

# District 6690—News

### DG's monthly message

It's hard to believe that six months of our Rotary year have come and gone. As we reflect on our theme this year; **Peace through Service**, it is time to take stock of the goals we have set for ourselves and our clubs and to review the progress we have made towards them. Are we on track to achieve what we set out to accomplish. ask that you refer to the Presidential Citation, as your

guide towards meeting the challenges as defined by our Rotary International President, Sakuji Tanaka. To recap, the goals for this year fell into the same three key areas as defined by the RI and District Strategic Plans.

- Strengthen Our Club
- Increase Our Service and Support Our Rotary Foundation
- Enhance Our Club's Public Image

I ask each of our district Rotarians to work with their club president in insuring that your club is meeting the challenges as we head into the final six months of this Rotary year. Is your membership growing? Are your members engaged in club activities and service projects? Are you encouraging members to support our Rotary Foundation? Are you telling your Rotary story?

January is **Rotary Awareness Month** and as you have discovered at our Public Image seminar, with simple tweaks of your message, you can make an affirmative difference in how your community perceives your club and Rotary. When promoting your Value Proposition it is important to convey the right message, to the right audience, using the right vehicle. Spread the word about Rotary in January! At your next club assembly, make sure that members know about the latest projects and initiatives so they can raise awareness in the community. And consider these tips:

- Discuss your club's Strategic Plan at a new-member orientation.
- Update members on polio eradication at your next weekly meeting by getting the latest facts at www.endpolio.org
- Include news from rotary.org on your club website to let





D6690 January Rotary Awareness Month





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### TO ALL PRESIDENTS ELECT



District Governor Elect : Bart Mahoney



We are well under way planning for your All Ohio PETS. Again this year we will be at the Renaissance Downtown, Columbus, Ohio. The steering committee has met three times. The final meeting will be Feb. 9, 2013. Also in attendance for this final meeting prior to MARCH 8 AND 9, 2013 will be all facilitators, and you know who you are.

This year's committee has been chaired by Norma Berry from District 6670. Members from 6690 are DG, Michael Brown; DGE, Bart Mahoney; DGN, Randy Davies; PDG, Brent Rosenthal; Craig Maxey, Sue Rowland, and Kathleen Mahoney. At the next meeting we will be welcoming our newest member, Tara Craaybeek, DGND. (Congratulations Tara...it starts now.)

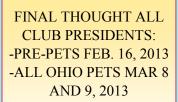
The goal of this committee is to make sure that our future Club leaders are provided information to help them have a successful year. This is my third year to serve with this group and I can assure you, I had no idea what it took to put on this event. In 2003-2004 I was President of my Club, Whitehall-Bexley, and I remember well the excitement I felt as I met with all others in the State of Ohio that had been asked to lead their Clubs. It was a wonderful experience and I hope we will provide each of you with the same. Now I appreciate more the work and planning that it takes, but all a labor of love. By Rotary standards All Ohio PETS has been and continues to be the standard for all other PETS around the United States.

In addition to the break out sessions we have the honor of a very distinguished list of speakers. Those in attendance will be Jennifer Jones, Public Image at it's best; John T Capps, the man with a Rotary tattoo; Mark Maloney and Salim Najjar, that will present Future Vision (have you ever heard of this) and last, but not least, the RI President for 2013-2014, Ron Burton from Norman, Oklahoma. I hope you agree this is an impressive list and with them in attendance it should be a weekend to remember.

I appreciate the opportunity to share the All Ohio PETS story with the entire District as well as our future leaders. This does allow each of you to learn more about the role of a Club President and I hope at some point in time we will see many of you at this event.

HAVE FUN AND THANKS, PEOPLE.

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THESE EVENTS ARE MANDATORY See you there

#### Tara Craaybeek to serve as District Governor 2015-16

Tara Craaybeek of the Rotary Club of Lancaster Sherman has been selected by the District Nominating Committee chaired by PDG Brent Rosenthal do serve as District 6690 Governor for 2015-16.

Tara is currently serving 6690 as District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC). She has been a member of Rotary since 2002 and served as club president in 2005-06.

Under her leadership with The Rotary Foundation, our District has continued to attain excellent levels of giving and support. This has enabled the district to provide substantial Matching Grants and District Simplified Grants to enable our clubs in their pursuit to improve lives and provide help both here in our District and around the world. She is a Commercial Banking Officer with Fairfield National Bank. Tara along with husband Scott, are proud parents of 2 daughters, actively involved in numerous activities with them.

