



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Wishing you all a very happy holiday season with your families and friends. ENJOY ! Please be safe too.

It's been six months into the New Rotary Year of 2021-22. As I reflect back to all my club visits I am truly touched . Slowly and surely each and every club is rebuilding and increasing its membership , immersing themselves through service and giving back to the communities. It is truly heartwarming to see during this time how clubs are getting all the Christmas baskets made, organizing senior citizen lunches, toys distributed to the children, providing warm coats and shoes to the children, gathering food items, holiday festivities and fellowship being celebrated in the clubs and much more. This is all happening in-spite of all the challenges that the pandemic has brought forth.

On the 11th of December we had a wonderful turn out of our members at our holiday social. I want to take a moment to thank each one of you for attending and participating in the events. A huge thank you to all our Past District Governors and their spouses who always inspire us by sharing their Rotary moments, experiences and wealth of knowledge. We cannot thank them enough.

We were able to have a number of activities amidst showcasing also a number of projects. The power of ONE for 'The prevention of Human Trafficking ' was one such activity and another one of Rotarian Trena Myers doing a painting that will be auctioned at the District Conference.

Our District's proposal passed with the Council of Resolutions with 318 votes and will now be reviewed for adoption by the RI Board of Directors in April 2022. Thank you to all the clubs that supported and signed the resolution. In addition to the RI theme of the month in January of 'Vocational Service ' the District 6000 Board of Directors will be signing a proclamation of recognizing January as the month designated for 'The Prevention of Human Trafficking'



When we are doing significant work in our organization with our volunteers, we need to be grateful to them for their time, commitment and dedication of their service. Thank you so much to all our members in Rotary District 6000. In other words, we are all involved in doing work as visionaries looking out for serving the larger good in our communities and our world . Let's continue our vision to 'Serve to Change Lives'.

EACH ONE BRING ONE	Membership on December 1 st was 3,230 which is up 18 members for the year. New members stepping up taking leadership positions
EXPANDING OUR REACH	Iowa City A.M., Marshalltown (New Satellite CLUBS), ICC Inter Cultural Countries ICC USA and ICC SPAIN signed charter on December 17, 2021
DO MORE and GROW MORE	Our District clubs have planted many trees, doing sustainable local projects and global projects.
ENGAGEMENT	Zoom, Hybrid, In person meetings. Most clubs are meeting in person
ADAPTABILITY and FLEXIBILITY	Kudos to all members who are being very patient, adapting to the new changes of venues, ordering meals from the local restaurants and supporting them.

150 dresses were made in collaboration with Rotary1 and District 6000 . The team leader was Deb Ockenfels . The beautiful dresses will be sent to children in Haiti.



Preview and Action plan to follow for THE NEW YEAR – 2022 DGE Steve Wieneke will be preparing the trainings and conducting the sessions as he prepares for the NEW ROTARY YEAR 2022-23

1. Clubs that have still not entered Goals. Please reach out to your AGs or the Foundation team if you need any assistance.
2. Please continue giving generously to the Foundation
3. Clubs, please apply to receive the literacy grant
4. Attend the Reading Summit in February
5. Donating to the PREVENTION of Human Trafficking, the month of January designated to the cause. In addition to the RI monthly theme of Vocational Service a proclamation will be signed by the Board of Directors for declaring January as Prevention of Human Trafficking month (Checks can be made to Rotary District 6000 and in the Memo: Prevention of Human Trafficking. Please send to H.E.F. Treasurer, Phil Peterson
6. 'Friends of the Newsletter'. To help offset costs of the brilliant District 6000 Newsletter, please consider making a donation if you like. Make checks to District 6000 and send to District Treasurer, Tim Trudeau and in the Memo : 'Friends of the Newsletter'
7. Please check District 6000 website for District updates, PETS training, RLI, Grant Writing Seminars, the District Training Assembly and the District Annual Business Meeting

8. Early Bird Registration for our ALL IOWA DISTRICT CONFERENCE and International Convention are open now. Please register. Please consider donating a basket or an auction item for our ALL IOWA DISTRICT CONFERENCE
9. Shortage of 'Blood' in Iowa. Please plan to do a blood drive, if possible, details to follow

HAPPY HOLIDAYS and with much gratitude for all that you continue to do to

'Serve to Change Lives' Thank you so much!

From our house to yours
Warm Wishes and Regards
DG Alka and Dr. Kiran
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