

# Rotary District 6110 Newsletter

## On the Road with Governor Warren Lovinger

We had a very successful Governor's Installation luncheon in Nevada, Missouri on Saturday, June 29th, and I really appreciated the 130 Rotarians and family who attended. The Nevada Rotary Club and Cottey College did a great job of hosting! During the festivities, Nevada was recognized as a "100% Paul Harris Fellow Rotary Club".

Now it is time for Marilyn and I to get "on the road", visiting the 73 Rotary Clubs in District 6110, over the next five months. It is estimated that we will put 23,000 miles on my Chevy Colorado truck (right), as we travel from Nevada, Missouri to various parts of our 4 state District. We are excited about this lifetime adventure and the opportunity to meet so many wonderful Rotarians!



Our first Club visit was to Lamar, Missouri, with AG Marsha Jones, followed by Aurora, Missouri with AG Wally Bloss.

As this Rotary year gets started, several other learning and fellowship events will be occurring.

- Carl Davis, our representative from The Rotary Foundation, will be starting to visit with small groups regarding District 6110's Legacy (benevolence) Campaign.

- On Saturday, August 3rd, our Rotary Zone will be hosting a Leadership Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas.

- On Saturday, August 10th, we will present the District 6110 Training Assembly, as a Zoom meeting, from 10:00am to 11:30am. Club officers and Committee Leaders won't want to miss this valuable annual event.



I want to again thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as your 2024-2025 Rotary Governor!

Warren Lovinger  
District Governor

# Rotary District 6110



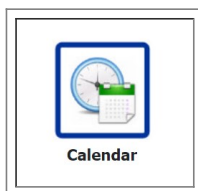
## District 6110 Box Score

Through 6/30/24 year end

-74	Total Member LOSS 7/1/23 to 6/30/24
2	Club disbanded: Alma, Fort Scott
4	Arch Klumph Society members (\$250,000 or more to Foundation)
5	Oil changes and tire balance/rotate for iPDG Pam's car
6	Clubs with ZERO Foundation giving
11.3%	Members under 40 years old
31.7%	% of female Rotarians
24	Clubs with ZERO Polio Plus giving
36	"Star" Clubs - average more than \$100/member to Rotary Foundation
50.0%	Clubs in the Dictionary Project EASY PROJECT - LET'S DO MORE
87	Rotary Foundation Bequest Society Members - up 1 from last month
180	<a href="#">Paul Harris Society Members - \$1000/yr (to join, email Michelle Gann)</a>
221	Major Foundation Donors "all time"
442	Rotary Direct members -about 13.7% of all District members
3,206	Rotary Club Members at year-end
8,172	Paul Harris Fellows "all time" up 38!!
20,500	Miles traveled visiting 6110 clubs and Rotary business by iPDG Pam
\$89,866	Polio Plus Giving at year end
\$467,436	Foundation Annual Fund Giving at year end
\$2,700,284	Value of 12 RI TRF District Endowed Funds

Sources: Rotary Club Central, TRF data, etc.

## Rotary Dates



Rotary Presidents/leaders want to get dates on their calendars - as far in advance as possible, but also as a reminder of "what's next". *Criteria: Big-picture events, NO club events/fundraisers, but events and/or deadlines that all Presidents and other club leaders need to know.*

### Important and District-wide (and beyond) Rotary Dates

- August 3: **Zone 30/31 Leadership Seminar** - Little Rock, AR: [REGISTER HERE \(\\$50\)](#)
- August 10, 2024 Virtual/Zoom **District Training Assembly**
- Sept 3-8: **Zone 30-31 Institute**, Huntsville, AL: [REGISTER HERE \(\\$150-425\)](#)
- October 17-20, 2024: **RYLA** in Tahlequah, OK
- March 20-22, 2025; **MAPETS**
- May 2, 2025: **Legacy (Foundation) Dinner**, Rogers, AR
- May 3, 2025; **District Conference**, Rogers, AR
- June 21-25, 2025\*: Rotary International **Convention** in Calgary, Canada
- March 19-21, 2026; **MAPETS**
- June 13-17, 2026\*: Rotary International **Convention** in Taipei, Taiwan
- June 5-9, 2027\*: Rotary International **Convention** in Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2028\*: Rotary International **Convention** in Manila
- 2029\*: Rotary International **Convention** in Minnesota

\* Tentative Date for planning

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT:** Plug these dates into your calendar - you don't want to be a Rotarian without a date, do you?

