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ANTICIPATION!

WOW! This Rotary year is going by fast, and our club and district leadership teams are now planning for the new year. We anticipate continuing to move forward as we serve to help our neighbors and care for those around the world; we continue to SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES!

However, as our new leadership teams begin to form and plan for the 22-23 Rotary year, we are full of anticipation, and are taking time to IMAGINE ROTARY. Presidents-elect are imagining vital and engaged clubs. Committee Chairs are imagining membership growth and new service projects. Our district leaders are imagining well trained leaders and how those leaders will continue to build Rotary in our district. It is truly a magical time of anticipation, dreams, increased engagement, and excitement for all leaders across the Rotary world.

What is Leadership? While leadership has hundreds of definitions, one from W.A. Cohen says "Leadership is the art of influencing others to their maximum performance to accomplish any task, objective or project." Another example is that of Servant Leadership, which is a practical philosophy which supports people who choose to serve first and then lead as a way of expanding service to individuals and institutions. Servant Leaders may or may not hold formal leadership positions. Servant Leadership encourages collaboration, trust, foresight, listening and the ethical use of power and empowerment.

So how do leaders across the Rotary world go from anticipation to action to success?

We set goals, for goals create purpose
Purpose generates plans.
Plans produce action.
Action builds habits.
Good habits create success.

As leaders in our communities and professions we look at this process and it may seem simple; but it takes time, training, and commitment. All Rotarians are leaders and therefore we must take the time to collaborate to set goals and create action plans. Rotarians must have the training to know and understand our roles, tasks, priorities, culture, and resources. Rotarians need to connect the importance of attending formal training opportunities such as PETS and the Rotary Leadership Institute to club and district success. Rotarians must have the commitment to not only accept a formal position but to do the work required of the position. This is true leadership in Rotary.

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DG Message (cont'd)

So Rotarians, let us strive to:

SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES.
Let's anticipate and
IMAGINE ROTARY.
Let's commit to
SERVICE ABOVE SELF.

The Power of One
One Rotarian
One Rotary Club
One Rotary District
One Rotary
One World

Fred Heismeyer
District Governor 2021-22
District 5680

District Governor Upcoming Club Visits

March 1—Concordia March 3—Larned

Human Trafficking

We continue to move forward with the End Human Trafficking initiative through the leadership of DGN Gloria Homeier. Documents have been sent to all club presidents and asking them to locate places to post this information

The poster and talking points are generated at the Attorney General's office and are being distributed statewide. For Rotarians in Districts 5680, 5710, and 6110 this is just one way to get this message out to the public. Our district sent four posters per club and more are available either through ordering them from the AG's office or picking up more during PETS.

Kansas Leadership Grants Available

KANSAS LEADERSHIP CENTER

D5680 has been awarded 30 grants to participate in the programs of the Kansas Leadership Center (KLC).

The KLC offers three programs that build on each other as described in the attached flyer. Each club should consider sending up-and-coming leaders from their club and community to attend these *virtual* sessions making them ideal for clubs throughout the district. Leaders who have completed the first program should consider the second and third programs.

Full details to sign up for one of the three programs are included in the brochure attached. Please share with your club members and recruit attendees. We want to use our 30 grants this year!

Kent Erb Recognized

Congratulations to our District Executive, **Kent Erb (RC Newton)** who was recognized as a 2022 CFO Honoree by *The Wichita Business Journal.* (Read more at the link.)

Kent is the CFO and Cashier of the The Citizens State Bank in Newton. When asked what is his greatest professional achievement he said, "I have had the honor to serve on a number of boards for some remarkable organizations in my community and have always received more from those experiences than I feel I have provided back. It is rewarding to be involved in organizations making a difference and being able to shape the future impact they will have. Also, the theme I have embraced through my involvement in Rotary is "Service Above Self," which I try to apply to my life."

Way to go, Kent! Congratulations!

Photo and article courtesy of The Wichita Business Journal

RI Collaborating Organization

Congratulations to **The Outreach Program** for officially receiving the designation as a **Collaborative Organization with Rotary International!**

The Outreach Program
Ending Hunger. Enriching Lives.

The recognition demonstrates Outreach's extensive history of working with Rotarians, its ethical standards, and their regional and global presence! Currently Outreach is 1 of only 11 Collaborating Organizations. We are quite proud of the work with Rotarians and are excited about what the future holds for The Outreach Program! Special recognition from D5680 to Isaac McNary (RC El Dorado President) who is the Program Director for Outreach.

You can see the website with the information on Collaborating Organizations here. https://www.rotary.org/en/collaborating-organizations

Thanks to Isaac McNary for this article

PETS—March 31-April 2

IMAGINE ROTARY

2022-23 Rotary Theme
RI President Jennifer Jones

Don't miss PETS - Presidents-Elect Training Seminar March 31-April 2. It's open to ALL Rotarians!

