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Greetings Eastern Kansas Rotarians! Essentially just a month left for the current crop of leaders to run things before becoming "once-was has-beens"... It's been a good year, yes? A challenging one, to be sure, but it wouldn't be any fun if it was easy, right? As I get ready to head off to the RI Convention in Seoul, time for a little taking stock. Membership – we're down a bit overall, but some clubs have done very well, and other clubs who face great demographic challenges have managed to grow a bit – that's no easy thing! Others of us have had some challenges as life and work do their bit to our membership. All in all, however, we're healthy, our retention is in better shape than in years past, and the new group of PEs has some real energy going into it.

And speaking of that – the RI Council on Legislation has really stepped up and given each club an amazing amount of latitude to tune their individual club policies to match their individual needs. Click this link to a summary of the [changes that will be effective](#) on 1 July. Presidents-Elect and the club boards need to be looking at and talking about this – great fodder for your club assemblies! And all of you who aren't on the boards – you should read it and bring it up for discussion if your boards don't! Key thing to note – none of these changes are mandatory, they are simply authorized if you want to implement them. In many cases, this will allow clubs to change their by-laws to match what they are doing anyway, and remove a "4 Way Test" conflict, eh?

Foundation – we set an ambitious goal collectively. At this point in the year, we are at \$101 per capita giving! Thank you one and all who have given of your time, talent, and treasure to meet that milestone. Last year we finished at \$123 per capita, so if you are sitting on contributions at the club level, there is still time to make this year a high note. Atchison, Bonner Springs, Johnson County, Johnson County Sunset, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Overland Park, Overland Park South, Shawnee, and Topeka are all well past their goals, with Bonner Springs overachieving at 218%! Several of us are in the high 80's or better: Council Grove, Gardner, Manhattan, Overbrook, Valley Heights at Blue Rapids and Western Johnson County are all within easy striking distance. And many of the rest are not far behind. We have clubs like Jayhawk Breakfast who, while they are at a little over half of their *\*goal\** are at \$136 per capita. Setting stretch goals is a *\*good\** thing! There are several clubs who while they aren't at goal, are at better than \$200 per capita, regardless. We'll keep those to ourselves, so that no one sits on their laurels and continues to vie to be number one for the year... We can all be proud of our efforts, as I am.

RYLA is coming up soon – a big "Thank You!" to all the clubs who have sponsored young adults to attend this life-changing event, and to John Curran, in his final performance as the Chair, and incoming Chair Faron Barr, for the amazing event they have planned for them!

The time is now, PEs and Boards, to be prepping your grants for next year. Don't wait until the "1 July" start date of the Rotary year to get those moving. Better planning leads to better grants, which leads to better outcomes! Don't get wrapped around the calendar, the time is NOW to get cranking on those.

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Last, but not least, the [RI Annual Convention](#) next year, the Foundation Centennial Celebration, is in Atlanta, Georgia. In honor of the first donation to the Foundation, \$26.50, made by the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, RI is running a registration special of \$265 – if you register between 28 May and 6 June! That’s about \$100 off the normal price. Atlanta is within reach, folks! When the convention was in Chicago we put together a bus to the convention and made it a Rotary party – if you would like to step up to put something like that together for Atlanta, contact DGE Chris Ford and volunteer for the committee!

It’s been a great year, let’s finish ROTARY STRONG!

John H Donovan

## Rotary Leadership Institute

The next Rotary Leadership Institute is scheduled as follows:

- Session I        Saturday, August 13th at Washburn University (concurrent with the FML Seminar) in Topeka
- Session II -     Saturday, August 27th at Community America Ballpark (home of the Kansas City T-Bones) at Village West, Kansas City Kansas
- Session III -    Saturday, September 10th at Community America Ballpark

Special thanks to Adam Ehlert for his generosity in loaning the RLI the space at the T-Bones ball park. Watch your email and future newsletters for more information.

