

Rotary



District 6690

Monday, February 28, 2022

The Fuel That Drives Our Mission



Greetings my fellow Change Makers! You would think that with only four months left of this Rotary year that things might be slowing down a bit. But, *au contraire*! Your District Team is busier than ever to help make those big dreams we set at the beginning of the year a reality.

The District Membership Team's Each One Bring One campaign continues to be a success. Because of you, we have introduced Rotary to over 500 individuals adding over 200 into membership. This is terrific news, but we are not done! If you have yet to bring someone to a service project, social or to a meeting, there is still time. Consider looking at your circle of friends. Consider those that you think would make good Rotarians, those that have a heart for service and share with them all of the good things your club is doing within the community. Share with them Rotary's passion, our passion, for peace and share with them our dedication to eradicating polio from the

face of the Earth. Let's make this year the biggest year ever in membership growth. With your help, we can make it happen!

Your District Peace Committee has been extremely busy with this year's series of Peace Symposiums. This past month they held a conversation around "Building Peace in our Neighborhoods". There were about 94 people on the Zoom call from all over the world. There were Rotarians and guests from New Zealand, Serbia, Hong Kong, California and of course Ohio. It was an amazing two hours with lots of discussion, sharing and building of partnerships. The next in the series is scheduled for Saturday, March 26 with the focus being around Maternal and Child Healthcare and titled [Reducing Infant Mortality Globally and Locally](#). I encourage you to [check out the flyer on the District webpage and register](#) if you are free. This would also be a wonderful opportunity to invite those in your community that are connected to or have interest around this subject. It's a great way to form new partnerships and begin a conversation on how you might be able to begin a project around Maternal and Child Healthcare.

In addition, the District Assembly and Conference Committee are hard at work putting the final touches on this year's event. If you have not heard, the District Assembly and Conference will be held at the Cherry Valley Hotel, April 8th and 9th. There will be a youth program on Friday running congruently with the District Assembly. There will be a service project that afternoon, partnering with Habitat of Mid-Ohio. The District Conference will kick off that evening with the parade of Presidents and our Outbound Youth Exchange students receiving their jackets. There are exceptional speakers on the program along with fellow Rotarians sharing their Rotary stories. You won't want to miss this spectacular event. [Registration is open now](#) and our hotel block is open until March 13th. It's been some time since we have had the opportunity to have fellowship with each other at a District Conference, so I hope to see you there.

Thank you for all that you are doing to make our world a better place! Thank you for Serving to Change Lives!!

-District Governor, Maryjane Shackelford



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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Peace Symposium

When: March 26, 2022 11:00 AM

Register in advance for this meeting. [REGISTER HERE](#)

When completing registration information, please fill in the following:

1. **Your respective Organization information: For example, Rotary...Rotaract...or... Other - Organization/Affiliation**
2. **Your Geographic Location**



Spring 2022 PEACE SYMPOSIUM

Maternal Care for Women and Children: Reducing Infant Mortality - Local to Global

March 26, 2022
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Eastern Time, USA

Featured Speakers

Pablo Sanchez, MD



Professor of Pediatrics, Divisions of Neonatology
and Pediatric Infectious Diseases,
Director, Clinical & Translational Research
Center for Perinatal Research
Nationwide Children's Hospital-
The Ohio State University, College of Medicine

Debra Goff, Pharm. D



Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
Infectious Diseases Specialist
The Ohio State University
Wexner Medical Center,
College of Pharmacy

Charles Boltwood, MA



Senior Consultant
Workforce Innovation
Columbus State Community College

Join us on Zoom!

[REGISTER OR LEARN MORE HERE](#)

rotary6690.org/training-events/peace-symposium/

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Project Update: Polio Plus

Wild polio case detected in Malawi

As an imported case from Pakistan, this detection of type 1 wild poliovirus in Malawi does not affect the WHO African region's wild polio-free certification status.

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) has confirmed a case of type 1 wild poliovirus (WPV1) in a child suffering from paralysis in Malawi. Analysis has shown the virus is genetically linked to WPV1 that had circulated in

Pakistan's Sindh province.

Detection of WPV1 outside the world's two remaining endemic countries of Pakistan and Afghanistan is a serious concern and underscores the importance of prioritizing polio immunization activities in countries such as Malawi to prevent future instances of importation.

UN condemns brutal killing of eight polio workers in Afghanistan

The United Nations has condemned the killing of eight polio vaccination workers in four locations in northern Afghanistan in February, the first such attacks since nationwide immunization campaigns resumed last November.

