

THE GOVERNOR'S REMARKS



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I hope most of you were able to stay dry last month. The rain is relentless, but so is the membership of District 6200.

Our neighbors in Jackson, Mississippi, did not do well and are in need of fresh water after a major flood. Unfortunately, the water system has been destroyed and will be out of commission for a long time. Many of us in District 6200 know what it is like to be without water. Fortunately, our District has a Rotarian that many of you may know, Larry Agee, a Disaster Aid USA co-founder. Larry and his team are raising money for 1000 sawyer water filters to take up to Jackson MS. Total product costs will be 20K plus tax and shipping. The filters are being shipped to him in Lake Charles, and then his team of volunteers will run them up and distribute them. Larry would love to work with local Rotary Clubs that can help purchase and distribute the filters to the people of Jackson. So if you or your Club would like to donate, please send funds to the District, made payable to the **Rotary District 6200 Foundation** and marked for "Jackson Flood Relief". District Administrator Frank Bradshaw will ensure it goes to Larry and his team. If you would

like to volunteer, please contact Larry Agee with Disasters Aid USA at 337.515.4076.

This month is Rotary's Basic Education and Literacy month. So I am encouraging Clubs to reach out to support education and literacy in your communities. Many of our Clubs give scholarships in their communities, and some of you have adopted schools and helped them by doing book bags and school supply drives. In addition, some of our Clubs support education through Interact and Earlyact clubs. If you do not have an education or literacy project for your Club, please consider one. Visit: . Rotary has many ways to support basic education and literacy.

Also, we are hopefully going to start seeing some cooler weather and some great opportunities to get those outside socials going. Fall is festival and football time in south Louisiana. So take some time and celebrate your clubs with a social gathering, and don't forget to invite those potential members.

I hope everyone finds a friend to help with their education/ literacy projects and share Rotary.

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Rotary District 6200 District
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Rotary District 6200 2023-24 Global Grant Scholarships

\$35,000 Scholarship for one-year study abroad

Graduate studies only; must be in one of Rotary's 7 areas of focus

Application Deadline: Monday, October 24, 2022; interview early December

Contact: rotary6200@lusfiber.net

Highlights:

Rotary's seven areas of focus:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development
- Supporting the environment

Rotarians, spouses, and lineal descendants of Rotarians are ineligible

Looking for good academic performance, public speaking /interpersonal communication skills, evidence of civic engagement or commitment, language proficiency as needed for the country chosen, and basic knowledge of Rotary and The Rotary Foundation

Call or email District 6200 about qualifications, application, or process. District Scholarship Chair Donna Landry and former scholars also available to speak to Rotary Clubs or student groups (live or Zoom) upon invitation and confirmation. Learn more at www.rotary6200.org





Morris Guidry Jr. receives exemplary award

In 1974, Morris Jr. began his journey in being involved with the community. That year, he joined the Rotary Club of Golden Meadow. This year marks his 48th year in the club and of those 48 years, he has achieved 42 years of perfect attendance. Over the years he became involved in other organizations and public boards. In 2021, he received recognition from Lieutenant Governor Nungesser for his years of service by receiving the Louisiana Volunteer Service Award.

After serving on numerous boards in Lafourche Parish, Morris received an exemplary award by the Lafourche parish council. Pictured below is Guidry receiving this award by Councilman Daniel Lorraine.

Rotary

PEOPLE OF ACTION



Rotary Club of Golden Meadow recognized for its disaster relief efforts

In the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Ida, the available members of the Rotary Club of Golden Meadow stepped into action and assisted numerous sites, including their own, handing out non-perishable food items, toiletries, bags of ice, and even pumping gasoline! The club has also provided home cooked meals, up to 1400 per day to the community. Even members whose homes were destroyed worked with the club in cooking and distribution of goods and those who were evacuated had a virtual part in networking clubs together and relaying messages. Our members put aside their own needs and put the community first, humbly displaying "Service above self."

On Tuesday, July 26, 2022, the Lafourche Parish Council recognized the Rotary Club of Golden Meadow, commending the club on its efforts in the community throughout the recent disastrous events of Covid-19, Hurricane Zeta, Kentucky tornado relief, Arabi tornado relief, and Hurricane Ida.