## Happy New Year!



July 1 begins a new Rotary program year. We install new officers, re-set committees, and make plans to provide service to our community and the world. It is a time for taking stock, checking in with all club members, and refreshing our goals.

Attached to the Newsletter email is a comprehensive Club Health Check document. Take a look at it and see how your club is doing - there's a lot there so don't be afraid to dig in!

Or would you consider just a quick Public Image check-up? Also attached to this Newsletter Email is a simple "Twenty Question Public Image Checkup" that is worth printing and reviewing. Are you using the correct Rotary logos? Who has the login credentials to your social media, webpage, email list etc? Is your club meeting info up-to-date in DACdb? (DACdb pushes it up to

RI) You'd hate for a prospect to show up at last year's meeting place!

Do you invite the public to projects - *"Come join the Funville Rotary Club to help pick up trash on Hiway 77 north of Walmart tomorrow at 4pm"* or *"Mayor Longspeak will address the Foremost Rotary Club at noon tomorrow at The Eatin' Place and the public is invited."* You get the idea...right?

## Governor Warren Lovinger installed



District Governor Warren Lovinger, MD was installed on June 29 to become the 34th\* Governor of District 6110. About 130 Rotarians and friends dined on a sumptuous luncheon buffet of brisket, pulled pork, bacon-wrapped chicken and much more at a noon luncheon held at Cottey College in Nevada, Mo. Since Nevada is just about the furthest northern club in the district, Gov Warren set the event at noon, so Rotarians from all across the four-state district could attend the event as a day trip with no overnight lodging required. And the lunch was underwritten by a generous donor - who could resist that?

The "Magic of Rotary" was evident as President Mike Brown of the Nevada Rotary Club welcomed the crowd and opened the meeting. The almost-Immediate Past District Governor, Pam Crawford thanked her team from the 2023-2024 year and presented them with thank-you gifts.

PDG Ron Petersen, Sr. - Missouri's only living Past District Governor - installed Governor Warren to the cheering of the members and guests present. The installation was followed with the traditional "Passing the Gavel" where Past District Governors offered advice to the newly minted Governor Warren.



L-R PDGs Pam Crawford 2023-24, Cathy Webster 2022-23, Jayne Lowe 201-19, Don den Daas 2016-17, Larry Long 2015-16, John Williams 2012-13, Wallace Williams 2010-11, A.C. Moncrief 2009-10, Ron Petersen Sr. 2008-09 and Ed Hardesty 2005-06

Then incoming presidents of District clubs were installed, and Governor Warren's leadership team of Assistant Governors, Coordinators and others were recognized.

A surprise event was a special award to the Nevada Rotary Club. With the decision of Warren and his wife, Marilyn, to become Arch Klumph Society members of the Rotary Foundation, he was able to award every member of his club a Paul Harris Fellowship! Thus, the award for "100% Paul Harris Fellows Club" was conferred after the Nevada Club members received their individual awards.

Governor Warren then outlined his vision for his term. It is going to be a great year!



\*District 6110 was designated in the 1991-1992 Rotary year. Before that, it was known as District 611, and most of the early clubs were in several earlier geographical district configurations known as: Western Division 1912-1915, District 11 1916-1918, District 17 1918-1922, District 15 1922-1937, District 136, 1937-1949, and District 198 1949-1957. One could also conclude Governor Warren is the 114th Governor of the area now covered by District 6110.

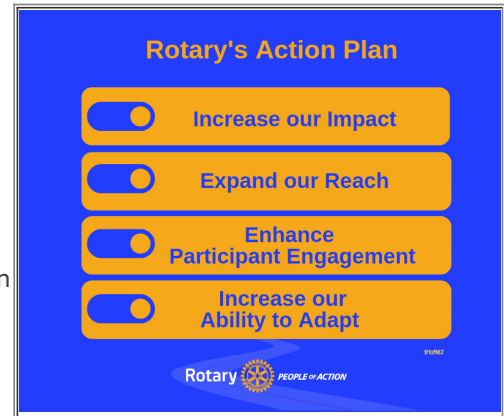
## Rotary Action Plan

By Pamela A Crawford

### For 2024-2025, I'm your Action Plan Champion.

The Action Plan from Rotary International helps you and your club structure how to really strengthen your support to your community and to the world.

