December 2015

District 6690

# **NEWS**





**District Governor's Message** 

Hello Rotarians!

Merry Christmas and



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Happy New Year

to everyone in

District 6690's Rotary

family.

Thank you for all you are doing for your Clubs, our District and the world...EVERYDAY!

Tara Craaybeek, District Governor 2015-1016





## **2016 Council on Legislation**

#### 2016 Council on Legislation

The next Council on Legislation (COC) is scheduled for April 10-15, 2016, in downtown Chicago. The Council is Rotary International's legislative body which meets every three years to consider proposals to change RI's constitutional documents and resolutions that express an opinion or make a recommendation to RI's Board of Directors.

An enactment is a proposal to amend the constitutional documents of RI. A resolution is any item that does not seek to amend these documents, but rather other RI policies and procedures. Resolutions are referred to the Board for consideration.

Thanks to each and every Rotarian, the cost of the COL is funded by an assessment per capita of \$1.00 per member, per year. Beginning July, 2015, the assessment went to \$1.50 per Rotarian, per year.

Does your club have a copy of the *Manual of Procedures* (MOP)? This document contains RI bylaws, RI constitution, and the club bylaws, and much more. It has the answers to all your questions concerning the Rotary operations. The 250 pages are a must for your club and its board members.

Does the Council have and affect on each club? Yes, it does, based on the changes made at the COL. It could affect the per capita dues, make-up of the club Board of Directors, membership, elections, The Rotary Foundation, and much more. If you do not have a copy within your club, consider ordering the same from RI.

In 2010, the COL considered 220 items. Forty seven of the 128 enactments were adopted, while 19 of the 92 resolutions were forwarded to the RI Board. In 2013, the COL considered 173 items. Fifty three of the 142 enactments were adopted, while 6 of the 31 resolutions were forwarded to the RI Board. In 2016, we will act on 181 items.

The COL takes place in a very large room. There are representatives--one from each of the 534 districts--plus the RI Board, the Foundation Trustees, past RI presidents and directors, and guests, all in one room. There are three large screens so you can see what is happening. The voting is electronic and is instantaneous. Each Rotarian sits with a headset on his/her head, with immediate trans-





You can access the
Council on
Legislation agenda
thru the RI website:
www.rotary.org and
search "Council on

Legislation."

## **2016 Council on Legislation**

translation into English, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, French and Mandarin Chinese. Each representative has an electronic voting pad.

I will follow up with another article or two, and will try to break down some of the issues for 2016.

If you are anxious, you can go to the RI website, search "COL," and you will become educated on what is coming.

As a representative, I look for input; however, the debate that takes place often changes the thought process. We must remember what is good for Rotary the world over. We deal with many languages, cultures, and countries. What works for the USA may not be feasible for Asia.

If interested in a program on the Council on Legislation, feel free to call me at 740-826-7810.

If you would like to have a program on the COL, feel free to contact Dick Brixner at 740-826-7810.

Submitted by: Dick Brixner, District 6690 COL Representative







Reynoldsburg/Pickerington Rotary Club held a Big Give in November. The Club was divided into 4 groups. Each group was give \$2500 to donate to different organizations throughout the 2 community.

The checks were presented to 17 different organizations during a gathering at Rule 3 in Pickerington.

# Reynoldsburg/ Pickerington

The team captains were Craig Maxey, Sam Long, Mary Hudson and Bill Shorthill.

The club celebrated with a Holiday Party at Wesley Ridge Senior Center. Dinner was included for the members and thief spouses, plus a wine tasting sponsored by Bill Shorthill.

Games where also a part of the fun including dressing up a Rotarian as a Christmas tree. See attached photos.

The club gift exchange was held Dec 15.

Submitted by: Len Fatica

## **Club Activities:**

# **Jackson**

The Jackson Rotary Club December event is the Sunshine Baskets. We will deliver around 35 poinsettias to local elder folks that are widowed or shut-in. We delivered these baskets on Tuesday, December 22 with the hope that we can bring a little sunshine to some lonely residents of Jackson during the holiday season.

Submitted by: Taylor Rose









#### **Holiday Party**

The club held their holiday party at Fiesta Mexicana at 997 Coshocton Avenue.

#### Rotarians vs. Kiwanians - Dec 5th at Wal-Mart, 8am-9pm

Volunteers across the country are ringing bells for The Salvation Army. Each year there is a friendly competition between Rotary and Kiwanis.

Dancing and singing during bell ringing shifts was encouraged.



# Mount Vernon

#### **BYOB**

Say what!? That's right! When we have our breakfast meetings on the fourth Tuesday at Lasater's Funeral Home, please **B**ring **Y**our **O**wn **B**reakfast. It can be from home or a restaurant.

Not everyone eats at the meeting or they prefer a different selection. Don't be shy about bringing in your food. Coffee will be provided, courtesy of Brent Lasater.



