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29 CASES OF POLIO WORLDWIDE (TO-DATE 2018)

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People of Action: Sharing the Spirit of the Holidays

A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR CRAIG MAXEY



Craig Maxey District Governor

The holidays are upon us and the giving spirit of Rotary is apparent all around the District. We have clubs and Rotarians participating in coat and food drives, buying and wrapping gifts for the less fortunate, singing carols at nursing homes, ringing bells for the Salvation Army, preparing meals for those in need and numerous other charitable activities. Rotarians are People of Action!

The holidays are also a time to celebrate with family and friends as well. Seeing family from far away, watching children enjoy the sights and sounds of the season, reconnecting with old friends to celebrate, and ringing in the New Year are all traditions that most of us anticipate all year long. For many people, "the most wonderful time of the year" is actually very difficult. The days are shorter, some are dealing with a recent loss, some people are lonely and some simply can't explain why they are "blue". Please be on the lookout for these individuals and offer an invitation to get together, a chance to talk or just

a kind word. You may never know the positive affect it might have.

I was so excited to be invited by the Rotary Club of Grove City to join them on a Segway Light Tour in Downtown Columbus. The picture above is of my group. It does not illustrate the sheer terror I felt for the first 50 minutes of the one-hour tour! I usually do very well with such things, but I was scared to death on a Segway. Thankfully, for Larry Titus, I returned in one piece and lived to tell about it. What I won't do for Rotary!

I would like to congratulate Maryjane Shackelford of the Zanesville Daybreak Rotary Club for being selected as District Governor Nominee Designate. Maryjane's enthusiasm for Rotary will be a great addition to our leadership team! Woo-hoo!

Renate and I would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday season and a very prosperous New Year!



Curiosity, Courage and Conviction
A MESSAGE FROM THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

It's traditional that the first Rotarian magazine of the Rotary year carries a profile of the incoming RI president and his or her family.

I've always read those profiles with interest, never giving much thought to the possibility that one day, I

Barry Rassin might be the one bringing a writer from the magazine to my Rotary club meeting! I have never liked a lot of attention, and the idea of having my picture on the magazine cover made me a bit uncomfortable. But when I saw the photo the editors chose, I smiled. Because the star of that picture definitely isn't me, or even my wife, Esther. It's the flock of flamingos, none of which could care less about Rotary, all strutting past us in the same direction. All of them - except

I couldn't think of a more appropriate image to reflect the message I want to convey to Rotarians. That one flamingo, going the other way, represents so much of what we need to do in Rotary. That flamingo knows everyone's going one way. She sees it.

But she also sees that maybe the path they're on isn't the best path. Maybe, just maybe, there's a better path over there, and she wants to get a good look before she goes marching on with her friends. And if, when she does stop and look, that new path does seem better, she'll call the rest of the crew to come over and check it out with her. And maybe, just maybe, they'll all choose that better path together.

> Change is hard. And the longer we've been going one way, the more friends we have with us, the harder it is to be the one who turns around and does it differently. But change — not change for its own sake, but careful, considered, goal-directed change - is essential for any organization that wants to evolve, stay relevant, and move forward in the right direction.

> So take a look at that picture, but don't look at me. I'm not the one that cover's about. That cover is about the flamingo. It's about having the curiosity, the courage, and the conviction to look at different

paths that might be better - whether you're out for a stroll on a beautiful Bahamas morning, or helping chart the course for our organization.



Zanesville Daybreak Rotarian named 2021-2022 DISTRICT GOVERNOR



Maryjane Shackelford, Zanesville Daybreak Rotary, has been named District Governor Nominee Designate and will serve as District 6690 Governor in 2021-2022.

Maryjane Shackelford joined Rotary in 2007 becoming a member of The Rotary Club of Zanesville Daybreak. She has served in a number of

committees throughout her Rotary career including Public Image Chair, World Community Service Co-Chair, Rotary Youth Exchange Officer and Sergeant-at-Arms. One of her proudest moments was becoming the Club's President, serving during the 2015-16 Rotary year. During her term as President, The Rotary Club of Zanesville Daybreak received the Gold Presidential Citation issued by PRI President K. R. Ravindran. Maryjane was Rotarian of the Year in 2010/2011 and received the "Bebe Grant" Service Above Self Award in 2017/2018.

On the District level, Maryjane has served as Public Image Chair and District Conference 2017-2018 Co-Chair and is currently serving as Assistant Governor to five clubs.

Maryjane is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society Member, 125 Club Member and a Beguest Society Member.

