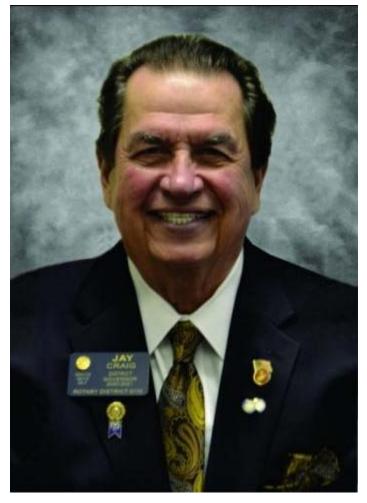




District 6110 Newsletter

Governor Craig's March Message



Rotary International's theme for March is Water and Sanitation

We, here in the United States have so many benefits that we seldom think about them. We get so used to them, that we take them for granted. We just expect them to be there, to the extent that when they stop, even for a short while, we become impatient, angry, disturbed. "Why is the power off?" "What do you mean there is a broken pipe?" "How long will it be before it comes back on?"Those of us who have had the privilege of traveling to other countries, are often shocked at how things that we take for granted here, are not in existence there. We turn on a faucet, and we have water. We go to the restroom and there are facilities for flushing. We expect those facilities, and are uncomfortable when we lose them, even for a short time.

Imagine living in a place where they do not even know such facilities exist. They have no water, unless they travel a long way to bring back what they can carry, or they use whatever water they can find, regardless of the source or the lack of sanitation. Imagine the disease caused by such

situations. Yet, today, around the world, that is sadly the norm.

Rotary is greatly involved in changing that norm throughout the world. Several of our clubs, both large and small, are actively involved in raising funds and requesting grants for the express purpose of providing 'clean' water, and proper sanitation for countries, people and children around the planet that we are all passengers on. Our district alone has funded hundreds of water wells around the globe. Find out more by researching these projects at Rotary.org, your district 6110 office, or by contacting the clubs in our district that are actively involved now. This is a worthwhile cause that we can and should all be happy to contribute to. Let's all help in any way we can, so that one day, children and people around the world will be able to appreciate the importance of clean water and sanitation.

Rotary Clubs in Service - March 2021

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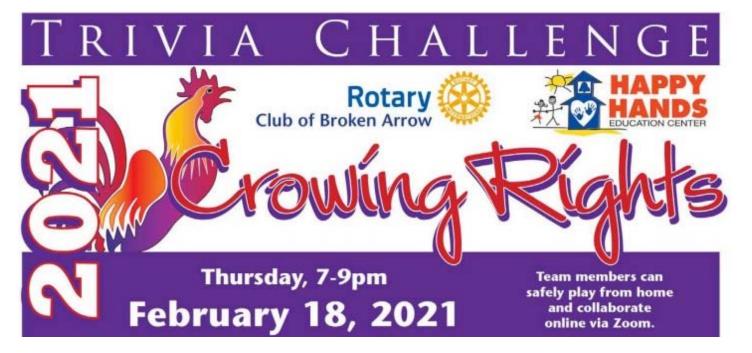
While some clubs are unable to conduct regular meetings, they still have figured out ways to provide service to their communities. Here are just a few with no #PandemicParalysis:

Broken Arrow Rotary Reaches out to Residential Care Facilities

Led by President-Nominee Robyn Havener, the Broken Area club came up with a way to be of service yet following current guidelines. Club members provided almost 250 Valentines Day cards - with personal notes inside - to several care centers in the area. Mike Scrimsher printed Rotary labels for us to put inside the cards. Two bags of Valentine stuffed animals with Velcro arms were donated by Kim Vento. A very successful project!



This is the first time they have done this as service project so that their members could do some service while staying distanced. It was so successful and appreciated the club will make it an annual project adding more cards so they can serve all the assisted living/nursing homes in our area. They will involve more members delivering at these additional places, similar to how they deliver dictionaries.



Thay also found a new and successful way to raise funds with their Trivia Challenge. Using Zoom-timed breakout rooms, teams competed with sets of difficult questions. Guidance from TriviaHub allowed Rotarians to compete from their own home. The Club raised funds for the "Happy Hands" Education Center.

