



**January 2017**

**Issue #7**

## From District Governor Sue Goldsen...

Happy New Year Rotarians! It's hard to believe that the New Year is upon us! I hope each and every one of you enjoyed your holidays and time with family and friends. December was a very inspiring month for me. It was awesome to see the difference Rotarians were making in communities throughout our District. You will see many pictures of our club's holiday happenings in this issue of *News & Notes*.



January will be a busy time with both current club president mid-year meetings and pre-PETS, for next year's presidents. Please check the check dates, times and locations and be sure to get registered for these events. The dates for these events are on the front page ads of the web site. Be sure to clickthrough on the ad; then the details will appear. You will also see a box with the listings on page two of this newsletter.

The District Rotary Foundation Committee is also gearing up for Grants Seminars for the coming year. Rotary clubs that plan to apply for a District grant for the 2017-2018 Rotary year must complete the following steps in order to be qualified: A minimum of two club members must attend a grant qualification training seminar in February or March of 2017 and clubs must have contributed a minimum of US\$100.00 per capita to the Annual Program Fund for the 2016-2017 Rotary year in order to be eligible to receive District grant monies for 2017-2018.

I am happy to announce that District 6400 will sponsor a Vocational Training Team (VTT) to Ethiopia in 2017. The VTT will help the area with training in the following health priorities in Laelai Maichew Woreda. The training place is proposed to be at Axum Town, which offers the necessary facilities and logistical convenience. The team will provide training for trainers who will then train health care workers in the region. The areas of training will be: Maternal and child nutrition, Communicable disease prevention and control, WASH training, HIV AIDS prevention and treatment and Long-term family planning.

We will be looking for health care and medical professionals to be a part of this team. Watch for more information and details during the next week or so. We will be accepting resumes with a brief overview of your qualifications soon. The VTT team leader must be a Rotarian, and members of the team may be Rotarians or non-Rotarians.

District Conference in Cleveland, May 11-14, 2017. We are going to have an awesome time with great speakers, fellowship and service projects. **I am asking that each Rotary Club please secure at least 1 new registration for Conference.** We really need to do this to hit the numbers that we need to, to make this conference successful!

We have a special offer for first timers—If you have never been to a conference this is a great time to “try one on!” **Once again this year, District 6400 is offering a “First-Timers’ Stipend” to Rotarians who haven’t experienced the fun, sharing and fellowship of a District Conference. If your club provides a \$150.00 stipend to encourage your attendance, District 6400 will match it—you save \$300.00! Contact your club president to find out if your club is participating. The stipend will be paid to the club after you’ve returned from Cleveland.**

Those who are already registered—be sure to now purchase your hotel and conference package. You should have received a registration link for both of these items from our registrars. If you did not, please login to DACdb and [click here](#) to reserve your hotel room and select your conference package.

I want to encourage you to please let me know about special events and meetings you are having and if there is anything I can do to help you or if you would like me to attend. Best regards and be sure to continue to Follow your Heart as you Serve Humanity throughout 2017!

*DG Sue*

### Inside this month's “News & Notes” -

- Rotarians Celebrate the Holidays
- Links to district awards
- Reserve your District Conference hotel room & conference meal package
- Tragedy hits Detroit Rotarian—how you can help
- Send us YOUR club's news & photos—email [news@rotary6400.org](mailto:news@rotary6400.org)

**Visit our Super District 6400 website—[www.rotary6400.org](http://www.rotary6400.org)**

### Current year club president midyear meetings

January 18, 2017: Baker College, 4500 Enterprise Dr, Allen Park, MI  
January 24, 2017: Applebee's, 2187 Huron Church Rd #240, Windsor, ON

### Club president-elect "Pre-PETS" meetings (for 2017-18 Club Presidents)

January 30, 2017: Monroe Bank & Trust, 10 Washington St, Monroe, MI  
January 31, 2017: Baker College, 4500 Enterprise Dr, Allen Park, MI  
February 1, 2017: Applebee's, 2187 Huron Church Rd #240, Windsor, ON

