



OUR GOALS 2019-2020

MEMBERSHIP

[Membership chairs](#) in each club

50 additional members, district-wide

Current and accurate information in [DACdb](#) for clubs and members

2 new, additional clubs in the district

Increase clubs awarded the [2019-2020 Presidential Citation](#)

[Rotaract](#) involvement

President-elects and President-elect nominees attend [Land of Lincoln President-Elect Training \(LOLPEE\)](#)

FOUNDATION GIVING

Presentations on foundation giving to all clubs

All clubs donate to [The Rotary Foundation](#)

Increase [Polio Plus](#) contributions by 5%

50 additional [Rotary Direct](#) participants

Contribute 10% Every Rotarian Every Year

PUBLIC AWARENESS

Junior high and middle schools adopt the [4-Way Test](#)

YOUTH SERVICES

2 new, additional [Interact](#) clubs

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Rotary International Website: www.rotary.org

Rotary District 6490 Website: www.rotarydistrict6490.org

Rotary District 6490 Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/rotarydistrict6490

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



New Members From: **Jun-01-2019** To: **Jul-15-2019**

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We are Rotary ... Why am I here?

By Julie L. Dobski DG

One of my favorite quotes comes from the late, great tennis player Arthur Ashe. Ashe cautions that ♦Success is a journey, not a destination. The doing is often more important than the outcome. ♦

I ♦m excited to begin my journey as your District Governor. Believe me, there will be a lot of ♦doing ♦ But there will also be a lot of listening. This year isn♦t about me, it♦s about you. And how I can help you.

For those of you who attended the Installation and Gala on June 30, thank you. It was great to see so many Rotarians, and future Rotarians, gathered in one room. I want this year to be a year of participation and engagement. Of trying new things, using new technologies, making new friends and meeting new goals.

My theme for this year is ♦We are Rotary♦Why am I here?♦ Before this year is over I hope you have all answered that question. And why am I here? I ♦m here because Rotarians are changing the world and I want to be part of the change. I want to join my neighbors and friends and business colleagues and make a difference. I am here because 17 years ago, someone asked me to a meeting. Someone asked me and it changed my life.

Now I am asking you to join me on this journey and let ♦s see what we can accomplish together.



Serving our Communities with District Grants

By Heather Stoa DGN on Monday, July 15, 2019



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ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS

Explore [Rotary Global Rewards](#) to find discounts and special offers, along with opportunities to give back to Rotary.

For questions related to a specific offer, please contact the company directly using the contact information in the offer.

For the best experience, use a current browser such as Chrome, Firefox, Safari, or Internet Explorer 10 to [redeem rewards](#).

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Congratulations to all 25 clubs who carried out District Grants in 2018-19! Rotarians made our towns and cities better by improving parks and public spaces, by meeting medical needs, by honoring veterans, by helping children in schools and libraries, by assisting individuals and families with food and shelter, and by bringing inspiration to others. Many thanks to the Rotarians who helped implement and fund the District Grants. Your hard work and donations to The Rotary Foundation helped increase Rotary's community presence and giving.

District Grants fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs here and abroad. It is time for clubs to think about the impact they want to have this year. District Governor Julie Dobski has allocated \$60,000 for District Grants in 2019-20. Clubs may apply for up to \$2,000. We have many terrific previous District Grants that clubs can look to as examples for ways to connect Rotary with your communities.

Guidelines and the application are available [HERE](#) on the District 6490 website.

Applications for District Grants are due September 1.

Please contact Heather Stoa at: hhstoa@gmail.com with any questions.

District Conference Registration to begin SOON!



This year's District Conference has something for every Rotarian! Registration will open August 19!

Guest Speakers: [Judge Bernice Donald](#), [Talie Thompson](#), and ISU's President [Larry Dietz](#).

Workshop topics: Global Warming Impact on Water & Air Quality; The Opioid Crisis; Internet Scams & Identity Theft; The Cultural Impact of the 1960s; Children's Health & Vaccinations; Youth Initiative: Little Free Pantry; and Global Grants Certification Training.

