

April 2016

# District 6690 NEWS



## District Governor's Message

"I know that all of the Clubs in District 6690 have worked very hard to meet the goals of this year's Presidential Citation. There were many difficult challenges put forth by President Ravi. Several of our Clubs met all of the goals and will be recognized for their wonderful accomplishment. Many Clubs, however, worked very hard but were unable to complete all of the goals necessary. To recognize these Clubs for their hard work, President Ravi is doing something that has never been done before...please read his message below and know that I truly appreciate the work that all of you do!"



Tara Craaybeek, District Governor 2015-2016

My dear Rotary friends,

Every year, Rotary's Presidential Citation program helps Rotary clubs around the world focus their efforts and achieve more in their service.

This year, for the first time, the Presidential Citation was data-driven: we asked you to increase membership, contribute to The Rotary Foundation, and to use online tools such as Rotary Club Central and Rotary Showcase to report your accomplishments throughout the year.

As a result, clubs have been able to monitor their own progress via their club dashboards, and we at RI have been able to see that progress as well.

The purpose of the Citation is to honor the efforts of the many clubs who have worked so hard toward their Rotary goals this year. Seeing how many of you have made great strides in your service, without reaching every goal needed to achieve a Citation, I sought a way to recognize that work as well.

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## Ravi's message

### Message from Rotary International President

As a result, I am pleased to announce that this year, the Citation will be modified and issued in three levels: Gold, Silver, and Bronze. The Gold citation will recognize those who met the high bar of all seven goals; Silver citations will go to those who have achieved six goals, and Bronze will go to those who have attained five (including, in all cases, the mandatory goals).

No action is needed on the part of any club at this point; the citation results are now being tabulated here in Evanston from the data that has already been collected online.

I hope as we look to the last three months of our term that you will not slow in your efforts or in your service. The true rewards for Rotary endeavors, of course, do not come from Evanston: they come from the satisfactions of service well delivered, and the knowledge that our clubs have been *A Gift to the World*.

Sincerely,  
K.R. Ravindran  
President, Rotary International 2015-16

### Don't forget

**30 April 2016:** Registration/ticket cancellation deadline

**1 June 2016:** Online registration ends; deadline for cancellations due to visa denial



[Register now.](#)





## Freedom to Smile

Rotary Clubs in District 6690 have partnered with the Free to Smile Foundation to address cleft lip/palate among children in Third World Countries. Please see below for how you or your club can assist in this humanitarian project. We have a special opportunity to have our donations matched so your consideration is appreciated.

**A District  
6690 Project**  
For more  
information ,  
contact  
[steve.weiler@huntington.com](mailto:steve.weiler@huntington.com)

## Double your impact. Accept the Rotary Challenge.

Your gift of \$275  
blossoms from  
one palate or  
cleft lip surgery  
to **TWO**



Dear Rotarians,

This WON'T Make You Smile...Rotarians will not stand by as children are discarded like garbage!

In third world countries around the world, children born with a cleft lip and/or a cleft palate are being ostracized by their families and communities. These precious children are thought of as evil or as a punishment for their family's previous wrong doings. We know this is simply NOT true!

Rotarians can now provide a smile for these children! Rotary is pairing up with a non-profit, Free to Smile Foundation (FTS)! In less than 90 minutes and for \$275, FTS volunteers can repair these clefts and give a child a REAL chance in life! YOU can help truly change a child's life with YOUR support!



Rotary



To inspire YOUR generosity, we have an anonymous donor that will MATCH the first \$3,750.00 we raise!

To help make a child free to smile, please donate in whichever way is most convenient:

- Mail: Rotary Match  
c/o 135 Preston Road Columbus, Ohio 43209
- Call: Steve Weiler 614-419-5155 and he will pick up a Club Check or Personal Check from a club member
- Go Fund Me Site:  
[www.gofundme.com/freetosmile](http://www.gofundme.com/freetosmile)
- Wire instructions: Routing # 044000024  
Bank Account # 01892900317 name on Bank Account: The Rotary Club of Columbus, Inc.,  
swift code: HUNTUS33, Receiving Bank  
Huntington Bank  
41 S. High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215







## Club Activities:

### Music in the Round is a HUGE Success!

On March 5, the Short North Rotary held the 11th Annual Music in the Round (MITR) fundraiser at Via Vecchia Winery in the Brewery District in downtown Columbus. Proceeds from this event support the music program at the Rafiki Children's Center in Kikuyu Town, Kenya.

