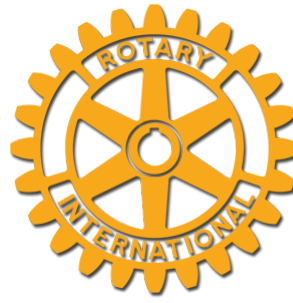


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District 6150



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From the Governor

By David F. Menz



Greetings Rotarians!

I hope all District 6150 Rotarians and their families have a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year. I am looking forward to the second half of our Rotary Year!

Reflecting on my thirty- six club visits, one of the things that impressed me is how active all of 6150's clubs are with service projects. Each club had at least one, and most clubs have multiple projects. Many of the projects are long standing. The North Little Rock Club is on its twenty-third year of distributing the popular I Like Me books to kindergarten students in the North Little Rock school district.

Community service was not a goal at Rotary's inception, but it evolved quickly. The first constitution and by-laws of Rotary were drafted in January, 1906. They contained only two objects:

1. The promotion of the business interests of its members.
2. The promotion of good fellowship and other desiderata ordinarily incident to social clubs.

One of the most important club officers early on was the statistician. Whenever a member gave business to, or received an order from, another member, he wrote the details on a postcard and mailed it to the statistician. Detailed records were maintained and the results reported regularly at club meetings.

While the reciprocal exchange of business and fellowship were the central themes of early Rotary, members soon incorporated the element of service. One member stated, "An organization that is wholly selfish cannot last long. If we, as a Rotary club, expect to survive and grow, we must do some things that justify our existence. We must perform a civic service."

Thus, a third object was added to the constitution and by-laws;

3. The advancement of the best interests of Chicago and the spreading of civic pride and loyalty among its citizens

Service is in Rotary's genes. Thank you to all 6150 Rotarians who continue the tradition.

(The above history is derived from A Century of Service, the Story of Rotary International, by David C. Forward)

Lighter Side

My seatmate on a flight was a woman. Ever the charmer, I asked, "Does the airline charge you extra for sitting next to good-looking men?" "Yes," she said, "But I wasn't willing to pay."

A police officer jumps into his squad car and calls the station. "I have an interesting case here," he says. "A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped." "Have you arrested her?" asks the sergeant. "No, not yet. The floor's still wet."

A frugal widow goes to the newspaper to take out an obituary notice for her late husband. "How much?" she asks the fellow behind the counter. "One dollar per word," he says. She said "MacGregor died." He says "It's a five-word minimum." She nearly faints but collects herself. "Very well, make it 'MacGregor died, Volvo for sale.'"

December Admin Notes

By Lisa K. Golden



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Assistant Governor



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District Membership
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Charles C. Harris
District Visioning
Chair



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Shackelford
District Public Image
Chair



Michelle Karin
Oglesby
District Training Chair

Club Officer Elections

Every November & December Rotary Clubs prepare for the next Rotary Year by electing Club Officers. Your club is responsible for submitting your Club Officers in DACdb by **December 28**. They will be sent to Rotary International by the December 31 due date.

Need help submitting club officers in DACdb? Visit the Support Tab in dacdb.com. Click Club & then Edit/Add Club Positions.

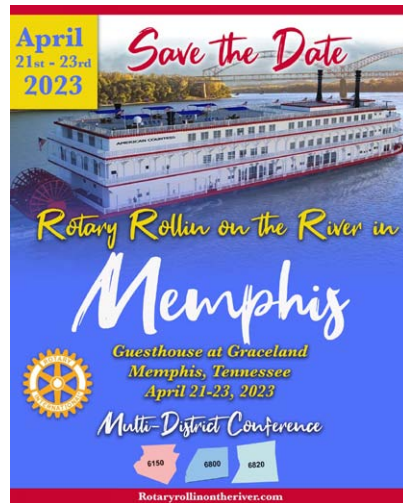
Rotary International Dues

Rotary International will email your club's Treasurer the Semi-Annual Dues invoice by the end of January. Clubs are required to pay the balance upon receipt of the invoice. Make sure your Treasurer has been reported to RI. This invoice is based off the number of Active Members on file with Rotary International.

Save the Date

District Planning Session - January 28, 2023

MAPETS - March 23 - 25, 2023 Springdale, Arkansas - All President-Elects should attend.
[Registration is open](#)



Joint District Conference - April 20 - 22, 2023 in Memphis, TN

Watch the conference website for updates [Rotary Rollin on the River](#)

District Golf Tournament - May 19, 2023. The Ridges at Village Creek - Wynne, Arkansas

RI Convention is May 27-31 in Melbourne, Australia. (Early bird discount expires December 15). For more information, see the [RI Convention Website](#)

December is Disease Prevention Month

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

Our health is everything. Yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care. We believe good health care is everyone's right. Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together. Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care. Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:

- **Providing clean water:** Rotary has worked with partners to provide more than 80 percent of Ghana's people with clean water to fight Guinea worm disease.
- **Reducing HIV infection:** An example is in Liberia; Rotary members are helping women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies. They used prenatal care to reduce new HIV infections in children by 95 percent over two years.
- **Ending polio:** Rotary members have played a key role in bringing the world to the brink of polio eradication. Our efforts have not only ended polio in 122 countries but also created a system for tackling myriad other health priorities, such as Ebola.



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