

District 5680 News

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Dear Rotarians/aka Santa:

I have tried to be really, really good this year. It has been really difficult with all those conferences I attend and all those good beverages that they serve.



For Christmas I would like the following:

I would like to see every club increase their membership by 5%. Some clubs are achieving this. Can you please help those clubs that are struggling?

I would like to see every Rotary member contribute to the Rotary Foundation. With all the great projects Rotary does to help our communities and around the world please help all Rotarians contribute something to the Rotary foundation.

I have a rather long list. I would also like every club to receive the Rotary Citation. Please give the person filling out the citation bionic hands so that they can type it all in and a strong energy drink to give them the energy to make it through the process.

I would also like it if Rotary members could become a member of the District 5680 Polio Plus Society. For a pledge of \$100 dollars a year they can become a charter member. Please help them contribute so that we can End Polio Now.

Lastly Rotarians/aka Santa I have been lonely. I need more people. More District Committee Chairs and more people to serve on committees. Please make sure they have my email of homeier.rotary5680@gmail.com or phone number 785-483-1139.

There are some Rotarians out there that you might have on your naughty list. I have meet them and hope you reconsider their status on this list because they are really good people. I have been extremely fortunate to meet many great Rotarians that are doing wonderful community projects. They are the heartbeat of their community. Please bless them this Holiday Season.

Sincerely,

Gloria Homeier
District Governor
2023-2024
District 5680



Club News from around the District



Ham and cheese sliders were on the menu at the Ronald McDonald House for families with children staying at Wesley Hospital. These were provided by the **Sunrise Rotary Club of West Wichita.**

Rotary Club of Guymon and Guymon High School Rotary Act Club were getting dictionaries ready for the 3rd graders in Texas County Schools. They are all packed up and ready to go! 📖



Rotary Club of West Wichita served about 400 hotdogs at the Lawrence Elementary Fall Fest!



Rotary Club of Derby hit the streets for Our 20th Annual Dictionary Delivery Days.

Each year our club donates a dictionary to every 3rd Grader in the Derby Public Schools Dist. including St. Mary's and Faith Lutheran.

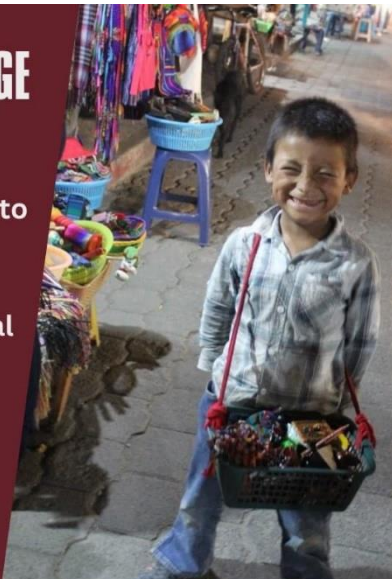


LET'S GO CHANGE LIVES ---

Join us on our trip to
Guatemala
April 13-21 to
implement a global
grant.

email homeier.rotary5680@gmail.com

OR CALL 785-483-1139
FOR MORE INFORMATION



PRESIDENT
ELECT TRAINING
**MARCH 21
THROUGH
MARCH 23
2024**
**HILTON INN
SALINA, KS**
YOU DON'T
WANT TO MISS
THIS TRAINING
FOR PRESIDENT
ELECTS OR
ANYONE
WANTING TO
KNOW MORE
ABOUT ROTARY!!

