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July 2014

District 6690 News



District Governor's Message

In 2003, I began a journey that has brought me to an incredible place. I began to realize then it was time for me to start working in my community giving back, networking and making new friends. As the clock continued to rotate hour after hour and the calendar changed years, I started to notice a change in my direction. It wasn't long before I knew that what I really wanted to do was to serve others and help make my community and the world a better place.



I surrounded myself with people of like thought, of course they were Rotarians, and my journey started to define itself. Today, it is my honor and privilege to be District Governor for Rotary District 6690 and to work with all of you to make a difference.

Kristi and I have been busy over the past month traveling across the district attending installation ceremonies, social events and the start of our official club visits. Before the District Retreat in October, we will have visited all 59 clubs and we look forward to visiting with you!

This is a special year in Rotary, as we begin to transition from a theme of engagement and change to a theme of passion and awareness. This year we are going Light Up Rotary. I am encouraging each of you to find new ways to share our Rotary story. We are not a secret organization. We are changing lives and making a difference in our hometowns and around the world. It's a story to share and we must share it.

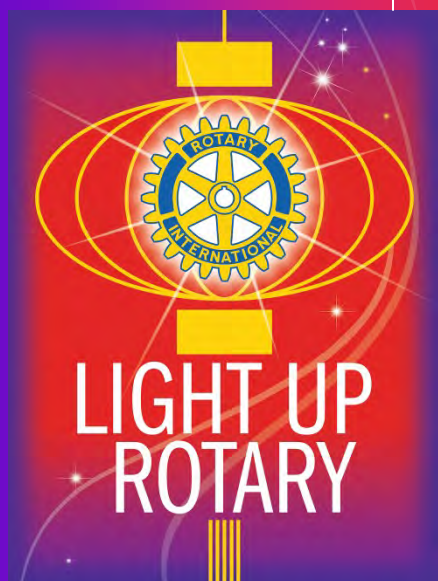
So as the DG 2014 Summer Bus Tour rolls into your community, we look forward to sharing our passion for 2014-15 and I know together, we will make a difference and Light Up Rotary!

“Service Above Selfies”

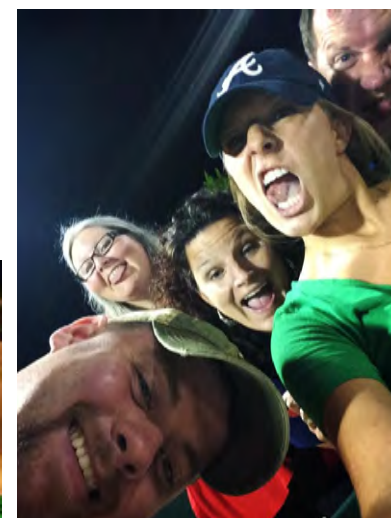
Share how you “**LIGHT UP ROTARY.**”

This space reserved for “Service Above Selfie” pictures.

You are invited to send pictures of yourself working at a Rotary function. Please include: your name, the names of anyone else in the picture, your Rotary club, and the name of the service project. Thanks.



Shana Fair
Byesville Rotary
Working on District 6690 newsletter



Athens AM



“Service Above Selfies”



Nelsonville Rotary



At Sandbo’s house.



Jackson Rotary



Randy and Kristi with Brutus

“Service Above Selfies”



Pike County Rotary



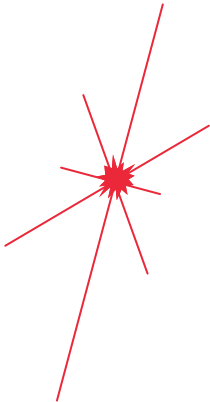
Randy and Massie,
Ironton’s President



Randy’s installation



The Light Up Rotary
DG Helmet



Club Activities

Byesville: Changing of the Guard

On July 1, Byesville Rotary welcomed Chuck Fair as their club president for 2014-15. Dick Brixner, Past District governor and member of the Cambridge Rotary, swore Chuck in. Chuck stated that his goals included working on increasing club membership, continue to build the Byesville rotary foundation supporting scholarships, hold monthly social events.

