



Greetings District 6080:



Welcome to September! It is hard to believe that it has already been two months since I was installed as your Governor! It has been a great few months. I have taken part in a chartering ceremony for the new Central Missouri Rotary Club in Warrensburg, I have visited some great clubs around the District that are doing fantastic projects, visited Wonderland Camp in the beautiful Ozarks, taken part in some trainings such as the Zone Summer Meeting Series and the South Central Rotary Youth Exchange. I have taken a boat ride on the beautiful Lake Champetra during a social for the future Rotary Club, Horizons Rotary Club in Jefferson City.

Please know that I will visit your club too. As a full-time employee I will have to space out my visits throughout the year. The bottom line is I cannot wait to meet you and learn about your club and service projects!

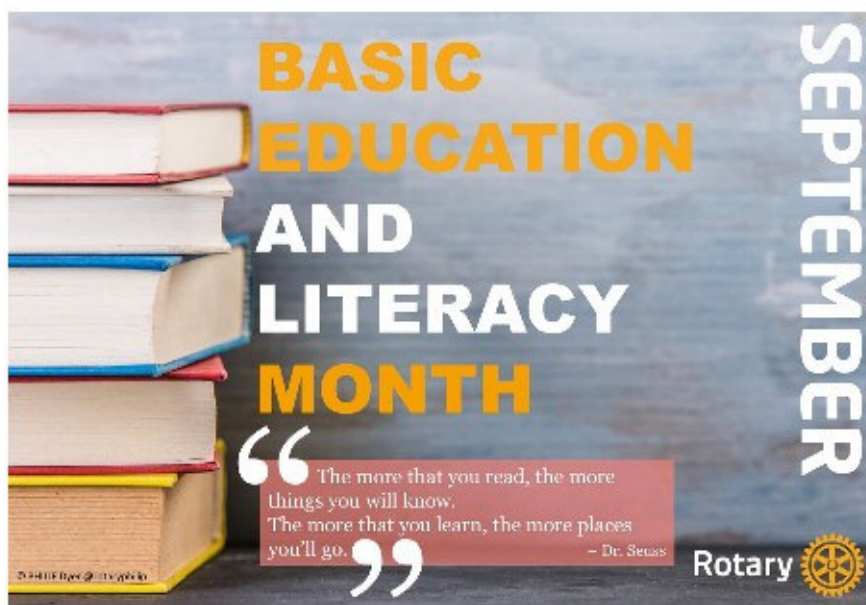
September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in Rotary. As our International President Shekhar Mehta says, "Enhancing literacy skills is critical in our pursuit of reducing poverty, improving health, and promoting peace. In fact, if all students in low-income countries left school with basic ready skills, it would result in a significant cut in global poverty rates."

Your club can make an impact on supporting literacy and basic education close to home. Clubs can support local programs that support basic literacy and I know many clubs helped get the school year started by donating school supplies to non-for-profits in their areas! Thank you. You are "Serving To Change Lives!" Enjoy the newsletter!

Joan Kramer

DG 6080 2021-2022

Jefferson City Evening Rotary



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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

Global Scholar Introduced; Applicants Sought



Alice Ann Yu is the 2021-2022 Rotary Global Scholar from District 6080. Alice completed her undergraduate studies degree in Journalism-Strategic Communication and Psychology from the University of Missouri with minors in Piano Performance, Business, Political Science, and Leadership and Public Service. She earned a 3.94 GPA in the process.

Alice had a wide range of experiences that have broadened her as an individual. She served with the Missouri Commission on Human Rights. During the summer of 2019, she interned with Refugee and Immigration Services in Columbia. Throughout her undergraduate enrollment, she held four ambassadorial positions in Fraternity and Sorority Life offices.

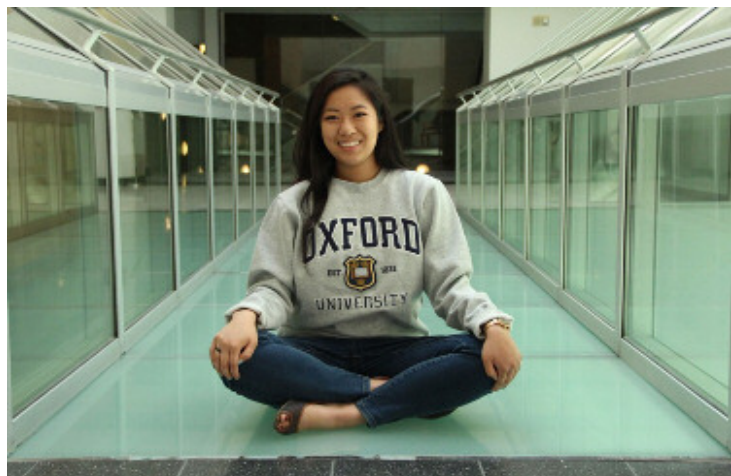
During the 2017-18 school year, Alice was elected president of the Asian American Association. During her senior year, she served as Executive Chair of the Midwest Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Students Union, a 501(c)3 non-profit serving universities across the Midwest.

