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District 6450 Headline News

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Comments from Governor Ade

November is The Rotary Foundation Month!

For 14 consecutive years, **Charity Navigator** has given The Rotary Foundation a **4-star rating!** The 4-star rating means that **you can give with confidence to The Rotary Foundation** with the assurance that your contribution supports the foundation's mission. The Rotary Foundation grants promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water and sanitation, sustain mothers and children, improve education, and strengthen local economies. Your Club Foundation Chair will share your club's annual goals and the efficacy of The Rotary Foundation during this month as you consider your annual giving.

Join us on **Wednesday, November 9, 2022**, as we honor donors and clubs at **The Rotary Foundation Dinner**. The theme is **'Imagine Our Rotary Foundation, Where Dreams become Reality because of You!'**

November 1 – November 6 is World Interact Week. Interact turns 60 on November 5! Celebrate 60 years of Interact this week with your Interact Club. Assist your Interact Club by finding them an international Interact Club to partner with. **Interact is a contraction of 'International Action.'** Rotary International expects Interact Clubs to organize two projects yearly, one that helps their school or community and one that promotes international understanding. Show the world how Interact members take action during World Interact Week in November. Download your **World Interact Week Certificate of Recognition** from My Rotary.

On **October 12, 2022**, the **Interact Club of Manteno High School** received its charter certificate from Rotary International. Congratulations and best wishes to the **Rotary Club of Manteno** for sponsoring the Interact Club and supporting the youth in their community.

We received a request to partner for an annual **5,000 toy Christmas Toy Giveaway**. Imagine Santa's village on the Westside of Chicago, with hot cocoa stands, a play area, free food, a Christmas train, etc. The event attracts news coverage, and thousands of people participate.

You may screen a video of last year's event here: <https://www.cbsnews.com/chicago/news/west-garfield-park-toy-giveaway/>

Rotary Clubs would help with either buying/gathering toys (ideally need about 1,500-2,000 toys) or helping cover the food trucks for 2,500 people. **Volunteers are needed.** The **Christmas Miracle on the Westside** event is scheduled for **December 23**. Interested clubs should [contact me](#) no later than **November 7**.

The district has many openings on our various committees. Serving on committees is an opportunity for you to engage in Rotary. First, visit the [district website](#) to find out the roles and responsibilities of the various committees, then sign up.

I urge you to continue to track your service hours and share a showcase of your work with Rotary and your community.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Ade Onayemi

District Events

- [Rotary District 6450 2025-26 Governor Nomination](#). If you would like to be a District Governor for Rotary District 6450, now is the time to apply! Deadline for nominations is **Wednesday, November 30th**. [Click for More Information & to Submit a Nomination](#)
- [Rotary Foundation Celebration Dinner](#), **Wednesday, November 9th**, 5:30 - 9:00 pm, Abbington Distinctive Banquets, Butterfield Road & IL Route 53, Glen Ellyn, IL. [Click for More Information &](#)

[Registration](#)

- **Good news!** [Environmental matching grant applications](#) are once again being accepted for the Rotary year 22-23. These grants are available in amounts between \$50 to \$200 to be matched by the club for earth-related projects. While we have promoted the protection of pollinators these past two years, the grant can be used for any project that protects, enhances, or renews our environment. [Click for Application](#) (If you receive an error message [click here](#) then select File, Download)

Club Events

- [Rotary Club of Chicago Southeast Cultural and Service Visit to Sierra Leone and Ghana, Africa, October 30th - November 12th.](#) [Scroll Down for More Information](#)
- [Rotary Club of La Grange 22nd Annual Pilgrim Pie Run for Rotary, Thursday November 24th, 8:30 am,](#) Lyons Twp High School, La Grange IL. [Click here to register to run or walk.](#) To volunteer, contact Linda Yates at yates.linda@sbcglobal.net.
- [Rotary Club of Woodridge Black Friday Gala, Friday, November 25th, 6:00 - 11:00 pm,](#) Judd Kendall VFW Post, 908 Jackson Ave., Naperville IL. Early bird pricing ends October 15th. [Click for More Information & Registration](#)
- [Rotary Club of Chicago Citywide Service 2023 Uganda Service Project trip to Kabale Uganda, February 10th-23rd, 2023.](#) [Click for More Information](#)

Rotary Club of Chicago Southeast Cultural and Service Visit, October 30th-November 12th

Join the Rotary Club of Chicago Southeast from October 30th through November 12, 2022 for a Cultural and Service visit to the African countries of Sierra Leone and Ghana.

During this trip the D6450 group will attend the opening of a Rotary library in Sierra Leone, as a Rotary clinic in Ghana. The itinerary and details of the trip are available below.

Registration and deposits on travel are due shortly! For more information, contact Osei David Andrews-Hutchinson, PDG, at dg6450osei@gmail.com.

[Apply Here](#)

[Itinerary and Details of Trip](#)

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