

Rotary



District 6110 Newsletter

On the Road with Governor Warren Lovinger

A Winning Team

As the football season starts, we are eager to cheer for our favorite teams. Marilyn and I were thrilled last Thursday when the KC Chiefs squeaked by the Baltimore Ravens. While watching this game, and the many "skill players" participating, I suddenly realized that our Rotary District 6110 also has a large team of leaders with vast skills, knowledge, and enthusiasm. Our "depth chart" is strong! This impression was greatly strengthened by the honors awarded to our District and PDG Pam Crawford, at the recent Zone 30/31 Institute in Huntsville, Alabama. Eighteen Rotarians from District 6110 attended. Our leaders for the "three pillars" of Rotary - Membership, Public Image, and the Rotary Foundation's benevolence - are certainly "first round draft picks". When our achievements are compared to those of the other 30 Districts in Zone 30/31, we can be very proud.

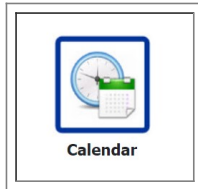
Of course, it takes practice to keep improving, including lots of participation, education, and enthusiasm. I hope that we will all maintain a high level of optimism and purpose, as our 2024-2025 Rotary season continues.

Thanks!

Warren Lovinger
District 6110 Governor (2024-2025)



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 club leaders need to know.*

Important and District-wide (and beyond) Rotary Dates

- October 17-20, 2024: **RYLA** near 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** Location to be determined
- May 26-30, 2029*: Rotary International **Convention** in Minneapolis
- May 25-29, 2030*: Rotary International **Convention** in Chicago
- * 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?

***Check the DACdb Calendar for Club events!**

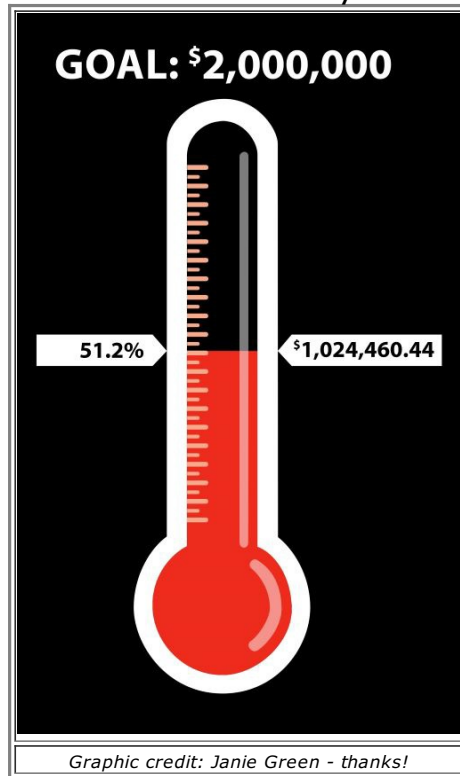
Box Score



District 6110 Box Score	
As of 9/10/24	
20	Total Member gain 7/1/24 to now
1	Club meets at a bank
3	Clubs meet at pubs
5	Clubs meet at community centers, funeral homes, etc.
6	Clubs meet at hospitals
11.0%	Members under 40 years old
12	Clubs meet at public buildings: fire station, school, college, museum, YMCA, library, Boy Scouts, etc.
16	Clubs meet at churches (mostly Methodist with a few Baptists sprinkled in)
12	Clubs with ZERO Foundation giving (down from 17 last month!)
31.9%	Female Rotarians
29	Clubs meet at restaurants, hotels, country clubs, nursing home
50%	Clubs in the Dictionary Project EASY PROJECT - LET'S DO MORE
38	Clubs with ZERO Polio Plus giving (down from 60 last month!)
87	Rotary Foundation Bequest Society Members - up 1 from last month
181	Paul Harris Society Members - \$1000/yr (to join, email Michelle Gann)
225	Major Foundation Donors "all time"
431	Rotary Direct members - about 13.4% (Goal: 500)
3,216	Rotary Club Members now
8,202	Paul Harris Fellows "all time" - up 11!
\$9,761	Polio Plus Giving so far this year
\$59,124	Foundation Annual Fund Giving so far this year
\$1,024,460	Legacy Dinner Gifts so far
\$2,700,284	Current value of 12 RI TRF District Endowed Funds

Sources: Rotary Club Central, TRF data, etc.

