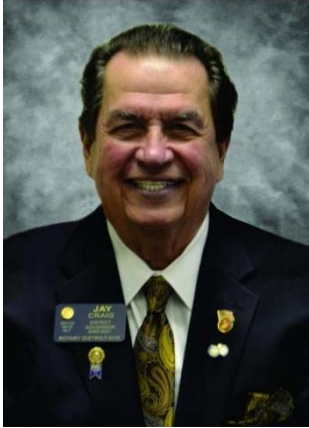


# Rotary



## District 6110 Newsletter

### Governor Craig's April Message



April is Maternal and Child Health Month for Rotary

Maternal and Child Health focuses on prevention, health care, and health education for women, infants and children. This health care aims to provide these populations with access to quality health care, education, and basic necessities that promote healthy lifestyles, such as proper nutrition, adequate sanitation and clean water.

Rotary, along with public health organizations, is concerned with how improvement can be made in health care resources for women, including pregnancy and reproductive resources, as well as resources for infant and child well-being.

Maternal and child health is important because it affects the livelihoods of the next generation, which affects communities, families, and the health care system. The need to properly and timely identify health risks, such as depression, violence, drug and alcohol abuse, and inadequate nutrition is vitally important.

Women, children, and infants face unique challenges, especially those living in impoverished areas. Approximately 850 women die every day from pregnancy and childbirth complications. Almost all deaths occur in low-resource environments, and most are preventable. Rotary International is working with the World Health Organization to facilitate positive change and alleviate restrictions, improve education, and reduce the numbers of deaths and problems.

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?** Governor Jay focuses this month on one of Rotary's seven program focus areas. All of our work locally and internationally fits into one of these:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution,
- Disease prevention and treatment,
- Maternal & child health,
- Clean water and sanitation,
- Economic & community development
- Basic education & literacy
- The environment

### Springdale Club Completes Water Grant in India

By Beth E. Keck



The Rotary Club of Springdale has completed a project providing water to 13,000 people in India. The grant was a project of Past District Governor John Brodbeck, recently deceased. The ever-outgoing John met Rotarian Pankaj Patel at the International Convention and learned of the drought conditions in rural India some 75 miles from Mumbai. Scarce water required women to take long treks to fetch it for their families, and farmers were virtually unable to grow crops.

A plan to add ten water retention ponds in several tribal areas was developed by the Pune Far East Club and District 3131. Funds from the Springdale Rotary Club of \$1,900 were provided, and an additional \$5,000 in our District 6110 designated funds were committed with Foundation Chair Ed Hardesty's assistance. With these matching funds and the Rotary Foundation, the entire Global Grant totaled \$96,415. Other partners included the Pune Central Rotary Club, Pune University and District 3131.

Here is an excellent short video that the Rotarians put together - it is quite well done and worth your time to watch. It could be shown at your club meeting. Click here: [Water project](#)

The project stores water in the ponds during the monsoon season which is then used for drinking water and farming throughout the year. The deeper storage facilities also increased water percolation and raised the water table of numerous wells in the vicinity. About 500 acres of agricultural land in the area benefitted from this project, which enabled villagers to have water for drinking purposes for their cattle & agriculture (irrigation) year-round, thus raising the local economy (multiple crops per year) & reduced migration to the urban areas.

With the approval by the Rotary Foundation of the grant, construction began swiftly and has just been completed.

One interesting connection: the ponds will be maintained by a **Rotary Community Corps** in the villages. A Rotary Community Corps (RCC) is a group of non-Rotarians who share our commitment to changing the world thru service projects. This provides the sustainability of the project.

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?** When we ask Rotarians to support the Rotary Foundation it all goes to help people. Here is a specific example of our fellow Rotarians making life better for more than 13,000 people!

**2021 International Virtual Convention**



Have you wanted to attend a Rotary International Convention, but found the travel costs prohibitive? That won't be a problem this year, as the RI annual event will again be conducted virtually.

