



District 6080 Rotarians,

The Show Me Rotary President-Elect Training Seminar was held last Friday and Saturday. Presidents- Elect, Presidents-Nominee, district leaders, zone leaders and others gathered for this training event. One of the highlights was the opportunity to meet Rotary International President-Elect Mário César Martins de Camargo and to hear his addresses to District 6080 attendees and all of the attendees. In his keynote speech to all PETS attendees, Mário stated that members are Rotary's greatest asset. Accordingly, he focused on Rotary's need to reverse the decline in Rotary membership in the United States. Fewer Rotarians means less service, fewer contributions to the Foundation, less networking and less socializing.

District 6080 has suffered a decline of over 25 percent of its membership in the last 10 years and 14 percent over the past five years. We need to reverse that trend, which is why I challenged each club to grow its net membership by two this Rotary year. We aren't there yet, so I encourage all our clubs to work to increase their membership.

Here are a few ideas: Encourage members to bring potential members to club meetings. Host a membership drive. Split your clubs into teams and hold a membership competition – maybe one with points for each visitor brought to the club, more for each new member application, and even more for each new member. Focus on younger professionals and underrepresented professions and businesses. Form a satellite club that meets at a different time or place and with a different format to attract members who can't make your normal meeting time or want a different Rotary experience. For more information and ideas, reach out to Cindy Beck or me. Our contact information is on the district website and DACdb.

Let's finish the 2025 Rotary year with strong growth, not the usual year-end drop in membership.

Rowland Geddie
District Governor 2024-25
Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise



Send your news items and photos to District Secretary Mary Ann Beahon at beahon.rotary@gmail.com

Presidents-Elect and Nominee Learn About Their Roles



Rotary International President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo speaks to Rotarians from District 6080.

Rotary International President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo was the featured speaker at Show Me Rotary PETS (Presidents-elect Training Seminar) March 28-29 in Columbia. He stressed the need for increasing Rotary membership to accomplish more.

About 250 PEs, PNs and other Rotarians from Districts 6040, 6060 and 6080 attended, learning about Leading Through Engagement, Your Club Experience and Tell Your Story.

Other speakers included, Drew Kessler, past Rotary International director; Brian Hall, RI director-elect; and Marty Peak Helman, trustee of The Rotary Foundation.



Andrea Brady, governor-elect of District 6080, addresses attendees during a district session.



DG-elect Andrea Brady and DG Rowland Geddie pose for a picture with the outbound Rotary Youth Exchange students from District 6080.

Rotary Youth Exchange students from District 6080 who are outbound to various places around the globe received their RYE jackets during a district session Saturday morning.



Rotary International President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo and Susan McKarns of Columbia South Rotary with Susan's dog, Briel.

During the day, Briel helped Susan sell Polio Plus t-shirts and during Friday evening's banquet, Rotarians who made a donation to Polio Plus could pet Briel.

A total of \$43,400 was raised for Polio Plus during the banquet, thanks to high bids on auction items, donations from attendees and matches from districts and the Gates Foundation.



DGs-elect from 6060, 6040 and 6080 shine their lights in celebration and appreciation for donations to Polio Plus.

ROTARY 6080

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9AM - 3PM



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During this time, you will help us prepare for the upcoming summer. Things that you will be doing include: power washing, painting, mulching and tidying up camp in preparation of our Open House on May 17th.



WHAT TO BRING?

If you are looking for items to donate, we could use: individual food items (mac and cheese, beefaroni, fruit snacks, granola bars, chips, Gatorade, etc.), ibuprofen, Tylenol, Pepto Bismol, s'more supplies, puzzles with less than 100 pieces, coloring books, and word searches!

ABOUT WONDERLAND

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-  (573) 392- 1000
-  www.wonderlandcamp.org



Service Projects Take Many Forms in District 6080

Jefferson City Breakfast Rotarians set up for ABLE Book Sale. Every year, Missouri River Regional Library partners with Adult Basic Literacy Education for the MRRL/ABLE Book Sale. It's one of the largest sales of its kind in the Midwest. Proceeds benefit both ABLE and MRRL.



