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Rotarians,

As we enter into a very busy time of year, Kristi and I want to make sure we take the time to thank each and every one of you for being a Rotarian. You are more than a member of your Rotary Club. Because of your generosity and thoughtfulness, you are impacting lives around your community and the world. This is a time of Thanksgiving. Thank you for being a Rotarian.



In November, many clubs had special programs highlighting Foundation Month. District 6690 is blessed with many Rotarians who consistently give to The Rotary Foundations, enabling lives to be changed and good to be done around the world. It is a pleasure to recognize and congratulate the top three clubs for their 2013-14 giving. With \$397.56 of per capita giving, the Rotary Club of Gahanna was the top giving club in our district. The Rotary Club of Westerville Sunrise was our second top per capita club at \$239.85 and the Rotary Club of Olentangy was third at \$202.99. Congratulations and Thank You.

Also we want to recognize the 10 clubs that gave at least \$1,500 in 2013-14 to the End Polio Now campaign. They include the Rotary Clubs of Clintonville, Dublin AM, Dublin-Worthington, Iron-ton, Newark, St. Clairsville Sunrise, Upper Arlington, TriVillage, Westerville Sunrise and Zanes-ville Daybreak

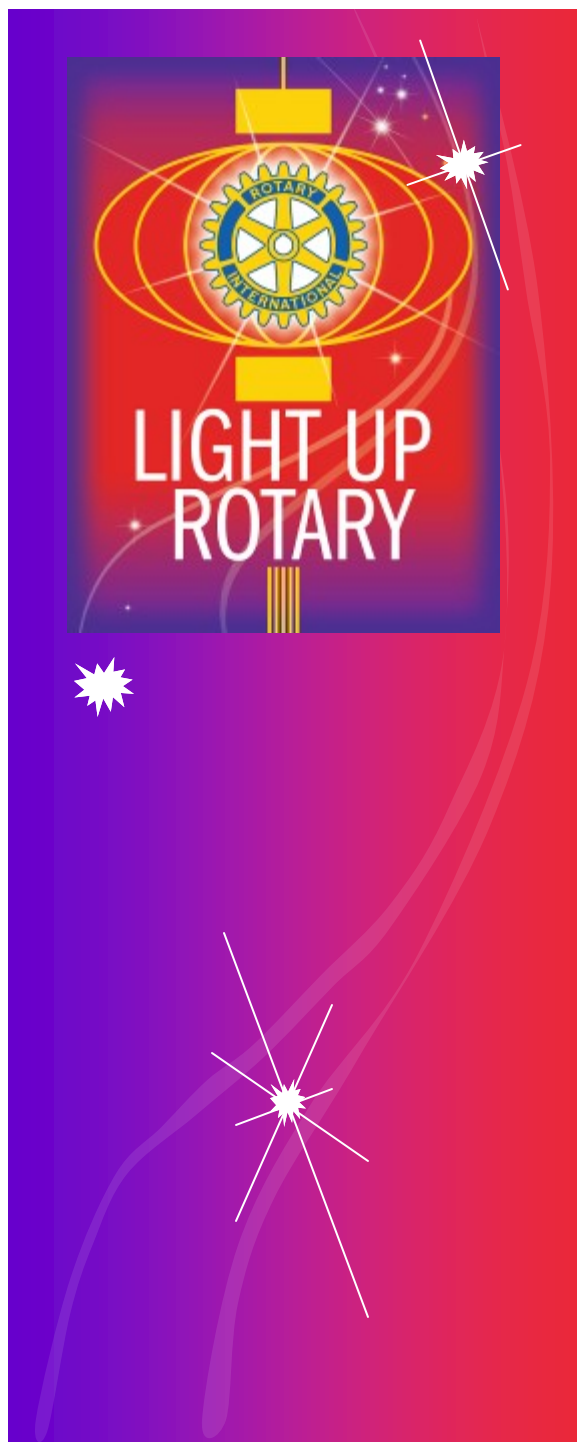


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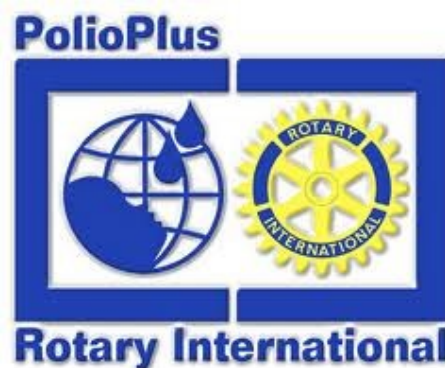
Kristi and I had the honor of attending a very special evening in late November as we helped Rotarians in Clintonville celebrate their club's fifth anniversary. Many clubs in our district will be commemorating anniversaries in the coming months. We hope to make your celebration and wish you the very best in your success.

