

September 2015

District 6690

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District Governor's Message

Hello Rotarians!

My travels around the District continue but will be winding down shortly. I have enjoyed all of my visits and continue to be impressed with all that our Clubs are doing locally and around the world.



Special points of interest:

- Conference information
- Rotary Youth Exchange

Did you know that September is New Generations month?

As many of you are aware, I am asking Clubs to consider sponsoring the registration of any Interact, Rotaract and Youth Exchange students that you feel would benefit from attending District Conference. In my opinion, these students are already Rotarians and we need to treat them as such. I am hoping that we will have very good attendance from these groups (as well as from the Clubs!!) at District Conference. Get registered early to receive a lower price and make sure meals are available for you.

After my "official" Club visits are completed, I would like to take the time to visit all of our Interact and Rotaract Clubs throughout the District. Please begin discussing this with these Clubs. I will be contacting the Clubs in early November to begin to schedule these visits. These students are the future of Rotary!!

I look forward to seeing all of you in Lancaster on October 23-24. It is going to be a great time!

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Tara Craaybeek, District Governor 2015-2016





District Conference



Featured speaker Jon Petz

Jon Petz, CSP

- Author and self styled sarcastic introvert,
- Founder of Bore No More™, an idea lab for increasing personal and employee engagement,
- Author of several books, including the top-selling title, “Boring Meetings Suck”,
- Speaker for over fifteen years, specializing in fascinating, fast-paced and funny presentations that produce results.,
- Experience: top corporate executive, social experimenter, and professional comedy ,
- Named a top 40 business professional under the age of 40 by the American Business Journals .

Register early – space is limited! Registrations received after October 9 will not be guaranteed meal

For more information on the available at:

- www.facebook.com/rotarydistrict6690conference

To go straight to Conference Registration click on <http://rotary6690.org/training.../district-conference-2015-16/>





Make sure your District Grants chair attends the grants training session.

District Conference: Grant Writing Seminar

District Grants Seminar

In order to be eligible for a District Grant in 2016-17 someone from the club must attend the training.

A special registration for Grants seminar only is being offered. Grant writers can attend the grant writing session for \$20.00. This fee covers the grants session and continental breakfast. Lunch will not be provided.

The grants session will be held from 9:15 am—11:30 am. For additional information please contact Dave Kott. david.kott@raymondjames.com

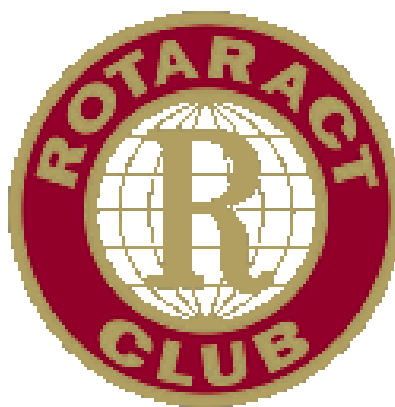
District Conference: Don't forget

Bring a Cake mix!

DG Tara has announced a Service Project to benefit The Driven Foundation. Each attendee is requested to bring at least one cake mix, candles, jar of icing. These gifts will help brighten the lives of children. More info is on our District web site.



District Conference: Invite a Rotaract or Interact member





Rotary Youth Exchange :

Rotary Exchange Students Become Accomplished Adults

This last Thursday I got a real thrill. I learned that Nina Kovacev received her bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the Fakultet Kemijskog Inženjerstva I Tehnologije in Zagreb, Croatia. She has two more years to finish her studies, but she is a brilliant girl with an amazing future. Nina spent a year as an exchange student at Westerville Sunrise Rotary Club and I was her counselor.

What we see from our exchange students is real accomplishment. Katherine "Kat" Martin, one of our outbounds from Westerville Sunrise is a microbiologist working in Cleveland. Lucas Chacana from Argentina is studying English translation in Geneva Switzerland after finishing his university degree. Laura Cataldi, from France, has finished her Masters in Marketing and has worked in Germany, Italy and China. She studied in Ireland and France. Greg Miller is working for the NSA after graduating from Georgetown.

It's normal for exchange students to strive to do well. The confidence they get from completing an exchange year gives them the capacity to do anything they want. They aren't held back by inadequacies, they know they can do it because they accomplished an long term exchange.

It's not common knowledge, but actor Matthew McConaughey, was a Rotary Exchange student in Australia. He gives the program a lot credit for his success. A success which has given him an amazing career and a best actor Oscar.

My favorite exchange stories are when we have a shy quiet student who goes to try exchange student. During the preparatory year we see their confidence grow and when they go on exchange they blossom. One of favorites is Robin Smith, a quiet little Bexley girl who spent a year in Ecuador on exchange. She wrote an amazing journal of her struggles and accomplishments. She made fantastic friends on exchange. One of her Ecuadorian host parents invited her to travel in Russia with his family, where he was a Military Attache at the Ecuadorian Embassy. This let her to study Russian for a year at the same University that Lenin attended. She is now finishing her undergraduate education at The Ohio State University. Since her exchange she has been to Russia three times. Her future is looking really bright.