The Northside Fayetteville Rotary Club

The Northsiders have kept busy with masked and outdoor service projects!



A virtual Salvation Army "Red Kettle" Drive netted \$1750 for the Army.



The club also continues its quartetly trash pickup along the urban "Skull Creek" Trail - great outdoors visible service!

And they continue several other projects with some modifications, like school dictionaries, Ronald McDonald House meals, and coordinating donations from Sam's Club to the Salvation Army.

There's no #PandemicParalysis in the Northside Fayetteville club!

Drumright Rotary Club



This commemorative Frankoma piece was created in 1968 to celebrate the Golden Anniversary (50 years) of the Drumright Rotary Club - their club was chartered in 1918, during World War I and during another crippling pandemic.

Now, after more than 100 years in existence the club is still providing service to the community including providing delivering every 4th grader with a thesaurus and every 5th grader with a world atlas in the Oak Grove, Oilton, Olive and Drumright schools. They also completed their 4 Way Test contest this fall. They prove a small club can provide service above self!

The Coffeyville Rotary Club



The Coffeyville Rotary Club recently held a work day at the Brown Mansion Historic Museum prior to its reopening. Members polished silver items, cleaned up yard waste, and generally provided assistance to the non-profit museum. The club also decorates a Christmas Tree in the museum for its candlelight Christmas tours.

Claremore Reveille Rotary Club



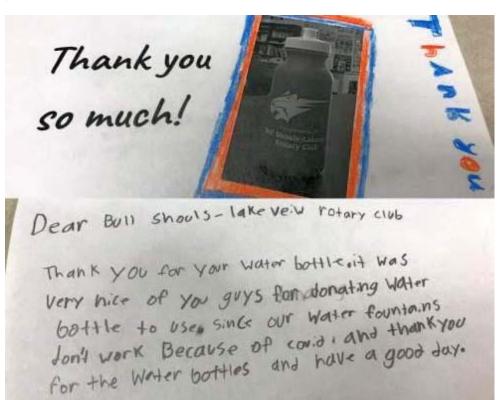
President Bill Hooker and Murry Estabrook with the first Rotary Star award

The Claremore Reveille Rotary Club has developed a creative method to inform the community that Rotary is about **\$**Service Above Self**\$** during the COVID isolation time frame. They established a new community-based service award, dubbed the **\$**YOU are a Rotary Star Award.

A list of 5 local non-Rotarian candidates was presented to the club and voted upon. Murry Estabrook was selected as the first recipient of the Rotary Star award. Known in Claremore as Commander Estabrook, a volunteer to many organizations, Murry s commitment to his family, students, and the community has always been top-notch. Commander Estabrook and his Claremore High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Program have been invaluable to the community, students, and Claremore High School. They have been the go-to group in setting up and taking down seating, structures and efforts to prepare a suitable venue for innumerable community celebrations and events. For a number of years, they have made sure that each dictionary presented by the Claremore Reveille Rotary Club, to each third grader in the county, came complete with the student s name inscribed. They have sponsored blood drives, served as traffic controllers and assisted in Claremore s parades.

The "Rotary Star" award can also be a great recruitment tool for new members.

The Bull Shoals - Lakeview Rotary club learned of an issue in the Flippin, AR schools. The water fountains in the schools were taken out of service due to COVID. So the club purchased water bottles for all of the students to use and donated them to the school.



Sincerely

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

Rotary Club of North Tulsa Charters the District�s first EarlyAct Club at Dove School





North Tulsa President Anne Williams, Dove EarlyAct President, District Governor Jay Craig at Dove

The Rotary Club of North Tulsa (aka RCNT) officially launched its first EarlyAct club with the Dove School of Discovery on Friday, February 26, 2021. This club also has the distinction of being the first established EarlyAct program in Rotary District 6110. Dove is a tuition-free public charter school that promotes science, mathematics, and educational technology in school environments.



