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District 6080 Monthly Newsletter

## Notes from the Governor

It's here all ready-the final quarter of the Rotary year. All those things you promised yourself in June of last year that you were going to accomplish in the 2016-17 Rotary year are either done or waiting to be completed before the ball drops on June 30 at midnight. There are less than ten weeks left in the 2016-17 Rotary year. As I'm looking at my own list of things I wanted to accomplish this year, I'm beginning to realize that I'm long on list and short on time. Doing some prioritizing seems to be in order.

My list of goals certainly contains things that are a higher priority than others. The important goals, however, always seem to be the most time consuming. As I prioritize, I'm looking for some low-hanging fruit-these items that with a little effort could make me feel better by getting a few things crossed off my list. Getting bogged down in a big daunting project has a way of undermining my enthusiasm.

Elephants are best eaten one bite at a time, and I certainly have more than one elephant on my list. I'm using every available resource to finish this year strong and get as many of my Rotary goals completed as possible. Don't hesitate to use the resources that are available to you in the District as well. Even the Governor is willing to help. I, of all people, have a vested interest in helping you have the best Rotary year you and your club have ever had. So when it comes to eating your Rotary elephant, pass the salt and let's do this together.

**David Bixler**





## Jim Barnes Retires After 31 Years



The **Rotary Club of Rolla** held an appreciation dinner for long time member **Jim Barnes** on Saturday, March 25th. Jim will step down after serving for 31 years as Secretary of the Club. The dinner was attended by members of the Rolla Rotary Club and the Rolla Breakfast Rotary Club. Jim not only has been Secretary for 31 years but had perfect attendance for over 28 years. Following in the foot steps of his

late father, Herald Barnes who was a Past District Governor with over 50 years perfect attendance in Rotary. Jim's family, wife Emily, sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren were in attendance along with District Governor David Bixler and his wife Julie. Proclamations from the District Governor and the City of Rolla (making Saturday March 25th Jim Barnes Day in Rolla) were read. A slide show



with pictures of Jim's life (included one with Bob Hope while he was servicing in the military when Hope visited his base) were shown along with members of the club giving reminiscences of things they remember of Jim's service. Jim will continue to be a member of Rotary and will always be great resource for Rotarians.



## Rotary Club of Warrensburg

### THANK YOU ROTARY CLUBS of DISTRICT 6080

Huge success story for accessible equipment at  
Wonderland Camp Rotary play ground.

#### Rotary Clubs That Matched Their District Simplified Grant

##### Rotary Club

Columbia South  
Columbia-Sunrise Southwest  
Fulton Wobbly Bridge  
Jefferson City Breakfast  
Jefferson City  
Lake Ozark \*  
Lake Ozark Daybreak \*  
Laurie-Sunrise Beach \*  
Rolla Breakfast  
Warrensburg Climbing Wall  
Warrensburg Early Bird

##### Naming Rights

Tree Top Bridge  
Merry Go Round  
  
West Musical Stand

\* Power of 3

\*Tree Climb

##### Other Contributions

Private  
Torch Bearer Sorority  
Boonville  
Jefferson City Evening  
Nixa  
Rolla  
Springfield Sunrise  
Springfield Metro  
Willow Springs

Chamberlain's Giant Swing



# 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.

Put your crew together and come join the fun at Wonderland Camp.

**PICNIC IN THE PARK:** District 6080 is sponsoring lunch, "Picnic In The Park", PDG Jerry W. Franklin and Wonderland Camp Foundation Board members will be grilling. **Must RSVP** for head count for lunch

**WORK CREWS:** Please **RSVP by Rotary Club** if you wish to participate in work activities, include number, include preferences, please identify any special skills such as grunt labor, carpentry, concrete finish, electrical, plumbing, etc. We'll match skills and interests to tasks in advance to be more efficient

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Clubs and individuals may continue to contribute. Funds collected outside of the District Simplified Grant Match Funds will go to assist in the building of accessible restrooms next to the Rotary Playground. The Rotary logo will be on it as will the picture of the first Rotary Community Project: an outhouse in downtown Chicago. We've come full circle.

**RECONITIONS:** Clubs that were left off the last recognition or have since pledged or contributed to this project include: Boonville, Branson Daybreakers, Camdenton, Columbia Sunrise SW, Nixa and the lead club Warrensburg

**For more information or to register your team email :**

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## PDG Everett Wood Receives Rotary's Highest Honor



*The Service Above Self award is Rotary's highest honor. It is given to Rotarians that have demonstrated a significant lifetime commitment to humanitarian service. This year there were 117 Service Above Self awards approved worldwide. Financial contributions and elected positions are not given any consideration in the selection process. Everett's award was approved because of his 48 years of service to hu-*

*manity as a Rotarian. He truly is the definition of this award. A lifetime committed to doing things for others. His pin was presented to him at PETs/SETs in Jefferson City by Rotary International Past President Ray Klingensmith, RI President-Elect Ian*



*Riseley and District Governor David Bixler. Everett's entire family was there to surprise him and celebrate with him. Immediate Past District Governor Steve Dulle and Governor Bixler presented his plaque at his home club of Sedalia.*





## Harrisonville Rotary Celebrates 40th Anniversary



The Harrisonville Rotary Club celebrated its 40th anniversary at the March 29th meeting with special recognition for two charter members — Wendell Yeager and John Foster. Wendell started the club in 1977 and gave a personal retrospective on the club's history and accomplishments. John is the only club member to serve as District Governor. Daryl Bohannon, another charter member, was unable to attend the celebration.

