



Rotary District 6080

February 2014

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Columbia South Rotary and A Call to Service are joining together to Sponsor A Celebration to Benefit Georgian Babies

Experience a taste of New Orleans' French Quarter on Thursday, March 6, as you help Columbia Rotary South support District 6080's new international vocational training team project: **Breathing Life Into Georgian Babies.** This project will provide neonatal resuscitation training and equipment for hospitals in the country of Georgia. **Georgia currently has the highest infant mortality rate in all of Europe.**

When we save the life of a child, we also breath the joy of life into the baby's family and community. Please join us and have a great time while supporting this worthy effort!

Tickets are available on line at the following sites:

Rotary Member Event Registration

<http://www.IsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/GuestMemberExternal.cfm?EventID=77226647>

or

Guest Event Registration:

<http://www.directory-online.com/Rotary/index.cfm?EventID=77226647>

Mardi Gras
Missouri-Style

March 6, 2014
A Celebration to Benefit Georgian Babies

Social hour and silent auction open at 6:30 p.m.
Mardi Gras hors d'oeuvres buffet at 7:15 p.m.
MU's Donald W. Reynolds Alumni Center
Tickets: \$60 per person in advance

Georgia has the highest infant mortality rates in all of Europe. Please support our investment to train Georgian doctors in neonatal resuscitation.

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 Columbia Rotary South

Mike's Memo

When Mary Ann and I attended the District Governor Training at the RI International Assembly, our RI President-Elect Gary Huang announced the "theme" for the Rotary year that begins July 1, 2014--"Light Up Rotary." You can see our theme logo in the upper left-hand corner of this message.

We are members of a very prestigious organization called Rotary because someone invited us to share their personal

experience of service above self. One of our biggest challenges is membership, so I encourage you to continue seeking others whom you believe can uphold the same standards you have set for your club, your community and Rotary.

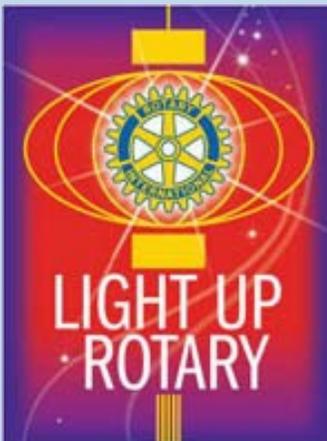
Thank you for all that you have already done for your club and district! And, just know that I am here to help you have one of the best clubs in Rotary. We are a TEAM: work -

ing Together, Everyone Accomplishes More!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Mike Beahon

Governor-elect
Rotary International District 6080



KEN'S KORNER – DG's Been Thinking Again: Into the Final Turn

February, 2014. Where have the past year gone? It seems like just a few weeks ago that we were planning for PETS and SETS, 2013 when I would be meeting the incoming Rotary Club President Elects (PE) and Secretary Elects (SE), many of them for the first time. At that gathering I issued two challenges to the PEs:

- 1) **ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES**, and
- 2) 2) Join the **FIRST CLASS** of Rotary District Governors world-wide who all given something to The Rotary Foundation(TRF).

Then the 2013-14 Rotary Year was off to a fast start with the International Conference in Lisbon, Portugal and I returned home and began meeting District 6080 Rotarians on their home turf at local club meetings, at the October District Conference at The Lodge of Four Seasons and then again at our Foundation Gala in November.

We introduced our District project of "Breathing Life Into Georgian Babies" with Rotarian Trish Blair leading the project with her infectious enthusiasm and tireless spirit. We have sent two Rotary Global Scholars on their way, Chris Clark to study at Cambridge University and Maddie Callis at Catholic University in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Nearly every one of our current Rotary Club Presidents has stepped up to the challenge and has given to TRF since PETS and SETS 2013. We want to announce at the 2014 PETS and SETS that 100% of our District 6080 presidents and 100% of our clubs have become the **FIRST CLASS** by giving to TRF this year.

We are well on way to reaching our District 6080 giving goal on to The Rotary Foundation. This is such an important goal because it will ensure that a future Rotary

District Governors will have adequate funds available to continue District and Global Grants, will have funds available to send Rotary Scholars to study to improve the lives of the less fortunate, will have funds to continue or Rotary Youth Exchange Programs, and will have funds to continue to "Do Good In The World".

January saw us complete a commitment our district made to members of our Rotary Family in Panama. A team of four District 6080 Rotarians lead by Jim Weiberg and with Mark Naeger, Terry Furstenau, and Mike Powers traveled to Panama to help distribute and install water filtration units and distribute PETS (all terrain personal transportation equipment) to handicapped individuals. The Panama Project was started under PDG Rita Esterly and continued under the leadership of PDG Mark Pearce.

We are now just a few short weeks away from the 2014 PETS and SETS with the Show Me Rotary multi-district committee hard work putting the final plans in place for the beginning of the next Rotary Year when we will **Light Up Rotary**. District Rotary Clubs have all been busy working and planning to do improve life both in their own communities and around the world. I am so proud the efforts of each and every Rotarian who is committed to Service Above Self. Keep up the mission of Doing Good in the World.