Originally planned for Taipei, Taiwan, the decision to present the Convention as a virtual event was made by the Rotary Board of Directors, to protect the health of everyone involved. It will be held June 12 thru 16, 2021. The Virtual Convention will be open to all Rotary members and participants. Event registration will open in mid-April and will include a promotional fee of \$49 for 21 days, with an increase afterward to \$65.

The Rotaract, Youth Exchange Officer, and Inter-Country Committee preconventions will be held 10-11 June 2021. The cost of each preconvention event is \$20. Both the convention and preconvention events include access to the House of Friendship.

All pre-registrations for the original in-person event are being refunded.

Please check this site later in April to register for the virtual event: [Virtual Convention](#)

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?** Each year 30,000 or more Rotarians gather somewhere in the world to exchange ideas, learn about Rotary, and explore new cultures. This is the 2nd year the Convention has been changed to a virtual event.

## **Rotary Clubs in Service - April 2021**

6110 ROTARY CLUBS IN SERVICE

***While some clubs are unable to conduct regular meetings, they still have figured out ways to provide service to their communities. Here are just a few with no #PandemicParalysis:***

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### **Siloam Springs Rotary Delivers!**

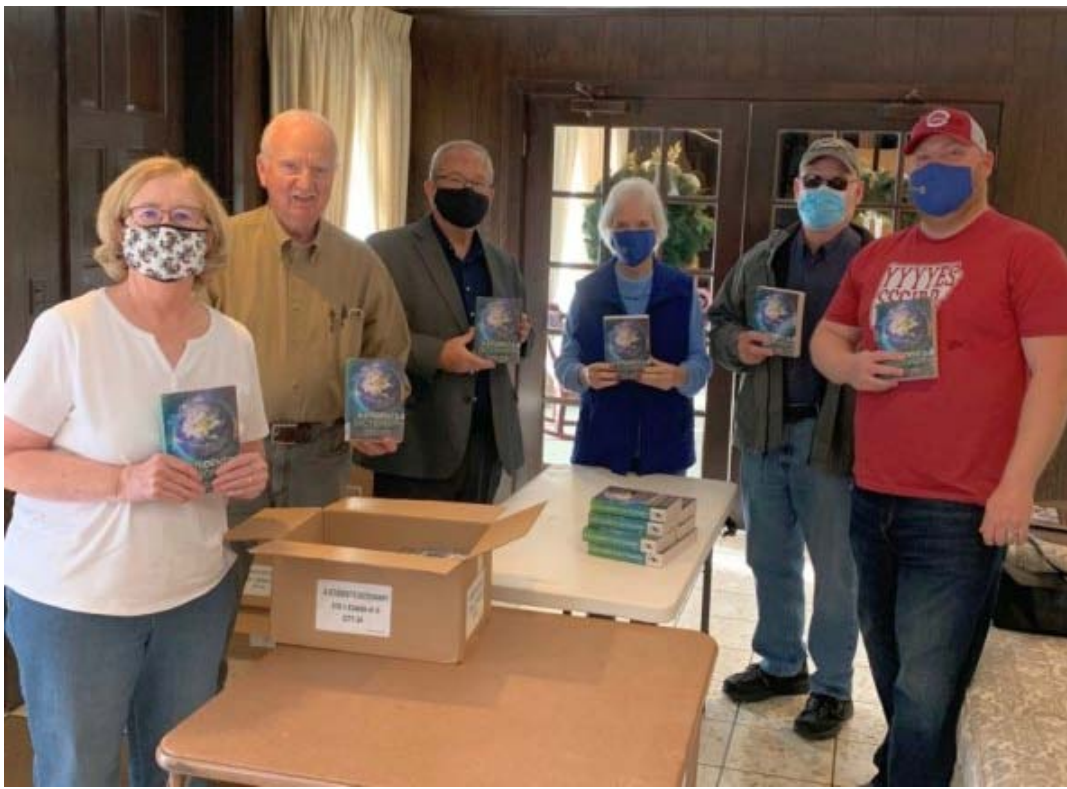
Recently, the Siloam Springs Rotary Club had a workday to place personalized notes in the dictionaries that they provide to the 3rd grade students in Siloam Springs. The club members then delivered the dictionaries to Southside Elementary School, so that every 3rd grade student would have their own dictionary.





