

Rotary



District 6670



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Events

September 25th
Rotary Day of Service
October 14th
Rotary Leadership Institute - Part I/Session 1
October 15th
O-E Fall Meeting
October 19th
District Vibrant Club Workshop
October 21st
Rotary Leadership Institute - Part I/Session 2
October 22nd
RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)
October 27th
President Elect Training
October 28th
Rotary Leadership Institute - Part I/Session 3
November 17th
President Elect Training
December 15th
President Elect Training

A Message from Your District Governor - September



September is Basic Education and Literacy Month. What is your Club doing to support this theme? My home Club is Springboro, and like so many Clubs around our District we purchase Student Dictionaries to hand to third grade students each year. We also do a second literacy project each year in Springboro Schools. One of our buildings houses Kindergarten and First grade students. As we all know, some Kindergarten students arrive ready to read, and some do not. The schools identify the 100 students each year that are struggling the most with reading by the end of the school year, and we fund a bag of books that those students can take home for the summer. Our hope is that the students continue to read or be read to through the summer months and make progress. The feedback we receive each year is that this project really makes a difference for those children.

Did you know that two thirds of illiterate people in the world are women? Young women are challenged to stay in school in some parts of the world due to lack of bathroom facilities in their schools. Are girls and young women challenged in your part of our District? How are they disadvantaged? How can we help? March 8 is International Women's Day. We are looking to do something in our District and local clubs to recognize this day and make a difference in the lives of girls and young women.

If you would like to be part of this Empowering Girls project, and would like to help plan something at the District level, please let me know carolhughes6@gmail.com 937-251-3333

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

"If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people"
- Chinese Proverb

SEPTEMBER Rotary

Inaugural Youth Peace Advocacy & Leadership Service Day



YOUTH & PEACE IN ACTION™
Engaging 100,000 Young Community Peacebuilders

Inaugural Youth Peace Advocacy & Leadership Service Day is April 23, 2022. This new Rotary Youth event will take place in Dayton at the new Peace Museum building. More details will be coming soon.

In preparation for this important youth event, we will be partnering with Rotary Zones 33 & 34 for some ♦Conversations on Peace♦ which will be online Zoom calls starting in October 2021 and running til March 2022.

Interactors, Rotaractors, RYLA Alumni, this year's RYLA participants and other High School and College age students are invited to participate. Our hope is that these students will be inspired and motivated to make a real difference in their lives, their schools, their communities and their future as peacebuilding adults. An application will be available soon for interested young people. Cost is \$30 per student. We are looking to cover this cost with sponsorships. If your company or Rotary Club wishes to be a \$500 or \$1,000 sponsor, please reach out to Kelly Lehman kellymarielehman@gmail.com or Sue Taylor suetaylorlortunes@yahoo.com

In the words of Eleanor Roosevelt: ♦**It is not enough to talk about Peace. One must believe in it. And it is not enough to just believe in it. One must work at it.**♦ We are the ones we are waiting for to make a change in our communities.

Hello Rotarian Leaders:

As you know, our world needs peacebuilders today more than ever. Many of the world's most recognized peace leaders and scholars have pointed to the potential of young people, aged 14-18, as peacebuilders. Rotarians, especially those in Zones 33 & 34, agree with this assessment and are launching the ♦Youth & Peace in Action♦ initiative later this month. While Zones 33 & 34 are piloting the initiative to the east of us, we feel very privileged that our own Ohio's District #6670 will be participating this first year, as well.

On April 23, 2022, the Dayton International Peace Museum will host up to 100 students from our 47 different clubs at the inaugural Youth Peace Advocacy & Leadership Service Day. Leading up to that event, from October 2021 through March 2022, students will have an opportunity to participate in monthly ZOOM ♦Conversations on Peace♦ while also following the online courses called ♦My Peacebuilding Foundation♦ which will culminate in receiving Peacebuilder certification from NewGen Peacebuilders upon completion.

Rotarians in Zones 33 & 34 raised \$500,000 to develop this program and all related training materials, including an online course for Rotarian mentors called ♦Guiding Peacebuilders♦. Our district has been offered the special opportunity for our students and interested adults to participate in the pilot of this program for the minimal cost of \$30 per person.

Past Rotary Club of Dayton President Sue Taylor is co-chairing the District 6670 initiative with the Rotarian Kelly Lehman, who will be visiting your club in the next few weeks to share more information and answer questions you may have. We have a unique opportunity to contribute to equipping young people to be at the center of building and sustaining a culture of peace. We hope your club will consider joining us!

In Rotary Service,

Carol
Carol Hughes, District Governor 2021-2022

Fairborn Rotary Celebrates 90th Anniversary



The Fairborn Rotary Club celebrated its 90th anniversary on September 4th with a gala affair hosted at Young's Event Center in nearby Yellow Springs. The fun-filled event featured historical remembrances presented around dinner with a special number of special presentations. Current President Chuck Shonkwiler greeted Rotarians and their guests, which included a number of past presidents, as they entered the celebration site.

Past President Paul Newman Jr. served as emcee of the night's festivities which were highlighted by the presentation of 30 Paul Harris Fellows, thought to be a district single event all-time high of PHF awards. District Governor Carol Hughes gave a special plaque to the club and presented Paul Harris Fellows to the recipients. Fairborn Rotarians have generously contributed over \$200,000 through Paul Harris Fellows to the Rotary International Foundation.