Legacy Dinner Progress at Sept, 2024
Initial Goal of \$2,000,000
in new funds to the Rotary Foundation:



This total reflects finalized new Foundation gifts thru September. We will keep adding new donations, pledges and bequests through March 2025.

A few clubs have had informational "Fireside Chats" with RI Senior Major Gifts Officer Carl W. Davis, and more are being scheduled.

If you want to learn more about how to become major donor, make a bequest to the Foundation, and be invited to attend the Legacy Dinner at no charge, contact your Assistant Governor or any of these Rotarians:
(Click to email them)

[Holly Holliman](#), Springdale

[Dave Matty](#), Mountain Home

[Michelle Robinson](#), Van Buren

[Terry Bushay](#), Holiday Island

[Ron Petersen, Sr.](#), Carthage

[Charlie Platt](#), Springdale

[John D. Williams, Jr.](#), Northside Fayetteville

[Marsha Jones](#), Mt Vernon

Caught the Magic: Glenna Fisk

We are excited to hear from NEW Rotary Club members in the District who have "Caught the Magic." If you are a new Rotary member, please share your experience with DPIC Wally Bloss wbloss@gmail.com



Glenna Fisk

I joined the Mid-Marion County Rotary Club this past January. I am delighted to be accepted into this group of professional and community-minded people. Everyone has been so welcoming! The meetings are inspiring, and I am learning a lot about local organizations and the community.

I look forward to helping with the upcoming Turkey Trot Festival, which our club sponsors. It is a huge annual event that people from all over the state and country flock to.

Glenna Fisk, Mid-Marion County Rotary Club

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? New members help grow the club and provide new ideas - if we let them!

Rotary's Action Plan

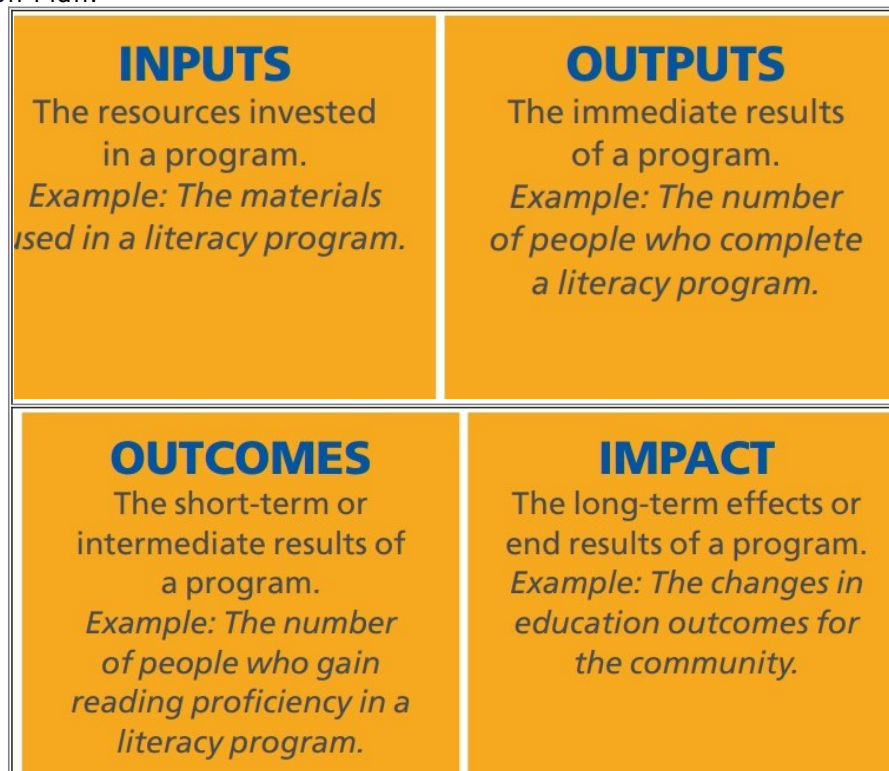
By Pamela A Crawford

At the Zone 30-31 Institute, several 6110 leaders attended a break-out session on the Rotary Action Plan. One important aspect of a project is to think about the inputs, outputs, outcomes, and impact.

