

## Newsletter

March 2022



Hello District 6080:

Things are moving along so fast, we are already getting ready for Show Me Rotary President-Elect and President-Nominee Training March 25 and 26. See Showmerotary.org to get registered. It is very important to attend these trainings if you are in these positions for your club. See you there!

Please, also, mark your calendars for our District 6080 and District 6040 District Conference (a joint conference) in Springfield, Missouri, April 29 and 30, "Serve To Change Lives by Working Side by Side." Registration information will be out soon.

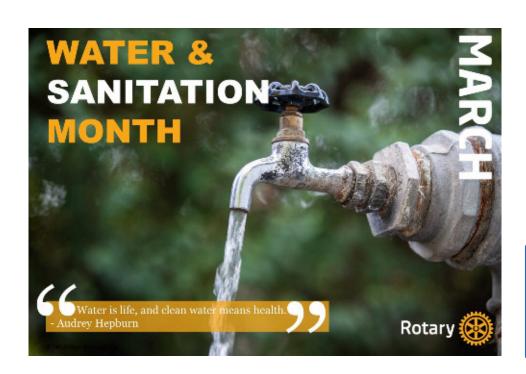
Plan on being there to see your friends in person, have a lot of fun and work on two service projects.

Also, another event to attend will be a Rotary Day of Service at Wonderland Camp, Saturday, May 7, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Another great opportunity for you and your club members to truly perform a Rotary Day of Service. Email me at <a href="mailto:kramerjoan2000@yahoo.com">kramerjoan2000@yahoo.com</a> if your club is interested and you want to learn more.

And please consider attending the Rotary International Convention in Houston June 5-8.

Finish the year big—Each One Bring One, perform a Rotary Day of Service and even better make it a project to Empower Girls! Thank you to all, and I will see you soon!

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



As Rotary members, we use our connections to create lasting change in our communities and around the world. And although we've all faced the challenges of the pandemic for the past year and a half, we've continued to take action, solve problems, and make a positive impact.

We are optimistic that we can gather in person to explore new opportunities for friendship and service at the 2022 Rotary International Convention, June 4-8 in Houston, Texas. We invite you to join us!

At the convention, you will:

- Develop new friendships and strengthen old ones
- Share your Rotary experiences and learn more ways to get involved
- Find inspiration in the family of Rotary

In response to questions and concerns raised by members world-wide, the Rotary International Board of Directors has confirmed that the 2022 Rotary International Convention will still be an inperson event.

In addition, the Board has determined that all participants, including Rotary International preconvention participants, must either be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (<u>as defined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u>) OR provide a negative result from a COVID-19 test taken no more than 72 hours before their arrival at the convention.

To encourage attendance, considering this news, **there is a special registration rate of \$495 through February 28**, which is retroactive to December 16. Any registrations made at the \$575 rate since December 16 will automatically be refunded the difference in price — no action is required from the registrant. Register now to take advantage of our reduced rate. You'll be able to cancel for a full refund, minus a \$50 per person administration fee, until April 30.

Don't miss this chance to strengthen your passion for Rotary. Visit convention.rotary.org/houston for more information.

## Join Us for a Special Presentation

## Rotary International Global Grant Project Caraga Region Literacy and Agricultural Development Global Grant Mindenau, Philippines

In Rotary year 2019 to 2020, the Jefferson City West Rotary club and the Rotary Club of Butuan Philippines partnered with other District 6080 Rotary clubs, and with Bryan Thomas and Scott Massey of Global Partnership For Sustainable Solutions, to embark on a tremendous Rotary Global Grant Project entitled Caraga Literacy and Agriculture Development Global Grant. This \$288,000 global grant will impact the lives of thousands of indigenous people in the Caraga region of Mindenau, Philippines, in the form of basic education, land usage and strategy training, workforce development, and civic leadership training and mentoring programs necessary to prepare them for launching a large scale coconut and abaca plantation. Through the vision of Mr. Thomas and Mr. Massey and the support of Rotary International, this grant officially got underway in early 2020 in the Philippines, until the COVID-19 pandemic brought the project to a halt.

The Jefferson City West Rotary club is pleased to welcome, all the way from Nashville, TN, Mr. Bryan Thomas, the key on-site administrator of the grant project who spent several months in early 2020 in the Philippines, getting this project started. He will share with us, first-hand, the vision of this far-reaching and life-changing project, the progress to date, and the expected progress that will hopefully continue soon in 2022.

Join us at The President's Suite, Room 205 at the Linc on the campus of Lincoln University, 1299 Lafayette St. in Jefferson City on Thursday, March 3rd, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Please RSVP to Tim Haas (tim.tandg@embarqmail.com or (573)291-1374) by Tuesday, March 1.



