

# **NEWSLETTER**

November 2019



# Clubs go all out to raise funds for Polio Plus

**Duck Race at Twin Bridges**—Five Rotary clubs—West Plains, Thayer/ Mammoth Springs, Willow Springs and Mountain View—raised more than \$5,000 with a duck race near West Plains. This is the third year they have sold little ducks to raise money for Polio Plus.

**Boonville Rotary** held a Pedaling and Playing Poker for Polio event Oct. 26, with cycling to Pilot Grove and back on the Katy Trail. Along the way, they had five rest stops that included picking up a card to test your luck at poker. This was followed by a lunch buffet at the Isle of Capri.

The Rotary Clubs of Boonville, Columbia and Fayette, along with the Rocheport Satellite Club that's forming, sponsored a Corn Hole Tournament Oct. 20 at Katfish Katy's in Huntsdale to raise money for Polio Plus.

**Butler Rotary Club** collected \$153 for World Polio Day by passing the hat at their regular weekly meeting.

**Fulton Rotarians** handed out information and raised \$700 in front of Walmart. They also held a fundraiser at Blu Taco, a new restaurant in Callaway County, which donated 10 percent of its proceeds on World Polio Day.

# Welcome to the District newsletter

Send your news items and photos to District Secretary Mary Ann Beahon at beahon.rotary@gmail.com.



## **World Polio Day events and fundraisers**



Lebanon Rotary presented the book "Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio" was presented to librarians and administrators of Lebanon R-3 School District, Joel E. Barber C-5, Laclede County R-1 School District, Stoutland R-II School District, and the Lebanon-Laclede County Public Library at the Lebanon Rotary Club's noon meeting. This presentation was made to raise awareness about the dangers of polio to younger generations and why it is so important continue the fight to eradicate polio in the world.

Lebanon also raised \$1,715 for End Polio Now. Walmart donated \$100 of Movie Box M&Ms, which they sold to their members for a \$10 donation. Each donation got a ticket to enter a drawing for a weekend in Branson. They said it was easy and quick and they sold out of boxes in two meetings.

**Springfield**—Watkins Outdoor Advertising posted a World Polio Day billboard on several boards in south Springfield.

**Springfield Metro** raised funds in support of World Polio Day by raffling off several items.

**Springfield North Rotary** offered a point-match for any money donated to Polio Plus between now and the end of November. For members who are not yet a Paul Harris Fellow, they are going to offer a 3 to 1 match for money donated to Polio Plus. For members who are seeking their next Paul Harris Plus, we are offering a 1 to 1 match.





The Butler Rotary Club observes "we're this close."



The Rocheport Satellite Club being formed helps with the Corn Hole Tournament to raise money for polio eradication.



Fulton Rotarians brave the cold to collect money for Polio Plus.

## Columbia clubs collaborate on playground project



Rotarians from all the Columbia clubs work to make the playground a reality.



Jan Grossman and Chamber Ambassadors cut the ribbon on the new playground.

The Columbia Chamber held a ribbon cutting Oct. 7 for an outdoor nature playground where children can explore the natural world around them. School groups and summer camps will use this outdoor space when they visit the Agriculture Park, home to the Columbia Farmers Market. Columbia South Rotary and Past President Jan Grossmann led the six local Rotary clubs in raising \$51,500 to build the playground.

### Pulaski County Rotary participates in USO baby shower





The Rotary Club of Pulaski County participated in the USO Bundles & Boots Baby Shower, attended by 90 mothers and expecting mothers. Each attendee received gifts donated by community partners.

## Phelps Co. third graders get personalized dictionaries

The Rotary Breakfast Club of Rolla presented personalized dictionaries to to every third grader in Phelps County, with their very own name on the inside cover. Here Bill Bicknell and Sue Arnold pose with third graders of the Newburg R-II School District. The dictionary distribution program is undertaken in the spirit of Rotary International's world-wide goals of improving literacy and early childhood education. Rotarians are proud to inspire and encourage these young students as they transition from learning-to-read, to reading-to-learn. Brickell said, "The expression on the kid's faces when they receive a book with their name printed in it is priceless. And the teachers appreciate it too."



#### Around the District



Thirteen new markers for the African American Heritage Trail in Columbia, including one sponsored by the **Rotary clubs of Columbia**, were unveiled to the public in October. The committee has worked for more than five years to create a two-mile walking trail. These markers share stories of people and institutions in the black community from Columbia's earliest years to the late 1960s. Rollie Hausman, past Assistant Governor for zone 4, made the presentation of the sign.