In addition, she volunteered domestically through Mizzou Alternative Breaks with lowernine.org in New Orleans and served as a youth English volunteer teacher in Sandmen, Pingtung, Taiwan.

She states a long-term professional goal is to enhance her capacity to “transform conflict and build peace through involvement in student-led research groups and colloquiums and take these tools to the communities,” she expects to serve.

The 2021-2022 Rotary Global Scholar competition was keen, but the District Selection committee offered a robust certification of her candidacy. After application to Oxford University, Alice was admitted to their graduate program in International Relations. The Rotary area of focus that captured Alice’s attention is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution.

In the fall of 2021, she will enroll in the university and study modules such as “International Security and Strategic studies” and “Collective Political Violence.” The module structure for Oxford’s MPhil in International Relations touches upon three goals within the Rotary Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution paradigm.



As a graduate school learner, our scholar will explore understanding and adapting services and programs to integrate vulnerable populations into society while enhancing her knowledge of the systems and structures of conflict that eventually construct pathways to restorative justice. She will be hosted by Peter Lewis, President and International Chair, Rotary Club of Loddon Vale in District 1090.

Beginning in the Fall 2021 academic year, District 6080 will conduct a search for the 2022-2023 Global Scholar. Club presidents are encouraged to assist in the search for that coveted position. The winning applicant goes through two rounds of interviews—the club level and the district level—and must receive final approval from the Rotary Foundation.

The winning applicant will receive an award of \$40,000 that may cover the cost of tuition, school fees (including any health insurance required by the study institution), school supplies, room and board, passport/visa, vaccinations or immunizations, travel expenses (as specified in the grant terms and conditions), and local transportation expense.

Scholars are required to account for all expenditures and must provide funding to cover all costs that exceed the amount provided by Rotary. All unspent funds shall be returned to Rotary.

The scholarship award is limited to one academic year of study. If the scholarship student chooses to pursue a degree program that requires more than one academic year of study to complete, the student must personally provide funding for all degree study that extends beyond one academic year. Rotary will not renew the scholarship for the second year nor will it issue any additional funds to cover any part of the cost of the second year of study.

The deadline for submitting the completed Global Scholarship application to a local club in District 6080 is **Oct. 15, 2021, for the 2022-23 academic year**. An application is available at rotary6080.org/rotary-global-scholarships or from Dr. Charles Sampson, SampsonC@missouri.edu.

Rotary District 6080 Timeline for 2022-23 Academic Year

Event	Deadline
Clubs and individual Rotarians recruit applicants	March through October 15, 2021
Deadline for applicants to submit applications to local clubs	Not later than October 15, 2021
Local clubs interview applicants, makes a recommendation, and then forward endorsed applications via email to District Scholarship Chair Dr. Charles Sampson at SampsonC@missouri.edu .	Not later than November 12, 2021
District scholarship committee interviews all applicants and selects an applicant	Not later than November 19, 2021
Scholarship candidate seeks admission to his/her institution of choice	November 16, 2021 through February 2022
District submits the candidate's application with the letter of admission at their chosen study institution to the Rotary Foundation for possible approval	No later than March 31, 2022

For more information, please contact District Scholarship Chair Dr. Charles Sampson at SampsonC@missouri.edu.

Youth Exchange Accepting Applications Now

Youth Exchange is up and running! And accepting applications from high school students now to be **District 6080 Outbound students in 2022-23**.

How can you help?

First – have a look at the new D6080 Youth Exchange website either through the main District website OR at www.rye6080.org for information, Q&A and especially ***how to get your club involved***.

Second – let the Youth Exchange team help you. Do you need more information? Do you want YE presentations in your community or at the local high schools? Send an email to chair@rye6080.org or call Kit Freudenberg 573-619-3058. The YE team members are here to help.

Third – reach out to young students who may be interested in

- Meeting new people
- Learning a new language
- Experiencing a new culture

And passionate about becoming an ambassador for cultural understanding. This is a lifetime packed into a single year.

High school students and soon to graduate seniors may apply through the website. And they – and parents/guardians – may send questions or call for more information.