Dennis Harding, 2013-14 club president, presented Larry Miller with the club's "Rotarian of the Year" award. Larry was recognized on part for taking on the responsibility for organizing the club's which supports the club's scholarship program.

Tanya Hitchens, past president of the Byesville Rotary, was recognized for earning a Paul Harris Fellowship, and presented with a Paul Harris medallion.

Officers for 2014-15 (pictured left to right below) are: Phyllis Jeffries, Treasurer; Victoria Dunlap, Interact President; Claudia Echard, Interact Secretary; Larry Miller, Sergeant at Arms; Andrew Walker, Interact Treasurer; Tanya Hitchens, Program Chair; Chuck Fair, President; Dennis Harding, outgoing President; Jim Vaughan and Evelyn Spring, Membership Co-Chairs; and Jan Wilson, Foundation Chair and Grant Writer.

Thanks to Nellie Bichard and Jan Wilson for another enjoyable Changing of the Guard Dinner.

Submitted by:
Shana Fair, PR Chair



Club Activities

Cambridge: Golf Scramble date set

Cambridge Rotary will hold its 6th Annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, August 2, at the Wildfire Golf Club in new Concord, Ohio.

Advanced registration for four person teams is \$200 (\$50.00 per team member). Registration the day of the scramble is \$220. Prizes are: first place--\$400; second place--\$200; third place--\$100.

Hole sponsorships are \$75. For more information about sponsoring a hole, playing in the scramble or making a donation, contact Dick Brixner—740-826-7810—or John Ramshaw—330-268-0303. Send checks to John Ramshaw, 68014 Lofland Road, Cambridge, OH 43725.

Proceeds from the scramble will benefit Rotary International's polio eradication program and Cambridge Rotary's youth programs. The club sends high school students to Rotary's Ethics Seminar and to RYLA.

Update on Raffle winners:

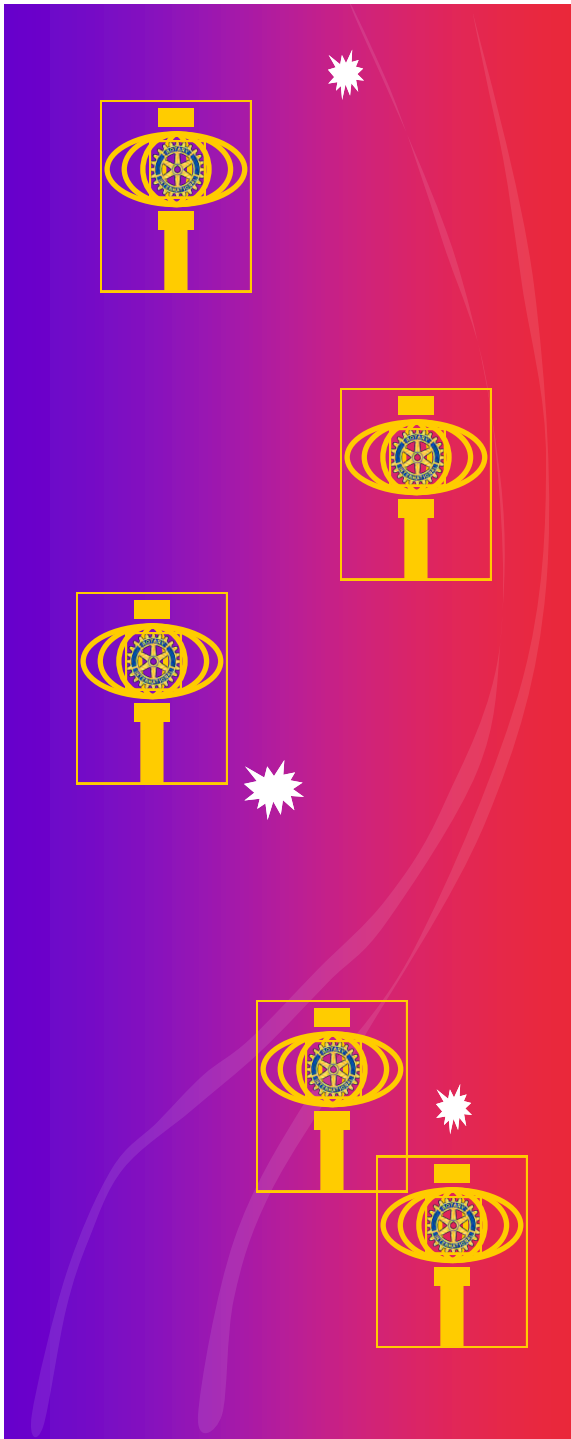
All winners except one has been notified by phone and the other by email. Checks have been mailed to all except Todd Huxtable and the three local winners.