## END POLIO NOW

At the District Conference and Assembly in April, we announced that we were contributing another **\$25,000** to Polio Plus this year – yes, in addition to the \$25,000 we already sent! We are stepping up to End Polio Now! This is **NEW MONEY**, so to speak, and we are again asking you, and your clubs to help us by digging deep and giving whatever you can to Polio Plus. Let’s do this... Let’s End Polio Now!

until the money runs out...Rotary District 5710 will match the next \$25,000 donated by individuals or clubs in our district

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YOUR GIFT TO

**END POLIO NOW**

turn \$25,000 to \$150,000 by making your donation today.

contact: PDG Kevin Tubbesing, DRFC - Kevin@KevinTubbesing.com

The graphic is a red rectangular box with white and yellow text. At the top, it says 'until the money runs out...Rotary District 5710 will match the next \$25,000 donated by individuals or clubs in our district'. Below that is '6x YOUR GIFT TO' in large white letters. In the center is the Rotary International logo. Below the logo is 'END POLIO NOW' in large yellow letters. On the left side, vertically, it says 'turn \$25,000 to \$150,000 by making your donation today.' On the right side, vertically, it says 'contact: PDG Kevin Tubbesing, DRFC - Kevin@KevinTubbesing.com'.

## District Events

**For Details go to the District Events section at [rotary5710.org](http://rotary5710.org)**

### **RYLA**

June 5-9

University of Kansas—Lawrence

### **FOUNDATION, MEMBERSHIP, LEADERSHIP SEMINAR**

August 13, 2016

Washburn University—Topeka, Kansas

Also at FML...

### **ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

First Class on August 13, 2016

### **FOUNDATION/MEMBERSHIP/LEADERSHIP SEMINAR**

**August 13, 8am**

Mark your calendars for Foundation, Membership, Leadership Seminar August 13 at Washburn University in Topeka. This is a free event, and a terrific chance for Rotarians from across the district to come together to share ideas! This is a fast-paced, fresh approach to tackling the issues that impact our clubs. Perfect for both new members and club leadership. See you there!

## Club Events

If your club is on ClubRunner, add the event to your website and click to share with the District.

Not on ClubRunner? Send the event details to Mandy at [Mandy@rotary5710.org](mailto:Mandy@rotary5710.org).

### **BURLINGTON**

**June 3 & 4, 2016**

**Rock Creek Country Club**

(more info on page 5)

### **DESOTO**

**June 4, 2016, 3:00—7:00 PM**

**Winesong Festival at Riverfest Park**

\$25.00 tickets

Click [here](#) for info.

### **LEAWOOD**

**June 11, 2016, 8:00 AM**

**Leawood Rotary Run**

Click [here](#) for info.

### **OVERLAND PARK SOUTH**

**June 17-18, 2016**

**So Jo Summer Fest in the Woods**

Click [here](#) for info.

### **LOUISBURG**

**June 20, 2016**

**Annual Louisburg Rotary Golf Tournament**

Contact [Doug Bowes](#) for info.

### **VILLAGE WEST**

**June 21, 2016 7:00 PM**

**Strike Out Polio**

**T-Bones Game**

**CommunityAmerica Ballpark**

### **BONNER SPRINGS**

**June 30, 2016 6:00 PM**

**80th Anniversary Celebration**

## New Club Members for April

Atchison	Ethan Hausmann
Baldwin City	Randy Rezac
DeSoto	Rodger Murdock
Gardner	Kristy Harrison
Johnson County-Sunset	Steven Reece
Lawrence Central	Taryn Parillo
Manhattan Konza	Mark Reidy
Olathe Noon Rotary	Courtney Swope
Ottawa	Luke Bauer
Overbrook	Richard Fairchild
Shawnee Mission	Jenna Bentrop



## Rotary Night at the KC Zoo

The Rotary Club of KC, MO invites you to join Rotarians from across the Metro at Rotary Night at the Zoo on June 9th. The event is from 4:30—8:00 PM. The cost is \$10, which includes your meal. We will be in the Africa section, and the Sky Tram will be open to ride. This is a family-friendly event, kids of all ages welcome! Cost is \$10/person—kids under 3 are free.

You can register online [here](#).



**Rotary Night at KC Zoo**  
**Thursday June 9, 2016**  
**\$10 per person**  
**kids under 3 free**  
**RSVP by 6-2-16**  
 (Without RSVP it will be \$15 per person at Gate)

**An Evening in Africa**  
 RSVP to Club Runner  
 or (816) 842-2322

4:30 - 8:00 pm Trams running to and from Africa  
 4:30 - 7:30 pm Free rides on the African Sky Safari and Boat Ride  
 5:00 - 7:30 pm Hotdogs, soda, water and cash bar with beer and wine at Boat Dock & covered picnic area  
 Chats times will be given at the event when you check in at registration (below are Tentative)  
 Lion Zoo Keeper Chat  
 Chimp Keeper Chat  
 Hippo Keeper Chat  
 Baboon Keeper Chat  
 Cheetah Keeper Chat



*Ride the African Sky Tram*



## Burlington Rotary Catfish Capital Tournament and Fish Fry

The Burlington Rotary Club invites everyone to the second Catfish Capital Tournament and Fish Fry. Fisher guys and gals of all skill levels are invited to participate in the two day tournament. Participants and everyone from the public are invited to a spectacular meal, fish weigh-in and award presentation, games, and prizes to cap off the tournament.