Important to know:

- Ages between 15 ½ and 18 ½ years old on Aug. 2, 2022
- Students leave July, August, September 2022
- This is a FULL academic year – students attend high school
- Costs to the student and family: usually between \$4,000 - \$7,000 depending upon airfare, country costs, etc.
- Accepted students will attend three orientations during 2022 (with a parent/guardian) and commit to learning basic language of their selected countries



Rotary Exchange student Hope Gowin of Fulton enjoys a cruise on a canal in Bruges, Belgium.



Laura Derenne, Rotary exchange student from Belgium, fixing crepes for her American host family.

Deadlines

- Students' online applications due Oct. 31, 2021
- Clubs interview and recommend students to District YE by Nov. 10, 2021
- District interviews at School of the Osage on Dec. 4, 2021
- Selections by Dec. 15, 2021
- Three orientations will take place between January and May, 2022; date and place TBD

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the scene with
culture and beauty."***

*-Karim Wasfi,
Maestro & Virtuoso*

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**Saturday
18 September 2021**

TWO PERFORMANCES

Free Virtual Concert
(Donations Appreciated)

2 pm London Time

10 pm London Time

Celebrating U.N.
International Day of Peace
with Maestro Karim Wasfi
and Friends

Jun Yi Ma, Orchestra Director & Concertmaster
of Sydney Opera House (Australia)

Cihat Askin, International Artist & Educator (Turkey)

Phoebus Chan, Composer & Pianist (Hong Kong)

Valdosta Symphony Orchestra, Georgia (USA)

Littleton Symphony Orchestra, Colorado, (USA)

**To register, find sponsorships, VIP Events,
make donations, and more information about
Karim Wasfi, go to:
www.ShapingPeaceThruMusic.org**

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Register for the Free Global Virtual Peace Concert that District 6080 is helping sponsor. For us, this virtual concert will be at 4 p.m. Sept. 18. To register, go to: www.ShapingPeaceThruMusic.org

Polio Eradication Activities in Afghanistan

Statement from the Polio Plus Committee on polio eradication activities in Afghanistan:

In 2021, despite internal conflicts and a global pandemic, Afghanistan is seeing unprecedentedly low transmission of wild polio, with just one case reported this year. Not only has the country seen a drastic reduction in cases of wild polio, polio surveillance data confirms this progress and significantly less virus is being detected in the environment.

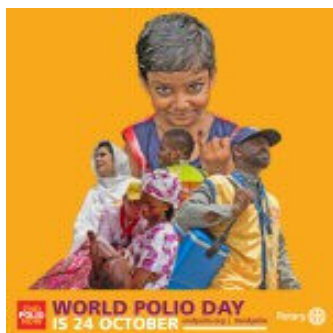


As conflict in Afghanistan quickly evolves, we must advocate for the children of Afghanistan. The polio program must work and communicate with all stakeholders involved to ensure that polio immunization remains a priority so that the gains we have made against polio do not diminish. We look forward to working with our polio eradication partners and the Afghani people to completely eradicate polio.

African region marks one year since being certified wild polio-free

Together, we've made tremendous progress in the fight to end polio. In August 2020, the World Health Organization's African region was certified free of wild poliovirus — an incredible milestone that was made possible by the leadership, dedication, and support of countless Rotary members and health workers, our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), and African region leaders.

The eradication of wild polio in the African region shows that total wild polio eradication is possible. Learn more about this historic achievement and Rotary's commitment to [keeping Africa free of wild poliovirus and ending polio worldwide](#).



Get ready for World Polio Day

Take action for World Polio Day on Oct. 24 by promoting awareness of Rotary's polio eradication efforts, raising funds, and planning club events. Let's engage our communities in the fight against polio, because as long as polio exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere. Download the [World Polio Day Toolkit](#) for resources and tips for participating in promoting a polio-free world.

Be sure to register your club participation for World Polio Day on endpolio.org to show how Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs around the world are striving to eradicate polio. Club presidents who register their events, fundraisers, and promotions by Oct. 14 will receive access one week early to download Rotary's World Polio Day Global Update program, which is scheduled to broadcast on Oct. 21 on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/rotary) and at endpolio.org.

Jeff City Clubs Break Ground on Habitat House



The Rotary clubs of Jefferson City came together Aug. 21 to break ground on a Habitat for Humanity House. Kit Freudenberg (center photo) of Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary spearheaded the project, which entailed joint fundraising with each club.

Springfield SE Rotary Holds Club Assembly



The Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast held its annual club assembly July 15 at the home of Kim and Patrick Harrington, just east of Springfield.

