



Rotary District 6670 Newsletter

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District Governor News..."Be a Gift to the World"



I have thoroughly enjoyed my visits to our clubs and appreciated the great hospitality.

Rotary President Ravi Ravindran challenges us to be World Class Leaders, Clubs and Districts in District 6670. I ask our members to share your talents with those in need in our District and around the world. We all are fortunate to have individuals who helped to mold us and share their talents in making us who we are today. Now how can we share our gifts?

I would like to challenge each club to:

Develop club goals for 15-16 and evaluate their progress.

Apply for President Ravi's Presidential Citation by

March 31, 2016

- Support the eradication of Polio through contributions to Polio Plus.
- Collaborate with other clubs in our District to support International Projects and Global Grants.
- Focus on increasing engaged membership.

Please mark your calendars to attend several District Seminars and Conferences:

- **District Trilogy** on September 9 at Normandy Church starting with dinner at 5:45 PM. Special thanks to Reverend Harvey Smith and church staff for their hospitality. Presenters invited for the program are: Floyd Lancia (Polio Plus), Carol Hughes (RYLA), Terri Schneider (Interact), Susan Bantz (Rotaract), Beth Huber (Four-Way Speech Contest), and Janet Metzelaar (Youth Exchange).
- **Rotary Leadership Institute** on November 14 and March at the Greene County Career Center. Arne Almquist will coordinate these programs again this year.
- **District Conference** will be held on April 29 and 30 at the Mason Deerfield Marriott. In addition to our District Rotarians in attendance, we are planning an Interact and Rotaract mini-conference facilitated by John T. Capps and Deepa Willingham. Clubs please inform your sponsored Interact and Rotaract Clubs.

District Newsletter

Please send your club information for our monthly district newsletter to Laura Erbaugh, Executive Director of the Dayton Rotary Club at laura@daytonrotary.com. She has graciously agreed to serve as District 6670 Secretary again.

Again, Looking forward to working collaboratively during "Our" 2015-16 Rotary year!

Union County Sponsors Youth Exchange Student to Finland

Assistant Governor
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Assistant Governor
Robert C Young II
Assistant Governor

Upcoming Events

[District Trilogy](#)

September 09

[Rotary Leadership Institute](#)

November 14

Featured in the picture to the right is the Union County Rotary exchange student who the club is sponsoring to go to Finland! She is pictured with one of their members, Sandy Rapp.

Her name is Florence McKellar McCloy. She goes by Kellar. Her parents are Randolph McKellar McCloy and Zoraya Concepcion McCloy and she has a sister Pili. She attends Marysville High School

Her interest are sports (track), science and politics and she wants to become a surgeon and focus on sports medicine.

Kellar has been an A+ student since she started school. She volunteers for the Dublin Irish Festival, political campaigns and teaches Sunday School. A very well rounded young woman. She is such a great representative for Rotary of Union County and the USA. Kellar will be living with another Rotarian in Finland and go to a local school while there.



Rotary Club of Miamisburg Wraps Up a Big Year!

The Rotary Club of Miamisburg finished a strong 2014-15 year on June 30. The club was one of only 2 clubs in our Rotary district to achieve a Presidential Citation for the year from Rotary International. This demonstrates our club's commitment to community, service and fellowship. District Governor Eric Marcus presented the citation to Club President Debbie McLaughlin on June 17. The Rotary Club of Miamisburg has achieved the Presidential Citation for several years running.

The 2015-16 Rotary Club of Miamisburg officers were sworn in on July 1. They are: Melinda Moore, President; Eric Cluxton, President Elect; Joe Getts, Vice President; Barry Barnhart, Secretary; Debbie Posey, Assistant Secretary; Judy McCartney, Treasurer; Tom Croskey, Assistant Treasurer; Debbie McLaughlin, Past President/Fund Raising Chair; Lori Gatland, Sergeant at Arms; Jeff Nestor, Assistant Sergeant at Arms. Club directors include Niels Winther, Bob Davis, Joe Getts, Shon Myers, and Bob Adams.



Top Row, L to R: Shon Myers, Director; Jeff Nestor, Assistant Sergeant at Arms; Melinda Moore, President; Eric Cluxton, President Elect; Tom Croskey, Assistant Treasurer.