A good starting place to start the journey is in the Learning Center in My Rotary ([rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org)) - search for Action Plan in the [Learning Center](#). These courses will help you understand more about the Action Plan and give you resources to start using it more effectively. For an overview, complete the Rotary's Action Plan and You course. Then, choose which priority of the Action Plan you want to learn about next; you may wish to pick one of these as a club to work on this year.



- For **Increase our impact**, complete the Measuring and Reporting Our Impact course.
- For **Expand our reach**, complete the Building Rotary's Public Image course.
- For **Enhance participant engagement**, complete the Creating an Inclusive Club Culture course.
- For **Increase our ability to adapt**, complete the Rotary's Change Model course.

I will over the coming months talk more about these. Stay tuned for more on our Rotary Action Plan.

iPDG Pam Crawford



## Why I am a Paul Harris Fellow - Michael Addington

*A Paul Harris Fellow (Many Fellows are women!) is a signal honor conferred on someone who has given \$1000 to The Rotary Foundation, or used "points" to help get to 1000. It is a commitment to further doing good in the world. We are sharing PHF's reason why they support the Foundation. Please share your experience to DPIC Wally Bloss [wbloss@gmail.com](mailto:wbloss@gmail.com)*



In 2016 when I went to PETS, I got a real sense of what Rotary really was. With the access I got as president of my club, I was able to join many forums and get a greater sense of the scope of Rotary around the world. I searched Charity Navigator and saw that Rotary is one of the best charity organizations as far as managing their donations to do the most good.

To achieve a presidential citation as club President, I had to get half of my club to sign up for a Rotary.org account. To get our full grant from the district, we had to get our club's Rotary Foundation giving up to \$100 per member. I decided that year that I could afford \$100 per month. So I set up an automatic donation and joined the Paul Harris Society that year. As a result of that commitment, in February of 2024, I became a major donor.

My passion in Rotary is RYLA, Interact and Youth Exchange. Getting the \$3,000 district grant each year is crucial to me being able to take at least **30 campers to RYLA** as the club gives me a \$6,000 budget and the grant stacks on top of that.

I am also inspired by the Will Norton Miracle field in Joplin that was built with a global grant. This says a lot about Rotary that the money really does go where it is needed. I also believe in the Rotary mission to eradicate Polio. I hope to see this disease defeated in the next decade at the most.

I encourage every Rotarian to consider giving at least \$10 per month to help achieve the EREY goal of \$100 per member. If a member has the means, I encourage them to join the Paul Harris Society by donating at least \$83.50 per month. Better yet round it up to \$100 and help your club get to \$100 per member to help your club qualify for the full district grant of \$3,000 per club for whatever project your club wants to support. My club believes in RYLA and allocates our grant to that project. It has changed our community, our schools, and so many young men's and women's lives.

**Michael Addington, Miami Rotary Club**

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Why are you a Paul Harris Fellow? Send your "why" to the Newsletter Editor, [Wally Bloss EMAIL](mailto:Wally Bloss EMAIL)

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## All Four Missouri Rotary Districts Join Forces

District 6110 joined with the "other" Missouri Rotary Districts and collected a whole bunch of shoes for children that needed them. The project was recently profiled in the Zone 30/31 website "HUB" area - it ran for about 3 weeks. See it on the [Zone website HERE](#)

Or click **more** below to read it here:

[Putting themselves in someone else's shoes is how Rotarians find solutions.](#) [Read More](#)



## D2DX2\*

By C. Ellis Potter



\*District to District times two!

The D2D (District to District) initiative is organizing for the 2024-2025 year.

The Organizing Committee announces the call for applications for the proposed early December 2024, visit by 6110 Rotarians to Chile. Late in April or May 2025, when the Chilean team visits, we will be looking for host clubs.

This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with Rotarians from Chile. The Chilean Rotarians will provide room and board in their homes, and many activities will be planned by your hosts. The team will do activities and attend meetings as a group and generally do most things together. The schedule is very fast-paced as they want the team to see and do many things, and many Rotarians want us to visit them.

The key to a successful experience is flexibility and the ability to adapt. Some knowledge of Spanish is a tremendous asset as the meetings are conducted in Spanish and many of the Rotarians do not speak English. Each member of the team will give a presentation to the clubs in Spanish.

