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April 1, 2023

Information *Every* Club in District 6450 Can Use

Comments from Governor Ade

April is Environment Month!

Welcome to April and Spring! If your club does not plan an Earth Day event, I invite you to join me on **Saturday, April 22, 2023** for the 'Grant Park Cleanup'. Working in partnership with the Chicago Park District, the Grant Park Advisory Council, and the South Loop Neighbors, **The Rotary Club of Chicago Citywide Service** is organizing a cleanup of Grant Park. We can demonstrate support for environmental protection and observe Rotary's seventh area of focus through this service opportunity. The Earth Day event is from **10 am to 12 pm**.

Congratulations on the admission of the new Rotary Club of Social Equity and Impact, Illinois, USA!

On March 16, 2023, the Rotary Club of Social Equity and Impact, Illinois, USA, charter members received a congratulatory letter from RI President Jennifer Jones. We join President Jones in welcoming them to the Rotary family and the birthplace district.

Congratulations on 50 & 100 years of Rotary service to Chicago O'Hare and Aurora, respectively! On Friday, May 12, the Rotary Club of Aurora will celebrate 100 years of service! Please visit the district website to register for this remarkable event. Likewise, the Rotary Club of Chicago O'Hare will celebrate 50 years of service at an event on Friday, May 19.

Rotary Citation, Rotaract Citation, and Interact Citation

The Rotary Citation recognizes the demanding work clubs do throughout the year. Has your Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact club earned a Rotary Citation for achieving goals that strengthen Rotary and your club? Last March, I implored the club presidents-elect to achieve at least 13 of the 25 goals Rotary recognizes for a citation award. You can look up the Citation goals in Rotary Club Central. To achieve the Rotary Citation, review all the available goals, select at least half of them, achieve those goals, and report your achievement in Rotary Club Central. All achievements need to be reported in Rotary Club Central by June 30, 2023.

Saturday, May 6 — District Conference

Registration is open and ongoing for the District Conference. The conference is free and open to Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Earlyactors, and their families and friends. The event is in exposition format and we would like all clubs in the District to showcase their activities. There will be an opportunity to engage with others on a service project and we will recognize individuals and clubs for various achievements. Come with your family, friends and prospective Rotary members to experience Rotary in our District (the birthplace District). Please feel free to invite your Rotarian friends from other districts. Together we will celebrate this year of Imagining Rotary!

The district conference will be held on Saturday, May 6, from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at The Max in McCook, 4750 Vernon Avenue, McCook, IL. There is no charge, and food will be available for purchase.

As always, 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

2023 District Conference & Club Expo. May 6, 2023. Plan on spending Saturday, May 6, from 10:00
am - 4:00 pm at The Max in McCook bragging about what your club has accomplished this year and
checking out what other clubs are doing. There is no charge and food will be available for purchase.
Register here

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- 2023 District 6450 Annual Meeting, May 6, 2023. The Annual Meeting of Rotary District 6450 will be held at 1pm during the District Conference. Each club should be represented by at least 1 delegate. All club delegates need to register separately for the Annual Meeting at this link - <u>Annual Meeting Delegate Registration</u>
- 2023-24 District Governor Conor Gee Installation, June 24, 2023. Registration is now open. Register Here
 - Sponsorships and Program Book Ad information for the installation is available <u>at this link</u>.
- Rotary Day at the White Sox, July 28, 2023. Get your club members together and order tickets now!
 Don't forget to sponsor a veteran for the game and dinner. For more information and to order tickets click here: 2023 White Sox Game

Club Events

- <u>DEI Event Celebration of Earth Day</u>, Friday, April 21, 2023 12:10-1:30pm
 The Rotary Club of Chicago, in collaboration with the Maywood Proviso Rotary Club, and the Aurora Sunrise Rotary Club, is hosting a DEI panel event. This event will also honor Earth Day as environmental work is interconnected with social justice and equity. For more information and to register <u>Click Here</u>.
- <u>Earth Day Grant Park Clean-Up</u>, Saturday, April 22, 2023 10am-noon Click here for more information and to volunteer
- The Rotary Club of Darien Casino Night Fundraiser, Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 6:00 10:00 pm, Ashyana Banquets - Events & Catering, 1620 75th Street, Downers Grove IL 60516. Come play Las Vegas style casino games and raise money to feed kids. Click for more information and registration
- Join Aurora Rotary in celebrating it's 100th Anniversary, Friday, May 12, 2023, 6:00-8:00pm at Two Brothers Roundhouse in Aurora. For more information and to register <u>Click Here.</u>
- <u>Channahon-Minooka Spring Swing 9 Hole Golf Outing</u>, <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 19</u>, <u>2023</u> at Heritage Bluffs Public Golf Club. More information available soon.
- The Rotary Club of Chicago O'Hare will celebrate its 50th Anniversary on Friday, May 19, 2023 at 6pm at The Great Escape in Schiller Park at a cost of \$60/person. To join the celebration, RSVP by May 12th to rotaryohare50@gmail.com.
- Help Hinsdale Rotary provide "Bikes for Military Kids", Saturday, May 20, 2023, 8:00am-11:00 am, The Community House of Hinsdale, 415 W. Eighth Street, Hinsdale IL 60521. Click for more information
- The Rotary Club of Chicago Calling all employers for their JOB1 Program. Please consider signing up to hire a summer intern and to provide valuable work experience. <u>Click for more</u> <u>information</u>

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