



District 6080 Rotarians,

As we start this New Year, I hope all Rotarians had a wonderful holiday season filled with quality family time, peace, joy, warmth, and good cheer! The District Leadership Team wishes all in our communities a happy, safe, and successful New Year!

Rotary takes January to focus on Vocation Service, as every Rotarian can make a difference by using our unique skills and expertise to address community needs. Imagine Rotary and imagine how you and your club can use your knowledge to make our communities and world a better place to live, work, and play!

A quick reminder of my three initiatives: 1) Membership; 2) Foundation Giving and 3) Mental Health of Young Girls

The Rotary year is halfway over, but that still gives us six months to continue our mission! I believe one of the most important things we can do as Rotarians is to give the gift of Rotary to someone. I'm hopeful that as we visited with family and friends this holiday season that we were able to share some Rotary stories and invite them to a club meeting or function. Now is the time to follow through and send them a reminder.

As a District, we are a little behind on giving to The Rotary Foundation, please look at what you can contribute, both now, as well as legacy giving. The Foundation is well managed and Rotarians decide where 100 percent of the funds are allocated!

Empowered young girls grow into strong, successful women. Mental health issues have been an increasing problem, not only in the USA but around the world. Let's use the power of Rotary and our skills and expertise to bring awareness, support, treatment, and prevention of mental health for not only young girls but everyone in our communities!

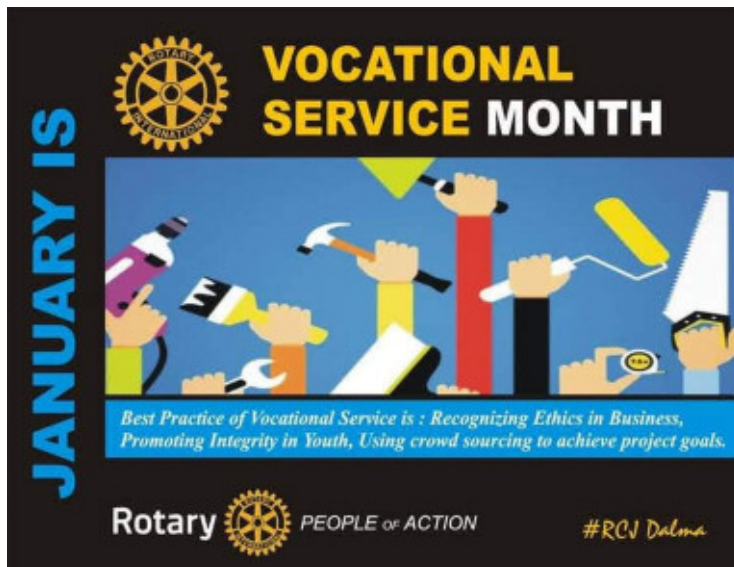
Please save the date for the District 6080 Conference on May 5 and 6 in Springfield.

Thank you for all you are doing in our communities and the world!

John Horton

DG 6080 2022-2023

Springfield Southeast



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

Save-the-Date: Presidents-Elect and Nominee



If you are the President-Elect or President-Nominee of your club: plan now to attend Pre-PETS by Zoom Jan. 26 and Feb. 9, both at 6 p.m., and PETS at the Capitol Plaza in Jefferson City March 23-25. More information on the following page and to come in the future.

Don't Miss Presidents-Elect Training March 23-25

Plan now to attend Show Me Rotary Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) 2023 and get prepared for a fantastic year! You won't want to miss your chance to enhance your leadership skills as President-Elect or President-Nominee. The Show Me Rotary Council is excited to offer you the tools to lead and improve your club.

PETS dates: Thursday-Saturday, March 23-25

programming starts at 6 p.m. on Thursday and ends after lunch on Saturday
weather date a week later

Pre-PETS via Zoom: January 26 and February 9 at 6 p.m.

Your registration is already paid

each club automatically is billed for two representatives
if your PE or PN can't attend, send a substitute
registration opens Jan. 1

Make your hotel reservations at the Capitol Plaza, Jefferson City

special room rate is \$99/night
cutoff for special rate is Feb. 20
call 573-635-1234 or 800-338-8088

Phenomenal speakers

Dr. Stephanie Urchick, 2024-25 President of Rotary International
John Blount, Past Director, Rotary International
Larry Lunsford, Rotary International Board of Trustees
Elizabeth Usovicz, Rotary International Director

