

Rotary



Club of Oberlin



Monday, June 28, 2021

President Melanie is Hosting a Picnic on FRIDAY at NOON

When: **Friday, July 2, 2021 NOON**

Where: **10980 LaGrange Rd. Elyria, OH 44035**

Who: Should I bring? Anyone you like. Friend, Family, Co-Worker

What: Should I bring? Just your smiling face.

Why: Because we miss seeing you.

See You There! 🧐

FUN EVENING for the District 6600 Changing of the Guard

By Barbara W. Thomas on Saturday, June 26, 2021

Just over a hundred Rotarians and guests came together on Friday, June 25 for the Annual Changing of the Guard District-Wide Event at the Emerald Event Center. Everyone was greeted with a festive and rocking ballroom. Each person received a new pin for the year designating the theme " Serve to Change Lives" along with a business card for our new DG Mary Aufdenkampe. The evening was rocking from the start under the rhythm and beat by "ET King". Curt Paul serving as Master of Ceremonies kept things moving, even during some technical challenges of facilitating guest speaker Elizabeth Usovicz, Rotary's International Director. Her message was well received of being sure we are adapting our Rotary practices to assure our vital purposes and service. Other speakers included some final remarks and a final award bestowed by DG Keith Hodgkinson. Most important was the passing of the DG torch to Mary Aufdenkampe. Oaths of Office were taken by Mary as well as the two other DG's to follow in years ahead. Oberlin Rotarians all had the pleasure of seeing many Oberlin Club members attending or participating in special ways including Shirley Hull behind the scenes with all the planning details; Melanie received the flag from DH's Keith's club; Curt was the MC; and Rex Engle made everything come together with a fabulous meal and beautiful room arrangement. Mary got everyone quite excited by kicking off her big fund raiser for the year with a raffle that will award an all-electric 2022 Ford Mustang Mach E-SUV AWD. Tickets are \$100. The winner will be pulled at the District Conference in spring (May 12-15) to be held in Geneva on the Lake, featuring lots of local vineyards.



Speakers

July 02, 2021
President Melanie
We will kick off the new rotary year with a club picnic!

Birthdays

Curtis Paul
July 2nd
Richard J. Hetsko
July 14th
Bruce H. Ente
July 14th
Roy L. Folley
July 17th
David E. Cann
July 19th

Years of Service

I. Sal Talarico
07-15-2016
5 Years
Eric Remster
07-01-2019
2 Years

Club Leaders

-  [Barbara W. Thomas](#)
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-  [Melanie Beth Satterfield](#)
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A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

By Barbara W. Thomas on Monday, June 28, 2021

As we approach the date of July 1, I want to give a special shout-out to every Oberlin Rotarian for hanging tough during this COVID Pandemic. While we could not meet in person, you were loyal anyway by your membership by supporting the true purpose of service and fellowship. The Rotary board particularly was critical as they met month after month assuring business continued, adapting, and modifying to make a successful year. We found ways to bring service, enlightening programs and assure community impact. No doubt Zoom will find a way to remain part of us but not replace the more important in-person presence. THANK YOU for getting me through my responsibilities as President at the most trying period of my career. I could not and have done it without knowing each of you were part of our club doing your part to get us by.

President Barb (Ready and more than willing to pass the torch to President Melanie)

Oberlin Rotary Remembers Member Extraordinaire, Don VanDyke

By Barbara W. Thomas on Monday, June 28, 2021

Born in Canton, Ohio, Don began studies at Oberlin College before he was drafted into the Army. He served in the 8th Armored Division in Europe in the Ruhr and other campaigns, earning 3 bronze stars and the Purple Heart. Returning from service he completed his Oberlin studies before enrolling at Western Reserve Medical School followed by a 2-year residency in Ophthalmology at Indiana University Hospitals. He maintained an ophthalmology practice in Kent, where for nineteen years he and Mary Louise took an active part in church and community activities. He had an uncanny way of seeing hidden potential in lives of young people he encountered; he is remembered now by many of them, and because he took an active part in American Field Service remembered by young people in many parts of the world (Germany, Italy, Denmark, Africa, and England). He was a senior active member of Rotary and served on the United Church Board for World Ministries, volunteering half a year at The Rambo Eye Clinic in Mungeli, a village in central India. He participated in eye clinics in The Dominican Republic and Guatemala. After 19 years of maintaining a private practice in Kent, he was invited to join the Oberlin Clinic. For his involvement in Oberlin College, First Church, and community affairs he was awarded the Community Service Award. He was a member of the American Medical Society, the Medical Honor Society Alpha Omega Alpha, Oberlin Alumni Association, Oberlin Business Partnerships, Oberlin Rotary, and The Heritage Society. He was part of the group that laid the groundwork for bringing The Kendal Corporation to Oberlin and a Founding Resident, moving in at the start in 1993. From its beginnings before the administrative office moved on site here, he plunged in to help and committed to keep things running smoothly. Avoiding attention, he preferred always to work in the background as enabler, always seeing ways to ease, enlighten, and solve problems for others. Don was doing just that in his own way, with tasks that always offered a helping hand right up to his death on June 22. Special condolences to Don's wife and extraordinary Rotary supporter, Mary Louise.\



Herron
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Curtis Paul
Past
President
Membership
Chair



Elizabeth
Katherine
Schultz
Past
President
CCO- Club
Comm. Offer



Lisa Wilson
Assistant
Governor



FILL THE BUS - CALL for School Supplies

The Rotary Club of Oberlin is participating in the FILL THE BUS school supply drive for Lorain County Elementary schools. Support the United Way of Greater Lorain County. We'll be collecting school supplies (see the list) at each Friday meeting this month. (July, 2, 9, 16, 23) July 30th is the 5th Friday of the month and there's NO meeting.

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Deadline Nearing for Yearend Foundation Gift

WHAT IS THE YEAR-END DEADLINE FOR MAKING A FOUNDATION GIFT? Every year, 30 June is the deadline for contributions to count toward a club's final giving amount for that Rotary year. Club members are encouraged to make their year-end gifts as early as possible in order to ensure that their gift is processed on time. Remember, every contribution that is made to Annual Fund-SHARE by 30 June this year will result in more grant funding for your club and district three years from now. Make your year-end contributions today to ensure that your club can make a difference in the world tomorrow!

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO MAKE A YEAR-END GIFT? The Rotary Foundation's online giving portal is the fastest and easiest way to ensure that your year-end gift is received on time! Visit rotary.org/donate and sign in to your My Rotary account to ensure that you and your club receive appropriate recognition for your contribution. Need help making your contribution? Call the Rotary Support Center at 1-866-976- 8279 (toll-free).

Community Tent Now In Use

Sunday, June 20, 2021

NOW IN USE! The new community tent available from Oberlin Rotary is now available! Melanie Satterfield joined many Lorain County clubs a couple of weeks ago to display the tents together, launching their availability. We already have Oberlin Heritage Center planning to use it quite a bit over the summer to give us practice of the loan process. It's housed with the Heritage Center making it a win-win. Bruce Ente also reported on Saturday that events for Juneteenth were overshadowed with the threat of rain so he made the quick decision to offer the tent. He dropped it off as a spontaneous gesture, likely much appreciated.



Use Venmo for payments

By Gerard T. Findlan on Monday, February 8, 2021



We also accept payment through Venmo. Once you download the Venmo application, you can search for  Oberlin Rotary Club  to make your payment for dues, fines/happy dollars or the 50-50 raffle.

The advantage to using Venmo is that there is no charge to you or the club when you use this app to make payments. [Read More](#)

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