

## NEWSLETTER

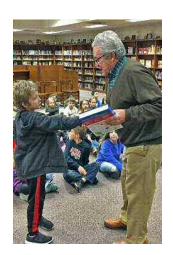
December 2019



# Clubs conduct service projects for communities

#### The Rotary Club of Fayette

annually presents a personalized dictionary to each student entering third grade at Daly Elementary School. This project is a favorite among the club's members as the children are all so excited to get a book of their very own and are quick to show their appreciation. The teachers report that the students continue to use their dictionaries throughout their elementary school careers. This year Fayette Rotary President Larry Anderson and six other members of the club handed out almost 50 dictionaries during a



special ceremony in the school's library on Nov.7. Anderson, who is also a member of the Fayette RIII School Board, gave the students an overview of what it means to be a Rotarian before calling each child to the front to receive a dictionary.

**Camdenton Rotary Club** raised \$6,700 for Kids Harbor with a Sudsy Supper, a five-course beer-paring dinner cosponsored by Boat Town Brewing of Lebanon. Kids Harbor is a child advocacy center serving the Lake of the Ozarks area, Fort Leonard Wood, and surrounding areas. This agency assists victims of child abuse and their safe caregivers.

# Welcome to the District newsletter

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



## Holidays bring opportunities for service



Josh Lehmen, Neil Carr and Andy Bonderer prepare the turkeys.

given to charitable organizations, and the rest were sold as a fundraiser for the club. Turkeys were prepped the day before and ready for dunking into barrels of hot oil by 5 Thanksgiving morning. Ten dozen turkeys, 10 pounds of

seasoning and 1,235 pounds

of canola oil resulted in succulent, juicy, flavorful fried turkeys, a great community service project and successful fundraiser.

The Rotary Club of Columbia decided to change up its

Thanksgiving fundraising drive this year. Instead of the usual car raffle, President Neil Carr was intrigued with the notion of frying dozens of turkeys to give away and sell. Some of the turkeys were





Marty Walker tests the burner system he designed to fry the turkeys.

**Columbia South Rotary** sells poinsettias each year to raise funds for community service projects.

The Rotary Clubs of Columbia held their annual Columbia All-Rotary Thanksgiving Luncheon Nov. 26 at the Hampton Inn & Suites. Proceeds from the event will benefit "Build this Town," the non profit responsible for the community's Agricultural Park -Farmers Market.





Rotarians go through the buffet line at Columbia's annual All-Rotary Thanksgiving Luncheon Nov. 26.

The Rolla Breakfast and the Noon clubs are sponsors for Lichternacht and Christlkindl Markt December 6 and 7, organized by the Rolla Area Sister City Association and built around communications with their Sister City, Sonderhausen, Germany. Lichternacht is the tree-lighting event that starts the Christmas season and Christlkindl Markt is the German food and entertainment event that follows Rolla's Christmas parade. They invite anyone from District 6080 to attend and enjoy the start of the Christmas holiday.

William Woods University Rotaract members Julia Hagan and Hannah Meyer and Rotarian Sherry McCarthy accept winter coats donated by Brooklyn and Lillian Keller (granddaughters of Rotarian Mary Ann Beahon) for the community coat drive. This is the seventh year in a row, the Rotary Club of Fulton is partnering with The Fulton Sun to collect like-new or new coats to distribute to children in need through SERVE. Hats, gloves, mittens, boots, scarves, socks and blankets for families were also welcome. Assisting with the drive, in addition to Rotaract, is the Fulton High School Interact Club.



### **Around the District**

**Jefferson City Rotary Clubs Host Azerbaijan Delegation**—Open World Leadership Center, an organization of the U.S. Congress, sponsored a group of young agricultural leaders from Azerbaijan to travel to the United States in search of ideas and answers related to climate change. Due to a partnership between Open World and Rotary International, the Jefferson City Breakfast and Evening Rotary clubs wrote a grant to bring the group to Central Missouri. The overall objective of Open World Leadership is to establish "mutually beneficial relationships" between leaders in the United States and future leaders in nations claiming



Jefferson City Mayor (and member of Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary) Carri Tergin, center, presents a proclamation to Azerbaijan delegates, while members of Jefferson City Rotary clubs look on.

independence after the fall of the USSR. Working in partnership with all four Jefferson Rotary Clubs, a delegation from Azerbaijan visited Jefferson City and surrounding areas Nov. 1-8 to learn about developments in agriculture since the emergence of climate change. The delegation stayed with Rotarian host families during their stay to facilitate relationships.



The Rotary Club of **Springfield Metro** helped out at the Children's Miracle Network Miracle Week Telethon at KY3.



The Rotary Club of **Springfield** Southeast honored veterans at their Nov. 7 meeting.



District 6080 DGE Jackie Howard and District 6110 DGE Jay Craig during National Native American Heritage Month.

The Rotary Club of Pulaski County, in partnership with Fort Leonard Wood, hosted Dr Jay Craig, DGE D-6110, for a Commanche warrior presentation Nov. 19 in observance of National Native American Heritage Month.

