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District 6150



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From the Governor

By Sydney O'Quin Gilbert

This is my favorite time of year... **Foundation Month!** This month we take time to learn more about the good work being done around the world and its funding from The Rotary Foundation. The work of Rotary is done at the club level by Rotarians like you and me. The funding of The Rotary Foundation is also done by Rotarians, just like you and me. Without these financial gifts, Rotary couldn't save lives, change lives, or give hope.

In 1917, Rotary president Arch Klumph proposed establishing an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." The first donation was made by the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri in the amount of \$26.50. In 1928, the Foundation was formally named, and a Board of Trustees was created. Since its beginning, The Rotary Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

I truly believe that I receive more from being a part of Rotary International than I've ever given. I gave a dictionary to a local third grader and their smile and excitement touched my heart. I know the few hours I spend at the Arkansas Foodbank is worth it knowing that we made meals available for 6500 kids in central Arkansas. Many of the local projects that Rotary clubs do are made possible by District Foundation grants. I know when I give to The Rotary Foundation that our District will receive almost half of that money back in three years in the form of District Grants. So, my gift to the Foundation is really an investment. It's an investment in the good Rotarians will do in the future.



I feel confident that The Rotary Foundation is the best steward for this investment because of its continued 4 star ranking from Charity Navigator. It was just announced that our Foundation has received the 4 star 100% rating again for the 15th consecutive year. This is a testament to the impact, accountability, and transparency of our

Foundation.

Please join me this month (and every month) by sharing the gift of Rotary. Here's how you can help us celebrate this month:

- Support your Club's Foundation Ambassador.** Give the gift of Rotary by contributing to your club's Foundation fundraiser. <https://givebutter.com/D6150rotary>
Don't forget to share their fundraiser on social media. Every \$1 counts and adds up. No gift is too small.
- Support our Foundation on Giving Tuesday, November 28.** Make a gift to The Rotary Foundation and share your support on social media.
- Share our impact.** Watch and [share our latest video](#) that shows how the Foundation transforms gifts into service projects that advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by fighting disease, improving the quality of education, protecting the environment, alleviating poverty, and doing even more.
- Make it Automatic.** Enroll in Rotary's recurring giving program, [Rotary Direct](#), which makes giving easy, fast, and secure. You can schedule a monthly, quarterly, or annual donation that empowers Rotarians to change lives in communities around the world.

Lastly, **THANK YOU!** Thank you for all you do in your local community to create hope and change lives. Thank

YOUR GIFT AT WORK

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives close to home and around the world.

By giving to the Annual Fund, you make these life-changing projects possible so that together, we can keep Doing Good in the World.



Donation is invested for 3 years; growth supports Foundation operations.



SPENDING DECISIONS SHARED

World Fund
(Trustee discretion)



GLOBAL GRANTS AND PROGRAMS*

District Designated Funds (DDF)
(District discretion)



DISTRICT GRANTS GLOBAL GRANTS

*Includes PolioPlus, Rotary Peace Centers, other districts, and the Endowment Fund (areas of focus)



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you for investing in our future.

November Admin Notes

By Lisa K. Golden

Nominate your Club Officers Now

Clubs it is time to nominate new officers & schedule elections in December.

District Nominating Committee

The district nominating committee is accepting nominations for District Governor-nominee designate, who will serve as the district governor in 2026-27. Each club can suggest one person if there is a candidate from your club that would be willing to serve in that Rotary year. Instructions have been emailed to each club President and Assistant Governor on how to submit your club's nomination. All forms must be mailed by December 1, 2023.

IRS' Annual Filing Requirement

Whether your club is a subordinate under Rotary International's 501(c)(4) group exemption or is independently tax-exempt, the IRS requires that all Rotary clubs in the U.S. and its territories file an annual information return. For those clubs whose tax year follows the Rotary year, the deadline to file is 15 November. The form a club must file is dependent upon its gross receipts for the year.