### Here's how to make the most out of the district's website—[rotary6400.org](http://rotary6400.org)

**Tips**

- ◆ When you hover over any of the menu buttons at the top of the page, you'll see sub-menus that you can click on to get the information you want. For example, hover over "Public Image" and you'll see three sub-menus including "Rotary Brand Central."
- ◆ Click on the "ads" that rotate in the center of the home page and you'll be taken to a page with more information for that ad.
- ◆ Click on a bolded date on the calendar to see a pop-up box with details for the event(s) that day.
- ◆ The links on the left side of the page click thru to other pages.

We keep the home page of the website simple by including links that take you to the information you're looking for. Check it out today!

### District 6400 2016-17 Awards

Click on these links for more information:

- ⇒ [2016-17 Dick Hedke Award Entry Offline Worksheet](#)
- ⇒ [2016-17 Dick Hedke Award Online Entry\\*\\*](#)
- ⇒ [2016-17 Hugh Archer Best New Project Entry Form](#)
- ⇒ [2016-17 Hugh Archer Best Collaborative Project Entry Form](#)
- ⇒ [Frank Devlyn Exemplary Public Image Award Entry Form](#)

\*\*You may leave your work and return to it as long as you use the same computer

## Rotary District 6400 Calendar

- Wednesday, January 18—Current club presidents' (U.S.) mid-year meeting, 5:30pm at Baker College in Allen Park.
- Tuesday, January 24—Current club presidents' (Canada) mid-year meeting, 5:30pm at Applebee's in Windsor
- Saturday, January 28:
  - Wild Game Dinner, 5:30pm at the Grosse Ile Golf & Country Club, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Trenton
  - Big Band, Bop & Pop, 8:00pm at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center sponsored by Rotary Club of Dearborn

Henry Ford College with special sponsor Rotary Club of Dearborn present



Henry Ford Big Band, with special guests Blue Fusion and the singing voice of the Red Wings and Detroit television star Karen Newman.

**SATURDAY  
JANUARY  
28  
8 P.M.**

RESERVED TICKETS: \$25 & \$35  
BOX OFFICE FEES INCLUDED

**BIG  
BAND,  
BOP & POP**

PROCEEDS COMMITTED TO COLLEGE  
SCHOLARSHIPS & OTHER LEARNING ACTIVITIES.

**MICHAEL A. GUIDO THEATER - FC & PAC**  
15801 Michigan Avenue (at Greenfield), Dearborn

For tickets: 313-943-2354 or [dearborntheater.com](http://dearborntheater.com)  
Box office hours Tuesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
For discounted group rates (6+) email: [rgoward@hfcc.edu](mailto:rgoward@hfcc.edu)

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Rotary Club  
of Dearborn





## Auto accident tragic for Detroit Rotarian and family

(submitted by Detroit Rotary President Jim Fuqua and club member Fred Pearson)



On the evening of December 6, a major automobile collision near Columbus, Ohio forever changed the life trajectory of 33 year old Detroit Rotarian Steve Durant. As a result of the accident, Steve's wife Moriah suffered a broken ankle and foot, and Steve fared even worse. He sustained multiple life-threatening internal injuries, as well as broken bones and crushed vertebrae. Most tragically of all, the couple's beautiful four year old daughter Rosaria was fatally injured.

Steve is no stranger to adversity. He suffered a stroke at age 13 the first of an ongoing series of neurological impairments that made walking, school, and work a challenge. Nevertheless, he persevered and achieved tremendous success. While attending King High School in Detroit, Steve was named Detroit Rotary Youth Citizen of the month and year. Next, Steve helped found the Rotaract Club at Wayne State University, where he double majored in Business

Administration (Masters) and Peace and Conflict Studies-- a truly fitting Rotarian curriculum. He became and has remained a devoted member of the Rotary Club of Detroit even while living in Ohio and working as a senior examiner for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Steve and Moriah are struggling not only with their grievous loss but with a lengthy rehabilitation process for their own severe injuries. Steve has opted to return "home" to the Detroit area for this, his latest "test," and to be with those he loves, including his fellow Rotarians.