## PDG Haralson presents awards at Fall Connection

PDG Susan Haralson presented numerous awards at the District Fall Connection Nov. 9 in Warrensburg. She also announced that District 6o8o did exceptionally well in competition with other districts in Zone 31, receiving:

2nd Place Annual Fund Per Capita: \$143.18 3rd Place Total Contributions: \$590.529 2nd Place Annual Fund: \$372.843

Awards presented:

Governor's Awards

**Inspirational Leader Award**David Bixler



Excellence in Leadership Award Lt. Governor Don Alberti

Governor's Awards (continued)

**Above and Beyond Award**Bob Smith
Rowland Geddie

**Assistant District Governor Star Awards** Rollie Hausman Jay Waggoner

Youth Exchange Award Julia Prullage Amy Jammeh

**Presidential Citation - Platinum Level** Springfield Rotary Club

**Presidential Citation - Gold Level** Springfield Sunrise and Jefferson City Evening

**Presidential Citation**Springfield Southeast

Governor's Citation Boonville Branson Daybreakers Butler Rotary Columbia South Fayette Hollister Jefferson City Evening

Jefferson City West Lebanon Pulaski County Rolla Breakfast Springfield Springfield Metro Springfield Sunrise Thayer-Mammoth Springs



**Outstanding Club** Springfield Sunrise Rotary Club



**Outstanding President Award** G. R. Stovall

### **Awards continued**

#### **Top Annual Funds Per Capita**

Springfield, 3rd Place - \$297.75 Springfield Metro, 2nd Place - \$349.05 Springfield Sunrise, 1st Place - \$426.47

#### **Top Polio Plus Giving Award**

Springfield Southeast, 3rd Place Springfield Sunrise, 2nd Place Springfield Rotary Club, 1st Place

#### **Top Club Membership Award**

Pulaski County – 3rd Place Springfield – 2nd Place Springfield Sunrise – 1st Place

#### **Best Club Attendance Award**

Willow Springs – 3rd Place Springfield Sunrise – 2nd Place Branson Daybreakers– 1st Place

#### 100% Foundation Giving

Belton – Raymore Rotary
Branson Daybreakers
Clinton Rotary Club
Columbia Metro
Fulton Rotary
Jefferson City Evening
Mountain View Rotary
Springfield Rotary
Springfield Metro
Springfield Sunrise
Thayer-Mammoth Springs
West Plains Rotary
Willow Springs Rotary

#### **Every Rotarian Every Year**

Belton – Raymore Rotary Columbia Metro Fulton Rotary Jefferson City Evening Springfield Metro Springfield Sunrise Thayer-Mammoth Springs Willow Springs Rotary

#### **Polio Plus Award**

Branson Daybreakers
Columbia South
Columbia Metro
Columbia-Sunrise Southwest
Fulton Rotary
Jefferson City Breakfast
Mountain View
Pulaski County Rotary
Springfield Rotary
Springfield Metro
Springfield Southeast
Springfield Sunrise
Warrensburg
West Plains Rotary
Willow Springs

#### **Membership Growth Award**

Butler Rotary
Columbia South
Jefferson City Breakfast
Laurie-Sunrise Beach
Lebanon Rotary
Mountain View
Pulaski County Rotary
Rolla Breakfast Rotary
Springfield Rotary
Springfield Southeast
Springfield Sunrise
Thayer-Mammoth Springs
Warrensburg Early Bird

#### **Assistant District Governor Award**

Amy Wilkerson Clint Ladouceur Devra Leach Rollie Hausman Jay Waggoner Greg Boswell James Standfast Kay Caskey Mary Walker Patrick Hiatte Paula Montgomery

**The Guatemala Literacy Project** (GLP) needs Rotarians for upcoming service trips to Guatemala. Their educational programs currently serve more than 50,000 impoverished children, and the hope is to grow that number even more! Trips to deliver textbooks, inaugurate computer centers and much more are planned for Feb. 1-9 and Feb. 18-23. See what that would look like and hear from other Rotarians by watching the YouTube video, Guatemala Literacy Project. Visit <a href="www.guatemalaliteracy.org/">www.guatemalaliteracy.org/</a> for more details or submit an application. Email Joe Berninger with questions at joe@guatemalaliteracy.org.



## Do you want to attract more members in your club and engage them in more service to your community?

Let me share how you can attract energetic, inspired, excited new members while keeping the current members engaged.

We have introduced a **Membership Initiative** team in your District to do just that! Some clubs are having success with annual net growth, yet many others are staying neutral, or losing members each year.

Our clubs incorporating a more flexible model are having the most success and attracting newer, engaged members. We don't just need younger members, we need young thinkers, open minded individuals who are

willing to try new things in new ways to be an attractive organization in today's busy society. Rotary offers what statistics show people are looking for; a chance to join like minded people to network and make a difference. So how do we share that opportunity and keep our members engaged?