Topics include

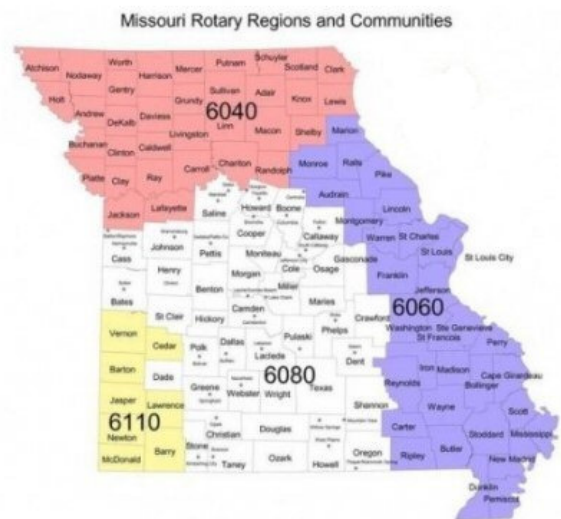
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More information

<https://showmerotary.org/>

Show Me Rotary Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) is one of the largest multi-district PETS in the United States. It was formed with a view to becoming a premier training event with the atmosphere of a mini Rotary International Convention by leveraging the expertise of three Rotary Districts in Missouri.

With the ability to host exceptional speakers, informative workshops, detailed district training sessions, fellowship and networking, the basic purpose of our PETS is to motivate our 300+ attendees, including Club Presidents-Elect, Presidents-Nominee and Assistant Governors, to ensure they are well prepared for their year of service.



When the carols
have been stilled,
When the star-topped tree
is taken down,
When family and friends
are gone home,
When we are back to our schedules

THE WORK OF CHRISTMAS BEGINS

To welcome the refugee,
To heal a broken planet,
To feed the hungry,
To build bridges of trust,
not walls of fear,
To share our gifts,
To seek justice and peace
for all people,
To bring Christ's light
to the world.

Michael Dougherty

Springfield Metro Provides SAFE Store for School



Rotary Club of Springfield Metro had a fun day at their Christmas SAFE Store at McGregor Elementary. They had help from Great Southern Bank, whose employees wrapped presents for the kiddos.



Fulton Rotary Sponsors Special Olympics Bowling



Fulton Rotarian Mary Bell with Billy



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Fulton Special Olympics partners with Rotary for tournament

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Signups for Special Olympics Bowling have started. This year, Fulton Rotary Club will sponsor 50 Special Olympic athletes who will participate in the annual bowling tournament.

Allen Huggins, Fulton Rotary president, said Rotarians will attend some of these practices, acting as coaches, scorekeepers and cheerleaders.

Debbie Luckinbill, coordinator for Special Olympics in Fulton, said having Rotary sponsor the bowlers this year is a great thing. Luckinbill said she could use the help from Rotary, as she was in need of volunteers.

Fulton Special Olympics started in 2004 in Callaway County.

For 10 weeks prior to the tournament, local athletes will meet once per week at the Fulton Bowling Center to practice. Practice leads up to the tournament, and there are 10 practices at the Fulton Bowling Lanes.

Athletes start practicing at 11 a.m. and end around 1 p.m., she said.

Signups will begin at noon Saturday at Fulton Bowling Lanes.

The bowling tournament will be held Dec. 3 at AMF Town and Country Lanes in Columbia.



Columbia Interact Volunteers Numerous Times



The Interact Club
of
Hickman High School Sponsored by
The Rotary Club of Columbia (Downtown)
Working at the
Food Bank - 18 Oct
Coyote Hill Foster Care - 22 Oct
Turkey Fry – 24 Nov
Voluntary Action Center - 6 Dec
Ringing the Bell for Salvation Army – 10 Dec



Rotary Club of Columbia Welcomes All to Social



Member Social
4th Wednesday of the Month

25 Jan 2023

5:15 – 6:30 PM at

Top Ten Wines

111 South 9th Street

Columbia, MO 6521

573-442-2207-

toptenwines@socket.net

2,500 bottles of wine

6 beers on draft



Lake Area Rotary Clubs Meet for Conversation



Camdenton Rotary Club hosted the three other Rotary clubs in the Lake of the Ozarks area for conversation about Rotary and ways to help the communities.

News From Rotary Club of Columbia South



Above left: Past President Brad Martens (left) recognized the "Service Above Self" of former Columbia South Rotarian and Past District 6080 Governor Steve Dulle by making him an Honorary Member of Columbia South. Steve continues his service as a member of the Rotary Club of Georgetown, Texas.



Above right: As chair of Columbia South's poinsettia committee for over 15 years, Joe Weston has led the way in raising over \$150,000 for worthy causes in Columbia and around the world.



President Del Epperson (right) bids goodbye to Bob Smith. A Columbia South member for nearly 21 years, a past president, major donor, Rotarian of the Year and DACdb guru for District 6080, Bob moved to Omaha.