The Rotary Club of Springfield (left) volunteered with some friends at CrossLines food pantry and helped feed 38 families.



Columbia South Rotary (right) helped serve dinner at the Missouri High Steppers showcase.



Fulton Rotary (left) completed two service projects March 20, sponsoring a blood drive and serving dinner at Open Table, the community soup kitchen.

Jefferson City West Rotary members recently assembled and installed new shelters and picnic tables at Service Park near Staples on Missouri Boulevard. With teamwork, dedication, and some seriously handy skills, both shelters are now up and looking fantastic. People are already using the shelters and tables. Special shout out to Carter Haas, who went above and beyond by prepping materials before the build and continuing work on-site.



Rotary Clubs Undertake Various Service Projects



Jefferson City Breakfast Rotary and Jefferson City Evening Rotary joined forces to provide breakfasts and dinners for the unhoused at Room at the Inn, located at First Baptist Church in Jefferson City during the winter months, Dec. 1-March 15.

Rotary Club of Rolla packaged proxy boxes at the Phelps County Dream Center for families in need that are unable to go to the center on distribution days.



William Woods University Rotaract members volunteer at SERVE s food bank in Fulton.

The Rotary Club of Columbia sponsored a bed build for Sleep in Heavenly Peace, a nonprofit that builds and delivers beds to children in need of a bed and a safe place to sleep. Rotarians from all the Columbia clubs and their families took part, along with many community volunteers. As a result, 30 more kids in Columbia have a bed to sleep in.



Upper left photo: Kelley Upham, a past president of Columbia Rotary and president of Columbia s Sleep in Heavenly Peace chapter.

Fayette Assists Boys & Girls Club, Senior Center

By Linda Lembke, Fayette Rotary President

Photos by Miranda Atwood, the Boys and Girls Club (BGC) of Fayette's site director

Working in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club (BGC) and St. Paul Methodist Church of Fayette, the Fayette Rotary has used grant funds to provide the materials to construct a 20 ft. by 20 ft. concrete pad and to purchase and install a basketball goal behind the church, which is home to the Boys and Girls Club. Chase Leaton of Chase Leaton Concrete donated his labor to complete the pad.



According to Miranda Atwood, site director, the youth have already been utilizing the facility and are looking forward to being able to use it even more when the weather is better.

Members of the Fayette Rotary Club chose to use grant funds to support the Boys and Girls Club of Fayette believing that BGC is a benefit to the community. The mission of the BCG is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. These young people are the future of the community and will help it to grow and thrive.



After consulting with members of the board of the BGC, Rotary members decided to create an outdoor basketball area. The court provides an outlet for energy for children attending the program. It benefits their health by increasing physical activity and encourages teamwork and conflict resolution. In addition, it is expected that the youth of Fayette will also use the court when the BGC is not in session.

Each year the Fayette Rotary applies for grant money through the Rotary District Simplified Grant (DSG) Program. The amount the club may be awarded is based on the amount that the club and individual members have given to Rotary International in past years. The DSG grant this year was for \$600 and has been matched by the club. In addition, the club applied for and was granted a FLEX Matching Grant of \$300, giving the club a total of \$1,800, which was used for the BGC project.

In addition, during March Fayette Rotary President Linda Lembke presented checks to Jennifer Barnhill, director of the Fayette Senior Center, and Marsha Broadus, Howard County Health and Wellness Council President. The donations are part of the club's Happy Can project which supports 12 entities in the area.



Columbia Metro Helps Afghan Women Set up Business

Columbia Metro Rotary has helped establish the Afghan Bread Company in Columbia, which is selling Afghan naan fresh baked by local Afghan women using traditional recipes and no preservatives. Breads are baked in the certified CoMo Cooks Kitchen and follow all Health Department requirements and guidelines.



The Afghan Bread Company is a project of Afghan Women's Community Aid, a Missouri-based nonprofit organization founded through a project of Columbia Metro Rotary.