Your District Membership chair, supporting your club with a team of facilitators, can help with action plans to support attraction and engagement. That is exactly why we have developed the **Membership Initiative**. The Districts and clubs who have participated are seeing results. **THIS WORKS** and is customized for your Club and your Club Culture.

What's in it for you? An opportunity to have a focused effort on your club with your members choosing what is best for your club culture! This is not top down, it is a bottom up strategy that is all about YOUR CLUB. Your District Membership chair has a trained team ready to go so if they haven't reached out yet, please call them and schedule a session today! You'll be glad you did. We look forward to working together soon. Contact your District Membership Chair, Andrea Brady, at <a href="mailto:acbrad@greatsouthernbank.com">acbrad@greatsouthernbank.com</a> or me, your Assistant Rotary Coordinator, for any questions.

Thanks for Making A Difference as Rotary Connects the World,

Jill S Pietrusinski

Assistant Rotary Coordinator Zone 31 District 6510 Governor 2017-2018 Email: jspietrusi@yahoo.com HPhone: 618-407-3271



#### 2019-2020 Global Scholar Update



Raymond Pottebaum is the 2019-2020 District 6080 Global Scholar. He is beginning his studies at University of Oxford in the United Kingdom and is working toward the Master's degree in Public Policy (MPP). The former US Army captain and West Point Graduate aspires a lifelong career of public service with the US State Department. His pathway began at the US Army Military Academy at West Point, where earned the BS in Engineering and concluded that pursuit with honors. While on active duty he was

recognized by the Post Commanding General and with guidance and support of Sponsor Jacque Howard, District Governor elect and former president of Pulaski County club he was recognized as an honorary Paul Harris Fellow. In September 2019, the 2019-2020 cohort was welcomed by Rotary of Great Britain and Ireland (RGB). The induction event consisted of a briefing of the purpose of Rotary International, the Rotary Foundation, how this applies to the Global Grant Scholarship, and this event provided an excellent opportunity to network with other Scholars from other universities originating from dozens of countries.

The 2019-2020 cohort was lauded by the Rotary Club of Witney and given a walking tour of several Oxford colleges including some that predate the 12<sup>th</sup> Century.

The end of September concluded with the first day of classes at the Blavatnik School of Government. The cohort consisted of 124 students representing 50 different countries. This diverse group comes from the global community and consists of a range of experiences from Rhodes Scholars directly from undergraduate studies (the first black female First Captain at West Point being among them) to Deputy Ministers.



Team events consisted of problem-solving exercises sponsored by Sandhurst (The Royal Military Academy), Rowing by the River (a quintessential Oxford experience where Ray's team won!), and negotiating through policy problems and enacting a media press release.



The winning team for the inaugural Blavatnik School Boat Race is shown here. A group of eleven students with a slight female majority formed the winning team on which Ray was a partuicipant. Such planned activities facilitate group commaradie.

The month of October saw the academic classes get underway. The Foundations and Economics for Public Policy Courses was one of the earliest course learning experience.

While in the Foundations Course, students are introduced to lines of political philosophy applied to ethical dilemmas facing governments around the world. While in the Economics Course, students are introduced to markets and how the implementation of policy effects them (tax, trade, etc.).

The month of October also saw the onset of Matriculation Day where new students "Freshers" are ceremoniously admitted as members of the University. The day begins with a class matriculation photo by College, and then students are walked down by their respective Dean's to the Sheldonian theatre, where the Vice Chancellor (who's a Rotary Scholar) oversees the ceremony in Latin.

The University of Oxford runs under a College System where there are 39 different colleges across the university with their own unique culture. Ray's college is St Antony's College which is known for International Affairs and Political Science. The majority of the Diplomatic Studies cohort are members of this college and Ray often has meals with them nearly every day. The College has such an international reputation that they boast 5% of the world's prime ministers are alumni of St Antony's. The students jokingly call the college the "spy school".

Ray matriculated next to Major Adam Shindler (who was a Sandhurst classmate with Ray's recommender for the Rotary Global Grant). To be sure, our scholar is off to a great learning experience that should bring benefits to himself and Rotary.

.



#### Seasons Greetings Rotarians,

My family and I wish to extend our warmest wishes to each of you for a peaceful and joyous Holiday Season! As we wind down this first half of the Rotary year, I want to thank you for your friendship and your service as Rotarians.

This is a great time to remind you to consider a financial donation to the Annual Fund of the Rotary Foundation. I feel we each have a responsibility to support the Foundation at whatever level is appropriate for us, but that each of us recognize the wonderful good we are able to do in our district and in the world thanks to grants we receive from the Foundation.

Remember that we are offering a match to individual cash contributions of at least \$100 to support you in achieving the next level of Paul Harris Fellow recognition. If you currently have, for example, 800 points and you donate \$100, you will receive a point match of 100, and become a Paul Harris Fellow. If you haven't contributed before and have no points, you can donate \$500, receive the 500 matching points and become a Paul Harris Fellow.

I hope to see you in the new year as we continue the warm fellowship and great humanitarian service that is Rotary.

Paul Reinert District Governor 2019 - 2020