Tara has a strong passion and love for Rotary. Nominating Committee members have no doubt she will be an excellent District Governor and will inspire, motivate and encourage our District to reach higher to serve our world and our members. She is an outstanding Rotarian and a person of vision in supporting our Rotary motto; "Service above Self".



DG Michael Brown; Tara Craaybeek , District Governor Nominee 2015-2016; District Governor-Elect Bart Mahoney ; and District Governor-Nominee Randy Davies.



Belpre Rotary Club:

Wreaths Across America 2012

This year marks the one-millionth remembrance wreath being donated to honor the service and sacrifice of our veterans through the "Wreaths Across America" organization.

The Belpre Rotary Club of Belpre honored soldiers from the American Revolution by placing wreaths on the graves of 15 soldiers and officers buried in the old Cedarville Cemetery which is located along the banks of the Ohio River in Belpre.

For the third year the Rotary Club of Belpre sponsored this ceremony with the assistance of American Legion Post 495. Belpre Mayor Mike Lorentz was present to speak about honoring our veterans and their service to our country with its foundation beginning with these Revolutionary War soldiers. Dr. Don Ery represented the Belpre Rotary.

The Rotary Club donated the wreaths at Cedarville Cemetery for the past three years because of the historical significance of the land and those buried there. Submitted: Larry Arnold



Granville Rotary Club:

- Holiday Dinner at Moundbuilders' Country Club and collection for
- "Be a Santa to a Senior."
- Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for 2013-14 Rotary Year.
- Salvation Army Bell-Ringing at Ross' Granville Market.
- Students of the Month presentation.
- Children's Holiday Party and Middle School Students of the Month

Submitted: Dena McKinley









Logan Rotary Club:

This month we did one of our biggest projects. We call it the "Bike Project." As a club we collect used bikes during the holiday season. We have about 4 members who repair them and get them ready to be used again. We also do a brown bag auction at our Christmas party to make money to purchase new bikes. Last Sunday, we loaded then all up and took them to our local Toys to Share giveaway (the local version of Toys for tots). We were able to give away approximately 100 bikes to needy kids this year.

We also were able to help our local food pantry purchase turkeys and hams for the holiday. They were not able to get any of this from the regional food center, so we set out to help. We did a chili dinner fundraiser and raised \$2500 to help them through the season.

Submitted: Susan J. Aldridge

Athens AM Rotary Club:

With the help of Athens County Children's Services and Rotaract, boxes were delivered on Monday, November 19, to 32 families in the county, filled with all the preparations for a Thanksgiving feast, including ham, canned items, milk, eggs, and the ingredients to bake pies. It was because of your generous donations during the "pass the hat" in November, our club was able to purchase \$1113 of food.



Submitted: Shawna Stump



Columbus Rotary Club:

Kids N Kamp Christmas store:

• Members staffed the Holiday Store which provides a place for the youth in the Kids N Kamp program to shop for gifts for the family. Club members also purchased and wrapped gifts for 15 family members of the children.

Colerain Elementary Christmas wrapping:

• For 92 years Columbus Rotary has been involved with the disabled population in the Columbus City Schools. In partnership with Colerain Elementary School, Rotarians fund gift purchases and wrap presents for every student at the school. The school integrates students with orthopedic impairments with its general education population when possible. On the last day of the school year, Rotarians host and staff a Christmas Party for the students complete with a visit from Santa. Rotarians partner with students to help unwrap and assemble gifts.

Submitted: Scott Brown.

Pataskala Rotary Club:

Hosted a Holiday Dinner with auction items and raised over \$750 for both the local LEADS Food Bank and the West Licking Special Olympics . Each attendee brought an unwrapped toy for our Local Pataskala Toy Drive.



Zanesville Daybreak Rotary Club:

Participated in the annual Festival of Trees (wreaths are one of the entry categories).





Lancaster Rotary Club:

Lancaster Rotary Christmas choir. Their performance was aired on the local radio and TV stations.

Christmas party for Forest Rose School, a school for the developmentally disabled .

• Lancaster club buys individualized presents for all of the students, lunch and entertainment, and lunch. This is a club tradition—they have been doing this for decades .as a Rotary tradition.