The event enjoyed record attendance of more than 300 and helped launch us into a higher level of service to our community, with some exciting new initiatives unveiled. Event sponsors, Cisco and Logicalis announced plans to fund and co-ordinate a cloud-based TelePresence solution enabling children around the world to take music lessons, practice and jam together.

Special thanks go out to the entire planning committee, led by Erin Corrigan and Kirk Horn; Kelly Clifford, Jesse Henry, Connie Hieatt, Tim Hill, Ashley Strigle, Gary Vaughan, Janet Vaughan and the many of other volunteers who helped make this our most spectacular MITR event to date.

## Short North





## Club Activities

### If April Showers Bring May Flowers, What Do Mayflowers Bring?

April is a special month in Rotary for a very special reason. Though the spring rains help bring about the colorful display of flora that blankets our world in beauty each year, contrary to the children's riddle, April showers didn't bring the Mayflower. The celebrated ship that played such a tremendous role in American history came to this land in November of 1620. Actually, April 1621 marked the departure of the Mayflower from the new world for its return voyage to England.

So if April showers didn't bring the Mayflower, why do we care what the Mayflower brought? Oh we care! It is not only what the Mayflower brought, but what she left behind that is of significant interest to Rotarians.

## Coshocton

On board the ship was a young man by the name of John Alden. John was hired as a cooper for the journey with permission to return to England after the voyage. But when the Mayflower left in April 1621, John decided to stay. What factors played a part in his decision to remain in America we will probably never know for certain, but it isn't hard to imagine that a certain young lady may have had something to do with it. We have all heard the story of how John attempted to offer a proposal of marriage to Priscilla Mullins for his friend Miles Standish. The story was romanticized in the famed poem by Longfellow. Whether that really happened or not is open for debate. What is not debatable is that John eventually married Priscilla and it's a good thing he did. If things had gone a bit differently and Miles had won her heart, we would all have very different lives now.

Eight generations later, that fateful union of John and Priscilla produced a descendant who was destined to change our lives. On April 19th, 1868 the great-great-great-great-great-great grandson of John and Priscilla Alden came into the world and was given the name Paul Percival Harris.

So to answer the question "what do Mayflowers bring?" — well as children we always answered "pilgrims". Now we know, after a lot of begetting of course, the Mayflower also brought Rotarians!





## Hilliard

### Club Activities

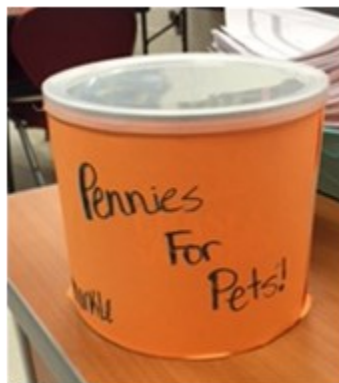
Rotary Club of Hilliard President John Lowe receives the Paul Harris Fellow recognition from Lynn Roose Jr. for his contribution of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.



### That's A Lot of Pennies!

## Newark

The new Interact Club at Newark's Wilson Middle School pulled off their recent service project in a big way. The "Pennies for Pets" fundraiser raised over \$740 for the Licking County Humane Society. They did it, literally, penny by penny with collections in student home rooms and with dress down day fines. The Club was begun this year with sponsorship from the Newark Rotary Club.







## Club Activities

# Breakfast benefits community

**S**aturday morning, the Ironton Rotary Club continues its decades-long tradition of serving pancakes and sausage to the community.

But more than a tradition of serving fluffy breakfast food, the club is continuing its long-term mission of giving back to the community.

By purchasing a ticket for \$5, each person who attends helps the club with its various community

projects, such as sponsoring local scholarships, donating to charitable organizations and the beautiful fountain area in downtown Ironton.

