

*"Service Above Self, Action Above Words"*

# Rotary Club of Springfield Metro Metro Minute

Springfield Missouri's Newest Rotary Club – Chartered March 8, 2011



April 15 ~ 19, 2013

Issue 41

## April Birthdays

April 16  
Dan Cogswell

April 23  
Jen Battagler

April 30  
Kat Hay

## Programs & Events

- April 19 ~ 20 Rock 'n Ribs at the Ozark Empire Fairground
- April 23, TBA
- April 30, 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday project at Boys and Girls Town
- May 2, MAP Party @ McGregor
- May 3, HABIT Store @ McGregor

See what is taking place in our district by clicking here <http://www.rotary6080.org>

## This Week in Rotary

Greeters: Andrea Brady and Ray Ross  
Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and the Four-Way Test:



*Haiti Water Project*



*Haiti Outreach*

Springfield Metro is excited to welcome Franceli Jacobs, the director of the orphanage we are working with in Haiti. It is through his vision that we have developed our Haiti water filter project. Our second speaker is Enrique Garcia Vidrio. Enrique is the host for our Tlaquepaque, Mexico water filter project and the outreach to the orphanage there. Both gentlemen will be answering questions from the members.

Representatives from the St. James Rotary Club (District 6060) will also be at our meeting. They have expressed interest in a partnership with Metro for our Haiti outreach.

Don't forget - there will be a club social after the meeting. Appetizers and a cash bar will be available.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday project will take place at Boys and Girls Town. Metro members will be serving hotdogs and ice cream. Please plan to join us!

Boys and Girls Town  
1212 W Lombard St  
Springfield, MO 65806



### The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the **Truth**?

Is it **Fair** to all concerned?

Will it **Build Goodwill and Better Friendships**?

Will it be **Beneficial to all concerned**?

*Don't forget to brag on a fellow member by e-mailing the Sarge team!*

[Sarge@RotarySpringfieldMetro.org](mailto:Sarge@RotarySpringfieldMetro.org)



[Five reasons to give to The Rotary Foundation](#)

**Every Rotarian, Every Year.**

## Don't Meth With Us

The board approved Metro's involvement in Don't Meth With Us in Nixa by providing \$2,300 with an additional \$500 from Southeast. Julie Bixler has spearheaded this project and is working with Southeast's John Horton, on the presentation. Southeast members will present to 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders in May. We would like to have members from Metro attend the presentations.

Presentation Dates (times TBD)

May 6 (7<sup>th</sup> graders)

May 8<sup>th</sup> (5<sup>th</sup> graders)

If you are interested in serving on a committee to coordinate this worthwhile project, please contact Julie.

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## McGregor News

There will be a **Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast** on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the McGregor library. Please email [bash@spsmail.org](mailto:bash@spsmail.org) to RSVP. All Rotarians are invited, especially those who have volunteered at the HABIT store this year.

**The MAP party** will be on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The party will coincide with McGregor's 10 year anniversary party. To commemorate the anniversary, we are invited to be a part of the photo – pictures will be taken at 1:30 p.m. We will begin serving pizza and ice cream at 2:00 p.m. for kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and 3:00 p.m. for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders. \* *We may need a volunteer to pick up pizza.*

Great Southern is providing & bringing the ice cream for the MAP party. A special thank you to Great Southern. We appreciate all they do for McGregor! Drury & the Community Partnership have split some of the cost of the t-shirts and their logos will be on the back of the shirts.

**Teacher Appreciation Week** is May 6-10. Tara and her team are trying to provide snacks, appetizers, lunch, etc. for 55 faculty members three of the five days. We have one day filled by TwentyOne Cakes Bakery in Nixa. We are looking for two more days worth of food. If anyone knows someone in the restaurant industry, please ask them if they would be willing to donate!

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## Annual Meeting

The Annual city-wide luncheon will be on Wednesday, May 15 at the Bass Pro White River Conference Center. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

The keynote speaker is Rob Keck of the RedHead Pro Hunting Team and Bass Pro Shops' Director of Conservation. He's also the Chairman of the Board at Wonders of Wildlife. Keck's leadership as the CEO of the National Wild Turkey Federation, for almost three decades, fueled the return of the wild turkey in North America.

*We need to secure four volunteers from Metro to greet and assist members in getting their name tags, as well as assist with seating for the event.*

## Connect with us



Read stories of service from around the world in the [Rotary Voices](#) blog.

## Board of Directors

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**Jason Graf**  
Service Projects

**Matt Sims**  
New Generations

**David Bixler**  
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**Meeting Time & Location:**  
Tuesday's @ 5:00 p.m.  
425 E. Walnut  
Downtown Springfield

## Metro Minute

### A prescription for healthy kids in Guatemala

By: Vanessa N. Glavinskas  
*The Rotarian* -- April 2013



*A young girl navigates the river near Sarstun, Guatemala, in a canoe.  
Photo by John Petty*

As John Petty arrived in Sarstun, Guatemala, he saw a young girl traveling alone in a dugout canoe.

"I was fascinated by her ability to navigate the river," says Petty, a member of the Rotary Club of Longview, Texas, USA. This remote part of northern Guatemala has no roads, so people get around by boat -- including when they need to visit the medical clinic in Sarstun.

The clinic served as Petty's home base when he and three other Rotarians came in March 2011 to help distribute albendazole, an antiworm medication. The \$45,000 Matching Grant project was sponsored by District 5830 (parts of Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas), many of that district's clubs, and the Rotary Club of Puerto Barrios, Guatemala.

The money went toward three million doses of albendazole; Refuge International, a nonprofit focused on water, health, and education programs in Guatemala, was in charge of distribution.

"Refuge International had the contacts and experience in that country to make such an endeavor successful," Petty says, noting that "children in particular are affected by parasites due to walking barefoot and to unsanitary food and water. This stunts their growth and leads to reduced energy levels, which in turn affect their ability to learn in school."

Story pulled from <http://www.Rotary.org>

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## Make Up Information

To view your attendance record, login to DacDB and click my data and then select My ATTNDance.

To make up a meeting online visit <http://www.rotaryclubone.org>.