One example used was the Dictionary Project, which many clubs do.

- Inputs: money from a fundraiser or district grant, Dictionaries to 3rd Graders
- Outputs: 3rd Graders receive a book (maybe their first)
- Outcomes: They have a bookâ€¦they look up wordsâ€¦they feel empowered to read to learn
- Impact: A class of children with good literacy skillsâ€¦(and maybe other people in their family)

Think about your projects that wayâ€¦look at each of them to see how they work in the Rotary Action Plan.



Rotary's Impact in Tahlequah and Cherokee County

The Rotary Club of Tahlequah & Cherokee County published a cool graphic demonstrating the club's impact. What a great idea - and I bet they'd be happy to share it so your club can do the same!



Lasting Legacy of Philanthropy Through our Rotary Foundation



By: Senior Major Gifts Officer Carl W. Davis, CFRE, CFRM

Most of us know that the number one philanthropic priority of Rotary is the eradication of Polio. We are familiar with our famous Polio Plus fund and know that when we give money to Rotary for polio eradication, 100% of it gets spent on ending polio and that our gift is matched 2:1 by the Gates Foundation.

Most of us also know that the bulk of our good work is funded by gifts made to our Annual Fund. We know that gifts made to our Annual Fund get invested for 3 years and that the earnings created

during that 3-year investment cycle are used to pay for The Rotary Foundation's operating and fundraising costs. Then, after the 3-year investment cycle, our gift gets used to do good work globally and locally. We call this system the Annual Fund Share System and every Rotarian is encouraged to give Every Year.

However, many of us do not know about the Rotary Foundation's **Endowment Fund**. Through our Endowment Fund, we Rotarians have an opportunity for **personal legacy** and maximum philanthropic impact. When we make a gift to the Endowment Fund, the gift stays invested forever. Each year it generates earnings, and those earnings are spent on the good work of Rotary that the donor requests at the time the gift is made.

CLICK "Read More" for the remainder of the article>>>> [Read More](#)

Gifts that keep on giving - forever

As we continue to look at the Rotary Foundation and making gifts in perpetuity, it is worth honoring those Rotarians who have previously made lasting gifts to the Rotary Foundation and what those gifts provide to the District.

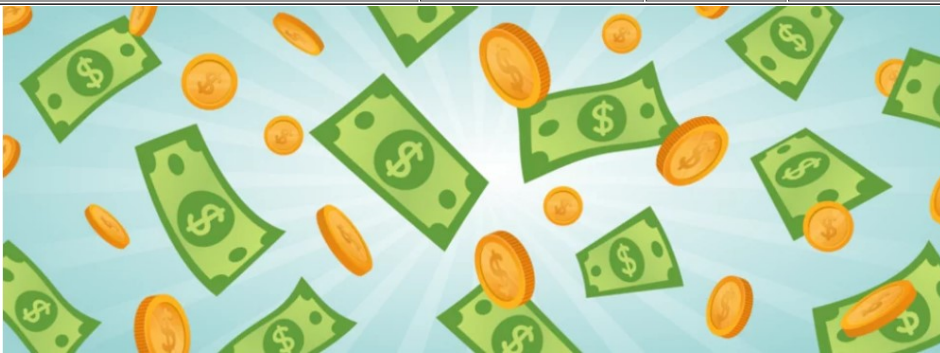
Four "named gifts" have a SHARE component, meaning the fund's total earnings are SHARED; half with our District as District Designated Funds (DDF), and half with the World Fund. Our district receives these earnings every year.:

Name	Value	DDF EVERY year*	Rotary Club
Lloyd K. & Peggy Stephens Endowed Fund	\$718,085	\$13,797	Will Rogers - Tulsa
Rolf & Doreen Hufnagel Endowed Fund	\$135,388	\$2,601	Bixby
Bruce P. & Virginia B. Price Endowed Fund in Memory of Carol Louise Price	\$110,128	\$1,587	Bartlesville
Ronald & Louise Petersen Endowment Fund	\$44,256	\$850	Carthage
Other funds (gifts under \$25,000)		\$5,024	several
Total provided to 6110 DDF*		\$23,860	

* Will vary annually with investment earnings.