L-R: Donald Rose, Pres-Elect. RCNT, Maureen Brown, Principal, Amy Wabaunsee, Principal, Anne Williams, Pres. RCNT, Jay Craig, Dist. Gov., Mrs. Frankie Craig, Daniel Chaboya, Pres. Tulsa Intercultural Association/member RCNT, Wallace A. Williams, PDG/Board Chair RCNT, Cole Adamson, Dist. Admin., Brett Brough, Asst. Gov.

EarlyAct is a school-wide service club for elementary students from ages 5 to 13. The mission and operation of EarlyAct are intricately linked to the ideals of Rotary and provide the foundation and natural succession into Interact. The Tulsa Intercultural Association is a partner in this school s club and will provide international connections with and support for students in schools in Honduras, Columbia, and other countries where TIA has a footprint.

EarlyAct provides young students the opportunity for gaining an increased awareness and knowledge of their community and the world. At a young age, all students can easily be encouraged to be caring and helpful. Their minds are open to recognize the dignity and worth of everyone which builds respect for others. EarlyAct also engages students in character-

building activities and prepares them for leadership roles to identify and carry out projects which benefit their school, local and global communities.

The enthusiasm of the administration at the school in making this club a reality convinced us that Dove School of Discovery should be the location for our first EarlyAct Club says Tulsa North President Anne Williams. "Additionally, both Principals are past recipients of Rotary scholarships. We think that is an excellent return on Rotary sinvestment. We look forward to working with them to make this club a resounding success."



Amy Wabaunsee, Principal, Maureen Brown, Principal, Anne Williams, Pres. RCNT, Mehmet Ozdem, Asst. Principal

District Governor Jay Craig expressed some of Rotary skey principles and led the group in the Rotary Four Way Test. He presented each EarlyAct officer with a personal copy of the test. Other District leaders in attendance included the Governor s spouse Frankie Craig, Assistant Governor Brett Brough and District Administrator Cole Adamson. Dove was represented by Principals Maureen Brown and Amy Wabaunsee. Daniel Chaboya represented Tulsa Intercultural Association and is also a member of the Rotary Club of North Tulsa. Other club members included PDG Wallace A. Williams, President-elect Donald Rose, and President Anne Williams. Mark Haynes served as official photographer.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? EarlyAct is a program closely tied to Rotary, tho not yet an official part of Rotary. It provides the younger student a glimpse into what Rotary's take on service provides. Here's more: <u>EarlyAct Info</u>

Rotary 101 - March 2021

By Wally Bloss



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

DACdb: what the heck is that?

We Rotarians want to organize things. It's in our genes. We have clubs, committees, task forces, focus groups, districts, and even member numbers! Who keep track of all these ways of "herding cats?"

Those of us that have been around a while can remember pencils and yellow legal tablets, which sort of worked well. Until you spilled coffee on the paper!

Now, Rotary has arrangements with several "Club Management Systems," including Club Runner, SEMDA and DACdb. Our district has chosen DACdb, and pays them a fee to allow every club in the district to help organize itself using their tools.

So how is DACdb better than a yellow pad?

- Do you want to send out a club newsletter? You can publish it in DACdb and send it to every member's email!

- What if the club meeting had to be canceled due to weather at the last minute? Send a text to every member via DACdb! (small extra \$)

- What if you want to publish a nice directory of club members with photos and detailed contact info - yes DACdb can do that also!

- Want a nice club website - yes that is what DACdb can do (club pays for that).

- What about keeping track of attendance,
- or sending out invoices for club dues (and having payment made online),

- tracking the club budget,

- or even seeing who has a birthday this month so we can sing Happy Birthday at the club meeting.

ALL of these things can be done with DACdb.

Like most things, someone in the club needs to get familiar with DACdb and be the club DACdb Champion. It doesn't have to be a younger member, tho they may "get it" faster! Each club member can add the info on themselves - a photo, what address they want info to come to, a short bio about themselves, what their vocation is - a lot of good info for other members to get to know their fellow club member!

Then the fun starts! Once your club info is in DACdb you can easily send a group email to everyone in the club...and track who opened it and when! (DACdb calls them "pmails.") With the information DACdb keeps for you, your club has the start of a really nice website - and you don't have to be a programmer to set it up. How about a nice printed list of club members with photos, preferred contact info and birthdays? Easy-peasy with dozens of templates ready for you to print.

