

### District 6360 Gazette

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### From the District Governor

Dear fellow Rotarians --

Thanksgiving has come and gone, and here we are in the midst of another holiday season!

This is a wonderful time of year – a time when we gather and celebrate with family and friends. And this includes our Rotary family and friends.

As Rotarians, we are known for caring, giving, and sharing. As I travel the District visiting your clubs, I hear about all of the wonderful work you are doing in your communities. Each of your clubs is really *Making a Difference!* 

And during this holiday season, you have told me that your clubs are planning special outreach and projects to share the holiday spirit with those in your communities. As we know, there is great need in our communities, and we as Rotarians rise to the occasion and reach out to those in need. This is yet another wonderful way that we are carrying out this year's theme: **Making a Difference!** 

I am truly proud to be a Rotarian, and I know that you are, too.

The warm welcomes I have received while visiting your clubs have been wonderful – thank you! I am also thankful for all the support I have received from District 6360 Rotarians – your support means more than you can possibly know.

And now, in this holiday season, David and I wish you Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a truly joyous and peaceful season.

You all are in our hearts.

Yours in Rotary Service,

ROTARP

Teresa Brandell
& David Brandell

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DG Teresa and David Brandell

### ROTARY DISTRICT 6360 FOUNDATION DINNER: GOLDEN TROWEL AWARD WINNERS!



Golden Trowel Award Winners Steve Weed (photo, far right) and Lois Weed (photo in red) accept their plague from Three Rivers Rotarian Larry Campbell (photo, far left) and Bill Dimond. Steve and Lois Weed have worked with the Three Rivers Rotary Club on a school project in Belize since 1994. In 1995 they helped with the

construction of the Libertad RC School, in 2004 installation of five bathrooms, in 2017 installation of 22 ceiling fans. Lois conducted a teacher workshop for 50 Belizian teachers. They also funded the first internet project at the school and have provided five scholarships for students to attend high school.

### **Joint Club Efforts Help Kids Stay Fed**

The **Rotary Club of East Lansing** has been supporting the Weekend Survival Kits program since its inception in 2012. In early 2017, the club one of twenty-two charities that were invited to take part in the "Big Bang-Quet Community Charity Challenge," naming the Weekend Survival Kits program as the charity that would benefit from the fund-raising efforts. The East Lansing Rotary Club finished in fourth place among all the charities taking part in the event. They were able to use the funds re-

ceived (\$2,848.50) from the event to apply for a matching grant in coordination with like amounts donated by the Haslett-Okemos and Williamston Rotary Clubs. In addition, the District 6360 Rotary Foundation came through with a matching grant in the amount of \$7,500.00 that will benefit the Weekend Survival Kits program. The Weekend Survival Kits program will benefit to the tune of \$16,500 through the efforts of outstanding Rotarians at the E. Lansing, Haslett-Okemos and Williamston Rotary Clubs. Congrats to all!



Giving H♥PE to Hungry Kids

## Operation RAY (Rotarians Appreciate You) Sent Gifts in Time for Veteran's Day



A service project organized in October and early November 2017 sent care packages to our deployed service members throughout the world.

"The gift boxes are a small gesture to express our gratitude to these extraordinary Americans who are serving us far away from their loved ones" says Operation RAY organizer Kalamazoo Rotarian Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Don Phillips.

The **Rotary Club of Kalamazoo** deeply appreciates the selfless service of our military men and women. Rotarians and friends packed 30 care packages in 90-minutes supporting Western Michigan University Army ROTC alumni, the 110th Attack Wing at Battle Creek Airbase, the Defense Logistics Agency and various deployed warfighters recommended by Rotarians. Rotary members who volunteered are Don Phillips (project lead), Dan Schut, Susan Sonday, Ken Peregon and Dan Hartlieb.

Other individuals participated including Tim Summers from the Kalamazoo Salvation Army and James Phillips from the Michigan Army National Guard. Candy Leonard and the staff of Coachlight Barbers (<a href="https://www.coachlitecutters.com">www.coachlitecutters.com</a>) donated magazines and Tea Tree shampoo and conditioner.

