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Important Dates

March 4-6, 2016

Presidents-Elect Training Seminar (PETS)
Chicago Northwest Westin Hotel
Itasca, IL

April 8-10, 2016

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Weekend
Lake Williamson
Carlinville, IL

April 16, 2016

District Assembly
Illinois College
Jacksonville, IL

April 30, 2016

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)
Troy UMC
Troy, IL

May 28 – June 1, 2016

Rotary International Convention
Seoul, Korea

A Note From District Governor Steve Hopper

February has been an awesome month for District 6460! Rotary International Director Nominee Greg Yank was in Springfield recently and made a very special announcement. He has chosen Springfield as the site of the Zone 30-31 Leadership Institute to be held September 7-10, 2017! A Zone Leadership Institute is a meeting where Rotarians from 26 different Rotary Districts gather for education, inspiration and for great fellowship. Consideration is being given to holding our 2017 District Conference concurrently to allow the attendees exposure to some of the outstanding speakers and events that are in the planning stages at this time.



While in Springfield Rotary International Director Nominee (RIDN) Greg Yank presented the highest award in Rotary, the “Service Above Self Award” to PDG Rod Buffington. This prestigious award is given to no more than 150 Rotarians world-wide each year who have given continuous humanitarian services in any form, and to recognize especially those who actively help others through Rotary. Past District Governor (PDG) Rod serves as an excellent role model for Rotarians in our District. Although his accomplishments are numerous, our District Rotarians probably know him best for initiating and leading our Rotary Family Day at the Ballpark in cooperation with the St. Louis Cardinal organization. Over the



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past twelve years over \$355,000 has been identified for Rotary literacy projects. Rod is a member of the Rotary Club of Springfield.

Earlier this month the Rotary Club of Springfield South celebrated their 50th anniversary. The Rotary Foundation Chairman, Ray Klingensmith, was on hand and shared some very inspirational comments with the attendees. To top it off, we presented the Springfield South Rotary Club a beautiful banner recognizing them for becoming a 100% Paul Harris Club!

Congratulations to DGE Tony Williams, District Trainer Cathy Jo Littleton Wahl and several other District leaders for successfully conducting the PETS Orientation/Presidents' Summit and our District Team Training Seminar. Our President-Elects are next headed to Itasca for the Midwest PETS event, in which seven Rotary Districts come together to provide an outstanding experience for our upcoming leaders. For more detail, see the article on page 6.

One of our outstanding programs through the years has been our Rotary Youth Exchange. Last week I had the opportunity to meet six "outbound" students and their parents. What a wonderful group. I am confident that they will represent our District, not to mention our country, extremely well!

We are still working through the Rotary Foundation process of seeking approval of our Macedonian bus project. Hopefully, we'll have some positive news to report soon.

This is a good time for our Rotary Clubs to focus on achieving this year's Presidential Citation. The requirements need to be fulfilled by April 1st. The criteria have been shared with every Club President and it is also available by going to www.rotary.org and entering 2015-2016 Presidential Citation on the search area. It looks like the Jacksonville Club is the closest to completing the requirements for the award at this time.

Please take a few moments to think about which of your friends and business associates would be interested in becoming Rotarians. The first step in adding a new member is to ask someone to visit a meeting. At the end of January our 50 Rotary Clubs had a combined net loss of 21 members this Rotary year, so we could use everyone's assistance to introduce and recruit some excellent new members to join us.

Looking ahead, the RI Board has designated March as a special observance of our focus on "Water and Sanitation."

Thanks to each of our District 6460 Rotarians for your efforts individually and collectively to "Be a gift to the world!"



JOIN LEADERS ● EXCHANGE IDEAS ● TAKE ACTION

Club and District Awards – Part 2 of a Series

District Governor Steve Hopper – From the District Awards Committee

As we've previously indicated we would like to be more active in considering Rotarians for various awards that are available through RI or the District. Over the next several issues of "The 4-Way Today" we will provide information about various opportunities for recognition.

Club and District Awards - Continued

One of the significant awards is the Rod Buffington Literacy Award, which is given annually to a Rotarian that has made a significant contribution to literacy through the literacy programs of the District. Suggestions for candidates can be given to our District 6460 Literacy Chair, Sharon Zuiderveld (sharonzuiderveld@hotmail.com) by June 30th. We are very proud of PDG Rod Buffington who has just received the Service Above Self Award, given to only 150 Rotarians world-wide each year, for his continuous service to humanity.