Additionally, join other Rotarians for: a Hands-on Service Project; the Basket Auction; Rotary Virtual Reality; Club Exhibits; Receptions; Meals; and Awards. [Read More](#)

MEMORIES OF HAMBURG

By Janet Ellis-Nelson on Monday, July 15, 2019



Attending a Rotary International Convention should be on every Rotarian's Bucket List. I just attended my fourth RI Convention in Hamburg, Germany and can say it's an extraordinary experience that gives attendees a whole new perspective on Rotary. Sitting with 27,000 people who share the same ideals and beliefs and seeing flags presented from the 200 countries represented by Rotary helps one realize the incredible reach and global impact of Rotary.



There were countless, outstanding presentations and stories shared during the general and breakout sessions. I will share a few here: 2018-2019 RI President Barry Rassin encouraged all of us to, ♦Be the Inspiration. ♦ He also encouraged clubs to sponsor new community Rotaract Clubs, as these clubs are the way to build the future of Rotary with young professionals who are already living in our communities. Guess what? Almost 1,000 new Rotaract Clubs were started this year around the world! We have two new community-based Rotaracts in District 6490: Champaign County Rotaract and Bloomington-Normal Rotaract.

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - HONOLULU HAWAII



HONOLULU HAWAII 2020

[Click on the turtles to learn more ...](#)
[Register HERE](#) to take advantage of discounted rates.

15 December 2019: Last day for early-registration discount

31 March 2020: Last day for preregistration discount

30 April 2020: Last day to request to cancel registration or tickets

10 June 2020: Last day for online registration

DISTRICT ROTARACT CLUBS!

What is the difference between Rotary and Rotaract?

Rotaract clubs bring together people ages 18-30 to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service. In communities worldwide, **Rotary and Rotaract** members work side by side to take action through service. Please feel free to pass information on our district Rotaract clubs along to any young adult you know who may be interested.

Rotaract
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ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE - OUR INBOUND STUDENTS



Here are the inbound students for 2019-2020 along with their nationality and their host club. Welcome new friends!

Inthachak, Supisara (Fah)	F	Thailand	Champaign (West)
Karino, Ryo	M	Japan	Bloomington-Normal Sunrise
Mart  Guill  , Marta	F	Spain	Arthur
Monteiro Ribeiro Junior, Walter (Junior)	M	Brazil	Charleston
Prietch Falca Pagno, Emili	F	Brazil	Urbana
Radnic, Doris	F	Croatia	Eureka
Sanchez De Agustin, Matias (Mati)	M	Chile	Marshall
Sartori, Federico (Fede)	M	Italy	Danville

Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) assists eligible high school students - inbounds and outbounds - of 15-17 years of age, in applying for and completing a year overseas as Rotary youth ambassadors representing their country, community and Rotary club.

This year's RYE committee chair is Terry Weir of the Marshall club.

ARE YOU READY TO BE A LEADER?

 Leaders help themselves and others to do the right things. They set direction, build an inspiring vision, and create something new. Leadership is about mapping out where you need to go to succeed as a team or an organization; and it is dynamic, exciting, and inspiring.  *Mind Tools*

Are YOU ready to be a LEADER?

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Rotary Day at the Ballpark! More tickets available until they are gone!



Rotary Day at the Ball Park - Saturday, September 28 - Busch Stadium

Cardinals vs. Cubs!

District 6490 sold all of the tickets they had asked for by the June 27 deadline! And now more are available!

A special shout out to Arcola and Gibson City Rotary Clubs for the large number of tickets they bought or sold!

Rotarians may purchase tickets by completing the order form and mailing it to Janet Ellis-Nelson.

It is preferable for Rotary clubs to survey their members, decide how many tickets they need, and send in one order form for the club.

Multiple checks can be mailed as payment for the order.

This is an incredible deal! We are paying \$50.00 for \$85.00 seats, AND clubs will receive \$20.00 back for each ticket ordered to put towards literacy initiatives for their club!

By the way, non-Rotarians can buy the tickets, too. So, it could be a mini-fundraiser for your club ...

