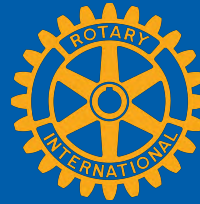


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DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2020-21

Per previous notice to all clubs, Elizabeth Van Sant was chosen by the nominating committee as the District Governor for 2020-21. Having received no challenges to her selection during the time period set forth in the District Policy Manual, she is confirmed as the District Governor for 2020-21.

DONATE ONLINE!

The Rotary District 6840 Foundation is now accepting online donations for Hurricane Harvey relief efforts. All donations made via the online portal (net of transaction fees) will be sent directly to assist in Houston. Thank you for supporting the relief efforts! <https://rotary-district-6840-foundation-inc.secured.atpay.com/campaign/hurricane-harvey-relief>



SPECIAL OFFER for District Conference!!!

All Rotarians who register for the 2018 District Conference before January 1, 2018 will have their name put in a drawing to win a 1 Night Stay at Beau Rivage. Name to be drawn at our mid-year meeting!

District Governor Visits in October

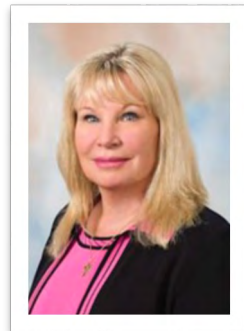
I look forward to visiting your club! Please review the dates below for my visit with your club and please note that I am to be the only speaker at your meeting on that date. My presentation will last about 30 minutes. Some clubs present the visiting Governor with a gift; if that is your club policy, I prefer a donation in my name (RI Member No. 6540204) to The Rotary Foundation Polio Plus or The Rotary Foundation Share.

I would like to meet with your board prior to the visit on the date and time designated below. Unless otherwise noted, the place of the board meeting will be the same as the place for your club meeting. Please make arrangements with your meeting facility to have a space/table available for the board meeting.

In case you need to get in touch with me, my cell phone number is 228.234.1256.

DG Kathie Short

Short Notes



October			DG meeting with Board
2	Westwego	Noon	11:00 am
3	LaPlace	Noon	11:00 am
4	Poplarville	Noon	11:00 am
9	Columbus Day Holiday		
10	Westbank Gretna	12:15	11:15 am
12	St. Bernard	Noon	11:00 am
16	Belle Chasse	12:15	11: 15 am
17	Bogalusa	12:15	11:15 am
17	NO/Riverbend	6:30 p.m.	5:30 pm
18	Richton	Noon	11:00 am
19	Northlake Mandeville	Noon	11:00 am
24	Hammond Ponchatoula	7:30 a.m.	October 23
26	Metairie Sunrise	7:00 a.m.	October 24
26	Metairie	Noon	11:00 am

Calendar of Events

October
24 World Polio Day
25 District Newsletter article due
sreck@firstam.com
31 Annual Fund Matching Points
Campaign ends
31 Monthly attendance report due to District
Secretary, Sandi Pickard

November
16 Rotary Leadership Institute, Slidell
25 District Newsletter article due
30 Monthly attendance report due to District
Secretary, Sandi Pickard

December
20 District Newsletter article due
30 Monthly attendance report due to District
Secretary, Sandi Pickard

2018

January
5 Paul Harris Society Gala
Great Southern Club
6 Midyear Checkup

February
24 District Team Training
First Pentecostal Church, Slidell

March
9-10 PETS, Natchez Convention Center



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Short Notes

District 6840

DG Kathie Short

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District 6840 Foundation Matching Gifts Campaign

The Rotary Foundation allows Rotarians to “do good in the world” in our own communities and internationally. District 6840 is offering matching funds so **YOU** can:

With a \$100 donation:

- Provide three cataract surgeries in India
- Bring clean water to 600 school kids in Africa
- Feed a family in India or Pakistan for SIX months
- Provide a hearing aid for a deaf child in Pakistan
- Provide textbooks for one elementary school in Zambia
- Buy de-worming tablets for 112 children in the Philippines
- Buy 15 packets of teaching materials for a school in Costa Rica
- Provide 230 blankets for the elderly during the winter months of Korea

With a \$500 donation:

- Provide prosthetic limbs for 12 disabled people in Thailand/Cambodia
- Provide a watch repair business for six disabled workers in the Philippines
- Purchase safety equipment for a boat providing public health services to isolated river villages in Peru
- Buy five small sewing businesses to give poor mothers in Mexico a better ability to lead self-sufficient lives