Springfield Downtown Rotarians prepare a garden at Eden Village, which provides dignified housing and a loving community of hospitality to Springfield's chronically disabled homeless population in an effort to meet individual's most fundamental needs.

**Columbia Rotary Northwest** sold mums as a fundraiser this fall.





Columbia Rotaract sponsored an event spotlighting the mission and work of Dr. Dale Okorodudu, founder of Black Men in White Coats. He and his team are inspiring, educating and mentoring young men of color toward becoming physicians. The event helped introduce Columbia youth to medical students, residents and physicians and included a panel of medical students from Nigeria and Cameroon.



Healthy Dent County Prevention Coalition, in collaboration with the **Salem Rotary Club** and Salem Area Chamber of Commerce, hosted a program regarding Underage Drinking and Other Substance Use in the community. Jillian Doddema, Salem High School counselor, along with three students participated in a panel discussion about Making the Alcohol and Drug-Free Choice.

## **Rotary Events**

#### See District Calendar in DACdb for details

#### **Club Fundraisers**

**Nov. 15:** The Sedalia Rotary Club will hold its second annual Trivia Night at the Best Western Inn at Highway 65 and 32nd Street in Sedalia. Doors open at 6:30 and the game begins at 7. Seats are \$25 each or \$200 for a table of 8. Proceeds will go toward provding a toilet facility on the Katy Trail at the State Fair trailhead. Each seat includes tickets for two drinks. Join us for an evening of good, clean competition. For more details, call Kathleen Boswell at 660-620-1213.

#### Nov. 26: Columbia All-Rotary Thanksgiving

Luncheon at the Hampton Inn & Suites (at the University of Missouri), 1225 Fellows Place, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tickets \$30, available at

Https://everyeventgives.com/event/rotarythanksgiving

#### **District and RI Events**

Nov. 9: District Fall Connection March 27-28: PETS ShowMe Rotary April 17-19: District Conference June 7-10: RI Convention in Honolulu

Plan to attend the District 6080 "Fall Connection," 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 9 at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg. Registration is now open at dacdb.com under the District tab and Calendar icon. Enjoy great Rotary fellowship and get updated on accomplishments and goals for our clubs and district.

#### **Rotary International Calendar**

Develop meeting agendas, projects, or public image campaigns based on these special occasions.

August 2019

Membership and New Club Development Month

September 2019 Basic Education and Literacy Month

October 2019

Economic and Community Development Month

October 24— World Polio Day

November 2019 Rotary Foundation Month Nov. 4-10--World Interact Week

December 2019
Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

January 2020 Vocational Service Month

February 2020
Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
Month
Feb. 23 — Rotary's anniversary

March 2020 Water and Sanitation Month March 9-15— World Rotaract Week

April 2020 Maternal and Child Health Month

May 2020 Youth Service Month

### What are your plans for Foundation Month?

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. For the 11th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S. November is Rotary Foundation Month and there are a number of ways to observe the month. Here are some suggestions:

- 1. Hold a point swap and help members achieve the next Paul Harris Fellow level.
- 2. Join the Paul Harris Society and encourage others to do so, too.
- 3. Become a Benefactor or Bequest Society member through your estate plan.



November is Foundation month, and I ask all Rotarians to take this opportunity to donate to the Annual Fund of the Rotary Foundation. Our District has been a strong supporter of the Annual Fund in recent years and we averaged \$143 per capita in donations for the year that ended on June 30.

I have set a goal this year to exceed \$150 per capita and I need your help to make this happen. While I encourage you to consider an increase in your contribution if it feels right, I know we can achieve the goal if we just have more Rotarians participate at any level. Help your club become an Every Rotarian, Every Year club by joining in and donating at least \$25. It is definitely beneficial and fair to all concerned.

I am excited about our Fall Connection event happening this Saturday at the Elliott Student Center on the campus of the University of Central Missouri. It will good to connect and celebrate the good we do in our communities and in the world. I hope to see you there.

As we approach the holiday season, I want to thank you for all the great work you do every day to make your communities a better place to work. I am very proud to be your District Governor this year and look forward to seeing you soon. Don't forget the District Conference will be held in Springfield this year on April 17 through 19. Much more to come on this.

My best Rotary regards to each of you!

Paul

Paul Reinert District Governor 2019 - 2020 Rotary District 6080

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."