

THE SPOKE DISTRICT 6740 NEWSLETTER



Message from the District Governor

Eradicating polio isn't easy, but making history never is!

World Polio Day is just around the corner. Since the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was created:

- There has been a 99.9% reduction in cases of illness caused by wild poliovirus.
- 3 billion children have been immunized.
- 125 countries where polio was endemic have been reduced to two – Afghanistan and Pakistan – with the virus contained in just a few more remote districts and provinces.

Even just one case still represents one child's life forever changed by polio. That's why Rotary members must remain tenacious and keep our promise: We won't stop until we know that no child will ever again experience the paralyzing effects of polio.

On Oct. 24, how will YOUR club recognize Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio?

Each club is urged to get involved on some level. But you should start planning NOW if you have not already identified an event. You can go to the World Polio Day Resources page on rotary.org for tips and tools your club can use to help achieve a polio-free world. You could have a special fundraiser with proceeds going to the PolioPlus Fund. Your club could host a virtual or community event. There are multiple messages already written for you to share on social media. Use the World Polio Day Webpage for inspiration. Add hashtags: #EndPolio#WorldPolioDay!

With support from donors, @Rotary and partners immunize over 400 million children every year from polio. Donate to @EndPolioNow on #WorldPolioDay and it will be matched 2-to-1. Triple your impact now: endpol.io/give #EndPolio.

One thing is certain, every Rotarian in our district (and indeed around the world) needs to double down on their efforts to protect ALL children from this devastating disease. Polio anywhere is a threat to children everywhere.



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21 Rotary Clubs Awarded District Grants

Every year, Rotary districts receive funds which were raised through donations to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund three years earlier. These district grants are competitive and are based on a number of criteria. This year, the District Funds Committee, chaired by PDG Kathryn Hardman (London) has awarded 21 district grants totaling \$29,492 to the following clubs:

Ashland – Dictionary Project (\$700)
Augusta – Animal Shelter Upgrades (\$1500)
Corbin – Empty Stocking Project (\$1500)
Covington – Girls Athletic Equipment (\$1500)
Cynthiana – Riverwalk (\$1500)
Fleming Co. - Backpack Program (\$1500)
Florence – Reading Coaches (\$1500)
Kenton Co. – Home Ownership Assistance (\$1500)
Lexington – Food for Families (\$1500)
Lexington After Hours – Empowering Girls Forum (\$1500)
London – Dolly Parton Imagination Library (\$1500)
Morehead – Food Forest (\$1500)
Nicholasville – Scholarships (\$1500)
Paris – Backpack Program (\$1500)
Pikeville – Nursing Home Christmas (\$810)
Empowering Girls (\$1500)
Richmond – Transitional Housing, Windows (\$1482)
Somerset – Shoes for Elementary Students (\$1500)
Somerset-Pulaski Co. – Alzheimer Disease Respite Care (\$1500)
Stanford – Book Project (\$1000)
West Liberty – Newport Aquarium Experience (\$1500)
Whitesburg – Dolly Parton Imagination Library (\$1500)
We Are Rotarians At Work Indeed!



Did You Know?

RI suggests **MONTHLY THEMES** for clubs to consider for projects, programs, or guest speakers.

July - *Transition Month*

August - *Membership and Extension*

September - *Basic Education and Literacy*

October - *Economic and Community Development*

November - *The Rotary Foundation*

December - *Disease Prevention and Treatment*

January - *Vocational Service*

February - *Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution*

March - *Water and Sanitation*

May – *Youth Service*

June - *Rotary Fellowships*



IWSF Golf Classic a Success DG Jeanne Clark

Four members of the Rotary Club of Lexington After Hours participated in the International We Serve Foundation's Charity Golf Classic at the Cherry Blossom Golf Course in Georgetown, KY on Aug. 26. Rotarians Keith Key, Katherine Wright, Conley Salyer, and John Simson helped raise \$25,950 for that Foundation's initiatives including stopping child labor, purchasing tables, desks, and chairs for schools, planting native trees, and bringing clean water to schools.

IWSF continues to work closely with Rotary International District 3212 in Tamil Nadu to give thousands of poor women and children the quality education and support they need to live better lives.