Then there are donations made by D6110 Rotarians for a specific purpose:

Name	Purpose	Value	Club
District 6110 and Gerald L. and Vicki L. Harp Endowed Rotary Peace Fellowship	Rotary Peace Fellowships	\$662,745	Springdale
Dr. Ben Saltzman and Mr. Jim Rountree Endowed Global Grant Scholarship	Global Grant with District Scholarships	\$265,366	Mountain Home, Rogers
Randolph C. Walker Endowed Fund	World Fund	\$193,085	Tulsa
Gerald L. and Vicki L. Harp Endowed Fund	World Fund	\$71,191	Springdale
I.C. Hicks Jr. Endowed Fund	World Fund	\$60,180	Will Rogers - Tulsa
Bruce P. and Virginia B. Price Endowed Fund for Peace in Memory of Carol Louise Price	Rotary Peace Centers - General Support	\$25,706	Bartlesville

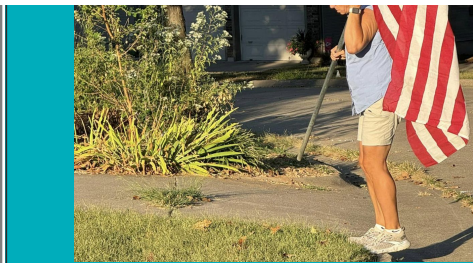


Club Hub - September 2024

"The Club Hub"

District 6110 Rotarians are *People of Action!*





On Labor Day, **The Nevada Rotary Club** hosted a contingent from the Neosho Rotary Club who wanted to learn more about their flag project. They place them 5 times a year. Perfect breezy day to see the flags flying in Nevada, Mo!



The **McAlester Rotary Club** commemorated Labor Day with flags along the Carl Albert Parkway. Members volunteering included Elaine Green, Josh Amos, Jennifer Taylor, Justin Few and Lori Few.



The Cassville Rotary Club fed the crowd at their Demolition Derby. They recruited help from the Interact club, spouses, and the Barton County Soroptimist Club.



Clarence Guinn (left) of the **Rogers Rotary Club** was awarded his MSNI Ambassadorship certificate by MSNI board member Michelle Robinson.



The **Pittsburg Sunrise Rotary Club** welcomed 120 incoming Pittsburg State University international students (from 26 countries) with a picnic, complete with homemade ice cream and singing of our national anthems.



The **BRISTOW* Rotary Club** joined the Route 66 Corridor in the annual Touch-A-Truck event. They assisted with 245 back-to-school packs filled with school supplies for local kids, plus a hot air balloon seen behind Kristin Weaver. (*not Bixby as reported last month...sigh)





North Tulsa Rotary Club

President Patricia Kerkstra and Rotarian Andrew Kwateng shared some of our projects and services the club provides to the world and to the local Tulsa community at the Jazz on the Green event in August.



Lamar Rotary Club members Matt Brown and Bruce Belline and Fair Queen contestant Alyssa Mitchell made it happen at the Lamar Fair. They served fresh smoked pulled pork, hot tots and fried hot dogs from 11am until they sold out.



The Mt Vernon Rotary Club

helped the Freistatt Lions Club at their ErnteFest. New Member Larry Harris was joined by several others. The Lions often reciprocate by helping during Apple Butter Makin' Days.



The Fort Smith Southside Rotary Club

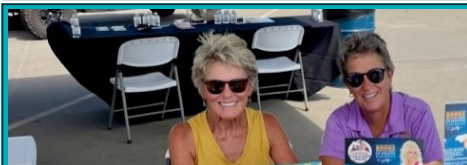
welcomed Governor Warren Lovinger for his official visit. He presented a Paul Harris Fellow, and a Pin Oak tree to President Twana Nixon (2nd from left). Assistant Governor Charlie Platt and Marilyn Lovinger flank them.

