

Rotary



District 6110 Newsletter

District Governor's Message May 2023



Thank you to all the clubs for the investment of your time and consideration for my club visits I've enjoyed this year. You have truly enriched my Rotary experiences and my life!

Speaking of investments, did you know that you and Rotarians all around the world have invested in my role as DG? We have an allowance from RI and our district so we can be trained, to become trainers, and to use the tools we have been given to do the best possible job we can serving our district. Thank you for that investment. I plan to not waste it as I soon will become a past DG. I

will continue to serve every club in this district as much as possible and to support DGE Pam, DGN Warren, and DGND John.



Did you know that your very own club has invested in training and support for your current President and for your President-Elect? There is a fee included with district dues sent to each club each year that covers the registration fee for training at Mid-America President-Elect Training (MAPETS). This investment should not be wasted! Talk about it in your club, what it means to be invested in. It is a very profound feeling when

you really absorb it. I encourage any club members who want to move further in Rotary by learning as much as possible and experiencing more of that awesome feeling. There are many opportunities: volunteer to help with club leadership positions, explore the Rotary Learning Center on My Rotary, and for a truly immersive experience, ask your club to cover your enrollment fee (another investment!) to be a student in the District 6110 Leadership Academy. Look for this opportunity in future District announcements!

What other investments do we make? My favorite is the Rotary

Foundation Annual Fund. The more we invest in this fund, the more money that comes back to our district to fund those club District Grants! As I've visited our club communities in this District, I've seen hundreds of examples of grant fund use that have enhanced community areas and provided learning opportunities to thousands of children. Thank you for that!

And finally, to celebrate the month of May – Youth Services Month! We should celebrate all our youth projects year-round. Happy Mother's Day to all mothers of the world – let us find ways to help those who have little resources to care for and nurture their children – support the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund! Bob and I celebrate our daughter's birthday this month. She is a dedicated scientist who does amazing work to help understand the dynamics of the earth and the vast changes happening, especially in the Arctic regions.



INVEST IN TODAY SO
ROTARY GROWS
TOMORROW



Now I am preparing to explore Australia and make more Rotary friends along the way!

Cathy Webster
District Governor D6110

District 6110 Box Score	
May, 2023 info for our District 6110	
+26	Total Member change since 7/1/22
3	Satellite Clubs
3	Rotaract Clubs
6	Interact Clubs
8	Clubs with ZERO Foundation giving (no change-grr!)
14	MSNI containers to Ukraine so far!
24	Clubs with ZERO Polio Plus giving...so far
30.3%	% of female Rotarians
58%	Frontenac Rotary Club has 58% women
73	Rotary Clubs
419	Rotary Direct members - give the easy way!
\$126.29	Foundation Annual Fund Per Capita YTD
175	Paul Harris Society Members - give \$1000 annually
3,364	Rotary Club Members
\$52,317	Polio Plus giving YTD - 122% of goal!
\$309,788	Foundation Annual Fund giving YTD 177% of goal!

Sources: Rotary Club Central, TRF data, etc. as of 5/11/23

Rotary Dates



Rotary Presidents/leaders want to get dates on their calendar - 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 Presidents and other club leaders need to know.

Important and District wide (and beyond) Rotary Dates

- May 27-31, 2023 - Rotary **Convention** in Melbourne, Australia
- June 24, 2023 – District Governor Pam Crawford's **Installation** in Bartlesville: [Click HERE](#) to Register
- New Rotary Year starts: **Create Hope in the World**
- August 26, 2023 - District **Training** Assembly via ZOOM
- September 15 - District Leadership **Academy** enrollment deadline
- September 21-24, 2023 - Zone **Institute** in Memphis
- October 19-22 2023 - **RYLA** is back in the fall! for 2023-2024
- October 24, 2023 - World **Polio** Day
- May 3, 2024 District **Foundation Dinner**
- May 3-4, 2024 - District **Conference**
- May 25-29, 2024* - Rotary International **Convention** in Singapore
- October 17-20, 2024 - **RYLA** scheduled for 2024-2025 year
- June 21-25, 2025* - Rotary International **Convention** in Calgary, Canada



- June 13-17, 2026* - Rotary International **Convention** in Taipei, Taiwan
- June 5 -9 2027* - Rotary International **Convention** in Honolulu, Hawaii

* 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?

A Great Rotary Story

By Ashley L Smith

The Rotary Club of Miami recently had a cleanup at their "Rotary Park". President Ashley Smith noted "We had a great turnout, and in less than 30 minutes' time we had a couple of big bags filled and the park all clean!" "The real reason for my email is to share a little story about what unfolded because of the cleanup efforts. If you were in a "Rotarian slump" or wondering if you are making a difference, I hope this gives you back your spark!