NOTE OF THANKS FROM IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR, PDG SEEMA SACHDEVA

Hello Rotarians

It gives me great pleasure to report that our District was well recognized at the Heart of America Zone 30 & 31 Institute held on September 21-24, 2023, in Memphis, Tennessee.

We are proud to support The Rotary Foundation that upholds its mission to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

All the 31 districts in Zone 30 and 31 were encouraged to meet 5 recognition criteria based on their giving to TRF Annual Program Fund and Polio Program.

Our District met the recognition criteria in ALL 5 categories in Zone 30 and Zone 31 and was the only District to qualify in ALL categories. For the Annual Program Fund, we qualified for:

*5 percent increase to APF giving annually

* 10 percent increase in giving to APF from January to June Cycle compared to previous year. * BEST 10-year Giving to Annual Program Fund Our Annual Program Fund Giving for 2022-23 was over \$144,000.

For the Polio Giving Recognitions: * 5 percent increase in Polio Giving Annually * 10 percent increase in Polio Giving in the January to June Cycle compared to previous year. Our Polio Giving to the Rotary Foundation was in excess of \$75,000, which is very significant. Overall, our district ranked #3 in Zone 30 in PolioPlus Cash Donations per capita. Our sincere gratitude to the Rotary Clubs of Corbin and London and their leadership for their steadfast support of polio eradication over the years.

We had no ZERO giving clubs to TRF!

Our District was picked in a drawing by Past RI President John Germ for the First Prize of \$250 for Foundation Activities.

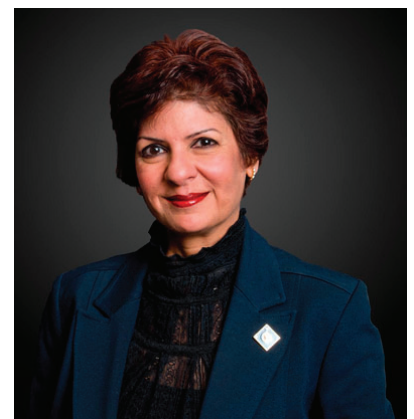
I am very appreciative of all the club presidents and district leaders for their relentless support of our Rotary Foundation. It is because of such generous giving that the Rotary members all over the globe are able to do the much-needed service projects in our 7 Areas of Focus. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to our District Rotary Foundation Chair, PDG Rakesh Sachdeva and our Leadership team including DG Jeanne Clark, DGE Xandy Stewart, DGN Greg Palmer, PDGs Mike Noftsgar, James Glass, John Hutchings, Kathryn Hardman, Joe Caldwell, Keith Key, Jack McAllister, Dale Elifrits, and AGs Frank Dawahare, Vincenzo Fressola, Terry Pugh, Gil Fauber, David O'Meara as well as Patton Hart at all the sites for the Foundation Event in June 2023, where we raised in excess of \$60,000.

On another note, I had the privilege to serve as a speaker during a breakout session on "Prepare for Disaster- Can't happen to me?" where I shared the execution of the largest district-wide hands-on project undertaken by our district in flood disaster relief in 2022. The session was under the leadership of our TRF Trustee Chair, Barry Rassin and RI Director, Beth Stubbs. I was humbled to receive the "Winner of Zone 30 Most Effective Crisis Communication" recognition.

