

Rotary



District 6670



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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Chair (DPIC)
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SUSAN WILKINSON
Assistant Governor
Coordinator

Events

September 22nd
**All Ohio President
Elect Training
Membership**
September 25th
**Rotary Day of
Service**
October 19th
**District Vibrant
Club Workshop**
October 22nd
**RYLA (Rotary
Youth Leadership
Awards)**
October 27th
**President Elect
Training**
November 17th
**President Elect
Training**
December 15th
**President Elect
Training**

A Message from your District Governor -August



Greetings Rotarians!

August is Celebrate Membership Month. Please take some time to look at the attached graphic from Rotary International.

We just received our membership numbers for July 1, 2020 compared with July 1, 2021. We have gone from 2693 to 2531, over 160 members lost this past 12 months. We are down over 400 members in our District over the past 5 years. We desperately need your help.

Our District's challenge to clubs is to help us help back on a growth spurt, by using Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta's challenge of "EACH ONE BRING ONE". If every club member invited one person to experience the fellowship, friendship and service opportunities that you love and enjoy, that are available through

Rotary, we will grow! Pass the word...Rotary is awesome!

In order to grow I am asking that on average every club in our District adds at least 3 members, with a stretch goal of 6. Really, we need an 8.3% growth to get back to last year's numbers. For larger clubs 8.3% may be very daunting. Smaller clubs, please add 3-6 new member at minimum. We need to do our part to see these numbers turn around this year. Please encourage your members to bring a friend, colleague, neighbor and have fun with your club. Then ask them to join.

We also need to get our missing members or past members re-engaged. COVID has done a number on people dis-engaging. You are what we are waiting for. Invite them for lunch, coffee, a chat. Find ways to pull them back towards service above self. Let them know you miss them and you need them back.

District 6670 - We can do this!

I would like to thank the following clubs for hosting me as their guest during the first few weeks of our Rotary year.

Middletown ♦ June 29
Northmont ♦ July 6
New Carlisle ♦ July 13
Centerville ♦ July 22
Cincinnati Eastside ♦ July 28
Fairborn ♦ August 4
London ♦ August 5
Germantown ♦ August 6
New Lebanon Car Show was awesome ♦ August 7
Eaton ♦ August 9
Cincinnati Eastside/Batavia Gala ♦ August 13
Oxford ♦ August 18
Cincinnati ♦ August 19
Batavia Social on August 21
Bellefontaine ♦ August 23
Farmersville ♦ August 23
Northeast Cincinnati ♦ August 24

Then the following clubs are scheduled for future visits

Miamisburg ♦ August 25
Lebanon ♦ August 26
Washington Courthouse ♦ August 31
New Lebanon Social ♦ September 1
West Chester/Liberty ♦ September 3
Fairborn 90th Anniversary Celebration ♦ September 4



Batavia ♦ September 7
Dayton ♦ September 27
Kettering ♦ October 6
Huber Heights ♦ October 11
Yellow Springs Satellite Club - October 12 @5:30 pm
Mason Deerfield ♦ October 12
Beavercreek ♦ October 22
Williamsburg - October 26
Hamilton - November 4
Oakwood - November 12

I am looking forward to getting the remainder of our clubs on my calendar. My email is carolhughes6@gmail.com or please call 937-251-3333

Have a great rest of the month, enjoy these last days of summer before they are gone!

Carol

PS - Please find attached a list of Clubs in District 6670 with when and where they meet. Please also find attached a list of Club Officers for 2021-2022.

If your information is incorrect, please let Lori Gatland know at lsgatland@gmail.com

Join the 125 Club and Support the Rotary Foundation

Join Now in Our First Year



125 CLUB

Recognizing Rotarians who contribute at least \$100 to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund and \$25 to PolioPlus for the 2021-2022 Rotary Year.

5 Easy Steps

- 1** Contribute at least \$100 to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund
- 2** Contribute at least \$25 to PolioPlus
- 3** Notify your Club President that you have completed Steps 1 and 2
- 4** When you receive your District 6670 125 Club lapel pin – Wear it proudly!
- 5** Encourage fellow Rotarians to join the 125 Club! As Rotarians Let's all donate to the Rotary Foundation.

(Pins will be distributed by Assistant District Governors periodically throughout the Rotary year)



Welcome to All New Rotarians in District 6670

We Welcome all New Rotarians to District 6670 Since July 1, 2021

We have gained a **NET** of 5 new members in our District since July 1st. Thank you to those Rotarians who introduced our new members. We will celebrate our new members every month, all year long. Let's keep up this positive trend and share Rotary!

