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Message from

District Governor Fred Heismeyer



DG Fred "SANTA" Heismeyer

A GIFT FOR ALL

This time of year always brings out the best in our society; seeing many people giving of time and resources to help those in need. As Rotarians, this is a season where others join our year-long efforts to SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES. Let us rejoice in our society's once-a-year awareness of what we as Rotarians do year-round to meet the needs of those who need help; **it is a gift.**

Rotarians, a special thank you for your individual and collective gifts of supporting all the worthy causes during this season. Your gift of being a bell ringer, wrapping gifts, or collecting toys for kids. Your gifts of buying food for food pantries, donating coats, gloves, and hats to shelters, or helping the elderly in decorating for the holiday. Your gifts of serving food at

a soup kitchen or giving financially to local and international causes. You are an inspiration and an example of our dedication to "Service Above Self" and a true gift to your communities and our world.

Our district leadership wishes you and your family the happiest of holiday seasons.

*May your celebrations
be full of joy.*

Fred Heismeyer

District Governor 2021-22
District 5680



Rotary



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

RYLA 2022 Pop-up . . February 18

RYLA for 2022 is coming soon. Last year we tried a one-day session which was a huge success. So



this year we will offer the one day session plus the full camp at Southwestern College. The one day session will be held at the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson, KS on February 18, 2022. The full session will be held on May 31 to June 4, 2022 at Southwestern College in Winfield. The camp is open to current high school Freshman, Sophomore, or Junior students that your club selects.

Registration and information for each session will be available at www.sckans.edu/leadership and then click Service Outreach and Rotary Camp. Also find information at our district website. You may send students to either camp based on your preference and their schedule. Help your students DISCOVER their leadership potential.

If you have questions, please contact Dean Kennedy at 620-212-4107 or dean.kennedy@communitynational.net

Rotary takes part in climate summit

RI President Shekhar Mehta joined a Rotary delegation to a United Nations climate conference in Glasgow, Scotland, on 10 November to explore ways Rotary can work on environmental challenges, including by restoring mangroves, a crucial ecosystem that can mitigate the effects of climate change in coastal areas.



[Read more . . .](#)

January is Vocational Service Month



Satellite Club??

We have a few clubs in our District that are exploring the idea of a Satellite Club. It only takes a couple of interested people to get the ball rolling. Once you get a group of 8 together, Rotary recognizes you as a Satellite Club. This is what Rotary International has to say:

Want to start a club but don't have 20 members? You can start a satellite club with just eight people with the sponsorship of an established club. Satellite clubs meet at different times, have their own bylaws and club culture, and their own club leaders. They function as a short-term transitional step on the way to becoming a full, independent Rotary club. Find more information in the resources below.

[Satellite club FAQ \(PDF\)](#)

[Satellite club application \(PDF\)](#)

[Satellite club member information form \(PDF\)](#)

Human Trafficking is REAL!



TO ALL CLUBS:

Please see attached brochure on page 11 of this newsletter. It identifies ways a club can address Human Trafficking in your community.

You may not think this problem affects your community, but it does—and there are opportunities for Rotary to make a difference.

Be sure to let us know what your club is doing to support this District and Rotary-wide initiative. Good luck!

Call for District 5680 Governor Nominations for 2024 - 2025

The month of November begins the process for selecting the District 5680 Governor for the 2024-2025 Rotary year. One of the most important things a club can do is to allow the district to benefit from your club's leaders by encouraging them to be a District 5680 leader.

Clubs are invited to submit their suggestions for nomination for Governor of District 5680 for the Rotary Year 2024-2025 (July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025) no later than January 15, 2022. To be eligible for Governor, a candidate must have the qualifications and agree to accept the duties of a Governor as set forth in the 2019 Manual of Procedure (MOP). Earlier this month, DG Fred Heismeyer sent copies of the applicable pages of the MOP as well as other important documents related to the nomination of a district governor to all club presidents via email.

Pertinent dates for the District Governor Nomination process are as follows:

- | | |
|-------------|--|
| November 20 | District Governor invited clubs to submit suggestions to the nominating committee in an official call to all club presidents via email. Candidates submitted will be considered by the nominating committee. |
| Dec / Jan | Additional announcements for District Governor will be published in the December and January issues of the monthly newsletter. |
| January 15 | Deadline for the receipt by either the governor or the nominating committee chair of club nominations of District Governor candidates. |

February 15 Deadline for selection of nominee for governor by the nominating committee. The nominating committee chair will promptly notify all candidates of the decision.

