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spirit find a
Home
in
your Heart

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DISTRICT CALENDAR | 2020-2021

December

DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT

- 15 Club President's Zoom - 7 PM
- 31 Deadline: Elect & Report 2021-2022 Club Officers to RI and DGE

January

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

- 1 Clubs' Dues Invoice based on members in system on this date
- 7-11 International Assembly, Orlando, FL-cancelled/ Zoom
- 19 Club President's Zoom - 7 PM
- 31 Rotary International and District Dues Invoiced

February

PEACE & CONFLICT PREVENTION / RESOLUTION

- 16 Club President's Zoom - 7 PM
- 23 Rotary Anniversary

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ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES



Wheels Up!!

In November we addressed the critical importance of The Rotary Foundation. **Since its founding over 100 years ago, The Rotary**

Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing,

sustainable projects. Our Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives — both close to home and around the world. Sound familiar? Yes, we all have been introduced to the good work done to enable the mission of The Rotary Foundation.

What Impact can one donation have?

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio
- \$50 can provide clean water to fight waterborne illness

So many facets exist to provide others the opportunity to enjoy a full and healthy life. Unfortunately, we have only half of our membership who participate in giving to alleviate those critical needs throughout the world. World understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and alleviation of poverty is the mission of The Rotary Foundation. We must adapt our ideal of service by choosing to align with our mission.

December is Disease and Prevention month and it could not be more timely. We have enjoyed great success in the elimination of the polio virus over the past three decades. The world is 99.9% free of polio today and we must continue the quest and fulfill the promise we made to the children of the world. A polio free world is indeed in sight; it will take all our efforts to achieve this goal. Rotary clubs in our district supported the October 24 World Polio Day. Utilizing the “End Polio Now” campaign, tens of thousands of dollars were raised to assist the cause and clubs enjoyed the engagement to achieve success.

How are we as Rotarians in District 6560 addressing disease prevention and treatment? Here are a few examples:

- Anderson provided Covid-19 water bottle filling stations
- Fishers, through their community garden, provided for community food insecurity
- Indianapolis East continued its support of Sonny Day’s Covid-19 help
- Indianapolis Northeast funded the construction of a water cistern
- Rockville continues its support of the community food bank with their community garden

HOW

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MAKES HELP HAPPEN



FIGHTING DISEASE

400 million people in the world can’t afford or don’t have access to basic health care. Rotary leads efforts both large and small to treat AND prevent disease. We also focus on health education and routine hearing, vision, and dental care. We educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases. Hundreds of health projects are underway world-wide at any given time.

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families. Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotarians mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

- Winchester provided solar panels for energy independence to their community food pantry

Clubs throughout District 6560 have continued to spearhead efforts both within their communities and around the world to provide disease prevention and treatment. We speak from the heart and our actions are sincerely the intentions of our motto “service above self.”

Earlier I requested that all clubs move away from the traditional face-to-face club meeting and utilize virtual meetings to keep our membership safe and engaged. It is a pleasure to observe the tenacity and creativity being utilized. Our club presidents seized the opportunity and have looked toward their club’s future and safety to its membership. I applaud everyone who continues the battle of disease prevention.



As with our efforts to eradicate Polio, we must provide the leadership and action to alleviate the current virus.

Joe Collings, D6560 Governor

December is Disease Prevention & Treatment month!

And the Rotary Award Goes to...

Several dedicated and deserving members of our District received recognition for their participation with PDG Charles Shumate this past year. Each individual provided great leadership and support to our ideals of Rotary. Their "Service Above Self" was truly exemplary. The following were duly recognized for their efforts.



Robert Shoemaker-Thomas Branum Award for Service to Humanity:

Tracy Danner-Oldenwelder – Rotary Club of Indianapolis

Assistant Governor of the Year:

Janet Brewer – Rotary Club of Anderson

Distinguished Service Award:

Tim Lee – Rotary Club of Southport International

Distinguished Service Award:

Salim Najjar – Rotary Club of Carmel

Rotary Club of the Year:

Rotary Club of Avon

Rotary Club of the Year:

Rotary Club of Fishers

Outstanding Contribution to The Foundation:

Nancy Moneyhun – Rotary Club of Anderson



Rotarian of the Year:

Jennifer Stanfield –
Rotary Club of Crawfordsville

Richard Kendall Award for Service to Humanity:

Jeff Lake – Rotary Club of Indianapolis

Robert Shoemaker-Thomas Branum Award for Service to Rotary:

Debbie Webb – Rotary Club of Anderson

Robert Shoemaker-Thomas Branum Award for Service to Rotary:

Bruce Watson – Rotary Club of Westfield

All of our recipients strove to make lives better and provide solutions to problems we face in our communities. In addition to those recognized, Charles Shumate also received recognition for his year of service. Presented to our Past District Governor (and Current Vice-Governor) was a symbol of appreciation. It reads:



Charles R. Shumate, Rotary District Governor, 2019-2020

With deep appreciation for your unselfish commitment and outstanding leadership throughout the year. You have truly enhanced the theme "Rotary Connects the World."

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On Camera Around the District



Above: Rotary Club of Crawfordsville – Golf Outing to End Polio Now

Below: Rotary Club of Indianapolis East serving with Sonny Day Food Pantry



Above: Rotary Club of Greencastle – Champagne Brunch Drive By to End Polio Now

Below: Through a DDF grant, Rotary Club members of Winchester and Union City were able to provide solar panels for the Randolph County Found Pantry helping to eliminate energy dependence. Pictured are club members and food pantry board members.

