

Rotary



District 6110 Newsletter

District Governor's Message - July 2022

By Cathy Webster

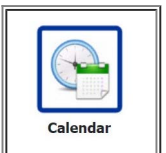


Yes! I am already having loads of fun with club visits and enjoying seeing some of our district's beautiful scenery. Finding out about each club's community and meeting more of my Rotary family is truly inspirational to me. The local projects that clubs have provided in their communities are amazing and I love hearing about their plans for the future.

A common request from those I visit is: **we need some new ideas for fundraising!** So, I'm inviting everyone to share their favorite fundraiser information with me. Include a good contact person for it along with a short description or template. Part of the fellowship aspect of Rotary is

our willingness to help others, including our fellow members. Email these to cathywebsterd6110@gmail.com and I will happily compile a list to share with others.

Something very new and exciting for the District Conference on September 10 at the Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills is **Kids at Conference**. School-aged children can attend the conference with their parents and experience some fun, creative, and Rotary-themed activities. They will get to have meals with their parents but otherwise will enjoy their own fun day. You should have received a registration link via email but you can also go into [DACdb](#), click on the calendar icon, and find September 10 to register there.



WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? - Governor Cathy Webster has hit the ground running. See the story below on her installation in Pryor on June 25. She also makes an excellent point about sharing ideas. See also the story about auctions as operated by the Tulsa Southside club.

Spring Membership Contest Winners

By Jayne Lowe

We are pleased to announce the winning clubs from the 1/1/22 - 4/30/22 spring membership Contest!

Congratulations to the winners:

1st Place: Rotary Club of **Owasso**, Growth of 17.1%, President Jennifer Ballard \$500 to club

2nd Place: Rotary Club of **Altus Area Sunset**, Growth of 13.3%, President Adam Wiederkehr, \$300 to club

3rd Place: Rotary Club of **McAlester**, Growth of 11.5%, President Bucky Harp, \$200 to club

Honorable Mention is **Mt. Vernon** with growth of 11.4%, President Marsha Jones



Thanks to these clubs....and *all* of the clubs who helped #GrowRotary this past year! Be sure to keep your eyes open for another membership contest to be held in the 2022-23 Rotary year!

August 2022 Membership Contest



Each One Bring One KEEP ALL!

August is membership month!

Now's a great time to bring a prospective member! 2 clubs will each receive \$250 for having the highest % net gain for the month of August!

Imagine the joy Rotary will bring to one of your friends or colleagues!

For questions ask PDG Jayne Lowe: jayneRotary@gmail.com



August will be here soon, and August is Membership Month!

PDG Jayne Lowe is conducting a ONE-MONTH membership contest in August (because August is Membership Month!) There will be 2 winning clubs - 1 from a small/medium sized club and 1 from a medium/large club.

Each winning club will receive \$250 for the highest net gain of members in their category. Each new member will win also - since they are now Rotarians!

Look also for District Membership Ambassadors who can come to your club equipped with a PowerPoint presentation and lots of great ideas.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? **Now** is a great time to invite someone to Rotary. OK, any time is a great time to invite someone to Rotary, but now your club could win \$250 for its favorite project. Invite your pastor, priest, rabbi, imam, dentist, acupuncturist, hair dresser, barber, physician, lawyer, accountant, artist, coach, contractor, beverage distributor, mortician...you get the idea.

See attached "Classification List of Vocations" to help jog your memory of people that you could invite!

Welcome New Rotarians July, 2022

Have you welcomed a prospect to Rotary? New members bring new ideas and additional support to Rotary. You can ask a prospect to help deliver dictionaries, or pick up trash with you, or help with



whichever action project your club does. Get their hands dirty and they'll be interested!



Muskogee Rotary Club's newest member is Kim Jaquez, (left). She is joined by immediate President Robert Allen and her sponsor President-Elect, Kim Williams.