A check in amount of \$15,500 has been mailed to grand prize winner, Heinrich Brucker. The balance of his award (approximately \$600) will be sent when all ticket purchase transfers and bill payments are completed, and our bank account is finalized.

Checks for the three local winners; Harold Black Byesville \$250, West Lafayette Rotary Club \$750 and Bryan McEndree Cambridge \$1,750 were presented to them at our June 11 Meeting.

When I called Todd, I learned that he is a former Rotarian, having had to drop his membership due to business time constraints. Todd said, in so many words "I do imagine that your club is strong in RI Foundation support". Which of course I acknowledged as being true. He asked that we use his \$250 to grant each of our five newest members \$50 toward a Paul Harris Fellow recognition. What a noble gesture! Once a Rotarian, always a Rotarian.

Submitted by: Jim Taylor



Club Activities

Chillicothe: Annual Wine Tasting/Auction

In 2014 the club chose a community project of raising funds to support the construction of a shelter house at the new Coppel Athletic Complex. This project serves hundreds of kids and families. The new park is a partnership between the City of Chillicothe and Ross County.

A Chillicothe Rotarian arranged for a winery to be present and offer samples as well as answer some questions around various wines. Local artists created paintings to be auctioned off. The club donated items for both a live auction and a silent auction. Paintings, furniture, vacation packages, hot air balloon rides, and other items helped to raise over \$10,000 to be used toward the

The donor of the land where the park is located was present and appreciated the support to get the infrastructure in place to make the park a reality in 2015.

Submitted by: David Tenor



Dublin AM: Changing of the Guard

Dublin A.M. had a fun evening of fellowship (and a little fundraising) to celebrate the installation of this year's officers. Thanks so much to Chris and Mike Close for opening their lovely home; Steve Smith and Rev'd Up, who rocked the night away; City BBQ for the amazingly delicious and hearty fare; Mohan Viddam for memorializing the event in pictures; and to all who contributed to fundraising in one way or another. Together we raised over \$4,000 for the good of Dublin and Rotary . . . and had a great time.



Club Activities

Columbus Capitol Square Rotary:

Last month, Cap Square Rotary was busy volunteering at Camp Hope, and also helped with the Great Green Purge, at which:

- 550+ cars dropped off stuff, leaving all those people happy with clearer homes,
- A truck was filled for Furniture Bank, which will help 2-3 homeless families,
- A few dozen bikes were donated for Franklinton Cycleworks to provide training and wheels for those who lack other transport means,
- A semi was filled for Goodwill + a truck for Habitat for Humanity; items will be given to those in need or used to generate funds,
- 1-1/2 semis full of hazardous waste + 2 trucks full of electronics were collected which will keep our environment cleaner.



We also enjoyed a great Installation with ADG Rick Rano, and we're off to a great start this year! We will be planning a fall fundraiser for our Foundation, and have begun planning the 10th annual Music in the Round, set for March 7. Save the date!

We will also be volunteering with Shepherd's Corner, Franklinton Gardens and Independents' Day in coming months, and we're looking forward to upcoming socials with the BREW Rotary Fellowship Ohio Chapter July 29, and at Little Rock Bar next month.

Everyone in the district (and beyond) is welcome to join us for service and social events (and meetings too!). To volunteer for Independents' Day: sign up at www.thisisindependent.com/volunteerregistration.html. To join us for any of our other activities, contact Erin Corrigan (rotaryerin@gmail.com) or visit capsquarerotary.org for more information.