[READ MORE](#)

Promote the power of vaccines for World Immunization Week



With their decades of experience working to eradicate polio, Rotary members can play a key role in [publicizing the power of vaccines](#). World Immunization Week, 24-30 April, gives Rotary and Rotaract clubs an opportunity to raise awareness of the part that vaccines play in saving lives — as well as of the critical need to continue supporting global polio vaccination for children and COVID-19 vaccines for all.

Because Rotary members and our partners have worked hard to counter vaccine hesitancy and reach all children with the polio vaccine, the world has seen a 99.9% reduction in polio cases since 1988. Our fight against polio is proof that vaccines work.



Now in its Sixth Year, Please “join” the



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.

Two Options to Give

1

Log into your My.Rotary.org account using your Rotary ID and contribute at least \$100 to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund and at least \$25 to the PolioPlus Fund;

or

2

Use the District's giving app by going to https://givebutter.com/125_Club

- When you receive your District 6690 125 Club pin, **WEAR IT PROUDLY!**
- Encourage fellow Rotary members to join the 125 Club! Last year, over 800 Rotarians in District 6690 joined the 125 Club – will you join this year?



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

New Generations/Youth Service

Rotary Youth Exchange

The 6690 Youth Exchange group had an exciting meeting in February. The agenda was jam-packed! Long term applicants found out which countries would be hosting them for 22-23. 6690's Five Long Term outbound students will be going to Italy, Taiwan, Bosnia, Czechia, and Spain. They are pictured with their country flags and balloons with their host country's colors. Students also participated in outbound training, socialized, and did a service project with <https://www.myveryownblanket.org/>. The night ended with a challenging round of Rotary-Global Affairs Trivia, in which the Short Term Outbounds beat the Long Term Outbounds!



Thank you to the Westerville Sunrise for the delicious dinner and for finding the fabulous meeting space. It was a lot of fun to get back together in person! The Youth Exchange Outbounds will be at the district conference, so be sure to say hi and help them practice engaging in conversation with Rotarians, like they will be in their host countries.

Rotarians interested in participating in Youth Exchange are welcome! We are always looking for host families, counselors for inbound students, people to drive students to club meetings, etc. Upcoming meeting dates are posted on www.6690exchange.com and details (time-location) are added about a month before each event. We encourage you to share information about the program or have students check out some of the recorded information sessions from the autumn if they are interested in starting the application process this coming summer for 23-24.

[Video information sessions](#)

Peace and Leadership Symposium

On Friday, April 8th, Rotary District 6690 will be offering District 6690 high school youth the unique opportunity to attend a one-day *Peace and Leadership Symposium*. It has been a longtime desire of DG MJ Shackelford to hold a youth focused event - help us to make this a success by sponsoring youth to attend.

This event will run concurrently with the District Assembly and is open to ALL High School students. Rotary Clubs are encouraged to consider sponsoring youth from their local community to attend. Cost \$65.00 to sponsor each youth.

We ask that you please share this opportunity with your Interact Clubs, school administrators and other interested high school youth.

Information on the process along with a flyer and youth application have been provided for your use. Youth applications must be received by April 1st by District Youth Service Chair.

Please refer to the attachments to this email or the district website for more information and details.

[DISCON 2122 – Rotary District 6690 \(rotary6690.org\)](https://www.rotary6690.org)

Contact Youth Service chair, Roe Mauro, for more information.

Email: roe_mauro@yahoo.com

ROTARIANS ON THE RISE

This leadership development program is tailored to help Rotarians develop leadership skills that apply in their personal or professional lives, at work or in the club. This is a great program for anyone wanting to improve their skills or if you are looking to get into Rotary leadership or a leadership role in your company. You may know people in your club that would be a good candidate for this program. If so, please share it with them. Also, share it with everyone in your club! This will be a tremendous opportunity for many people who need this development. And it is free!

The remaining two sessions' dates and Zoom link to register are below. Every session is held from 5:00-6:00 pm via Zoom.

- [March 10: Leading Your Team, Club, Project: Accountability](#)
- [March 24: Celebrating Success](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

The first group of attendees had positive comments about their experience and provided insight to make it even better. We hope you will join us to learn and share with others!