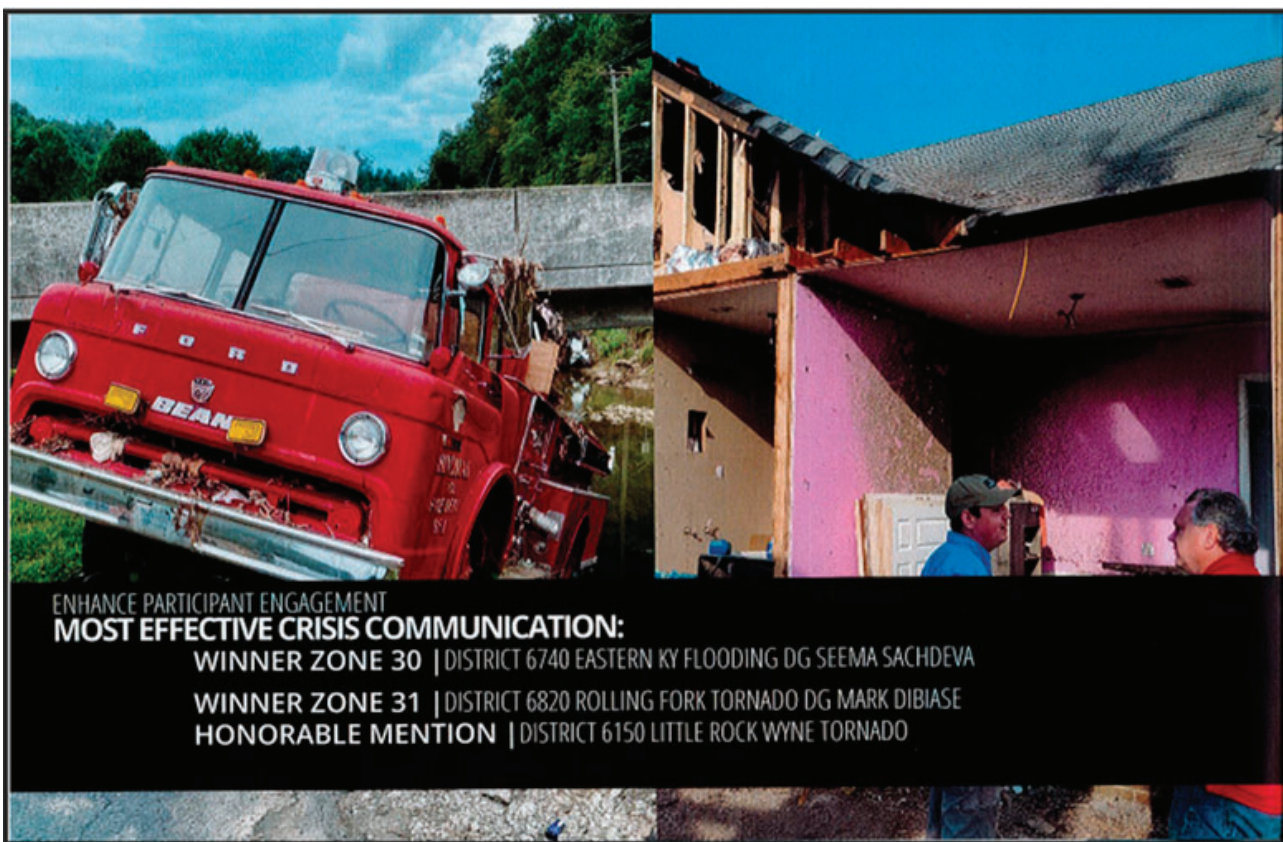
In the Girls Empowerment category, Pikeville Rotary Club, was recognized for their "Empowering Girls of Appalachia" service project and featured in the People of Action, 2022-2023 Highlights, Heart of America, Zone 30&31 Institute booklet.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all our district Rotary members for their support in 2022-2023.

Together we serve!



NOTE OF THANKS FROM IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR, PDG SEEMA SACHDEVA



RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT PARTICIPANTS **GIRLS EMPOWERMENT**

These activities increase impact with projects that empower, protect, and create equity for girls. We encourage districts and clubs to engage in projects that address the inequities of girls, that are faced in one region or culture. Our area of focus is aligned with Rotary's areas of focus and are the goals of our Action plan.

Projects are focused on:

- Supporting access to health care and nutrition
- Ensuring access to water, sanitation, and hygiene resources
- Preventing exploitation, neglect, and physical and emotional violence
- Supplying menstrual and hygiene resources
- Providing access to basic education, skill training, and technology
- Raising awareness of child labor and child marriage
- Offering opportunities for girls to elevate their voices and articulate their views, ideas, and opinions areas of focus."

We have many Districts that have developed activities and strategically focused on keeping the momentum alive. They have done an excellent job sharing in Rotary showcase for all to see.



District 6740 | Pikeville Rotary Club | Empowering Girls of Appalachia 2023 | DG Seema Sachdeva

This project benefited 250 ninth-grade girls of Pike County, Kentucky, and aimed to transform them into strong, independent, and self-reliant women. The girls received career and mental health counseling, and were engaged in conversations regarding internet safety, domestic violence and abuse, and sexual assault. They also participated in 19 hands-on skill stations related to healthcare and vocational services where they got the opportunity to perform CPR, start intravenous lines, learn about cybersecurity, and various vocations. 11 female professional Rotary members were paired with 15 girls by random drawing for a day of professional shadowing. Many of these girls in attendance would never have the opportunity to explore careers as they lack parents with educational degrees at home and don't have role models to emulate.