Save the Date

Foundation Gala - February 23, 2024

MAPETS - March 21 - 23, 2024 - All PE's must attend

Joint District Conference with District 6170 - April 26-27, 2024 at the Little Rock Marriott Hotel

Interact



Does your Rotary Club have an Interact Club?

Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to take action in their communities, build international understanding, and make new friends around the world. Many high school students need community service hours to graduate. An Interact club would be a great way to serve the community and share the gift of Rotary with the next generation.

If your club sponsors an Interact Club, please submit the [annual certification form](#). This is required every year to keep your club Active and in good standing.

Are you interested in starting an Interact Club? Download the [Interact Guide for Rotary Club Sponsors and Advisers](#) to get started. Also, reach out to [Shawn Johnson](#), District Next Generations Chair, for tips and more information.

Golf Tournament

Rotary District Golf Tournament - October 13, 2023

The sun was shining and it was a beautiful fall day at The Ridges of Village Creek in Wynne, and the Rotary Club of Stuttgart came out on top with a score of 57. Once again, they get to take home the winning trophy. Congratulations to the winning team and all the golfers who participated in the annual District 6150 Golf Tournament.

We could not have put on this event without our sponsors.

- Thank you to the beverage cart sponsors, the Rotary Club of Fairfield Bay and First Financial Bank.
- Thank you to our hole sponsors, the Rotary Clubs of Blytheville, Heber Springs, Helena, Jonesboro, Little Rock Afterhours, Quad Cities, and West Little Rock.
- A Special Thank you to Rotarian King Casbeer and the Rotary Club of Wynne for putting together such a wonderful event.



Many of our District Rotary Clubs sponsor golf tournaments to raise funds for their projects in their community and around the world. If you are a golfer, and like to have fun, consider joining a Rotary Club in your community. You can join at <https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/join>.



Congrats to District 6150

Rotary District 6150 recognized for service

Rotary District 6150 has been nominated for the President's Award by the Arkansas Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. Join us at the National Philanthropy Day luncheon on Wednesday, November 15 in Little Rock as DG Sydney accepts this award on our behalf. Tickets are available at <https://community.afpnet.org/arkansas/arknpd/npdluncheon>

Check out the coverage we received in the November edition of [Inviting Arkansas](#).

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Past RI President Barry Rassin Talks about the Rotary Foundation

The Rotary year is now in full swing and Foundation Month has just started. I want to take a few moments of your time today to help build upon your impressive momentum by sharing new resources recently added to

Rotary's **District Guide to Growing the Endowment (DIGGE)**. These materials were designed specifically to support the important work of Rotary leaders such as yourself.

NEW materials added:

1. an [Endowment video](#) to be shared via newsletters, events, and social media - providing a concise explanation of the function and importance of the Endowment, and how to take action by making a gift.
2. a [new graphic](#) illustrating how a gift to Endowment-SHARE provides resources locally
3. a [legacy giving article](#) you can publish in your district newsletter or on your Facebook page

In addition to these new materials, take a few moments to revisit the [Rotary's Promise Club Program Guide](#). The Rotary's Promise club designation recognizes clubs with 100-percent member support of TRF's Endowment. This new designation was created to assist leaders in inspiring club and district support of Rotary's Endowment.

Since its launch in early 2023, more than 5,000 users from 125 countries have successfully used the DIGGE to:

- enhance their understanding of the power of Rotary's Endowment
- raise awareness of how the Endowment builds Rotary's capacity for the future
- invite others to comfortably make gifts to the Endowment
- say thank you to those who have pledged their support to Rotary's future

The District Guide to Growing the Endowment was built **to support you and your team** in your effort to help build Rotary's Endowment to \$2.025 by 2025 and to **remind Rotarians that their Legacy is Rotary's Promise**.

Kind regards,

Barry

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Contact your Endowment/Major Gifts Adviser for help to inspire support of Rotary's Endowment in your district. To find your E/MGA, email emga@rotary.org.

World Polio Day around District 6150

By Nancy Leonhardt



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