Club Activities

Columbus Rotary:

The Columbus Rotary Club celebrated July 4th in style. One hundred Rotarians, family members and friends filled a room at the Boat House at Confluence Park (their regular meeting location) on July 3 for Columbus's Red, White and Boom. Fellowship, friends, no bugs and accessible bathrooms were some of the benefits the event planners guaranteed a big crowd.

Submitted by: Scott Brown



Coshocton:

Coshocton Rotarians place flags at homes in our community for July 4th. This is our Rent-a-Flag fund raiser. It provides an opportunity for hands-on club service, raises money for our projects and is much appreciated by the residents of our town.



Club Activities

Gallipolis: President Kevin Dennis takes the reins!

ADG, Todd Rubley formally officiated with the swearing in of Kevin Dennis new club president for Rotary Year 2014-2015. A much relieved Past President Chuck passed the gavel to our new President and presented the appropriate pins for President and Past President.

President Chuck used this last meeting of the Rotary year to recognize Rotary engagement in our club and present a number of pins and awards. First off, Chuck acknowledged our club's Women of Rotary with a beautiful special pin.

Shawn and Shana each received special Rotary plaques for their service as club secretary and treasurer. Chuck offered each board member a 4-Way Test mouse pad. A special something to new member Stan Evans and Cleeland Willis, but this will have to wait until next week. He also offered recognition to specific members for their Service Above Self. Others who received kudos are Alvera Robinson, Gordon Amsbary, and Lorelee Carmichael.

Sentimentally Chuck reminding us of our cause, offered special awards to Paul Koch, Lydia and PDG Mel Simon for their faithful service to Rotary.

Chuck gave an outstanding business award to Lorelee Carmichael. President Kevin received Distinguished Rotarian award for his engagement in Rotary this year

Chuck's final award was a President's Citation to Melissa Kimmel for all of her work and service to not only to Rotary but for her passion for our community and helping to aid homelessness.



Club Activities

New Albany: Inauguration of new officers

As the 2013-2014 Rotary year came to an end, the New Albany Club had its final meeting under the helm of Joe Evans (far right in picture). This year proved a turning point for the New Albany Rotary Club. When Joe took over, he was president of a club with 16 members. His goal from day one was 40 by 14; 40 members by the end of his 2014 term. Everyone in this club believed in Joe and did their part to rise to his challenge. As you can see, we just inducted 8 new members (1 not pictured) in June. This brought our total membership to 42 members!! What an amazing accomplishment!

Our club also attended the District Conference in June at the Cherry Valley Lodge. We came strong with 12 members to the Friday luncheon. This was a first exposure to the district conference for most of us. What a great time had by all!

The stage is now set for Eamon Burgess to take over as president, with Sara Colton next in line. We at the New Albany Club are more than confident in our new leadership and know that we will continue to have the success we had under Joe. The wheels are already in motion with a wonderful line up of guest speakers and monthly service projects being planned. Now that we have a strong presence in Rotary, we now want to turn our attention to having an even stronger presence in our community.

Submitted by: Jan-Michael Gintz



Club Activities

Pataskala: Installation meeting



Kathleen Mahoney, outgoing President;
Julianne Weiler(Bart's wife) and Bart



Kathleen and Bart Mahoney.



Holly Melick, award for
Perfect Attendance.



Club Activities

Tri-Village: Leadership change meeting

Our Clubs leadership change meeting was a memorable event June 25th. Past District Governor Elect Bart Mahoney, District Governor Randall Davies and his wife Kristi, DG Nominee Designate Steve Sandbo, and Assistant Governor Darnell Perkins were all in attendance for the special event.

Submitted by: Doug Trotter



Club Activities

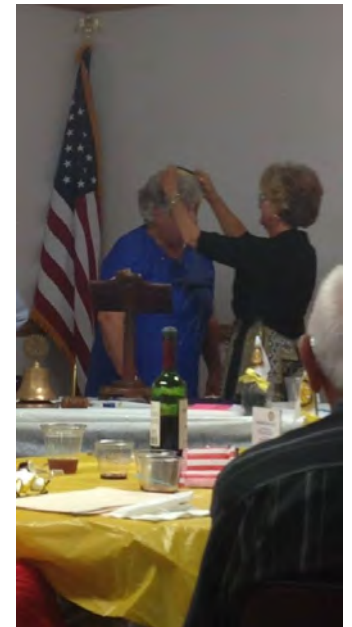
Wellston: Changing of the Guard

On June 25th, the Wellston Rotary Club had their "changing of the guard" ceremony. After a wonderful dinner, President Shannon Weber handed the reigns over to Dan Lockard Jr.. Connie Barton Pelletier was named the President Elect. President Dan plans on having one meeting a month in the evenings to accommodate those that want to join, but can't make the noon meetings.