Members gathered for drinks and conversation at 5 p.m., then took a group photo and enjoyed a meal of Caesar salad and boiled shrimp.

Afterwards, they gathered in small groups for discussions about operations of the club so the board can make plans and establish priorities. Members said it was good to be able to gather for the annual event, which was canceled in 2020 because of the pandemic.

Springfield Southeast names their assembly the John Simpson Memorial Shrimp Feed in honor of a late charter member who hosted the assembly at his home and helped prepare the food for nearly 50 years.

Laurie Sunrise Beach helps with hurricane relief



The Rotary Club of Laurie Sunrise Beach raised more than \$5,000 in less than two weeks for hurricane relief in Louisiana during the presidency of Toni Wagner. The funds were sent to D-6840 and then allocated to a grant in D-6200.

The donation was used to help fund a Rotary District 6200 Hurricane Disaster Relief Effort Project submitted by the Rotary Club of Greater Lake Charles.

The project will assist with \$40,000 worth of repairs needed at

the Calcasieu Area Scout Camp Edgewood, which the Rotary Club of Greater Lake Charles has undertaken to complete.

The camp offers outdoor activities and programs to more than 2,000 Scouting participants in southwest Louisiana. It also hosts church groups, schools, private parties, and weddings. With over 10,000 visitors annually, the camp features 14 campsites, multiple program areas, a dining hall, and a shooting sports area. In addition, a 15-acre lake is part of the 283-acre camp property and offers swimming, canoeing, and fishing.



JC Rotary Sponsors New Teachers Luncheon



Rhonda Allen, Jefferson City Public Schools Teacher of the Year 2017-2018, provides words of wisdom.

The Rotary Club of Jefferson City and the Jefferson City Local Rotary Foundation sponsored the New Teachers Luncheon at Jefferson City High School Aug. 11.

The luncheon was to welcome and inspire new teachers and staff from schools in the Jefferson City area as they begin their service to various Jefferson City Schools.

Approximately 100 teachers and staff were individually recognized at the luncheon. Other Jefferson City Rotary Clubs members also attended the luncheon.

The Rotary Club of Jefferson City and the Jefferson City Local Rotary Foundation have a long history of welcoming new teachers and staff to the area. The first New Teacher Luncheon was held in 2006.

Modern Litho/Brown Printing sponsored printing of the luncheon program. Scholastic provided a selection of books for the teachers. The Rev. Angela Madden provided table decorations, which were given to the teachers.

Rhonda Allen, Jefferson City Public Schools Teacher of the Year 2017-2018, was the featured speaker. Ron Fitzwater, president of the Rotary Club of Jefferson City, provided a welcome and made introductions of guests. Rotarian the Rev. Angela Madden, Jefferson City First Presbyterian Church, gave the Invocation.

Rotarian and Jefferson City Mayor Carrie Tergin gave a welcome to attendees. Dr. Tracy Hinds, Missouri Deputy Commissioner of Education, provided a welcome and words of encouragement and gratitude.



Speakers at the luncheon (left to right): Jefferson City Mayor Carrie Tergin, the Rev. Angela Madden, Dr. Tracy Hinds, Alice Bartlett, Rhonda Allen, Superintendent Larry Linthacum and Rotary Club President Ron Fitzwater.

Rotarian Larry Linthacum, Jefferson City Public Schools superintendent, individually introduced the teachers and staff and welcomed them. Club President Fitzwater thanked Rotarian Alice Bartlett for coordinating and organizing the luncheon, as well as thanking the Rotraian volunteers who worked at the luncheon.

State of the District Address from PDG Howard

The following is the State of the District Address given by District Governor Jacque Howard on June 29, 2021, during the installation of new district officers.



My journey through Rotary began in 1994 when The Rotary Foundation gave me the opportunity to become a member of a Group Study Exchange to the Philippines. It forever changed my life.

It led me on a path to, somehow or in some way, make a difference in the World through Rotary. It instilled in me a lifelong passion and commitment to serve this extraordinary organization of Rotary.

Due to the pandemic, I learned to serve Rotary as your District Governor in new and innovative ways to meet the needs and protect the health and safety of club members and those we serve.

I want to congratulate all the Clubs, Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors across the district for what we accomplished together during this unusual Rotary year.

We embraced Rotary's Action Plan to Increase our Impact, Expand Our Reach, Enhance Participant Engagement, and Increase Our Ability to Adapt. Let me share a little about how we accomplished these Rotary priorities.