Afghan Women's Community Aid was incorporated in 2024 and evolved from a project started by the Metro Rotary Club of Columbia as a 2022-23 District Simplified Grant titled Revenue for Refugees. When the Revenue for Refugees DSG project ended, the Rotary club continued working with the women and ultimately identified breadmaking as something they were interested in and that had good potential as a business.

"It took months to get all the right papers and procedures in place and we are glad to be starting," Sarah Read of Columbia Metro said. "The next bake is likely in April after Ramadan and we are going to try to be on a regular schedule after that and then expand to wholesale."

PRICE LIST

___ 1 naan for \$7 ___ 2 naans for \$10 ___ 3 naans for \$12

Order online through the QR code or at AfghanWomensCommunityAid.com/bread. Or email afghanbreadco@gmail.com to be sent our online order form. Payment is made by credit card on our secure Square page.



Afghan Women's Community Aid also sponsors the Stitch Initiative Project, which itself evolved from Metro's Revenues for Refugees project. That project was designed to introduce entrepreneurial skills to arriving refugees. The women work using donated fabrics from estates, interior designers, and others wanting to downsize their sewing rooms.



Many Afghan women are excellent at sewing, and so Rotarians began helping Afghan refugees sell their sewn products (dresses, bags, coasters, placemats, etc.) in community craft fairs under the trade name of the Stitch Initiative. Afghan Women's Community Aid continues the focus on entrepreneurial skills, sponsoring the Stitch Initiative and other projects, while providing other support as well.

The board of Afghan Women's Community Aid is all women - Metro Rotarians and the two Afghan women who have served as translators for the club. One has been in the country for several years and the other is president of the Afghan Student Association at the University of Missouri and an accountant. Rock Bridge Christian Church generously provides meeting space, and Broadway Christian Church helps with transportation.

Rotary Clubs Make Generous Donations to Causes



Branson Daybreakers Rotary donated \$300 worth of items, including chainsaw bar oil, "blue" tarps, sun screen, lantern fluid, etc., to Sheep Dog Impact Assistance (SDIA) members (veterans and first responders) to use when they deploy to tornado-impacted areas. SDIA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting veterans and first responders by providing outdoor adventures, community service opportunities, and disaster response missions. Their mission is to engage, assist, and empower our nation's heroes helping them rediscover purpose and camaraderie.

Cutline: President Mike Mulnik presents items to Sheep Dog Impact Assistance (SDIA) member Darin Carter. Darin is a former Taney County Deputy Sheriff (shot in the line of duty) and now Sheep Dog Ambassador.

Rotary of Central Missouri (Warrensburg) President Mike Meloy presents a check to the Johnson County Fair Association from proceeds of a 50/50 raffle fundraiser held at the annual rodeo. Funds will be used to enhance youth programs, such as 4H, in the community.



Springfield Metro Rotary donated to Make a Wish during their 14th birthday celebration.



The Rotary Club of Mountain View established a "Cozy Reading Alcove" in the Mountain View Public Library using a \$700 Rotary Foundation matching grant to purchase new books and chairs. *Left to right, standing: Rotarians Joe Beltz, Andrea McNew, Tressa Price and Larry Price, and library director Sabrina Cornman. Seated: Jon Smith and Carla Yarber.*



Mountain View Rotary, with the help of Viandel Vineyard, donated items to Tressa Price with the Agape House, a nonprofit organization that offers food, clothing, and financial assistance to those in need.



Rotary Clubs, Rotarians Get Special Recognition

The Rotary Club of Columbia (Downtown) members Renee Reed Miller, Kelley Upham and Lisa Driskel Hawxby were recognized by The Salvation Army in Columbia as Women Doing The Most Good.



The Rotary Club of Rolla was honored by State Representative Tara J. Peters for its commitment to childhood literacy through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.



PDG Plue Gets Special Visitors

Past District Governor (2010-11) Raymond Plue has been facing some health issues and is at Columbia Post Acute recovering. Rotary International President-elect Mário César Martins de Camargo was in Columbia for Show Me Rotary PETS and when he learned that Raymond owned a shirt signed by past RI presidents at the many RI Conventions Raymond has attended, he went to visit Raymond and sign the shirt. Accompanying him were DG-nominee Brad Martens, a fellow member of Raymond's Columbia South Rotary Club; and Rotary Youth Exchange students Maria Seville and Sarah Fernandes; as well as PDG Joan Kramer, who took the photo.