With a \$1,000 donation:

- Help provide seven toilets in Sri Lanka
- Buy polio vaccine for 2,000 babies in Nigeria
- Buy kitchen equipment for an orphanage in Peru
- Provide artificial limbs to 25 disabled persons in Calcutta, India
- Provide materials to treat and prevent parasites and anemia in children in Brazil
- Fund enough textbooks to educate 2,000 children in a school in Papua, New Guinea
- Provide 20 \$50.00 micro-loans enabling women Nicaragua to start a craft business to support their families
- Purchase a tree nursery in Jamaica that will annually produce 5,000 treed seedlings and increase family income for 700 farmers
- Provide **ALL** materials necessary for the construction of a deep bore well in India which supplies clean drinking water to more than 300 people
- Provide a cow and animal husbandry training to a widow in Uganda where civil war shattered the economy and children die because of a lack of protein and calcium in their diets

Rotary D6840 is making a special offer to you to Make A Difference in your local community and around the world. The District will match your **personal** donation from \$100 to \$25,000 to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund. Here's your opportunity to finish your Paul Harris Fellowship, or obtain your multiple level PHF, or make your spouse, child, grandchild, boss, mentor, hero, community volunteer or good friend a Paul Harris Fellow.

This offer begins on Sept. 15, 2017 and expires on October 31, 2017, or when we reach \$50,000, whichever occurs first. The **mandatory** requirements are as follows. No matches will be made if these rules are not strictly followed.

- ☐ Your **personal** check must be payable to “Rotary Foundation”. Donations tendered on a Rotary Club check will not be matched.
- ☐ Your **personal** check must arrive before October 31, 2017 to be eligible. Remember the deadline could be sooner if we reach \$50,000. So, don't delay, mail your donations today.
- ☐ Your **personal** check must be mailed to: DG Kathie Short, P.O. Box 997, Gulfport, MS 39502. Donations made online or sent directly to The Rotary Foundation will not be matched. For inquiries, contact Kathie at KathieGShortRotary6840@gmail.com or (228) 234-1256.
- ☐ Attach this Bulletin with the following filled out in full:

Donor's name: _____ **Donor's Rotary ID number:** _____

Donor's Rotary Club Name: Rotary Club of _____ I request a match of this Annual Fund Donation: _____ (initials)

Name exactly as it is to appear on the Paul Harris Fellow paperwork and records: _____ (be sure to print legibly)

Donor's daytime telephone number: _____ **Donor's email address:** _____

The matching points awarded by The Rotary Foundation shall be recorded in my name ☐ or the name of _____ 2

Rotary Leadership Institute



TOP: Ken Thompson facilitates the discussion on The Rotary Foundation.

ABOVE: Elizabeth Van Sant guiding the discussion on Club Communication.

Multi-District Conference



June 7-10, 2018

Vicky Gutierrez

Thursday Night's Welcome Event will be held at the **Biloxi Little Theatre**. This is a brand new conference event designed to welcome everyone to the conference.

This is the one event you won't want to miss!

Sit back and enjoy Biloxi's finest local talent while supporting community theatre as we welcome our Rotarians visitors.

The details:

Evening of Entertainment and Friendship
Food from Mary Mahoney's,
Wine/Beer/Soft Drinks
Songs, Dance, Comedy, Fun
Purchase early - Limited to 125 Tickets.
This event is sure to sell out.

Casual attire. (No shorts.)

Go to the conference website to register.

For more information contact Conference Chair, Vicky Gutierrez at vickyg@cablone.net



Sam Walley

The Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis realized that every Wednesday at noon was an impossible feat for those who don't work locally or have to travel for work. We wanted to find a way to reach out to young professionals and small business owners without the daytime coverage. Easy fix - we established a satellite club for those who still want to serve the community, but may not be able to commit to weekly lunch dates.

Our satellite club meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month from 5:30 – 6:30pm. We had our first satellite club meeting on September 12th and it was a fantastic turnout. We are excited about partnering with new members to serve our community and Rotary International! If you're interested, you can check out our Facebook page, Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis, for dates and times as well as our website, www.baystlouisrotary.com.



Above: The Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis hosted it's first Satellite Club on September 12th at Corks & Cleaver with rave reviews!