In March of 2020, when news hit of a Covid-19 pandemic rapidly spreading throughout our nation and the World we **Increased Our Ability to Adapt** by quickly shifting Presidents-Elect training, Assistant Governor training, and the District Assembly to one of the first virtual venues of its kind to assure that our Presidents and District Leadership were prepared to assume their leadership roles in a rapidly changing environment.

Club Presidents **Expanded Their Reach** by creating new ways to meet, support, and engage it's members. It is anticipated that 13 Rotary clubs at year end will show a net growth of +1 to +5 members.

A small Innovation team **Expanded Our Reach** when they pursued a vision to establish a new club on the campus of the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg. Through their passion and one on one attraction of former Rotarians and new members, they founded The Rotary Club of Central Missouri Warrensburg.

On May 28, 2021 the club was chartered with 24 members. A net gain of twenty members is projected by year end. Over one-half of the new club's members participated in a Rotary Day of Service at Wonderland Camp, hosted by the district. This diverse and rapidly growing club will be celebrating its accomplishments in a special event on campus tomorrow evening.

Collectively, We **Expanded Our Reach** through Polio Plus giving. The district maintained its commitment to transfer 20% of its District Designated Funds, by contributing \$34,000 to Polio Plus this year.

Clubs **Expanded Their Reach** through fundraising projects and member contributions that has exceeded \$52,000 or \$21 per capita for Polio giving. I applaud you. This level of giving would not have occurred without the passion and commitment you have to END POLIO.

We **Enhanced Participant Engagement** by recognizing our members who are also Veterans of the Armed Services. We held a virtual program on Pearl Harbor Day hosting two Veterans, one who was on the ground in Pearl Harbor and another who served as a Tuskegee Airman.

We **Enhanced Participant Engagement** by honoring our Veteran's during opening night of the District Conference. That day marked the birthday of my late father, a WWII veteran and Honorary member of the Rotary club of Pulaski County, my home club. One of the highlights of the evening was when Major Marshal General Donna Martin joined in LIVE to share her thoughts and words of appreciation. It took several months to seek out Veterans in clubs and enter them into the DaCdb system in preparation for the event.

I want to thank all those involved who spent countless hours to seek out and assure no one was missing from the list. As a result, we honored over 150 Veterans by awarding each a specially designed certificate and a ROTARY Armed Services Veteran's Pin.

Twenty percent of Clubs within the District **Enhanced Participant Engagement** when they embraced the District Peacebuilder Initiative and became Peacebuilder clubs. Rotarians within each club became "Peacebuilders" and joined the Rotary Action Group for Peace.

This year we grew from 1 to 10 recognized Peacebuilder clubs and collectively, we grew from 3 to nearly 40 Rotarian and Rotaractor Peacebuilders. Countless others are actively working within their Peacebuilder committees. This gave members an opportunity to see Rotary beyond the club by joining a Rotarian Action Group.

We **Increased Our Impact** when the District made available \$500 in grant funds to recognize each Peacebuilder club and to provide them with immediate funding to develop and implement a peace-centered project in their local community this year.

We **Increased Our Impact** when unused Peacebuilder funds were shifted to develop and implement a district-wide peace project in partnership with the Boone County library system. Through the action of Rotarians and funds made available through the grant, the project provided

for the purchase and distribution of approximately 400 peace-centered books for children and adults in participating libraries, the interlibrary loan system, and at many Little Free Libraries.

We **Increased Our Impact** by providing almost \$25,000 in funds for District Covid-19 response and Peacebuilder activities. This funding plus other funding sources created nearly \$50,000 in unanticipated projects.

I want to thank you and your clubs for developing and implementing projects that provided housing for families during the pandemic, provided food during a time of great need, provided seniors with support during a time of isolation, provided emergency child care for front-line workers, just to name a few. In addition, one club raised over \$5000 to provide hurricane relief in a fellow district.

We **Increased Our Impact** when remaining District Designated Funds were used to foster support of Covid-19 vaccine use. We developed billboard a vinyl that showed an End Polio Now themed photo and displaying that Vaccines Work. We posted the message on billboards in six counties in our district.

I applaud you for your dedication, commitment, and service during these unprecedented times, for improving the lives of those in need, and making a real difference in Rotary this year. As I mentioned earlier, The Rotary Foundation gave me an opportunity that forever changed my life. It led me on a path to somehow or in some way make a difference in the World through Rotary.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your District Governor this year. It has been an honor of a lifetime.

And.....If we all did this during a pandemic, imagine what you can do going forward. You'll be in great hands with Joan inspiring and supporting you this next year.



Jacqueline Howard
Governor, District 6080
(2020-2021)