



Hello Rotary District 6080!

January is Human Trafficking Awareness month and at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 25, the Peacebuilder Committee of Columbia Metro will present the documentary [HOPE ROAD](#), which focuses on the stories of survivors of human trafficking. Discussion will follow the film and a Rotarian who works with human trafficking victims will be available to answer questions. Since the film will be screened online, Rotarians can watch from their own computer or a club can make this a group event and meet for dinner, watch the film together, and then discuss it. This is an important issue and we hope to have a great turnout. Share with other clubs who might be interested. Register for this event at:

<https://uso6web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwoce2rpjItH9DhyN3BxRfPC4CcwVb7vcs6>.

Training and networking are huge components of developing your Rotary resume, and this year's PETS training has much to offer to incoming club Presidents-Elect and Presidents-Nominee. The training is an offering of Show-Me Rotary, <https://showmerotary.org/>, and every year provides valuable opportunities for clubs to send two members to learn why Rotarians are known worldwide as "People of Action."

"FUNvention"—a fun time is planned for the Rotary District 6080 District Conference, which will be a combined District 6040, 6060 and 6080 event to be held at Margaritaville, in Osage Beach, April 19-21. There will be an opportunity for your club to be at the "Shoes Roll Call" to let District's 6040 and 6060 know how well we have done on our Shoes, Shoes, and more Shoes collections! Please let me know if you need help getting your shoes to Osage Beach.

As I am preparing this letter, I want to send out my best wishes for the University of Missouri at the Cotton Bowl. Go MIZZOU!

Jimmy Standfast, District Governor 2023-24
Rotary Club of Salem



CREATE HOPE
in the **WORLD**

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

Do you want to be an effective club president?

Register NOW to attend:

Show Me Rotary PETS

(presidents-elect and presidents-nominee training)

Early Show Me Rotary PETS registration begins Jan 1. Those who sign up during the month of January are eligible to win four tickets to Silver Dollar City. The names will be entered into a drawing.

Go to the Show Me Rotary website (showmerotary.org) for sign up information.



We are moving to Springfield!

SAVE THE DATE

March 22 & 23, 2024

University Plaza, Springfield, MO

For more information, see Show Me Rotary's website: <https://showmerotary.org/>
or the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/showmerotary>

Dynamic Speakers: Learn Who They Are



Stephanie A. Urchick

The incoming president (2024-25) of Rotary International, Stephanie Urchick, will be the featured speaker at Friday evening's dinner. A Rotary member since 1991, she is a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania.

Stephanie has been an RI director and Rotary Foundation trustee. She has served RI in numerous capacities, including as training leader, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, and RI president's representative. In addition, Stephanie was a representative and member-at-large to three sessions of the Council on Legislation.

She has also served as chair of the Rotary Strategic Planning Committee and The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Celebration Committee, as well as a member of various Rotary committees, including the Election Review Committee and Operational Review Committee.

Stephanie has participated in a variety of international service projects, including National Immunization Days in India and Nigeria. In Vietnam, she worked with clubs to help build a primary school and traveled to the Dominican Republic to install water filters. A student of several Slavic languages, she has mentored new Rotary members in Ukraine and coordinated a Rotary Foundation grant for a mammography equipment and a biopsy unit for a hospital in Poland. Currently, Stephanie is helping to partner clubs and districts in the U.S. with Rotary clubs in Albania, Kosovo, and Ukraine for humanitarian and educational services.

Her professional background is in the higher education, consulting, and entertainment industries. She received her doctorate degree in Leadership Studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and has been recognized and awarded by The Rotary Foundation and numerous community and international organizations.



Michael Angelo Caruso

Friday morning's speaker, Michael Angelo Caruso, teaches people how to be better speakers and presenters so they can help more people and amp up their careers. He utilizes his unique background in the technology sector and a separate career in the entertainment business to deliver keynote speeches that feel like a combination of your best teacher and your favorite comedian.