The Rotary Club is in good company with all the like-minded civic groups who host these fun events, which allows community members to have fellowship with one another while supporting a worthy cause.

If you've never been to a

Rotary pancake breakfast, make this year your first. The event will be from 7 a.m.-noon at the Knights of Columbus in Ironton.

Many volunteers are required to make the event a success each year, including the local Boy Scouts who help serve and clean up.

Thank you to those who help put this event on and we look forward to another year of delicious pancakes.

## Ironton

The event was held at the Ironton Knights of Columbus. A budding partnership. The event supports many of our community projects including a nursing scholarship, downtown fountain and the Annual Halloween parade for kids



Cashier Juanita Dalton



Susan McComas, president, holding a placemat. Ads are a major part of funds raised at the event.

Darwin Haynes



## Club Activities



Joe Martin, kitchen.



Josh Morrison, kitchen and supplies.



Carl Darling, supplies.



Happy patrons.



An add-on—very successful.







## Club Activities

With the permission of our District Governor Tara Craaybeek, I've asked to reach out to you and let you know about a project we've undertaken in the Dublin A.M. Rotary club, to see if your club might be interested in partnering with us on this project.

For the last few years our club has been a partner in an international effort to bring small, but very effective Reverse Osmosis water treatment plants to some of the poorest towns and villages in India that currently have no clean water to drink, which causes many health problems for the adults and especially for the children.

Mohan Viddam is a very successful small business owner who is also one of our most active club members, and he has found some great partners to help facilitate this project in India and also here in Central Ohio. He still has family in India too, and he travels back there once or twice each year to visit them. He personally checks on each one of our past and current projects there to make sure they are being constructed properly and used regularly. He brings back pictures and makes sure our limited funds are being used judiciously and leveraged effectively too. We have contributed funding to 8 of these water treatment plants so far and we'd like to ramp up these efforts since they appear to be going very well and have made a huge difference in the lives of about 25,000 people over there so far.

We are planning to submit a global grant request for this project next year too, but in the meantime we'd like to share this opportunity with other clubs in the district and see if you'd be interested in joining our efforts. I've included a few details below and attached some pictures too. Mohan will be making a presentation about this project to our Dublin A.M. Rotary club on **Friday, May 13**, and we'd like to invite you to this presentation to learn more about this project too, if you are available. District Governor Craaybeek has already said she's coming, and we hope many of you can come too! Our club meeting begins promptly at **7:45 a.m. at The Country Club at Muirfield Village** located at **8715 Muirfield Dr, Dublin, OH 43017**.

Please let me know via email or phone call if you, or someone from your club can attend our Rotary meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup> to hear more about this project (by May 10<sup>th</sup> please, so we can have enough food and seating on hand). If you can't attend our meeting, but are still interested in discussing the project and a possible partnership with us on this project, please let me know that too. We'd love to talk to you about it!



*Dublin AM*



Newark-  
Heath

## Club Activities



**AT THE BEVERAGE SOURCE**  
1551 W. CHURCH ST., NEWARK

**MORE THAN 20 LOCAL BREWS**  
& FEATURING A VARIETY OF FOOD TRUCKS

**LIMITED VIP TICKETS**  
\$40 IN ADVANCE AND INCLUDES:

*Early admittance at 5:00 p.m.*

Exclusive tastings, souvenir glass pilsner, koozie, 10 samples & more

**REGULAR TICKETS**  
\$30 IN ADVANCE AND INCLUDES:  
10 samples, souvenir tasting cup and koozie

**21 AND OVER ONLY**  
**AT THE DOOR TICKET PRICING - \$45 VIP, \$35 REGULAR**

**PARKING:**  
at Maximum Fitness Center

*Benefiting the Rotary Club of Newark-Heath*



**KOOL**  
101.7FM WNKO  
CLASSIC HITS



**MAXIMUM**  
FITNESS CENTER







## Tri-Village

## Club Activities



### TRI-VILLAGE ROTARY CLUB Presents The Near & Far Charity Open

**MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016**

**At the challenging  
Ohio State Scarlet  
Golf Course.**

3605 Tremont Rd.  
Upper Arlington, OH 43221



#### EVENT DETAILS:

Check-In.....10:30 am

Shotgun Start .....11:30 am

Social & Tournament Awards .....4:30pm

Appetizers and Cash Bar afterwards

RSVP to Jim Edwards, 614-325-1920  
j54edwards@gmail.com

100% of net proceeds to benefit

Tri-Village Rotary Charities:

Heart to Heart Food Pantry at FCC

Mayan Families Mission in Guatemala

Rotary International's Polio Plus Worldwide

A portion of your contribution may be tax deductible.