March 3, 2022 7:00-9:00 pm Room 205, The Linc

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RSVP:

**About the Speaker** 

Bryan Thomas is a multilingual, multicultural CEO and Managing Partner of Global Partnership For Sustainable Solutions. He's led successful start-up organizations in four countries, and provided effective organization development consulting on four continents. Bryan has spent three decades developing indigenous leaders and projects throughout the Philippines and former Soviet Union. He has BS degrees in Linguistics, Cultural Anthropology and Education, and MA in Sociology focused on Leadership & Organization Development. Bryan is also a writer and has taught and challenged over a million people in 25 countries through his public speaking.

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## President-Elect, President-Nominee Training Set

### What Does it Mean to be a Rotary Club President? How Will You Succeed?

Show Me Rotary Institute will help answer these questions. Be ready for Leadership immediately on July 1 when your term as President or President-elect begins.

The 2022 Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute

March 26

Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City



**Take Advantage of This Opportunity!!** Show Me Rotary provides important information and inspiration.

Keynote Speaker: Jennifer Jones 1st woman president of Rotary International, 2022-23

Featured Speakers: Elizabeth Usovicz, RI Director Ray Klinginsmith, Rotary International President, 2010-11

Show Me Rotary is composed of two training tracks: President-Elect (PE) Training and President-Nominee (PN) Training.

- •PE training focuses on how to adapt and change, engage club members and select priorities for club.
- •PN training focuses on planning, creating a 15-month plan and creating a vision for their clubs.

*If Presidents-Elect are not able to attend* Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute because of scheduling problems, they should contact their District Governor-Elect Immediately to make alternate plans. *If Presidents-Nominee are not able to attend*, clubs are encouraged to send an emerging leader in their place. A third and fourth individual from clubs may attend for a registration fee of \$150/person.

Topics to be covered:

New Generations
 The Power of the Rotary Foundation

Innovative Clubs Empowering Girls

• Eradicating Polio Engaged and Energized Rotary Club Members

**For information and to register, go to showmerotary.org.** Tickets to the banquet to hear Jennifer Jones are \$50 for those not registered for the Show Me Rotary Leadership Institute.



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# Rotary Trivia

March 26 at 7pm • Doors open at 6pm

Isle of Capri Casino Hotel Boonville Ballroom

\$200 per team • 10 person maximum
Teams formed by March 1 receive FREE Mulligans

# Featuring:

- ◆ Complimentary Appetizers
- ◆ Dead or Alive Competition
- Silent Auction and Raffle

General Information: Heather Rapp 660-537-2444 Team Reservations: Jasen Matyas 573-268-0825

## Service Above Self - Around District 6080



**The Rotary Club of Warrensburg** donated \$1,000 to the Johnson County Adult Literacy Program February 22. The donation is part of an annual effort by the club to support organizations in the community.

Allison Bolt (left), president of Warrensburg Rotary, presents a ceremonial check to Donna Petentler of the Johnson County Adult Literacy Program.

**Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary** provided cards and goody bags to nursing home residents for Valentine's Day. During a club meeting, members brought different donations, signed Valentine's Day cards and filled goody bags. They wrote handwritten cards and filled bags with candy, snacks, activity books and other treats so nursing home residents could feel special on Valentine's Day.











Above: Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary members prepare goody bags.

Left: Area nursing home residents open their Valentine's Day goody bags.

## January Report from Global Scholar Alice Yu



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. She is studying at the University of Oxford in the International Relations graduate program.

#### January 2022

With the new year comes the start of a new term! We're now in our second term (Hilary) with a few new courses. This term's focus is on refining our topic of study for our research design proposal which we will use to write our thesis. The core seminar is a course we have through all three terms of the academic year, and our cohort is now on our third block (each term has two blocks). To assist us in writing our research design proposal, we're also enrolled in a Research Design & Methods seminar series taught by a rota of professors within the department.

For our third course, we were given three choices of research method courses (causal inference, formal analysis, and qualitative methods) of which I chose qualitative methods. Naturally, adjusting to the course load of this term was much easier than the adjustment period of last term. I already knew most of my professors, and I've become accustomed to the teaching style and expectations here at Oxford.

I spent the first two weeks of my term focusing in on what specific aspect of international cooperation I want to study in regards to the effect of international cooperation on human trafficking. Currently, I'm conducting a more thorough literature review on how the language of international agreements (such as the UN Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children out of the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime) are transformed and incorporated into transnational and regional organizations as well as state-based legislation.

A sub-question coming out of the study of language transformation is how boilerplate language (stock language commonly used at the start of certain legal documents) presents itself in the different levels of agreements (international, regional, state-based). An area of further study could be whether the boilerplate language may hold different interpretations in various regions that is then evident in local legislation. I've truly never had reading lists so long, so it's certainly been an academic marathon in consuming this large volume of information, from readings for my literature review to all the readings for all three of my courses.

Outside of academics and thesis writing, there have been quite a few celebrations. St Peter's College held a formal dinner celebrating Burns Night on January 25 where we had a guest give a recitation of Robert Burns' Address to a Haggis.



With friends at St. Peter's College to celebrate Burns Night on January 25, 2022.