Turkey Earthquakes Shelter Box 2023 Response Report

TÜRKİYE EARTHQUAKES

2023 response report

ShelterBox responded to a series of powerful earthquakes that struck southern Türkiye, near the northern border of Syria in February 2023. In partnership with Rotary in Türkiye, ShelterBox was quick to respond, providing shelter and vital household items including mattresses, stoves, and blankets to more than 12,500 people who had been left with nothing.



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TURKEY

GAZİANTEP
ALEPPO

SYRIA

ARMENIA
AZERBAIJAN
IRAN
CYPRUS
LEBANON
IRAQ

**THE CRISIS
IN TÜRKİYE**

On 6 February 2023, two devastating earthquakes, measuring 7.8 and 7.5 magnitude on the Richter Scale, struck Kahramanmaraş, Türkiye.

Two weeks later, another powerful earthquake hit Türkiye, close to the border with Syria. More than 16,000 aftershocks occurred in the following weeks, with the impact felt across the 10 provinces in which a three-month state of emergency was declared. Three million people were displaced by the earthquakes; more than 50,000 lost their lives and another 100,000 were injured. These earthquakes are the largest to hit the region in the last century.

WORKING WITH ROTARY

Rotary in Türkiye supported the Government led response, which was coordinated through AFAD, Türkiye's Disaster and Emergency Management Authority, and supported by the Turkish Red Crescent (TRC). Rotary in Türkiye worked closely with AFAD, gaining permission to operate in some of the affected areas. Rotary's connections with AFAD, search and rescue organisations, supply chain and logistics businesses, and municipalities were critical in enabling the ShelterBox response and getting aid on the move in a dynamic and complex emergency.

Through its network of Clubs at city/municipality level, Rotary in Türkiye was very well connected to Governmental mechanisms and able to support ShelterBox in obtaining permissions to operate and be a part of the relief effort. The ability of ShelterBox to be present at distributions, to collect baseline data and to follow up with endline surveys, was only possible due to our partnership with Rotary International and the permission to operate that this gave us with local municipalities.



32-year-old Aleu lives with her husband and two children--one-year-old Beste and four-year-old Boris--in Azurs district, Türkiye.

When we first met with Aleu in March 2023, the family were sleeping in a small camping tent, not big enough to fit the four of them. Now, they are sleeping in the tent provided by ShelterBox.

"This tent is not a small [gesture]. For us, it's a huge support. It makes us feel safe."

The family have hopes to one day move to a more permanent place to call home. "We are going to buy some land and build a prefabricated home made from lighter materials, but no concrete. We do not want to go inside concrete anymore."



Turkey Earthquakes Shelter Box 2023 Response Report

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

A ShelterBox team travelled to the affected regions of Adiyaman and Hatay with members of Rotary Club of Istanbul and Rotary District 2430, who were leading in Rotary's emergency response in the region, within 48 hours of the first earthquakes. During these visits, the team carried out impact assessments based on the shelter situation that already existed within the affected area.

Our teams' attention was increasingly drawn towards rural populations whose numbers had swelled due to urban displacement. Although in urban locations, there had been a move towards favouring more durable shelter options, such as containers, it became clearer that in more rural areas tented accommodation remained a viable option. This allowed families to stay at their homesites, to continue with livelihood activities, or to feel safer in smaller localised settlements as they did not have to relocate to seek shelter assistance in larger cities.



The ShelterBox team worked with Rotary and municipality staff in Arzus, leading 'train the trainer' sessions, which focus on sharing knowledge and best practice on tent setup. Kivilcim Aksüt from Seyhan Rotary Club for acted as translator.



ShelterBox distributions in association with Rotary in Türkiye and local volunteers, provided aid for those affected by the earthquakes including hygiene kits.

Following conversations with Rotary, AFAD and local Government Municipalities, the deployed team developed an assistance package with a focus on tents and household items, to allow people to stay in their homesites and not have to relocate to larger cities in search of assistance.