#### **Club supports Spelling BEE**

The Rotary Foundation donated \$600 to the Knox County Spelling Bee event. Accepting the check from John Thatcher (left) is Don Garvic (right). Rotary is the exclusive sponsor of this annual event. Can you spell A-W-E-S-O-M-E?

Submitted by: Carol Grubaugh





**Olentangy** 

### **Club Activities**

December 5<sup>th</sup> – Hosted at Christmas Tree ornament table and help 300 children make ornaments at the Powell Children's Christmas Fair in Powell, Ohio. In the pictures are Terri Douglas, Jan Simonis and in the other picture is Sarah Douglas, Susan Fetherolf and Terri Douglas, not in the pictures are Jerry Douglas, Joe Schoenstein and Sherry Schoenstein and Jan's son, John.





December 13<sup>th</sup> – The club managed a group of volunteers and volunteered at the PIN – People in Need – Holiday Clearing House where hundreds of families receive food and Christmas gifts and clothing for their families. In the Picture are - Tom Kleven, Joe Schoenstein and Sherry Schoenstein and in the next picture Al Valko, John Medeiros and his son Christen.









We were in the November issue of the Rotary Magazine, with Map IT a project we do at the Olentangy Middle Schools- see the picture that was in the article.



Have a great Holiday Season and Happy New Year,





Our Wellston Rotary puts on a "Christmas Madrigal Feast" each year in December to raise money for community projects. We incorporate Rotarians as well as community members.

We also held a "bucket drop" on Dec. 5th. This is where we stand in the middle of the street and collect money for Polio Plus. In just over an hour we collected \$1,300. We do this at least twice a year. Luckily this year the weather was cooperative!!!

# Wellston.









Columbus Short North had Columbus Mayor-Elect Andy Ginther at one of our morning meetings recently and he became an honorary member.

Submitted by: Thomas Trainer.

# Columbus Short North



## **Club Activities**

## Newark Rotary Club Supports Annual Special Needs Bowling Party

# Newark

In the Newark Rotary Club's near 100-year history, support of special needs children has been a consistent, top priority. The Club supported, again this year, a bowling party for special needs children of the Newark City Schools as a service project of the Club. The Club takes over half of the bowling alley's lanes with elementary school-aged children enjoying a couple rounds of bowling and Rotarians' cheering them on.



A pizza party is mixed into the fun.

Submitted by: Rick Platt





### Byesville mixes service and fun for the holidays

Club members kicked off the holiday season with a Christmas social hosted by Don and Myrna Valentine.







Next on our list—a Breakfast with Santa fundraiser.





And finally, Christmas food basket distribution. We filled a wall of boxes and provided 2 boxes—one of perishables including a turkey, one of non-

perishables—with food and provided food to 180 families.









# Lancaster— Sherman

### **Club Activities**

The Rotary Club of Lancaster Sherman once again hosted the jolly elf himself in their annual Santa House, held for the first three Saturdays in downtown Lancaster.

The rebirth of an older Lancaster tradition by Past President John Mott, the Santa house provides an opportunity for any child to come meet with Santa and grab a candy cane and some hot chocolate. Staffed entirely by Sherman Rotary volunteers, this year's house saw nearly 500 children in its first day!

Special thanks to all who have worked so hard to make it possible and to Brian "Kris Kringle" Hill for his immense patience and dedication in donning the Santa suit in this not so winter wonderland weather.

Submitted by: Bryan Everitt







#### **District Calendar**

# Advertise Your Events— Post your Event on the District Calendar

Club officers and officers elect can add events to the calendar on the District web site. Club officers include: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Club Communications Officer and all officers "elect."

Make sure all members serving as officers are named and identified on your club's section of the district website.

- Sign into DACdb to add events to the calendar. You will need:
  - Your DACdb user id (usually your email)>
  - Your DACdb password (usually your RI id number or your last name).
  - Your club number.
- Once you are signed into DACdb, look for and select the <Calendar> tab near the top left corner of the DACdb page.
- A blue box will appear under the line of tabs listing the actions you can take from the <Calendar> section.
- Select the <Add to database> tab.
- Fill in the blanks and select the yellow <Add> button near the top right corner of the page.

You will need the following:

- The name of the event.
- A short description of the event.
- The location of the event.
- The date and time of the event.





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#### **Calendar**

# December 2015

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## Schedule of Events

#### **District Events**

**Dec. 31**—Deadline for The Rotary Foundations contributions.

#### **Club Events**

**Dec. 7-23**—Zanesville Daybreak 12 Days of Christmas.

**Dec. 12**—Byesville Breakfast with Santa.

**Dec. 13**—People in Need of Delaware County Holiday Clearing House.

**Dec. 19**—Byesville Christmas Food Basket distribution.

More information available on District web site.

# February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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#### Schedule of Events

#### **Club Events**

**Feb. 6—**Westerville Sunrise Club Chilly Open.

Feb. 6—Gahanna Rotary Auction.

**Feb. 12**—Athens AM Alien Invasion Murder Mystery.

**Feb. 17**—Columbus Rotary Downtown Business Expo.

More information available on District web site.