This is a project the club participates in every year, even if this year was a little different because of COVID-19 restrictions. The members miss not being able to give these out personally, but will hope that it can return to normal next year.





The 3rd graders appreciated the efforts of the Siloam Springs Rotary Club.

**The Rotary Club of Wagoner**

Jeff Hamilton - master pancake flipper



These Wagoner Rotarians know how to have fun when they raise funds for their programs! They flipped over 500 pancakes on March 26 and fed the community.

They also

provided "to-go" meals for those who did not want to come out.



Also a dozen intrepid eaters joined in a contest to see who could scarf down the most pancakes.

Two people tied, so there was a "Pancake Toss-Off" to see who could "hit the can" best. Christy Collier won the Toss-Off and thus won the Rotary Pancake Contest belt and bragging rights.





Christy Collier - pancake contest winner

The Pancake Day is the club's largest fundraiser with proceeds going to college scholarships and other causes. Preliminary figures show the club should clear \$1,100 for its efforts to help their community. Well done!

There's no #PandemicParalysis in the Wagoner Club!

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## Bristow Rotary Club

The Bristow Rotary club has a regular fund raising event each December. They sell upwards of 200 very nice poinsettias for \$25 each to the community as part



of their Santa's Village event.

Rotarian Krista Burden unloads poinsettias for sale.

While COVID-19 canceled the Village event, the Bristow club still wanted to deliver the red flowers!

This year they ordered 127 of them and sold out!  
President Joe Hill noted that they cleared about \$1500 that goes to their scholarships and other programs.







## Mountain Home Rotary Club Hears from RI President-Elect



Mountain Home Rotarian Stewart Brunner addressed his home club recently, presenting a video program from the President-Elect of Rotary International, Shekhar Mehta. A member of the RC of Calcutta-Mahanagar in India, Mehta will assume the RI leadership role on July 1, 2021. As president, Mehta will provide direction for the 1.25 million Rotarians in 500 districts throughout the world. His international theme for 2021-2022 is **◆Serve to Change Lives◆**, an ideal that is reflected in the Rotarian motto of **◆Service Above Self◆**. Mehta encouraged all members to find places and avenues of serving the needs of others locally and globally. The response to the video message was overwhelmingly positive from the Mountain Home membership.

Brunner has served his club as president and the district in numerous positions. He is currently serving as an Assistant Governor to 2020-2021 District 6110 Governor Jay Craig and will continue July 1 under Governor-Elect Kevin Merrill from the RC of Harrison, AR.

(Pictured are Stewart Brunner and Renae Schocke, President of the RC of Mountain Home.)

## Bartlesville Daybreak Rotary

Bartlesville Daybreak Rotary supports Razia◆s Ray of Hope Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving

the lives of women and children in Afghanistan through community-based education. Focused on the village of Deh Subz, the organization was founded on the belief that education is key to positive, peaceful change for current and future generations. The foundation provides opportunities to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment, empowering girls and women through education and resources so that they may work toward brighter futures. Their flagship project is the Zabuli Education Center, a humanitarian endeavor led by Razia Jan, an Afghan native who has worked since 2005 to raise funds to establish the school for girls in Afghanistan. The mission of the school is to provide free education for girls in the village of Deh Subz, outside of Kabul.



The club is planning a fund raiser/social for the Foundation on May 8, 2021 at 9:30 am. Brunch for a Building! It wil feature a Zoom session with Razia Jan direct from Afghanistan!

