



CREATE HOPE NEWSLETTER

Valerie Sorensen, District Governor 2023-2024

DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISITS CONTINUE

In August, Valerie and Mike visited the Rotary Clubs of **Wentzville, St. Charles Sunrise, Cape Girardeau West, St. Francois County, Hillsboro, Cottleville/Weldon Spring, St. Charles, Bowling Green, St. Louis, Webster Groves, Montgomery County, and Paris**. IPDG Julie passed the Home Club of the Governor banner to Valerie. DGE Jerry Nolen and PDG Margie Sammons also joined the ceremony at Cottleville/Weldon Spring. The **Shoe Drive** and the **Navajo Water Project** are gaining steam. Thank you to all the clubs participating so far.



Check the Shoe Tally in this newsletter!



ROTARY SUPPORTS HAWAII'I



Do you or your club want to donate to help Hawai'i. Here are a couple of options: The first is the Disaster Response section of the Rotary website under "Hawai'i Fire Relief Efforts," and the second is the Hawaii Rotary Facebook pages. Here are the links:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/disaster-response>

<https://www.facebook.com/HawaiiRotary/posts/pfbid02E24RfC4gb3R8GNQuDR1rYp98aQg2L6zeabMxnQFNGB1L2qHZ9oZoSM695WY3ksKxl>

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SAVE THE DATES: DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES OCT 20 & OCT 27

This year, we are holding **two District Assemblies**, each one covering the **same topics!**

The **southern assembly** will be in **Sikeston**
at the Sikeston Country Club,
October 20 from 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.



REGISTER HERE

Save The Date

The **northern assembly**
will be held in **Wentzville**
at the Pitman Reception Center,
October 27 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

REGISTER HERE



You can attend either or both sessions.

Your \$25 Registration will include lunch.

Each assembly will have rotating round table discussions on various aspects of club membership, including recruiting, retaining members, engagement of members, diversity, inclusion, belonging, equity, and the Rotary Foundation. During these discussions you will be able to share ideas with other Rotarians in our Rotary District 6060.

Rotary Foundation awards and recognitions will also be presented at the assemblies

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

This year, D6060 has two outbound students to Italy and France plus one short term exchange to Argentina and four inbound students.

Student	Home Country	Hosting Rotary Club
Giuseppe (16)	Italy	Hannibal
Gabriella (17)	Brazil	Webster Groves
Paulina (15)	Mexico	Washington
Solange (16)	France	Ste. Genevieve

rotary
youth
exchange



DG Valerie and Sole Man Mike meet all four students at their orientation Friday, August 25th. We went through fun language exercises with them lead by Youth Exchange Co-Chairs Greg Luzecky and Steve Bacon. There were lots of laughs.

In the photo is Solange arriving at Lambert Airport and greeted by her host family, the McClard's and Rotarians Andrea Stolzer and Stephanie Gremminger.

2ND ANNUAL HUNGER DRIVE

Hunger is a major issue everywhere in the world. In Missouri, 715,170 people face hunger with 177,320 being children. **September is designated as Hunger Action Month by Feeding America** to inspire people to act and raise awareness of hunger in the United States. **As a district we can make a huge impact on those facing food insecurity throughout 3 state food bank zones (Central Missouri Food Bank, St Louis Food Bank, and Southeast Missouri Food Bank).** September 15th is Hunger Action Day and that is when we will begin our 2nd Annual Hunger Drive.

To raise awareness, each club should wear orange and post a photo with #HungerActionDay.

For the competition **each club will create projects** to provide meals to Missourians such as:

- Serve meals at a food kitchen
- Pack/deliver food at a food bank, for a backpack program or senior boxes
- Pack or deliver food in concert with another organization (i.e., Meals on Wheels)
- Provide funds, where appropriate, to collaborate with another local or regional food distributing organization
- Host a virtual food drive with your local food bank
 - Southeast Missouri Food Bank - <https://semofoodbank.fenly.org/>
 - Central Missouri Food Bank - <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E164454&id=127>
 - St Louis Food Bank - <https://stlfoodbank.blackbaud-sites.com/>
- Host a food drive
 - Each food bank can provide collection barrels or boxes if needed
 - Each club will get with their respective food bank to schedule delivery or to schedule pick up by food bank personnel

Clubs will be awarded “meal points” for volunteer hours, food donations, and dollars donated during the competition period (September 15 - October 31). On 1 November, meal points will be calculated and the club with the most points will receive a gift from the District Governor. So, what counts as a meal?