For \$63, Your Club Can Do International Service



Children from Oltepeleki Village sit at desks in a classroom funded by District 7150 of Upstate New York and completed in 2023.

If your club would like to participate in an international project on a small scale, this project may be for you. The Rotary clubs of Fulton and Jefferson City Evening are seeking **25 clubs willing to donate \$63 to purchase a two-student desk** for a preschool in Tanzania.

Fulton Rotary has been involved in maternal and child health projects in Tanzania since 2009. Its latest project is a preschool with a classroom for up to 50 students, a four-stall toilet-block and a rainwater-catchment system with a 10,000 liter storage tank.

The preschool is important for safety, as well as education. Children from Endepesi Village walk 7-9 miles to the government preschool. Three children from the neighboring village (about 5 miles away) were killed by cape buffalo on their way to school three years ago the Endepesi kids walk the same path to school. The Endepesi Village Preschool will have an immediate impact on 4- and 5-year olds, and will impact thousands of kids and their families in the future. A supplemental district grant of \$6,000 will cover the toilet block and rainwater-catchment system. Fulton Rotary has committed \$4,000 and Jefferson City Evening Rotary has committed \$2,000.

Fundraising is still underway to cover additional costs of \$4-5,000. If a club or individual would like to donate to the project, naming rights are available - perhaps naming the preschool in honor or memory of a favorite teacher, for example. **To buy a desk or help in another way, contact Bob Hansen at bobhansenwc@gmail.com.**

Socials Provide an Opportunity for Club Fellowship



Jefferson City West Rotary - Rotary Youth Exchange students helped spread joy at the February meeting by handing out roses to the women of our club in celebration of Valentine's Day. Club President Kent Trimble organized the thoughtful surprise.

Cutline: Rotary West member Kelly Crawford receives a rose from Elisa Santucci (in blue), an inbound exchange student from Italy sponsored by Jefferson City West Rotary, and Sarah Fernandes (in pink) an inbound exchange student from Brazil, sponsored by Jefferson City Downtown Rotary.

The Rotary Club of Columbia

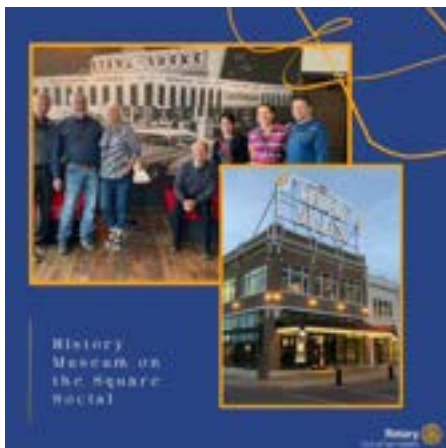
(Downtown) held its monthly social and networking event at Delia's Mexican Grill.



Branson-Hollister

Rotary held a field trip to College of the Ozarks. The NCCAA basketball championship tournament has kicked off.

Rotary on the Road Clubs Get Out in the Community



The Rotary Club of Springfield (left) learned about Springfield's history with a social at the History Museum on the Square. Springfield is considered the birthplace of Route 66 and the site of the nation's first recorded Wild West shootout.



Jefferson City Evening Rotary (above) visited the Highway State Patrol museum and toured the displays.

Rotary Club of Springfield members (right) visited and cheered on the RepMo Rotary Club in Republic during their kickoff meeting. They have 14 members on their charter list and are looking to reach 20 to become an official club. RepMo Rotary plans to meet monthly, with a social or service component after each gathering.



Branson-Hollister Rotary Raises Money for Polio Plus



Branson-Hollister Rotary, in partnership with Show Me Putters and Coral Reef, raised money for Polio Plus at the 5th Annual Mini-Golf Tournament.