District Training Team



The graphic is a vertical schedule for the Rotary Leadership Development Program. At the top, it features the Rotary International logo and a hot air balloon. Below this, the schedule is organized into a grid of colored boxes (white and orange) with blue borders. The central theme, 'ROTARIANS ON THE RISE', is prominently displayed in a large orange box. The bottom of the graphic specifies the time as 5:00-6:00 PM and the platform as ZOOM 2022.

Rotary Leadership Development Program		
Jan 13 Getting to Know You & Building Relationships	Jan 17 Current State, What to Change, Future State	Feb 10 Communication & Storytelling
ROTARIANS ON THE RISE		
Feb 24 Engaging the Team	Mar 10 Leading Your Team or Club; Accountability	Mar 24 Celebrating Success
5:00-6:00 PM ZOOM 2022		

Service

Short North Rotary

On 2/21/2022 Short North Rotarians made a dinner for survivors of human trafficking through the Organization [She Has a Name](#).

The mission of She Has a Name is to *strive for a world where all those impacted by human trafficking know their value and therefore, thrive. Our programming focuses on responding to human trafficking through education, advocacy and care for those impacted.*



Did you know that "2 in 5 women who menstruate struggled to buy period products in the last year due to a lack of income?" Short North Rotarians and their businesses collected 3,034 tampons & 2,232 pads for women in Central Ohio through the *Period Pantry Project (<https://www.theperiodpantryproject.org/>).



Athens Sunrise Rotary

Put on your pajamas and join Athens Sunrise Rotary for The Pajama Party Murders, an audience participation mystery! Bartholomew T. Cosmo, creator of the world famous Cosmo Inflatable Neck Pillow, has died. He leaves behind five family heirs and a fortune worth millions... or is it billions?

Cosmo's trusty attorney, Harvey T. Pettibone has been tasked to collect the true heirs with the help from Lola McMartin, the housekeeper. In order to inherit the Cosmo fortune the heirs must be prepared to survive the night at Cosmo House. But for those who do not make through the night we need your help to figure out whodunit!

Learn more and Join the Fun!

<https://athenssunriserotary.ticketleap.com/the-pajama-party-murders/>



Rotary International Convention: June 4 - 8, 2022

The Time is Now to Register for Houston June 4 - 8 2022!

We received exciting news that the 2022 Rotary International Convention will be an in-person event taking place June 4-8, 2022 in Houston, TX. [REGISTER](#)

5 REASONS TO ATTEND THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN HOUSTON

1. PROXIMITY— The best, cheapest, closest convention to attend. The next RI Convention to be hosted in the United States will be Honolulu in 2027.
2. OPPORTUNITY— Learn the magnitude of Rotary's reach throughout the 220 countries and territories Rotary touches. Learn what Rotary is doing around the world as you visit booths in the House of Friendship, attend daily presentations and develop new friendships with those in attendance.
3. ADVANTAGES— Staying at Rotary suggested hotels allows for the Rotary Free Shuttle and convenience. Posted in the lobby of these hotels is the schedule of the pick-up and return times to the convention center or convention events. You never have to get into a car.
4. ADDED BONUSES— The daily presentations are only one part of the convention. There is a wide variety of Rotary sponsored events happening all around the city.
5. INSPIRATION— The Convention will expand your Rotary knowledge, but even better, it will inspire you. You will no doubt return to your club with a renewed enthusiasm and great ideas for fellowship and projects.



Newsletter Contributions

Tell the rest of the district what your club or committee is up to! If you would like to submit a story to the newsletter, please add it [HERE](#) by the 25th of the month. *(Newsletter publication is the first of each month.)*

Social Media

Does your club use hashtags when posting on social media? Using **#RD6690** on your posts will enable the district to search and repost/retweet your messages. Let us help you reach a larger audience!

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Events

March

- 2nd - [Dublin-Worthington Weekly Club Meeting](#)
- 3rd - [March Social First Thursday](#)
- 5th - [Music In the Round](#)
- 10th - [Rotarians on the Rise #5](#)
- 11th - [Pre PETS session for PEs](#)
- 30th - [People In Need Produce Distribution](#)
- 30th - [Dublin-Worthington Rotary After Hours \(RAH RAH\)](#)
- 31st - [Membership Chats: Planning High-Impact Meetings](#)

April

1st - [The Pajama Party Murders](#)

8th - [Peace and Leadership Symposium for High School Youth](#)

8th - [District Assembly and Conference](#)

10th - [Lasagna-to-Go Annual Fundraiser](#)

District Leaders



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District Governor



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