Following a request from the Turkish Red Crescent, an immediate 'gift in kind' was made by ShelterBox just days after the earthquakes. 528 tents were shipped on flights provided free of charge by Turkish Airlines, from our warehouse in Panama, and sent directly by AFAD for distribution in Hatay.

IN COLLABORATION WITH ROTARY PROJECT 1 IN TÜRKİYE HAS
SUPPORTED MORE THAN 12,500 PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE EARTHQUAKES, WITH:



2,528
family tents



6,000
mattresses



8,000
blankets



1,000
solar lights



2,000
Hygiene Kits



1,000
solid fuel stoves

(* solid fuel stoves provided to the first 1,000 families during the coldest winter months)



With a special thanks to Rotary International members

We'd specifically like to thank DG Emre Ozturk who played a pivotal role in the response. We also offer our thanks to members of Rotary and Rotaract clubs of Istanbul, Gaziantep, Iskenderun, Seyhan, Antakya, Ecology, Istanbul Erenköy and Merrin.

Turkey Earthquakes Shelter Box 2023 Response Report

THE IMPACT OF OUR AID

The aim of the project, as developed in conjunction with Rotary in Türkiye, was to contribute to people's immediate safety by providing access to emergency shelter and basic household items. An emphasis was placed on our ability to remain mobile and adapt to needs as they became clear. As such, we were able to reach the additional locations of Malatya, Maras and Antep, and double the number of people supported with ShelterBox aid.

Our partnership with Rotary International and the permissions to operate that this gave us with local municipalities, allowed us the opportunity to be able to capture household data and conduct reporting activities. This was key to understanding how individuals had benefitted from our aid.

Overall, respondents expressed positive views towards the assistance package provided, with 79% agreeing that their living conditions had improved thanks to the help they received from Rotary and ShelterBox.

We also found through interviewing people who received ShelterBox support, that they felt much safer, with 67% of people saying they felt safe in their shelter, compared to 13% prior to

When interviewed before receiving ShelterBox support, 31% of people reported being able to conduct their daily routines to some extent, this increased to 68% as a result of receiving our aid.

Furthermore, 84% of people said they had more access to household privacy and improved dignity as they no longer had to stay in shared accommodation and overcrowded spaces. 70% of people said they had increased protection from extreme weather conditions e.g. cold, wind



While coordinating with Rotary members during community assessments in Adiyaman, the ShelterBox team were able to help unload supplies that the Rotary network were providing as part of their own immediate response activities.



Yunus Emre, the President of Istanbul Erenköy Rotaract Club was one of many Rotaract members involved in the response; assisting with distributions and supporting the ShelterBox team as a translator during visits to affected areas.

When we spoke to Emre, he said "I want to thank ShelterBox and all its supporters. I see the impact that you have made in Türkiye – in my own country and hometown. But I see [ShelterBox's] impact everywhere, not just in Türkiye. It is very important to work together."

"In particular, I want to thank everyone who I worked with in Türkiye. They are always working – it's like they're Superman! So, I thank you so much."



ShelterBox

Rotary



ShelterBox and Rotary International are Project Partners in disaster relief. ShelterBox is a registered charity independent of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. EID 20-0471604 www.shelterboxusa.org

24 October is World Polio Day!

As World Polio Day approaches, we need your help to amplify our message about eradicating polio to protect the world's children from a devastating disease.

We have made tremendous progress since the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was launched:

- A 99.9% reduction in cases of illness caused by wild poliovirus
- 3 billion children immunized
- 125 countries where polio was endemic reduced to two — Afghanistan and Pakistan — with the virus contained in just a few districts and provinces



But even just one case still represents one child's life forever changed by polio. That's why Rotary members must remain tenacious and keep our promise: We won't stop until we know that no child will ever again experience the paralyzing effects of polio.

Let's use World Polio Day to advocate for the support we need to make history by eradicating polio. Together, we end polio!

Get involved

Take action this World Polio Day by hosting virtual and community events, creating fundraisers, and talking about the importance of polio eradication on social media.

Plan

If you haven't started planning your World Polio Day action, now is the time! Visit the [World Polio Day Resources page](#) for tips and tools your club can use to help achieve a polio-free world.

<https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/11V6qYoN96vqBRy1bH6HdXBKKIFmiJ>

Register

Register your club's participation in World Polio Day to show how you're taking action to eradicate polio. The districts that have the highest percentage of registered clubs by 24 October will receive a special video message from RI President R. Gordon R. McNally.