#### HOLE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!

**Starting at \$250**

Includes Tee Box Sign and Commemorative  
Hole Flag with Sponsor's name on the green



The Tri-Village Rotary Club is challenging all Rotary Clubs in District 3690 to send at least one team of 4 golfers to compete in the first Near & Far Charity Open at the prestigious OSU Scarlet Golf Course. The winning team will have their name and club name inscribed on the trophy.

#### Donation of \$150 per person

Make checks payable to: Tri-Village Rotary Club

Includes green fee, golf cart, box lunch, beverage tickets, games of chance & appetizers afterwards. The field will be limited to the first 100 players or 25 foursomes that sign up.

Individual players will be matched up at the start of the Open. (Foursome not necessary to participate)

TEAM CAPTAIN NAME:	COMPANY:			<input type="checkbox"/> \$150
ADDRESS:	CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	
PHONE:	CELL:	EMAIL:		
Attendance #1:	FROM:	NAME:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	
Attendance #2:	FROM:	NAME:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	
Attendance #3:	FROM:	NAME:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	

Mail your check and this form to: Jim Edwards, Keller Williams Classic Properties  
1510 W. Lane Ave. 2nd Floor, Columbus, OH 43221







## Club Activities

### Happy Birthday

The Rotary Club of New Albany just turned 10 years old on April 5! We are excited to kick off our 2nd decade and continue to grow as people and a club together.

We will have a busy Spring as it relates to community involvement. Later this month we will be donating our time to the New Albany Woman's Network. NAWN is hosting their annual Evening in New Albany in which 100% of the proceeds will be directed to NAWN's endowment fund, which is designed to support initiatives in the New Albany community, especially related to the empowerment and betterment of women and children.

### *New Albany*

On May 14, we will be hosting a Rotary Youth Exchange Luncheon/Weekend. This has become an event that our club looks forward to, and we think the kids do too.

The following weekend we will walking in the New Albany Founder's Day Parade, which is always heavily attended. This is our chance to be seen by the community and hopefully generate some additional interest in our group.

And the following month, we look forward to Mary Cameron's Induction Dinner as we celebrate Sara Colton's past presidency and as well as prepare for Mary's term.

Also, we are having our annual club assembly on May 4th. This is our annual meeting that we try to as many existing members to attend and try to get as many guests as possible to attend. If anyone knows of anyone that is interested in Rotary and New Albany would be a convenient location, please invite them to join us at 8:05a in the Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany. This invite is also extended to Rotary members from other clubs.





## Club Activities

### Spring Food Drive

Byesville and Cambridge Rotary clubs worked with the Kiwanis, Lions, Lioness clubs of Guernsey County to sponsor a spring food drive. The clubs, in partnership with Reisbeck's and Walmart, collected canned goods and cash to support five food pantries in Guernsey County. The 1 day food drive raised over \$4000 in a 6 hour period. Five vans were filled with food for the Church of Christ Food Pantry, and Pleasant City Food Pantry. In addition, cash donations of just over \$200 were given to each pantry.

Next year, we will plan to have warmer weather.

### *Byesville and Cambridge*



## Calendar

# May 2016

## Schedule of Events

### Youth Services Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

#### District Events

**May 28**—Rotary Convention Seoul.

#### Club Events

**May 1**—30th Annual Byesville Rotary Golf Scholarship tournament.

**May 7**—Columbus Club Derby Day Soiree.

**May 7**—Zanesville Daybreak Derby Day Wine and Beer Tasting and Auction.

**May 14**—Newark-Heath 3rd Annual Brew Ohio.

[More information available on District web site.](#)

