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Fall Colors and Surveying the Future!

Greetings from the VP saddle!

November is a busy month here at C2S HQ. Personally, I am helping with the [Ride The Point](#) event in San Diego and then head directly to Tucson for the [Ride To End Polio](#) event. Lots of miles to ride at the end of an already busy year! This month's newsletter is shorter than normal because of all of these preparations.

Next year will be a big year for the fellowship. We will continue our rebuilding efforts and hope you will be joining us. Before the end of the year, watch for a survey of ten short questions as we solicit your views and needs for the fellowship. Basically, the board needs to know how we can better serve you so you can serve others.

The board will be sending out proposed changes to the fellowship bylaws. These changes will help the board by providing better direction and expectations on how the board manages fellowship business. These are currently under review and should be out shortly.

Finally, watch for a fellowship renewal notice. Your continued participation in this international fellowship is important to its success. Renewal is only \$20 and is payable through our new website.

I am going to wrap this up here. I still need to make sure my bike is all set for this week's rides! If you are in San Diego or Tucson, please introduce yourself. Talk to the board, seek out other C2S members. We look forward to meeting you!

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News and Updates



Your Fellowship is Growing!

What an exciting year! Regional Coordinators and members are spreading the word about the Fellowship and we are growing. We want to welcome the following new members, through November 13, 2016!

- John Schultz - Lisbon, IA - RC of Mt. Vernon-Lisbon
- Mark Zalewski - Greendale, WI - Elmbrook RC

Did you know you can now download a copy of the member directory? Simply go to our Member's Area of the Fellowship website. Just remember, this is for non-commercial use of our Fellowship Members.



There is **STILL** time to Register For The **Ride To End Polio**

Registration for the District 5500 Ride to End Polio, held in conjunction with the Tour de Tucson, is still open. Just a few extra steps at this late hour. Visit the RTEP website (link above) for further details! This is a fantastic event and a fun one at that! The Ride To End Polio has raised over \$25 Million over the years in the fight to end polio!

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Jean Luc Berger. You can register for the Friday night dinner [HERE](#). Make sure to wear your Cycling To Serve pin and introduce yourself! We hope to see you there!

If you cannot make it to Tucson this year, you can still participate by riding locally or even by riding a stationary bike! Wait - *WHAT?* That's right! You can even raise funds for this event by participating in the Indoor Ride To End Polio event! There are rides of 106, 75, 55, 40 or 25 miles; Fun rides of 11, 5 and .25 miles, PLUS the Indoor EI Tour.

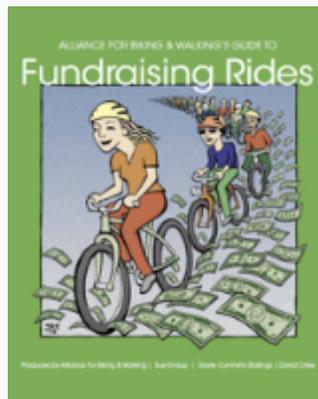
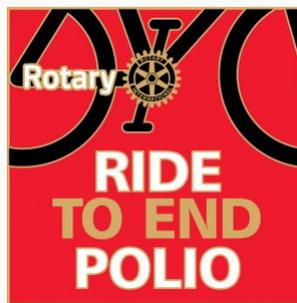
Did you notice a change there? Yes?! It is not a typo. The RTEP has added 2 more miles to the long route this year - a total of 106 miles! Maps and route information can be found [HERE](#).

You want another reason to participate? OK. Every dollar raised is matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Pretty cool, eh? Want more? OK... every dollar a Rotarian pledges to your goal counts towards their Paul Harris recognition. All in all, it is a win, Win, WIN!

Now, there is no reason to NOT ride. Start planning on participating today!

Do you want to see what the 104 mile ride looks like? Here is the USA/CAN VP's ride from last year on Strava by clicking the logo:

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Is Your Club Starting a New Cycling Fund Raiser?

Or... maybe you want to make sure you've covered all your bases for planning an existing event. Either way, you may want to check out this wonderful resource, available from [The Alliance for Biking and Walking](#). From their website:

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But how does an organization get started organizing such an event? The Alliance for Biking and Walking's Guide to Fundraising Rides is the first book to bring you the ins and outs of organizing fundraising rides that benefit bicycling. This guide will take you through all the steps of planning a successful fundraising ride, from setting a date to thanking your sponsors and volunteers. Filled with expert advice, samples from successful rides, and take-away tools you can use, this guide is an invaluable resource for the aspiring event planner while offering new tips and ideas to veteran ride directors.

The guide costs \$22.95 for non-members of the Alliance. Check it out!

Newsletter Editor Notes

Just a note. We are closing in on our first full year in our revamped fellowship. We've made a lot of progress and yet, we still have a ways to go to be as good as we can be. I am glad to be riding in this pack of like minded Rotarians. We like challenges and are always successful at working together to get a difficult job done. I am looking forward to next year!

Additionally, as with any newsletter, we are always searching for newsletter content. If you participated in a Rotary sponsored cycling event or planned one, we would like to share your experience with other C2S members! If you have a story or have any questions, let me know by sending me an email at: newsletter@cycling2serve.us.



Cycling To Serve Benefits!

You already know the main benefits of your Cycling To Serve Fellowship is the ability to connect to other Rotarians:

- That share your passion for Rotary and Cycling
- Who host cycling related fund raising events
- And find Rotary cycling events across the USA/CAN and around the world.

Did you realize you have additional benefits? In this newsletter we welcome new two companies who are offering discounts to Cycling To Serve Fellowship members. For a full list of Fellowship Member benefits and respective discount codes, visit the Cycling To Serve [Member Area page](#).



Dual Eyewear - Dual provides performance eyewear for those athletes who need bifocals in their glasses. If you have trouble seeing your cycling computer, these glasses will work for you! Dual is offering 30% off select products!

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