\$1.00 = 4 meals

1.2 pounds of food donated = 1 meal

1 volunteer hour = 10 meals

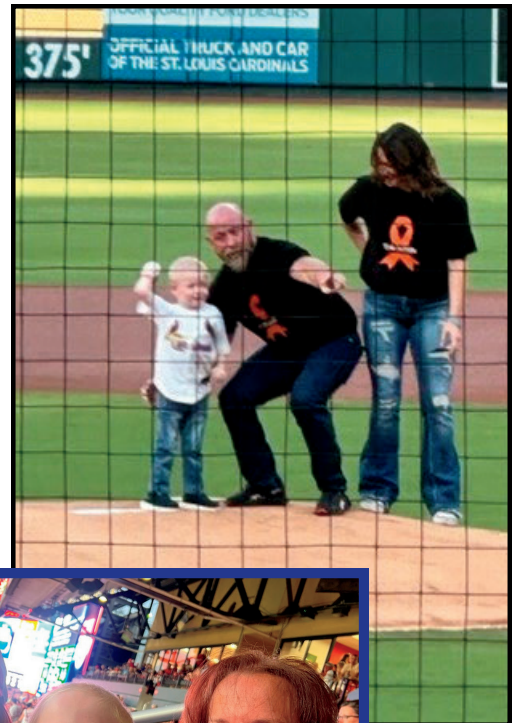
Our goal as a District is to provide 200,000 meals for Missourians facing hunger. Use this link (<https://forms.gle/r4VKvBEXBrGw4Rxh7>) to log the estimated meals provided during the annual hunger drive. The data provided will help track our progress. **Please share photos of your service projects with district6060.ham@gmail.com.**

It is incumbent on each club to track their volunteer activity through the portal established at Rotary Club Central using the word “Hunger” in the title of the project, where the 4-Way Test will act as a guide upon which reporting is based. **Also, remember to share your success on Rotary Showcase.**

**TOGETHER, WE SEE A WORLD
WHERE PEOPLE UNITE AND TAKE ACTION
TO CREATE LASTING
CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE,
IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND IN OURSELVES.**

ROTARY AT THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS GAME

Three-year-old Jackson Wood, who is battling acute lymphoblastic leukemia, threw the first pitch out for the Rotary Club of St. Francois County. His dad said he was nervous at first however later when we caught up with him in the stands he really wanted to go back and pitch some more. Given how the game was going he probably could have done just as good of a job. 😂



CIGAR DINNER TO BENEFIT WELFARE FUND

THURSDAY, SEPT 28 / 5:30PM
MAC DOWNTOWN—4TH FLOOR
SPORTSMEN'S CLUB



5:30-6:30pm Drinks
6:30pm Dinner
Bar closes 10pm

Tickets \$100/person
Included are:
Dinner
2 FREE Cigars
3 FREE Drinks

REGISTER HERE!



PEDAL FOR POLIO WITH ST. CHARLES ROTARY

EVENT DETAILS

September 17, 2023

Katy Trail Poker Run Ride to Eradicate Polio from the World

Registration 8:00 am Augusta Trailhead

Ride Begins at 9:00 am

Collect Cards as you Ride - Best Hand Wins Prize

\$35 Pre-register - includes boxed lunch and a medal

\$40 day of ride/ \$15 for ages 5-10 - includes boxed lunch and a medal.

Not a rider - Join us for lunch only for \$15





ROTARY FAMILY FUN-RAISER AT TOWER TEE

GETS YOU ACCESS TO YOUR

MINI-GOLF

UNLIMITED DRIVING RANGE

BOCCE BALL

BATTING CAGE

PLAYGROUND



**SATURDAY
SEPT. 30
1PM - 6PM**

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND ENJOY ALL TOWER TEE HAS TO OFFER! SCAN THE QR CODE TO BUY TICKETS AND LEARN MORE:

Single Ticket
Ages 6+
\$15

Two-Person
Pass
\$25

Family
Pass
\$40

BUY TICKETS HERE



FIND OUT MORE

PAR 3-TOURNAMENT OPTIONS

FAMILY FUN SCRAMBLE 1:00PM TEE OFF

- ENTRY TO 27 TEAM FIELD
- WRISTBAND TO ACCESS ALL EVENTS
- BEVERAGES / SNACKS
- AWARDS / PRIZES

2-Person Team \$70

'SHOOTOUT' SHAMBLE 3:30PM TEE OFF

- ENTRY TO 27 TEAM FIELD
- WRISTBAND TO ACCESS ALL EVENTS
- ADULT BEVERAGES* / SNACKS
- WINNERS ADVANCE TO 'SHOOTOUT'
- CASH PRIZES

2-Person Team \$120

* MUST BE 21 OR OLDER

EVENT BENEFITS:

"FEED THE KNOWLEDGE "

A WEEKEND MEAL PROGRAM BY CSH ROTARY PROVIDING 192 BAGS OF FOOD WEEKLY TO CHILDREN IN OUR CITY!

