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In Memory of Brian Wensauer



December 14, 1943 — March 7, 2025

Brian Wensauer, age 81, died peacefully at home, with his family at his side, on Friday morning, March 7, 2025. Brian was a longtime Rotarian and past President of the Cereal City Rotary Club in Battle Creek. He was very active in and supportive of Rotary.

Friends will be received 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., on Sunday, March 16, 2025, at Farley Estes Dowdle Funeral Cremation Pre-need Care in Battle Creek. Funeral services to celebrate Brian's life will be held at 12:00 noon, Monday, March 17, 2025.

The service will be live-streamed and may be viewed at https://vimeo.com/event/4976380.

Interment with full military honors by the Fort Custer Honor Guard and the U.S. Army Honor Guard will follow at Fort Custer National Cemetery, where Brian will be laid to rest.

Please click on the link below to be directed to more information.

Obituary

Gull Lake Mental Health Training

Mental Health is a huge and varied topic. Our club has taken an active stance on learning via training on a variety of mental health topics. The latest training opportunity was on addiction, specifically, Opioid addiction.

On March 6 the Gull Lake Area Rotary Club welcomed speaker Nancy King of the Cope Network of SW MI (see picture below.) Nancy provided a "lunch and learn" training seminar on Naloxone Hydrochloride, aka Narcan.

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Overdose is now the leading cause of accidental deaths in the U.S. for those in the 21-65 age range. The SW MI counties of Barry, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, St Joseph and Van Buren have all seen an increase in accidental drug overdose victims in the past decade. In fact, more people die of accidental overdoses than in car accidents. The majority of overdose deaths are caused by opioids. Luckily, there is Naloxone (Narcan), which can quickly, efficiently and simply be administered to a victim, as an antidote.



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RYLA Registration is Open

Visit the RYLA webpage



Grant Management Seminars open for registration

This reminder is for all club presidents, presidents-elect and Rotary Foundation chairs to alert you about the upcoming Grant Management Seminars for District 6360.

If your Club plans to apply for a 2025-2026 District 6360 local community or global grant, two members of your club must each participate in one of these training sessions.

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Who is your club's Rotary Hero?

It's time to select your club's Rotary Hero.

Each year, your club is asked to select a member of your club to be your club's Rotary Hero.

Your club's Hero will be honored at this year's District Conference, Saturday evening, May 3, in South Haven.

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Latest Membership Numbers as of March 15, 2025