We have an important date change for RI President-elect Jennifer Jones presentation.

Friday, Mar. 31 (not Saturday)
Open to the Public
5:30-6:30p Social time
6:30-8:30p Dinner/Keynote/Panel
Wichita Marriott

Note that registration is required
Click here Use the last option for Guest registration ($50)

Register for PETS here. ALL PEs are required to attend.

DGE Ivanhoe Love says, *"Attendees will hear from some great internally-known speakers and gain a better understanding of how the district functions. They will also have the opportunity to interact with district leadership throughout the session and will network with other President-elects from around our two districts."*

Read more about RIPE Jennifer here.

Don't miss this!

Heartland
Multi-District President Elect Training Seminar

Why should YOU attend PETS?

A Message from DGE Ivanhoe Love

District Governor Fred Heismeyer, District Governor Nominee Gloria Homeier, and I are proud to announce that Rotary International President Elect Jennifer Jones and her Rotary partner Nick will be attending our PETS this year.

What a unique opportunity for us to listen to her inspirational message and visit with the first woman to serve as the Rotary International President in Rotary's history. You will hear first hand from her as she explains her vision for Rotary .

We have other well known and motivational speakers joining us as well from Rotary International, Zone 25b-29 and our own District all sharing their Rotary knowledge covering several different topics to make this a truly memorable worthwhile event.

This year's PETS will be held at the Wichita Marriott March 31 through April 2. Check-in is Thursday, March 31 between 4-6p. There will be a social 6-8p in the Wichita Ball room. Dinner is on your own and a list of restaurants will be provided.

All participants are encouraged to bring items of cookware to be dropped off at the check-in desk. These items will be collected and given to the Wichita International Rescue Committee who will distribute them to refugees from Afghanistan that are relocating in Kansas.

The following morning breakfast is included in the room rate provided by the hotel. The opening session starts April 1 at 8:30a. A detailed schedule will be provided upon check-in.

RIPE Jennifer Jones will be the keynote speaker Friday evening from 6:30-8:30p with a social gathering preceding dinner from 5:30—6:30p; **a great opportunity for PEs to meet RIPE Jennifer.** We will conclude the evening with Jennifer, joined by Tom Gump and Todd Jenkins, for a panel discussion on diversity, equity, and inclusion.

A special invitation to all PDGs, DGs, DGEs, DGNs, AGs and Committee Chairs—you are invited to a VIP reception 9-10 pm. We hope you will attend!

IMPORTANT: There is a District business meeting scheduled during the last district break out session of PETS. Please attend, as we will vote to approve our 2022-23 budget.

The deadline for registration is March 17th. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there

DGE Ivanhoe Love
Rotary Club of Liberal

Discovery
"Discovery of leadership skills, friendships, and the history of the space program."

21 High School students from across the district joined together to better their leadership skills and to learn more about themselves. Using the concepts from the highly popular leadership book by James Kouzes and Barry Posner, "The Leadership Challenge," the students explored the five practices of exemplary leadership:

Model the Way
Inspire a Shared Vision
Challenge the Process
Enable Others to Act
Encourage the Heart

The Cosmosphere served as a great backdrop for the students to explore and learn. Time for looking at the exhibits, informal friendship building, formal presentations, and experiential exercises allowed the students to discover each of the five practices in some detail and tie those concepts back to their individual leadership and team experiences in high school or other organizations.

Thanks to Rotarians and non-Rotarians for sponsoring the students to attend the RYLA one-day event. A very big thanks to the Southwestern College staff for developing and leading this event. And of course, a HUGE THANK YOU to PDG Dean Kennedy for leading the RYLA efforts in our district.

Get ready for RYLA Week—May 31—June 4, 2022

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Camp will be held on May 31 to June 4, 2022 at Southwestern College in Winfield and is open to current high school Freshman, Sophomore or Junior students that your club selects. This is a fantastic opportunity for our area youth to learn and enjoy "Leadership in Action." If you have a candidate to attend this year's RYLA let your club leaders know.

To register and for further information go to www.sckans.edu/leadership (click on service outreach and then click on rotary camp) or visit our district website (www.rotary5680.org). If you have questions, please contact Dean Kennedy at 620-212-4107 or dean.kennedy@communitynational.net

Visit the Russell Hampton Booth at PETS

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A Russell-Hampton representative will have a sales booth during PETS. If you are in or near Wichita on April 1 or the morning of April 2, feel free to stop by the Wichita Marriott, even if you are not registered for PETS. If you are not close, consider sending an order with your club's PE and ask him/her to pick up the items for you.

Look at the online catalog for items.

