

Newsletter

November 2021



Greetings to all!

Here we are in November, Rotary Foundation Month! The Foundation is the engine that powers so many projects we do in our world, as our International President says in our November Rotary magazine.

I want to emphasis that your gifts to the Foundation have made it possible for us to practically eradicate polio, promote peace and make projects happen in one of our seven areas of focus. I thank all of you that support the Foundation, there are many of you and you are changing our world!

I invite you to join us this coming Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. for our Virtual Fall Conference. Here's the link to register: https://uso2web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqf-6tqjgoGNOKE77VWozauic8bFtAR2ES. We will be focusing on the Foundation and great ideas you can implement in your own clubs. You will also learn more about membership. We need to continue to grow and retain our members so there are more of us to continue to do good in our world! I hope to see you, virtually, Saturday, Nov. 6.

So, have a great Foundation month and let's get out there and continue to change our world! We can do this! Our District is the best! Thank you, everyone. And a Happy Thanksgiving to all.

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



Join District Governor Joan Kramer on November 6th for our Fall Connection.

We will have an exciting program that includes:

Fundraising Ideas, Grant Fundamentals, Ideas for International Service Projects and more!



You are invited to a Zoom meeting Nov 6 at 9 a.m.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://uso2web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqf-6tqjgoGNOKE77VWozauic8bFtAR2ES

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

West Plains Raffle to Support Backpack Program



Enter for your chance to win a MZ Magnum Bad Boy 42" mower!

Proceeds support the Rotary Backpack Program.

The West Plains Rotary Backpack Program serves children by sending home a pack of easy-to-prepare meals and snacks for nutrition over the weekends.

Currently there are 120 backpacks issued every week school is in session, serving children from Kindergarten to Fourth Grade.

Schools include the West Plains Elementary School (average 50/week), five rural elementary schools

in the R-7 District (average 12/week at each school), and Head Start (average 10/week). The cost is approximately \$250 per child per year.

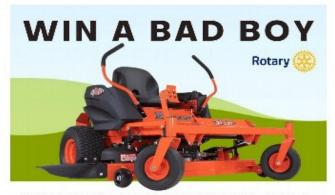
For the safety of our community, Rotary has postponed our main fundraiser event until 2022. However, funds are still needed to support the backpack program. Your participation in this raffle will help supply food distributed to children. We appreciate your support in helping continue this initiative.

Raffle Tickets

Tickets are available online, from any Rotarian, and at the Avenue Theatre Box Office located at 307 Washington Ave. in Downtown West Plains, Missouri, until Midnight Nov. 13.

For tickets or more information, go to https://rafflecreator.com/pages/51066/rotaryraffle-2021

Drawing will be held Nov. 16 at noon.



ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A MZ MAGNUM BAD BOY 42" MOWER!

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO BUY TICKETS TICKET PRICE: 1 FOR \$10 | 3 FOR \$25 | 15 FOR \$100



DRAWING TO BE HELD ON NOV 16TH @ NOON

TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE AVENUE THEATRE BOX OFFICE AND HTTPS://RAFFLECREATOR.COM/PAGES/51066/ROTARY-RAFFLE-2021

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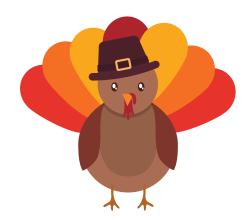


Turkey Fry

THIS THANKSGIVING, LEAVE THE COOKING TO US!







PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR CHARITABLE GIVING

\$50 gets you a fully-cooked, 12-14 pound (pre-cooked) turkey for pick-up on Thanksgiving Day.

You also can gift a turkey to several local agencies.

Turkey Fry Order Form

Name:	_
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Qty Ordering: Total Amount Due (\$50 per Turkey):	
Community Turkey Purchase: Everybody Eats Boys & Girls Club Columbia Fi Ronald McDonald House Salvation Army Harbor St. Francis House Voluntary Action Center Welco	House

Please make checks out to Rotary Club of Columbia

We will NOT accept any orders from the mail, please order in person or online.

Questions? Contact Neil Carr 573-268-5879





Springfield Clubs Enhance Miracle League Field

By Kim Flores



The pandemic kept families away from the Miracle League Field in Springfield, Missouri, last year and prevented a regular season in 2021. But on Oct. 11, 2021, the Park Board, along with Springfield Southeast and Springfield North Rotary clubs, sponsored a Home Run Derby to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the field and give kids with special needs the at-bat they'd been missing all season.

Located in the Dan Kinney Family Center and Park in

southeast Springfield, the Miracle League Field has been serving children and young adults with

disabilities for 10 years. Originally conceived and spearheaded by Springfield North Rotary member, Joe Stokes, the field was built with contributions from the North club and Walmart, with a significant donation from local businessman and philanthropist, Bobby Allison. Stokes was inspired by a friend's son who loved baseball but was unable to continue playing on a regular field after contracting muscular dystrophy.



After 10 seasons of use by children in wheelchairs and other assistive devices, as well as those with physical, sensory, or cognitive issues, the field is ready for some refurbishment and refinement. Thanks to a District Simplified Grant (DSG) co-sponsored by Springfield Southeast and Springfield North, players and families will soon enjoy the addition of a permanent sound system, lights inside both dugouts, and a shade structure behind home plate. All of these enhancements will add to the special playing surface (which is getting a new paint job, along with the other enhancements) and other assistive features to make the field an even more comfortable and accessible place for players and their families.



On this night in October, members from Southeast and North came out to provide a safe, socially distanced meal for players, families, and volunteers and to cheer along with Missouri State and Evangel softball players and other volunteers. "The Commissioner" introduced the batters and let the audience know when a player preferred quiet support instead of clapping and cheering. On this special field, every effort is made to ensure that each participant is celebrated in a manner that recognizes their unique gifts and challenges.