Satellite Club FAQs

What is a satellite club? Satellite clubs provide a new option for creating Rotary clubs. A satellite club functions as a short-term, transitional step on the way to becoming a full, independent Rotary club.

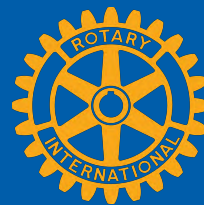
Does this new satellite club option replace the Satellite Club pilot project? No. The pilot project, which ends in 2016, is testing multiple meeting times and places for one Rotary club. The new satellite club policy is different.

Can a club in the pilot project decide to become a new satellite club before the pilot ends? Clubs participating in the pilot project are encouraged to remain in the pilot through its completion in 2016. However, an existing pilot club can ask to be removed from the pilot project to better accommodate its members' needs and interests.

Learn more at:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/search/all/satellite>

District Governor Kathie Short-Club Visits



September 2017 Visits



Elizabeth Van Sant

NEW in Summer, 2018, District 6840 will have a Short Term Youth Exchange Program.

This program is open to all teenagers in D6840 between the ages of 15 and 18 (must be 15 by May 1, 2018 and still 18 by August 1, 2018).

E-mail RYE6840@gmail.com for the application.
Application is due November 3rd to a Rotary Club of D6840.

Interviews are mandatory and will be held on Saturday, December 2 in Slidell. This is a family-to-family reciprocal exchange program administered by the Rotary Youth Exchange Committee of D6840.

Cost of the program \$500 (includes insurance and training). \$250 due with the application and \$250 due on January 31, 2018 after country selection is complete. No refunds will be issued for students who decide not to participate after January 31.

General program requirements:

Students must be willing to promote the Objects of Rotary and serve as Rotary Goodwill Ambassadors.

Students and families must attend all required training prior to departure.

Students DO NOT need to be from Rotary families, but Rotary families are encouraged to apply.

Students will spend 4 weeks in another country AND host a student for 4 weeks at their home.

Families must agree to a Criminal Background Check AND agree to training in Rotary Youth Protection and the Rotary Youth Exchange Program.

Families must participate in a District hosting event in July.

Country selection will be made by the RYE Committee in consultation with the student applicant.

Families of students who participate MUST be willing to host and meet the guidelines and program requirements.*

Selected students must apply for a passport no later than January 31, 2018 and cover all costs of same.

Travel costs are the responsibility of the student/family.

* on a case-by-case basis, if the student is a member of an Interact Club, and in concert with the sponsoring Rotary Club of the Interact Club, the hosting requirement may be waived

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE FULL 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR. The application for the Long Term Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarship can be found at RYE6840.org

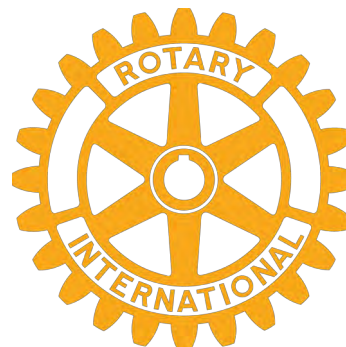
For more information, please contact RYE6840@gmail.com or reach out to any member of the Rotary Youth Exchange Committee. We are always interested in presenting to your club! Please reach out to us to speak soon during the open application period.

If your Club is interested in hosting a student in the 2018-2019 school year, please contact the RYE Committee for information on how to begin the process. Rotary Youth Exchange is a critical component of Rotary's Object of promoting International Peace, Goodwill, and Friendship. Join us in creating more opportunities for your club and your community! Please invite our students to

your club's next service project! They are young and strong and fantastic company!



Above: Sofya (Russia -- Bay St. Louis), Iida (Finland -- Slidell/Slidell Northshore), and Armand (France - St. Charles Parish) continue to adapt to D6840. They participated in service with the Rotary Club of St Charles Parish at the Alligator Festival and had a chance to build International Goodwill with everyone they met...and with some alligators (although they ate some, too!)



District 6840 In ACTION

Vicky Gutierrez

The Rotary Clubs of Gautier, Ocean Springs, Biloxi, and Edgewater all came together to work on a project that benefited two non-profits, The Biloxi Little Theatre and Lunches for Learning. The clubs set out to achieve several goals that are part of the Presidential Citation.

Make a bigger difference by working together.