District 6360 Club Growth 2024/2025



50

Club Type	Club Name	Members July 1, 2024	Members March 15, 2025	Net Change
Rotary Club	Albion	29	44	15
Rotary Club	Charlotte	54	68	14
Rotary Club	St. Joseph & Benton Harbor	89	96	7
Rotary Club	Harbor Country (Southwest Berrien County)	53	59	6
Rotary Club	Mason	28	34	6
Rotary Club	Portage	57	63	6
Rotary Club	Marshall	47	52	5
Rotary Club	Middleville	26	31	5
Rotary Club	Charlotte Evening	21	25	4
Rotary Club	Climax	22	25	3
Rotary Club	Hastings	71	74	3
Rotary Club	Jackson-Breakfast	19	22	3
Rotary Club	Benton Harbor-Sunrise	37	39	2
Rotary Club	Berrien Springs-Eau Claire	26	28	2
Rotary Club	Cereal City Sunrise (Battle Creek)	33	35	2
Rotary Club	Dowagiac	27	29	2
Rotary Club	East Lansing	35	37	2
Rotary Club	Constantine	7	8	1
Rotary Club	Gull Lake Area	38	39	1
Rotary Club	Saugatuck-Douglas	39	40	1
Rotary Club	Williamston	39	40	1
Rotary Club	Allegan	14	14	0
Rotary Club	Battle Creek	55	55	0
Rotary Club	Coldwater Township Sunrise	59	59	0
Rotary Club	Delton Area	54	54	0
Rotary Club	Eaton Rapids	32	32	0
Rotary Club	Grand Ledge	41	41	0
Rotary Club	Hillsdale	39	39	0
Rotary Club	Jonesville	21	21	0
Rotary Club	Kalamazoo and Satellite	105	105	0
Rotary Club	Paw Paw Area	11	11	0
Rotary Club	St. Johns	30	30	0
Rotary Club	Union City	21	21	0
Rotary Club	Fennville Pullman Lakeshore	8	7	(1)
Rotary Club	Litchfield	10	9	(1)
Rotary Club	Sturgis	18	17	(1)
Rotary Club	Three Rivers	54	53	(1)
Rotary Club	Delta Township (Lansing-Waverly)	60	58	(2)
Rotary Club	Oshtemo	21	19	(2)
Rotary Club	Otsego	17	15	(2)
Rotary Club	Paw Paw Lake (Coloma Hartford Watervliet)	12	10	(2)
Rotary Club	South Haven	62	60	(2)
Rotary Club	South Lansing-Holt	18	16	
Rotary Club	-	36	34	(2)
-	Vicksburg + Vicksburg Impact Haslett-Okemos	36	33	(2)
Rotary Club		18	33 15	(3)
Rotary Club	Ionia	36	33	(3)
Rotary Club	Jackson			(3)
Rotary Club	Lakeshore (Baroda-Stevensville-Bridgman)	36	33	(3)
Rotary Club	Plainwell	14	11	(3)
Rotary Club	Lansing	157	149	(8)
TOTAL	ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS	1892	1942	50

OUR GOAL IS +100 WE CAN DO IT!

Polio Plus Challenge

Featured at the Rotary Internation Assembly which was held in Orlando, Florida February 9th -15th; Click here to watch the <u>"End Polio Now"</u> rally.

Support Rotary Direct and earn a bonus!

A special campaign to support Rotary Direct is underway in our district.

Rotary Direct is The Rotary Foundation's online recurring giving program.

Sign up for **Rotary Direct by April 30** and District 6360 will match your cumulative annual gift with recognition points.

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Rotary Club of Coldwater Township Sunrise Events

Please join us for the Rotary Club of Coldwater Township Sunrise

21st Annual Rotary Golf Outing
Friday, June 13, 2025
Bella Vista Golf Course
Visit our website for more info
Rotary Club of Coldwater Township Sunrise

Schedule a program on The Rotary Foundation in your club



The Rotary Foundation is Rotary's most impactful -- and most confusing -- program.

Just a reminder that we have assembled some speakers on The Rotary Foundation who can present a great Rotary Foundation program at your club.

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Membership Webinars



OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS

March 3, 2025: The Continuity Challenge: Maintaining your club's momentum for growth

April 7, 2025: Now What? Sustaining your club's irresistibility





Submissions welcome to District Newsletter

District newsletters are published the first of each month (focusing on District news and events) and the 15th of each month (focusing on club news and events).

If you have an item you'd like to submit for the newsletter, please send it at least three days prior to the publication date. Submissions can be sent to:

RotaryDistrict6360@gmail.com

We welcome graphics! Please make sure that graphics are in the PNG, or GIF format.

March 21st, 7:00-8:00 PM

April 5th, 8:30-12:00 PM

Items can be news from your club, projects, events, and fun things! Thanks for helping make our District newsletter great!

Events

March 20th, 1:00-9:00 PM

Great Lakes Rotary PELS - Day 1

March 29th, 9:00-12:00 PM

UPDATED-D6360 Quarterly Staff

Meeting

April 8th, 6:30-7:15 PM

Club Presidents' Meeting

April 12th, 10:00-11:30 AM

TRF Grant Management Session - In

Person

Great Lakes Rotary PELS - Day 2

Assistant Governor Assembly

March 22nd, 7:00-1:30 PM

Great Lakes Rotary PELS - Day 3

April 7th, 7:30-8:15 PM

Membership Meeting