

Rotary



District 6860

August 2019

District 6860 Needs YOU!



Boiling N Bragging is Birmingham's largest pre-season tailgate party, featuring a cookout, low country boil, \$1 drink specials, kids activities, live music and entertainment provided by WJOX's roundtable. Guests are encouraged to wear their favorite college football team colors.

Boiling N Bragging is a Rotary District 6860 fundraiser for the Critical Care Transport Unit at Children's of Alabama Hospital. More than 1,000 children, from every county in Alabama, are transported to Children's each year. Over the last ten years, Boiling N Bragging has raised over \$900,000 for Children's of Alabama. Our goal of \$1,000,000 is in reach!

We need your help to make this a Million Dollar Tailgate!

Purchase Tickets at boilingnbragging.org \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, kids under 10 free

Volunteer by contacting Bo Porter at rotaryboporter@bellsouth.net or register at SignUp.Genius

Become a Sponsor by making a tax-deductible gift. Sponsorship levels range from \$1,000-\$5,000. Event tickets are included at all levels. Contact Ted Burns at ted@ampleenergy.com.

Trip to India Planned for 2020

DG Bill Petty has arranged trips to India for Polio immunizations for the past few years. Bill would like to invite all Rotarians, family and friends to travel to India in October 2020 to administer polio immunizations, learn more about Indian culture and challenges, and get to know local Rotarians. Bill is generating an "interest" list for those who might want to go. No commitment is necessary at this time. Bill can send preliminary information to anyone who would like to know more. Email him at bpetty@cba.ua.edu.



Humanitarian and Community Health Tour Trip to West Africa

Friday, July 12, 2019

The Rotary Club of Oakland Uptown, CA would like to invite District 6860 Rotarians to consider an extraordinary experience to travel to **Monrovia, Liberia** in **October 2019** to attend the **14th Annual West Africa Project Fair**, and engage in a **hands-on work project**. We have a limited amount of space and expect this trip to be filled in the next week or two.

Trip Dates: **October 08 - 17, 2019**
Travel to: **Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa**
Per Person Price: **\$1,549, double occupancy**

Program includes: Hotel accommodations, transfers, most meals, polio immunization exercise, hands-on community service field work, West Africa Project Fair registration, special Rotary and fellowship events, sightseeing, etc. For more information, please visit our website. Please direct serious inquiries to Jolene R. Bortz at jbortz@howardtours.net.

In October 2019, North American Rotarians will travel to **Monrovia, Liberia** for a life changing experience. Have you ever heard a Rotarian speak about their personal experience participating in a cleft lip/cleft palate mission, or hands on work on a humanitarian grant? These trips have a profound effect upon the individual. For those of you who have gone on one of these trips you know, and for those of you who have yet to enjoy this experience, you should.

The West Africa Project Fair is endorsed by Rotary's Reach Out to Africa Committee (ROTA), who is trying to generate greater connectivity between the African and North American Rotarians to generate greater support of the projects of Africa. This committee needs your help, leadership and motivational skills, as immediate past president, to generate awareness, interest and action to support these projects. Further, projects fairs are an expanding program, encourage by Rotary and The Rotary Foundation as an extraordinary opportunity for clubs to find viable, qualified humanitarian projects

Monthly Membership Tip

By Lori Moler on Friday, July 26, 2019

The beginning of the new Rotary year is a great time to gather feedback from members about the Club and their club experience. By asking members for feedback regularly, you are demonstrating your openness to change and empowering them to help craft an ideal club experience. Use this survey (attached) to obtain member feedback about your club. Then use the information to make a plan to ensure that members are enjoying their Rotary club experience.

Want to share your best membership attraction and engagement strategies with other clubs? Email them to lori.moler@childrensal.org. The August membership idea comes from Wendy Taylor, Past President of the Decatur Daybreak Rotary Club, who says members are encouraged to always have a Club brochure (attached) with them because you never know when you might cross paths with a prospective member. Contact Wendy Taylor at wendy.T@TFA.Toray.com for more information about how to develop a club brochure and get a great price on printing!

Reminder for Club Treasurers



Rotary International Dues payable July 1 and January 1



District 6860 Dues payable Sept 1

John Germ Thanks Rotarians for End Polio Now Funds



August 2019

My fellow Rotarian,

As 2018-19 Trustee Chair Brenda Cressey shared, contribution results for the 2018-19 Rotary year were outstanding. Thanks to each of you for your enthusiastic support of Rotary's priority program the eradication of polio. In late May, we were faced with an unusual prospect of being considerably short of our \$50 million goal. The cash contributions and District Designated Fund projections showed we would be approximately \$5 million short of goal.

You came to the rescue and together we raised \$50.8 million. This achievement truly shows the willingness and dedication of all Rotarians to fulfill our promise to the children of the world. Together we will end polio.

While we celebrate our success in 2018-19, we must remember that our job is not complete. Our new challenge is to raise \$50 million for polio eradication this Rotary year.

Thank you for all you are doing and will do to help end polio now.

Respectfully,

John F. Germ
Chair, End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee
President, Rotary International, 2016-17