This position is challenging but very rewarding and you are asked to review your member list and consider nominating a candidate. If you have questions, call any committee member.

Send your suggestions to Nominating Committee Chair Past District Governor Chair Dana Brewer at 613 Washington Street, Concordia, KS 66901-0549, (email danabrewerdg5680@gmail.com) or to Nominations Committee Secretary Rod Kreie.

The Nominating Committee is as follows:

Janie Welch, Sublette (2022) (Small Clubs)
 Paul Monty, Washington (2023) (Medium Clubs)
 Kelle Thompson, Winfield (2021) (Large Clubs)
PDG Dana Brewer, Committee Chair
 PDG Kurt Harper, Wichita
 PDG Andrea Krauss, Russell
 PDG Sterling Hall, Sublette
 PDG Gary Norris, Salina

Committee Secretary - **PDG Rod Kreie**, 514 W 12th St,
 Newton, KS 67114 Cell 620-353-8415
rkreie@gpbiosciences.com

Past RI President Cliff Dochterman Dies



Clifford L. Dochterman, known for his lively sense of humor, ready smile, and positive outlook on life, died 23 November. He served as RI president in 1992-93 and was recognized around the world as one of the premier spokespersons for Rotary. [Read more](#)



RI Annual Report Available

In a challenging 2020-21 year, Rotary members quickly adapted and embraced change to continue being people of action. This report brings life to some of the meaningful ways in which we have made a difference in the past year and exciting opportunities for the days ahead.

Read about Rotary's accomplishments, discover how clubs are making a difference, and learn about why donors contributed to The Rotary Foundation in the [2020-21 annual report](#).

You will read stories and performance highlights, you will see how the Rotary global network is scaling up. Your support of The Rotary Foundation helps us build a better world.

www.rotary.org/donate

2021 District Conference & Rotary Leadership Institute



DG Fred with
RI Dignitaries and fea-
tured speakers:

Jacque Howard,
RI President's Rep &
RI Director Suzi Howe



Jacque Howard



Suzi Howe



Valerie Hope



THANKS to
photographer
Ric Wolford (E
Wichita)



Sarah Wine provided
entertainment



DGE Ivanhoe Love
(Liberal) & DGN
Gloria Homeier
(Russell)



Congratulations to graduates and
trainers of D5680s' inaugural Rotary
Leadership Institute



PDG Dana Brewer pre-
sented the Club of the
Year Trophy to 2020-21
Newton Club President
Chris Conrade at a
recent club meeting.

Fellowship!

Old Friends -New Friends

Fellowship!



2020-2021 TRF Banner Winners

*Congratulations to our 2020-2021 Rotary Foundation Banner Winners—
and thanks to every Rotarian who contributes to The Rotary Foundation!*

Top 3 Highest Per Capita Giving

- | | |
|-----------------|----------|
| 1. West Wichita | \$277.38 |
| 2. Andover | \$222.31 |
| 3. Hugoton | \$218.67 |

100% Rotary Foundation Giving Club - awarded to clubs with every active member personally contributing \$100 or more to the Annual Programs Fund.

1. Andover
2. Liberal
3. Russell

Every Rotarian, Every Year - awarded to clubs that achieve a minimum of \$100 per capita with every member personally contributing *some amount* to the Annual Programs Fund.

1. Andover
2. Liberal
3. Russell

2020-21 Foundation Banner & PolioPlus Giving Presentations



*Andover is the only club
to receive all three
Rotary Foundation
Banners*



Russell



Liberal



Hugoton



Derby



Ness City



Newton



East Wichita



Howard



W Wichita



Wichita Sunrise



Arkansas City



Hays Noon

Membership—Let's Focus on It!

Keep Goals Simple!

The pandemic has created difficulties in many parts of our lives, but within every challenge lies an opportunity to grow and become more resilient. It's a good time to think about setting and achieving goals. opportunity to grow and become more resilient. Whether you're starting a new hobby or trying to reduce waste, the key to attaining your goals is keeping them simple.