Please welcome these new Rotarians who were added since our last newsletter:

Rotary District 6110 New Membership Listing

New Members From: **Jun-13-2022** To: **Jul-14-2022**

Member Name	Mem Type	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Biggs, Travis	Active	7/1/2022	Alma	
Noonan III, Jay C	Active-Corporate	7/1/2022	Alma	
Ocker, Zachary B	Active	7/1/2022	Alma	
Scowden, Suzanne	Active-Corporate	7/1/2022	Alma	
Jenkins, John J	Active	6/27/2022	Bartlesville	Tom O'Connor, Ed Grigsby
Lindquist, Stephen J (STEVE)	Active	6/13/2022	Bartlesville	John B Kane, Rev. Joe Colaw
Martin, Steve C.	Active	6/15/2022	Bartlesville Daybreak	
Johnson, Cindee	Active	7/1/2022	Bella Vista	
Purkis, Alexander (ALEX)	Active	6/22/2022	Bentonville	Jon Cadieux
Nisar, Zain	Active-Community	6/30/2022	Bixby	Richard Oltmann
Watkins, Barney	Active	7/12/2022	Bixby	Barry Helms
Al Ian, Jessica	Active	7/7/2022	Carthage	Earl Wayne Wilson
Frieling, Shannon R	Active	6/16/2022	Carthage	Shelby N. Baugh Bruner
Larson, Lonnie	Active-R85	6/22/2022	Downtown Rogers	Roland Julian
Leis, Daniel A. (DAN)	Active-R85	6/22/2022	Downtown Rogers	Russell Rigs

Swearingen, James P. (JIM)	Active-R85	6/22/2022	Downtown Rogers	Bob Wilkinson
Tull, Jim	Active	6/20/2022	Downtown Rogers	Payne Brewer
Donaldson, Kathy	Active	6/22/2022	Grove	Cheryl Flood
Homan, Dalton	Active	6/22/2022	Grove	Nikki Privitera, Jason Evans
Livesay, Robert (RC)	Active	6/29/2022	Grove	Thomas Riggs
Coyne, Sarah	Active	6/27/2022	Joplin	Stephanie Brady, Melinda Moss
Kelly, Michael E. (MIKE)	Active	6/30/2022	Mid-Marion County	
Barrow, Cole	Active	6/23/2022	Mountain Home	Karolyn Ziemer
James, Mary	Honorary	6/27/2022	Mountain Home	
Nelson, Brenda Dill	Honorary	6/27/2022	Mountain Home	Larry Nelson
Nelson, Larry G.	Honorary	6/26/2022	Mountain Home	
Pugsley, Tobias (TOBY)	Active	6/23/2022	Mountain Home	Debbie Henry
Chism, Jay	Active	6/22/2022	Mt. Vernon	Marsha Jones
Jaquez, Kim (KIM)	Active	6/23/2022	Muskogee	
Johnson, Amanda	Active	6/16/2022	Muskogee	
DeWeese, G. Lynn	Active	6/23/2022	Nevada	Donna Thomas
Mitts, Maryann	Active	6/16/2022	Nevada	
Proehl, Cole J	Active	6/30/2022	Parsons	
Johnson, Jeremy	Active	6/22/2022	Pittsburg Sunrise	John G. Mazurek
Robb, Ronald Steve	Active	6/29/2022	Pittsburg Sunrise	
Baxter, B Scott	Active	6/21/2022	Rogers	Bill Churchwell
Clower, Evan	Active	6/21/2022	Rogers	Dick Trammel, Allison McElroy
Trent, Zach	Active	6/21/2022	Rogers	Jamie Higgins, Jene' Gilreath
White, Jim A	Active	6/21/2022	Rogers	Dick Trammell, Jene Huffman
Krisell, Jayson G	Active	6/13/2022	Springdale	Bart Tracy, Matt Fryar
Ajoku, Adaeze	Active	7/12/2022	Tulsa	Bob Saied
Carson, Brad	Honorary	6/30/2022	Tulsa	
Distler, Seth	Active	6/23/2022	Tulsa	Barney James
Lytle, Mary	Active	6/30/2022	Tulsa	Jan L. Laub
Nazarian, Nick	Active	6/30/2022	Tulsa	David Wagner
Weyland, Alan	Active	6/16/2022	Tulsa	Charles B. Wilson Jr.
Kerkstra, Patricia L. (TRISHA)	Active	6/29/2022	Tulsa North	Jack Maxwell
Zucconi, David G.	Active-R85	6/30/2022	Tulsa Southeast	
Phillips, Randolph	Active	7/1/2022	Tulsa Southside	Stephen P. Gray
Taylor, Evan Michael (EVAN)	Active	6/21/2022	Tulsa Will Rogers	Bill Bowen
Neal, Savannah	Active	7/1/2022	Van Buren	Michelle Robinson
Johnson, Mark	Active	7/6/2022	Vinita	Brian Prince
Perez, Felipe	Active	6/22/2022	Webb City-Carl Junction	

Note: For members to appear on this list, their start date must be entered.