The Club Builder Award offers the opportunity to recognize up to ten Rotarians in the District who have significantly supported and strengthened their Rotary Club. There are four criteria which include the following:

- Recruiting five members who are active Rotarians at the time of nomination
- Participated in Rotary training in their Club
- Participated in at least one meaningful club-level vocational service project
- Attended at least two District meetings in the three years preceding the nomination

Eligible candidates must be nominated by three past Presidents of their own Club (or of a past club if they have belonged to their current club for less than three years). A selection Committee of at least three Past District Governors will select the final recipients. There are some officers that are ineligible for this award, as explained on our District website www.rotarydistrict6460.org and then selecting the Awards link. While you're there, take a look at all the awards that are available to recognize outstanding Rotarians in District 6460.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Weekend – April 8-10, 2016

(REPUBLISHED FROM LAST MONTH)

Lori Palmer District 6460 RYLA Registration Chair

Spring is coming soon, and so is the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) weekend at Beautiful Lake Williamson in Carlinville, IL on April 8 - April 10, 2016. The weekend begins at 5:00 PM on April 8th and ends promptly at 11:00 AM on April 10th. RYLA is Rotary's training program for young leaders, emphasizing leadership, citizenship and personal growth. These skills are reinforced with games, competitions and team-building activities to make this an enjoyable as well as enriching weekend for the participants.

The Bradley Rotaract Club and District 6460 Rotarian volunteers will provide everything to make this a successful weekend, with one exception. They need your club to sponsor outstanding high school sophomores from your area high school(s) to attend this event. The goal is to have two or more sophomores from each high school in District 6460 attend the RYLA weekend. Your club members can nominate students that they know, or you can contact your high school's guidance counselors to recommend students for the event. Future Interact club leaders will benefit greatly from this program.

An application form is included in this newsletter on the following page. You can also access the application form, club instruction sheet, and additional information about RYLA on the District website www.rotarydistrict6460.org. Early registration applications must be received by Friday, March 18th with early registration fee of \$225. Late Registration fee is \$250.



We are excited about our new home at Beautiful Lake Williamson in Carlinville. The outdoor and indoor activities are endless! For further information on the RYLA weekend, please contact RYLA 2016 District Chair, Paul Kluge at 217-473-0363 or at klugec68@yahoo.com. For registration questions, please contact RYLA Registration Chair Lori Palmer at 618-259-7522 or at lori@eastaltonvillage.org.



REGISTRATION FORM
Rotary District 6460 Youth Leadership Conference
April 8 – April 10, 2016
Lake Williamson – Carlinville, IL

Name: _____ M or F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Student Home Phone: _____ Student Cell Phone: _____

Student E-mail: _____ High School: _____ Grade: _____

Sponsoring Rotary Club: _____ Interact Member: Y or N

Rotary Contact: _____ Rotary Contact #: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Contact #: _____

Person Responsible for Your Transportation (including #): _____

Parental Permission and Web Release:

_____(Student) has my permission to participate in the RYLA Conference. I understand that neither Rotary International, Rotary District 6460, the sponsoring Rotary Club, nor Lake Williamson shall be, in case or under any circumstances, liable for any illness, injury, or damage/loss of property incurred by the student during the program. It is also understood that the student will attend the entire weekend program.

I also understand that photographs taken and written materials collected during RYLA may be used to promote future RYLA events in Rotary publications, press releases, business meetings, and websites.

Signature of Student _____ Date

Signature of Parent/ Guardian _____ Date

Please print name of Parent/Guardian

EARLY REGISTRATION IS \$225 PER STUDENT EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 18, 2016
LATE REGISTRATION FEE IS \$250 PER STUDENT

PAYMENT:

CHECK (ONLY): Made payable to **Rotary District 6460.**

MAIL completed form and check to: **Lori Palmer @ 119 W. Main Street East Alton, IL 62024**

FAX completed form to Lori Palmer @ (618) 259-7614 noting check to follow.

QUESTIONS: Contact Paul Kluge at (217)473-0363 or klugec68@yahoo.com

CONFIRMATIONS with all needed weekend information will be sent to applicants.