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Fundraise

Use Raise for Rotary to start a World Polio Day online fundraiser. All contributions will go to the PolioPlus Fund. The top Raise for Rotary World Polio Day 2023 fundraisers will be featured on My Rotary.

<https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/11V6qZPKTi9wMXKSwbvJtryP2MzLFo>

Rotary Club of Kenton County Receives District Grant for Work with HONK

We are please to have received a district grant to work with HONK...Housing Opportunities of Northern Kentucky. HONK builds and rehabilitates homes to create affordable homeownership opportunities for participants in their homeownership program. HONK residents prepare to become homeowners while living in the home they plan to buy. They make monthly lease payments to HONK. A small part of their payment is set aside to help with the purchase of their HONK home. Our grant will assist in bringing a new house on board for HONK participants. Our group will also be providing hands on assistance over two weekends to get the house ready for occupancy. To learn more about Housing Opportunities of Northern Kentucky, please visit their website: <https://honkhomes.org>



Spearheaded by our current President, Michael Constantino, our First Ever Golf Ball Drop fundraiser is scheduled to occur on World Polio Day, October 24, 2023. For information on how to support this event please use the following link: <https://www.charityvalet.com/KCRCballdrop23>



Fellowship of Flying Rotarians Gathers in Reno

Lexington After Hours Rotary Club member Vanessa Grossl and her spouse Cameron are members of the International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians (IFFR). The couple joined the group in Reno on September 14-15 flying from Georgetown to Reno in their Fairchild 24.

Penelope Cornwall, a former United Airlines Captain, Past President of the El Segundo Rotary Club, and IFFR Section Leader for the SW AMERICAS (ARIZONA CALIFORNIA COLORADO, HAWAII, NEW MEXICO, and NEVADA) organized the group around the Reno Air Races. The group attended the races during the day on Friday and enjoyed a dinner party in the evening at the home of IFFR members Tim and Vicki Puliz in Reno.

Vanessa and Cameron are pictured here (far right) with the group. It was a gorgeous evening of tasty food, friendship, and a shared love of aviation. This IFFR chapter is hosting its next Fly-In in Palm Springs, CA, in February 2024. To learn more about the fellowship or to join IFFR, visit www.iffr.org (you do not have to be a pilot to join).



Kentucky Represented at Rotary Zone 30/31 Conference

Kentucky was well represented at the Rotary Zone 30/31 Conference last week in Memphis. Thirty-five district governors, along with their DG Elects and Nominees, from the mid-western states, renamed the Heart of America, attended this week-long conference. They worked on membership, mental health, Foundation and disaster relief issues as they pertained to their individual districts. Two district governors represented Kentucky.

Shown here with RI President Gordon McInally (center) are DG Jeanne Clark (6740 in Eastern KY) and Tommy Reed (6710 in Western KY).



Greetings from RID 3181!

As you might be aware, RID 3181 organizes an International Motorcycle Ride / Drive event - Ride for Rotary, in India. The aim of the event is to promote International fellowship and exchange of Rotary views.

The last 7 editions of the event have been an overwhelming success. More than 150 participants from 18 different countries have attended the event and have had wonderful experiences to take back home.

The proceeds from this event go to The Rotary Foundation. We have contributed close to \$150,000 to TRF from the last 7 editions.

This year's event will be held from 5th to 20th January, 2024. The 15 days event will start-off from Udaipur (India) and can either be a motorcycle ride, or a four wheeler drive.

The ride will cover multiple Rotary Districts and many Rotary Clubs. Route map will be - Udaipur - Ahmedabad - Statue of Unity - Surat - Nashik - Pune - Kolhapur - Goa – Mysore

Below are the Event Highlights:

- "Ride for Rotary" is an event involving motorcycle riding and four-wheeler driving across India.
- This initiative is organized by Rotary District 3181 to support and strengthen The Rotary Foundation while celebrating Rotary Fellowship.
- The journey will encompass visits to various Rotary Clubs, insights into Rotary Projects, enjoyable fellowships, and opportunities to meet new people.
- Participants will have the chance to experience diverse cultures, cuisines, and lifestyles along the route.
- Cultural activities and a Gala Dinner will be featured throughout the journey.
- Accommodation will be provided in 3-star hotels or higher.
- The meticulously planned route will showcase diverse landscapes, including palaces, beaches, hill stations, temples, and churches, covering approximately 1600 km across 5 Indian states.
- The ride will be supported by medical staff, helpers, mechanics, and support vehicles.
- A MiniBus will transport participants' luggage.
- The bike and four-wheeler convoy will be under the guidance of experienced crew members.
- Participant food and accommodation will be covered only from January 5th to January 20th, 2023.