Another shy girl, who had a weight problem, went to Japan on exchange. She came back self confident, in better shape and ready



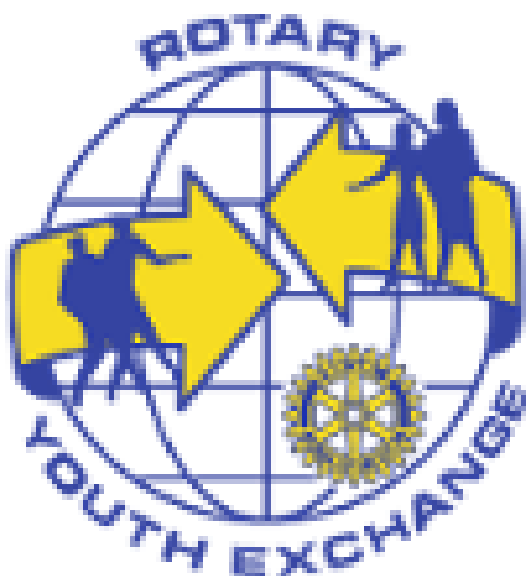


Rotary Youth Exchange:

for university which she started this year.

The Rotary weekends are inviting and friendly. They are also inclusive and help students create a bond with the 50 or so other exchange students, inbounds, short and long term outbounds as well as the veteran rebound students who have completed exchange. It's an exclusive fraternity, but one which readily welcomes newcomers and is inclusive by nature. Every exchange student wants every other exchange student to succeed and every RYE volunteer works diligently to make that happen

Submitted by: Bill McMurray





Club Activities:

Olentangy Rotary Club:

Map IT !!

A great time was had all at the club's Map It" project. and many thanks go too Rich Irelan for keeping this project alive and well. The Map it project consists of painting an outline (only) of the United States the elementary schools in the Olentangy School system. The Club has a goal to paint the US Flag on every Elementary School in the Olentangy School District.

The students and facility have all expressed their gratitude and many teachers have worked the maps into their classes for games and teaching curriculum.

In 20, the Map It project has advanced to painting the US map outline and then following up with painting each state in one of 6 different colors so that no state is the same color next to each other. The full color project has been completed on 3 of the 15 schools. Home Depot has donated the paint and the schools are overjoyed with the finished product.

Thank you so much to JD Archer, Doug Rose, John Medeiros, Dave Anderson, Rich Irelan and his daughter and her friend for helping.

Submitted by: Jerry Douglas





Jackson

Club Activities

Jackson:

Jackson fall and winter activities:

7th Jackson Apple Festival on Tuesday Sept 22-Sat Sept 26. Jackson Rotary will be selling fresh breaded mushrooms, pizza, pizza rolls, apple cookies, and apple cake from 1:00 am-11:00 pm daily. All monies go to scholarships for JHS.

Oct. 8—Annual senior citizen pancake supper will be held 4:00-7:00 pm, Mound Street Jackson Oh.

Annual Rotary Auction Nov 24, 4:00-8:-- pm. The auction will include food and fun as well as the auction. Location--Christ UM Life Center.

Dec. 22--Sunshine Baskets to be delivered to all nursing home bound shut ins of Rotarians and friends.

Club Activities:

Mount Vernon

Mount Vernon:

Mount Vernon welcomes 2 new members: individual Member Kristi Hawkins, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, and corporate member Knox County Health Department: Julie Miller, Pam Palm, Nate Overholt, and Lane Belangia.

Michael Percy, the chair the Mount Vernon Rotary Exchange Student Program, introduced the club's Rotary Exchange students to club members. The club was pleased to meet these students on August 4th. Rotarians help support these students through their Buckets and Brags donations.

Pictured: L to R: Rotarian Michael Percy; Federico of Italy; Casey Miglin of Mount Vernon; Michelle Silverwood of Mount Vernon; and Eloise Paquet of Belgium.





Club Activities

Pataskala:

Pataskala celebrates 70th anniversary of the end of WWII

The "70th Anniversary of the End of WWII" for their annual Pataskala Street Fair Parade. Our ten Grand Marshals were WWII veterans from the Pataskala area. They rode in vintage Jeeps and military vehicles provided and driven by Motts Military Museum in Groveport. Our Rotary Club hosted the veterans and their guests, the Motts' drivers, and the OSU alumni band to lunch at Nut-cracker Restaurant in Pataskala following their appearance in the parade.

Pataskala .

The OSU alumni band members had been part of the official band at the recent June 6 D-Day Memorial ceremonies in Normandy and they wanted to play for these 10 veterans. The band rode on our Rotary float. It was a grand day in Pataskala Saturday, August 22, as the veterans were serenaded and got "their parade" which they didn't get in 1945.

Judy Baird (Pataskala Rotarian) and granddaughter, Maddy Gundler, are the OSU alumni band banner carriers. Her other 2 grandchildren are the "newsboys" in the pictures.