Submitted: Angela Krile

Worthington AM Rotary Club:

More than a dozen Worthington AM Rotary Club members and their spouses enjoyed cocktails on December 21 at Assistant District Governor and Mrs. Bill Lehner's home before having dinner at the Worthington Inn. The admission price included a toy to be distributed through the Toys for Tots program. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Submitted: K. Michael Foley

Chillicothe First Capital Rotary:

For more than a decade, the Chillicothe First Capital Rotary Club, has helped spread Christmas cheer to a special group of children. Each holiday season, club members (aka Santa's helpers) along with Santa, visit a local class room with presents for each child.

Club members had a great time shopping and delivering the gifts to a terrific bunch of kids that were very excited to get a visit from Santa and his Rotary elves!

Submitted: Heidi Robson





Chillicothe Rotary Club:

Rotary members helped 20 students from the Mount Logan Elementary School celebrate Christmas early. The students arrived at the Chillicothe Country Club for lunch. After lunch, they sang Christmas songs—and suddenly—Santa appeared with a bagful of gifts.

Elaine Domo, principal at Mount Logan, said the gifts from the organization mean a lot to parents and, especially, the children themselves."We're very blessed," Domo said.

Submitted: Ron Farrar



St. Clairsville Sunrise:

We "Pack the Truck" (PTT) the weekend before Thanksgiving to help stock the shelves of the St. Clairsville Food Pantry, sponsored by the St. Clairsville Council of Churches. Local grocery stores allow us to collect food and monetary contributions over a three day period. Rotarians staff each site and pack a truck that is donated by a local realtor. The food pantry serves over 300 individuals a month and we collected enough food to provide THOUSANDS of meals. Our support of the Food Pantry is an on-going mission for our club.

We also donated box fans during the heat of the summer and purchased a pig from the 2012 Belmont County Fair Livestock Auction. The pig was processed into 125 pounds of sausage that was added to the offerings made available to pantry users.

This we held our first "Show & Tell Gift Exchange" and it was a LOT of fun! Instead of giving gifts between members, we put a really great twist on it and purchased toys that reminded us of fellow Rotarians. We were all speakers at our meeting and shared why the particular toy reminded us of a member. We then donated the toys to the Salvation Army – it was a great spin on something that turned into both a service and fellowship project!









Olentangy Rotary Club:

People in Need (of Delaware County) Holiday Distribution of toys, clothing, and food: Rotarians helped recipients pick out the gifts and clothing for their families. This year 1071 children, 730 adults and 206 senior/shut ins were served. Pictured are Pres. Dan Weng, his wife Julie and Tom Kleven, the ORC Coordinator of the event. District Governor Mike Brown attended this event.

Nineteen Rotarians plus spouses, children and grandchildren went to the Abbington of Powell Senior Living Facility and sang carols to the residents. Immediate Past President Steve Ussery served as Santa. The Club provided 30 gift baskets for the residents. This was the first year the Club has ever gone caroling and we did it with the purpose of spreading peace and joy this holiday season.

Teri Morgan, ORC's inaugural President, on December 20<sup>th</sup>, delivered 20 gifts from ORC members for pre-k age children to Liberty Community Center in Delaware, OH. This is a United Way supported agency because of the high number of at-risk children in this high poverty area of Delaware.

Submitted: Dan Weng



Marietta Morning Rotary Club:

The club "adopted" a local family with nine children, aged two to twenty-two, for Christmas. Through food, cash and clothing donations club members worked with the Americorp staff to stock their pantry, provide warm clothing, gifts for Christmas and even a couple of goats to make their holiday a little brighter. The club is considering a longer term "adoption" to help them become self-sustaining.

The club presented a check for \$8,075.17 to the Washington County Free Clinic. The Clinic was also honored with Rotary International's Family and Community Service Award in recognition of their commitment to families in need within Washington County. Accepting for the Washington County Free Clinic were board members Dixie Vaughn and Kevin Malcomb.

Submitted: Mary Segrest





Westerville Rotary Club:

W.A.R.M. Food Drive:

- The 2012 Food Drive collected \$5,540. One dollar provides 5 meals. The funds collected by the club translates into 27,700 pounds of food. This is more than double the 2011 Food Drive result.
- Dan Stanley and Chris Blackburn the WARM Food Drive effort enabling the club to reach this goal.