Bottom Row, L to R: Debbie McLaughlin, Past President/Fund Raising Chair; Lori Gatland, Sergeant at Arms; Debbie Posey, Assistant Secretary; Judy McCartney, Treasurer; Barry Barnhart, Secretary.

Washington Court House Club Projects

The Rotary Club of Washington Court House sponsors the local Little League program as its community project. The Club also offers annual scholarships to graduating seniors from the two high schools in the county and helps support local programs including home delivered meals for the elderly, the Community Food Pantry, Fire in the Sky, the Humane Society and other organizations. Pictured below is the 11 year old Little League All Stars Team one of the teams sponsored.



The Club has two major fundraisers each year. The annual Fish Fry is held on the first Friday in May. Tickets are sold in advance by the Little League team members plus tickets are sold at the door. Rotary members fry fish, dish up side dishes, desserts and drinks, and box up take-out meals. Little League team members help with clean up and carrying take-out meals to cars.



The second fundraiser is the Lemon Shake-Up Stand held during the county fair in July. Members are scheduled for two to three shifts during the week to prepare and sell Lemon Shake-Ups. A local community member donates the use of a trailer for the shake-up stand (a vast improvement over the tent we had the first few years).

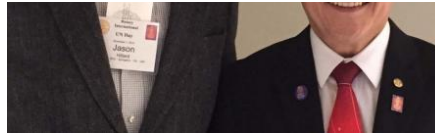
In 2015 proceeds from both the Fish Fry and the Lemon Shake-Up Stand were significantly higher than they were in 2014. Thanks to all Rotary volunteers who made this possible!

Rotary United Nations Day in New York



I spent this past weekend at a training of parents working together to build community for the sake of our kids. During that time, I found myself reminded how important it is for us to stand together for the strength and well-being of the next generation.

In our local Rotary clubs we do the same thing. We meet every single week, as caring citizens, to try to saturate our cities and our world with hope, peace, and goodwill. Some of the local efforts that we are involved in come



through the long-standing and successful programs of Rotary for our local youth; inbound and outbound youth exchange, scholarships, dictionaries, clothing, volunteer activities, internships, speech contests, leadership training, etc. The reason I am a Rotarian is because of this focus on youth.

The United Nations is an international organization that was established to protect human rights and promote peace throughout the world. Funny how the efforts of RI and UN overlap isn't it? Well, it just so happens that it is not a mere coincidence. Rotary's relationship with the UN dates back to 1945 when some 49 Rotary members acted as delegates, advisors and consultants at the United Nations Charter Conference. Today, Rotary holds the highest consultative status possible with the United Nations as a non-governmental organization. Each year on the first Saturday in November, Rotary Day at the United Nations involves 1,300 Rotarians and counting. The program is designed to celebrate the relationship and to educate all participants about where we need to focus our energy and resources.

My first trip to RI / UN Day was in 2013. I was invited by my father-in-law and I accepted only because I wanted to spend a weekend in New York City. However, I was absolutely blown away to learn about the work and impact of RI and the UN in the world, and a lot of the impact couldn't happen if we didn't work together as a community.

That first year, executive director Georg Kell of the UN Global Compact was our keynote speaker. Speaker after speaker from the Global Compact talked about their experience as youth exchange students as the reason they were now focused on expanding freedom and fairness for all through their work in diplomacy and peace making in business.

I would like to invite you and encourage you to consider joining us in November at Rotary UN Day in NYC. Registration opens on August 3rd and it fills up fast. www.riunday.org.

If you can't join us this year, there are other ways that you and your club can get involved. We have established a Rotary / United Nations Relationship Committee to promote and discuss the ongoing collaboration of the organizations. Our committee would like to visit your club to share our RI/UN Day stories. October 24th is recognized as United Nations Day. On this day, we are asked to come together for a common cause for the common good. So I encourage you to come up with a club service project, a volunteer effort, and work together as a club in the name of Rotary for the United Nations.

If you'd like to learn more, please contact me at jasonalanhillard@gmail.com, on my cell at 937.725.8551/937.725.8551, or visit http://www.empathysurplus.com/rotary/?recruiter_id=http://www.empathysurplus.com/rotary/?recruiter_id=2433.