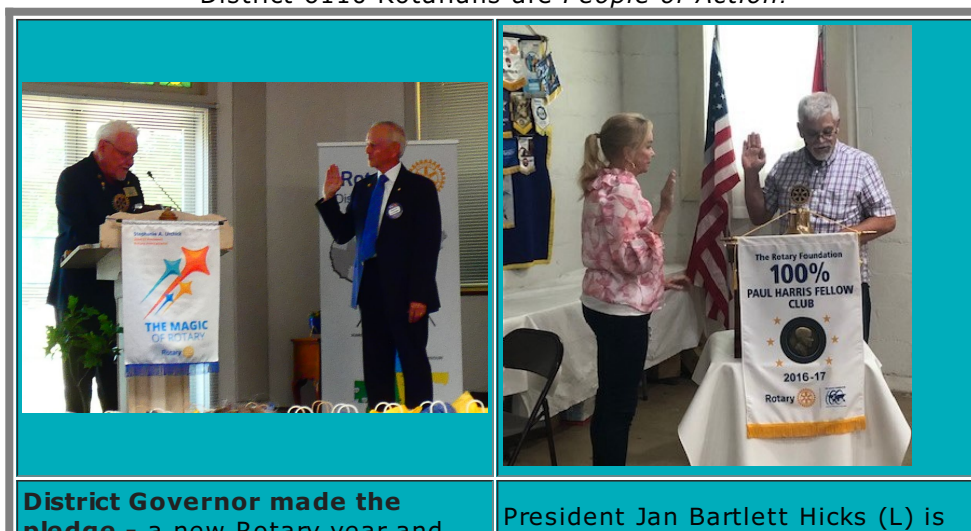
Every District Rotarian has been sent an invitation to apply for the exchange. Brochures and information are available on the District 6110 website. They are also available from all Assistant Governors. And if all else fails, please contact or call Dr. Ellis Potter, the Committee chairperson at [THIS NUMBER](#).



## Club Hub - July 2023

### "The Club Hub"

District 6110 Rotarians are *People of Action!*



District Governor made the pledge - a new Rotary year and

President Jan Bartlett Hicks (L) is

the District gets a new Governor, Warren Lovinger, MD, (R) was installed by PDG Ron Petersen Sr. This peaceful transfer of power occurred in all clubs also.



installed by Assistant Governor Aaron Brewer at the **Altus Area Sunset Rotary Club**. The word is they added a new member or two also!



The **Fort Smith Southside Rotary Club** also installed its officers. New President Twana Nixon grabbed hold of the club gavel! She's ready! Beside her are Immediate Past President Robert Davis and Treasurer Roy Walker.



The **Rotary Club of Poteau** had its new President, Marc Willis installed by the outgoing District Governor, Pam Crawford. Marc is looking forward to a great year!



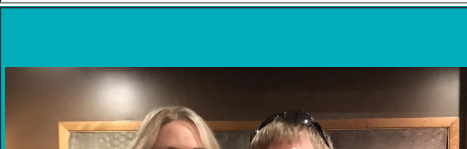
New President Portia Larson (L) presents Immediate Past President Lori Few with a plaque for her service with the **Rotary Club of McAlester**



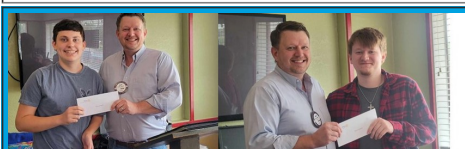
The **Tulsa Sunrise Rotary Club's Foundation** presented a check for \$8,000 to MSNI's VJ Lively (L) recently. That's a big help!



The **Rotary Club of Springdale** volunteered at the 80th Annual Rodeo of the Ozarks and wore their Rotary vests! Good service and good representing!



The **Rotary Club of Wagoner** changed their food item at Wagoner's Summerfest from hamburgers to tacos and increased sales. Club member Ana Good (R) hails from Honduras and used her special family recipe!







The **Bull Shoals-Lakeview Rotary Club** named Shane Stolz (R) as its Rotarian of the year. It was presented by President Stacie Hopper-Goldsmith.



The **Booneville Rotary Club** honored three students with scholarships, all presented by Treasurer Dustin Garrett.