Upcoming Rotary Club Fundraising Events

Spaghetti Dinner

May, 4th 2025

5:00 pm to 7:30 pm

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Rotary 
Rolla Breakfast Club





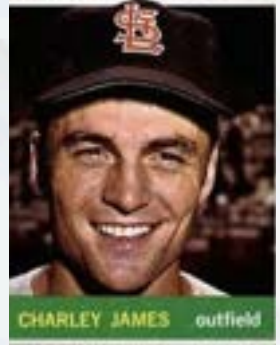
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Team + Hole Sponsor = \$475



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10:00 AM - Monday

April 14, 2025

Tanglewood Golf Course
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Greg Gagnon

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Founding Member Lake Ozark Rotary Club 1982



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May 9th, 2025

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Golfer \$200 includes \$50 gift card to be used at The Oaks Golf Shop, green fees, box lunch, and two drink tickets.

(Limited to the first 130 golfers)

11:00AM-1:00PM

Registration, Lunch, Complimentary Range Balls, Putting Contest, and Silent Auction

1:00PM

Shotgun Start

4:30-5:30PM

19th Hole Happy Hour and Awards
Silent Auction Ends

Registration Info:

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- 1 Hole Sponsorship
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- Four Lunches
- Eight Drink Tickets

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- Two Lunches
- Four Drink Tickets

SILVER \$300

- Tournament Board
- One Player's Fees
- One Lunch
- Two Drink Tickets

HOLE \$150

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- Hole Sponsor Sign

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Tournament Board

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- 2x4 Signage at 6 stations
- List of sponsors at clubhouse
- Special mention at awards

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- \$2000
- Signage on all carts
- 2x4 Signage at 4 stations
- List of sponsors at clubhouse

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- 2 Shooters
- \$1500
- 2x4 Signage at 4 stations
- List of sponsors at clubhouse

SERVICE ABOVE SELF SPONSOR

- 1 Shooter
- \$1000
- 2x4 Signage at 2 stations
- List of sponsors at clubhouse

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- 1 Shooters
- \$500
- 2x4 Signage at 1 station
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COST OF INDIVIDUAL ENTRY \$78

**SATURDAY
 MAY 17TH**

9 AM

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Rotary
Club of Rolla



GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY - JUNE 27, 2025

OAK MEADOW COUNTRY CLUB

9:00 A.M. REGISTRATION 10:00 A.M. SHOTGUN START

3 PLAYER SCRAMBLE

\$10,000 HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZE

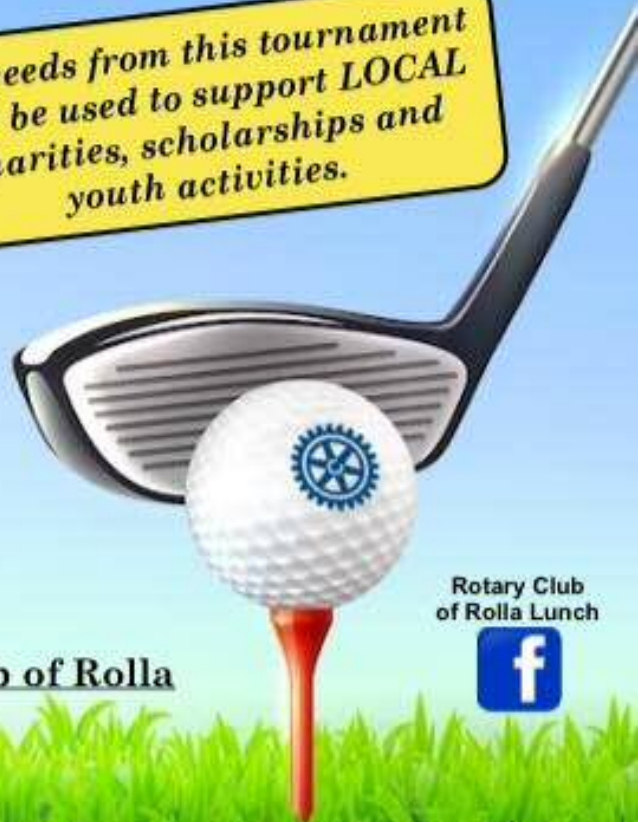
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- *GOLD**
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