



Nancy Waters slated for district governor



Immediate Past District Governor Dan O'Brien is pleased to announce that Nancy Waters of the Rotary Club of Quincy has been selected to serve as District Governor during the 2027-2028 Rotary year.

Waters is a co-owner of Golden Bridges Inc., a senior move management company providing professional help to those needing assistance with organizing, decluttering, downsizing and moving. Nancy is a graduate of Culver Stockton College and the Institute for Excellence and Leadership from Quincy University.

Previously, Nancy served as Rotary Assistant Governor and as President of the Rotary Clubs of Hannibal, Mo. and Quincy, Ill. Through her 36 years in Rotary, she has provided leadership to Rotary Youth Exchange and has served in multiple training roles at the district level as well at Midwest PETS. In addition, she currently serves on the board of the ACA Business Club in Quincy and Springfield, Ill. She is a longtime volunteer at the Teresa Adams House and is an active member of Madison Park

Christian Church.

Nancy is taking the place of Matt Machala of the Rotary Club of Peoria North, who needed to resign from his role as a future district governor to attend to personal matters. Matt remains a member of the Peoria North club and plans to revisit the opportunity to serve as district governor in the future.

District 6460 Spring Learning – March 6–7, 2026

District Governor-Elect Musonda Kapatamoyo cordially invites all Rotarians to attend the **2026 Spring Learning**, scheduled for **March 6–7, 2026**, at the **University of Illinois at Springfield**. This annual event is one of the most significant and energizing weekends in the Rotary calendar, designed to equip members with the knowledge, tools, and confidence to lead and serve effectively.

Program Highlights

The seminar will feature comprehensive sessions focused on leadership development and Rotary education, including:

- **Rotary Master Class:** For those seeking to level up their Rotary experience, the **Rotary Master Class** is the ultimate opportunity with only 20 participants, designed to provide an in-depth yet broad view of everything Rotary.



Graduates will receive 500 Paul Harris Fellow points.

- **Rotary Fundamentals:** Rotary 101, organizational structure, and effective storytelling.
- **Youth Service Programs:** Interact, RYLA, Scholarships, Youth Exchange, and Rotaract.
- **Innovative Club Models:** Satellite Clubs and emerging approaches shaping Rotary's future.
- **Leadership Development:** Goal setting in Rotary portals, club management tools, long-term visioning, and a 15-month leadership calendar for President-Elect nominees.
- **Membership Growth Strategies:** Recruitment, engagement, retention, and international partnerships through Twinning Clubs.
- **Additional Topics:** Rotary Direct, District and Global Grants, artificial intelligence applications, modern communication techniques, and fundraising strategies.

Who Should Attend:

Attendance is **required for President-elects** Friday Noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and strongly encouraged for President-elect Nominees. All other Rotarians, including club officers, committee chairs, and any Rotarian committed to growth and service, should attend Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Spring Learning Includes: Lunch, refreshments, and the District Business Meeting

[CLICK HERE](#) to register. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this important event.

Rotary can develop young leaders through RYLA



Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) is right around the corner and we need your help to identify the young leaders in your community!

This year's RYLA will take place at Lake Williamson Christian Retreat Center in Carlinsville April 10-12. Each club is encouraged to sponsor two students to experience this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

The RYLA weekend-long conference offers sophomore students an opportunity to develop their leadership skills, learn about themselves and others, and take next steps in their Rotary journeys.

Is your club looking to invest in the youth in your community? By sending students to RYLA, Rotary Clubs have yet another way to invest in the future of Rotary.

Registration is now open through April 1! [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register.

For questions, please reach out to Rylaregistrar6460@gmail.com or sydney.elizabeth99@gmail.com.

Rotary Day at the Ballpark

Celebrating Past Success and Gearing Up for Our 25th Game!

What a success! Our **Aug. 9, 2025 Rotary Family Day at the Ballpark** once again proved to be a fantastic event, raising significant funds for a vital cause.



A Look Back at the Impact

- **\$16,000+** in literacy grants were awarded to 15 clubs within District 6460 last year.
- Neighboring Districts 6510 (S Illinois) and 6490 (E Illinois) also participated, sharing in the proceeds from their ticket sales.
- This past game was the **24th in the series**, which began back in 2004.
- Over the history of the event, we have raised more than **\$600,000** for literacy efforts, with the majority benefiting District 6460.

SAVE THE DATE: The 25th Annual Game is Coming! Get ready to join us for an extra special anniversary event!

- **What:** Rotary Day at the Ballpark
- **When:** **Saturday, May 30, 2026** (Time to be announced)
- **Matchup:** The **St. Louis Cardinals vs. Chicago Cubs!**

This year holds the potential to be truly memorable! We're thrilled to announce that **Larry Lunsford**, Rotary President Nominee from Kansas City (Zone 31), plans to be with us to throw out the ceremonial first pitch. We are also exploring some exciting on-field celebrations!

[Read More](#)

Your future members are ready to join



Each January, Rotary sees a noticeable surge in interest in joining Rotary. Many prospective members are eager to connect with a local club, seeking opportunities for friendship, community service, and personal growth. If your club is interested in connecting with these prospective members, start by confirming that [your club's information is up to date in My Rotary](#) and on your club's website and social media accounts.

It's important to make sure prospective members are aware of what Rotary has to offer and how they can get involved with your club. Use the new [Taking Action With Rotary](#) presentation to provide an overview of Rotary to these prospective members. The presentation is structured as a continuous narrative, explaining what Rotary is and what we do.

Celebrate Vocational Service Month

January is Vocational Service Month, a time to think about how to use our professional skills and ethical standards in meaningful service. It's a time for members to revisit Vocational Service in Action, a practical guide that helps you integrate vocational service into your Rotary activities.

This newly updated guide:

- Defines vocational service and its role in promoting integrity and ethical leadership.
- Offers project ideas in mentoring, skills development, and ethical business practices.
- Includes examples of Rotary members using their expertise to serve communities.
- Shows how vocational service supports Rotary's Action Plan.

[Download the guide](#) and explore how your vocation can become a powerful tool for service.