I attended the formal with a group a friends to support one of our friends who played the bagpipe not only to welcome in members of the high table (which usually seats the Master of our college and other members of faculty), but to also accompany the presentation of the haggis. My friend also piped for the exit of the high table as the entire hall sang Auld Lang Syne. To have music, speeches, recitations, and group singing during our formal dinner was certainly a special treat.

The following week was Lunar New Year, so I hosted a social event within St Peter's Middle Common Room, which is the space for postgraduate students. On the eve of the new year, we provided dumplings, tangerines, and a lantern-making station.

On February 1, our college held yet another formal dinner celebrating the Lunar New Year, where we had dumplings for our starters, sweet chili tofu with rice for our main course, and then mango and lychee pudding for our dessert. While it was hard to celebrate the Lunar New Year without my family for the first time in my life, it was so heartwarming to bring in the new lunar year with close friends and fantastic food.

As the time of the sunset is getting later and later (I think the earliest sunset this winter must have been around 3:55 p.m.), I realized how much I miss long days of sun and how hard this winter truly has been not in terms of cold weather, but in terms of sun exposure. The sun now sets at 5 p.m., which is such a welcome change; it is astounding how even an extra hour of sun can be so invigorating. It's also hard to believe that we're nearing the halfway point of Hilary Term, especially since it feels like we just started back up, but time marches ahead with a strong and steady beat.

Always, a huge thank you to Rotary District 6080 and the International Rotary Foundation for giving me the opportunity to experience and learn here in the United Kingdom, and I look forward to checking in next month!

## Rotary to Award up to 130 Peace Fellowships

Each year, Rotary awards up to 130 fully funded "Peace fellowships" for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of our peace centers. The Rotary Peace fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and internship and field-study expenses.



The Rotary Foundation will award up to **50** fully funded fellowships for master's degrees and **80** for certificate studies at premier universities. Fellows can choose to study at any eligible university in the USA, Japan, England, Australia, or Sweden.

Since the program began in 2002, the Rotary Peace Centers have **trained more than 1,500 fellows** who now work in over **115 countries**. Many serve as leaders in governments, NGOs, education and research institutions, peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies, and international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank.

#### ABOUT ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS

**DEADLINE**: 15 May 2022.

**LEVEL**: Master, Professional development certificate.

**FINANCING**: Fully funded. **OPEN TO**: All nationalities.

HOST COUNTRIES: USA, Japan, England, Australia, Sweden.

#### BENEFITS AND AMOUNT OF THE ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

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This is where Rotary Peace alumni work now:

#### **ELIGIBILITY FOR ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS**

The ideal candidate for the Rotary Peace Fellowships, regardless of their nationality, is:

- Academically strong.
- •Has a **bachelor's degree** in a related field.
- •Be proficient in English (proof of proficiency is not mandatory).
- •Has work experience in **peace and development**.
- •Demonstrate a commitment to **peace and conflict resolution.**
- •Able to undertake extensive reading and research.
- •Able to participate actively within a diverse cohort of students.

The program is looking for **early career** candidates. After the program, candidates should be willing to share their work and experience, staying in touch with peace fellows in their region and maintaining strong connections with Rotary members.

For more information about your eligibility, take the eligibility quiz.

#### MASTER'S PROGRAM UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

- •Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
- •International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan
- University of Bradford, Bradford, England
- •University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
- •Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

- •Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand.
- •Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.

#### HOW TO APPLY TO THE ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS?

To apply to the Rotary Peace Fellowships, follow these steps to ensure that your application receives consideration.

- 1. Review the eligibility restrictions.
- 2.Research the curriculum and programs at each of the Rotary Peace Centers. You will be asked to rank two centers you prefer for the Master's program and up to two centers for the certificate program if you meet the eligibility criteria for both programs.
- 3.Engage with Rotary. Use the Club Finder to locate the Rotary club nearest you. Connecting with a club is a great way to learn about Rotary's work in your community and around the world. A club recommendation is optional, but strongly recommended as part of your application.
- 4. Submit your application by 15 May. Applications require a resume, academic and/or professional recommendations, essays, transcripts, social impact plan (certificate only), and test scores (master's only). All materials must be in English.
- 5.Get endorsed. In early June, if your application meets the qualification and eligibility criteria, it will be automatically assigned to a trained Rotary endorser. Your assigned endorser will reach out to you to schedule an interview during the month of June. After your interview, the Rotary endorser will submit an endorsement decision for your application by 1 July.
- 6.Await selection results. Email notifications will be sent in November. If you are chosen for a fellowship, you will be told at which Peace Center you will study.
- 7.Apply for admission (master's only) to the university where your Peace Center is located. **Being selected for the fellowship does not mean you have been admitted to the university**.

Candidates have until 15 May 2022 to submit applications to The Rotary Peace Fellowships program. Rotary endorsers must submit endorsements to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July 2022.

For more information, contact Rotary Foundation here.