RUSSELL-HAMPTON CO. - Rotary Club Supplies Since 1920 (bestclubsupplies.com)

RC Derby to Host Car Show on April 23, 2022

We would love for other Rotarians to register and bring out their cool cars, trucks, motorcycles, whatever their favorite vehicle is to help us raise money for the Feed a Hungry Child program. Early registration is open until April 15 for $20 per registration; after the 15th or at the gate it is $25.

We have partnered with USD260, Derby Public Schools since 2017 to raise money for the program to insure that no child is denied a hot lunch when their accounts are negative for whatever reason.

We will also have vendor booths including the Kansas Honor Flight along with food trucks at our event.

If any Rotarian is interested in having a vendor booth, they can reach out to us at derbyksrotaryclub@gmail.com for more details. There is no cost for vendor booth registration, but we would ask them to donate something to be included with our raffle drawings during the event. If donations received for raffles they will be recognized on our FB Page as well as announced during the event. Of course a donation is not required to have a vendor booth. Vendor booth registration is also open thru April 15th.

Congratulations to D5680 and Contributing Clubs for their Contributions to ShelterBox! They are all ShelterBox Heroes!

District 5680

RC Hays

RC Russell

RC Lyons

March is Water & Sanitation Month

Rotary Peace Scholarships Now Open for Candidates

Each year Rotary awards up to 80 fully-funded fellowships for experienced professionals seeking to earn a post-graduate diploma in peace and development studies. The yearlong certificate program is designed for working professionals and requires 11 weeks of onsite participation at one of our partner universities in Thailand or Uganda.

50 post-graduate candidates and 80 certificate program candidates will be selected.

Learn more and apply today at https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships. Deadline is May 15, 2022.

For assistance, contact PDG Geri Appel.

Club News from around the District

Rotary Club Pratt: Several members worked the Pratt Community College Beaver Backers' Hospitality Room. Our Pratt club and Legacy Bank sponsored the room.

Rotary Club W Wichita: It was great to actually deliver the bookshelves our club made to the 1st grade students at Lawrence & Benton Elementary.

Rotary Club W Wichita: Sharon West, Terry Gardner and Bob Broeckelman presented our David Weber Extra Effort Award to present this month's award.

Rotary Club Andover: Mark your calendars and plan to attend our spring pickleball tournament. Picklemania MMXXII. Visit our Facebook page or learn more and purchase guest admission here.

Rotary Club Old Town: Our annual Geranium Sale is happening now! Deadline for ordering is Tuesday, March 1. Act Fast!

Orders must be paid for when picked up either Friday May 6 or Saturday May 7. Details can be found on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/RotaryWichitaOT

GERANIUM ORDER SHEET

Rotary Club W Wichita: Several of our members and their families represented our club by helping with the Rotary District Kit Assembly project!

Rotary Club E Wichita: Our club provided 29 bathroom kits to the Refugee Resettlement project. Each kit consisted of a shower curtain and rod and hooks; toilet brush, plunger, toothbrush holder, waste basket and container to hold all items except the curtain rod. Rotarian Tom Church headed our club's efforts.

Rotary Club Old Town: Amidst the 2021 holiday fanfare, we remembered those less fortunate with a donation to one of our Old Town Rotary pantries.

CONGRATULATIONS Rotary Club of Pratt!

The club celebrated its Centennial on February 12 with the theme - "Celebrating a Century of Service." DG Fred and Joyce Heismeyer and DGE Ivanhoe Love joined the club to celebrate 100 years of Rotary in Pratt. President Darrell Shumway presided and joined the group in toasting the continued success of the RC Pratt.

A good time was had by all and here are a few pics of the event.

Plan to attend Rotary at the Ball Game!
Wednesday, June 1
Game time 7:05 pm
Details coming soon!

D5680 International Refugee Project

Rotarians from Wichita Area Rotary Clubs (including Derby, Newton, Andover, & El Dorado) were BUSY in January and February as they worked together to welcome families fleeing war-torn Afghanistan and other countries to their new homes in Kansas. The Wichita IRC office (International Rescue Committee) helps these families find homes, jobs, English classes, etc.

Rotarians compiled and delivered 160 kits to help refugees set up their new households, including dinnerware, kitchenware, cookware, bathroom, hygiene, household items, cleaning and towel kits using new and gently used items. We also transported two moving truck loads of gently used furniture. LOTS of people were involved in this project, including 29 Rotarians (and their families and friends) for final kit packaging on Presidents Day (Feb. 21) and a similar number on Feb. 26 for kit delivery.

Special thanks to RightSize Moving (a Wichita company that donated two afternoons of service—staff and trucks—to move furniture) and to BRG Precision Products (a Derby company that donated eight weeks of warehouse space plus staff time and kit packing materials). The project would not have been successful without their help.

