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Events

March 29th CANCELED District Four Way Test Speech Contest April 23rd CANCELED District Conference 2020 April 24th District 6670 2020 Golf Outing Cancelled

A Message From Your District Governor March



Rotary International has advised us that it is closely monitoring the outbreak of COVID-19, this illness caused by the novel coronavirus, and continuously assessing the potential impact on Rotary operations, events, and training meetings. With an increase in total global cases, any meetings with international attendees scheduled for Evanston have been canceled. Rotary members are asked to follow the guidelines of our own national or local health authorities. With that said, I am strongly recommending that Clubs do not have face to face meetings from today until at least April 3, 2020 and should not adversely affect attendance for members. This goes for club and committee meetings. Please continue to look out for additional correspondence as information pertaining to this matter changes rapidly.

Since last my last District communication much has happened on the state and national level. As many of you know, Ohio K-12 schools have been closed for a period of three weeks, beginning this week. Recently, Governor DeWine ordered all bars and restaurants, including college/university food services, to be closed for at least the next eight weeks allowing only carry out or delivery food service from these establishments. Nationally, the spread of COVID-19 continues to grow and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have issued a statement strongly recommending that gatherings of more than 50 people not occur. All of this reinforces to me the decision to alter our operations and I am grateful to the Line who helped me to think through many of the details that led to this decision.

Please note that the following events have been canceled as a result:

Event Original Scheduled Date

- Pre-PETs and PETS March 13-14, 2020
- Four Way Speech Contest March 29, 2020 District Golf Outing April 24, 2020
- District Conference April 23-25, 2020***
- RYLA May 1-3, 2020
- RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute) May 2, 2020

Donations for Sleep in Heavenly Peace by Clubs are still encourage as the service project will be rescheduled for later on in the year, possibly in the fall. Stay tuned for more details.

We will monitor the Coronavirus situation over the next few weeks and communicate out to the District accordingly. Take care of yourselves, practice good hygiene, maintain social distances if you are out and about, and be safe!

Sigrid Solomon

2019-2020 District Governor, District 6670

March is Water and Sanitation Month@how are we answering the call to action?

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(taken from Myrotary website) Submitted by Sigrid Solomon

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

How Rotary makes help happen

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary s people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

Making Schools Heathier. All 24 of Lebanon s Rotary clubs came together � overcoming religious, cultural, and political divisions � to form partnerships with the government, World Vision, UNICEF, and the Red Cross. Together the groups developed a program that delivers clean water to every public school in the country.

- Water for a Community. Rotary clubs partnered with local organizations to install a rainwater harvesting and distribution center for 4,000 people in Madan, India. They also delivered training programs for women in the community and students in 35 schools.
- Wash (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) in Guatemala Schools. Rotary clubs in Guatemala improved conditions for as many as 1,793 children in 10 schools in the town of Escuintla by providing toilets, washing stations, water tanks, and training
- Water Supply in Tanzania. A dozen Rotary clubs collaborated with local partners to establish a water supply and delivery system for 1,500 people in the village of Kigogo, Tanzania. They also taught the community how to maintain the systems and provided hygiene education.
- Access to Toilets in the Philippines. Rotary clubs and partners built 222 toilets, six rainwater collectors, seven communal handwashing stations, and 20 bios and filters. The project provided more than 1,000 people with access to proper toilet facilities and almost 600 people with a regular supply of clean water.
- Rotary-USAID Partnership: Rotary has partnered with the United States Agency for International Development in Ghana, Madagascar, and Uganda to implement sustainable, long-term programs to improve water supplies, sanitation, and hygiene.

- WASH in Schools Target Challenge: Rotary has challenged our members to develop sustainable water, sanitation, and hygiene education projects in five countries: Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, India, and Kenya.
- WASH projects: Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than 1,000 WASH projects in more than 100 countries. Through
 grants from The Rotary Foundation and fundraising by Rotary clubs, our volunteers have supported water purification, hygiene education,
 latrine construction, and waste management.
- \$24 is all it takes to provide one person with safe water
- 110 schools in Ghana have better sanitation and hygiene due to Rotary-USAID partnership
- 2030 is the year Rotary hopes to finish providing everyone with safe water, sanitation, and hygiene

Many clubs and members in our District have experiences and implemented initiatives as it relates to Water and Sanitation, but we need to tell our story. Please submit articles regarding your contribution to this month so them while thinking of articles to submit for April as it is Maternal and Child Health Month.

Dayton Rotarian Goes on a Trip of a Lifetime to India to Help Eradicate Polio



Dayton Rotarian Kim Bramlage along with 48 other Rotarians from the US, Canada and Barbados, went on a 10 day journey to India that combined participation in India S National Polio Immunization activities, interaction with local Rotary clubs and their projects, and visiting some of India S most extraordinary sites. Kim initial reaction upon arrival was S S M m in India MMG! It S hard to describe this place. Opulent hotel, beautiful scenery, people everywhere, poor and rich, exotic birds, mosques, monkeys, great food, tempting textiles and morel She was overwhelmed by incredibly breathtaking sights, both beautiful and horrible. There are definitely two different worlds in one country from laundry on the street and make shift houses to 5 star opulent hotels.

Kim and the group visited the Taj Mahal, shopped at outdoor markets, and attended all-female Rotarian meetings. They rode on an elephant up a mountain and had a crazy Jeep ride down the mountain after touring the Amer Fort.