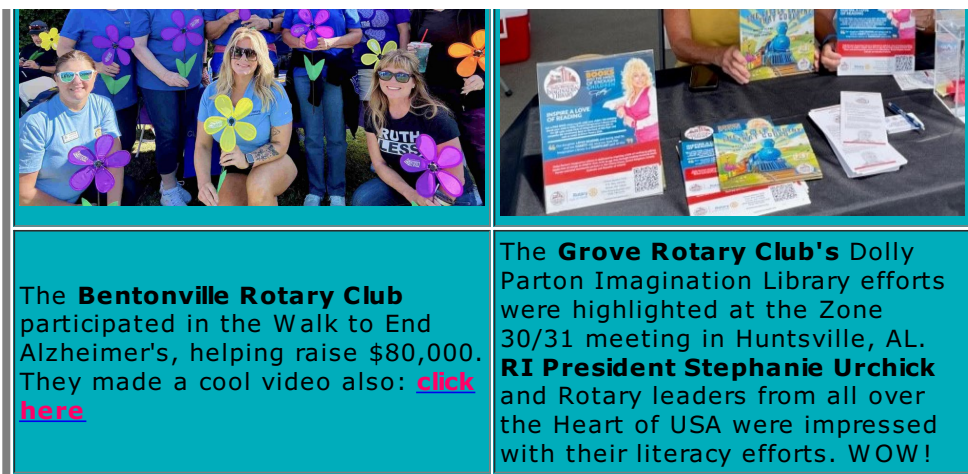


The Springdale Rotary Club was pleased to receive the banner proclaiming 100% of its members are Paul Harris Fellows. President Charlie Platt accepted it from DG Warren Warren on behalf of Rotary Foundation Chair, Linda Slothower.



The **Sapulpa Rotary Club** will "have a ball" with their annual fundraiser "Boo Ball" at Sahoma Lanes in Sapulpa on October 25. If you can *spare* some time, and bowling is *right up your alley*, *strike* on over!





The **Bentonville Rotary Club** participated in the Walk to End Alzheimer's, helping raise \$80,000. They made a cool video also: [click here](#)

The **Grove Rotary Club's** Dolly Parton Imagination Library efforts were highlighted at the Zone 30/31 meeting in Huntsville, AL. **RI President Stephanie Urchick** and Rotary leaders from all over the Heart of USA were impressed with their literacy efforts. WOW!

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

District 6110 Foundation Funds help a hospital in Türkiye

District 6110 recently provided endoscopy/colonoscopy equipment for a hospital in Izmir, Türkiye by participating in a Rotary Foundation Global Grant. The grant, known as "GG2458042 Hope to Elderly and Handicapped" was a project of several clubs and now the equipment has been delivered to the Esrefpasa Municipal Hospital.

On-site grant coordinator, Rotarian Melih Uçar, noted, "In a small ceremony at the hospital attended by past DG Ayda Ozeren, current DG Mert Korur, E-Club members, some of the representatives of the participating clubs from District 2440, Hospital staff and Izmir Municipality authorities, we had the chance to see the equipment in use.

The doctors have mentioned the high image quality of this new equipment and praised its exceptional results in already identifying cancer cases which would not have been possible with the old equipment.

Esrefpasa Hospital staff and Rotarians of Türkiye thank District 6110 very much for your kind support and help for the completion of this project."

District 6110 provided \$5,000 of District Designated Funds (DDF) to support this effort. These funds came from 6110 Rotarians that support the Rotary Foundation.

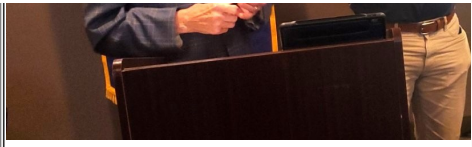
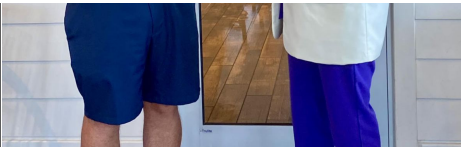


WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? When you make a donation to the Annual Fund Share of the Rotary Foundation, those funds are invested for three years. The interest they generate helps support the Rotary Foundation. Then about half of the funds go to world grants, and half come back to our District as DDF: District Designated Funds. They are then split between District Grants to our clubs, and to support Polio Plus and world grants such as this one. All of this happens when you make a donation to the Rotary Foundation! By the way, Türkiye is now the new spelling for the country we used to call Turkey.



Welcome New Rotarians September 2024

Have you welcomed a prospect to your Rotary club?