Cathy Webster installed as 2022-2023 District Governor

Pryor, Ok was hopping on June 25, 2022, as the District installed Cathy Webster as its 2022-2023 District Governor. Cathy is the first District



Governor to serve under a woman Rotary International President, Jennifer Jones, and the fourth woman DG in District 6110. (The District's first woman DG was Peggy George in 2006-2007.) The other women DGs in the District are shown on the right.



(L-R) Past District Governor Judy Brigham 17-18, Past District Governor Jayne Lowe 18-19, District Governor Cathy Webster, District Governor Elect Pam Crawford.

The mood was festive as Past District Governor Ed Hardesty officially installed Cathy. Nine PDGs attended and offered their best wishes, guidance, and insight to Governor Cathy.

She in turn honored district leadership for their service, providing 2022-2023 theme scarves, neckties, and socks to the various Assistant Governors, committee chairs, and District Rotary leaders who make the district work.

Governor Cathy then introduced Cherokee Storyteller Robert Lewis, who involved several members of the audience in his stories. His upbeat, exuberant interpretation and the Rotarians' responses fit perfectly with the 2022-2023 theme "Imagine" and RI President Jennifer Jones' desire to do more telling of the Rotary story.



PDG Ed Hardesty installs Governor Cathy Webster



Governor Cathy and her sister Assistant Governor Janie Green



Governor and now Past District Governor Kevin Merrill



DG Cathy and Assistant Governor Anne Wallace



DG Cathy and Connie Williams confer while John is at a rare loss for words



Members of DG Cathy's Pryor Club made the evening memorable.



Cherokee Storyteller Robert Lewis kept the crowd in stitches.



Several Rotarians "helped" Robert spin his tales. Chipmonk!



Past District Governors offered their best wishes and suggestions.

Photos courtesy Tim Bones

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Each Rotary year, the district gets a new Governor...who really does not "govern" but is a good-will ambassador for Rotary. She (or he) visits every club in the district bringing info and ideas to clubs. It's another volunteer position that is highly sought after.

Long Time District Treasurer Honored

Several Past District Governors gathered recently to honor District Treasurer, Russ Robinson, a member of the Tulsa Southside Rotary Club, upon his retirement after 35 years in that role.



WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Yup, you read that right - Russ was District 6110's treasurer for **THIRTY FIVE YEARS!** Thanks for keeping our numbers!

Rotary 101 - July 2021 - New Year Changes

By Wally Bloss



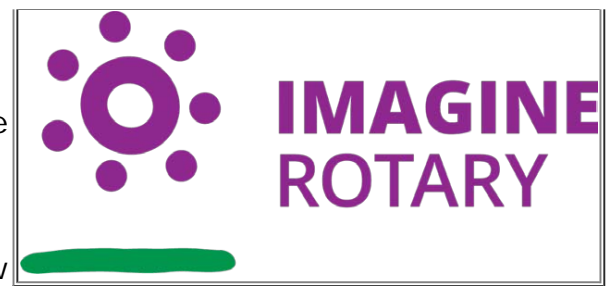
Rotary 101 is a monthly column highlighting the many facets of our wonderful organization.

It's a new Rotary year - so what?

In July of each year, Rotary rejuvenates itself. It's not

quite as extensive as a Dr. Who rejuvenation, but it is time to re-do some things.

Each of our District's 76 Rotary clubs now has a new president - congratulations! Rotary International has a new president also, and Jennifer Jones is our first woman president!



Now may be the time to look at your club's committees and see if there needs to be some new blood there. It's also a good time to review all your website, your social media graphics, your printed material, your newsletters, etc.

Here's a sore point: Rotary changes its Presidential Theme logo annually and some clubs still use the past ones.

Also, nine years ago, Rotary updated the "Blue Wheel" logo in favor of the Masterbrand Signature, but many clubs still use the blue wheel. How many of the logos on the right do you remember?