Rotary Clubs Collaborate to Have Some Fun and Do Some Good

West Chester Liberty – Oxford – Miamisburg Rotary Clubs

Water Project in Conjunction with Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary Club

Itinerary for Water Filtration Project Implementation – 24, 2016

January 17

Jan 17 (SUN): Arrival Day Orientation Dinner (Extra Cost)

Jan 18 (MON): Tour of Puerto Vallarta and Rotary Projects of Puerto Vallarta Sur Rotary Club

Jan 19 (TUES): Day to relax on the beach, explore the town, etc. Evening Social Get-together with visiting and local Rotarians.

Jan 20 (WED): Project Prep – Afternoon Work Session to prepare for Saturday Distribution

Jan 21 (THURS): 9AM - Rotary breakfast meeting at Casa Magna Marriott (180 pesos)
Evening - Rhythms of the Night Tour (includes Sunset sail, buffet dinner on Las Caletas Beach and Spectacular Theatrical Performance (Extra Cost)

Jan 22 (FRI): Day to relax on the beach, shopping, art galleries, cooking class, etc.

Jan 23 (SAT): Distribution of Water Filters – Location to be determined

Jan 24 (SUN): Departure Day

Travel package: Includes roundtrip airfare from Cincinnati roundtrip transportation between airport and resort, 7-nights in the indicated room category including taxes plus activities above for two people.

Flight Schedule:

Jan 17: Depart Cincinnati at 8:10am via Dallas (layover 1-1/2 hrs.) arriving Puerto Vallarta at 1:25pm

Jan 24: Depart Puerto Vallarta at 3:40pm via Dallas (layover-1-3/4 hrs.) arriving Cincinnati at 11:33pm

Villa Premiere Hotel & Spa in Deluxe Oceanfront room: \$2982.00*

Casa Magna Marriott Resort and Spa in Garden View Room:
\$3472.00*



Contact Kathy Rieser at 513-779-2901 or kathy@memorablejourneys.net for more information about travel arrangements. Prices are subject to change.

*Commissions from travel packages will be used for Water Filtration project & week's activities.

Middletown Club Celebrate 90th Anniversary



The 90th Anniversary of Rotary was quite special to the Middletown Club. Two major events occurred during this time. First, the Golf Outing was held at the Weatherwax Country Club in W. Middletown and was a great success. Over 13

groups of foursome teams participated in the outing as you can see in the picture provided. The weather was perfect!

Secondly, Pres. Ravi requested that we hold a Rotary Days event. Ours was held at Brown's Run Country Club here in Middletown. Our keynote speaker was CEO & Pres. Jim Wainscott of AK Steel. Over 120 persons attended and there was a surprise visit by Speaker of the House John Boehner. Many clubs in the area were present as well as our District representatives

Our installation meeting was held in the Middletown Sr. Center and PDG Harvey Smith was our facilitator. Our past Pres. Wendy held her last meeting as the gavel was transferred to Dora Bronston. Dora is a City Councilwoman in Middletown. She stepped onto the platform with 3 prospective members. Watch Middletown grow!



Rotarians Participate in Peace Heroes Walk

Rotarians from Dayton, Farmersville & Kettering clubs joined 700 walkers in the 2015 Peace Heroes Walk at the Dayton Riverscape Metro Park. Participants worked in teams representing, schools, business organizations, faith communities, and service clubs. Teams selected their own peace hero and funds raised provide financial support for the mission-related programs of the Dayton International Peace Museum and the National Conference on Community and Justice for Greater Dayton. Pictured are Jerry Leggett, Mary Tyler, Sue Taylor, Susan Bantz, Bob Hadley, Orville Bantz, Terry Williamson, Cathy Ponitz, David Ponitz, David Williamson, and Michael Roediger.



Mason Deerfield Club Happenings



Attention Golfers and Sponsors. Our Annual Golf fundraiser is scheduled for August 31, 2015. This is a great event for all and is played at Four Bridges Country Club. For more information go to [Mason Deerfield Golf Outing](#).

Welcome to new member Alita Glardon a Mason Attorney. We look forward to seeing you around.

Matt Selihar, Vice President of BlackRock, spoke to us about the advantages, options, myths, and optimal timing of using the 529

College Savings Plan as an investment vehicle for the future for our children and grandchildren. He also said that it can be used by anyone for their own education, and even many accredited programs abroad. This was great information for all.

We held a successful food drive for the Kings Food Pantry in July. Kroger's graciously allowed us to hold this event and we able to help fill up the pantry during a time where donations are slow.