As we are coming into the final turn to begin the last leg or fourth quarter of the 2013-14 Rotary Year, a major deadline is right in front of us. March 31, 2014 all Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs must have their forms submitted the District Governor to be considered for achieving the Presidential Citation.

District Governors then have only two weeks to report the

names of those clubs that have earned the Presidential Citation to Rotary International. Do Not let March go by without completing your reports to me.

Important Coming Events

A number of special events are being planned by Rotary Clubs around the district in coming weeks. Please review these dates and attend those you are interested in and can manage to fit into your schedule.

The first is not an event but rather a time to be prayerful and to keep our next District Governor Mike Beahon on the top of your mind. **February 21st** DGE Beahon will be undergoing kidney transplant surgery in St Louis. The donor is his daughter, Kelly of Columbia, MO. Please keep Mike and Mary Ann, Kelly and her husband and daughter in your thoughts and prayers. I'm sure Mike will appreciate cards and emails as he recuperates. His address is: 4330 Cedar Ridge Drive, Fulton, MO 65251. Emails can be addressed to [M i k e a t : mbeahon.rotary6080@ktis.net](mailto:Mike@ktis.net).

February 28th the Fulton Rotary Club will be hosting "**Light Up Rwanda Wine Tasting**", beginning at 5:30 pm, Sir Winston's Restaurant & Pub, 1205 S. Business 54 in Fulton

March 6th the Rotary Club of Columbia South will hold "**Mardi Gras – Missouri Style**", a **Celebration to Benefit Breathing Life into Georgian Babies**. Beginning at 6:30 PM in MU's Donald W. Reynolds Alumni Center.

March 28-29, PETS and SETS, Capital Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO.

March 29th, Club Qualification and Grants Management Training, Capital Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO

April 12th, District Club Assembly, Laurie-Sunrise Beach at

Captain Ron's 9am-4pm

May 9-10, 2014 Rockin Ribs BBQ Festival, Sponsored by the Combined Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact Clubs of Springfield, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, Springfield, MO.

June 1-4, RI Convention, Sydney, Australia



June 27th, District 6080 Governors Installation, Fulton, MO.

All events and registration information is on the DaCdb Calendar.

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ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES



Joint Rotary Project in Panama

Four Rotarians from District 6080 return from a week long participation in the District 6080 service project with the Rotarians from District 6040 in Panama.

15 water purification systems were installed in a community center (school) in the small village of Chumicosa, Panama which is in the mountainous region of Panama. These systems were purchased and shipped with the help of Rotarians of our District. Until this project was undertaken there was no potable water available in this village.

The Rotarians from the two districts were joined by the Rotaract club of Panama City for this project. The District Governor of 4240 met with the visiting Rotarians and encouraged further cooperation between 6080 and 4240.

The Rotarians also met with the US ambassador to Panama who endorsed our efforts at humanitarian aid to the needy of Panama. Time was also spent with the National Guard leadership stationed at the embassy who had a huge hand in the formation of the partnership between the two Rotary Districts.

The Rotarians of Panama embraced the visiting team with warmth, friendship and hospitality. To the Rotarians of District of 4240 we say thank you. Those who were on the team from our district were Terry Furstenau, Mark Naeger, Michael Powers and Jim Wieberg. The team from our District says to our fellow Rotarians "Thank You for allowing us to represent you to the people of Panama."

Jim Wieberg



Low Receives Paul Harris Fellow from Rotary

The Rotary Club of Pulaski County honored David Lowe – the immediate past president – with the Paul Harris Fellow award during its eighth annual Paul Harris Fellow Banquet on Jan. 28.

“Our club impacts our community in many ways and we set the standard for youth service,” Lowe told the audience just after receiving the award. “It is our members’ energy, commitment and desire to serve that make this Rotary Club special. I genuinely appreciate the honor of being presented this Paul Harris Fellow award and I want to thank each of you from the bottom of my heart for making Pulaski County a better place to live.”

A member of the club since November 2005, Lowe has served as second vice president, vice president and as president. Lowe annually serves as a presenter for the Choices program for eighth

graders and participates in the Veterans Dayparade and Christmas on the Square. He also has worked with the Science Fair project and taken high school students to Government Day in Jefferson City. Lowe also was the enthusiastic leader of the original Rotary Red Hot Red Hatters, a troupe that helped raise funds for the ASYMCA. He currently serves on the Club Service Committee and headed up the legal team for the club’s Gator raffle.

As president during the 2012-13 year, Lowe spearheaded a PR campaign to increase the local Rotary club’s visibility in the local community and at the District 6080 level. He also started the club’s Fifth Tuesday programming by hosting a club get-together and bonfire at his home on the river. Because of Lowe’s nomination, Wayne Strohschein was chosen for the District Vocational Service Award, earning

additional recognition for the local Rotary Club. With his leadership, the club also furthered its visioning goals and earned a Presidential Citation.

