sure. Steve was in Arizona without a good computer, and the

club board had not approved Steve for the position, so Steve was thinking that maybe this was a signal that he should not apply. Then Price Finley called Steve and asked him what are "we" going to do. Steve said the board could not approve him in time, but Price said he would get timely board approval. Steve said he did not have a computer to prepare the application, so Price told Steve to dictate it to him, and Price would fill it out. It is that kind of support that led Steve to proceed. Steve thanked his biggest supporters, his family. All of Steve's kids have gone on Rotary trips. Steve thanked the most important person, Jill, who some people call St. Jill for having been married to Steve for so long. Steve plans to spend a lot of time looking to the future and focusing on relevancy for what our clubs and members do. He encouraged district chairs and incoming club presidents to try new things. Steve spent last weekend with the incoming RI president, who encouraged Steve to go down that path. This is 100th year of RI foundation, we have an American RI president, and the RI convention will be in Atlanta. Rotary not only changes the lives of others, it also changes the lives of its members. This year will be fun and will be an adventure. Let's have a great year!