"While walking in the park, we all laughed at some of the "interesting" things that we found besides trash, but one Rotarian found a debit card. After asking for help in locating this person, a school official from Miami High School said they knew the name and could contact the mother. They went on to say that they had helped this family on more than one occasion to ensure there were meals at home for them to eat. This really hit hard with me, so I reached out again later and asked if there was anything the club could do to help this family? The school said they would love to tell me about some of



the issues they have and programs they use to provide meals on breaks. WOW!! We are going to get together soon, so I can see if the Club is interested in a new Service Project. It is nothing short of amazing to me how this small effort of picking up trash snowballed and could make a difference for even just one family!

Just one small definition of what it means to be a Rotarian, and how we are helping our community. **YOU** make a difference every single day, even if you don't see it or hear about it. I want you to know it is my honor and pleasure to serve beside each of you as a Rotarian, and I appreciate what everyone does to make our club great!"

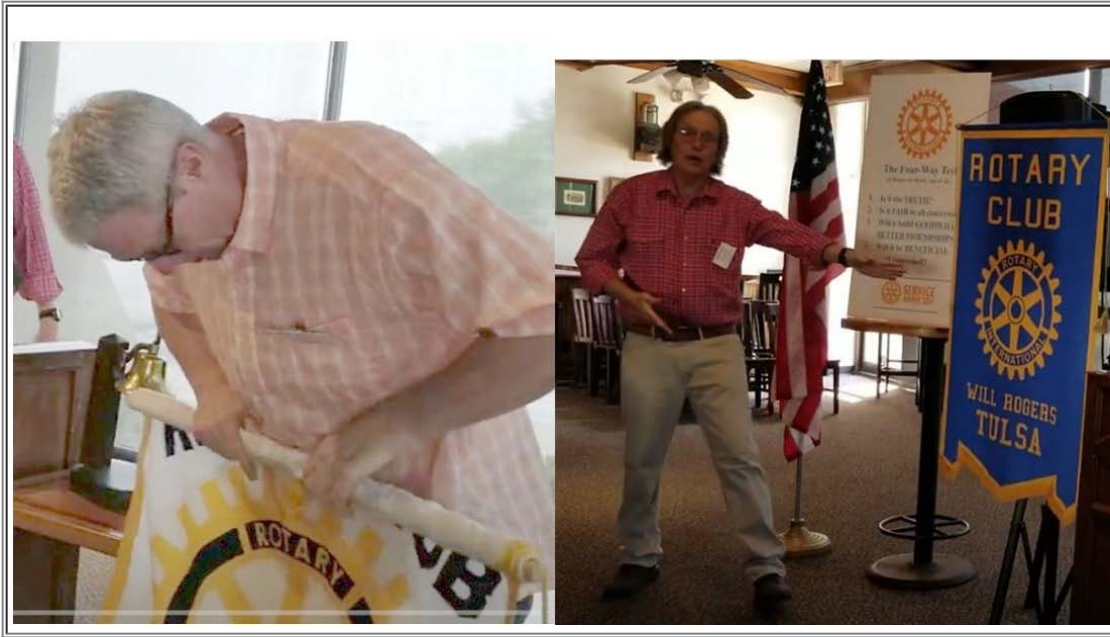
Ashley Smith, President, Rotary Club of Miami, OK

Thanks to clubs that updated their logos

By Wally Bloss

Tulsa's Will Rogers Rotary Club conducted a "retirement" ceremony for their old "Blue wheel" banner recently. Club President Stan Young called "stand-in Sergeant at Arms", Tom

Upshaw to roll up and retire the old, then Stan hung the new. A nice way to add a bit of ceremony to, as Stan put it, "some housekeeping items." Thanks for adding a bit of class to the process!



Just a few months ago, we had over 30 clubs using Rotary branding incorrectly. We are now down to only 14 still using the retired blue wheel or showing other issues. **Congratulations** to the following clubs that have taken the leadership steps and are now sporting the correct logos:

- Bixby
- Bull Shoals
- Carthage
- Cassville
- Coweta
- Eureka Springs
- Fort Scott
- Fort Smith Southside
- Henryetta
- Joplin Daybreak
- Miami
- Mountain Home
- Muskogee
- Mt Vernon
- Tulsa
- Tulsa Southside
- Tulsa Will Rogers
- Vinita

If you need assistance using the correct logo or even creating a logo specifically for your club, I can help!