The Paul Harris Society is named after the founder of Rotary International and recognizes individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more to the Rotary Foundation to support activities such as polio eradication, peace and conflict prevention and resolution, disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation, maternal and child health, basic education and literacy and economic and community development. The club voted in November to donate \$1,000 in Lowe’s honor to Rotary International.

Rotary District Governor Ken Messer bestowed Lowe with a lapel pin from Rotary International and Club President Keith Pritchard presented him with a certificate



Rotary District Governor Ken Messer presents David Lowe with the Paul Harris Fellow.

from the club. Messer ended the evening by sharing examples of Rotarians “working to do good” in their communities and in the world.

Prestigious Community Awards Presented by the Lake Area Chamber

LAKE OZARK, Mo. – The Lake Area Chamber of Commerce announces the winners of the 2013 Community Awards, presented on Thursday, Oct 10 at the Lodge of Four Seasons during the Lake Area Chamber Annual Fall Dinner.

Four prestigious awards were given throughout the evening in the following categories: Non-Profit of the Year, Small Business of the Year, Large Business of the Year and Distinguished Citizen.

Recipients of the awards were nominated by their peers during a month-long nomination process.

The first award of the night was presented to the Non-Profit of the Year; the award went to Lake Ozark Day Break Rotary. The second award of the evening was presented to the Small Business of the Year; Page Stores, LCC. The award for Large Business of the Year was presented to Hy-Vee. The Distinguished Citizen

award was the last award presented and went to Joe Roeger. Recipients of the awards were nominated by their peers.

Another award presented that evening went to Alan Sullivan for his dedication as Chairman to the Magic Dragon Street Meet Nationals. The Lake Area Chamber wishes to congratulate all award recipients and to thank all sponsors and guests who made the night possible.





District Committee Appointments

District Governor Elect Mike Beahon and District Governor Ken Messer are pleased to jointly announce that Laurie Hayes, Immediate Past President of the Rotary Club of Hollister, will assume the position of District 6080 Newsletter Editor effective immediately. She has agreed to complete the current Rotary year and will continue as newsletter Editor for up to three years.

As in all district committee positions, Laurie has committed to completing the current year plus a new three year term and will serve at the pleasure of each succeeding District Governor.

Laurie has worked in significant positions on both the District Conference and the District Foundation Gala Committees this Rotary year.

In her professional life, Laurie is Executive Director of the Lodging Associations of both Branson and Springfield. She has experience in

producing two monthly newsletters currently and brings her creativity and enthusiasm to the position of District 6080 Newsletter Editor. Please welcome Laurie. Laurie can be contacted via email at: rotarylaurie@gmail.com or by mobile phone at: 417-559-3869.

We want heartily thank Katy Lacy for her work on the district newsletter and improvements to the format and quality of our newsletter under her leadership. Thank you, Katy. Katy has determined she needs to be focusing more fully on other priorities in her life and will be passing on her records and templates to our new editor.

We will also be recruiting a Rotarian to assume the responsibilities of District Public Image Chair. If you know of a Rotarian who has experience and talents in marketing and would like expand their involvement in Rotary District activities, please talk with either Mike or I so we may visit more

fully with this Rotarian.

Additionally, we are pleased to announce that we will be welcoming two new Assistant Governors to the District 6080 Committee beginning with the new Rotary Year 2014-2015:

- 1) Susan Haralson, President of the Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise, will be working to fill the shoes of John Horton, working in Area 9 with the Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact Clubs in Springfield.
- 2) Mary (Zitter) Newman, past President of the Rotary Club of Mountain View, will become Assistant Governor working in Area 11 with the clubs in the southeast corner of District 6080. Mary will be replacing Scott Schneider who for the past three years has helped the five clubs in Mountain View, Willow Springs, West Plains and Thayer-Mammoth Springs.

District Governor Nominee Named

Michael Pope, an employee of Central Methodist University and assistant governor from the Fayette Club, has been selected to be the next District Governor Nominee. During the 2014-15 year, Mike Beahon of Fulton Rotary will serve as District Governor; Steve Dulle of Columbia South will serve as DG-Elect; and Michael Pole will be DGN.

Mark your calendars for the installation of all three, which will take place June 27 in the Backer Dining Hall of Westminster College in Fulton, Mo. Past Rotary International President from 2010-2011 Ray Klingensmith will be our featured speaker for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.



Rotary District 6080

World Understanding Month

FEBRUARY 2014

23 Rotary's 109th anniversary. Plan a special event.

25 Deadline for hotel reservations for PETS/SETS.

RYLA applications and fees must be submitted so they are **received BEFORE MARCH 1, 2014.**

February 2014

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We're on the web!!
<http://www.rotary6080.org/>



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Literacy Month

MARCH

7 Deadline for registration for PETS/SETS without penalty.

28-29 PETS/SETS Jefferson City.

It is mandatory for presidents-elect to attend PETS. Secretaries-elect should attend SETS. Both registration fees have been paid by your club. **President-Nominees** are invited also. Go to www.showmerotary.org for information and registration, including hotel reservations.

31 Deadline to submit Presidential Citation

March 2014

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