Training and Upcoming Rotary Year

Anthony "Tony" Williams, District Governor Elect (District Governor 2016-17)

2016 has proven to be an amazing year already. In January, I attended the Rotary International Assembly with my wife, Jan. I had heard from Past District Governors it would be one of the most memorable times in my Rotary journey; they were right. My wife and I met other District Governors Elect and their spouses from all over the world. There were 530 District Governor Elects represented. The new theme, "Rotary Serving Humanity," was introduced by Rotary International President Elect John Germ. He assured us we were living in a very historical time this year as Rotarians



because the total eradication of polio could be accomplished. "We are this close!" With continued vigilance we can make sure that polio will not steal lives of young and old anymore. You can imagine how the roar of more than 1,100 attendees sounded. Rotary 2015-16 International President K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran also had a message for the District Governor Elects. Ravi talked about membership Rotary-wide, mentioning that with 35,000 clubs, 1,230,000 members and of the 1,230,000 only 8,500 are new members. He talked about the decline of membership and what we can do to change the course. President Ravi suggested clubs seeing the biggest

membership growth, are those which seek women to join their membership. I was sitting at one of the dinners with a District Governor from Thailand and I asked about his membership growth. He, also, attributed the growth of their clubs to women joining. While our District continues to find ways to add to our membership, the answers might be less complicated than we have imagined. The time I spent at International Assembly was priceless due to the training and experiences that we received.



Soon after returning back to the District from International Assembly on January 30th we had PETS Orientation at the Scheels Center in Springfield. The attendance was wonderful. The District Training Committee did a fabulous job making sure the objectives were met when presenting critical information to the Club President Elects, Presidents, and other Club and District officers there. I also had the opportunity to talk with the District's Assistant Governors.

The District Team Training Seminar was presented on February 20th at the Scheels Center in Springfield. The District leadership came together in a training and facilitation atmosphere to discuss and learn the different functions, responsibilities, and updates of their committees and District positions. Over the lunch break, Youth Exchange Inbound students from District 6460 and District 6450 (Chicago area) stopped by the District Team Training Seminar just in time to share lunch and make new friends with our district leaders. Thank you to the District Leadership and Training team for another successful training event.



Training and Upcoming Rotary Year - Continued

I am planning to make sure that this year's participation in any of the upcoming events will prove to be enjoyable. My Governor year planning team will be doing things to assure that, starting with the following:

- District Assembly, April 16, at the historic Illinois College in Jacksonville, IL,
- Governor's Installation at Hamilton's 110, June 24,. Ride the Rotary Club Ferris wheel before the event,
- Council of Governors Dinner, October 20, at the Abraham Lincoln Museum, in Springfield, IL,
- District Conference at The Double Tree Hotel and Prairie Capital Convention Center, October 21st-22nd

Charles Darwin said, "It's not the strongest that survive, nor the most intelligent; but those most responsive to change". Come join our District and help "Rotary Serving Humanity."

Chad Anderson – Our Menghini Scholar

Keith and Phyllis Lape

Chad Anderson recently received the Menghini Scholarship from District 6460 for the year 2015-2016. Chad is studying at the University of Pretoria in South Africa. He has completed one year through the scholarship, and he is continuing his studies there.

Prior to receiving the scholarship, Chad was in the Peace Corps, serving from 2011- 2014. Chad worked with people of different background, religious affiliations, and political beliefs. He is committed to helping others. He wrote the following report of an activity he has continued while in school. Even after leaving the Peach Corps.

Since my time in Peace Corps I have been helping raise funding and collecting clothes for the orphanage in my old village. This past year I was able to take all the clothes I collected through the year. It was a challenging process since I am living in South Africa and have been busy since arriving to South Africa. It was really hard bringing several large suitcases full of clothes on the public buses. It took me two days by bus to get to the orphanage, but I was finally able to manage getting there and delivering all the clothes that were donated and collected over time. After I dropped off the clothes, the teachers and community leaders addressed what the children and families need the most. This being children who didn't have shoes got shoes. Those who needed winter clothes got winter clothes. Those clothes came at the right time. It actually gets very cold at night during the winter months and children can get very sick if they do not have winter clothes to keep them warm. The community was so very grateful. A few of the leaders in the community also went out and bought shoes for kids. There are a lot of kids without shoes walking around the village. So it was great to see the community helping out as well. Once that was done the community held a ceremony at the school where the kids attend and distributed the clothes. I will be doing this all again this year and will take clothes to them again as soon as I can.



Chad wanted to thank everyone who helped. The photographs show the kids sporting their new clothes. He plans to continue this activity.