The **Aurora Rotary Club** hosted Governor Warren (L) in his first week. He astonished new club President Rhonda Sexton by honoring her with a Paul Harris Fellowship. Immediate Past President Carrie Howlett and AG Wally Bloss beamed.



Governor Warren (L) also visited the **Neosho Rotary Club** where he donated a pin oak tree to new President Jason Spangler...and also awarded him a Paul Harris Fellowship!



**Rogers Rotary Club** Foundation Chair Sherri Holliday Sklar (center) presented a check for \$10,000 to the Northwest Technical Institute to fund scholarships for Marshallese students. Michael Dewberry (Director - left) and Janton Kamram (student - right) accepted the check



The **Cassville Rotary Club** sponsored the Cassville Soccer's Most Valuable Player, Emma Berndt, who is team captain, set new team score and goal records, named to Academic All-State, and all-region nominee.

## The 2024-25 District Leadership Academy is now open for applications!



The District Leadership Academy (DLA) is a comprehensive, 7-month advanced education program designed for individuals like you who have a keen interest in Rotary and a strong desire to enhance your leadership skills. In this program, you will gain valuable new insights into Rotary and position yourself for future leadership positions. Moreover, you will discover innovative and effective approaches to successfully carry out Rotary projects, whether within your local Club or at the District level.

Academy classes are offered online using Canvas and Zoom, the same platforms used by many colleges and universities. Over the course of the program, you will gain in-depth knowledge of leadership topics and how to apply them in Rotary. Specifically, weâ€™ll cover the following:

Sept 2024: Introduction to DLA & Leading Rotary Organizations  
Oct 2024: Rotary Organization and Effective Goal Setting  
Nov 2024: Rotary Online Tools and Internal Communication Skills  
Jan 2025: Rotary Membership and Leading a Healthy Club  
Feb 2025: Rotary Public Image and External Communication  
Mar 2025: Leading Rotary Projects/Fundraisers & Youth Protection  
Apr 2025: The Rotary Foundation and Leading Positive Change  
All modules are interactive, so you share your Rotary experiences and learn from your classmates. Twice each month, we will have guest speakers on the virtual Zoom platform. These speakers will be experienced Rotary leaders who are anxious to share their knowledge, experience, and passion.

The cost of the program is \$150. Clubs are encouraged to fund or reimburse members for the cost of this program, as an investment in Rotaryâ€™s future.

More information and the application form can be found on the DLA website at <https://academy-6110.org>. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Roy Wood, District Leadership Academy Dean at [DistrictLeadershipAcademy@gmail.com](mailto:DistrictLeadershipAcademy@gmail.com) or 918-882-2711.



Dean Roy and 2024 graduate  
Marsha Jones

**WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? You've heard of Rotary 101? This is more like Rotary 601 or 801! If you really want to learn more about Rotary, this is for you!**

## Rotary Radio

Did you know that Rotary has radio ads? These "Public Service Announcements" (PSAs) are often carried at no charge by local radio (and TV) stations. Take a look [here](#) and listen to them. Then chat with your local radio station and see if they will be willing to run them at no charge!

Recently KRPS, 89.9, Public Radio station in Pittsburg, KS "Four State Public Radio" began running some of these 30-second and 60-second Rotary spots. KRPS signal covers almost half of the district. The spots are professionally produced by RI and are available free to any commercial or public station thru the [BrandCenter](#) - click it and see! (listen!)

These do not have a local tag but send people to the RI website where they can inquire - and then the District Membership team will get a notice from RI of a new prospect.

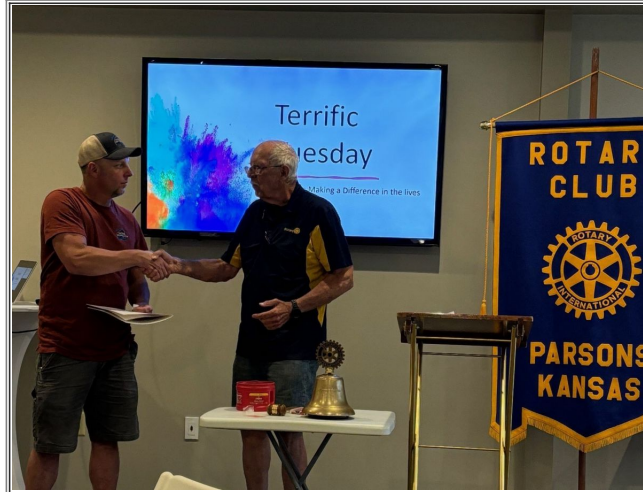
Many stations will run these Public Service Announcements (PSAs) throughout the day.