Setting up your club committees? Put them in DACdb, then when you want to send a blast to the committee, it's just a click away! New member? Set them up in DACdb and RI will pull the data into their system. Keep track of who is speaking at your club - put them into the

DACdb calendar, and it will automatically show up on the club webpage or in the weekly newsletter!

There is a lot of help in the District also. Nick Nail has been "hitting it on the head" with DACdb training for several years and is available to all clubs. Several others in the district can help train also. Our past District Administrator now works for DACdb remotely from Mexico!

Want more about how DACdb can help your club? Talk to your Assistant Governor!

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Extra credit if you know what DACdb stands for (without looking it up!)

PETS, MAPETS, Grants, DTA and DisCon



Rotary builds leaders! We do this by providing opportunities for leadership and back-stop it with great training sessions. (We're also pretty good with alphabet soup and acronyms!)

After our COVID-hibernation, this spring is looking real busy with opportunities for training. Every member of your club can find an opportunity for growth here, and several of these sessions are needed for incoming leaders.

Virtual District Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (in addition to MAPETS session below, both are required for Presidents-Elect) When: Saturday, March 20th, 2021 from 9:00-11:00 AM Register: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/</u>meeting/register/tZApcuqtqjwqHtbEJMZjMdi2dqd4Sq dJVRf7 (Please keep in mind: Presidents-Nominee are encourgaged to attend as well!) Questions: Contact Cole Adamson at (918)807-4088 or districtadministrator@district <u>6110.org</u>



Virtual Mid-America Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (BOTH are required for Presidents-Elect) When: Saturday, March 27th, 2021 from 8:00 AM - Noon Register: DACdb.com or by contacting Cole Adamson, District 6110 MAPETS Registrar Deadline to register: Saturday, March 20th, 2021

(Please keep in mind: Presidents-Nominees are encouraged to attend as well!) Questions: Contact Cole Adamson at (918)807-4088 or <u>districtadministrator@</u> district6110.org

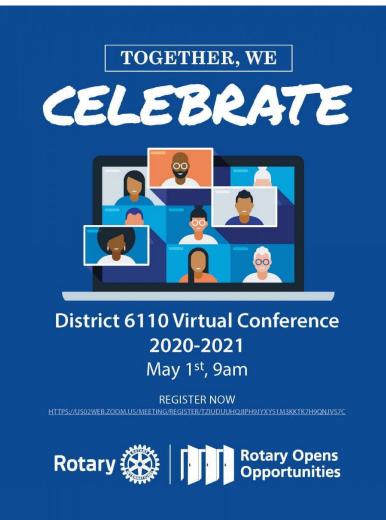


Virtual District Grants Seminar #1

When: Tuesday, **April 6th**, 2021 from 5: 30-6: 30 PM Register: <u>https://us02web.zoom.</u> us/meeting/register/tZUkcu- opjMvGdMpKQeqkdYpjEMrj8QldIlk See the District DACdb Calendar for more information! Note: will be offered again October 21st.

Virtual District Training Assembly for all Club Leaders

When: Saturday, **April 10th**, 2021 from 9:00-11:00 AM Register: <u>https://us02web.zoom.</u>us/meeting/register/tZUocu6sqTsiHtU3wZdcANcJJ9hfD7tGEvfk Deadline to register: Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 Questions: Contact Cole Adamson at (918)807-4088 or <u>districtadministrator@</u> district6110.org



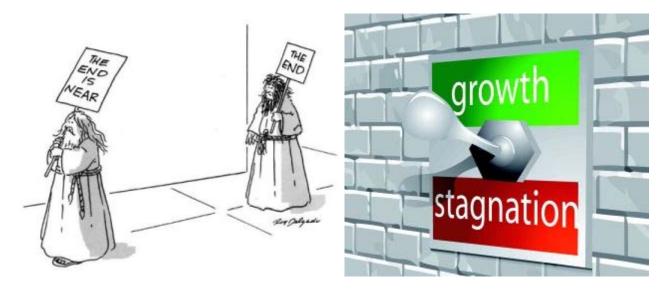
Virtual 2020-2021 District Conference "Celebrate Every Moment with Rotary!"ALL Rotarians are invited to celebrate.