Professionally, Maryjane is the President and Co-Owner of Barnes Advertising Corporation in Zanesville, Ohio. Barnes Advertising is fifth-generation family-owned Outdoor Advertising business with more than 600 faces in 15 counties throughout Southeastern Ohio and Pennsylvania. Community Service is very important to Maryjane. She has served on the Boards of the Muskingum Family Y. Muskingum County Incubator and Zanesville Downtown Association. She also served on the United Way of Muskingum, Perry and Morgan Counties Allocation Committee for seven years. Currently, she is serving as a member of the Women of Achievement Planning Committee, is a member of the Zane State 50th Anniversary Steering Committee and is serving as a Board Member of the Muskingum County Community Foundation.

Maryjane is a past Women of Achievement recipient, receiving The Mary Vasht Jones Funk Business Award in 2007. In 2016, she was named an American Red Cross Hometown Hero and by the Zanesville Jaycees, a Community Service Honoree Jaycees.

Maryjane is married to one of the most amazingly talented and creative people on the planet, Jeff Shackelford. Between the two of them, they have four children and two grandchildren. Maryjane and Jeff reside in Zanesville with their six fur babies (cats).





Around District 6690

New Albany Rotary, New Albany Country Club and the Salvation Army partner together to support the Angel Tree Program providing gifts and toys for children in need



Members of the West Lafayette Rotary Club cut the ribbon on a new food pantry, partially funded by a District 6690 grant.



delivers toys collected by the Rotary Club of St. Clairsville and his Interact Club to children









Newark Rotarians prepare to host 80 special Athens Sunrise Rotarians deliver coffee and needs children and their teachers for a cards to local police and fire departments as bowling and pizza party. part of their #Rotary30 project - spreading

Rotarian Spotlight: BJ Stone

DUBLIN-WORTHINGTON ROTARY CLUB



The famous neon lights of Broadway are ceremoniously dimmed at the passing of its brightest stars. This month, our Rotarian Spotlight must do the same at the passing of one of our own luminaries. BJ Stone, past president of the Rotary of Dublin-Worthington

died suddenly on November 7, 2018 as the result of a house fire at her Muirfield address.

Described as "warm, bubbly and full of life", BJ devoted herself to her Central Ohio community through Rotary, the Worthington Chamber of Commerce, the COSI Community Board, the Country Club of Muirfield, the Ronald McDonald House and the Arthritis Foundation of Ohio. She was 2010 Rotarian of the Year for her Dublin-Worthington club.

Brent Rosenthal was District 6690 Governor in 2011-12 when BJ stepped up to the presidency of the Dublin-Worthington Rotary. He remembers how anxious BJ was to assume the role and how he encouraged her saying, "Someone who worried so much about doing well was bound to be successful." And she was.

Brent recalls how much he enjoyed working with BJ that year. He also chuckles to remember BJ's outgoing personality, "There were two kinds of people in the world. BJ's friends and those who soon would be BJ's friends." Brent remembers BJ for bringing such personality and life into Rotary - and oh yes - conversation. "In fact", he says, "BJ's husband actually brought a kitchen timer to BJ's installation dinner to jokingly remind her not to talk too much during her acceptance speech."

At the time of her death BJ was a realtor with Keller Williams in Dublin, This, after having successfully completed a 31-year career with Telhio Credit Union. BJ had a passion for people, for conversation and for traveling with her husband and family. May her light live on in them and in us.



Vocational Service: A call for Rotarians

The Second Object of Rotary calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster:

- High ethical standards in business and professions
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action? Consider these suggestions:

- Talk about your profession in your club, and take time to learn about fellow members' occupations.
- Use your skills and expertise to serve a community.
- Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions.
- · Help young people achieve their career goals.
- Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

By undertaking these activities, you bring vocational service to life. Vocational service is the essence of Rotary and serves as the foundation from which we serve our communities around the world.

INTEGRITY AND ETHICS

Rotary emphasizes integrity and high ethical standards. Two standards developed by Rotarians — The Four-Way Test and the Rotarian Code of Conduct — provide a road map for ethical behavior in the workplace and other areas of life.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Founded as a business networking organization, Rotary emphasizes the importance of bringing together business and professional leaders for the purposes of exchanging ideas, developing relationships, and improving communities. Rotary members are committed to professional development and advancing their skills. Rotarians can pursue this commitment through activities that increase their knowledge, and by guiding and training others to find gainful, fulfilling employment.





MAY 2019 BRING HAPPINESS AND HEALTH, AND EVERYDAY A NEW GIFT TO SHARE WITH OTHERS THROUGH SERVICE.