Michael delivers about 70 presentations and keynote speeches a year. He has spoken on six continents and in 49 of the 50 states. He can make anyone a better communicator and regularly demonstrates his effective communication strategies by helping audience members improve during *his* presentation.

He is founder and president of Edison House, an international consulting firm specializing in corporate and personal improvement. Edison House clients include Hallmark, Bank of America, Verizon Wireless, Rayovac, Citgo, Nissan and the United States Navy. Michael has authored [*Work Hacks*](#) and the audiobook, *Dear Michael Angelo -- A Father's Life Letters to His Son*. He also has a highly rated online speaker coaching masterclass titled, *Present Like a Pro*.

Michael loves giving back. He served as president of the Rotary Club of Troy, Michigan (2013-14), Governor for District 6380 (2016-17), Public Image Coordinator for Zone 28 and 32 (2019-21), and is currently Lead Trainer for Great Lakes Rotary PETS. His popular seminar fundraiser has raised over a quarter of a million dollars for Rotary Clubs all over North America.



Beth Stubbs

Beth Stubbs, Rotary International Director for Zones 30 and 31, will be Friday's luncheon speaker. She first started frequenting Rotary club meetings at age 8 with her father and joined the Rotary Club of Maryville, Tennessee, in 1991.

Beth served her district in several capacities including as chair of its finance, Foundation, and leadership development and education committees. Stubbs has attended 21 international conventions, traveled to New York City for UN Day for Rotary, served in a National Immunization Day in India, traveled to Mexico for club partnership

projects, and attended various Zone meetings around the country. She and her husband, Tony, support The Rotary Foundation as Arch Klumph Society members.

Beth is a certified public accountant (CPA) who earned her degree at Plymouth State College. After working as a CPA at a Maryville firm, she set up her own private practice in 1994.

She has served on the boards of local nonprofits including at Michael Dunn Center, which helps individuals with developmental disabilities and at Asbury Place, a regional retirement community organization. She also served in officer positions in Toastmasters International and is active on several committees at her church. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, traveling, and attending football and basketball games at the University of Tennessee.



Sigrid Solomon

Sigrid Solomon an independent diversity consultant and a frequent presenter at conferences on the topic of diversity leadership. She will speak during Saturday's lunch. Sigrid has more than 30 years of higher education experience and serves as the VP, Chief Student Affairs Officer and Dean of Students at Wilmington College in Ohio.

She holds a B.S. in Industrial and Labor Relations from Cornell University, an M.Ed. from East Carolina University and is currently working on her Doctorate through Ashland University.

Her passion and experience for community affairs have led to her becoming heavily involved in the local community and she was recognized in 2016 as one of the Outstanding Women of Clinton County. A Rotarian since 2003, she has served in a variety of capacities at the local, district, and zone levels. She served as president of two Rotary Clubs and as District Governor of Rotary District 6670 in 2019-20.

Sigrid was a member of the 2021-22 RI Director Nominating Committee for Zone 30. She also served as one of the 2022 International Assembly Training Leaders. For Zones 30/31, she has served as co-chair of the Diversity Advisory Circle, DGN lead trainer and DGE lead trainer. Sigrid is currently the chair of the District 6670 PDG Council and DEI chair.

Ashley Dawn



Our entertainment during Friday evening's dinner will be Ashley Dawn, who was Branson's Terry Music Female Vocalist of 2022. She is a seasoned Nashville recording artist with country, bluegrass and southern gospel roots. who channels the music of Reba, Dolly, Miranda Lambert, Shania, the Judds, etc.

She landed a Nashville record deal at the age of 17 and toured with her brother and sister in the southern gospel trio, the Praters, charting on the top 100. Together, the trio performed over 200 concerts per year across the country.

She was later contracted as the lead vocalist for the 135th Army Band, Aftershock, where she toured for two years, performing at military balls and various theme parks. In Fall of 2023 she joined Nashville recording artist, Shane Vancamp, to form the duo, Outer Limits, after performing together for four years on the Branson's Famous Baldknobbers show.