Pictured: Brian Holbrook, Joanne Spoth, Sandie Farrer, Lisa Kaltenecker, George Igel, Linda Turner, Mackenzie Betts (Community Relations, Bexley Public Library), Rachel Rubin (Director, Bexley Public Library), and Michael Kilbourne Whitehall/Bexley Rotary Club:

Whitehall/Bexley Rotary Supports Digital Literacy: Our club foundation donated \$10,000 to the library to purchase 12 new computers as well as software and accessories for the Tech Center. By enabling the library to double the number of its computers available to the public, we are making it possible for even more members of the Whitehall and Bexley communities to apply for jobs online, complete school projects, research family histories, and stay connected with their families.

With the new Tech Center, the library will be able to offer more technology classes to teach basic computer skills such as setting up an e-mail account and advanced computer skills like using Skype. The library reported a 45% increase in computer use within the first 10 days that the Tech Center was open.

Upon seeing the new Tech Center full of open computers, one patron commented to library staff, "It's like an early Christmas present from Santa!" As the largest local donor to the project, we are proud that our club has an opportunity to support digital literacy and access to technology.

Submitted by: Linda Turner, Public Relations Committee Chair.



Granville Rotary Club:

January can be a good time to consider new ideas for the coming year. For three years, the Granville Rotary Club has had a vocational service project that benefits the community while creating a lot of positive publicity for Rotary. The idea started when we needed a Santa Claus for the club's annual Children's Christmas Party. Rather than hiring someone from the outside, the club purchased a professional Santa outfit and asked yours truly to be Santa.

The 2nd year, we marketed this as the "Rotary Village Santa," soliciting appearances at local businesses, office parties, concerts and family Christmas parties for kids and their friends. A donation to our Rotary club was suggested. By 2012, this initiative had grown to more than a dozen appearances and generated \$625 for the Club's Foundation. This money can fund a vocational service projects such as "The Week in the Classroom" or other worthwhile uses.

Please consider creating a Rotary Santa for your club in 2013. For more information about how this project worked, please email me at <u>dsbgroup@windstream.net</u>. Best wishes for a Happy New Year.

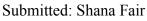
Submitted: Doug Barno.

Byesville Rotary Club:



Byesville Rotary members and their extended Rotary family—which included the Meadow Brook Interact club, members of the VFW and the Phi Chapter of the Alpha Pi Sigma Sorority as well as spouses and children of Rotary members—pack and distribute Christmas food boxes to over 160 families in the Rolling Hills School district.

Christmas gifts galore—Byesville Rotarians donate gifts to the Meadow Brook Interact Angel Tree project and to Secret Santa.







Pike County Rotary Club:

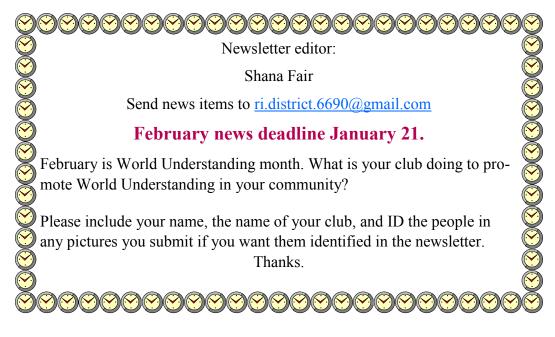
Pike County Rotarians entertained the residents and guests at the BV nursing center.

With a pitch pipe in hand, Cay kept the group moving along with on-key precision.

Club members celebrate the spirit of the season with their Rotary family at a Christmas social hosted by Dick and Cay Roberts. The social was attended by Rotarians, spouses, guests and perspective Rotarians.

Pictured (top to bottom) Dick Roberts; Alice Ward and Van Ambrose; Don Kerry and Rosanne Severding.

Submitted: Ron Cook and Judy Dixon







# **A Peal of Bell Ringers**

Newark Rotary Club:

Bell ringing for the Salvation Army.



Submitted: Rick Platt



Columbus: Rotary Club:

Club members rang bells for the Salvation Army raising over \$1000 in two hours.



Dublin Rotary Club:

We've had a great turnout for our annual assist to the Salvation Army Bell Ringing. Thanks to all who have helped and thanks to Claudia Trusty for sharing this photo of our club members in action. Thanks for your Help, Susan, Ron, and Janis! We have two Saturdays left to go, and, with some help from our great Interact clubs

Submitted: Michael Blackwell

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Zanesville Daybreak Rotary Club:

Bell ringing for the Salvation Army.





