We extend our best holiday wishes to you and yours.

Randy Davies, District Governor 2014-15

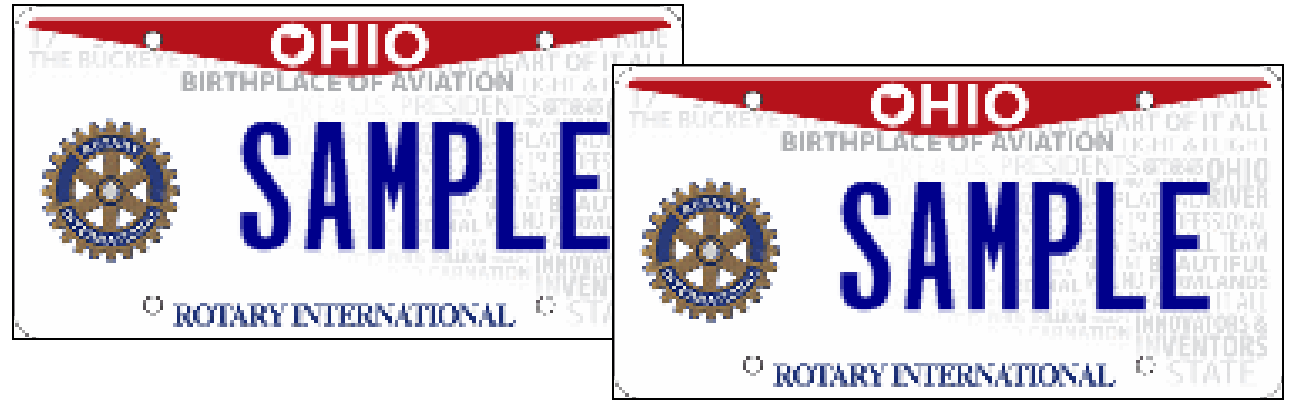


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Save our license plate

**Deadline to
save—
December 31,
2014.
Buy a plate
by this date.**



Rotary license plates are scheduled to be discontinued on December 31, 2015 unless we can generate 99 new license plates before that time. Many Ohio Rotarians cherish their Rotary plate. If we want to continue to see Rotary represented on the bumpers of Ohio vehicles we need to be proactive in spreading the word and gaining 100+ plates over the next year. <https://www.plates.com/PlateSpecial.aspx>



Call for changes in Rotary legislation



Dear Rotarians,

As we are nearing the end of 2014, there are less than two months to submit proposed legislation for the 2016 Council on Legislation. Rotary International must **receive** clubs' and districts' proposed legislation, including confirmation of the district's endorsement from the district governor, by **31 December 2014**. Please note that this deadline is strictly enforced and proposed legislation received after the deadline will not be considered.

To help you prepare legislation, we have developed the new How to Propose Legislation course in Rotary's Learning Center. The course can be found by going to [My Rotary](#)>Learning & Reference>Learning Center. Additional information and useful tools for the 2016 Council have been posted on the Council on Legislation section of the Rotary website at www.rotary.org/col. Proposed legislation should be submitted to Rotary through the online form here: https://rotary.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_86x9bQkfU8vwXIh. A paper form is also available upon request, for those who are unable to submit online.