Here are several club-related goals you can set for the second half of the Rotary year:

1. Update your member data in [My Rotary](#) (learn how to [add](#) or [manage](#) a member).

2. Update your [club meeting information](#) (time; place; meeting language; and whether your club meets in person, online, or both) so fellow Rotary members and other clubs can easily find you.
3. Consider pairing your less engaged members with Rotary mentors. Take the [Best Practices for Engaging Members](#) course to develop strategies for engaging people at all stages of membership. You'll learn how to energize the club experience, keep members interested, and prevent your club from becoming stale.

Good luck as you work to achieve all of your goals!

Engage Members—Deliver Value

Throughout 2021-22, Rotary is hosting webinars that explore creative ways to increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and increase our ability to adapt.

[Join us](#) on Thursday, 13 January, for Expanding Our Reach, the third webinar in our Engaging Members + Delivering Value series. In this webinar, we'll learn how to think beyond traditional partnerships and build connections with people who share our commitment to service. Two sessions, at 5am and noon CST, will be offered.

You can watch recordings of the first two webinars in the series here:

- [The State of Membership](#)
- [Enhancing Participant Engagement](#)



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



**Register TODAY for the
RI Convention
Houston, TX—June 4-8, 2022**

Don't delay your convention registration and the prospect of meeting up with old and new friends. Perhaps you can even encourage a friend to join you so they, too, family of can be inspired with the Rotary convention experience! Tell me the number of refugees expected in Wichita this year.

We look forward to welcoming you in Houston!

[Register Today!](#)

**DISCOVER
NEW HORIZONS**

Houston, Texas, USA, 4-8 June 2022
Register today at convention.rotary.org



Club News from around the District

Rotary Club Wichita: Club Member Tiffany Fisher spent the day volunteering to teach the [Junior Achievement](#) Class for Economic Success at Coleman Middle School. The six-part class includes choosing a career, education choices, setting goals, earning income, making budgets, using credit cards/debit cards, credit scores, and insurance (like home, health, car, phone, etc). Junior Achievement is an official volunteer project of our Club



Rotary Club East Wichita: We had another successful turkey dinner drive this year! On the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, dinners costing \$80+ feeding 4-6 people were delivered to 75 families whose names were provided by 12 organizations throughout the community. This project is funded by contributions from members designated for this project and members deliver all the dinners personally. Great job, EWR members!



Rotary Club W Wichita: Jody Besthorn and president Randy Bowles made a special presentation to Bob Goebel and Roger Bowles for their work and contributions to our Bookshelf Building project over the past 34 years. The project has been an annual event since it began shortly after our club's charter in 1987. This is the last year they are heading up the project so they received a mock miniature bookshelf with wooden "books" made from different types of woods, specially crafted by Vern Klassen.



Rotary Club Washington: Our Festival of Trees was another huge success. The event celebrated Christmas and the Community and the auction benefitted PolioPlus and the Horse Soldier Monument.



Rotary Club Russell: Our *Russell County News* used a full page to cover DG Fred & Joyce Heismeyer's visit to our club recently. Four large photos were used, including thanking our Interact club with a \$2,500 check for their assistance and support Interact gives our club.



We also received a Club Citation from RI for 2020-21. DG Fred and DGE Ivanhoe Love presented Rotary Foundation banners for our support of the Foundation.



Rotary Club Phillipsburg: Our club is putting a puzzle together! Member Criquet Cole attended the RLI/District Conference recently came up with the idea based on the puzzle analogy used at all DG club visits. Each week a member or members can put a piece of the puzzle together based on the following criteria:



- 1 for Attendance
- +1 for each guest member brings
- 1 for being Program Chair
- 5 for member's nominee becoming member
- Attendance + 22 guests gets you two pieces

The club is having fun with this—and the member with the most pieces when the puzzle is complete will win a \$50 gift card. Very cool—Sounds Fun!

Rotary Club Wichita: We enjoyed a trip to McConnell Air Force Base for a tour of the KC-135 and KC-46. The new KC-46 is quite an upgrade from the KC-135!



Rotary Club Pratt: Each November, our club members join other community volunteers in setting up lights for the annual light display at Lemon Park.



This annual tradition began in 1992 with 15-20 lighted Christmas displays and is spearheaded by Deb Goyen, with the support of community volunteers. Today there are over 150 light displays to enjoy!

