



CREATE HOPE NEWSLETTER

Valerie Sorensen, District Governor 2023-2024

Funvention Recap and Pics

The joint Missouri Rotary District Funvention was a great time for all attendees. Trixie Delight entertained on the sold-out Friday night Dinner Cruise. Saturday morning kicked off with Evan Burrell-Changemaker. He zoomed in from Sydney, Australia, to give us tips and tricks for potential Rotarians through our social media posts. The Shoe Roll Call produced amazing figures, 43,120 pairs of shoes and \$56,120 were collected from all four districts of Missouri. Check out the last page of this newsletter for District 6060's results. We buried Larry!

RI Zone Director Beth Stubbs discussed telling our story through pictures. RI Presidential Representative Dr. Geetha Jayaram (featured May's Rotary magazine) shared awareness of mental health through her work with Johns Hopkins. Geetha also started the Mental Health Initiatives Rotary Action Group that helps communities break stigmas, raise awareness, and increase access to care.

The Funvention afternoon activities included the cornhole tournament and Youth Exchange Speed Meet-Up. During the evening festivities, we heard the polio update from Susan Haralson and empowering girls adventures in Africa from Joan Kramer and Nicole Slusser. Our keynote speaker/entertainment was Marvellous Mark. He shared how we can all become Rotary Rock Stars by dreaming big and differentiating ourselves among service groups. We were rocking with the drum sticks. The night ended at the hospitality room, where we met up with old Rotary friends and made new ones. Please share any of your photos on Rotary District 6060 Rotarians Facebook group. A Fun Time was had by all at the Funvention!

Top: Valerie, Margie, Julie

Middle: Geetha and Jay with Marvellous Mark

Bottom: Valerie rocking out with Marvellous Mark





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District 6060



INTERCITY

Luncheon Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

11:30am - 1:30pm

Sunset Hills Community Center

3915 S. Lindbergh, Sunset Hills MO 63127



SPEAKER

Dave Tognoni has been associated with the National Museum of Transportation since 1995. He has served as Customer Service Manager, and on the Board of Directors.



WESTWOOD CATERING

Pork Tenderloin/Apricot Glaze
Rice Pilaf
Summer Market Salad
Rolls and Butter
Drinks and Dessert

RSVP by May 8 <http://tinyurl.com/Rotary-Intercity-Lunch>

or scan the QR code below

or email info@cshrotary.org

\$20 per person

Cash, Check or
Credit Card



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*Quote from Paul Harris embracing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
" Our differences make us stronger; let's celebrate diversity."*



In honor of the late Joyce Morton, Reynolds County Rotary member and secretary, a memorial bench was made to honor her and her dedication to the Club and its members for all her hard work and dedication to Reynolds County!

USCGFR Joins With IGFR for Rotary Golf at Torrey Pines in San Diego!

The International Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians (IGFR) will host the IGFR World Championship in San Diego on September 22 – 27, 2024. US/Canada Golfing Fellowship Members, Rotarians and Guests are invited to participate in this event to enjoy the international fellowship.

The Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines is the Host Hotel and play will be conducted on four courses including the North Course at Torrey Pines.

Tournament Info



Shoe Final Totals

What an Awesome Showing by District 6060 Rotary Clubs!

We gathered 19,707 pairs of shoes for vulnerable children around the world. The cash amount of \$12,591 was also donated. When converting the cash to shoes at \$15 per pair that totals 839 pairs.

With the conversion, we reached 20,546 pairs. Our Sole Man, Mike Sorensen, gave us an audacious goal of 20,000 pairs of shoes and we reached it! Mike's monthly emails for shoe totals will end, but I am so thankful for his persistence for the kids. The district probably could not have collected nearly this amount without Mike's help and organization. THANK YOU, MIKE!!

In this shoe competition, the Rotary Club of Arnold had the highest number of shoes at 3919 pairs. The Rotary Club of Cottleville/Weldon Spring had the highest per capita pairs of shoes at 158.24 pairs per member (includes cash donations converted at \$15 per pair).