Stay tuned for updates as the DSG is completed and the field is made ready for a full season of fun in 2022.

Rocheport Rotary Assists With Equine Program



Rocheport Rotary members have been working with clients at the Sunny Oak Equine Program. The classes for developmentally disabled children and youth meet several times a year, and Rotarians have volunteered to be safety walkers.

In addition, the Rocheport Rotary Club and Friends of Rocheport signed a contract to reconstruct and beautify the Barth Garden on Central Street. The project will involve a total redo of the area into a hardscaped patio/garden space to enhance the public spaces of downtown Rocheport, adorning it with flower pots, planters, tables and chairs next spring.

Willow Springs Rotary Holds Live Radio Auction

The Rotary Club of Willow Springs says their 63rd Live Radio Auction held in early October was their best ever. Sponsors, businesses, and individuals were very generous, so Rotary raised over \$7,200. Donations will be used to support community youth and volunteer programs. Some of the auction workers are pictured at right—Rotary members, Interact Club high school students, the YMCA, and community volunteers.





Columbia Evening Rotary Collects Items for Refuges

City of Refuge in Columbia needed personal hygiene products for refugees so Columbia Evening Rotary collected donations. From left, Leah, City of Refuge's program coordinator, celebrates with Jan Turner and Kayley Bozarth, the Rotary Club's service co-chairs.

Clinton Rotary Serves 400 at Chili Fundraiser



The Clinton Rotary Club held its 41st Chili Fundraiser on a rainy, cool day, Oct 28, at the club's building in Clinton. It was a perfect day for a bowl of chili and approximately 400 were served. Scott Brooks (left) has chaired this fundraiser for many years and it is always a great way for club members to come together to make this event a success. Proceeds are used throughout the community during the year.







Fulton Rotary Holds Low Country Boil for CASA



Jill Gamlin and Sherry McCarthy prepare meals.

The Rotary Club of Fulton fed 174 people at its low country boil Sunday, raising about \$1,800 for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), who work with abused and/or neglected children in the foster care system, and other charitable causes.

Fulton Rotary will use part of the proceeds to match an \$1,100 grant from Rotary District 6080. The grant will be used to purchase items, such as games, toys, toiletries, stationary, stamps, journals, etc., for volunteer advocates to distribute when they visit children in the foster

care system. In 2022, Fulton Rotary plans to host an appreciation event/pizza party for all of the Callaway County Heart of Missouri CASA volunteers.



Denton Kurtz bags potatoes



Brenda Loeffler helps Marty Walker remove food from the boiling water.

District 6080 Assistant Governor Marty Walker of the Rotary Club of Columbia cooked shrimp, sausage, potatoes and corn on the cob for the boil. Fulton Rotarians served the meals to hungry community members from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Memorial Park Pavilion.

Meals left over after the event were taken to Our House: Caring for Callaway's Homeless. Nearly two cartons of extra potatoes were donated to SERVE.



District Governor Joan Kramer adds corn to the pot.

Global Grant Scholar Checks in From Oxford

Greetings from Oxford! This is Alice A. Yu, District 6080's Global Grant Scholar, and I am happy to report I've made it safely to Oxford, United Kingdom. Once I arrived at Heathrow Airport, Peter Lewis and his wife Mary were on site to drive me directly to St Peter's College in Oxford. Peter is the Immediate Past President of our host club, Rotary Club of Loddon Vale.

I was quite lucky with my accommodations; I secured postgraduate accommodations with my college (St Peter's College), and the building is just a three-minute walk from our campus. I have my own bedroom and washroom, and I share a kitchen with the 15 other residents on my floor. The entire building is home to



Alice presents District 6080 and Columbia South's banners to the president of Rotary Club of Loddon Vale, Ted Daveu.

postgraduate students in St Peter's College, so within my first few days of being in Oxford, I was able to meet a good number of other college mates. The building itself is called Paradise Street Annexe, on account that it is right on Paradise Street (which makes for great puns). Paradise Street Annexe is a minute's walk from Westgate, the shopping center in Oxford's City Centre. Westgate received its name because it's where the original west gate of the old Oxford city once stood (at least that's what I heard from one of my college seniors).

During my first few days in Oxford, I spent time walking the city just to establish my bearings. The city centre itself is not that large; everything is contained in a handful of streets. On a city tour I took later in the week led by a senior postgraduate student, we were able to go on a circular tour around the city within an hour. In my first week, I was able to walk by multiple colleges (University, Balliol, St. Anne's, Lincoln, just to name a few). I also met a friend who took me on a tour of her college, St Edmund Hall. I was also able to visit University Park, the Oxford Botanical Garden, Radcliffe Camera, Bodleian Library, and the building for the Department of Politics and International Relations.

As a postgraduate in St Peter's College, I'm also part of the Middle Common Room (MCR). The MCR is not only a physical room where postgraduates can meet up, but it's the name of the postgraduate student body. There's a MCR committee that serves as the governing body of the roughly 130 postgraduate students in St Peter's College, and they have been extremely helpful so far by providing plenty of socializing opportunities for all the new students. New students are called "Freshers" and even before the designated Freshers Week (also known as Week 0, or Noughth Week), we've had events on the social calendar such as ice cream socials, city tours, and picnics in University Park.

On Sept. 27, I took a 30-minute train into Reading. Peter met me at the station to drive me to Sonning Common where Loddon Vale had their International Evening. At this International Evening, Rotarian Bob Hyatt gave a presentation about the trip he and his wife, Lesley, took to Antarctica.

While I haven't been in Oxford very long at all, it's been such a lovely and exciting start to my postgraduate studies. I look forward to starting my seminars soon and meeting more course mates, both of which will happen this next month and are sure to be included in next month's updates!