

# Rotary



## District 6670



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## A Message from Your District Governor...January

### Vocational Service Month ♦ how are we jumping into action?

(taken from Myrotary website)

Submitted by Sigrid Solomon

#### THE CONCEPT OF VOCATIONAL SERVICE

The concept of vocational service is rooted in the second object of Rotary, which calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster:

- High ethical standards in business and professions
- 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.

- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- SKILLS OR OCCUPATIONS

By including men and women from diverse professions and backgrounds, Rotary recognizes the importance of all skills and occupations. A vibrant Rotary club reflects the businesses, organizations, and professions in its community, embracing diversity in experiences and perspectives. Your professional life and vocational

service go together. Rotarians have a dual responsibility: to represent their occupations within their club and to exemplify the ideals of Rotary in their places of work.

- Join a Rotarian Action Group, and support service projects around the world.
- Join or form a Rotary Fellowship that ♦s related to your vocation.
- Volunteer to work on a service project and use your vocational skills to serve others.
- Share your expertise through your district resource network.
- Participate in a vocation-related Rotary Friendship Exchange.

- The dignifying of each Rotarian ♦s occupation as an opportunity to serve society

#### • ADVANCING HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS IN THE WORKPLACE

As leaders in their businesses and professions, Rotarians can advance high ethical standards by setting a positive example among colleagues and in their community. Here are a few specific ways Rotarians integrate ethics into their daily work life:

- Discuss and emphasize honesty, accountability, fairness, integrity, and respect when hiring, training, and supervising employees
- Praise and encourage the exemplary behavior of colleagues
- Demonstrate personal commitment to high ethical standards in relations with customers, vendors, and business associates, treating each business interaction with care and consideration
- Promote socially and environmentally responsible practices in your businesses and organizations

#### TAKE ACTION

- Educate current and new club members. Dedicate time to discussing the importance of The Four-Way Test and the Rotarian Code of Conduct.
- Discuss ethical dilemmas. Organize a workshop or interactive activity to discuss ethical resolutions to challenging scenarios.
- Recognize those who do good. Honor businesses or professionals that demonstrate high ethical standards.



## Events

February 4th  
**District Annual  
Grant Management  
Seminar**

February 21st  
**Ohio-Erie  
Multidistrict  
Spring Meeting**

March 13th  
**District 6670 Pre-  
PETS (Pre-  
President Elect  
Training)**

March 29th  
**District Four Way  
Test Speech  
Contest**

- Engage young people. Mentorship opportunities allow you to share your knowledge and guide youth in building a successful future. Consider conducting workshops or hosting professional development seminars.

### ◦ 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.

#### TAKE ACTION

- Host an event for business networking and professional development in your community
- Offer career counseling and guidance
- Inspire the next generation

### • VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAMS

A vocational training team (VTT) offers a hands-on approach to vocational service. In VTTs, groups of professionals travel either to learn more about their vocation or to teach local professionals about a particular field. A VTT helps create sustainable change by strengthening the knowledge and skills of individuals and communities, thereby improving their capacity to serve. In addition to experiencing a new culture and fostering global connections, Rotarians participating in a vocational training team have the opportunity to make an impact long after their travels end.

Teams can qualify for a global grant through The Rotary Foundation so long as they address one of Rotary's six areas of focus and follow certain specific guidelines for scope, sustainability, and measurability. Funded teams must consist of at least one Rotarian team leader with general Rotary knowledge, leadership skills, international experience, and expertise in the area of focus; and at least two other participants (Rotarians or non-Rotarians) with two years of work experience in the area of focus. Learn more and see complete guidelines for global grant funded VTTs at [rotary.org/grants](https://www.rotary.org/grants).

*For more information please feel free to read the following document on MyRotary.org:*

#### *VOCATIONAL SERVICE IN ACTION: VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT*

Many clubs and members in our District have experiences and implemented initiatives as it relates to Vocational Service, but we need to tell our story. Please submit articles regarding your contribution to this month's theme while thinking of articles to submit for February as it is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month.

*Happy New Year!*

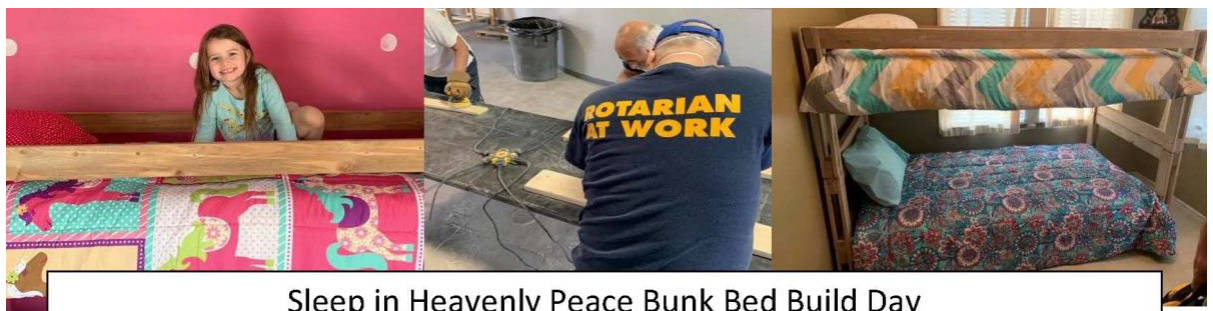
## Get Ready for District Conference April 23-25, 2020