### Upcoming Club Events:

#### - Eureka Springs Rotary Club

# SAVE THE DATE!!!

The John Brodbeck Memorial  
Scramble Fore Scholarships  
Presented By: Eureka Springs Rotary

July 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 2021  
2 Person Scramble  
Holiday Island Country Club

*We will be accepting entries via mail, email, and phone starting this Spring*

More info:



# THE JOHN BRODBECK MEMORIAL SCRAMBLE FORE SCHOLARSHIPS



HOSTED BY EUREKA SPRINGS ROTARY CLUB

PRESENTING SPONSOR: ARVEST BANK

## ARVEST

2 PERSON SCRAMBLE ♦ JULY 17-18 ♦ SATURDAY NIGHT CALCUTTA & DINNER ♦ CASH PAYOUTS

♦ HOLIDAY ISLAND COUNTRY CLUB ♦

**\$250 PER TEAM – SKINS GAME WILL BE AVAILABLE – ALL GREEN FEES AND**

**MEALS ARE INCLUDED**

**ADD \$20 FOR RENTAL CART**

- 8AM & 1PM TEE TIMES EACH DAY
- TOURNAMENT WILL BE FLIGHTED AFTER SATURDAY TO DETERMINE SUNDAY TEE TIMES
  - MEN 65 & UNDER WHITE TEES – MEN OVER 65 GREEN TEES
  - WOMEN 65 & UNDER GREEN TEES – WOMEN OVER 65 SILVER TEES

TEAM MEMBERS: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

(CIRCLE ONE) ENTRY FEE: \$250 NO RENTAL CART OR \$270 RENTAL CARD NEEDED

TEE TIME PREFERRED: MORNING OR AFTERNOON (NO GUARANTEE)

TEAM PLANS TO ATTEND SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER/CALCUTTA (YES) (NO)

ALL ENTRY FEES MUST BE TURNED IN EITHER:  
MAIL @ 14 WOODSDALE DRIVE HOLIDAY ISLAND, AR 72631  
OR E-MAIL KYLE@ISLANDAIRCO.COM

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO "EUREKA  
SPRINGS ROTARY CLUB"

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT KYLE DEATON @ 479-253-3330 AND FOLLOW EUREKA SPRINGS ROTARY ON FACEBOOK FOR FUTURE INFO

## - Mt Vernon Rotary Club

The Mt Vernon Rotary Club will host its first Annual Car Show. Why not attend the District Conference in the morning, then zip over to Mt Vernon for the Car show?



# MT VERNON ROTARY

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Car Show



**Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

**10am-2pm**

**North Side of Historic Mt Vernon**

**Town Square**

**Classic Cars ★ Antique Cars**

**Street Rods ★ Muscle Cars**

**Free Admission to Spectators**

**Trophies for all class vehicles**

This year, proceeds are going to MVHS Scholarship  
and Community Projects

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WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Is YOUR club doing service to its community?  
Are you "doing good in the world?" Let us know with the "just the facts" to:  
Wally Bloss, District Public Image Chair: [Wbloss@Gmail.com](mailto:Wbloss@Gmail.com)

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**Rotary 101 - April 2021**

By Wally Bloss

# Rotary 101: What is Rotary?

*Rotary 101 is a monthly column highlighting the many facets of our wonderful organization.*

## **This month's installment: Rotary Vision Statement**

One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is Rotary's Four-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor (who later served as RI president) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. Here's a bit of background:

[Four Way Test History](#)

But did you know Rotary now has a **Vision Statement**? If Rotary were a ship approaching land, our new vision statement would be the lighthouse that keeps us from running aground. Rotary's Vision Statement explains what we want to achieve, in the same way that our Mission Statement explains our focus, and our strategic plan represents how we are going to get there

Adopted by the RI Board of Directors in 2018, the Rotary Vision Statement is:



How about reciting that at a club meeting?