Two Paul Harris Fellowship Awards were given out that evening. One to Dr. Doug Jones and one to Cheryl Cox. Both have gone above and beyond to give back to this community. They are both very giving people that have shown time and again "SERVICE BEFORE SELF".

Entertaining us for the evening were Dana Wiseman and Amanda Petersen accompanied by Dorothy Riepenhoff. They sang several of their favorite songs from Broadway musicals.

Submitted by: Connie Pelleter



Club Activities

Whitehall/Bexley: Rotary Club Scholarships

Our new club president for Rotary Year 2014-2015, Brian Shepard, appearing in the Bexley Fourth of July parade this weekend representing our club.

In June 6, 2014, the Whitehall/Bexley Rotary Club awarded eight \$1,500 scholarships to seven East Side graduating High School Seniors and a Capital University student at the club's regular luncheon meeting at the Columbus Country Club.

Stephen Brubaker, a Whitehall/Bexley Rotary member, Past Club President and Chairman of the Scholarship Committee recognized each scholarship recipient and their families during the awards ceremony.

These scholarships are funded by the Whitehall/Bexley Rotary Foundation, a charitable foundation dedicated to supporting community service in our East Side Community.

Scholarship winners are pictured below. They are from left to right Connor Mentel (St. Charles); Jessica Le (Eastmoor Academy); Carl Smith (Walnut Ridge); Stephen Brubaker; Olivia Jack (Columbus School for Girls); Kierre Anderson (Whitehall/Yearling); Max Corum (Bishop Hartley).

Emily Callahan (Bexley) and Melissa Amick (Capital University) were unable to attend the meeting.

Submitted by: Linda C. Turner, Public Image Chair



Club Activities

Worthington AM:

Rotary Night with the Ohio Machine

Worthington AM hosted the first annual District Rotary Night with the Ohio Machine on Saturday evening in Delaware. Although the weather didn't cooperate and the game was delayed for a while, it was a very entertaining overtime victory for the Machine.

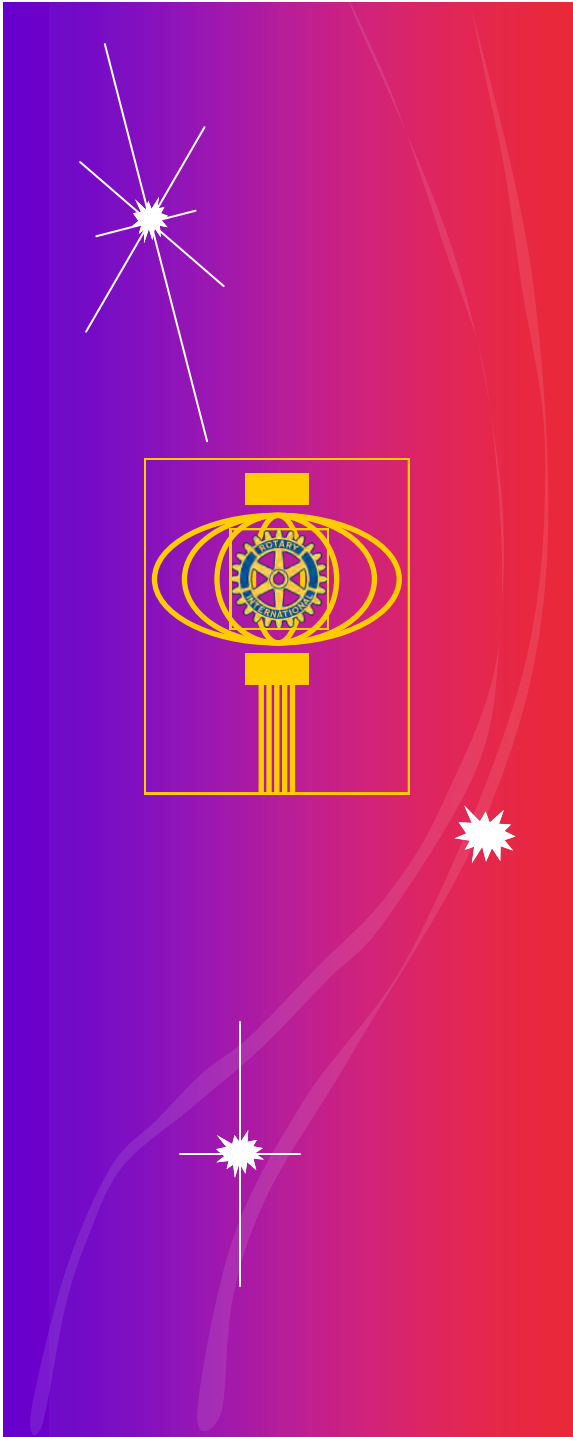
The Ohio Machine wore new, all-black uniforms against the Denver Outlaws on Rotary Night on Saturday, July 26. Clad in all black, the Machine stormed back to force overtime before Kyle Harrison netted the game-winning goal just minutes into the extra frame. This game marked the first time in club history the Machine hasn't worn Blue or White jerseys and will be the only time the Machine will sport the all-black jerseys this season.