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Get ready  
for  
District Conference  
April 23-25, 2020

*More information to come this month regarding registration*

*We look forward to seeing you there*



## Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bunk Bed Build Day

District Rotarians,

The **2020 District 6670 Conference** will include a service project for Rotarians and their family members as well as District Rotaract and Interact members. Rotary District 6670 is partnering with Sleep in Heavenly Peace to build bunk beds for children who do not have beds. Sleep in Heavenly Peace is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with the mission that "No Kid Sleeps On The Floor In Our Town." Our goal for the 2020 District Conference is to have the **BIGGEST** Bunk Bed Build Day in Southwestern Ohio but we need your support! Beds built on the morning of **April 25<sup>th</sup>** will be delivered to children in need in Butler, Clinton and Warren Counties on another day after this event.

### Financial Commitment

Our goal is to build 150 beds (75 bunk beds) in just a few short hours. In order to reach our goal we are asking each Rotary Club in District 6670 to donate a minimum of \$500 to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Funds are used to purchase lumber and materials to build beds on April 25<sup>th</sup> in addition to purchasing the mattresses, sheets, comforters and pillows prior to delivering each bed. In addition to the Rotary Club donation we encourage each club to host a SHP Bedding Drive prior to the event. Encourage members to donate new twin bedding: sheets, comforters, bed sets or pillows.

### Service Commitment

Over 150 volunteers are needed to help build beds from **8 AM- 12 PM** on the campus of Wilmington College. No experience is necessary however volunteers must be age 13 years old or older. There is a job for everyone no matter the skill level. Unable to help all four hours? Split your Rotary Club into two shifts. Over 50 Wilmington College students will also be joining us a part of their Service Day on campus. We will measure and cut wood as well as sand, drill, and stain. Let's roll up our sleeves together and demonstrate the Rotary mission of providing service to others during our 2020 District Conference!

Contact a local Sleep in Heavenly Peace Chapter President with Questions:

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| Carrie Zeigler, SHP- Clinton County Chapter | <a href="mailto:carrie.zeigler@shpbeds.org">carrie.zeigler@shpbeds.org</a> | 937-728-0986 |
| Mike Watkins, SHP- Butler County Chapter    | <a href="mailto:mike.watkins@shpbeds.org">mike.watkins@shpbeds.org</a>     | 937-938-0269 |
| Greg Davis, SHP- Lebanon Chapter            | <a href="mailto:greg.davis@shpbeds.org">greg.davis@shpbeds.org</a>         | 513-404-4506 |

To plan for a successful event, please return the bottom of this form and payment by Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Rotary Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # Of Volunteers Expected to Participate: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Amount: ☐ \$500 ☐ \$750 ☐ \$1000

Make checks payable to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Send payment and this form to: Sleep in Heavenly Peace, 849 Orchard Road, Wilmington Ohio 45177.

## Grant Management Seminar

We begin a new District Grant cycle with our next District Governor, Greg Birkemeyer. Greg will be DG from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The District will have about \$55,000 for District Grants during Greg's year.

To be able to apply for a District Grant you must have someone from your club attend the *GRANTS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR* on February 4, 2020 at Normandy Church. It will begin at 5:30 PM with complimentary dinner and the program will start at 6:15 PM. We will be finished by 8:30 PM. **Someone from your club must attend to be able to apply**

# Grants Management Seminar



## for a District Grant.

As in the past the District will match up to 50% of your budget request based on the available District Grant funding. The Committee strives to get something to each club that submits a qualifying District Grant. We do not support fund raising events, international projects or scholarships for District Grants. These funds are for local projects in each Club's community. Remember that we had \$69,000 for Sigrid's year as DG and we still have over \$7000 available. If we cannot use these funds for District Grants, the funds go to our Global Grant column for future use.

**The deadline for grant submission is April 30, 2020.**

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE SEMINAR THROUGH DACdb. REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!!!

## Matching Points Available!!!



From now until June 30, 2020 our District has 25,000 matching points for Rotarians who donate to the The Rotary International Foundation (TRF).