Fishing can take place any time after check-in Friday, June 3rd at Noon until fish weigh-in Saturday at 2pm at the Rock Creek Country Club in Burlington. Registration is \$30 for each 2 person team. Teams will aim to secure the biggest 5 catfish limit.

Whether you fish or not, everyone is invited to the fish fry at Rock Creek Country Club June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. A meal of fried catfish (or chicken option) and fixings will be served for \$10. (\$5 for 10 and under) Following the meal, each team's catch and awards will be presented.

New this year, youth are invited to a Fish for Fun event at Rock Creek Country Club. Participants will meet at 3:50 at the clubhouse and be escorted to fishing locations by event volunteers. Participants are welcome to bring their own poles, but extra poles will be available. Golf play will not be interrupted for the event. Prizes will also be awarded to youth for this event.



Burlington, Kansas has been known as the Catfish Capital of the World for nearly a century. Even today, Coffey County offers some of the best all around catfishing in the world whether you are fishing for yellow cats, blue cats, or bullhead. The Burlington Rotary Club is excited to host the tournament and fish fry for the purpose of celebrating our catfishing heritage and bringing people together for a good time.

To learn more about the fish fry and tournament or to register visit <http://tinyurl.com/catfishtourney>, email [bhines@mail.cclibks.org](mailto:bhines@mail.cclibks.org), or call 785-639-2037.

## Strike Our Polio with the T-Bones



Block your calendars on Tuesday, June 21st at 7 p.m. for a special event to "Strike Out Polio" with fellow Rotarians and the Kansas City T-Bones at CommunityAmerica Ballpark. We invite all Rotarians, their families, and anyone impacted by Polio to attend this special night of baseball. A portion of the ticket sales will go to support the End Polio Now campaign.

"The pastime of a Rotarian is generosity towards an impactful cause, the pastime of America is baseball. I can't think of a better merger of pastimes. We welcome everyone within the District, and thank the Leavenworth, Western Johnson County, and Bonner Springs Rotary clubs (among others) for helping promote the event," said Lee Urban, incoming Village West Rotary Club President.

Please call or email the T-Bones for ticket information: [groups@tbonesbaseball.com](mailto:groups@tbonesbaseball.com) or [913-328-5263](tel:913-328-5263)



## Bonner Springs 80th Anniversary Celebration



THURSDAY JUNE 30TH • 6-11 P.M.  
LAKE FOREST CLUBHOUSE  
100 LAKE FOREST DRIVE  
BONNER SPRINGS, KS 66012

6:00-6:30 Social Hour

6:30-7:00 Dinner

7:00-7:30 Program

8:00-10:00 Dancing to 'Crosseyed Jack' band

\$25 per person. Cash bar available.

Please help us celebrate 80 years of  
"Service Above Self"  
to the Bonner Springs Community.

R.S.V.P.: 913-441-2584 or mjcs42@gmail.com

## Emporia Creates "Little Libraries" with Boy Scouts

The Emporia Rotary Club worked with the local Boy Scouts to install three Little Libraries in the Emporia Community this Spring. The three Little Library kits were purchased and assembled by the Emporia Rotary Club. The libraries were painted and decorated under the supervision of Rotarian, Jami Reever.

Boy Scout club director and Rotarian Alex Mosakowski worked with the students to get the Little Libraries installed. This project will benefit many children in the Emporia area.



## Gardner Awards 'Citizen of the Year' with PHF

The Gardner/Edgerton Chamber of Commerce and the Gardner Rotary Club started giving out a Citizen of the Year award this year. The honor is attached to a Paul Harris Fellow awarded to the recipient. The inaugural year of the award went to Edgerton resident, Donna Bratton.

Donna Brassfield-Bratton has been a pillar of the Edgerton community for 74 years. She grew up in Edgerton with her parents owning the Brassfield Sundries Store. After graduating High School in 1956 among a class of six, she started teaching the youth of our community and successfully completed that most important job for 31 years. After her retirement from teaching Donna has been most active. Her love of teaching continues to this day with her involvement in school activities. She is a charter and current member of the building Site Council, organizes and facilitates the annual alumni dinner, and is a leader in the annual third grade community service project that collects funds that are then used to purchase goods for the local food pantry. She is also involved with the third grade history unit dealing with community. She brings her knowledge and pictures which entertain the children, many of whom Donna taught their parents.