We can't make everything right for Steve and Moriah, but we have the ability to help ease their burden somewhat. If you are able to make a small donation to help offset upcoming funeral expenses please click on the link below. Thank you for considering this request, and your support for Rotarian Steve Durant and his family.

[Click here to support Help for Steve and Moriah Durant](#)

### District 6400 Youth Exchange Students Celebrate the Holidays!



At its 2017 District Conference, Rotarians in District 6400 will elect our representative on the 2017 Zone 29 nominating committee, the body charged with selecting the 2019-21 director on the board of Rotary International.

Any club may nominate a qualified member who has indicated a willingness and ability to serve during this time. The club shall certify in writing (signed by the club president and secretary) the nomination and the years the candidate attended any institutes and conventions. The nomination shall be sent to the governor for presentation at the district conference. This is done at the club level. There is no form from RI for this nomination.

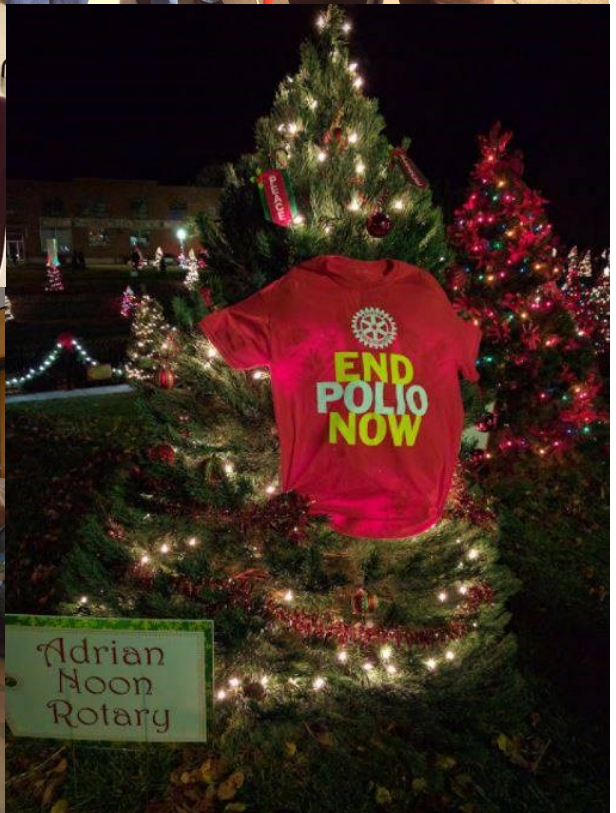
The member and the alternate must

- be a past governor at the time they are elected
- be a current club member in District 6400
- have attended at least two Rotary institutes in Zone 29 and have attended at least one RI convention in the three years before serving on the committee (in 2015, 2016, or 2017)
- not have served twice as a member on the nominating committee for RI director
- not be the RI president, president-elect, or past president, RI director, or past RI director
- agree to attend the nominating committee meeting on a date between 15- 30 September 2017

Nominations of eligible members should be submitted to District Governor Sue Goldsen via email, [sue@goldsen.com](mailto:sue@goldsen.com), or by mail to 8872 Hawthorne Dr, Tecumseh MI 49286 USA no later than January 31, 2017.

**Have news? Club events, projects or fund-raisers? Photos? Please email 'em all to [news@rotary6400.org](mailto:news@rotary6400.org) so we can feature them in "News & Notes"!**









Congratulations to AG John Chambers, a 12-year member of the Rotary Club of Detroit A.M., who was selected by the District 6400 Nominating Committee as our candidate to serve as our District Governor in 2019-2020!