Participation Fee (Early Bird):

- For Individual: 3500 USD + 18% Tax
- For Couple: 5500 USD + 18% Tax
- Participation Fee includes:
 - For Motorcycle: Food, Stay, Riding gears, Motorcycle with fuel, Flight Ticket (From Goa to Mysore)
 - For 4 Wheeler: Food, Stay, Vehicle with fuel, Flight Ticket (From Goa to Mysore)
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We request you to register for this event and make the event a greater success. Please visit our website: www.rideforrotary.com for more details

September 30, 2023 will be the last date for Early Bird Offer.

Regards,
Team Ride for Rotary 8
www.rideforrotary.com

Rotary Club of Lexington After Hours Hosts Second Successful Empowering Girls Forum

*"You may not control all the events that happen to you,
but you can decide not to be reduced by them." - Maya Angelou*

This message from poet Maya Angelou marked the second year this theme has been used to inspire over a hundred 10 and 11 year old girls as the Rotary Club of Lexington hosted its annual Empowering Girls Forum.

August 28 marked the event held at the Leestown Campus of Bluegrass Community and Technical College. The Forum welcomed 125 girls in the 5th grade at Arlington, Deep Springs, Cardinal Valley and Harrison Elementary Schools.

The event, partially funded by a district grant, was sponsored by Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield Medicaid of KY, BCTC, Community Trust Bank, Forcht Bank and the National Alliance on Mental Illness KY.

Amber Philpott, WKYT-TV news anchor, returned to emcee the event. The girls heard powerful messages on self-esteem and bullying from two outstanding community leaders. Mrs. Jana F. Wilson is a licensed professional counselor from Paducah with years of experience in treating adolescent behavioral concerns. Mrs. Roszalyne Akins is the founder and executive director of the BMW (Black Men Working) Academy as well as the Carter G. Woodson Academy, the first all-male college prep school for boys in the Commonwealth. Mrs. Akins has also been honored for her work on civil rights by President Obama and is an inductee in the Ky. Civil Rights Hall of Fame.

After the Forum, the girls were treated to pizza and games at Malibu Jacks, an entertainment venue in Lexington. The Rotary Club also had a surprise gift of twenty \$50 Target gift cards for 20 random winners.



First-Ever District 6740 Ride to End Polio Held in Pikeville

Sept. 9 marked our district's first-ever motorcycle Ride to End Polio.

Special thanks to Larry Miller who co-chaired the event with DG Jeanne Clark. Those who volunteered to work the event included PDG John Hutchings (Maysville), PDG Cindy Legg (Paintsville), DGN Greg Palmer (Florence), Brett Keene (Pikeville Club President), Faith Powell (KYCOM Rotaract President), 10 Rotaract members, Frank Dawahare and Novella Froman.

The district greatly appreciated its sponsors for the event – Billy Johnson Law, Community Trust Bank, Pikeville Medical Center, Mineshaft Harley Davidson and Appalachian Wireless Arena.

At the end of the ride, the talented UPike Bluegrass Ensemble, led by Eric Rutherford, entertained on the plaza of Appalachian Wireless Arena.