The change to a new logo was a part of a year-long study of what people knew about Rotary and how we were seen in the world. While Rotary was generally well thought of, exactly who we were was not always known. As a result, a new revamped logo was adopted, and clubs were strongly urged not to modify or change it. We still have a few clubs displaying images that are not allowed.

While the Brand Center of the RI website has LOTS of logos, graphics etc, it can be a bit cumbersome. So **we have put together what you need** to be "up-to-date" in an easy-to-find location.

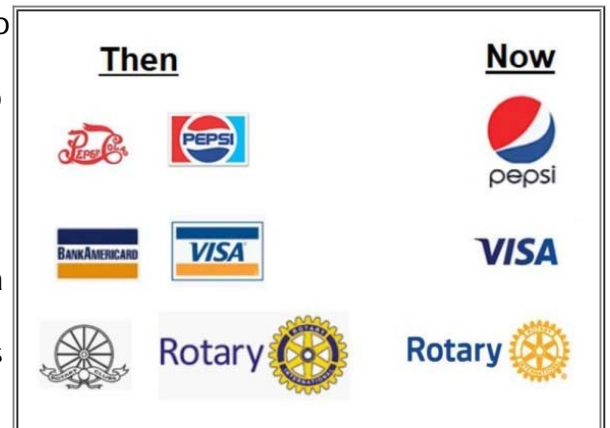
Go to the District website, <https://www.rotarydistrict6110.org/> and click the gray box on the left labeled ""Documents".

Or you can just click this, <https://www.rotarydistrict6110.org/?s=documents> and look for "Rotary Current Logos". There you will find several Rotary logos, District logos, the current Presidential Theme logos etc.

Spend some time updating your website with the correct logos, make sure your Facebook page is correct, same for Instagram/Twitter/YouTube club pages, and review the various signs or handouts you make for the club every year.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT: Rotary has so many parts it is hard to keep track of them all. This is a series of several primers on Rotary. Want help on logos, themes, how to make a great flyer etc?

Just ask Wally: [Wally Bloss' email](#) He's happy to help!



Rotarians in Service - July, 2022

6110 ROTARIANS IN SERVICE

Here are just a few clubs providing service to their communities. Let us know what your club is doing to provide Service Above Self!

Fayetteville Rotary Club Cares



The Fayetteville Rotary Club added a service component to their weekly meeting. They assembled care packages for the Salvation





Army shelter, *Pathway to Hope*. In a short time, they filled over 100 bags with toiletries.



Pathway of Hope is an emergency shelter serving single women, single men and families with children for up to 90 days. The program is intended to provide residents with temporary shelter while receiving case management services to assist in locating permanent and stable housing. What a great way to provide service at a regular club meeting - especially for those "lunch Rotarians."

Rotary Club of Harrison Flies Flags



Rotarians in Harrison are busy on Flag Day.

Rotary Club of Pryor Updates Road Sign

The Rotary Club of Pryor recently updated its Rotary signs at the entrance to the city. The old signs that appear outside towns and cities have been replaced by many clubs. The old "Blue Wheel" was retired some 9 years ago in favor of the new sleek logo as it appears on the right.

The signs are available from several Rotary Licensed vendors, including one owned by a District 6110 Rotarian in Fort Smith. For further info on the sign program, contact [Wally Bloss](#), District Public Image chair.



Aurora Rotary Club Installs New Officers

The Rotary Club of Aurora installed its new leaders on July 5th. On



the left, Aurora and Marionville Police Chief Wes Coatney (with his service pistol and Rotary gavel - a good combination!) was installed as president, to the gratitude of three-term past president Bill Baker (center). Incoming Assistant Governor (and District Governor Nominee) Dr. Warren Lovinger assisted, while outgoing AG Wally Bloss took the photos.

Also installed was Carrie Howlett as President-Elect - right.



Rotary Club of Bixby Supports Education to Young Nepalese Women

The Rotary Club of Bixby recently learned the results of their efforts to provide educational opportunities for young women in Nepal. Rotarian Lt. Col. (Retd.) Pradeep Kumar Shrestha, President of the Rotary Club of New Road City in Katmandu, Nepal communicated with PDG Jay Craig via email. He noted that "90 young needy girls continue their education through the literacy back to school program" funded in part by the Bixby club.



Vinita Rotary Club Presents Scholarships

Vinita Rotary Club President Steven Tamplen presents Rotary Senior Scholarships to Senior Rotarians at the annual Vinita HS Senior Awards Assembly.