More Club News

Rotary Club Pratt: Campaign continues... In recognition of World Polio Day on October 24, President Darrell Shumway kicked off an annual "Pennies-for-Polio" fund-raising campaign. Members are

asked to bring their pennies each week to fill the "End Polio Now" bucket.



Rotary Club Hays: Our club volunteered twice in the last month at ARC. See more photos at the [district Facebook page](#).



Rotary Club Derby: Always wanting to serve, we gathered food for the Derby Food Pantry at our Annual Meeting.



Rotary Club Salina: Following our Holiday Revue (9 fabulous acts), Jeni Adams - Secretary and Jenell Hulse - President delivered gifts to Martin Luther King Jr Childhood Development Center.



Rotary Club Wichita: We celebrated our club's 110th anniversary by honoring our past, singing Happy Birthday and enjoying special cookie treats. Thanks to DG Fred & Joyce Heismeyer for joining us!



Rotary Club Howard: Hundreds of gifts were wrapped and delivered to kids in need. The RC Howard delivered these gifts in the towns of Severy, Howard, Moline, Elk Falls, Longton, Elk City and Grenola.



Rotary Days of Service—Food Packaging Event & Afghanistan

January 17, 2022—International Day of Service

The Wichita Area Rotary Clubs are working together toward a Rotary Day of Service to coincide with the National Day of Service on Jan 17 at 2:00pm in Derby. Meals will be distributed to local Food Banks as requested by club participants.

The clubs have joined together to commit to at least 100 Rotarians participating in a meal packaging event that afternoon. If you want to participate, contact Isaac McNary at isaacmcnary@gmail.com 316-461-0512.

February 21, 2022—International Rescue Committee - Refugee Resettlement Support

In addition, a committee of leaders from each club, led by Kathy Sexton from the Derby Rotary Club, are busy planning how to best support the efforts of the International Rescue Committee in their work to settle 1,000 refugees from Afghanistan and other countries during 2022. The IRC normally settles around 150, so this is a huge increase and there are many ways we can help.

Planning has already begun by the Club Points of Contact for this event and will continue well into 2022. If your club wants to help, assign a point of contact and reach out to Kathy Sexton at sextonkbs@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events

January 17, 2022

Rotary Day of Service at 2pm
Wichita Area Clubs & Others
Derby, KS (sextonkbs@gmail.com)

February 18, 2022

RYLA 2022 - 1 Day Pop-up
Kansas Cosmosphere, Hutchinson

March 31-April 2, 2022

PETS 2022
Wichita Marriott

May 31-June 4, 2022

RYLA
Southwestern College, Winfield

June 1, 2022

Rotary at the Wind Surge
Wichita, KS

June 4-8, 2022

Rotary International Convention
Houston, TX

Sept. 15-18, 2022

Zone Institute
[Info & Register here](#)
Bloomington, MN

ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS 2022 INCOMING CLASS



130
FINALISTS



AVERAGE
AGE WITH
CERTIFICATES

38



AVERAGE
AGE WITH
MASTERS

32

53% FEMALE

46% MALE

1% NON-BINARY

57 COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED



***Congratulations to the 130 incoming 2022 Rotary Peace Fellows
representing 57 countries!***

Are you interested in joining the next cohort of Rotary Peace Fellows? Stay tuned for our 2023 fellowship application launch in early February!

It's never too early to start researching which program might be the right fit for you: <https://on.rotary.org/2KP1mza>



Rotary Presidential Peace Conference

The Rotary Presidential Conference in Houston will focus on Rotary's work, and how everything we do creates more peaceful and resilient societies. It will focus on Rotary's areas of focus, and how each of them supports the eight pillars of positive peace. This conference will also act as a capstone event to the six Presidential Conferences taking place around the world. It will be the perfect opportunity to network with the wider Rotary peacebuilding community, hear what others are doing around the globe to create more peaceful societies, be inspired, and take action.

