



District Leaders

Greetings

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A Message from Your District Governor - March 2024

Spring is in the air as we are being deluged by rain, which is appropriate since this is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month, on the Rotary calendar.

When I was perusing the Rotary Showcase, over 200 ongoing or completed projects popped up pertaining to providing clean drinking water worldwide. There is a great need across the globe, including parts of the United States, for clean water and sanitation. Folks in our district are currently involved in the Zolomondo Malawi Water Pump Project utilizing a global grant (GG) from RI. Please contact AG Ron Hollenbeck of the Centerville Club for more details and to arrange for him to speak at your Rotary Club.

I have mentioned entities associated with Rotary International called Rotary Action Groups (RAG). Guess what, there is a RAG dedicated to water. It is called the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Rotary Action Group, affectionately known as WASH-RAG. They offer their technical expertise and support to help clubs plan and implement WASH projects to increase our impact. This support includes helping clubs find partners, funding, and other resources. WASH-RAG can also help clubs and districts prepare grant applications, conduct community assessments, and develop plans to monitor and evaluate your water, sanitation, and hygiene projects. I truly believe that as we migrate Polio Plus into a maintenance and sustainment effort, water will become the primary focus.

For more information, please visit http://wash-rag.org for more information.

March and April are two of the busiest months in the district calendar. On March 10th , the 4-Way Test Speech Contest will occur at Wright State University. I have been told there are 23 student entrants and I cannot wait to hear their speeches.

Your President Elects will be heading to President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) in Columbus March 15 and 16. Future events in April include RYLA,

District Day of Service Bed Build, Gala Dinner, and another District Day of Service in Dayton.

Please visit our District website (http://rotary6670.org) and DACdb website (http://dacdb.com/index.html) for more details on each event. Please signup via DACdb to participate in each!

Yours in Rotary, Doug

4-Way Speech Contest

District 6670's Four-Way Speech Contest is scheduled for Sunday, March 10, 2024. Hope to see you there!

The location of the contest this year will change. We are still at Wright State University, and delighted to be able to continue that relationship, however we will not be at Millett Hall.

Thank you for all you do to make this opportunity possible for the students in your area.



Four-Way Speech Contest @Wright State University

Conservation 101

Interested in Pollinator Conservation? <u>Rotary District 6670</u> is "rooting" for pollinator projects, a wonderful way to engage your community in restoring biodiversity and supporting food security, as pollinators are essential to agriculture. The Pollinator Partnership will provide FREE pollinator project idea training through Pollinator Conservation 101 on March 13th, 2024, by Zoom. Register here



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POLLINATOR PARTNERSHIP

> OPERATION POLLINATION

POLLINATOR CONSERVATION 101

FOR: All who are interested in pollinator conservation including partner organizations that signed the **Mississippi River Operation Pollination Partnership**.

- WHAT: Learn the basics of pollinator conservation and activities you can engage in to help pollinators, like:
 - Suilding a Bee Friendly Garden www.beefriendlygardening.org
 - Signing a pollinator pledge with Operation Pollination: <u>https://esrag.org/operation-pollination</u>

WHEN:

𝗭 Wednesday March 6 8:30−9:30 central

REGISTER NOW

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Virtual webinar will be hosted on Zoom; please adjust for your time zone

District 6670 Day of Service





Dear Rotarians of District 6670,

Spring is just around the corner so Club and District activities will be picking up very soon. In this correspondence, I would like to focus on our first Rotary Day of Service, scheduled for Saturday, April 13, 2024.

Our District has teamed with a non-profit organization called Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) that provides beds for kids ages 3 to 17. Please visit https://shpbeds.org/ for more details about the SHP organization. There are over 400 children on the waiting list, so there is a great need. This is the second time we have teamed with three local SHP chapters. PDG Sigrid Solomon had a vision to do this during her DG year, but because of COVID, it did not come to fruition until PDG Carol Hughes' year as DG. That event saw 140+ Rotarians representing 14 clubs in our district build and furnish 110 beds!

This year eight clubs (West Chester/Liberty, Fairfield, Franklin-Carlisle, Hamilton, Mason-Deerfield, Middletown, Dayton, and Springboro) have pooled their money and have received matching District Grants to raise \$22,000. This will pay for 125 handmade bed frames and mattresses! This will not cover the bedding needs (pillows, sheets, and comforters).

Here are the particulars:

Location: Hamilton County Fairgrounds (They have donated the location and it has a roof for possible weather issues)

Address is: 7801 Anthony Wayne Ave, Cincinnati OH 45216

Date: Saturday, 4/13/2024

Time: Two shifts: 9:30am â€" 12:00 and 12:30 â€" 3:00pm

Signup links: First shift: https://x.gldn.io/e/yWSAB8uNiHb Second Shift: https://x.gldn.io/e/mfRmuGnNiHb

What we need from you and your club is: 1. Volunteer for a shift, 2. Collect, donate, and deliver pillows and bedding to the build site on April 13th, and 3. Donate water, snacks, etc. for the volunteers. Here are a few links to great bedding deals:

https://www.target.com/gift-registry/gift-giver?registryId=9e9beaf0-856a-11ee-b810-25c567306921&type=CHARIT

https://www.walmart.com/registry/ER/5c1043d3-6a97-463b-a71f-cc7e9511a300

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/27ZAN0410DI6F?ref_=wl_share

So please signup to volunteer and/or donate bedding! You can do this individually or as a club. No tools or experience needed. Come prepared to get a little dirty. Clubs interested in donating water, snacks, etc., please contact me directly for coordination.