Proposed legislation must be endorsed by the district at a district conference, district resolutions meeting, or through a ballot-by-mail. The district governor at the time of submission confirms the endorsement by either submitting the proposed legislation through the online form or, if legislation is submitted by someone other than the district governor, by emailing their confirmation to coun-cil_services@rotary.org.

If you have any questions about the Council on Legislation, please let me know.

Sincerely,
Sarah Christensen

Submitted by: Dick Brixner,PDG

Your Suggestions
wanted.

Submit now.

Paul Harris Fellow—it is never too early to give

Youngest Paul Harris Fellow arrives

As a Major Donor to our Rotary Foundation and Paul Harris Society Member, I have accumulated a lot of recognition points over the years and have sought every opportunity to give them away. I have made my wife, three daughters, and son-in-law Paul Harris Fellows. I have also used my points to promote Foundation giving. But I still have a lot of points and have waited for grandchildren to come along to bring more Paul Harris Fellows to Rotary.

Finally, my wife and I became first-time grandparents on 3 October, when our daughter Elise and her husband Rob (both Paul Harris Fellows) presented us with a special blessing, little Lark. And at only 5 pounds, 11 ounces, and 17 inches long, Lark is indeed little.

When you are a Rotary nerd you think of things like this: I wanted my granddaughter to be the youngest Paul Harris Fellow ever. So when my daughter was in labor, I faxed my [Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Transfer Request Form](#) to RI Headquarters in Evanston so that when little Lark was born a couple hours later, she came out a Paul Harris Fellow! I think it's safe to say she is among the youngest ever to become a Paul Harris Fellow (or at least tied for it)!

More importantly, I can't wait to tell little Lark what that money did and what a life of Service Above Self means.

So I have a challenge to other "expectant grandparents" for Foundation Month in November: Follow my lead so we can raise a new generation of Paul Harris Fellows. Visit Rotary's website to learn more about [recognition](#), and [how your giving to The Foundation](#) helps us make a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world!

Submitted by: Brent D. Rosenthal, Rotary Club of Westerville, Ohio



Lark, 5 pounds, 11 ounces at birth, is already a Paul Harris Fellow.

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Club Activities

Byesville Rotary:

Byesville Rotarians joined with local businesses and organizations to sponsor a Christmas tree in in Rotary Gazebo Square in Byesville.

The trees will be lit Thanksgiving through Christmas.



Mount Vernon:

Donation to SPI Spot (Science Play Initiative)

Through the Rotary District Matching Grant, the Mount Vernon Rotary Club presented a check to Spi Spot in the amount of \$1,000. John Thatcher pre-presented the check to Rachel Garcia and Lori Beach. They shared how thankful they are to receive the funds and shared some possible projects these funds will help support. *This is your contributions at work!*

In the photo from L-R are: Hon. John Thatcher, MV Rotary Foundation President: Rachel Garcia, SPI Spot Executive Director: Melanie Bolender, MV Rotary Club President: and Lori Beach, President SPI Spot Board of Directors.



Club Activities

New Albany:

October was a somber month for the Rotary Club of New Albany. We lost a friend and a fellow Rotarian, Pat Hollern, who passed away on October 13 after losing his bout with stomach cancer. Those who knew Pat would describe him as a good Irishman who was a genuine and kind man who loved his family above all else. He was an avid Buckeye fan and was very passionate about the New Albany girls basketball program. Many of Pat's fellow Rotarians attended his visitation later that week to say their final good-bye's in person.

We ask that the entire Rotary family keep Pat and his family in your thoughts and prayers. We miss you Pat, but we thank you for all you have done! We will continue to do the work of Rotary with you in our hearts.