Rotary Club of Lexington Hosting Indoor Ride to End Polio



**Indoor Ride to END POLIO NOW
Spin to Win the Fight Against Polio
November 18th
Noon**

**CYCLEYOU Fitness and Sauna
165 Midland Ave. Lexington KY**

Be a Rider/Support a Rider

Funds go to

The Rotary Foundation

END POLIO NOW

**Receive Paul Harris Fellow
credit for your donations!**

<https://raise.rotary.org/Peggy/challenge>



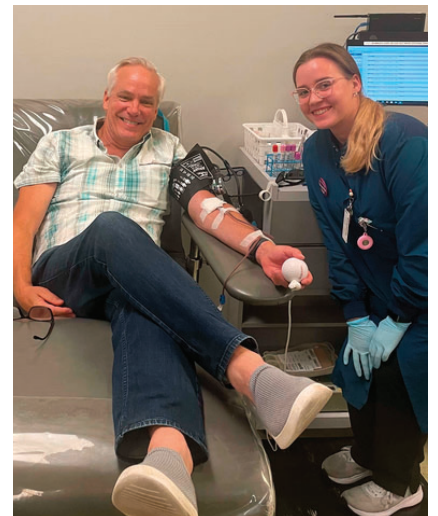
The Rotary Club of Lexington is joining
other clubs in riding to raise funds for
ending polio. Please join us in riding!
Contact Susan Adams at telico@aol.com
for more information.

Doing Rotary, Differently - A Week of Service

President Kim Johnson's signature initiative of breaking from our traditional formula of meeting each Thursday by eliminating one such lunch per month and substituting a week of service kicked off in August. What better way to raise awareness about Rotary, serve the community, and offer something new to engage members! Some highlights of the week:

Over thirty represented the club at the historic groundbreaking for Town Branch Park to show pride in the \$100,000 commitment to the children's Adventure Playground. More than a dozen showed up to pack 280 backpacks for food insecure students in Fayette and Floyd Counties. Some attended Commerce Lexington's Salute to Small Business wearing their Rotary pins, buttons, and attire to raise visibility while others worked in our pollinator garden getting it ready for the fall. And there's more! There were lunch dates with prospective members and with those we haven't seen in a while. We even had a member donate blood and commented "Rotary service for the week."

The Rotary Club of Lexington is taking a new approach on how we connect, serve, and network with each other and the community and the results show we are off to a great start!



Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary Club Supports Habitat for Humanity Lake Cumberland Half Marathon

Brian Dopp

Members of the Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary Club came out to help cheer on runners on the Habitat for Humanity Lake Cumberland Half Marathon.



Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary Club Has Social Outing at Jack's Axes Brian Dopp

Members of the Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary Club attended an evening social at Jack's Axes. Jack's Axes is an axe throwing venue that gives patrons the opportunity to try their hand at throwing axes.



DG Jeanne Clark Visits Louisa Rotary Club Bev Scarberry

The Louisa Rotary club met for their weekly meeting, Thursday, September 14, with a great club attendance.

The club was honored to have the Rotary District Governor, Jeanne Clark attend and speak. Ms. Clark spoke about Rotary's Five Avenues of Service:

I Club – developing healthy clubs

II Community – improving life in your own backyard

III International – promoting peace and understanding in the world

IV Youth – empowering youth

V Vocational – contributing our professional expertise to the problems and needs of society

Another club highlight; President, Thomas Bradley awarded three members: Past President, Harold Slone, Michelle Brewer, and Brent Westmoreland, as Paul Harris Fellows.

Congratulations to each of these members for being loyal and dedicated participants in executing club events.



Left to right: Club President, Thomas Bradley, Past President, Harold Slone, Michelle Brewer, Brent Westmoreland, Rotary District Governor, Jeanne Clark

Russell County Rotary Club Hosts 1st Pickleball Tournament Fundraiser

Earl Twinam



Buy an Ad for Rotary Radio Day

OCTOBER 24, 2023 ON
RADIO WIVY 96.3 FM



Buy an Ad for Rotary Radio Day

On October 24th Radio Station WIVY (96.3 FM) in Morehead will donate ad revenue to Morehead Rotary Club from 9 am to 3 pm. You can help your community and advertise all at once. Rotary is selling 30-second ads for \$15.



Rotarians will read your 30-second ads on the air. If you don't want to write an ad, we can write it for you or you can use your own pre-recorded ad. You can buy up to 10 ads but only two scripts will be allowed. We can also do greetings for birthdays, anniversaries, songs, and special event promotions.

Radio Day proceeds will be used for Polio Eradication and Community Rotary Projects.

Call 606 207 4785 or write MoreheadRotary@gmail.com to order your ad! Write your checks to the Morehead Rotary Club and send them to Morehead Rotary, 106 Timber Lane, Morehead, KY 40351.

Rotary will invoice you if you request it.

Ads and payments are due by OCTOBER 17, 2023.

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