Ins and Out, 6460 Youth Exchange News

February Springfield Fun Weekend for Inbounds & Outbounds.



Feb 19-21 16 Inbounds from 6460 & 6450 came to Springfield Lincoln sites and went to Scheels in Springfield to meet District leadership (and ride the Ferris Wheel). The students worked 2 hours Saturday morning providing a service by sorting and shelving at Goodwill Industries. They spent the night at the Y.



Governor Steve Hopper congratulated 6 candidates on their acceptance into the Rotary Outbound Program. The 2016 Class departs in August after their yearlong application process. Menard Co, Silver Creek, Galesburg, and Macomb are sponsors for this new group of Outs who are going to Chile, Denmark,



Rotarian Don Pigg Presents Paul Harris Fellow Certificates to Grandchildren

Don Pigg, member of the Rotary Club of Jacksonville Sunrise recently used the District Paul Harris (PHF) match program in the fall of 2015 to name his daughter a Paul Harris Fellow.

During that process, our Regional Rotary Foundation Chairman for Zone 31, Todd Lindley, suggested that he do the paperwork to use his Foundation Recognition point to do what he wanted to do ... Present a Paul Harris Fellow to each of his 5 grandchildren.

A former boss of his from the late 1970's made Don a Paul Harris Fellow in February, 1989. In 2001, he was Assistant Governor (AG) in District 6060 and served for 3 years. That was when he became familiar with Todd Lindley who was also on the council serving as Foundation Chair. During many training sessions, Todd would encourage AG's to help set the stage when making his pitch for contributions to the Foundation by us writing checks to the Foundation. Up until that time he had not contributed to the Foundation. After his term on the council ended, Don continued donations and eventually gained enough points to name his son a Paul Harris Fellow and his wife became the next recipient. After his term as AG was over, Don made a donation to the Endowment Fund (with Todd's guidance) to achieve Major Donor status.

Thank you Don for your generous support to the Foundation. Also, congratulations in naming your 5 grandchildren as Paul Harris Fellows. We hope this will be a wonderful inspiration and impact to them during their lives.

The picture below is of Don's five grandchildren and him on December 25, 2015 when he presented them their Paul Harris Fellow certificates.



Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) to be Held in Troy on April 30th

Gordon Jumper, Past District Governor, District 6460 RLI Coordinator



Would you like to better understand Rotary International?

Would you like to know more about The Rotary Foundation?

Would you like to know more about how your club can:

- Be part of an international project through The Rotary Foundation?
- Bring monies to your community for local projects?
- Do more to get and keep members?
- Bring great speakers to your club?

Would you like to contribute more to your club's success?

Would you like ideas to pursue your passion in Rotary?

If so, here is your opportunity.

Rotary District 6460 will offer education for ALL Rotarians at the location and date indicated below:

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

Parts I, II, III

Saturday April 30, 2016 - 8:30AM -3:30PM

Troy UMC

407 Edwardsville Road

Troy, Illinois

Registration is easy – online at <http://hoa-rli.org> , or via the District Website (<http://www.rotarydistrict6460.org>) – Click on the “**Click Here for Information and Registration**” link on the schedule on the right side of the home page for RLI. Follow the prompts to register, come join us for some great information, fun and fellowship.

Cost is \$70.00; ask your club president to sponsor you, since this program is great for the club, too!

RLI is designed for those Rotarians who have the potential and willingness to engage in future club leadership (not necessarily as club presidents) to provide them with a quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills so important in voluntary organizations. The leadership skills you will obtain at an RLI event will help you not only in your Rotary career, but will apply to your leadership efforts professionally as well.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Photos from the recent RLI in Peoria on February 27th