WE SUPPORT: LINDBERGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, MEHLVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND LYON ACADEMY

CSH ROTARY FOUNDATION 501(C)(3) CHARITY

FIND OUR MORE AT:

www.FeedTheKnowledge.org

www.CSHRotary.org



DON'T MISS OUT ON THE SILENT AUCTION, RAFFLES, PRIZES, AND MORE!

DISTRICT 6060 SHOE DRIVE

With **39% of the District Governor Club Visits completed**, clubs need to know how to pack the rest of their shoes for delivery to the Funvention in April.

1. Remove all packaging and individual boxes.
2. Place pair of shoes sole to sole and heel to toe.
3. Rubber band or tie shoe laces together.



4. Pack as many pairs as possible together in a box.
5. **Store until the Funvention.**
6. Bring boxes to the tractor trailer at Osage Beach **April 19-20, 2024**, for the Funvention.

SOLES FOR SOULS

April 2023 - April 2024

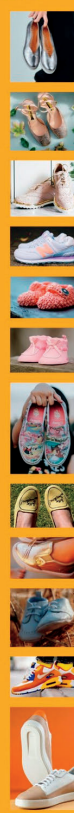
1 Rotarian
1 Pair of Shoes
+1 Meeting per Month

20,000* Children Helped

It will only cost you 1 venti caramel macchiato per month to help a child attend school and fight diseases.



*1,815 District 6060 Rotarians x 12 pairs of shoes = 21,780



SHOE TALLY AS OF AUGUST 31, 2023

Top 3 Shoe Collectors (so far)

- Cottleville/Weldon Spring
- Spirit of St. Louis County
- Arnold

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Arnold	1476	32.08	
Bowling Green	62	1.94	
Cape Girardeau	104	1.65	
Cape Girardeau County	0	0	
Cape Girardeau West	11	0.21	
Clayton-Ladue	0	0	
Cottleville/Weldon Spring	2094	123.18	\$90
Crestwood-Sunset Hills	0	0	
De Soto	276	18.4	
Dexter	0	0	
Festus-Crystal City	0	0	
Florissant	0	0	
Fredericktown	8	0.53	
Hannibal	17	0.29	\$350
Hayti	0	0	
High Ridge	6	0.18	
Hillsboro	5	.19	

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Jackson	0	0	
Kennett	30	1.43	
Kirkwood	2	0.025	
Louisiana	0	0	
Mexico	0	0	
Montgomery County	16	.89	\$40
O'Fallon	0	0	
Paris	46	2.	
Perryville	0	0	
Piedmont	0	0	
Poplar Bluff	0	0	
Reynolds County	0	0	
Rotaract club of East Central College	0	0	
Rotaract club of SLU	0	0	
Sikeston	2	0.06	
Southeast Missouri Service	222	6.53	

Club Name	Club Totals	Per Capita	Cash
Spirit of St. Louis County	2087	94.86	
St. Charles	72	1.13	
St. Charles-Sunrise	196	7.54	\$20
St. Francois County/Bonne Terre	159	3.78	
St. Louis	67	.52	
St. Louis Civilians	8	0.38	
St. Peters	0	0	
Ste. Genevieve	50	1.04	
Steele	0	0	
Sullivan	5	0.17	
Troy	2	0.05	
Union	22	0.55	\$25
Vandalia	4	0.27	
Warren County	0	0	
Washington	41	0.43	
Webster Groves	84	1.62	
Wentzville	181	2.45	
West St. Louis County	34	1.1	
	7389	4.05	\$525



[DISTRICT CALENDAR LINK](#)

DISTRICT 6060

2nd Annual

HUNGER DRIVE

Help Donate To Those In Need. Collect Canned Foods, Non-Perishable Food Items, and Volunteer to Pack/Distribute Meals.

15 SEPT - 31 OCT 2023

\$1 = 4 meals
1lb = 0.83 meals

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Shoes for Orphan Souls

April 2023 - April 2024

Shoes are so much more than a **fashion statement!**

- promote health by preventing disease
- gives access to education when shoes are required to attend school
- increases self confidence

Shoes for youth ages 0-18

- Must be new
- Must be closed toe
- Greatest need - boy shoes ages 14-18

Good shoes take you to good places

If you don't like to shop, scan the QR code to give a donation for shoes.

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