When: Saturday, **May 1st**, 2021 from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Register: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/</u>meeting/register/tzIuduuhqjIpH9JyXy51M3kKTk7H9q Njvs7C

Register by Wednesday, March 31st, 2021 to receive this great T-shirt!



The End is Near - Membership Contest closes March 31



How is your club doing in our District Membership Contest?

The District will give your club an incentive to provide prospects in your community the opportunity to become a member of your Rotary club!

The contest ends March 31, 2021.

Remember: the top 3 clubs that add the highest percentage of new or reinstated members will receive a **ca\$h prize** to use for a service project or fundraiser.

Please keep in mind that we're looking for members who **want** to be Rotarians and give back to their communities...not just getting someone on the rolls to win the contest. Think about how grateful you are for the person who introduced you to Rotary...and be that person for others.

Any questions? Ask Jayne! And remember...Rotary Opens Opportunities!!!

Jayne Lowe District 6110 Governor 2018-19, Membership Chair 2019-22 479.644.6576 jaynerotary@gmail.com



BEAT THE CLOCK!

Rotary

District 6110 Membership Contest

Recruit New Club Members for a Chance to Win a Cash Prize for Your Club!

Here's the info:

Clubs adding the highest percentage of new or reinstated members with a join date between Jan 1, 2021 and March 31, 2021 will receive one of three prizes:

- 1st Prize highest net membership gain—\$500
- 2nd Prize highest net membership gain—\$300
- 3rd Prize highest net membership gain—\$200

LET'S GO!

The fine print: New members must have all membership data and paperwork correctly entered into DACdb and recognized by RI. Membership percentage based on ACTIVE memberships only. The addition of transfer members will not count toward gained percentage. The winning clubs will be revealed and checks distributed at District Conference May 1.



"EVERYTHING WE DO OPENS ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR Someone, somewhere." - Holger Knaack

Great Virtual Meetings

A Quick Guide to Great Virtual Meetings

Audio Tips	Video Tips	Structure Tips	Engagement Tips
Get soft stuff – for the best audio experience, surround yourself with carpet and/or soft furnishings	Put camera at face level – make sure your camera is positioned at face level. Don't look down or up at your camera.	Set objective – when you send the meeting invitation, always include the reason for the meeting, and why someone is being invited.	Set ground rules – before each meeting, let everyone know what expected. For example- use video, ask questions, stick to the agenda
Mute wisely – even if you're alone in the room, mute your line! And don't forget to unmute when it's your turn to speak.	Invest in good lighting – bad lighting equals bad video quality. If your home office has bad lightingit's time to go to Amazon.	Use agenda – no roadmap means confused and lost participants. Send an agenda in advance and refer to it often during the meeting. But no need to be fancykeep it simple.	Discuss, don't present – send background info out ahead of time so participants can prepare thoughts and questions. Don't just inform- discuss!
Invest in a good mic – if your PC mic isn't cutting it, go to Amazon and get a new one.	Look behind you – be aware of your surroundings. What will other attendees see in the room when you turn on your camera?	Follow-up – after the meeting, send notes or minutes and, if applicable, specific action items and next steps list to all participants.	Be inclusive – be kind to quieter participants- ask for feedback, don't let others dominate, and giv everyone a chance to use their voice. Especially during blended meetings!
Introduce yourself – if you're not using video, make sure to introduce yourself before speaking. Not everyone recognizes your voice!	Focus – when your camera is on, EVERYBODY knows when you're trying to multi-task. Your eyes are the give-away. Focus!	Keep it short – try to keep your meetings to fewer than 50 minutes. Scheduling meetings back-to-back with no buffer time is just mean.	Know your role – Are you the meeting leader, support, or a participant? Know your role and own it!

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? With more clubs doing ZOOM and other virtual or hybrid meetings, these ideas can help all members in the meeting.

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