### A Jollity of Santa Clauses



Pataskala Rotary Club:

Pataskala's Dick "Santa" Knapp presented his St. Nicholas presentation. Submitted: Brian Elder.





Chillicothe Rotary Club:

Santa Claus (Pres. Dave Brownfield, Chillicothe Rotary Club) tells children of his fondness for chocolate chip cookies while passing out presents to Mount Logan Elementary students during Monday's Rotary Club meeting at the Chillicothe Country Club. / Frank Robertson/Gazette

Submitted: Ron Farrar



Lancaster Rotary Club:

Santa passes out gifts for Forest Rose School, a school for the developmentally disabled .

Submitted: Angela Krile

Byesville Rotary Club:

Santa Claus listens to Christmas wishes at the Byesville "Breakfast with Santa" fundraiser.

Submitted: Shana Fair





### Welcome new Paul Harris Fellows

Newark Rotary Club:

The following Rotarians were recognized as Paul Harris Fellows: Ed Bohren, Dan Dupps, Ryan Mills (Granville Club) and Diane Oberfield (Newark-Heath Club). The following twelve non-Rotarians were recognized as Paul Harris Fellows: Beth Beattie, Meredith McGaughy, Diane DeLawder, Janet Englefield, Sally Wallace Heckman, Rosemary Hill, Ann Oberfield, Mary Frances Shannon, Sharon Weekly Stricker (in memoriam), and Joan Trautman. T.D. made a special announcement sharing that Bob McGaughy was anonymously nominated as a Paul Harris Fellow!



Lancaster Rotary Club:

Club members welcomed four new Paul Harris Fellows :

- Paul Harris Fellow John Dye with our Foundation chair, Lowell Stallsmith;
- Paul Harris Fellow Dr. Deborah Clapp with Stallsmith;
- Joni Campbell with Stallsmith,
- Paul Harris Fellow Melissa Walker with Stallsmith and her father, Phil Walker, a long-time Rotarian.









Submitted : Rick Platt





## **Tools for Club Leaders: Rotary Club Central**

Club Central is an on-line tool that can be used by club leaders to track club goals and achievements.

The tool focuses on 3 broad categories: "Your Club," "Service," and "Foundations Giving." Club data can be entered in these areas: "Goals and Progress," "Membership Retention," "Rotarian Engagement," "Club Communication," "New Generation clubs and Partners," "Annual Fund," "Polio Plus Fund," "Major Gifts and Permanent Fund."

All club members can view club projects. Club leaders-president, secretary,

treasurer, executive secretary, Foundation chair and membership chair—can enter and edit data.

The link provided is to a 7 page how-to and reference guide:

#### <u>http://</u>

www.district6690.org/files/ Documents/District% 20Docs/Rotary%20Club% 20Central%20Reference% 20Guide.pdf

Sample page view from reference guide.

#### 🛞 Rotary Club Central

Welcome: Club Leader

Rotary Club Central is an online tool to help clubs set and track club goals and achievements. This reference guide outlines the steps you need to take to set and edit goals as well as report achievements in Rotary Club Central. If any data is displayed incorrectly, please contact your Club and District Support Representative.

All goals and achievements have three broad categories: Your Club, Service, and Foundation Giving. Below the Trends section in each category, you will see "Goals and Progress." Next to each goal, you can either EDIT or VIEW. Club leaders including the club president, club secretary, club treasurer, club executive secretary, club Foundation chair, and club membership chair can EDIT goals and achievements and all club members can VIEW club goals and achievements.

To set a goal, choose the year and the goal and click EDIT. Below is an example for Membership Retention. Throughout the tool, click on this icon ()) for additional details.

#### Goals and Progress

You can access yearly data by selecting the appropriate tab. After reviewing trends, set your goal or edit it at any time by selecting the "Edit" tool.

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New members retained	2	2	x	

Below, are instructions about how to set each goal and report achievements in Your Club, Service, and Foundation Giving.



### Dates to Remember: Deadlines for Club Awards for 2012-13

#### March 31, 2013:

- Presidential Citation. <u>http://www.rotary.org/</u>
  RIdocuments/en pdf/900a en12.pdf
- Interact & Rotaract clubs Presidential Citation.
- Governor's Citation.