Join us 3-4 June, for events where you will experience inspiring general sessions, breakout sessions, discussions, and networking opportunities for all registrants. A full program should be available for you to view in April! Register: <https://on.rotary.org/3xjDjMG>

Thanks to Jeetendra Sharma, Editor—RGHF's Our Foundation Newsletter www.rghf.org for articles above

District 5680 Membership Report As Of November 30, 2021

Club	7/1/2021 MEMBERSHIP	11/30/2021 MEMBERSHIP	NET GAIN 2021-2022
Abilene	47	49	2
Andover	23	26	3
Arkansas City	58	55	(3)
Atwood	25	23	(2)
Beaver	15	15	0
Beloit	39	39	0
Boise City	20	18	(2)
Cimarron	23	23	0
Clay Center	55	56	1
Colby	46	47	1
Concordia	35	34	(1)
Derby	58	57	(1)
Dodge City	38	38	0
Downs	10	10	0
East Wichita	67	74	7
E-Club	16	16	0
El Dorado	30	32	2
Ellinwood	16	18	2
Ellis	11	11	0
Garden City	38	37	(1)
Goodland	21	19	(2)
Great Bend	41	38	(3)
Guymon	25	38	13
Hays	61	66	5
Hays Sunrise	15	15	0
Hill City	14	14	0
Howard	10	10	0
Hoxie	20	19	(1)
Hugoton	16	16	0
Hutchinson	94	89	(5)
Johnson	13	13	0
Kingman	22	22	0
Kinsley	6	6	0
Larned	16	16	0
Liberal	39	39	0
Lindsborg	7	7	0
Lyons	23	22	(1)
McPherson	35	29	(6)
Ness City	23	23	0
Newton	60	63	3
Norton	14	14	0
Oberlin	31	28	(3)
Osborne	11	10	(1)
Phillipsburg	48	48	0
Pratt	51	60	9
Russell	37	37	0
Salina	117	113	(4)
Sharon Springs	6	6	0
Sterling	14	14	0
Sublette	17	16	(1)
Syracuse	13	13	0
Texhoma	12	12	0
Ulysses	25	27	2
Washington	33	33	0
Wellington	10	9	(1)
West Sedgwick Co Sunrise	34	38	4
West Wichita	59	62	3
Wichita-Downtown	378	387	9
Wichita-Old Town	13	13	0
Winfield	74	74	0
TOTALS	2228	2256	28



District 5680

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This is your newsletter!
Send your articles and
club information to:

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2021-22 RI President
Shekhar Mehta

Calcutta INDIA

How well did you read this newsletter? Did you find a clue or instruction so you can be entered into our quarterly, semi-annual and annual drawings for Paul Harris Points to help you reach your next level of giving?

Questions: Contact Newsletter Editor [Geri Appel](#)

Did You Know?

We have a link on YouTube!



End Human Trafficking

WHAT YOUR CLUB CAN DO



It all Starts With Awareness



TALK TO POLICE, HOSPITALS AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS



EMPOWER YOUTH WITH KNOWLEDGE BY HOSTING PRESENTATIONS

RAGAS is working to set up a speaker list for our area



DO RESEARCH ON THE TOPIC AND SPREAD THE WORD

Youtube has videos from survivors

STOP TRAFFICKING

PUT MONEY BEHIND THE EFFORT BY GIVING TO LOCAL SHELTERS

One organization is The Homestead located in Salina and Manhattan that Houses women that have been trafficked

ENSURE EVERY HOTEL AND GAS STATION HAVE ANTI TRAFFICKING STICKERS IN EVERY BATHROOM

You can purchase stickers at [redbubble.com](https://www.redbubble.com)

Weather, Wind & Wildfires

CALL FOR ACTION!

All District 5680 Rotarians,

As we are all too well aware, last week's weather event and subsequent fires/wind damage affected our neighbors. Especially hard hit were the counties in and around Russell.

This is a call for action to help! Please consider an individual and/or club effort to assist in those in need. **The best ways to help are with financial assistance or donations of hay/supplies.** We are directing you and your club to The Kansas Recovery Resources site ([Kansas Wildfire Recovery Resources December 2021 \(ks.gov\)](https://www.ks.gov/recovery)) which has information for you on needs and how to direct your efforts. Southwind Bank is collecting funds to be administered by the Paradise United Methodist Church. Info is on Southwind's Facebook page. Finally, you may wish to contact the local Red Cross for other needs and ways to help.

We know this is a busy time for many and clubs are not meeting; however, please make every effort to get this information out to all club members. Thank you for whatever you can do to assist our neighbors and for serving to change lives.

Serving locally and globally

DG Fred