**SAVE
THE
DATES**

Rotary District 5680 Conference— Russell

The District 5680 Conference took place in Russell KS no November 3-4th. The conference brings together leaders in the District and representatives from virtually every one of our 61 clubs in District 5680. The Conference provided entertainment, Rotary education, networking and a business session. We were shown startling problems in the world, but also were given Hope by how Rotary is working to solve these problems. There is no overnight cure, but by living our theme of **Create Hope in the World**, we can eat the elephant one bite at a time. If you have never attended, I invite you to join us next fall and see how Rotary is making a difference in the world and network with fellow Rotarians. You will leave with a new perspective on what it means to be a Rotarian! LDS

(Photos from the District 5680 Conference)



Opening session by DG Gloria Homeier



Networking opportunities



*Friday
night
Murder
Mystery
Theater*



Future Leaders





*Jennifer Montgomery –
Restoring Hope.
Rebuilding Lives.
Gender Violence Uganda*

*RI Speaker
Russ Tuttle
Human - Trafficking*



Karl Monger
Mental Health



**Consider Visioning to help
your club take the next step
to be all you can be**





Club Awards

*PolioPlus Society Co-Chairs recognized
by PDG Ivanhoe*





PDG Ivanhoe's District Governor's Citations

Club Awards



Individual Awards





Rotary District 5680 Club of the Year

It was announced at this year's District Conference earlier this month that Randy Bowles was chosen for the District Rotarian of the Year award. Asst. District Governor, DeAnn Sullivan, presented the award to Randy.





*Auction for the
Rotary
Foundation*



Final night banquet with Dueling Pianos

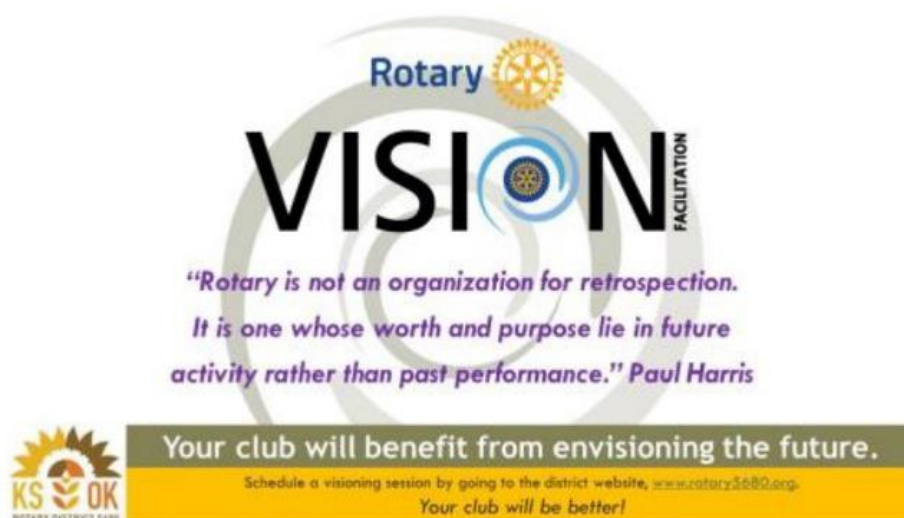




RYLA for 2024 is coming soon! Last year we held the one-day session again which was a huge success. So, this year we will offer the one-day session again plus the full camp at Southwestern College. The one-day session will be held at the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson, KS on February 24, 2024. The full session will be held on May 28 to May 31, 2024 at Southwestern College in Winfield. The camp is open to current high school Freshmen, Sophomore, or Junior students that your club selects.

Registration and information for each session is available at www.sckans.edu/leadership and then service outreach/rotary camp or at the 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



District 5680 Membership Report As Of November 30, 2023

Club	7/1/2023	11/30/2023	NET GAIN
	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	2023- 2024
Abilene	52	55	3
Andover	25	25	0
Arkansas City	66	73	7
Atwood	23	22	(1)
Beaver	18	17	(1)
Beloit	35	36	1
Boise City	19	18	(1)
Cimarron	20	17	(3)
Clay Center	62	65	3
Colby	44	44	0
Concordia	30	28	(2)
Derby	54	56	2
Dodge City	38	38	0
Downs	9	9	0
East Wichita	68	69	1
E-Club	15	16	1
El Dorado	32	32	0
Ellinwood	18	17	(1)
Ellis	10	10	0
Garden City	26	26	0
Goodland	13	13	0
Great Bend	27	26	(1)
Guymon	32	34	2
Haskell County (Sublette)	19	16	(3)
Hays	62	57	(5)
Hays Sunrise	9	9	0
Hill City	7	7	0
Howard	9	10	1
Hoxie	17	15	(2)
Hugoton	15	15	0
Hutchinson	92	96	4
Johnson	10	10	0
Kingman	19	21	2



