

# Rotary



## District 6560

### NEWSLETTER

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR

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## Vocational Service



Working with integrity and contributing your expertise to the problems and needs of society.

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**DISTRICT CALENDAR | 2022-2023**

### FEBRUARY

**Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month**

- 23 Rotary's anniversary
- 27 DG Mekey Monthly Zoom Meeting (Club Presidents and District Leadership)

### MARCH

**Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month**

- 11 District Speech Contest
- 14-18 World Rotaract Week
- 17-19 RYLA
- 31 Preregistration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention



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# Wheels Up!!

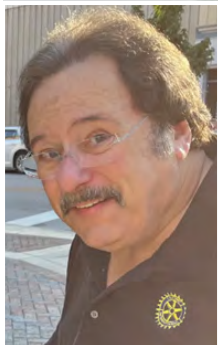
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

It is hard to believe that we are already into 2023. I have had the opportunity to attend almost all of the clubs in our district. I am extremely proud of the dedication you have to the communities you serve. Clubs have been busy these past few months!!



Mekey McAllen, District 6560 Governor

District 6560 personified Service Above Self throughout the holiday season. Way to fellowship and give back to the communities we serve!! Enjoy the photo montage below!



Clock tower in Lafayette, IN  
(Lafayette Daybreak Rotarian Bob Feuer)  
<https://www.basedinlafayette.com/p/of-downtown-clocks-and-neighborhood>



Frankfort Rotary Club



The Rotary Clubs of Indianapolis Northeast and Ft. Ben combined to bake more than 3,000 Christmas cookies to be distributed to all staff at Lawrence Township public schools. – Deb Goeglein pictured



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Lafayette Rotary Club – Gail Brickler



Surrounded by a crew of AHS Interact members, Rotarian Pam Lyons presents a donation to Project Angel Coordinator Christ Collier.



Rotary Youth Exchange students in downtown Chicago with Jennifer Dale and Joann McKinney

## Around the Corner...

We have some exciting events coming up. Please make every effort to participate with our fellow District 6560 Rotarians through the remainder of the 2022-23 Rotary year.

### Land of Lincoln Presidents-Elect Training Seminar in Effingham, IL



**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**  
MARCH 18-19, 2023

**LAND of LINCOLN**

Rotary 

**PRESIDENT-ELECT  
TRAINING SEMINAR**

DISTRICTS  
6490 • 6510 • 6560 • 6580

### District 6560 Speech Contest

Saturday, March 11, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Anderson University, Hartung Hall

## Save The Date



DistCon23  
April 14-15, 2023  
Murat Shrine - Indianapolis



# RYLA

Rotary Youth  
Leadership Awards

March 17 - 19,  
2023

Camp Tecumseh  
YMCA Outdoor Center  
Brookston, IN 47923



**MELBOURNE  
2023**

## Melbourne Welcomes You!

Rotary International Convention  
27-31 May 2023

Learn more at:  
<https://rotarymelbourne2023.org/>

**January is Vocational Service month!**



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## Zoom with DG Mekey!

Last Monday of each month

### Reminder...



Club presidents, president-elects, and district leadership, please join DG Mekey on a monthly ZOOM call!

We meet the last Monday of each month at 7:00 am. The ZOOM details are located on the DACdb calendar.

## Becoming a Peacebuilder



Do you buy in to the idea that peace is a fundamental part of Rotary's mission? If so, what are **YOU** doing to play your part in making that goal a reality? For an investment of just two hours of your time, you can get the tools needed to build peace in your district, club, and community. Rotary's Positive Peace Academy and the Institute for Economics and Peace have partnered to offer free online training and resources to help you be the change we all want to see in the world.

[Learn more](#). Sign up [HERE](#) for this free online course!



## CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

### RI President-elect McNally Announces Theme

At this month's International Assembly in Orlando, Florida, Rotary International President-elect R. Gordon McNally announced the theme for the 2023-24 Rotary year, **"Create Hope in the World."**

McNally explained that the goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts

and to help achieve lasting change. He emphasized the need for peace and continuity, including work to empower women and work toward diversity, equity, and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio. He calls for Rotary to create hope in the world by working for peace and mental wellbeing. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that's necessary to realize these values.

You can read more about the 2023-24 Rotary theme and McNally's call for members to capture the world's attention and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations at this [LINK](#).

RI President-elect R. Gordon R. McNally is a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry in West Lothian, Scotland. He was educated at the Royal High School in Edinburgh and at the University of Dundee, where he earned his graduate degree in dental surgery. He operated his own dental practice in Edinburgh until 2016.



*Rotary International President-elect R. Gordon McNally*

McNally joined Rotary in 1984 at age 26. He has served in many leadership positions in his club, in Great Britain and Ireland and with Rotary International. McNally says he looks forward to working with members to build new Rotary clubs and groups. "My vision is that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of us and to help us do good in the world," he says.

Learn more about McNally and his Presidential Initiatives at: <https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/office-president/ri-president-elect>