Recipients include: from left, Makayla Gaylord receiving a 4-year \$1,000 scholarship; Natalie Garland receiving a \$1,000 scholarship; Cain Anderson receiving a \$1,000 scholarship, Aubreigh Lambert receiving a \$500 scholarship; and Chase Sutton receiving a \$500 scholarship.

Unfortunately, 80% of Vinita club members have opted out of all the District PMails including this newsletter, and won't see this recognition.



Tulsa Rotary Club and Celia Clinton School: 33 Years Together Strong

The Tulsa Rotary Club's partnership with Celia Clinton Elementary school began in 1989. The at-

risk, underperforming school was one of the last in the Tulsa Public Schools to be adopted. Over the years, Rotary's involvement has helped to transform the school, while scores of Rotarians who have volunteered have been blessed as well.

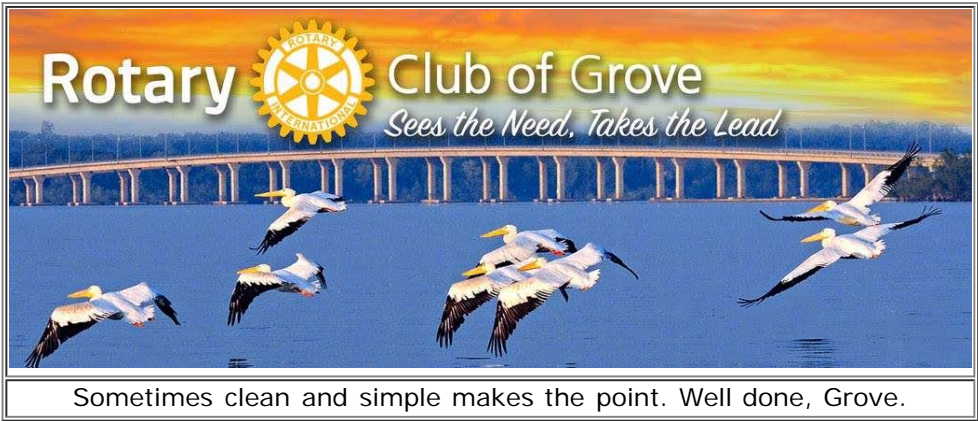


Carthage Rotary Club Awards Paul Harris Fellows

Congratulations to the Carthage Rotary Club's newest Paul Harris Fellows - Robert Oexman & Joe Ryder!



Grove Rotary Club - Effective Graphics and Tagline:



Tulsa's Will Rogers Rotary Club Helps at MSNI

Packing boxes at the air-conditioned MSNI warehouse went as smoothly as a cool breeze on a Saturday morning in late June for the Will Rogers Rotary Club. Many thanks to V.J. Lively for accommodating the volunteers on a hot morning. Organizing the supplies is a messy task but of great value to the recipients all over the world! Your club can volunteer on a Saturday morning or other times also, and be a part of our District's International Service organization. Just contact VJ at his email here: V.J.Lively



McAlester Rotary Club awards scholarship

The McAlester Rotary Club recently recognized McAlester High School Senior Jacob McBride as a \$1,000.00 Rotary scholarship winner. Congratulations to Jacob and to the club for honoring young people.



Altus Area Sunset Rotary Club's Grape Festival

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2022

July 29-30
Food & Music
[altusgrapefest.com](http://www.altusgrapefest.com/)

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Let's stomp some grapes in Altus!
<http://www.altusgrapefest.com/>

Owasso Rotary Club Honors Business and Preps for Golf Event

The Owasso Rotary Club presented the First Bank of Owasso with its Business of the Month Recognition recently. They were able to get a nice article in the Owasso Reporter for the event. Later this month, on July 30, the club will host a golf classic in partnership with Owasso Community Resources. With just 10 members, this is an active Rotary club!



Rotary members Jennifer Ballard and Jeff Stumpff present First Bank of Owasso President Dee Sokolosky with a certificate of recognition.



The Owasso club has partnered with [Owasso Community Resources](#) for the Owasso Giveback Golf Classic at [Bailey Ranch Golf Club](#) on July 30.

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

Fundraising Ideas - Auctions!