See the rest of the pictures and get the names of the veterans at:

www.sksphoto.smugmug.com/Events/TBDBITL/2015-Pataskala-Street-Fair

Local article available at: <http://www.newarkadvocate.com/story/news/local/pataskala/2015/08/19/street-fair-parade-recognize-local-wwii-vets/31847537/>





Club Activities



The club purchased a hog at the Hartford Fair and had it processed into 122 lbs. of sausage. The sausage was donated to LEADS Food Pantry. Please see local article: <http://www.newarkadvocate.com/story/news/local/pataskala/2015/09/07/pataskala-rotary-club-pataskala-leads-donation/71836906/>

Rotarians are invited to join Pataskala in support of two local high school football teams (Licking Heights and Watkins Memorial) as we have our annual Spaghetti Dinner at the Nutcracker Restaurant (63 E. Broad St.) on Monday, September 28 from 4:30 – 7:00. Proceeds from this event go toward our annual scholarship fund and to the athletic boosters for each school district.





Club Activities

Marietta Noon:

The newest member of Marietta Noon Rotary Club is Tasha Werry, Marietta City Schools. She is pictured with Kathy Schalitz (Membership Committee), Harry Fleming (Sponsor Member), and Heather Allender (Club President).



Marietta Noon

Marietta Noon Rotary Club held a Membership Drive BBQ. President Heather Allender with Rotary cake. President Nominee Suzy Zumwalde, President Heather Allender, Member Daneka Hedges, prospective member, Member Dave Vandenberg.





Club Activities

The Centennial Park project was a joint project of the Noon and Morning Clubs to commemorate Rotary's 100th anniversary. Rotary was started in Chicago in 1905 and to honor this milestone RI asked each of the local clubs to develop a special project. The clubs decided an entrance was needed for the newly-opened River Trail (Bike Path), so it was an opportunity to provide the community with a welcoming plaza, while at the same time the clubs were celebrating 100 years of service above self. The clubs will schedule clean-ups for the park throughout the year.





Club Activities

Gahanna:

Gahanna Rotary inducted 2 members in August: Justin Sanford and Scott van DeWater.

Also, the Gahanna Rotary sponsored a live concert in Gahanna, "Creekside Live." Rotarians served drinks and all the proceeds from drink sales/tips went to the Rotary Youth Exchange. Almost \$900 was raised during the event.

Gahanna





Club Activities

Short North:

Casey and Jessi, two of the club's young Rotarians, presented their experience with the Rotary Youth program. They each spent a month abroad and gave a nice presentation about their trips.

Short North





Club Activities

Zanesville:

Speakers from Zanesville's recent meetings include Matt Abbot, Director of the Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority, and Darrel Cubbison, Muskingum County Fair Board President.

Cubbison spoke to the club at their annual visit to the fair. The club met at the Zanesville High School Athletic Booster site. In addition to Cubbison, local legislators Troy Balderson and Brian Hill provided legislative updates.

Pictured: Matt Abbot; Darrel Cubbison; State Representative Brian Hill; State Senator Troy Balderson.

Zanesville





Club Activities

Pictured: Elden Hudson and Jim Buchbinder; Club President Stacy Clapper; meeting at the Zanesville High School Athletic Booster booth.





Granville

Club Activities

Granville:

COL. GRAY'S 90TH BIRTHDAY - AUGUST 3, 2015



Granville Rotary was excited to celebrate the 90th birthday of Col. William Gray (USAF, Ret.), with his family in attendance, at our August 3 meeting. Col. Gray is a 40 year Rotary member, and his wife Elizabeth joined our club in 2002.

GRANVILLE ROTARY PASSING OF THE GAVEL 6-22-15





Club Activities

GRANVILLE ROTARY JULY 4TH ACTIVITIES



Prior to the start of the parade, our hard-working Granville Rotarians conducted our 42nd annual Firecracker Five, the oldest continuously run five mile footrace in central Ohio. The race is one of club's biggest annual fundraisers.



This year's Parade Grand Marshal was Rotarian Chuck Peterson, Editor of the Granville Sentinel and long-time community volunteer.



Rotary float commemorating the completion of the Bridge Project (above) and the annual Whit's Banana Split challenge between Granville Rotary and Granville Kiwanis (right).



Club Activities



ROTARY BRIDGE DEDICATION - JULY 3, 2015



On July 3, we celebrated the dedication of the new Rotary Bridge over Raccoon Creek. An eight year legacy project effort spearheaded by former club President Dr. John Weigand, the bridge connects the north side of Granville with the Granville Recreation District's Raccoon Valley Park.





Save the Rotary License plate

Rotary license plates are in danger of being discontinued on December 31, 2016.

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.

Buy your plates on-line <https://www.oplates.com/>.

If you want to keep your current license plate number, go to your nearest licensing office to order your Rotary plate.



Calendar

October 2015

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

Schedule of Events

District Events

Oct. 23:-24: District Conference.

Club Events

Oct. 10: Powell Community Bon-fire.

Oct. 18: Zanesville Daybreak Rotary Family Outing.

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

DG Club Visits



Be a gift to the world

Oct. 1: Athens AM.

Oct. 6: Malta-McConnelsville.

Oct 7: Belpre.

Oct. 8: Marietta.

Oct. 9: Marietta Morning.