Rotary Club of Farmersville Awards 2015 Memorial Scholarship

The Rotary Club of Farmersville presented their \$6,000 Eleanor Miller Memorial Scholarship to 2015 Valley View High School graduate, Olivia Atkins. Olivia is the daughter of James and Chris Atkins of Germantown. The annual four-year scholarship has been awarded in Eleanor's memory since 1985. Olivia will attend The Ohio State University where she will major in political science. Pictured are Rotarian Sally Miller, James Atkins, Olivia Atkins, Chris Atkins, Club President Larry Lindstrom.



Greater Harrison Rotary is Recycling Copper



The Greater Harrison Club is making ornamental trees of all shapes, including weeping cherry and bonzi trees out of copper wire. These ornamental trees will be sold at the Harrison – Weber Farm Pumpkin Fest this fall.

The copper wire is being donated by our member, Mark Katenkamp, an electrician. Our goal is to raise over \$1000 selling these trees, which range in price from \$20 to \$30 each.

If you interested in a tree, contact: info@GreaterHarrisonChamber.org.

Miamisburg Club Donates to Plaza Theatre Project



On July 1, the Rotary Club of Miamisburg made a donation of \$40,076 to the Plaza Theatre project. Doug Sorrell accepted the contribution on behalf of Downtown Miamisburg, Inc. It is the largest single donation recorded by any Miamisburg service club to any recipient and the largest donation to the project to date. The donation was made possible by proceeds from the Esther Philhower Auction held by the Rotary Club every April, and bidders at the most recent auction could designate additional funds for the project.

Kettering Rotary Supports Mayor's Ball for Charity

The Kettering Rotary continued its commitment to serving community non-profit organizations with its 9th annual Mayor's Ball on April 25, 2015. "Serving our children is one of the most powerful ways we can serve," says Jim Ghory, Ball Chairman. Today, 42 percent of the Kettering children receive free or reduced lunch on school days, and unfortunately there may not be nutritious food at home for them to eat on the weekends. The Kettering Backpack Program provides quality food to 525 Kettering elementary and middle school students every weekend—food that is easy for them to prepare on their own at home. Led by Mayor Don Patterson and his wife, Maureen, this year's Ball raised \$18,907 to help support this worthy cause.

The Ball was held at the Reynolds & Reynolds atrium and featured exceptional food and a night of dancing. The Mayor's Ball has become a premier event each spring and this year was financially helped by its sponsors, DP&L, Kettering Medical Center, Reynolds & Reynolds, Walmart of Moraine, and McAfee Heating and Air. The Kettering Mayor's Ball for Charity serves to recognize and celebrate all 501(c)(3) charitable organizations whose activities contribute



to a positive impact to the Kettering community.

Troy Rotary Youth Exchange Student Caity Klawon Headed to Turkey



Troy Rotary Club is sponsoring Caitlynn (Caity) Klawon as a year-long Rotary Youth Exchange ambassador. She leaves on July 28th for Samsun, Turkey, which is a major port on the Black Sea. She will live with a family for the entire year, attending Samsun Ses Okullari, a private school that caters to families and Rotary Youth Exchange students who are unfamiliar with the Turkish language.

Last week, Caity was inducted as a Troy ambassador by Mayor Michael Beamish. He gave her TroyOhioUSA pins to share with others in Turkey and a Troy Ohio Seal Medallion to present to the mayor of Samsun. Attached is a photo of Caity with Mayor Beamish and a picture taken of Caity with other Rotary Youth Exchange ambassadors at an orientation meeting held at Otterbein a few weeks ago.



Troy Rotarians Host Peace Museum Communications Director



There are heroes all around us. Just ask Deb Hogshead (pictured), Communications Director for the Dayton International Peace Museum. She shared this insight with Troy Rotarians and guests during their weekly meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2015. The museum sponsors the Peace Heroes program to recognize and honor those individuals who seek to promote peace through the rejection of vengeance, the promotion of justice and the recognition of interconnections. Simply put, a Peace Hero is an ordinary person who takes risks and succeeds in making the world a less violent and more just place to live, work, and enjoy. In May of this year, Troy Rotary Club

nominated its own Shane Carter, executive director of Lincoln Community Center, as a Peace Hero for his steadfast work with the youth of Troy.