Rotary statement on recent polio detections in U.S., Europe

The recent detection of the vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 case in New York, USA, and isolates in several environmental samples collected in London are stark reminders that as long as polio exists anywhere, it is a threat everywhere. It also highlights the importance of vaccination as the only form of protection against polio and other vaccine-preventable diseases and the work that needs to be done in our communities to encourage the uptake of vaccines. Also, as the world gets closer to zero wild poliovirus cases, it is increasingly important to track all forms of the virus wherever they may appear, including in polio-free regions.

The U.S. is still considered low risk for paralytic outbreaks of polio due to the high level of vaccine coverage across the population. If a child has received the entire course of vaccines, the risk of becoming paralyzed by polio is negligible. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 92.6% of children aged 24 months are fully vaccinated against polio, slightly below the 95% World Health Organization target.

The best things countries can do to protect themselves from polio until the disease is eradicated from the world are to: maintain high vaccination coverage and robust disease surveillance and be ready to respond in the event of an outbreak to minimize the risk and consequences of polio re-introduction or re-emergence anywhere.

The world currently has a unique opportunity to stop virus transmission for good. Still, all parties, including donors and country governments, must re-commit to polio eradication by fully supporting the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) 2022-2026 strategy. This focuses on adopting an emergency posture while generating greater accountability and ownership from country governments to eradicate wild polio and end variant poliovirus (cVDPV) outbreaks.

Rotary, a global service organization with over 1.4 million members, has been at the center of the worldwide effort to eradicate polio for over three decades. Every year, through our funding partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Rotary commits \$150 million to the global effort to eradicate polio. We have contributed more than \$2.6 billion and countless volunteer hours to end polio forever. Together with our partners, we engage communities everywhere to encourage high vaccination rates, immunizing over 400 million children annually. More than 20 million people are walking today who otherwise would have been paralyzed because of our efforts and those of our partners in the GPEI.

The time for urgent action is now. A new vaccine has been deployed – novel oral polio vaccine 2 (nOPV2) – which is more genetically stable to stop outbreaks of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus effectively. With sustained political and financial commitments, the GPEI is confident that we can achieve a world in which no child is paralyzed by polio again.



“GET YOUR ASK GOING”

MEMBERSHIP LEADERS

CLUB NAME	MEMBERSHIP @ JULY 1	CURRENT	NET
DEQUINCY	12	15	8(25%)
GOLDEN MEADOW	13	15	2(15%)
GREATER LAKE CHARLES	57	65	8(15%)
DERIDDER	35	39	4(11%)
JENNINGS	18	20	2(11%)

****WE ARE CURRENTLY DOWN BY 26 MEMBERS FROM JULY 1ST @ 2269****

QUICK MEMBERSHIP TIP'S FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

- Start looking at something that you would like to accomplish in your community or a fun way to celebrate membership within your club. Get your membership excited about the multiple opportunities to grow membership and be rewarded.
- Get in contact with your local officials about service project opportunities in your area. Make your presence known in your community. Get your brand out there, get people talking about rotary.
- Engage your members, look within your club to start a satellite club.

THE WORLD NEEDS MORE ROTARIANS!



Calendar of Upcoming Events:

- 🕒 **RI Zones 30 & 31 Conference – Pathways to our Future 2.0**
 - o Governor line training – September 27 - 29, 2022
 - o Conference – September 29 – October 2, 2022
 - o Chattanooga, TN
 - o [Link to register](#)

- 🕒 **Rotary District 6200 Mid-Year Assembly**
 - o Saturday, January 21, 2023
 - o Home-2-Suites by Hilton, Lafayette, LA

- 🕒 **Come Together~ Imagine Rotary**
 - o Rotary District 6200 District Conference
 - o April 21 – 23, 2023
 - o Home-2-Suites by Hilton, Lafayette, LA

- 🕒 **Rotary International Convention**
 - o May 27 – 31, 2023
 - o Melbourne, Australia
 - o [Link to register](#)



Zachary Rotary Club thanks Mary Landry for her tireless devotion and faithful leadership as the 2021-2022 President.



The Sunrise Rotary Club of Houma presented \$200 of after school snacks/supplies to Hope Extreme on 9/12/2022. From left to right – Bonnie Dupre, Treasurer of Sunrise Rotary Club, Tara Detiveaux, Exec. Director of Hope Extreme, and Sherman Naquin, Membership Chairman of Sunrise Rotary Club of Houma.



DG Tim McNabb's visit to the Rotary Club of Lafayette Satellite meeting.

Important Links

[District Website](#)

[Brand Center](#) – Download PoA assets and create images