The donation to achieve a Paul Harris Fellowship (PHF) is 1000 in a combination of dollars and points. If you send a check to Laura Erbaugh at the address below, we will match up to 500 points per person. The minimum match is 100 points and no Rotarian can achieve more than 500 on these matching points.

Donations can be made for Polio Eradication or for the

Annual Fund Share. If you want to donate to a specific Area of Focus, please call me and let's discuss it.

If you need to know where you stand for your next PHF please email me at [fscott4971@gmail.com](mailto:fscott4971@gmail.com)

If there are any questions, please call me on my cell: 937-750-5724

Frank H Scott, District Rotary Foundation Chair 6670

## District 4 Way Test Speech Contest



Happy New Year!

At least on the calendar. We are already half way through our Rotary year and plans for the Rotary 4 Way Test Speech Competition are underway. Did you save the date? March 29, 2020. Which means, of course, that all Rotary Clubs in the District should have appointed a chair within the club for the local event and sent a Club Registration Form (<https://rotarydistrict6670.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2020-4WT-Club-Registration-Form.pdf>) to me. If you have not done this yet it is not too late.

Please, consider the opportunities for local high school students to participate in the contest. They get to learn the

Rotary 4 Way Test a valuable tool for many life decisions and then to apply it to situations in their lives. Yes, it is a speech, and that can be scary. Yes, it takes preparation on their part (and yours!). Yes, it is a wonderful experience for them and you! We would be delighted to host at least one student from each club at Wright State University on March 29, 2020. If your club serves an area with more than one high school, you may decide to send more than one student we can accommodate that. If you register your club. Today.

Ideally, you would plan to hold your local contest in February sometime (or early March) and then send me the individual contestant registration (<https://rotarydistrict6670.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2020-4WT-Club-Winner-Form.pdf>) no later than March 6, 2020. Each student contestant also will need to complete the release form (<https://rotarydistrict6670.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/2020-Student-Release-Form.pdf>), which requires a parent signature if the student is under 18 years old.

Full contest information is on the Rotary District 6670 web site (<http://rotarydistrict6670.org/get-involved-2/four-way-test-speech-contest/>) under the GET INVOLVED tab. Because we need Rotarian volunteers for the event. We need your help on March 29. We need judges, and timers, and registration help. So please, plan to spend the day with us (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.), and plan to be amazed. The student contestants do a wonderful job. If you are thinking the Rotary 4 Way Test has limited application let these students broaden your perspective.

It is a new year and a great time to get the ball rolling on many things the Rotary 4 Way Test Speech

contest can be one of those things!

Beth Huber  
bhuber@cinci.rr.com  
937-382-1684 (evenings)

## District 6670 Members are Invited to Attend the Cincinnati Cyclones Game



The first Rotary Club of Cincinnati Rotary After Hours of 2020 will be on Friday, January 31, 2020, at the Cincinnati Cyclones game! The Cyclones are hosting two promotions that night. One of them is a Kids Jersey Giveaway. For those of you with kids or grandkids, the first 1,500 kids ages 2-12 will receive a replica jersey of ECHL MVP Jesse Schultz. In addition to that, it is 513 night! That means you can take advantage of \$5 Craft Beer, \$1 Sodas, and \$3 Cheeseburgers.

District 6670 members, friends, family, and co-workers are all welcome to attend! The best part is tickets are just \$12! To order your tickets, click this link:

<https://cyclones.spinzo.com/indy-fuel-cincinnati-cyclones-2020-01-31-TGFJA?group=rotary-club-of-cincinnati-zy9z>. Hope you can join us at the game!

## Rotary Club of Farmersville Celebrates 75th Anniversary



The Rotary Club of Farmersville celebrated their 75th anniversary on December 13 at the Florentine Hotel

in Germantown. The club was sponsored by the Germantown Club and admitted to Rotary International on December 8, 1944. At that time Farmersville was part of District 159 which changed in 1950 to District 231, and seven years later became District 667 and finally in 1991 became District 6670.

In the beginning Farmersville had a keen interest in community service and demonstrated extensive involvement and dedication to the Youth Exchange Program.

Current Club President, Beth Kuhn, organized the December 13 event for members and guests with dinner and a PowerPoint presentation of over 200 photos featuring a "Look

Back at the History of Their Club." Member, Greg Garner researched club secretary notes from throughout the years and highlighted personalities, amusing tales, projects, and the many accomplishments of this active club. Although it is a small, rural club, the Farmersville members continue their commitment to service in local and international communities. The club has had two District Governors lead the District, Orville Bantz in 2002-03 and Susan Bantz in 2006-07. A summary of some of the current Farmersville projects include: support with the District 6670 Youth Exchange Program, Boy Scout Troop 127, Food programs - CAMP food pantry, Sonshine-in-a-Bag - weekend food for students, annual \$6,000 Eleanor Miller High School Scholarship, Valley View High School Interact Club, RYLA Leadership Camp, Four-Way Speech Contest for high school students, Four-Way Essay Contest for 5th graders, STEM Fair, Determined to Develop - non-profit in Malawi, and District 6670 Dictionary Project for 3rd graders. Annual fundraisers include; Pancake Brunch, Fish Fry, and Twisted Pretzel Bicycle Tour concession.