Are you using the right Rotary logo?	 NO	 OK	Rotary  Club of Okksarmo BEST
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"The Club Hub"

District 6110 Rotarians are People of Action!



The **Rotary Club of Jenks** was pleased to present the Jenks Community Food Bank with a check for \$12,500 for their walk-in freezer project. These funds were provided to the Jenks Rotary Club by an anonymous donor. The Jenks club has supported the Food Bank since its charter in 2017 and hopes to continue serving them.



The **Tulsa North Rotary Club** conducted its Ed Lacy Awards and Lessons in Etiquette banquet. A \$1000 scholarship goes to a male and female student-athlete in the Tulsa Public Schools. Fernando Botello of Nathan of Hale HS and Nakya Blakley of Central HS, are flanked by DG Cathy Webster and PDG Wallace White



The **Bentonville Rotary Satellite Club** Chair, Dylan Shaddox (right) presented a check for \$4,000 to Melanie Halbrook of the Childrens'



The **Springdale Rotary Club** celebrated its 90th "birthday" recently. Jim Johnson proved that even 90-year-olds can have fun

Advocacy Center from the club's Octoberfest fund raising event.



The **Nevada Rotary Club** welcomed two Nevada High School students who they sponsored to RYLA: Gabe Schmidt and Kenzie LeMasters. Both Juniors learned about leadership and were positively changed by their experience.

and dance some good old Rock 'n Roll with the District Governor, Cathy Weber.



The **Eureka Springs Rotary Club** installed a sign at the East Mountain Lookout, recognizing the hard work and financial contributions of the club in the history of this iconic structure. Doesn't that new logo look great?



The **Rotary Club of Booneville** is constructing the Lucinda Franklin-Garrett Rotary Stage, which will provide Broadway Nights in Booneville with a permanent location. The stage in downtown Booneville will be dedicated June 3.



The **Claremore Reveille Rotary Club** is up early anyway, so why not have a pancake fundraiser? They started with a manageable sized group to raise funds for 3rd grade dictionaries they distribute.



The **Wagoner Rotary Club** recognized Daisy Diaz and Gary Wilford as May's Students of the Month. Each received \$50, a pen, and are in the running to receive the club's \$2000 scholarship. Diaz's experience as the daughter of naturalized U.S. citizens from Mexico fueled her desire to become a criminal defense lawyer. Wilford has been looking forward to applying for the Rotary scholarship since his freshman year. He is a National Honor Society member and also enrolled in the culinary, recreation and entertainment program at Indian Capital Technology Center.

The **Webb City - Carl Junction Rotary Club** honored retiring teachers from both school systems today. The club has sponsored this luncheon for many years, and always has a good turnout. These 22 teachers have a total of 445 years of teaching averaging more than 20 years each, including one who has taught for 43 years. Club President, Andy Queen noted that *"they really appreciate the event and getting to tell us about their retirement plans. We can not say thank you enough for them playing a huge role in our communities."*



The John Rudy Bass Tournament is happening on June 10th. This fishing fundraiser helps the **Rotary Club of Sand Springs** to serve the community with various projects! [Click HERE](#) to register - everyone likes to fish- right?



The **Neosho Rotary Club** made kettle corn for the Newton County Disabilities annual spring picnic and for National Hospital Week. Members included Jared Vansandt, Joe Yust, Greg Cook, Kent Slinker, his daughter Kylie, and Lynn Otey.

Spring Cleaning: MSNI , RSG

Rotarians from several clubs came together to do some "Spring Cleaning" at two multi-club programs...both on Saturday morning May 6.

The day started in Tulsa at **Medical Supplies Network Inc (MSNI)** with cleaning and organizing the volunteer workspace, lounge, the office, and main warehouse area. The bathrooms were sanitized, and a broken toilet seat was even replaced. The parking lot striping got a fresh coat of paint, and the outside storage container was painted. The MSNI box-truck was prepared for new logo markings, and a rolling door was repaired. Several hearty volunteers also took care of some landscaping. They trimmed bushes and grass along the perimeter of the property to make it easier and safer to get transport trucks in and out.

Some 30+ volunteers came to support this cause from Rotary Clubs of Tulsa, Sand Springs, Tulsa Sunrise, Broken Arrow, Grove, Tulsa Will Rogers, Prior, Tulsa Southside, and Bartlesville Daybreak. The District Governor, Cathy Webster, and District Governor Elect, Pam Crawford, were also there to participate.