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and newsletters

OCTOBER DISTRICT 5680 NEWS

Kinsley	5	5	0
Liberal	40	42	2
Lyons	21	22	1
McPherson	24	26	2
Ness City	23	23	0
Newton	59	64	5
Norton	11	10	(1)
Oberlin	30	30	0
Osborne	10	11	1
Phillipsburg	32	33	1
Pratt	67	69	2
Russell	36	40	4
Salina	103	99	(4)
Sharon Springs	5	5	0
Sterling	20	20	0
Syracuse	19	19	0
Texhoma	12	12	0
Ulysses	24	20	(4)
Washington	33	33	0
West Sedgwick Co Sunrise	38	38	0
West Wichita	58	61	3
Wichita-Downtown	363	360	(3)
Wichita-Old Town	9	10	1
Winfield	67	64	(3)
TOTALS	2104	2118	14

President Elect Learning Seminar (PELS)

Mar 21, 2024 – Mar 23, 2024

Rotary International Convention-Singapore

May 24, 2024 – May 29, 2024



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**



Plus Society Continues to Grow

District Governor Gloria Homeier and PolioPlus Co-Chairs Isaac McNary and Dana Brewer are pleased to report that KANOK District 5680 Rotarians continue to stand up against deforming and even deadly Polio by becoming Founders of Our District's PolioPlus Society.

DG Gloria announced that, approaching December 31st, which is the halfway mark of the Rotary year, there are now 60 generous women and men, Rotarians and their helpmeets (spouses) who have generously pledged to give at least \$100 per year annually, until Polio no longer threatens to disrupt the lives of Our beautiful children.

Keep up the good work, we're 60% of the way to Our goal 100 Founders by July 1, 2024. Never forget that either Gates Foundation matches, every \$100 from us is tripled to \$300, resulting in 100 children becoming fully immunized against polio, killer measles and 4 other serious childhood diseases.

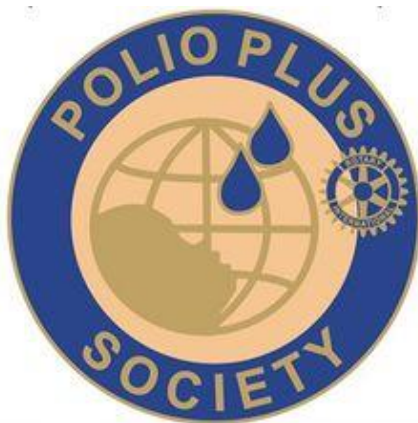
If there are any questions about any of this, please contact us:

Dana Brewer: 785-614-1089

danabrewerdg5680@gmail.com

Isaac McNary: (316) 461-0512

isaac@outreachprogram.org



**BECOME A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE D5680
POLIO PLUS SOCIETY**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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PDG Dana Brewer - danabrewerdg5680@gmail.com
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THE POLIOPLUS SOCIETY

District Governor Gloria Homeier is pleased to announce "One of the Key Initiatives of my term of Service, is the formation of Our District's PolioPlus Society. The PolioPlus Society (PPS) is being formed to encourage Rotarians to commit to donate a minimum of \$100 per year to the PolioPlus Fund until polio is eradicated from the face of the Earth. We need to sustain and increase Our Rotary giving, while the total eradication of the wild polio virus is completed, to keeping it from raging back."

The Rotarians and Friends of Rotary, who join during this inaugural year ending June 30, 2024, will be known as Charter Members of the District 5680 PolioPlus Society. Charter Members will receive a special PolioPlus Society Pin, plus 2 or more US Mint Jonas Salk coins, (1 for each \$50 donated) and a Charter Member Certificate. Governor Gloria also stated "The goal of the Initiative is to encourage at least 100 individuals to become Founders and to eventually have at least 250 Society Members among Our District's Rotarians."