Purchased mostly by donations collected at club meetings, the giftwrapped packages, made their way to Qatar, Kuwait, Afghanistan and other locations throughout the world. *Thank you quotes:* 

- "My shipmates and I are so appreciative of the care package you all sent us this Veterans Day. The support we receive from many like you all is part of the fuel that keeps us going as well as pride of service and commitment to our nation"
- "Lieutenant Colonel Phillips your service is appreciated as well. If it were not for the time you sacrificed in service we may not be afforded the freedoms and opportunity to serve as well so that is very much appreciated. To everyone who was involved and thinking of us this time of year we SO APPRECIATE you and the kind gesture."
- "Don & all Kalamazoo Rotarians: Just wanted to thank you all so very much for the "Care Boxes" you sent us. They were very much appreciated"



not, FIND ONE NOW!

PETS Orientation and PETS

(President Elect Training

Seminar) Coming Soon!

### IMPORTANT REMINDER!!

Clubs should be preparing their slate of officers to be elected in December.

The results need to be sent to the District and RI by December 31!

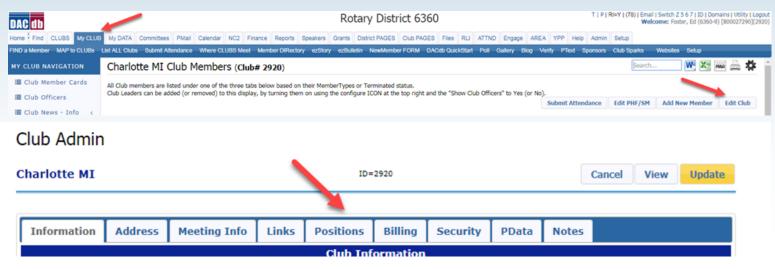


- Rotary is made up of three parts: at the heart of Rotary are our clubs, that are supported by Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.
- Rotary clubs bring together dedicated individuals to exchange ideas, build relationships, and take action.
- **Rotary International** supports Rotary clubs worldwide by coordinating global programs, campaigns, and initiatives.
- The Rotary Foundation uses generous donations to fund projects by Rotarians and our partners in communities around the world. As a nonprofit, all of the Foundation's funding comes from voluntary contributions made by Rotarians and friends who share our vision of a better world.

#### OK, IT IS TIME TO ENTER CLUB OFFICERS FOR THE NEXT ROTARY YEAR!

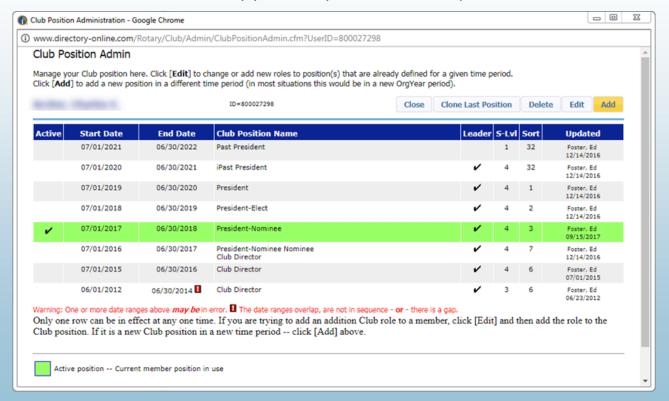
This is one of the more difficult things for Club Secretaries because you really only do it once a year. However, there are several items on the Help tab that will make this job much easier. The important thing is that it is supposed to be done by December 31st every year so that the information gets to RI and so that the information in the RI Directory is accurate for your District.

If you go to the Help tab and click on Club on the left side you will find information on how to do things and there is a ten minute video that is excellent and we suggest that you take the time to watch it! You get to the area to edit club positions from the My Club tab and then click on the Edit Club button on the right side and then when Club Admin page comes up, click on the Positions tab.