It may be worth talking to your local station also - like I did!

## Welcome New Rotarians July 2024

### Have you welcomed a prospect to your Rotary club?



The **Rotary Club of Parsons** welcomed new member Shane Searles (L) with President Glenn Fisher at the helm. A new member is Terrific!

**Your Rotary Club** needs to recognize its new members. Do a brief writeup about them and use in your social media, and let [Wally Bloss know](#) so he can add them here! .

### Rotary District 6110 New Membership Listing

New Members From: **Jun-13-2024** To: **Jul-12-2024**

Member Name	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Finley, Rodney Joe (JOE)	7/1/2024	Altus Area Sunset	Jan Bartlett Hicks
Finley, Yvonia Jean (JEANNIE)	7/1/2024	Altus Area Sunset	Jan Bartlett Hicks
Walkingwolf, Brook	7/1/2024	Altus Area Sunset	Veronica Post
Rakes, Kendra	7/2/2024	Bartlesville	Doug Quinn
Evanoff, Calvin	6/21/2024	Bella Vista	Dick Schrad
Hughes, Kristin	6/21/2024	Bella Vista	Steve Hughes
Allison, Gordon Young (GORDON)	6/24/2024	Bentonville	
Rogers, James Raymond (JAMES)	7/3/2024	Bentonville	
Noble Tesch, Kristy	6/27/2024	Berryville	
Oltmann, Victoria	7/8/2024	Bixby	Richard Oltmann
Rohde, John	6/22/2024	Bixby	Mike Gately
Fahie, DeAndre	7/9/2024	Broken Arrow	Lori Lewis
Kuck, Scott	7/11/2024	Broken Arrow	Mike Schrimsher
Cash, Calley	6/13/2024	Bull Shoals-Lakeview	
Massey, Sandra	6/13/2024	Bull Shoals-Lakeview	Dr. Robin Myers
Asbill, Richard	6/27/2024	Cassville	
Pixley, Paul W.	6/25/2024	Claremore	
Stalford, Lora	7/5/2024	Coffeyville	
Taylor, Amy	7/5/2024	Coffeyville	
Woods, Jamie	6/25/2024	Downtown Rogers	Karen Wagaman
Hutchcraft, Abigail	6/29/2024	e-Club of Engagement	Kylie Baima, Kylie Sommers
Scott, Edward (ED)	6/25/2024	e-Club of Engagement	Anne Emerson, Tim Emerson, Jared

		Engagement	Witt
Sommer, Erin	6/29/2024	e-Club of Engagement	Kyle Sommer, Daniel Dunham
Perryman, Jenean	6/19/2024	Grove	James Perryman
Pence, Saylor	6/26/2024	Henryetta	Stacey Blanchett
Rivera, Shelly	6/26/2024	Henryetta	Stacey Blanchett
Brown, Matt	6/25/2024	Lamar	
Pattison, Nadine	6/25/2024	Lamar	Racheal Martin
Harris, Jessica	6/24/2024	Muskogee	
King, Nina	6/13/2024	Muskogee	
Mitchell, Patti	6/24/2024	Muskogee	Melissa Nissley
Taylor, Kyle	6/24/2024	Muskogee	
Walters, Ray	6/13/2024	Muskogee	
Stanley, Timothy	6/15/2024	Northside Fayetteville	David J. Savage Sr., Travis Fink
Culver, Brad	7/1/2024	Paris	
Searles, Shane A.	6/20/2024	Parsons	Keith Butler
Dennis, Kyle	7/10/2024	Poteau	
Reding, Christopher Michael (CHRIS)	6/24/2024	Tulsa	
Skates, Michael	6/14/2024	Tulsa Southside	
Blasingame, Jessica	7/11/2024	Van Buren	Michelle J Robinson, Elaina Damante
Damante, Elaina	7/2/2024	Van Buren	Michelle J Robinson
Wall, Beverly	7/10/2024	Vinita	Jim Sellers