At the conclusion of the dinner, a group photo was taken with the congratulatory plaque signed by Rotary International President, Mark Maloney. Bob Ammerman represented the chartering Germantown Rotary Club and District 6670 was represented by Assistant Governor, Wendy Kissel.

## Rotary Connects the World for Springfield Rotarian



In early Fall, my husband and I set off for a European vacation, visiting Scotland and England. We planned ahead of time to visit the Rotary Club of Edinburgh. I currently serve as the President of the Springfield Rotary, and learned that Edinburgh was also served by a female Rotary President, Katie Ridland. The members warmly welcomed my husband and I for their weekly luncheon. We found more commonalities than differences, which confirms the power and shared vision of Rotary.

Pictured on the left: Jennifer R. Miller, President of Springfield Rotary; on the right Katie Ridland, President of the Rotary Club of Edinburgh



## Cincinnati Rotary's Jefferson Awards

The Jefferson Awards have been called the Nobel Prizes for community service, and the next winner could be in Greater Cincinnati's back yard! Nominations are being accepted from the public from December 6, 2019 through January 17, 2020. Applications are available at



[https://smblocaliq.formstack.com/forms/2020\\_jefferson\\_award\\_nomination\\_form](https://smblocaliq.formstack.com/forms/2020_jefferson_award_nomination_form). Rotarian Bill Shula chairs the Jefferson Award Committee that will choose a local winner to compete for the national award. In the past 15 years, eight local winners have gone on to receive the national award! In 2019, Tim Arnold of Northside, who founded Lawn Life to give jobs and a second chance to at-risk young people, won the national award. Other recent national winners were Nancy Eigel-Miller of Mariemont, honored in 2018 for suicide prevention work, and Suzy DeYoung of Milford, honored in 2017, for creating a non-profit that enlists restaurant owners to help feed low income families. The Jefferson Awards is a program of the national non-profit Multiplying Good, which promotes community service and presents the national Jefferson Awards honoring outstanding service in more than a dozen categories, from service by public officials and professional sports figures to service by private citizens, students and corporations. The local nomination process is for the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Award for Outstanding Public Service Benefiting Local Communities, part of the overall Jefferson Awards. Winners are chosen through community nomination programs in more than 90 communities throughout the country. The Rotary Club of Cincinnati administers the nomination program in Greater Cincinnati, with local partners The Cincinnati Enquirer and WKRC-TV Local 12. Nominees do not have to be Rotary members. Bob Herzog of Local 12 will honor three local finalists and present the local Jefferson Award at the weekly Rotary luncheon February 27, 2020, at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza Hotel. The winning nominee becomes one of 90 national finalists. Typically, five national winners are honored in a ceremony in Washington, D.C. in June. The Jefferson Awards program was created in 1972 by Cincinnati native, then-U.S. Senator Robert Taft, and former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The Rotary Club of Cincinnati has coordinated the local nomination and award program since 2005. The award honors community volunteers who provide special services to organizations or have created programs that serve unmet needs. Nominees exemplify the Rotary motto: Service above self.

## Farmersville and Germantown Clubs Distribute Dictionaries

The Rotary Clubs of Farmersville and Germantown distributed dictionaries to the Third Grade students in the Valley View School District. This is an ongoing project that has been jointly funded by the two clubs over many years as part of Rotary's goal of supporting education through local service projects. Bob Ammerman and Ron Kaiser from the Rotary Club of Germantown and Mary Hackle and Beth Kuhn from the Rotary Club of Farmersville visited the classrooms and distributed the dictionaries to all Third Grade students.

The students enjoyed receiving their own personal dictionaries. One young man opened his dictionary, started giggling and showed it to the young lady next to him. When asked by one of the Rotarians which word was so interesting, he pointed out the word **kiss** at the top of the page. Another child showed us the proudly showed the group the word she had looked up, **ice cream**. The dictionaries were a big hit.



## Lebanon Rotary Enjoys "Voices of Warren County"

The Lebanon Rotary Club was treated to a performance from the Voices of Warren County, a choir comprised of adults served by the Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities. This was our last meeting of the year, and we were entertained with several songs, some that you could hear on the radio followed by a few Christmas songs. This has become an annual tradition for some of the Voices of Warren County choir members to join us and sing for us at our last meeting before Christmas. It was another enjoyable performance and really helped our club members get in the Christmas spirit!