Per our District 6400 by-laws:

Section 5 The Committee's choice shall be communicated to the District Governor on or before 15 January. The Governor shall notify the Presidents of all clubs in the District in writing by 25 January, preferably in his [or her] monthly letter, the name of the "official candidate" who has been selected by the Nominating Committee. The Governor shall also advise that a club may at this time, resubmit its previously proposed candidate who was not selected by the Nominating Committee. Such resubmission must be received by the Governor on or before 20 February.

Section 6 If no further nominations are received by 20 February, the Governor shall then declare, and notify the District in his next Governor's Letter, the "official candidate" of the Nominating Committee to be the District Governor Nominee to take office as District Governor two (2) years from the following 1 July, upon his being duly elected at the immediate preceding Rotary International Convention. If additional candidates have been resubmitted on or before 20 February, the Governor shall declare an election to be held at the subsequent District Conference.

### Council on Legislation Representative from District 6400

District 6400 must select a representative to serve on Rotary International's 2017, 2018 & 2019 Councils on Resolutions and the 2019 Council on Legislation, per Article 9 of the R.I. Bylaws. The representative will be selected by the District's nominating committee from nominations submitted by clubs.

#### To serve as representative, a candidate must:

- Be a member of a club in the district;
- Have served a full term as district governor at the time of election;
- Confirm that he or she understands the qualifications and is able to perform the duties and responsibilities of a representative through the online certification form;
- Be able to attend the Council on Legislation for its entire duration;
- Be comfortable accessing legislation and voting electronically.

#### Representatives' Duties

- Assist clubs in preparing proposed resolutions and enactments;
- Discuss proposed resolutions and enactments at district meetings;
- Be knowledgeable of the attitudes of Rotarians within the district;
- Give critical consideration to all proposed resolutions and enactments and effectively communicate his or her views on such proposals to the Councils;
- Act as an objective legislator;
- Participate in the Council on Resolutions;
- Attend the Council on Legislation for its full duration; and
- Report on the deliberations of the Councils to his or her clubs following the meetings of the Councils.

Representatives are also required to complete an online representative course and Council training at their 2018 Rotary Institute in preparation for the 2019 Council on Legislation. Their participation at the Institute is not funded by Rotary International.

Clubs should submit the names of interested, qualified candidates to District Governor Sue Goldsen via email, [sue@goldsen.com](mailto:sue@goldsen.com), or by mail to 8872 Hawthorne Dr, Tecumseh MI 49286 USA no later than January 31, 2017.



June 10-14, 2017



**Register now for the 2017 District 6400 Conference in downtown Cleveland! Click here for [highlights](#) and [online registration](#) (DACdb login required). If you're already registered for the conference, the hotel and conference package is now available for purchase—please click on the online registration link above.**



## **Never attended a Rotary District Conference? Register now and **SAVE \$\$\$** when you join us in Cleveland next May!**

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Register for DisCon 2017 today at [www.rotary6400.org](http://www.rotary6400.org)

**MAY 11-14, 2017  
Cleveland Renaissance Hotel**



Thursday, May 11th—*exclusive* Super District 6400 private dinner event at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame!

Friday, May 12th—Rotary Foundation centennial birthday celebration

Saturday, May 13th—Annual awards gala evening featuring the 2016-17 Dick Hedke, Hugh Archer and Frank Devlyn winners.



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Blissfield Rotarian Angie Wingerd has surprised family, friends, co-workers and strangers with her Random Acts of Kindness...



Text Message  
Saturday 8:30 PM

Hello miss angie  
this is chris the  
janitor from mass  
mutual thaaank u  
soo much for the  
gift i am currently  
at bob evens with  
my famil

y eating your the  
best



Members of the new Hines Park PM club surround Charter President Derek Locke (4th from left) at their December charter celebration at Bailey's in Dearborn.