

The Serving Tray

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VETERANS HONORED: President Roy honored all veterans present today, in person or via Zoom.



DISTRICT GOVERNOR DON GLADHART VISITS OUR CLUB

In Assistant Governor Marilyn Romine's introduction, we learned DG Gladhart, a member of the Rotary Club of St. Joseph since 2008, became club president in 2014/15 and served as assistant governor before becoming governor. He grew up in Hiawatha, KS and served in VISTA after graduation from Washburn University. He was regional manager during his two careers, restaurant management and financial services.



DG Gladhart spoke about District 6040's efforts related to COVID-19. He provided Rotary history as well as Rotary's current vision statement and action plan. He spoke about Rotary Foundation grants and Rotary fundraising. The goal this year is for each member to contribute \$144 to the annual fund plus \$30 to PolioPlus. He said Rotary's areas of focus are promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, sanitation and hygiene, saving mothers and children, supporting education and literacy, growing local economies, and supporting the environment. There are various Rotary Action Groups one could join in any area of interest. He said increasing membership is an important goal. Although our worldwide membership remains at 1.2 million, District 6040 membership has fallen from 2,350 in July, 2019 to 2,221 now. DG Gladhart suggested visiting <https://my.rotary.org/en> for more Rotary information. He also shared RI President Holger Knaack's key message to clubs (see below).

RI President Holger Knaack
Key Messages to Clubs





1. Every Club should host at least one strategic meeting each year at which you ask:

- What should our Club be like in five years?
- What steps should we take to help achieve that vision?
- What value do we bring our members?

2. We must grow our Clubs

- We must ask ourselves "What will our Club look like in 25 years?"
- We must attract younger people
- We must be sure our club meets their expectations
- We must engage them and take care of them



50-50 Drawing: Ruth Bowers did not pull the ace of spades or joker; pot now up to \$2,146.

Guests:

District Governor Don Gladhart
Assistant Governor Marilyn Romine (via Zoom)
Rashmi Prasad (via Zoom)

Upcoming Programs:

Nov. 18: Sandra Williams/Chamber of Commerce
Nov. 25: NO MEETING
Dec. 2: Jeff Romine/Rotary Foundation
Dec. 9: Valerie Anderson/Missouri RYLA
Dec. 16: Holiday Program
Dec. 23&30: NO MEETINGS