The final phase of the project will occur March 31 when Presidents Elect for Districts 5680 and 5710 and others who attend PETS (Presidents Elect Training Seminar) at the Wichita Marriott will be asked to each bring one item (stockpot, tea kettle, pots & pans to use in the microwave or oven) so additional Cookware Kits can be assembled.

If you are interested in your club taking additional actions to support refugee resettlement, contact Kathy Sexton, Project Leader, at sextonkbs@gmail.com for ideas or contact the Wichita IRC office directly at 316.351.5495.

View a video recap of the special effort here

Rotary
PEOPLE OF ACTION

Upcoming Events

March 23
Rotary Day of Service
Meal Packaging Event

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

October 21-23, 2022
District Conference
Liberal, KS

District 5680 Membership Report As Of January 31, 2022

Club	7/1/2021 MEMBERSHIP	1/31/2022 MEMBERSHIP	NET GAIN 2021-2022
Abilene	47	51	4
Andover	23	27	4
Arkansas City	58	56	(2)
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	73	6
E-Club	16	16	0
El Dorado	30	33	3
Ellinwood	16	18	2
Ellis	11	11	0
Garden City	38	35	(3)
Goodland	21	19	(2)
Great Bend	41	38	(3)
Guymon	25	39	14
Hays	61	66	5
Hays Sunrise	15	15	0
Hill City	14	13	(1)
Howard	10	10	0
Hoxie	20	19	(1)
Hugoton	16	16	0
Hutchinson	94	85	(9)
Johnson	13	13	0
Kingman	22	22	0
Kinsley	6	5	(1)
Larned	16	16	0
Liberal	39	40	1
Lindsborg	7	7	0
Lyons	23	21	(2)
McPherson	35	29	(6)
Ness City	23	23	0
Newton	60	65	5
Norton	14	13	(1)
Oberlin	31	28	(3)
Osborne	11	10	(1)
Phillipsburg	48	48	0
Pratt	51	61	10
Russell	37	37	0
Salina	117	113	(4)
Sharon Springs	6	6	0
Sterling	14	14	0
Sublette	17	17	0
Syracuse	13	13	0
Texhoma	12	12	0
Ulysses	25	27	2
Washington	33	33	0
Wellington	10	7	(3)
West Sedgwick Co Sunrise	34	37	3
West Wichita	59	63	4
Wichita-Downtown	378	382	4
Wichita-Old Town	13	10	(3)
Winfield	74	76	2
TOTALS	**2228**	**2248**	**20**

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District 5680

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Send your articles and club information to:

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

2021-22 RI President
Shekhar Mehta

Calcutta INDIA

Did You Know?
We have a link on YouTube!

YouTube

NOTE DATE CHANGE!

Join Us For This Historical Opportunity

All Rotarians & Guests Invited to Attend

Special Guest &
Rotary International
President Elect

JENNIFER JONES

The first woman to lead the 117 year old organization

Heartland PETS
Guest Speaker

Friday, April 1, 2022

Wichita Marriott

5:30—6:30 pm - Networking & Photo Opportunity
6:30—8:30 pm - Dinner/Keynote/Panel

$50 per person - Deadline to Register is Thursday, March 17
http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=zpax4ohab&oeidk=a07eixxwhfd6369b366

District Contacts for More Information or Questions

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Multi-District President Elect Training Seminar

District 5680 Leadership Transformation Grants

District 5680 has been awarded 30 grants to participate in the programs of the Kansas Leadership Center. The Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) is a non-profit organization committed to fostering leadership for stronger, healthier and more prosperous Kansas communities.

The KLC offers three programs that build on each other:

- **Your Leadership Edge** is the introductory program that focuses on personal leadership competencies. It helps participants stretch and grow their leadership while addressing their toughest challenges.
- **Lead for Change** is the advanced, deep dive into individual leadership – helping leaders understand how to mobilize others to deal with tough problems and change processes.
- **Equip to Lead** focuses on communications, integrating leadership principles into the organization, and facilitating real change.

These programs range from $399 to $799 in value.
The grant allows Rotarians to attend for free.

Who Should Attend?

Each club should consider sending up and coming leaders from their club and community. The virtual sessions are ideal for clubs in western Kansas. Leaders who have done the first program should consider the second and third programs.

How To Register

To Sign Up for one of the three programs, we ask that you do two things:

1. Visit the KLC website at: www.kansasleadershipcenter.org. Create a personal account and register using the code Rotary2022 to waive the tuition fee.
2. Notify District 5680's Trainer, Arlen Honts, of your interest in order that we might track Rotarians who are taking advantage of this grant. Arlen Honts' contact is:
   akhonts@att.net 316-648-7484