Submitted by: Jan-Michael Gintz



Club Activities

Short North:

Short North Rotary had a fantastic service experience this month serving dinner at the Faith Mission on 8th. Please see pictures attached including a "Service Above Selfy" shot. We also had a great speaker at our last meeting Lori Moffit, Director of the Urban Zen Integrative Therapy Program, Wexner Heritage Village

This week we have a service project at MAP furniture bank and the speaker at our meeting will be Harry Peachey Elephant Manager/Curator of Mainland Asia at Columbus Zoo and Aquarium.

Submitted by:

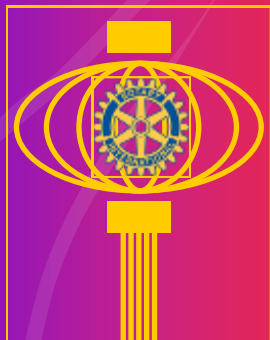
Thomas Trainer



Club Activities

Tri Village:

Doug Trotter (president) and his wife Julie from the Tri-Village Rotary Club just returned from Guatemala with the Upper Arlington Rotary Club hosted by the Mayan Families organization. We visited the house we had built for a wonderful lady in need and various other projects.



Club Activities

Zanesville Noon:

The 12 Days Before Christmas

December 5 this year. On day one 13 winners are drawn with 12 winners drawn on day two and so on until the last day when one winner receives the top prize of \$1,500 cash and annual membership to a local golf course. This year's ticket has over \$24,000 in prizes. Tickets cost \$10 for three chances. The club partners with the Zanesville Daybreak Rotary club to solicit prizes and sell tickets. Each club keeps the revenue from their member's tickets sales and the clubs share project expenses. The clubs raised over \$30,000 last year to fund local projects.

Zanesville City Schools annual Children's Christmas Party supports disadvantaged children

This is one of the Zanesville Noon Rotary Clubs longest service projects. The Rotarians purchase gifts for the students off of their wish lists, wrap each gift and then have a lunch with Santa to distribute the gifts. Last year we provided 72 children with gifts and smiles. This project is a club favorite and really kicks off the Holiday Season in a special way. Last year there were 3 young boys that came to lunch in their Sunday best. When I commented on how dapper they looked one of the boys replied "this is my favorite day of the year". It quickly became one of my favorites days also!!

Zanesville Rotary Spreads Holiday Cheer at Good Samaritan Hospital

The Zanesville Rotary Club will distribute 120 gift bags to patients of Good Samaritan Hospital. The Third Annual "Spreading Holiday Cheer" is anticipated by care givers and local families alike. Our group will treat the hospital floors to Christmas Carols as the gifts are distributed. Economy Linen and Scott Peterson of General graphics contributed the bags and the gifts and Big Brothers and Big Sisters provided hand-made Christmas cards for the occasion. This year's event will be held on December 20th.

Submitted by: Jim Buchbinder





District meetings and events

December

Dec. 15—Rotary Convention Sao Paulo early discount ends.

Dec. 31—TRF contribution deadline.

2015

March 13-15—All Ohio PETs.

April 15, 2015—District Assembly.

Club events

November

Nov.—Dec. 3—Cambridge 12 Days of Christmas Raffle.

Nov. —Dec. 15—Delaware 12 Days of Christmas

Nov. 21—Hillard 2015 Great Debate.

December

Dec. 3—Powell Holiday Small Plate Challenge.

Dec. 5—Lewis Center/Polaris Best of Polaris Holiday Raffle.

Dec. 14--People in Need Delaware County Clearing House.

Deadline for
December
newsletter—
December 15.

Send to: ri.district.6690@gmail.com



District Grants for 2015-16 Rotary Year

Grant applications available
January 1, 2015.

Deadline for submission:
April 1, 2015

December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Powell—Holiday Small Plate Challenge	4	5 Lewis Center/ Powell—Best of Po- laris Holiday Raffle	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 People in Need Delaware County Clearinghouse	15 Rotary Conven- tion Sao Paulo early discount ends.	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 TRF contributions deadline			