Rotary Districts 6040, 6060, and 6080
Celebrate Together

Fun Rotary vention!

April 19-21,
2024



- ✓ Shoes for Orphan Souls Collection
- ✓ Dinner Cruise
- ✓ Breakfast/Brunch
- ✓ Dinner
- ✓ Margaritaville Perks
- ✓ Family Fun Time

**Experiential Rock
Star Keynote
Speaker from Las
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Mark.**

Hotel reservations for Margaritaville Lake Resort are open and can be made until the cutoff date of March 22 or until the room block is full. The code to use is ROTA, or anyone calling can let the reservation agent know they are with Rotary. Here is a link for online reservations:
<https://irm.margaritavilleresortlakeoftheozarks.com/irmng/index.html?g=ROTA>

A golf tournament will be held Friday morning April 19, with tee times starting between 9 a.m. and noon and the tournament wrapping up about 4:30. There is room for 18 teams/72 golfers. Details to follow.

Rotary Clubs Spread Holiday Cheer and Goodwill



Clinton Rotary delivered 10 bags full of essentials to the Clinton Senior Center for delivery to their clients who receive home-delivered meals.



Waynesville High School Interactors volunteered their time to support Pulaski County Rotary during Christmas on the Square.



Fulton Rotary and William Woods University Rotaract purchased, sorted and labeled new coats for 200 children through the Coats for Callaway Kids project. Made possible by the generosity of Rotary members and a grant from Veterans United Foundation, the coats were handed out at SERVE's Adopt-a-Family distribution day.



Centralia Rotarians attended a private concert by the Cub Chorale at the Intermediate School and gave every 4th grader in the district a Panther stocking cap.



Willow Springs Interact packed 450 Christmas food bags at Missourians UNited to Combat Hunger.



Rolla Rotary donated to the Cops Care - Shop with a Cop program, which spreads joy and goodwill and creates relationships between youth and law enforcement and first responders.



Harrisonville Rotarians were busy little elves as they helped at the Shop with a Cop event.

Rotary Clubs Host Candyland, Participate in Parades



Lake Ozark Rotary hosted Candyland during the Christmas season, gathering gift donations for underprivileged children in the Lake area. Nick's True Value Hardware is the headquarters for Candyland Nov. 25-Dec. 15. This year 247 packages of clothes and toys were distributed.

Since 1984, Candyland has helped more than 13,600 local children have a happier holiday season.

Anyone is welcome to select a candy cane off of the Christmas tree. The canes contain a wish list from a local child from the School of the Osage or Eldon Upper and South schools.



(Above and below) Centralia Rotary participated in the town's parade.

(Above) Members of all the Springfield Rotary Clubs collaborated to build an All-City Rotary float for the Christmas parade in December.



(Left) Fulton High School Interact members created a float and marched in the city's Christmas parade Dec. 2.

Numerous Rotary Clubs Ring Bells for Salvation Army



Branson-Hollister Rotary elves



Roxanne Amundsen of Branson-Hollister worked every shift from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.



Jefferson City West



Hollister



Butler



Branson Daybreakers



Springfield Sunrise



Allie Fleener and Charlee Sue Jadwin of Salem

Rotarians Put 'Service Above Self' Motto to Use



Harrisonville Rotary and its *Bright Futures Harrisonville Classroom Partner* at *McEowen Elementary (the Wildcats)* made cat blankets for the *Harrisonville Animal Shelter*.



Boonville Rotary presented a \$20,000 donation check to the *Boonslick Regional Library* as a naming opportunity for the *Circulation Desk and Office*. Pictured are *Lucas Regis, Rotary exchange student; Susan Meadows, Friends of the Library; Tabitha Greis, Rotary; Cathy Birk, Boonslick Regional Library; Glenn Brown, Rotary; Mary Pat Abele, Friends of the Library; Don Street, Keith Bail, Nick Fosse, and Dan Kammerich, all Rotary members.*



Columbia Metro Rotary had a great turnout to help at the *Food Bank Dec. 7.*



Lake Ozark
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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

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