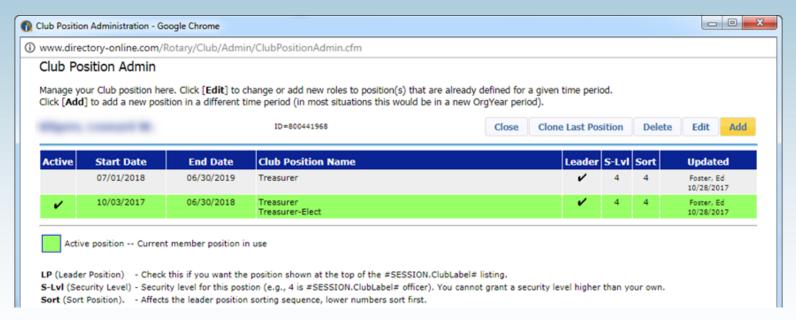


There are a number of things that you should do after you have entered the officers.

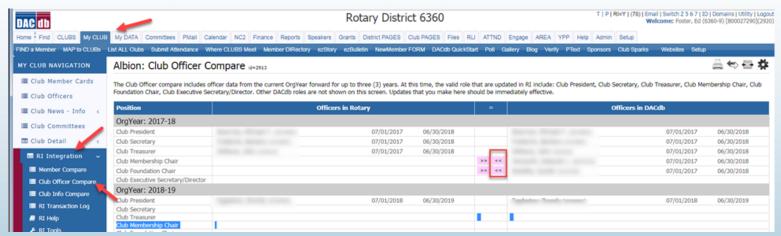
You should make sure that things bubble up properly when you have entered a PN, PE, or President. One important note – when updating prior to July 1, the PE is for the current year and the PN would be for the next Rotary year. They should bubble up as shown below.



• If your club secretary or treasurer are going to serve for the next year, you can put that information in the system right now and it will show up not only in DACdb, but it will go to RI. There are two ways you can make sure this happens. You can edit their position and add Secretary elect or Treasure elect or you can just add that position for the next year.



- RI also wants you to enter your club Membership Chair and Foundation Chair if you have identified them for the next year. This makes it possible for them to send important information that comes from RI.
- You should also be aware that you should go into RI Integration and check to see if these positions went into RI. From the My Club tab scroll down on the left to RI Integration and then click on Club Officer Compare. In this example two positions did not go through to RI. You need to click on the pink button with the arrows pointing to the RI side to move them into RI.



 The Club Officer Compare is updated every five minutes, but it is always a good idea to make sure they went through and if they didn't then click the pink buttons to move them.

If you have problems, please contact support@dacdb.com

### Project Ray of Hope - Global Grant Success!

A joint project supported by the Rotary clubs of Jackson Breakfast, Battle Creek, Mason and Charlotte in District 6360, the Kakinada club in District 3020 in India, District 6360 & 3020 DDF and matching funds from The Rotary Foundation has resulted in an approved Rotary Global Grant of

\$101,022. Funding for the grant:

- The four 6360 clubs \$30,681
- Kakinada club \$10,000
- District 6360 DDF match \$10,000
- District 3020 DDF match \$10,000
- The Rotary Foundation match \$40,341

This global grant will provide funding for a satellite vision center and health care camps in Go-



davari, Andhra Pradesh, India as well as training for the newly hired technicians and health care workers so they can identify the patients with eye problems and refer them to the hospital when appropriate. It also covers the cost of free surgeries for 1,350 at the base hospital. The Sankurathri Foundation is partnering in this project. This foundation was established 26 years ago by Dr. S. Chandrasekhar (Dr. Chandra) in memory of his wife and two children who were killed along with another 329 people when their plane was blown up by terrorists.

The new vision center will serve a population of over 150,000. The project will provide eye care services to the rural needy and poor at their doorsteps. Nearly 7,000 patients attending the eye screening camps will be provided with quality outpatient services free of cost to them at their doorstep.

Eye screening camps will provide outpatient services, medications and glasses free of cost. Those patients who are ready and willing will be transported to the base hospital, fed, spend the night in the hospital dorm, have their surgery the next day and be transported back to their community. Follow up services will be performed at the satellite vision center.