How much impact will those generous gifts make? With the continuing 2 for 1 matches provided by the Gates Foundation through June 30, 2026, each \$100 of those gifts becomes \$300, enough to fully immunize 100 of Our World's precious children. 100 such donations would raise at least \$10,000 dollars and protect the lives and futures of 10,000+ vulnerable kids! Remember what R.I. President Jennifer Jones told the British Parliament, "Until the World is polio-free, every Child is at Risk!" (even Our own Children).

See how to become a Charter Member on the next page. If you need any extra inspiration follow this link to Tom T. Hall's song "100 Children". The Children of Our World will be relying on Charter Members to follow the "4 Way Test" while they continue to faithfully fulfill their PolioPlus Obligations. To help them do so, the PolioPlus Committee will send out a "gentle" email reminder, every new Rotary Year.

Go to the District's website at rotary5680.org to join the PolioPlus Society.

Contact Isaac McNary or Dana Brewer, Co-Chairs of the District's PolioPlus Committee:

isaac@outreachprogram.com or danabrewerdg5680@gmail.com

if you have questions or input.

How to donate to PolioPlus –

- Rotarians can go to myrotary.org/donate and click on Polio Fund where they can make a one time or recurring donation
- We encourage Rotarians to join PolioPlus Direct (the recurring Option), signing up for automatic giving with a credit card. An autopayment of \$10 (or more) per month will qualify or requalify them for the Society.
- For a quick walkthrough on how to sign up for a My.Rotary.Org account and set up an online donation you can view a tutorial here:
<https://youtu.be/c7cdT35F-8o>
- Of course, Rotarians can also donate by giving their Club Foundation Chair or Treasurer a check, payable to the Rotary Foundation, with "Polio Fund" in the memo section.

District 5680 PolioPlus Society

The PolioPlus Society is a group of individuals who are passionate about Rotary's #1 Priority .. the elimination of the poliovirus from the face of the earth.

The PolioPlus Society, or PPS, operates much like the Paul Harris Society. Except that the PolioPlus Society ONLY requires you to donate a minimum of \$100 and to continue to do so annually, until the World Health Organization declares the World free of the poliovirus.

PolioPlus Society members who sign up from July 1, 2023 until June 30, 2024 will become PolioPlus Society Charter Members. You will receive a special pin depicting the two precious drops given to each child and our World, along with a PolioPlus Society Certificate proclaiming your Charter Member status in this unique Society. Plus you will have the knowledge that you are doing good in the world and are in this fight to the end. Joining the Society is a two step process:

STEP 1-Fill out the below "commitment statement" and email to danabrewerdg5680@gmail.com. You can also fill out the form online at: <https://forms.gle/6SZEigrPddrfrSg7> , by scanning the QR code with your smart phone, or by mailing the form to Isaac McNary. 5266 NW 20th St, El Dorado, KS 67042.

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus Fund of the Rotary Foundation as follows (select one):

_____ \$100 USD per year (minimum amount to become a society member)

_____ A contribution of \$ _____ per year to PolioPlus (for gifts of more than \$100)



I pledge to help Rotary make history by continuing to contribute the above amount each year until the World Health Organization certifies that polio has been fully eradicated because ... Until the World is polio-free, every child is at risk!

Step 2-To make your tax-deductible donation go to myrotary.org/donate, sign in and click on "Polio Fund". You can choose a one-time donation of \$100 or more, or a recurring donation in the amount and frequency of your choice (We suggest \$10 a month as the "easy way" to become a PolioPlus Society member). Of course, you can also write a check payable to "the Rotary Foundation", with PolioPlus in the memo section and give to your club's Foundation Chair or Treasurer.

Step 3 - Notify District PolioPlus Chair - Notify Dana Brewer at his email address or mailing address listed above of your donation and method used for payment (recurring credit card, one time credit card, or by check)

Name (please print) _____ Date _____

Address _____

Club Name _____ Email Address _____