	
<p>The Joplin Rotary welcomed new member Chandler Grace (right) who is the Membership Development Manager at the Joplin Chamber of Commerce. Inducting him is Membership Chair (and District Finance chair) Bob Headlee.</p>	<p>David Warden of the Henryetta Rotary Club welcomed Stacy Been to their group. She is the Federal Programs and Communications Liaison for the Henryetta Public Schools</p> <p>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 feature them here! .</p>
	
<p>Rotary Club of Sapulpa added three new members recently; Ric Curtis with sponsor, Chris Townsend, Katie Brown with sponsor Cathy Gebetsberger and Austin Murdock with sponsor Cindy McGuire.</p>	<p>The Harrison Rotary Club welcomed Carol Gilley(center) as their newest member. Her sponsor is Rhonda Laborde (left). Carol is employed by Abacus! CPAs as an analyst. Membership Chair Layne Wheeler-Ragsdale beamed.</p>

Rotary District 6110 New Membership Listing

New Members From: **August 13, 2024** To: **September 11, 2024**

Member Name	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Alexander, Toni	08/29/2024	Fort Smith	Chris Kelly
Allen, Theresa	08/13/2024	Altus Area Sunset	Jan Bartlett Hicks
Andren, J. David (DAVE)	08/13/2024	McAlester	Justin Doyle Few
Bartlett Kirksey, Teresa K	08/27/2024	Altus Area Sunset	Jan Bartlett Hicks
Beshore, Christine L	08/22/2024	Mt. Vernon	Scott George Kedron G. Blecha
Cameron, Dionna	08/20/2024	Bartlesville	George Halkiades
Casteen, Julie	09/10/2024	Coweta	
Clingenpeel, Leslie	08/20/2024	Tulsa	
Cox, Abbie Taylor (ABBIE)	09/10/2024	Fort Smith Southside	Twana Nixon
Durham, Nikki	08/19/2024	Grove	Louise Templin
Engskov, Paul	08/29/2024	Berryville	Richard Harp
Ferrill, Charles B. (CHARLIE)	08/29/2024	Berryville	Richard Harp
Fitch, Jason	08/20/2024	Tulsa	
Fritchie , Matt R	08/19/2024	Springdale	
Gaut, Rick	08/26/2024	Bartlesville	
Griffin, James Allen (JAMES)	08/26/2024	Bentonville	
Harris, Larry D Jr. (LARRY)	08/26/2024	Mt. Vernon	Martha Jones
Harrison, Jeremy	08/13/2024	Rogers	Justin Teague
Heger, Greg A (DUDE)	08/19/2024	Springdale	Dean LaGrone
Hilborn, John	08/14/2024	Bixby	
Hill, Eric	08/20/2024	Tulsa	
Leffingwell, Christian S (CHRIS)	08/15/2024	Coweta	

Lindsey-Mize, Carol A (CAROL)	09/10/2024	Coweta	
Liu, Micy (MICY)	08/30/2024	Bentonville	Octavio Sanchez
McCurtain, Linda Lou (LINDA)	08/14/2024	Bixby	Buster R. McCurtain
McNeill, Shannon	08/19/2024	Fayetteville	Steve Clark
Newport, Shea	08/31/2024	Bella Vista	
Patterson, Lindsay	08/20/2024	Tulsa	Patterson Edward
Roberts, Christina L (CHRIS)	08/19/2024	Springdale	Sarah Rogers Greg Collier
Rohde, John	08/14/2024	Bixby	Mike Gately
Sapp, Kara	08/22/2024	Grove	James N. Corbridge Jr.
Schoettle, John D (DOUG)	08/24/2024	Downtown Rogers	Joe Hines
Schultheis, Steve	08/30/2024	Bentonville	
Smith, Duel Wayne (DUEL)	08/27/2024	Tahlequah-Cherokee County	Jasen Wright
Stockard, Greg	08/16/2024	Grove	Joe M. Van Auken
Stonesifer, Betty	08/24/2024	Downtown Rogers	Joe Hines
Terlaje-Larson, Portia Rae (PORTIA)	08/13/2024	McAlester	
Tipton, Charles Travis (TRAVIS)	08/14/2024	Bull Shoals-Lakeview	Paige Jackson
Tish, Gwenda F (GWEN)	08/30/2024	Mountain Home	Allen Moore
Whitney, Ben	08/21/2024	Grove	Gary Daniels
Whybrew, David Chris (CHRIS)	08/15/2024	Broken Arrow	