In appreciation for these clubs' efforts, **Governor Valerie will be donating 1,000 Rotary Foundation Recognition Points to each club.** The clubs can decide how to distribute the points among their Rotarians. Congratulations Arnold and Cottleville/Weldon Spring!

Thank you to all the District 6060 Rotarians that participated in this massive Shoe Drive. We buried Larry and the other Missouri districts, too.

District 6110 (ten clubs in MO) 1,267 pairs and \$1,066

District 6080 9,176 pairs and \$17,575

District 6040 12,970 pairs and \$24,908

District 6060 19,707 pairs and \$12,571

FINAL SHOE TALLY

Top 3 Shoe Collectors

- Arnold
- Cottleville/Weldon Spring
- Piedmont

Top 3 Cash for Shoes Collectors

- Washington
- Cape Girardeau County
- Hannibal

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Arnold	3,919	85.20	
Bowling Green	191	5.97	
Cape Girardeau	103	1.63	
Cape Girardeau County	0	0	\$2,100
Cape Girardeau West	11	0.21	
Clayton-Ladue	103	3.22	
Cottleville/Weldon Spring	2,644	155.53	
Crestwood-Sunset Hills	52	1.24	
De Soto	276	18.4	
Dexter	15	0.79	
Festus-Crystal City	48	1.04	
Florissant	94	2.09	
Fredericktown	8	0.53	
Hannibal	17	0.29	\$350
Hayti	0	0	\$200
High Ridge	362	11.31	
Hillsboro	127	4.88	

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Jackson	34	0.97	
Kennett	30	1.43	
Kirkwood	48	0.61	\$1,849
Louisiana	309	9.36	
Mexico	58	0.98	
Montgomery County	16	0.89	\$40
O'Fallon	0	0	
Paris	112	4.87	
Perryville	49	1.63	
Piedmont	2,600	72.22	
Poplar Bluff	125	3.91	
Reynolds County	22	1.69	
Rotaract club of East Central College	0	0	
Rotaract club of SLU	0	0	
Sikeston	32	0.91	
Southeast Missouri Service	2145	69.19	

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Spirit of St. Louis County	1940	88.18	
St. Charles	341	5.39	
St. Charles-Sunrise	325	12.5	\$20
St. Francois County/Bonne Terre	233	5.58	
St. Louis	95	0.73	\$55
St. Louis Civilians	1101	52.43	\$135
St. Peters	115	11.5	
Ste. Genevieve	50	1.04	
Steele	0	0	
Sullivan	70	2.41	
Troy	92	2.24	\$60
Union	57	1.43	\$25
Vandalia	44	2.93	
Warren County	15	0.58	
Washington	206	2.15	\$6,663
Webster Groves	186	3.58	\$347
Wentzville	1253	16.93	
West St. Louis County	34	1.1	
	19,707	10.81	\$12,591



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Shoe Awards



Shoe Trailer



NAVAJO WATER PROJECT

Navajo Water Project Finals: As of 4/30/24 - \$13,642 = 3.03 houses

Thank you for your donations! We exceeded our goal of \$9,000 by collecting \$13,642. This equates to just over three Navajo homes receiving complete water systems. We have concluded this district project for this Rotary year. However, DGE Jerry Nolen, as our Presidents-Elect and Presidents-Nominee heard at Show Me Rotary, is continuing the Navajo Water Project into 2024-25.

*Great Job
District 6060!*

On the Navajo Nation, 30% of families live without running water. They drive for miles to haul barrels of water to meet their basic needs. They carefully ration water for drinking, cooking, cleaning and bathing. But despite their struggle for water, these families still go to work, take their children to school and lead their communities.

Running water is transformation. We're on a mission to get clean, hot and cold running water to more households, so families can stop hauling and start enjoying the simple miracle of a working tap.



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