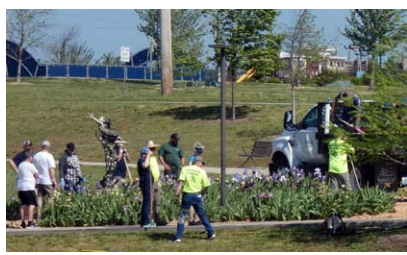
The day was a huge success, and the workspace was transformed into a safer and more pleasant environment to work in. In many ways, the volunteers went above and beyond, and the MSNI board and District 6110 leaders were grateful for all the hard work. It was inspiring to see the impact that can be made when Rotarians come together to support a positive cause.

With a strong commitment to global health and sustainability, MSNI recycles and redistributes medical supplies that would otherwise end up in landfills. If you would like to be a part of this important Rotary mission or learn more about MSNI, please visit www.msni.org. As VJ Lively, MSNI Coordinator put it, "Together we can continue to help save lives and make the lives of other humans around the world a little better."



At the same time, just 120 miles north in Joplin, the **Rotary Clubs of Joplin Sculpture Garden (RSG)** received a needed spruce-up. About 20 members from both the Joplin Rotary Club and the Joplin Daybreak Rotary Club dug out weeds, set blocks, planted plants, spread mulch, and had a great time providing service.

The two clubs formed the Sculpture Garden in 2019 and already have 19 permanent bronze works in place. An additional 8 sculptures are to be installed in the next few weeks, bringing the total to 27. The Garden is located in the City's Mercy Park, where St John's Hospital was demolished in the 2011 EF-5



tornado.

The location has become a quiet spot of reflection and beauty for the city. The clubs work with Joplin's Park and Recreation department, which provides mowing and mulch. The RSG Board provides plants to beautify and labor to make it happen. A local industrialist/philanthropist, Harry Cornell, supported the effort and provided 9 original sculptures from his private collection. Six more are in transit after his recent passing.

Both local Rotary clubs have purchased sculptures, in addition to those purchased by board members, donors, and others. Comments from patrons include, *"Thank you so much! I love this park and especially the sculptures. Anytime family or friends visit I always bring them by to see it."* and *"This is such a beautiful and peaceful place to relax and enjoy - thank you Rotarians."*

The Garden was featured in Show Me the Ozarks Magazine - see photo at left and on pages 34-36 in this link: [RSG in Show Me](#)

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Rotarians are good at hard work and having fun doing it! We are People of Action!

Rotarians Against Slavery

By Marc Hayot on Thursday, May 11, 2023



Rotarians Against Slavery
Educating to Save Lives

Human trafficking is a scourge that afflicts every town in America. Rotarians Against Slavery has been working to stop human trafficking and here is a simple way your club can help in the fight: purchase a Rotarians Against Slavery t-shirt. T-shirts are \$20 plus shipping and handling. Proceeds will go to future projects

and organizations that fight human trafficking, like *The Demand Project* and *Into the Light*.

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The shirt has the logo above
- some ironing required

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? Slavery did not stop with the Emancipation Proclamation. It continues in many insidious forms. This would make a good club program!

D2D - Engage Newer Rotarians!



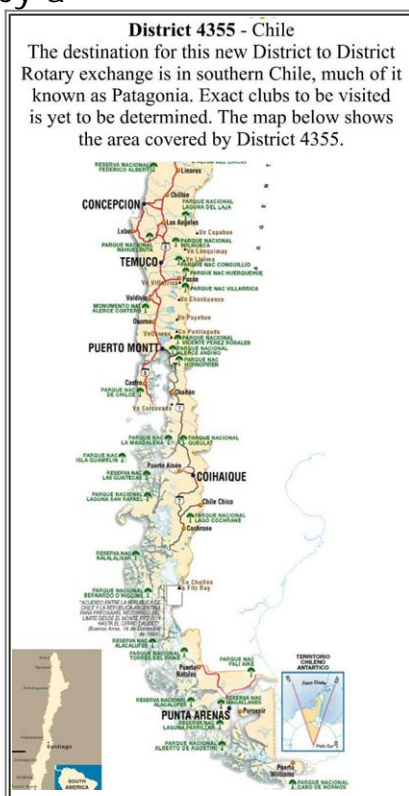
Past District Governor Ellis Potter and his committee continue to hammer out the details for the new District-



wide program for cultural exchanges with a Rotary District in southern Chile. The new D2D (District to District) program takes many elements of the old Group Study Exchange program and updates it.