Extra credit: Rotary's Mission statement: *We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.*

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?** Rotary has lots of ways to inspire us to do good in the world. "Service Above Self" comes to mind right away. Here's another way to "ground" us as we move forward.

## **What Happened On 19 April 1868?**

### ***Celebrating Paul Harris's legacy of goodwill***

On 19 April 1868, Rotary founder Paul Harris was born in Racine, Wisconsin, USA. Among the most enduring symbols of the goodwill that he spread are the trees he planted around the world. Join us in celebrating the anniversary of Paul Harris's birth by (click>) [reading about these Friendship Trees](#), or by (click>) [making a special gift](#) to the Rotary Foundation. How else will you mark the occasion? (Plant a tree??)



Paul Harris plants a friendship tree in Lakeland, Florida, USA, in 1942.

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?** Paul Harris was an early environmentalist. He would be pleased to see the environment as our seventh area of focus. Extra credit: What does Governor Jay own that connects to a tree Paul Harris planted?

### **Together We Celebrate!**

Have you registered yet for the District Virtual Conference? It's going to be a blast celebrating clubs that have made this a banner year. It will be held 9:00 am to 12:30 pm on Saturday, May 1st. If you're not registered yet - go here: [Celebrate District Conference](#)



# TOGETHER, WE CELEBRATE



**District 6110 Virtual Conference**  
**2020-2021**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup>, 9 am**

**REGISTER NOW**

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/TZIU DUU HQJlPH9JYXY51M3KKTk7H9QNJVS7C](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8446121212?pwd=ZUJDUUHQJlphQjYyYXk1M3kKTk7H9QNJVS7C)



**Rotary Opens  
Opportunities**

## **Nepal Rotarian Sita Rupakheti visits District 6110**

Dear Rotary International District 6110,



Thank you so much for your kind hospitality during my visit here from Kathmandu, Nepal. I came here at the invitation of District Governor Jay Craig, and his First Lady Frankie, whom I had met in Korea at the 2016 Rotary International Convention, and again in 2017 at the Atlanta International Rotary Convention. We have become great friends ever since. I am a Past President of the New Road City, Kathmandu Rotary Club. Rotary is truly an International Organization, as our multi-cultural, multi-national friendship proves.

I was so honored to be able to accompany District Governor Jay as he visited the McAlester Club, the Poteau Club, and the Bristow Club, his Rotary Club.

I was received with such warmth and hospitality everywhere we went in your wonderful country. I believe that education is very important, and wish to do all I can to improve the system in my country, to try and help many more girls and boys find the ability to better themselves through education. My

District, 3292, is focused on doing just that through a program called ♦Rotary Nepal Literacy Mission♦. I am a member of the Board of Directors of the ♦Back to School♦ program. Change comes slowly sometimes, but we are making progress. The Bristow Club has raised \$1500 and is now applying for an International District Grant, so that we can enroll many other young students in school. I am so humbled and honored by your generosity. I will return one day, and be honored to see those I have already met again, and also meet with everyone else. I love Rotary, and am so proud to be a Rotarian.

Thank you again for your wonderful hospitality.  
Sita Rupakheti





## Rotary Countries

By Wally Bloss

Flags of countries with Rotary, find your flag!



Top 10 by number of members:

Country	Clubs	Members
United States	7814	341,515
India	3191	123,941
Japan	2288	88,685
Korea, Republic of	1580	61,258
Brazil	2392	56,346
Germany	1022	52,329
England	1444	42,262
Italy	816	40,949
France	1062	32,949
Australia	1125	31,494



Bottom 10:

Equatorial Guinea	1	17
Montserrat	1	17
Palau	1	17
Comoros	1	15
Tajikistan	1	15
Guinea-Bissau	1	14
Sao Tome and Principe	1	14
Kiribati	1	12
Nauru	1	11
Eritrea	0	0

Total Clubs: 34,558, Total members: 1,220,115

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Rotary is truly an international organization.  
Here's the full scoop: [Rotary Member Count by Country](#)

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