#### March 1, 2013:

- Significant Achievement. Award April 15, 2013:
- RI Recognition of Membership Development Initiatives

### **Activities and Events**

#### **District meetings and events:**

#### Jan. 31—RYLA 2013 Sponsorship Agreement Form due.

**Feb. 16**—District 6690 pre-PETS Training Seminar.

Feb. 23—Rotary 100th Birthday.

March 8-9—All Ohio PETS

April 13—District Assembly

# Club meetings and events:

**Jan. 12**—Olentangy Furniture Bank Club project.

**Feb. 2**—Dublin AM "Polar Bear Open."

**Feb. 2**—Westerville Sunrise "Chilly Open."

**Feb. 2**—Worthington AM "Thaw your Heart Out."

**Feb. 16**—Columbus Capitol Square "Music in the Round."

# January 2013

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Event details



District 6690 is on the web.



### DGS Message, con't.

members know how Rotarians around the world are serving their communities.

• Publicize your Rotary club events in your community.

Rotary International president Sakuji Tanaka challenges us all to wear our Rotary pin daily to help raise awareness of what the pin means. While it will help you to remember that you are a Rotarian, more importantly it shows that as a Rotarian, we are here to help.

All of us should be ready to talk about Rotary. When someone asks you about the pin, you should be ready to answer.

Remember, we cannot go to prospective members and ask them to join Rotary only because we want more members. We have to answer their "Why Rotary" question. What is the emotional connection that Rotary and your club bring to them and to your community? Show them that Rotary is a wonderful organization by not just talking about what you do or how you do it, but why you do it and how their life can be more richer because they belong to your Rotary club.

DG Mike



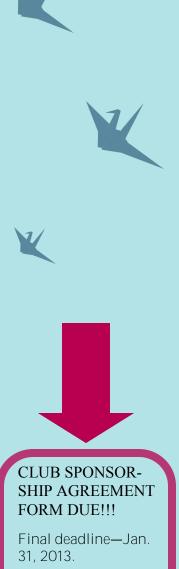
Thank You. Roe Mauro and Larry Jenkins ,RYLA Co-Chairs. email us at ryla@district6690.org (Return to page 1)



**Rotary District 6690 RYLA Conference** July 18 - 20 2013

Rotary Clubs are invited to sponsor one or two high school students to attend the 2013 RYLA Conference.

Deadline to commit to sponsoring participants is January 31st.



Fill out form and submit here.



### **2013 District Conference:**



Reserve May 17-18 for the District 2012 Conference which will be held at the NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center

### **Nearby attractions**

Located less than ten minutes from NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center, Polaris Fashion Place offers a variety of premiere stores including Von Maur, Saks Fifth Avenue, Sephora, J.Crew and more!

This two-story indoor/outdoor mall also includes a variety of restaurants to appeal to any palette. From California Pizza Kitchen, The Cheesecake Factory and Benihana to Molly Woo's and The Pub – there is something for everyone at Polaris Fashion Place.



The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium is a world of adventure that does a world of good. The Zoo is home to more than 9,000 animals representing 650 species from around the globe. A recreation and education destination that includes the 22-acre Zoombezi Bay water park and 18-hole Safari Golf Club, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium was named the #1 zoo in America by USA Travel Guide.



Athens AM Rotary presents The Dead Man's Chest 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Murder Mystery Dinner Theater February 1, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Ohio University, Baker Center Ballroom

You are invited to a MURDER ...

The Mystick Krewe of Cochon is having an end of Mardi Gras Ball hosted by Governor Fayette Warren & his wife, Raylene. There are lots of surprises planned so you absolutely MUST attend!

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to solve a murder (or two). Are you up to the challenge?

We're taking you back in time to 1857 New Orleans during Mardi Gras where the scurvy pirates are sure to make an appearance. We want you to be fully involved in the murder mystery so please come in costume! It's optional of course, but it will enhance your whole experience. Use your imagination and get ready to play!

Ticket Price - \$55.00 per person.

For tickets, please email: <u>tickets@amrotary.org</u> or call 740-541-3422. Arrrr....be warned. Tickets will go fast and you don't want to miss this event. Submitted; Kristi Chesser



Looking forward, Granville Rotary will once again be hosting the **DISTRICT** 6690 ETHICS CONFERENCE ON May 14, 2013, on the Campus of Denison University. More information







Thank you to all the Rotarians who made time to send me items and pictures for the newspaper during the busy holidays.

A Happy and Peaceful New Year to all.