Donna also is a charter member of the Edgerton Historical Society. She donated her family home to the Historical Society which was moved to its present location in 2005, located next to City Hall. The museum opened its doors in 2013 with many of the family treasures included. She is very active in the Historical Society and serves as a living reference for research.

Her involvement with the Edgerton United Methodist Church is described as a quiet but strong voice. She was a Youth Leader for the High School youth program for many years. She has also been strongly involved with the community Food Pantry which is run out of the Edgerton UMC. She was the chairperson for the Prayer Circle until recently, but is still very involved.

A very positive person and always finding the good in everyone, Donna has changed a lot of lives. The Rotary Club of Gardner congratulates Donna on this award!



## Garnett Fireworks Stand



Garnett Rotary Club, in conjunction with the Anderson County High School Dance Team will operate a community fireworks stand for this 4th of July. This has been an annual cooperative venture between the two organization for many years. Monies raised from this venture go toward dance camps, local community projects, and scholarships. So, if you are in or around Garnett, please stop by!



## DeSoto—5th Annual Winesong At Riverfest Park

The Rotary Club of De Soto will be hosting our 5th annual Winesong Festival at the Riverfest Park in De Soto, Kansas, June 4th, 3:00PM to 7:00PM. Tickets are only available online at [winesongatriverfest.com](http://winesongatriverfest.com). The \$25.00 ticket gets you a dated souvenir Winesong wine glass, 10 wine tastings from 16 Kansas wineries, and hors d'oeuvres from Johnny at the 6th Street Hy-Vee in Lawrence. You can enjoy the sounds of two live bands, the Crumpletons and the Sons of Brazil, under the two big 60' x 90' tents, complete with tables, chairs, or feel free to bring your favorite chair and food, find a spot under a huge Cottonwood, buy a bottle of Kansas wine, and have a wonderful afternoon with friends and family.



There will also be two food trucks selling heartier offerings for dinner and we will showcase local artists and their unique creations. Located on the south bank of the Kansas River, the De Soto Riverfest Park is a great venue for our Winesong celebration of Kansas Wineries and, since 2012, has become our signature fund raising event. Past Winesong events have supported the De Soto Food Pantry, the Kill Creek Barn, Pioneer 4-H, and international projects in Guatemala and Panama. Our three benefactors this year are The Friends of the Kaw, a local group that keeps watch on the River's health and much more, ShelterBoxUSA, which provides complete tent homes "in a box" for use in international relief efforts, and thirdly, a Club contribution made in conjunction with a Rotary Foundation grant that will maximize our contribution.



We extend an invitation to you and your friends to come on out and enjoy an afternoon at our secluded park, where not a house is in sight. Parking is free and you must be at least 21 years of age and must provide an ID to enter so, if you're riding with someone, don't forget your license. [winesongatriverfest.com](http://winesongatriverfest.com)

## RYLA Just Around the Corner...

RYLA 2016 is only a few days away! On behalf of the entire RYLA staff, we would like thank all of you who are sponsoring at least one RYLA student this year. We have 74 students that have applied and we have 26 clubs that agreed to be sponsors. I also wanted to extend my appreciation to all of you who were willing to sponsor, but was unable to find a student this year. Your interest in being involved with this program is what helps keep RYLA thriving each year.



At this time, we will not be able to accept any more students due to housing and scheduling. Most of the packets have been mailed out and the last few should be arriving any day. If you know of a student who has not received their packet, please let us know so we can make sure they have it in time.

There is an opportunity for you to attend the camp on Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup>. On this date, RYLA invites Rotarians, parents, and teachers to have lunch with the students on the KU campus. This will be held from noon – 1:30pm at Mrs. E's, which is one of the cafeterias on the KU campus. If you would like to attend this lunch, [please RSVP to Faron Barr](#) so we will know to expect you. The graduation and awards ceremony will be held on Thursday at 11:00am in the Kansas Union. You are welcome to attend this ceremony as well. I have heard from a few of the parents, teachers, and students about how excited they are to be a part of RYLA. This should be an awesome RYLA year!