The project will restore eyesight to 1,350 people suffering with cataract blindness by performing cataract surgery with Intraocular implant at the base hospital. This includes transportation from their community, dinner, overnight stay at hospital dorm, surgery the next morning, medications and glasses. These people can never afford to pay for their surgery and would remain blind and be an economic burden for their families. After surgery they will be able to contribute to their families and communities.

Thank you to all who have contributed to this grant. It is amazing how contributions of as little as \$50.00 when combined with matching district and RF funds can reach a six-figure total. Your donations will make a huge Rotary difference to the Sankurathri Foundation and the services they provide to a needy and appreciative group of people in India.

# Dowagiac Rotary Club Visioning Success – Action Plan Ready To Go!



Vision Facilitation was conducted with the **Dowa-giac Rotary Club**. In about three hours, the club members brainstormed what they want their club to look like five years from now. The list was prioritized and one action plan was written to be implemented, which will achieve their goal. Congratulations Dowagiac Club!

For more information on scheduling this visioning process, contact **PDG Jim Goodwin** or **PDG Renée Merchant:** 

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Action Plan									
Goal: New Member Orientation									
What	Who	By When							
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Assign Mentor not sponsor	Marilu 3 Manay	Decs							
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### Rotary International Convention Toronto, Ontario, Canada June 23-27, 2018

### Why attend a Rotary International Convention?

"It's the best way there is to celebrate a year of successful service, and renew our energies for the year to come."

- 2017-2018 **RI President Ian H.S. Riseley**, Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia

The upcoming Toronto convention presents a wonderful opportunity for Rotarians in our district to attend an international convention – Toronto is only a few hours away!

We are working to put the finishing touches on a transportation package for District 6360 Rotarians who would like to travel to Toronto as a group.

And we're also planning a special get-together for District 6360 Rotarians and family during the convention. This will give us a chance to touch base with each other during the hustle and bustle that the convention will bring.

Stay tuned for details on both the travel package and the special District 6360 gathering! You can register for the convention on the RI website: www.Rotary.org. There is usually a link right on the home page.

Forty people from our District have already registered for the Convention.

If you've never attended a Rotary International convention, why not start with Toronto? And if you're a convention veteran, you know how much fun it is!

Remember: early registration ends December 15!



# Club Event Coming Up? Check Out NEW Liability Insurance!

The U.S. Rotary Club & District Liability Insurance

Program provides general liability and directors' & officers'/employment practices liability insurance coverage automatically to active U.S. Rotary Clubs & Districts.

To learn more about the Program, as well as review copies of the actual insurance policies, summaries, loss control documents, and the certificate of insurance, please visit the Gallagher's Insight website: www.insight.ajg.com

Username: rotary@ajg.com Password: rotarian1

Questions? Email rotary@ajg.com or call 1.833.3ROTARY (1.833.376.8279)

### 2018 District Conference-April 20-21, 2018



Mark your calendars and plan to attend another great conference! The **2018 District Conference** has been set for April 20-21, 2018 in picturesque Grand Haven, Michigan.

Enjoy some sunshine and a beautiful town while attending fun, educational and exciting sessions at the conference. Registration and more information coming soon!

Questions? Concerns? Suggestions? Please contact District Administrator Ingrid Nova



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### Congratulations to Last Month's Winner!

Mike Zolen of the Three Rivers Rotary Club won last month's prize drawing— Congratulations! The phone was hidden on page 11 inside the D on Deadline! Where could it be this month?? Every month I will ask you to find the Rotary phone hidden somewhere in the newsletter.... It will look like the one below (that's not the one hidden!), but it may be any size or color!!

If and when you find it, email or call to tell me where you found it and you will be entered into that month's drawing for a "wonderful prize!!" Have fun and happy hunting!!



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- January 6, 2018—Staff Meeting & Board Meeting, Location TBD, 8:30 AM
- ♦ February 10, 2018—Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)—Shipshewana, IN, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- ♦ February 17, 2018—PETS 1—First United Methodist Church of Kalamazoo, 8:30 AM
- ♦ February 24, 2018—PETS 1—Jackson Library, Downtown Auditorium, 8:30 AM
- ♦ March 15-17, 2018—Great Lakes PETS, Kalamazoo Radisson
- ♦ April 14, 2018—Staff Meeting & Board Meeting, Location TBD, 8:30 AM
- ♦ April 20-21, 2018—District Conference, Grand Haven, MI
- ♦ June 23-27, 2018—Rotary International Convention, Toronto, ON



Don't Forget to Check the Calendar on the District Database: www.DACdb.com!