By Ellie Tonquest



Rotary clubs raise money for their good work in the community and the world. This Rotary year we will be featuring clubs that have found a niche in their community and figured out how to raise funds for club projects. Our goal is to spotlight a successful fundraiser and show how other clubs can adapt these projects for their use.

Whenever possible, we will include specifics - see today's attachments to the Newsletter PMail. While they are specific to the club, they can generate ideas for your own club.

This month we start with the Tulsa Sunrise Rotary Club, with great info from [Ellie Tonquest](#), past president of the club.



Here's Ellie's story: About 10 years ago, we held our first Lobster Fest. We had done the usual fundraisers prior – garage sales, gingerbread house contests etc., but couldn't seem to generate the funds we wanted to have more of an impact in the community. We had heard of the success of Grove Rotary Club's Lobster Fest and arranged for them to come and talk with us about how they did it. They were very generous and helpful and, ultimately, we decided to do one too. Our first efforts were fairly modest but we were encouraged enough by the results to try bigger the following year. We decided to support assistance dogs for people affected by autism as our cause and things took off from there! In 8 years, we have raised over

\$500,000, providing assistance dogs, swimming lessons (drowning is the #1 cause of death among children with autism – they are drawn to water), autism-focused education programs at all levels, and funding for organizations who support individuals and families with autism.



Our club has about 50 members and this is a whole club event. Most every member helped in some way. Some could only donate funds. That's an easy yes! Some donated wine for the wine pull. Some worked on decorations. Some worked in the welcome area. Some worked in the checkout area. Most brought in an item or two – or 20 - for the auctions. We had two auctions, a silent auction with smaller value items, ranging from \$25 - \$500, usually about 100-125 items. We also had a live auction with items ranging from about \$1,000 up to \$8,000. All auction items were displayed on tables the night of the event. Both auctions were on the night of the event only. We had individual tickets for sale as well as whole tables. There were sponsorship opportunities at higher donation levels.



Then COVID hit and everything stopped for two years. We were still able to provide support for our causes with funds from our Club's Foundation. This year, we wanted to start up again with our fundraising activities. But due to a late start, we didn't feel we would be able to stage a successful Lobster Fest. So we settled on a smaller event and called it Appetizers for Autism – dubbed A4A. This will be the first time we have done this event,

which will be held August 11, 2022, and everyone is invited - bring your checkbook!

Much of the format will be the same. We'll have individual tickets for sale as well as tables and sponsorships. We'll have a wine pull and a silent auction but no live auction, due to a smaller audience and uncertainty about the fund-raising climate post-COVID and the current financial conditions. The silent auction will be on-line only and run for a week prior to the event. We might do a raffle with one of our auction items - we haven't decided on that yet.

The special component we are adding this year is our "Autism Impact Awards," recognizing a young person and an adult with autism who have impacted the Tulsa community and an organization and an individual from our community who have made a positive difference to autism in the region.

Attached to the Newsletter PMail are:

- Appetizer Auction Letter
- Acquisition Helpful Hints
- Auction Items That Sell Well

Thanks to the Tulsa Sunrise Rotary Club for their willingness to share their experiences, and demonstrate how to be agile and flexible when things change.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? We're going to find things Rotary Clubs do well, and let other clubs do the same. What does your club do really well? Pitch a story idea to [Wally Bloss](#), District 6110 Public Image chair!

District "Regional Connections" Underway

We have a LARGE District. One of the largest! With 76 Rotary clubs, a couple of satellite clubs, and scattered across four states, it's not easy to get everyone together very often. Several Assistant Governors are convening "Regional Connection" events to get nearby club members to meet each other and consider interconnectedness.

The first grouping of clubs, dubbed "East 40" was held July 9th, and it was a great day for learning and FUN! They had a Jeopardy game and, of course, with the Jeopardy music playing, they all loved having that playing in their heads for the rest of the day. It was a great opportunity to learn and meet nearby Rotarians.

Here are other get-togethers that are scheduled:

- The Missouri Mules: **Saturday 8/27** 11am to 2pm at Granny Shaffer's Restaurant in Joplin, Mo
- The Kansas Clubs are *considering* **Saturday 8/20** in Pittsburg - not confirmed, details to be announced.

More will be coming - watch Governor Cathy's weekly Tuesday PMail
"Rotary Together on Tuesday - Imagine that!" for more info!