\*\*Pictured left - Wendell Yeager & John Foster

The Harrisonville Rotary Club's train was part of the 9th annual Birthday Party for Children's Mercy Hospital at the Harrisonville Community Center. The annual event raises funds and aware-



ness for the Child Life program at Children's Mercy and is hosted by a local family. The train provided rides for all the party-goers. A special shout out to Rotarians Bill Mills & Sam Styron who drove the train for the event. \*\*Pictured above.



## Rolla Rotary Club Serves Rolla High School Students and Staff

On Thursday April 13th the **Rotary Club of Rolla** funded, grilled and served lunch (hamburgers, hot dogs with all the trimmings) to a select group of 360 students plus staff at Rolla High School. This Champions of Rolla Education (CORE) periodic event is held to reward academic achievements of Rolla High School students. To receive this reward a student must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher or go up a card level by bringing their GPA up one step from Silver (2 to 3), Maroon (3 to 3.5) or Gold (3.5 to 4). This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that the Rotary Club has served lunch to these students.



Picture captions:

1. Jim Graham, C.O.R.E., Rotarians Terry Harris, Don Brackhahn, Nancy Brackhahn and Adam Housewright.
2. Some of the Rolla High School scholars.
3. Rotarian (Rolla Fire Chief) Ron Smith serving more hotdogs and hamburgers.



## Need More Students for RYLA

We are nearing the close of the registration period for this year's RYLA program and **NEED MORE STUDENTS!** We knew that it would take some extra effort to recruit, find, select 200 students to fill out 2 academies the first year or two of expansion.

How can you help?

1. Please reach out to clubs in your districts in any fashion you can to make sure they're aware that we are still looking for students and that, if they already have someone selected...to please complete the registration process, etc.
2. If you know of clubs that would like to sponsor a student (or more) but do not have any students in mind, **PLEASE LET US KNOW.** There may be good candidates out there interested in attending, but without a sponsoring club. We will figure out a way to get them sponsored and signed up.

If you know of smaller clubs that have more students than they can afford to sponsor...**PLEASE LET US KNOW.** Let's figure out if/what we can do that make it work.

The last thing we want to happen is to have open seats while we have great candidates that can't get connected for whatever reason.

Please let Cathy, Suzanne, Rich or myself know if there's anything we can do to support you with this effort.

You can find out more information at (as well as share) <http://www.missourirylyla.com/calendar/>



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# Out of Africa, in to Kansas City



**JUNE 16 & 17, 2017**

**KANSAS CITY AIRPORT EMBASSY SUITES • KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

## **Join us**

... as Rotarians from Africa and the USA come together to enjoy fellowship and celebrate the centennial of our dynamic Rotary Foundation.

Rotarians from Kansas City area districts will host African Rotarians, providing transportation and companionship to our guests during this celebratory weekend.

## **Friday ... Get acquainted!**

An evening reception at the Embassy Suites will allow us all to become acquainted – a great way to build friendships and relationships.

## **Saturday ... Explore our city**

Hosts and guests will tour local attractions of our guests' choosing. Midday the Rotary Club of Kansas City will host a luncheon at the beautiful Rotary Youth Camp.

## **Saturday night ... Celebrate**

A banquet and program will celebrate The Rotary Foundation's 100 years of helping Rotarians advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, education and alleviation of poverty.

## **Book your hotel now!**

Rooms at the Embassy Suites are available at the special rate of \$119 per night. To make your reservation, call or go online.

- Call 1-800-362-2779 from the USA or 1-816-891-7788 if calling internationally. Specify "Rotary" or the code "ROT."
- Go to <http://rotary13.org/page/outofafrica>, and select the "Hotel Info" page.

## **Register now!**

And it's easy to do online! Your registration of \$75/person includes both receptions and lunch and dinner on Saturday.



<http://rotary13.org/page/outofafrica>

Check here for full details



## **Nominations for District Governor for 2020-2021**

Dear Rotarians,

We are now accepting applications for District Governor for Rotary District 6080 for the Rotary year 2020-2021. The deadline for submittal is June 15, 2017 and the Governor Nominee Form is located on the District 6080 website at <http://www.rotary6080.org/district-forms/>.

The nominee must have been a club president. For more information contact **Joe Beltz (cell:[417-331-1128](tel:417-331-1128); email: [b4farm@centurylink.net](mailto:b4farm@centurylink.net))** or **Steve Dulle (cell:[573-268-4748](tel:573-268-4748); email: [sdulle.rotary6080@gmail.com](mailto:sdulle.rotary6080@gmail.com))**

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## Celebrate with us in Atlanta

It's just a few months until we'll be together at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta - 11-14 June - celebrating The Rotary Foundation's 100th anniversary, networking with old and new friends, and enriching our Rotary experience. If you haven't registered yet, there's still time, and you can save if you register by 31 March. If you've already registered, be sure to invite your Rotary friends.

Register at: [RIConvention.org](http://RIConvention.org)