Following the game, each Machine player signed his game-worn jersey and all 19 player jerseys, and a team-signed jersey, are up for auction online. All proceeds from the auction will benefit Rotary International's quest to end Polio. Together, the Machine and Rotary International will help to 'blackout polio.'

The Black Out Polio jerseys looked great for the national television audience, and now the on-line auction has started for the game-worn and autographed jerseys. Please help spread the word to anyone that may be interested in bidding on a game-worn special jersey, as we receive 100% of the proceeds of all jerseys sold. The on-line auction is now live at: <http://www.theohiomachine.com/blackjerseys>.

The online auction will run for 7 days beginning on Monday, July 28 at 3 p.m. EST and ending on August 4 at 3 p.m. EST.

Rotary International has been committed to ending polio since 1979. Since then, Rotary International and its partners have reduced the cases of polio by 99 percent worldwide. Through donation and funds raised, Rotary International has helped immunize more the 2 billion children against polio in 122 countries.





Calendar

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District meetings and events

September

September 20—Foundation, Membership, and Public Image Seminars.

September 21—International Day of Peace.

October

October 10-11—District Conference/Retreat.

October 24—World Polio Day.

2015

March 13-15—All Ohio PETs.

April 15, 2015—District Assembly.

Club events

August

August 2—Cambridge Rotary Club Outing.

August 6—Westerville Sunrise Golf Outing in memory of Mike Beres.

August 7—Marietta Morning Dinner Auction Cruise.

August 9—Sam Mumley Memorial 5KRun/Walk.

August 11—Whitehall-Bexley Ball Park Fellowship.

August 13—Whitehall-Bexley Annual Ivan Klayman Open.

August 29—Whitehall-Bexley 2014 OSU Football Tickets Raffle.

Governor's club visits for August

August 5: Circleville Sunrise
Newark

August 6: Trivillage
Ironton

August 7: Chillicothe First Capital
Circleville

August 12: Mt. Vernon

August 13: Cambridge

August 18: Granville

August 19: Byesville
Coshocton

August 20: Westerville Sunrise
Gahanna

West Lafayette

August 21: Westerville

August 22: Dublin AM

August 25: Athens

August 26: Zanesville

August 27: Dublin/Worthington

August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Cambridge Rotary Golf Outing
3	4	5	6 Westerville Sunrise Golf Outing	7 Marietta Morning Dinner Auction Cruise	8	9 Sam Mumley Memorial 5K Run/Walk
10	11 Whitehall-Bexley Ball Park Fellowship	12	13 Whitehall-Bexley Annual Ivan Klayman Open	14	15	16
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24	25	26	27	28	29 Whitehall-Bexley 2014 OSU Football Tickets Raffle	30
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