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District 6080 Monthly Newsletter

Notes from the Governor

Wow, where has this year gone? It's that time of year when we all look back and reflect on the year and evaluate all the things that went well and those things that didn't go as well as we had hoped.

While we are making these mental lists we begin to recognize all the things and people that have blessed us. At the top of my list of blessings are all my fellow Rotarians with whom I have had the privilege of working this year. I have been able to see and experience things that I would not have been able to see and experience without being in this position. I have met people that I wouldn't have met and renewed friendships that I wouldn't have even thought about renewing.

Best of all, I have spent time listening to Rotarians talk about what they are doing to make this world a better place. I wish I could take all of you with me so that you could hear all the stories about how Rotary has enriched one Rotarian after another. Time and time again the reoccurring theme in the stories I'm told is that the initial goal when they set out was to bless someone else and the end result is that they were the ones who were blessed the most.

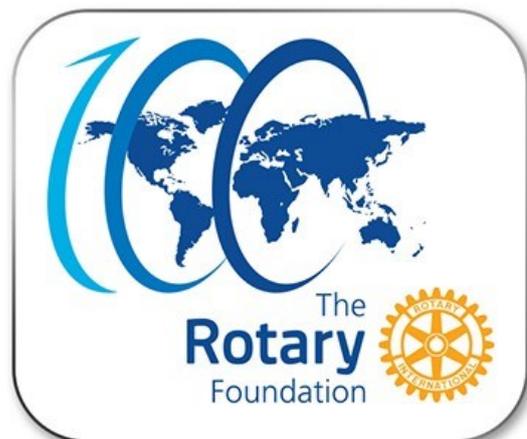
The take away is that if you are feeling down and out, need a lift, or just need to feel good about something, the sure-fire solution is to do something for someone else.

If you really want a special feeling that will last a lifetime, do something special for someone that were it not for you it would never happen. Merry Christmas!

David Bixler

Correction from last month

In the section listing District awards, Seth Bryant was listed as the Thayer-Mammoth Springs club President for 2015-16. Last year's club President was actually Steve Russell. Our apologies for the error.





Fulton Rotary Club

Point Swap After PDG Jerry Franklin's talk about the Rotary Duck.

PDG Jerry Franklin spoke to the Fulton Rotary club about the Foundation and used a rubber duck to illustrate and visualize making a commitment to Foundation giving. The results below speak for themselves.

Many of our members took advantage of the "sale" on Paul Harris Fellow awards at yesterday's meeting. Thank you to those of you who showed your support for the Rotary Foundation by making cash contributions and to those of you who helped your fellow Rotarians by giving them some of your points.

What were the results? Six new Paul Harris Fellows (Tim Borman, Debbie Laughlin, Troy Williams, Jan Reyes and Denton Kurtz) and two who are now at PHF +1 (Charlie James and John Bell). A total of \$2,717.50 contributed to the Rotary Foundation! And some members said they still plan to give. Outstanding!! Thank you SO much.





Marshfield Rotary Club

Point Swap

Today was the day. We had offered to give two points towards your Paul Harris Fellow recognition for every dollar donated to the Rotary Foundation, today only.

This ended up being a great fundraiser for the foundation. The final tally is as follows:

We collected \$3,624.17 today, which is huge!!!

We have 10 new Paul Harris Fellows as of today, with one of them already having a "+" to go with it. We also had additional "+1"s to go to 2 previous Paul Harris Fellows. This brings the current level of Paul Harris Fellows to 25 in the Marshfield club.

In addition, we have 3 new "Rotary Direct" participants, which will contribute monthly.

This is absolutely amazing! Thank you so much to everyone who came and/or participated today! When we all work together, we can accomplish so much more!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Amy S Wilkerson, President

Springfield Southeast Rotary

Point Match

Club Foundation Chair, David Compere, made a great presentation and explained how the Foundation works and how efficient the Foundation is with our donations. Michael Brady once again helped make things easy by having all the paperwork for everyone prepared. A special thanks to President Bill McNeill for recognizing the importance of Foundation giving and being willing to try something different. The club actually had 30,000 points that were used to match donations. The final number is in and the result was new cash donations of \$27,232. The plan is to have another event in the Spring and to make that event a social gathering and use members points to do a point swap.



Breast Cancer Raffle

Branson-Hollister Rotary

October 26, 2016, Branson, Mo. –

The Branson-Hollister Rotary hosted the Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Raffle and Auction at their weekly meeting Wednesday, October 26, 2016. Honorary Cancer Survivor, Betty Nell Tatman, spoke about her journey from diagnosis through recovery and cure urging all to do self-breast exams have yearly mammograms. She stated “My cancer was found during a mammogram”.

Membership and guests present at the meeting could vote for the best dressed in pink/most pink outfit followed by lively auction emceed by Coach Allan Waller and guest auctioneer Congressman Billy Long, Congressional District 7. The White Elephant raffle was held immediately afterward.



A check in the amount of \$4,225.00 was presented to Meghan Connell President of Skaggs Foundation and Ben Morris Director of Cancer Center and Urgent Care at Cox Medical Center who organized the raffle and auction. Proceeds from the auction and raffle benefit the Skaggs Foundation and the Cancer Center at Cox Medical Center, Branson.

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If you would like more information about this topic, please contact Roz Slavik at (417) 243-2115 or email at rozslavik@yahoo.com



Harrisonville Rotary Club



New playground equipment is now in place at Harrisonville City Park thanks to the Harrisonville Rotary Club.

The club donated \$3908 to the Harrisonville Parks and Recreation Department to support the addition of handicapped accessible playground equipment. The equipment, located by Shelter 2, includes an accessible swing, a generation swing, and an elevated sand table.

The Harrisonville Rotary Club raised the funds through the annual Rotary Raffle held in June/July and through funds donated at the Airport Open House pancake breakfast.



**REGISTRATION MONTH HAS STARTED
FEES GO UP \$75 AFTER DECEMBER 15TH**



ATLANTA 2017

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



It's not too late to participate in the District Wunderland Camp playground equipment project. We are still taking contributions. Participating meets one of the qualifications for the Presidential Citation.

Save the Date!

May 7

Playground equipment dedication and camp work day

Who is invited: Everyone. Bring the family and enjoy the day.

Come meet some campers, help us dedicate the new playground equipment, and work on some projects with fellow Rotarians from around the district.