We're Listening

A frequent request received from our members has been to revise our grants training in order to make it more accessible and user-friendly. We are pleased to announce the training for District Grants and Global Grants for the 2019-20 Rotary year and beyond will transition from the required in-person training seminars to an on-line grants training program. This online training will allow you to complete your participation requirements at home, at your own pace and without having to travel. The person completing and signing the grant application on behalf of

your Club must have completed these online training courses in order to sign. We will be rolling out this new system shortly after the beginning of the New Year. Stay tuned for more information!



On-line Grant Management Seminar

Part #1 - Rotary International & The Rotary Foundation

Part #2 - District Grants Training

Part #3 – Global Grants Training



History of the Four-Way Test



The Four-Way Test was conceived in 1932 by businessman Herbert J. Taylor, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois, USA, who served as Rotary International president in 1954-55. Having taken on the task of saving a company from bankruptcy, Taylor developed the test as

an ethical guide to follow in all business matters. The company's survival was credited to this simple philosophy. Adopted by Rotary International in 1934, The Four-Way Test remains an essential standard against which Rotarians measure ethical behavior. It has been translated into dozens of languages and promoted by Rotarians worldwide.





Considering the Rotary Youth Exchange Program?

Let this Be Your Inspiration!



Many years ago, our fearless leader and District Governor, Craig Maxey, and the Rotary Club of Reynoldsburg-Pickerington, sent a quiet young high school student on an Exchange to France. Rachel worked hard during her 10 months of training in preparation for her exchange. Little did she know that Language preparation makes all the difference in the World. Rachel struggled in the first few months of her exchange. She was supported by her Rotary Country contact and her District 6690 Outbound Coach. She found a way to create opportunities to Be First in introducing herself and speaking the French language even when it was difficult. She stretched the introverted parts of her personality.

Rachel returned home to accept a placement at American University. Her exchange experience and the word ROTARY opened many doors for her. She interviewed and received an internship with the French Embassy in Washington DC. Her language skills had so improved that she placed out of all her undergraduate language requirements. Recently, Rachel was honored with the prestigious Boren Scholarship, Currently she is studying, working and living in Dakar, Senegal. Once the guiet introvert, now Rachel is changing the World. Watch for more stories like Rachel's and visit us at RYE6690.com to read about other experiences our students have had abroad.

The P.E.T.S. Challenge is On!

District 6690 will compete against four Rotary Districts in Ohio (6600, 6630, 6650 and 6670) for the All-Ohio P.E.T.S. (President-Elect Training Seminar) service project. The goal of the five Districts is to provide 14,000 blankets to Ohio's foster children. Our District 6690 Goal is 3,600 of the 14,000.

We have joined with My Very Own Blanket, a non-profit organization in Central Ohio, who provides blankets to children in foster care. For many children, the blanket may be the very first item they call their own and possibly take with them when changing locations. A donation of just \$10 will sponsor one blanket for one child. For online contributions, visit www. donorbox.org/rotary-2018. Be sure to enter the district number 6690 in the appropriate field so your contribution will be

counted toward its total.

If you would like to make a homemade, no sew fleece blanket, in place of an online donation, please follow the instructions as provided by My Very Own Blanket at www.myveryownblanket. org/sponosr-a-blanket. Then bring your homemade, no-sew fleece blanket to All-Ohio P.E.T.S. in March. Labels for your homemade blanket will be provided for your signature and then attached by a volunteer at a later time. Your support of this project is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact DGE Spouse Janet Vaughan at jansjafra@gmail.com.

For online contributions, visit www.donorbox.org/rotary-2018.

ON THE COVER: DG Craig Maxey and Grove City Rotarians enjoy a Segway Christmas Lights Tour in downtown Columbus.
Happy Holidays to all!!!





ROTARY CONVENTION
HAMBURG, GERMANY 1-5 JUNE 2019











MIDDLETON -POMEROY ROTARY CLUB

90 years (1/1/1929)



ANNIVERSARY

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- BELMONT MORRISTOWN
ROTARY CLUB

70 years (1/1/1949)

You Can Be Part of District 6690 Newsletters!

HERE'S HOW:

Submit a photo and caption celebrating your club's fundraisers, service projects or other activities for our "Around District 6690" feature.

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month. If you would like to share your club's efforts in promoting this RI Avenue of Service, please send a short article (150 words or less) and photos!

Submit to the District Newsletter Editor Julie Colley at julie.colley@westerville.org by the 15th of each month.

TOGETHER, WE SEE A
WORLD WHERE PEOPLE
UNITE AND TAKE ACTION TO
CREATE LASTING CHANGE
— ACROSS THE GLOBE, IN
OUR COMMUNITIES, AND IN
OURSELVES.



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