Here's the scoop:

- This Fall, a group of 4 newer District Rotarians, led by a more senior Rotarian will travel to District 4355 in southern Chile and stay for two weeks; it's springtime there! This is a beautiful country with mountains, volcanoes, lakes, islands, fjords, a mild climate, and great Rotarians!
- In the spring of 2024, a similar group will travel here from Chile and see the sights of our area.
- Each team will stay in the homes of Rotarians and travel around the district with Rotarians.
- While only 5 Rotarians will travel, the incoming team from Chile can visit any District club that is willing to host them for a few days.
- Rotarians will apply to be selected after having been approved by their club. We are looking for younger members who have been in Rotary 5 years or less. A working knowledge of Spanish is extremely helpful!
- Cost is expected to be about \$2,000 per team member. It can be paid by the sending club and/or the team members by doing fund-raisers, sponsors, etc.
- The team will be selected far enough in advance that they will have time to establish virtual Zoom-like exchanges, and plan the activities themselves.



INTERESTED? - **See attached brochure** for more info. Also, [Contact Ellis Potter](#) for an application and more information. Use the email link or get more contact info in DACdb.

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Membership Contest \$50 Winners

By Jayne Lowe

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Buddy Rogers - Rotary Club of Rogers
Jeremy Janes - Rotary Club of Bentonville.
 He will be giving his \$50 winnings to Benton County Meals on Wheels.

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT: Have you invited someone to be a Rotarian? You could have received \$50 for a charity of your choice. BTW, the \$50 bill photo meets Treasury Department requirements of being smaller than three-fourths size.

Welcome New Rotarians May 2023

Have you welcomed a prospect to your Rotary club?

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!

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<div data-bbox="50 1801 570 2072" data-label="Text"> <p>Sapulpa's newest member is Jordyn Wilson. She has a son named Braxton and works at Mid-Town Auto and Diesel. Jordyn has volunteered to manage our Facebook page. She is also going to be the 25-26</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="570 1801 1076 2072" data-label="Text"> <p>Bentonville Satellite Rotary Club Chair, Dylan Shaddox (left) welcomed new member Patricia Lee to the club, assisted by Angela Horton (right)</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="1263 1734 1484 1797" data-label="Text"> <p>Use this - to get prospects!</p> </div>

May 11, 2023

Member Name	Start Date	Club	Classification
Goodwin, Emerson	04/22/23	Springdale	
McLeod, Megan	04/24/23	Downtown Rogers	
Wetzel, Jeff	04/24/23	Downtown Rogers	
Fisher, Dean A	04/24/23	Downtown Rogers	
Cleveland, Jadyn	04/25/23	Paris	
Ball, Brian	04/25/23	Claremore	
Rothrock, John	04/26/23	Tulsa	
Rothrock, William C. Jr. (BILL)	04/26/23	Tulsa	
Osborne, Gary	04/26/23	Pryor	
Beckford, Mekhael	04/26/23	Tulsa	
Doyle, Zac	04/26/23	Pryor	
Raynor, Rebecca	04/27/23	Mountain Home	
Standridge, Robin	04/27/23	Joplin	Environmental Consulting
Wilson, Kenneth	04/27/23	Tulsa North	
Primeaux, Chris	04/28/23	Bartlesville	
Fischer, Noah E	05/01/23	Nevada	Attorney
Raburn, Tim	05/01/23	Tahlequah-Cherokee County	
Bentley, Derek	04/11/23	Rogers	
Crouthamel, Bob	04/11/23	Cassville	
Wilson, Rebecca (BECKY)	04/13/23	Mountain Home	
Beaven, J. David	04/14/23	Claremore Reveille	Martial Arts
Lankford, Kaci	04/18/23	Wagoner	
Landers, Mickey	04/19/23	Grove	
Dickey, Billy	04/20/23	Pittsburg Sunrise	
Wilson, Jordyn	04/20/23	Sapulpa	
Allison, Gordon	05/04/23	Fayetteville	
Winter, Laura	05/08/23	Muskogee	
Adair, Kathy	05/08/23	Muskogee	
Ball, David	04/17/23	Grove	
Radke, Richard (RICH)	04/17/23	Grove	
Mello, Daniel	05/10/23	Van Buren	Medical Services
Dennis, Nicolette C. (NIKKI)	05/11/23	Will Rogers (Tulsa)	
Beckman, Bryan	05/11/23	Muskogee	Insurance
Lovinger, Marilyn R.	04/20/23	Nevada	Retired Medical

			Office Management
Lee, Patricia	05/01/23	Bentonville	
White, Cade Andrew (CADE)	04/13/23	Tulsa Southside	Commercial Pilot
Johnston, Madison	04/18/23	Bixby	
Taylor, Alba R	05/10/23	Harrison	Computer-Services
Cook, Monica Stacy (MONICA)	04/17/23	Tulsa Southside	Active Military

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

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