Hamilton Rotary

Theresa Ellsworth
Jamie Jordan
Angela Pontious
Charla Hale

Dayton

Kevin Mulder

Cincinnati Eastside

Phil Dodge

Springboro

Jim Kilgore

Beavercreek

Matthew Bohn
Centerville
Jennifer Gibbs
Scott Kujawa
Larry Marchand

Cincinnati

Shannon Heroux
Tracy McGuire

Greater Harrison

Diane Elrod
Marcy Jackson
Rosanne Moore

Greenville

John King
Alisha Weiss

Kettering

Greggery Pavlak
June Smith

Middletown

Rodney Muterspaw

Northeast Cincinnati

Sheila Hinton
Karen Kennedy
Mary Beth Walters

Oakwood

Caryl Segalewitz

Tipp City

Brooke Schleben

Vandalia

Kristopher Conner

Washington Courthouse

Jennifer Snyder

Wilmington

Julie Bolton

We apologize if any names have been omitted please get them to us so that we may publish next month.

The Rotary Club of Oakwood Awarded their Community Member Award to Three Deserving Rotarians

L to R photo: Oakwood Vice Mayor Steven Byington, Oakwood City Councilman Rob Stephens as well as the Honorable, Judge Christopher B. Epley, Second District Court of Appeals.

They were honored for their tireless service to the Oakwood community with a monetary donation earmarked for their charity of choice. Vice Mayor Byington chose David's Place at Daybreak, a homeless shelter.



Councilmen Stephens selected Noble Circle Project to aid women diagnosed with cancer. Judge Epley's benefactor is the Josh Leasure Memorial Fund a component fund of the Dayton Foundation.



North East Cincinnati Rotary Improving the Lives of Youth in Mexico

HOMETOWN FEATURE

Local NEC Rotary changing lives of youth in Mexico

Puerto Vallarta Mexico may be known as a beach resort haven for vacationers, but on the outskirts at the edge of the mountains in a small community of Volcanes, many people live in two- or three-wall huts instead of houses. Water is contaminated. The roads are dirt. Public school is just four hours per day. Only 30% of fifth-graders can read. Good-paying jobs are in short supply. Poverty is the norm.

Two years ago, Doug Taylor and Greg Reis, members of the Rotary Club of Northeast Cincinnati traveled with their wives on behalf of the NEC Rotary Club to Puerto Vallarta to help distribute water filters for purifying dirty water in Volcanes. While they were there, they discovered another way to make a lasting impact on the community.

They met Jorge Zambrano Hernandez, a restaurant, bar and hotel owner who was convinced that children and young people living in Volcanes can leave poverty behind by educating themselves beyond what the Mexican government requires. Children in Mexico must go to school only through the sixth grade.

Jorge's idea was to incentivize parents to keep their children in school instead of dropping out by providing scholarships that replaced money they earned by begging or doing menial jobs. So he canvassed the community, going door to door to find out what kids were making. With this insight in hand, he went back to his local rotary club to start the Volcanes Community Education Project.

Known as VCEP, this voluntary program supplements education for students from grades 1 through 12. Currently more than 400 students are enrolled. Students come to class Monday through Saturday before or after attending regular public school for an additional four hours of instruction. Students from second grade on receive one hour of English language instruction every day. All students from grade 3 through 12 get at least three hours of computer training each week. Other activities include a kids club, math club, summer camp, music classes, sports and dance, field

trips and Christmas parties. Special attention is given to those students in the primary school who are unable to read Spanish.

VCEP is not a handout but a hands up program. Students qualify to stay in the program by maintaining an eight-point grade average on a 10-point scale.

Because of the Puerto Vallarta visit by Taylor and Reis, the Rotary Club of Northeast Cincinnati is now sponsoring 10 elementary school students and 10 middle and high school students.

In addition, the club is committed to helping 14 university students finish their studies, obtain a diploma and receive a certificate from the Mexican government to work in their field of study.

NEC Rotary has contributed more than \$10,000 to the VCEP program. "We are making a long-term commitment to change people's lives," Taylor said.

Among the vocations university students are aspiring to be include flight attendant, systems engineer, doctor, dental surgeon, photographer, attorney, computer programmer and restaurant owner.

This is a program that promises to yield dividends for generations to come. In a note of thanks to the NEC Rotary Club for support to become an attorney, university student Jorge Emmanuel Cundapi Davila said, "My greatest desire is to support more students to continue their studies just as I am being supported."

About the Rotary Club of Northeast Cincinnati

Rotary is a service organization with over one million members worldwide. Other programs include a Student of the Month recognition, a spring speech contest, and \$10,000 in annual scholarship awards to area high school students. Northeast Cincinnati Club members also volunteer their time and resources for local and international projects, donating over 1,100 volunteer hours. More information can be found at necrotary.org.

Greg Miller, Rotary Club of Northeast Cincinnati

Dayton Rotary Office is Moving



The Dayton Rotary Club Office will be moving locations on Thursday, September 2nd. We will be closed for business on the 1st and 2nd as we finish packing up and preparing for moving day.

Our new address effective September 2nd will be:

**Rotary Club of Dayton
3131 South Dixie Drive
Suite 414
Dayton, Ohio 45439
937- 228-3331**