Thank you Rotarians and I look forward seeing you on April 13th.

Doug

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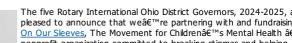
On Our Sleeves

The five Rotary International Ohio District Governors, 2024-2025, are pleased to announce that weâ€[™]re partnering with and fundraising for <u>On Our Sleeves</u>, The Movement for Childrenâ€[™]s Mental Health â€[™] a nonprofit organization committed to breaking stigmas and helping families talk about mental health with their children.

Research shows that more than 50% of all lifetime mental disorders start by the age of 14. We can all feel that there is a youth mental health crisis, and we all know someone who has been impacted, but stigma remains. Children don't wear their thoughts on their sleeves, so we don't know what they are going through. And many of us didn't grow up talking about mental health.

Movement

That's why On Our Sleeves was created. Developed by Nationwide Children's Hospital, one of the United States' largest network of







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1,000 mental health professionals and researchers at Nationwide Children's, in partnership with other trusted experts, provide their real-world knowledge and expertise to power On Our Sleeves.

On Our Sleeves is dedicated to providing free mental health resources for parents, teachers, and caregivers across the United States.

As part of our philanthropic efforts, we have decided to fundraise for On Our Sleeves Kindness Kits.

On Our Sleeves knows that practicing kindness is beneficial for our own mental health and helps us feel more connected to others. That's why On Our Sleeves designed a custom kindness kit for teachers to use in their classrooms. Thanks to generous donors, these kits are free to teachers who request them.

For a gift of just \$25, you can provide resources for one classroom to encourage our children to build a kinder world together.

Will you join our efforts to support On Our Sleeves and children's mental health? Donate a Kindness Kit to a classroom here.

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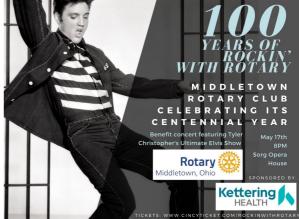
This is Middletown Rotary's annual fundraising concert at the historic Sorg Theater. We always have an amazing artist and the proceeds will benefit Middletown Rotary's charitable projects, which include helping local children through school-based programs and community organizations like Sleep In Heavenly Peace and Abilities First. An amazing time at an amazing venue!

When is it? Friday May 17th at 8pm. Doors open at 7pm

Who is the artist? Tyler Christopher's Ultimate Elvis Show

How do you buy tickets? Simply click the link below. Premium Tickets are \$35 (1st 10 Rows). Standard Tickets are \$25 Box \$100 - includes 4 tickets and 4 drink vouchers <u>Tickets | Rock in' with Rotary Featuring Tyler Christopher's Ultimate Elvis</u> <u>Show! | CincyTicket</u>

The link is "go to cincyticket.com and type Elvis in the search box"



Franklin, Carlisle Club distributes dictionaries

Annually, the Franklin, Carlisle Rotary Club distributes dictionaries to all third grade students in the Franklin and Carlisle school districts. Recently, they presented 131 dictionaries to students in Carlisle!



Have you ever made up a Rotary Meeting?

Have you ever thought of making up a Rotary Meeting? Kathryn Hitchcock of the <u>Springfield Rotary Club - Ohio</u> recently made up in beautiful San Miguel de Allende, Mexico! Give it try sometime. It's a great way to meet new people and also learn more about the area you're visiting!





Turtle Up

Corine Brion spoke to the Northmont Rotary Club about her nonprofit Turtle up project. It focuses on education, conservation, protection and

transportation of turtles. She is a graduate teacher at the University of Dayton. Turtles are becoming extinct at a rapid pace due to pollution and plastics. For more information, go to https://www.turtleup.org



Miamisburg Hosts 33rd Annual Esther Philhower Auction

The Miamisburg Rotary Club will hold its 33rd Annual Esther Philhower Charity Auction on Saturday, 23 March 2024 at the Baum Opera House. Doors open at 6:00pm for happy hour (cash bar), dinner at 7:00pm and the Auction starts at 8:00pm.

This annual charity auction is a great opportunity to socialize and have fun while raising funds to support the objectives and projects of the Miamisburg Rotary Club and Rotary International. Tickets are \$35.00 per person and may be purchased from any Miamisburg Rotarian or at the door. Additionally, members of the general public may purchase tickets or make a donation through our website at: http://miamisburgrotary.org/sitepage/qr/agt. Tickets include auction admission, dinner, and entry into door prizes drawings.

Bidders will be requested to complete an information card to ensure proper allocation of their bids, delivery of receipts and recognition for their purchases. Payments by winning bidders are due the night of the auction and may be made by cash, check, credit card, or Venmo. Credit card purchases will incur an additional fee (less than 4%) to cover the charges incurred by the processing service.

Silent auction items will be available on several tables for bidding. Auctioneer Frankie Lewis will conduct the live portion of the auction for many other popular items.

All auction proceeds are allocated by the winning bidders to The Rotary Foundation (Polio Plus or Annual Fund) or to the Miamisburg Rotary Charitable Trust Fund.

The Miamisburg Rotary Club, chartered in 1922, has, for over a century, built on a strong tradition of service to the community through support of numerous local organizations and projects with funding and volunteer service, as well as supporting the aims of Rotary International.

The Miamisburg Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 12 noon at the Baum Opera House. Club members enjoy lunch, fellowship, and a program speaker at each meeting.



Wanted. RLI Coordinator. The successful candidate will have graduated from RLI and have good organizational skills and a growing passion for RLI. Interested candidates should submit their resume to the current DG. For more information, contact PDG Eric Marcus at: <u>eric.marcus@mindspring.com</u>