**Membership and Foundation Reports
January/February 2016 (Rotary Year 2015-16)
District 6460**

Rotary International Report Data as of March 1, 2016

Rotary Club of:	Attendance			Membership			Foundation			
	January Meetings 32/50 Reporting (DacDb Data – 2/27/2016)			Report through February 2016 (YTD) (RI Data – 3/1/2016)			Report through February 2016 (YTD) (TRF Data – 3/1/2016)			
	#	%	Rank	7/1/2015	2/29/2016	Gain/ Loss	Giving Goal	Annual Fund Sent	Other Giving Sent	Endowment Sent
Abingdon	2	53.84	25	15	13	-2	\$0	\$1,100	\$0	\$0
Aledo	3	75	6	4	4	0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0
Alton-Godfrey	4	69.06	12	95	89	-6	\$3,020	\$3,195	\$0	\$0
Bethalto	3	65	18	24	21	-3	\$0	\$0	\$90	\$0
Bushnell	4	64.13	20	22	22	0	\$0	\$5,725	\$0	\$0
Cambridge	0	0	33	23	23	0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
Canton	4	74.04	8	27	26	-1	\$2,700	\$925	\$1,000	\$0
Carlinville	4	52.44	27	44	42	-2	\$6,275	\$1,800	\$50	\$0
Chillicothe	0	0	34	7	7	0	\$0	\$1,221	\$0	\$0
Collinsville, Maryville, Caseyville	0	0	35	21	21	0	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0
East Alton	4	85	2	28	28	0	\$0	\$200	\$60	\$0
East Peoria	4	40.71	30	27	28	1	\$1,200	\$785	\$0	\$0
Edwardsville	0	0	36	122	126	4	\$0	\$4,430	\$300	\$0
Farmington	0	0	37	36	34	-2	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Galesburg	4	70.61	10	83	87	4	\$10,315	\$3,500	\$260	\$100,000
Galesburg Sunrise	4	67.65	15	41	43	2	\$0	\$3,403	\$0	\$0
Galva	3	40.47	31	28	29	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Granite City	0	0	38	37	30	-7	\$1,400	\$502	\$500	\$0
Havana	3	75	7	26	24	-2	\$0	\$1,000	\$25	\$0
Highland	4	51.49	28	73	70	-3	\$5,725	\$6,320	\$100	\$0
Jacksonville	0	0	39	109	119	10	\$13,000	\$13,087	\$1,629	\$2,500
Jacksonville Sunrise	4	77.27	4	10	10	0	\$0	\$2,450	\$241	\$0
Jerseyville	0	0	40	36	36	0	\$1,595	\$2,986	\$41	\$14
Kewanee	0	0	41	44	43	-1	\$0	\$0	\$600	\$0
Land of Goshen	4	76.19	5	44	47	3	\$0	\$3,407	\$902	\$0
Macomb	0	0	42	65	67	2	\$0	\$6,705	\$260	\$0
Macomb Centennial Morning	4	88.92	1	45	55	10	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Manito-Forest City	4	50	29	21	21	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mason City	4	71.43	9	16	15	-1	\$0	\$680	\$141	\$25
Menard County	0	0	45	19	18	-1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Metro East Community	4	68	14	18	15	-3	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Midtown Springfield	0	0	49	23	27	4	\$2,200	\$0	\$0	\$0
Monmouth	0	0	43	64	59	-5	\$0	\$18,180	\$0	\$0
Morton	4	64.81	19	116	108	-8	\$0	\$5,626	\$0	\$0
Pekin	0	0	44	47	45	-2	\$0	\$0	\$2,600	\$0
Peoria	4	53.05	26	170	178	8	\$8,750	\$11,230	\$255	\$9,141
Peoria North	4	70.21	11	163	167	4	\$45,000	\$25,700	\$3,030	\$0
Peoria Sunrise	0	0	48	15	16	1	\$0	\$750	\$0	\$0
Pittsfield	4	62.25	21	57	56	-1	\$3,800	\$3,472	\$166	\$0
Quincy	4	54	24	103	98	-5	\$1,000	\$900	\$130	\$0
Quincy East	4	66.7	16	15	18	3	\$150	\$600	\$650	\$0
Rushville	4	68.3	13	29	26	-3	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Silver Creek	4	39	32	19	14	-5	\$0	\$1,000	\$400	\$0
Springfield	0	0	46	68	67	-1	\$20,875	\$17,830	\$2,650	\$4,639
Springfield South	0	0	47	32	35	3	\$500	\$10,000	\$300	\$0
Springfield Sunrise	4	57.8	22	34	32	-2	\$6,450	\$3,995	\$897	\$1,000
Springfield Westside	0	0	50	22	19	-3	\$0	\$1,000	\$300	\$0
The Riverbend	3	65.52	17	31	35	4	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Washington	4	56	23	51	52	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wood River	3	79	3	38	36	-2	\$1,000	\$2,200	\$130	\$0
District 6460 Contributions to the Rotary Foundation									0	\$0
District Totals				2307	2301	-6	\$134,955	\$171,303	\$18,807	\$117,319