# Rotary District 6150



#### **District Leaders**



David F. Menz District Governor



Sydney O'Quin Gilbert DG-Elect



Brian Rega DG-Nominee



Lisa K. Golden District Administrator



Duane H Barnes Assistant Governor



Michelle Blasengame Assistant Governor



George Matthew Buie Assistant Governor



King Casbeer Assistant Governor



Donna Gail Cole Assistant Governor



Sally Sullivan Cooke Assistant Governor



James K. Gibbs Assistant Governor



Rena Kelley Assistant Governor

Kelly Blankenship Lewis

### From the Governor

By David F. Menz on Tuesday, June 6, 2023



Fellow Rotarians:

Friday, May 19th, was a beautiful day on Crowley's Ridge and the District 6150 golf tournament was a big success. KIng Casbeer and the Wynne Rotary Club did their usual wonderful job. I want to thank King, Wynne RC, and all of the participants. The champion team is Stuttgart (Bill Free, Brad Henry, Pat Frizzle and Bentley Story). It is only fitting because this is Stuttgart's Centennial Year. First Flight winner is Searcy RC (Blake Hendrix, Doug Doughtry, Charles Greenand Ryan Applegate). Closest to the hole winner is Jeremy Henson. The name of the longest drive winner has been misplaced. However, if you know you won, call me or King. However, before calling, please remember the first line of the Four Way Test. This is my final newsletter. My last day as District Governor of District 6150 will be June 30, which is the day of Sydney Gilbert's induction dinner. Make your reservations now.

One of my fondest memories of the past year is the club visits. Every club has a distinct personality, and each club usually has a unique member (or two or three). I can't thank each club enough for the kindness shown during each visit.

My biggest disappointment is that my three years of training was during the pandemic. All of the lookin Heart of America zone meetings were via Zoom. The celebration I was anticipating the most, the International Assembly, was cancelled at the last minute and converted to Zoom. Thus, I never had the opportunity to meet the other 524 DGs in person, except a few at Mapets and one zone meeting. The highlight was having dinner with Jennifer Jones, our first female RI president. I am eagerly anticipating Rotary Year 2023-2034. Incoming District Governor Sydney Gilbert has been working hard to make certain it will be a memorable year. As most of you know, she served for several years as the district administrator of the District, so she knows her Rotary. I want to thank everyone who helped me this year, in particular my assistant governors and members of the district governor line. Matt Buie, Darlene Andrews, and Diana Holmes were invaluable. Special thanks goes to Lisa Golden. I could not have functioned this year without her help. Lisa is a huge asset to our district.

I will forever be grateful for this year. Thank you all!!

David

On the Lighter Side

I asked my brother-in-law, the father of four boys, "If you had to do it all over again, would you still have kids?" "Yes," he said. "Just not these four."

Gail's husband was water skiing when he fell into the water. As the boat circled to pick him up, he noticed a hunter sitting in a duck boat in the reeds. The husband put his hands in the air and joked, "Don't shoot!" The hunter responded, "Don't quack."

When your children are teenagers, it's important to have a dog so that someone in the house is happy to see you.

A park ranger is warning some hikers about bears. "Brown bears are usually harmless," he says. "They avoid contact with humans, so we suggest you attach small bells to your backpacks and give the bears time to get out of the way. However, grizzly-bears are extremely dangerous. If you see any grizzly-bear droppings, leave the area immediately. "How do we know whether they're grizzly-bear droppings?" asks a hiker. "Easy," replies the ranger. "They're full of small bells."

#### **District Governor Induction**

By Sydney O'Quin Gilbert on Tuesday, June 6, 2023



Assistant Governor



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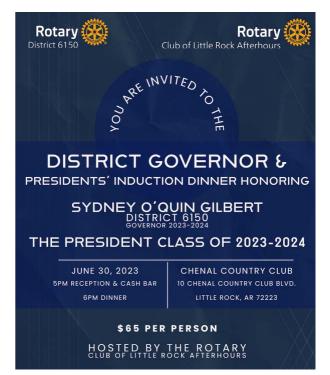
Adam Robert Sartin Assistant Governor



Charles C. Harris District Visioning Chair



Michelle Karin Oglesby District Training Chair



Register Now for the District Governor & Presidents' Elect Induction Dinner. Register now!

# June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Tuesday, June 6, 2023



Rotary Fellowships are international groups that share a common passion. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary experience.

How do I join a fellowship?

Membership in a fellowship is open to any interested individual. There is currently one active fellowship in District 6150 - the BREW Fellowship. It is active in both the Little Rock area and the Jonesboro area. But there are hundreds of fellowships possibilities available, anything from bird watching to yoga. There doesn't have to be a local group to participate either.

Check out this link to learn more - Rotary Fellowships

# **June Administration Announcements**

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**End of the Year Preparations** 

Make sure your Membership & Officer info is correct:

- Compare Officers in DACdb vs. Rotary International
- Compare Membership info in DACdb vs. Rotary International

# - View this how to video for help with RI Compare

# Dues from RI will be emailed to your Club President & Club Treasurer soon after 7/1. Please send your dues to RI in a timely manner.

District 6150 invoices for dues and President-Elect Training will be emailed shortly after 7/1. Dues for the District are \$42 per member as of 7/1. The cost for PETs is \$250. Please send 2 checks to Rotary District 6150 at PO Box 21843, Little Rock, AR 72221.

## **Rotary Citation**

**Prepare for Dues:** 

The Rotary Citation (formally known as the Presidential Citation) awards recognize the hard work



clubs do throughout the year. It is time to report your achievements in Rotary Club Central. All achievements need to be reported in Rotary Club Central by 30 June.

#### **District Invoices or Reimbursements**

All invoices or reimbursement requests from the district must be received by 6/15. Please send any outstanding requests immediately.