## Area Rotary Clubs Pledge Support for RINC Initial efforts have resulted in 6 new Rotarians

In an effort to attract more young professionals to Rotary, three area Rotary Clubs have collaborated for over a year to develop what is called “RINC”, which stands for Rotary Inspiring Network and Community.

Young Rotarians and non-Rotarian emerging leaders in Johnson County that want to make a difference in their community and professions, have gathered to make new friends and learn about community issues. To date; six people have joined an area Rotary Club as a result of their participation in RINC events.

Now, Overland Park, Overland Park-South, Olathe-Noon, Leawood, Louisburg and the Shawnee Rotary Clubs are actively supporting RINC. Other area Rotary Clubs are encouraged join the effort with the goal of growing the number of young professionals joining a Rotary club in the district.

The group is planning future Leadership Development activities, social and service activities. Each collaborating club is asked to appoint a member to serve as the point of contact for their club and serve on the RINC advisory board. Collaborating clubs will be asked to support REINC with a small annual financial contribution.

If you would like to become involved or learn more contact, Pat O’Donnell, Olathe Rotary, [poppyod@gmail.com](mailto:poppyod@gmail.com)

## Western Jo Co Guns & Horses Event a Huge Success

The Western Johnson County Rotary Club Inaugural Guns & Horses Event welcomed 30 Trap shooters to Powder Creek Shooting Park on May 7<sup>th</sup> where spectators witnessed some tough competition and some that hadn’t fired a gun in over 20 years. The final round for Best Individual Shot was a shootout between Mark Shumate and Fred Allenbrand, with Fred taking home the trophy. It was a tough battle but hopefully they will be back next year to participate.



Special Mention goes to the team from the Gardner Rotary Club who took away Best Team and Best Rotary Shot trophies. The Western Johnson County club looks forward to having them back next year and hopes that more clubs will take on the challenge.



The weather was perfect for donning Big Hats. Nine ladies participated in the Big Hat contest and the winner chosen by attendees, went to incoming President Kelly Bosak.

The horses were restless right out of the gate at the Kentucky Derby Horse Race. Those Stick Horses can be hard to rein in after a couple of Mint Juleps but current President Marla Williams kept her filly under control to enter the winners circle. There was no garland of roses but Marla did generously donate her monetary winnings back to the club.

Both the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Kansas City, Olathe Unit and Charlie’s House will be the recipients of the proceeds. A special thanks to all of the volunteers and the Sponsors, Night Raptor Tactical, Marla Williams Agency, Construction DesignWorks LLC and Nickolas Wilson, AAMS®, Financial Advisor Edward Jones. This event would not have been possible without them.

Next year the competition between Rotary Clubs could get much fiercer. Aim to attend! [More pictures](#)

## Emporia Rotary Teams Up with Kiwanis to Repair Local Salvation Army

When the Emporia Rotary Club decided to renovate the Salvation Army's Annex building, President-elect Harvey Foyle reached out to the Kiwanis Club, resulting in what he believes is the first joint project between the two clubs. "This is the first time anyone can remember that two clubs came together to work on one project," Foyle said.

The Rotary Club received a two-for-one match grant from the Rotary District, and asked the Kiwanis Club to lend a hand with construction. "I knew (Kiwanis Club) knew how to do woodwork and I know the Rotary group knows how to paint," Foyle said. "It's nice with the two clubs, with two different skill levels, to do this one project."

The Kiwanis Club constructed a 12-by-7-foot wooden cabinet, while the Rotary Club plastered, primed and painted the 40-by-40-foot meeting room. The groups also replaced the large window at the front of the room and provided a 10 foot steel serving table for the kitchen.



"We believe that the Salvation Army money that we give should go towards the spiritual and leadership things for the people and not for brick and mortar," Foyle said. "So we took care of the brick and mortar." Lt. Lynn Lopez of the Salvation Army said the updates to the building make it seem brand new. "It's a 'night and day' difference," Lopez said. "It's been so much easier to work in it and it just looks absolutely beautiful." Lopez hopes the updates will lead community organizations to view the building as a potential meeting location as well as using the location for ministry. "I cry every time I look at it because it's just so beautiful," she said. "We can do beautiful ministry in there because it looks so good."

Lopez also mentioned that, even though a wall which had a painting of sunflowers was painted over, the Salvation Army has a plan to preserve that particular piece of history. "We took several pictures of (the sunflowers) with the people who painted them years ago," Lopez said. "We're gonna have it framed and that'll go up on the wall. The sunflowers people are missing will go back up there in a beautiful picture frame."