Important Legislative Update from PDG Liz Skinner

By Elizabeth L. Skinner PDG on Monday, July 15, 2019



Update on the 2019 Council on Legislation and 2018 Council on Resolutions

The revised constitutional documents, that incorporate all the enactments adopted by the 2019 Council on Legislation (COL), are now available. The following three documents have been updated and can be downloaded here or on My Rotary.

- [Constitution of Rotary International](#)
- [Bylaws of Rotary International](#)
- [Standard Rotary Club Constitution](#)

Additionally, the 2018 Council on Resolutions (COR) referred 27 items to the TRF Trustees and the RI Board for further action. The Board met in January and April 2019 and the Trustees met in April 2019. At these meetings, both groups reviewed items referred from the COR. Their decisions regarding these items have been summarized [here](#).

Questions, contact PDG Liz Skinner, 2017-2020 Council of Legislation/Resolutions Representative at 217-714-6060 or rotaryliz6490@gmail.com

DISTRICT EVENTS

DISTRICT 6490 CALENDAR 2019-2020

Be sure to check the Calendar at www.rotarydistrict6490.org, which includes the dates when DG Julie Dobski will be visiting your club.

The calendar also includes links to register for not-to-be-missed events throughout the year!

2019

June 30	Installation & Gala	Normal
July 12-15	Central States Youth Exchange Conference	Grand Rapids, MI
September 1	District Grant Applications Due	
September 21	Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)	Decatur
September 28	Rotary Day at the Ballpark	St Louis, MO
October 17	Past District Governor Pre-Conference Dinner	Bloomington
October 18-19	District Conference	Bloomington
October 24	<i>World Polio Day-How will you celebrate?</i>	
December 15	Past District Governor Holiday Dinner	Bloomington

2020

January 13-19	International Assembly	San Diego, CA
January	Mid-Year Meeting	Location TBD
March 20-22	Land of Lincoln President-Elect Training (LOL -PETS)	Effingham
March 27	Foundation Dinner	Champaign-Urbana
April	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	TBA
April 24	District-wide Field Trip to RI in Evanston	
May 2	District Assembly	Location TBD
June 6-10	Rotary International Convention	Honolulu, Hawaii
June 28	Installation of 2020-2021 Leadership	Location TBD

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CLUB VISITS

Club Visits by the District Governor for July-August 2019

Mahomet	July 10, 2019	6:30 AM	Bridle Brook Assisted Living Ctr.
Eureka	July 16, 2019	12:00 PM	Eureka College, Cerf Ctr.
Dwight	July 17, 2019	12:00 PM	Dwight Country Club
Paris	July 22, 2019	12:00 PM	Human Resource Center
Pontiac	July 23, 2019	12:00 PM	Pontiac Family Kitchen
Robinson	July 24, 2019	12:00 PM	Best Western Motel
Savoy	July 25, 2019	12:00 PM	Windsor of Savoy
Bloomington-Normal Sunrise	July 30, 2019	6:30 AM	Eastland Suites
Casey	July 30, 2019	12:00 PM	Richards Farm Restaurant
Metamora-Germantown Hills	July 31, 2019	12:00 PM	Kouri's Grill & Bar
Hoopeston	August 6, 2019	5:00 PM	Carle Hoopeston Health Center
Rantoul	August 7, 2019	7:00 AM	St. Malachy School
Bloomington	August 8, 2019	12:00 PM	2nd Presbyterian Church
Danville-Sunrise	August 8, 2019	7:00 AM	Remax
Danville	August 12, 2019	12:00 PM	Old National Bank (2nd Floor)
Fairbury	August 13, 2019	12:00 PM	Dominy Memorial Library
Newton	August 20, 2019	12:00 PM	Parklanes
Monticello	August 21, 2019	12:00 PM	Monticello Community Building
Atlanta	August 27, 2019	12:00 PM	Country Aire Restaurant
Lincoln	August 28, 2019	12:00 PM	Lincoln College
Bloomington-Normal Daybreak	August 29, 2019	6:30 AM	Doubletree Hotel
Villa Grove	August 29, 2019	12:00 PM	Monical's Pizza

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