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Club	6/30/2017	Current	YTD-Chg	Last Mo.	Held	Attend %	Rank
Albion	37	36	-1	-1	Heid 4	62	33
Allegan	32	32	0	0	5	52.48	45
Battle Creek	85	80	-5	-2	5	48.13	50
Benton Harbor-Sunrise	43	46	3	1	4	72.07	16
Berrien Springs-Eau Claire	40	37	-3	-3	5	64.3	28
Bronson	27	28	1	0	4	83.33	6
Cereal City Sunrise (Battle Creek)	28	25	-3	2	4	72	17
Charlotte MI	78	73	-5	0	5	82.98	7
Climax	24	23	-1	0	4	76	12
Coldwater	77	76	-1	1	5	84.5	4
Coldwater Township Sunrise	50	52	2	0	4	94.3	2
Constantine	15	15	0	-1	0	100	1
Delta Township	57	57	0	-2	5	66.79	25
Delton Area	41	40	-1	-1	4	63	30
Dowagiac	41	37	-4	0	4	40	56
East Lansing	73	71	-2	1	4	63.98	29
Eaton Rapids	34	32	-2	-2	4	54.7	41
Grand Ledge	51	49	-2	0	4	59.18	37
Gull Lake Area	45	47	2	0	4	70.69	21
Harbor Country	30	29	-1	0	4	58.62	38
Has lett-Okemos	44	44	0	0	4	70.83	20
Hastings	65	65	0	-1	5	62.54	31
Hillsdale	37	37	0	0	4	53.44	44
Ionia	39	34	-5	-1	4	46.15	52
Jackson	59	60	1	-5	4	65.6	27
Jackson-Breakfast	25	25	0	0	5	74	13
Jones ville	22	21	-1	0	4	76.19	11
Kalamazoo	202	194	-8	-1	5	42.5	55
Kalamazoo Sunrise	18	18	0	0	5	71.25	19
Lakeshore	51	51	0	0	4	62.15	32
Lansing	209	207	-2	1	4	45	53
Lansing - Dewitt Sunrise	26	26	0	0	4	84	5
Litchfield	16	16	0	0	5	69	22
Marshall	60	60	0	1	5	44.1	54
Mason	32	32	0	0	4	73.55	14
Middleville	35	35	0	-2	5	77.8	10
Oshtemo	24	22	-2	0	4	79.55	8
Otsego	14	15	1	0	2	60	34
Paw Paw Area	30	30	0	0	4	48.33	49
Paw Paw Lake	19	21	2	-2	0	66.7	26
Plainwell	15	17	2	0	4	54	42
Portage	84	77	-7	-1	4	57.48	39
Quincy	27	26	-1	0	5	47	51
Reading	10	10	0	0	4	60	35
Rotary Satellite Club of Charlotte Evening, MI	0	14	14	0	4	73.21	15
Saugatuck-Douglas Rotary	37	40	3	3	4	50	48
South Haven	53	48	-5	1	5	66.97	24
South Lansing-Holt	29	30	1	1	2	59.93	36
St. Johns	48	45	-3	-1	5	50.73	46
St. Joseph & Benton Harbor	134	133	-1	0	5	55.87	40
Sturgis	42	42	0	0	5	53.8	43
Three Rivers	72	69	-3	-2	4	50.59	47
Union City	21	20	-1	-1	5	86 71.76	3
Vicksburg	39 16	37 15	-2 1	0	4	71.76 78	18
White Pigeon	16	15	-1	0	4		9
Williamston Sunrise	28	30	2	0	4	68.89	23
Totals, Net Gain, Avg Attendance:	2500	3554	3.0	4.7	4.40	C4 750/	
56 of 57 clubs reporting	2590	2551	-39	-17	4.13	64.75%	