While transitioning to polio and Rotary activities they visited St. Stephens Hospital and learned about the ward for polio victims. They have a 1-2 month waiting list for free surgery to fix debilitating limb deformities. The group visited an artificial limb factory where people can get limbs in a matter of hours for free. They had lunch with the Delhi Midtown Rotary Club and heard an update on polio eradication from the World Health Organization. They boarded a bus and spent time walking through neighborhoods and villages while participating in the Polio Rally in Delhi. They even spotted the Dali Lamal Kim stated, When your day begins with a surprise sighting of the Dalai Lama, you know it's gonna be a great day!! Immunization day was a success with so many cute little ones who received the two drops of vaccine that will keep India polio free! Kim stated, The faces of these little people (along with their parents and grandparents) are so heart warming. Proud to be a Rotarian! They also went door-to-door immunizing children. The project was challenging to say the least, but it was important work and hopefully saved many children from ever experiencing polio with just 2 drops of vaccine costing just 60 cents a dose.

Kim

indicated that the accommodations and trip planning and organization were superb and her new Rotary friendships will hopefully last a lifetime. And the mission was accomplished...they joined people all over India providing the vaccine and spreading the word that we are so close to making sure no one ever has to suffer from polio again. Even though India was declared polio-free in 2014, Rotary cannot stop the immunization there because of the closeness to Pakistan and Afghanistan as the families often travel back and forth across the border.

If you would like to hear the story from Kim about her journey and about RI's Polio Eradication efforts she would be more than happy to present to your club. She can be contacted at Kim.Bramlage@frhc.org





Mason Deerfield Club Activities

Get ready for a fun day of golf at Four Bridges Country Club! Now open for registration and sponsorships! For more information email masondeefieldohrotary@gmail.com

Mason Deerfield Rotary Club presents 25th Annual Charity Golf Classic

Monday June 22nd Four Bridges Country Club

Sponsorships Available mason-deerfieldrotary.org





Club members Tina and Nicole joined by our Exchange student Ellena helped to set up Cinderella's Closet. The organization provides dresses and accessories for prom to over 250 High School girls who otherwise may not get to attend. Nicole continued all weekend as a 'fairy godmother' to three girls. It may only seem like a dress but watching their eyes light up when we found the 'one' was so much more.

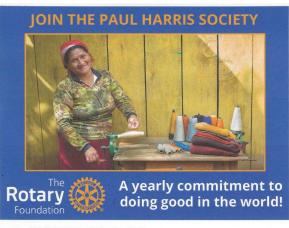
Paul Harris Society Blitz

Fellow District 6670 Rotarians.....

In the February District 6670 Newsletter there was information on a ZONE 30/31 PH Society BLITZ. Below is additional attachment Information on how you can make your contributions to achieve the \$1,000 per year. A second attachment provides a form on how to join the Paul Harris Society. I have included the web site www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety to obtain additional information. We had 45 PHS members out of approximately 2,900 +/- District members on February 1, 2020. ZONE has set a goal for District 6670 of 5 (10%) new members by May 1, 2020. ZONE has set 10% increase goals for each of the 12 Districts in Zone 30. If we meet our goal of 5 new members, and half (6+) of the Districts meet their Goals ...

There will be a drawing for those Districts that meet the 10% Increase in PHS members. The Lucky drawing District will receive \$10,000 Cash going to THE ROTARY FOUNDATION to Designate in either Polio Plus, Annual Fund, or Endowments. Your Call !!!! An Anonymous Donor is providing this chance for the Lucky winner of the drawing. If less than half of the Districts do not reach the 10% Goal, there will be no drawing. So all 12 Districts including 6670 are encouraged to meet the 10% increase in PHS membership.

You may contact RI at 1-866-976-8279 for questions on signing up.....OR... Contact me PDG Ronald Britt, 513-900-9113 , or ronbjudyb@gmail.com.



ZONES 30 & 31 PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY BLITZ!

FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL 2020

When you join The Rotary Foundation's Paul Harris Society, you will join a special group of Rotarians that make a \$1,000 or more yearly commitment to help change lives around the world.

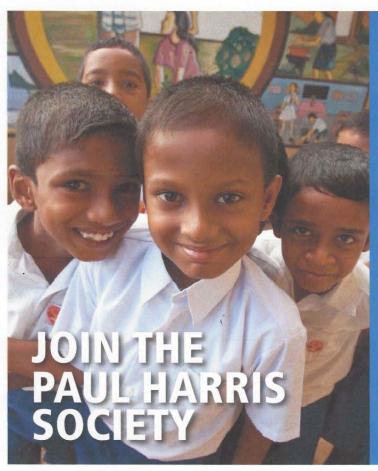
Paul Harris Society By the Numbers

Yearly \$1,000 Quarterly \$250 Monthly \$84 Weekly \$20 Daily only \$2.74

Go to the Paul Harris Society page www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety

and choose Join Today.





Your gifts help provide...

- Vocational training in South Africa
- Water filters and hygiene training in India
- A scholarship for a medical professional in Italy to reduce child mortality rates
- Peace-building seminars in Uganda
- Insecticide-treated mosquito nets to prevent malaria in Mali

By making a gift of US\$85 a month or \$250 a quarter you can join the society in a safe and secure way! You can sign up for Rotary Direct online or by completing the form below and see your life-changing gifts throughout the year.



☑ I would lik	re to become a	member of	the Paul Ha	rris Society
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☐ Please contact me about creating a legacy with Rotary.

Note: The Paul Harris Society recognizes individuals who annually contribute US\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Rotary Foundation grant.

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Contributions are tax deductible where allowed by law.

Please send your contribution to the <u>Rotary International office</u> serving your region.

Contributions may also be made at www.rotary.org/give or by calling +1-866-976-8279.



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