Collaborate with other Rotary clubs to increase a project's scope and visibility.

Engage members in activities outside regular club meetings.

Establish or continue a partnership with one or more corporate or government entities or nongovernmental organizations and work on a project together.

Each club purchased 30 tickets to the pre-opening night of the theatre's presentation of Little Shop of Horrors. On the night of the performance each club president presented a check to Biloxi Little Theatre for \$300 – a total of \$1,200 for the theatre and \$300 each to Lunches for Learning for a total of \$1,200 for Lunches. A silent auction was also held that raised an additional \$525 for Lunches for Learning. A great night of theatre, fellowship and Rotary giving was had by all.



Little Shop of Horrors

Above: The cast of Little Shop of Horrors from Biloxi Little Theatre. The Rotary Clubs of Gautier, Ocean Springs, Biloxi and Edgewater joined together to raise money for the BLT and Lunches for Learning.



Rotary Club of Ocean Springs

Left: MS State Representative Hank Zuber spoke to members of the Rotary Club of Ocean Springs about the upcoming legislative year, a proposed change to the timing of proposing and voting on general legislation, and other initiatives. Shown from left to right: Rotarians Wayne Westbrook, Leah Snyder, Larry Cosper, Natalie Diaz, Representative Hank Zuber, President Henry Furr, and Rotarians Jim Sukiennik and Lisa Greenberg.



Rotary Club of Ocean Springs

Above: The Rotary Club of Ocean Springs hosted thirteen Ocean Springs High Schools students who received scholarships to attend the 25th annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award camp in July 2017. The students attended a weekly meeting and spoke to Rotarians about their experience. The camp, held at Solomon Retreat Center near Robert, LA, provides training in leadership skills and an opportunity for community service for students during the summer before their senior year of high school. Shown on the front row L to R: Rotary Club of Oceans Springs President Henry Furr, Lauren Hoffman, Suke Borse, Allison Streiff, Gracyn Worsham, Naomi Alexander, Katelyn Winstead, Payton Gaines; on the back row L to R: RYLA Committee Chair David Hoffman, Erin Wicht, Beck Guidry, William Evans, Drew Jones, Jarrec McCarter, Mosie Kirby. Not pictured: Hannah Henze.



Upcoming Events

District Governor's Club Visits
Jul 01, 2017 – Nov 01, 2017

Paul Harris Society Dinner
Great Southern Club
Jan 05, 2018

Mid-Year Check-up
Jan 06, 2018

RI International Assembly
Jan 14, 2018 – Jan 20, 2018

District Team Training
First Pentecostal Church of Slidell
Feb 24, 2018
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

PETS
Natchez Convention Center
Mar 09, 2018 8:00 AM – Mar 10, 2018 3:00 PM

District Training Assembly
TBD
Apr 21, 2018

Making a Difference 2018 Multi-District Conference
Jun 07, 2018 – Jun 10, 2018

RI 2018 International Convention
Toronto, Canada
Jun 24, 2018 – Jun 27, 2018

Rotary Club of Hammond

Friday, October 27th, 2017 Sit and Sip @ Recotta Residence (502 East Charles Street, Hammond) 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Friday, November 24th, 2017 Sit and Sip @ Benny's Bar (Downtown Hammond) 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Saturday, November 25th, 2017 Movie Night in the Park (Cate Square Park Downtown Hammond) Setup Begins at 1:00pm – Take Down Should be Finished by 10:00pm

Saturday, December 2nd, 2017 Christmas Parade (Will send out more details soon)

Friday, December 29th, 2017 Sit and Sip @ Red, White, and Brew (Downtown Hammond) 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Newsletter Articles/Photos

We welcome your articles, announcements and photos to share in the District 6840 monthly newsletter. We want to highlight your activities, achievements, and the fun you have as a club to the entire district. We'll do our best to include a variety of articles/photos; however, we may not be able to include everything that is submitted due to space limitations. In order to help assemble the newsletter, please utilize the following instructions:

Photos – JPG or GIF format is preferred for all photos. If you have a professional photo from another source/publication, please get permission to use the photos. Please include the names of the individuals, club name, and/or event name and a brief description of the photo.

Articles – Please submit in MS Word or text only format and please proof your articles prior to submission. If this is an article from another publication or another person, please verify that we have permission to re-print.

Please email to sreck@firstam.com by the 25th of the month.



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