\*This article was written by John Robinson for the Emporia Gazette.

## Leavenworth Rotarians Support Over-the-Counter Medicine Drive



On May 14th, members of the Leavenworth Rotary Club and the Lansing Lions Club teamed up to sponsor an over-the-counter medicine drive in support of the Saint Vincent Clinic. Several club volunteers donated their time and energy to ensure this endeavor was a success. Thanks to community members for all donations, OTC medicines and cash. All in all, the two clubs collected an estimate of about \$2000 in needed medicines and over \$482 in cash to donate to the clinic. The next medicine drive is scheduled for October 2016. Many thanks again for the overwhelming community support of this endeavor. Special thanks go to Jackie Chandler and Dillon's Grocery Store for allowing us to use their store as our collection point! Pictured from left to right are: Tamara Sevcik and Jessica Martin (Rotary Club), Mary Anne Zohner (Lions Club), and Brianna Martin (Jr. Rotarian)

## Leavenworth Rotary Announces Scholarship Winners

After reviewing 27 scholarship applications, four area students were selected to receive \$1000 Academic Rotary scholarships and two area students were selected to receive \$500 Vocational/Technical Rotary scholarships.

Pictured left to right are President Ellen Bogdan, Sarah Lanter (Pleasant Ridge HS), Maggie Schwartz (Pleasant Ridge HS), Cody Jensen (Lansing HS), Kara Fort (Lansing HS), Christina Wiley (Leavenworth HS), Elena Nine (Immaculata HS) and Rotarian Tamara Sevcik (Scholarship Committee Chair). Elena was recognized as the William L. "Buck" Jones Scholar and Christina was recognized as the Beau Kansteiner Scholar; both Buck and Beau were long-time Rotarians who served our community well.



These student scholars should be very proud of their accomplishments, and we wish them continued success in their future educational endeavors!

## KC, KS Club Awards Student Scholarships & Recognizes Teachers

The Kansas City, Kansas Rotary Club, at its May 3rd luncheon, announced the winners of its annual Student Scholarship Contest and recognized outstanding teachers from each of the Wyandotte County high schools.

The Club awarded \$1,000 college scholarships to each of the winning students: Sydnei Patton of Sumner Academy and Alexander Trobough also of Sumner Academy. The Club awards two scholarships, one to the top female and one to the top male. These students competed with other outstanding high school students from the Wyandotte County schools. All the students exemplify the highest academic, service and character standards in our community. The Rotary Club congratulates them, and wishes them the best in their pursuit of higher education.



In addition, annually the Club recognizes outstanding teachers from each of Wyandotte County's nine high schools. This is an annual program of the Kansas City, Kansas Rotary Club to show appreciation to teachers in the county that represent the best of our community. The teachers were introduced by their school's administrators and the club was told of their unique contributions to the respective schools. Each was presented a plaque of appreciation by the Club. We are grateful to these teachers who give so much of themselves to educate and prepare our youth for the future.



## Gardner Rotary Grocery Grab Fundraiser

Enjoy this video of our recent Grocery Grab, where the winner grabbed over \$900 in Groceries! Proceeds from the event support Gardner area projects. Click on the picture below.



## Lawrence Rotary Club



Join the Douglas County Community's

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

SATURDAYS JULY 16 & 23, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

SUNDAYS JULY 17 & 24, 12:00 NOON-4:00 PM



Help kids in need succeed in class this year!

Donate school supplies, backpacks and shoes at the following stores:

- Walmart on 6th Street
- Office Depot on Iowa Street
- Checkers Store
- Walmart on Iowa Street
- Dillon's Stores
- Lawrence Hy-Vee Stores

Donate online: [www.lawrence.salvationarmy.us](http://www.lawrence.salvationarmy.us)

Supplies that are most needed:

backpacks      3 ring binders      ear buds  
 pocket folders      highlighters      dry erase markers

**VOLUNTEER** to collect and/or distribute these supplies!

Sign up at [www.volunteerdouglascounty.org](http://www.volunteerdouglascounty.org)

Community Partners listed here will distribute donated supplies to registered families August 10 - 12 at the former Borders Book Store, 700 New Hampshire. Please contact Ballard/Penn House, ECKAN or Salvation Army to register for supplies.

THANKS TO TREANOR ARCHITECTS FOR SPONSORING THE BACK2SCHOOL DISTRIBUTION SITE.





Please have a safe and happy Memorial Day weekend.