Fairborn Mayor Paul Keller presented a special proclamation declaring September 4th as the club's "90th Anniversary Celebration Day". Additionally a congratulatory resolution was presented by the Greene County Commissioners, an Ohio House of Representatives citation was given by Representative Brian Lampton and commendation from the Ohio Senate was awarded by State Senator Bob Hackett.

Over the years the Club has involved itself with numerous community initiatives which include providing eye exams for every Fairborn schools kindergarten student, \$70,000 in scholarships to Fairborn High School seniors, a copy to every second grader of the club's Andy and Elmer children's book, a literacy project created to promote the four-way test, a copy of the dictionary to every third-grade student, sponsorship of the city's renowned Fourth of July Parade and funds for global projects such as water wells, children's beds, earthquakes and a host of other worldwide emergencies.

Rotarian Marilyn McCauley chaired the celebration committee comprised of Dottie Meade, Christi Cox, Paul Newman Jr. and Paul Newman Sr. Club member Erik Tritsch compiled a video presentation enjoyed by all in attendance prior to the formal program.

Franklin Carlisle Rotary Helps With Farmers Market



From May to September, Franklin Carlisle Rotary volunteers help Franklin Farmers Market vendors set up their booths. This Saturday market in downtown Franklin is a joint effort of the city, Franklin Chamber and Rotary and our 7th summer was the best yet.



Rotary Youth Exchange 2022-2023

rotary youth exchange

Are you ready for the adventure of a lifetime?

After being on hiatus, the District 6670 Youth Exchange Committee is planning for a relaunch of the Rotary Youth Exchange program for the 2022-2023 school year!

Your club can help to find students who want an experience of a lifetime and serve as ambassadors for their country and for Rotary. We're looking for high school students in good standing ages 15-18.5 as of August 2022. They'll go to school abroad for the school year, living with Rotary approved families, and making friendships that will last a lifetime. They can begin the process by signing up for more information at www.studyabroadscholarships.org

What can your club do?

- Identify a Club member who will serve as your Youth Exchange Officer and work with the District Youth Exchange Committee.
- Contact your High School principal and/or school district superintendent. Ask if they will accept inbound students next year.
- Advertise the program at high school, in the community, through churches, sport leagues, etc.
- Talk it up with your Club members and community contacts
- Steer all interested students and people to the study abroad scholarships link.
- Invite a Committee member to speak at your Club.

More details will be coming to Clubs soon. Applications will be processed in the next few months, with interviews of qualified candidates late this fall.

Make sure your Club takes advantage of this most rewarding of Rotary programs.

For more details contact Heath MacAlpine, Chair, at heathmacalpine@hotmail.com. Or any of the committee members: Steve Naas naasrye6670@gmail.com ; Nikki Larson nikkik44@yahoo.com ; Arnie Biondo ryebiondo@gmail.com ; or, Mac Hickman machickman@gmail.com

Rotary Leadership Institute

Mark your calendars for the fall sessions of Rotary Leadership Institute. RLI Part I will be hosted via Zoom on



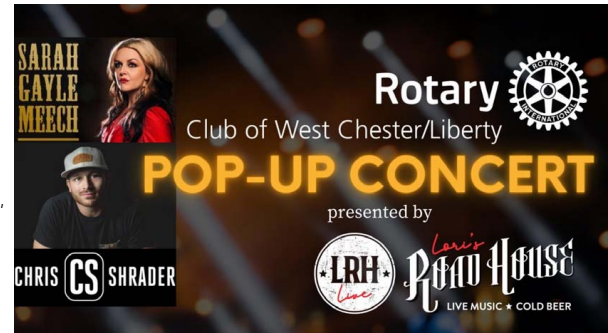
Thursday's October 14, 21 and 28. Registration is open on DACdb. Individuals need only sign up for session one (October 14). That will automatically enroll you in all three sessions. The cost is only \$20 which covers the cost of a binder of materials.

If you have any questions, please contact Dottie Meade at dameade518@gmail.com.

West Chester/Liberty Club to Host Pop-Up Concert September 25th

The Rotary Club of West Chester/Liberty is excited to host a pop-up concert fundraiser at The Square at Union Centre in West Chester from 4pm-10:30pm on Saturday, September 25th. Nashville country music talent Sarah Gayle Meech and Chris Shrader were booked to play at the grand opening of Lori's Roadhouse that same night, a new 24,000-square-foot honky tonk bar and restaurant, but due to delays in construction, the date had to be postponed. Instead of cancelling the acts, the venue decided to sponsor a free concert to the community and offered the local Rotary Club the opportunity to sell beer as a fundraiser. All members of the community are invited for what will prove to be a fun-filled evening of music. We would especially love to see Rotarians from across the district!

With only two weeks to prepare, the club assumed responsibilities for permitting, marketing, staffing, and arranging food and beverages. Our experience with this type of event, our many contacts throughout the community, and a committee of highly dedicated club members helped make these daunting tasks possible. We believe having a strong, visible presence in the community brought the club this opportunity which will continue to benefit the Rotary brand and mission.



Fairfield Rotary Fundraising



On Saturday, September 11, Fairfield Rotarians had the opportunity to fundraise for the club and serve the community at the Village Green Car Show. In partnership with the City of Fairfield, Cincinnati Catering, and Fretboard Brewery, club members and supporters worked the beer tent and the water / soda tent. Not only did we have a great time of service and fellowship, but we also raised over \$750 for our club's projects!



Batavia Rotary Volunteers



Members of the Rotary Club of Batavia, Ohio spent the morning of August 31 packing weekend lunch and snack bags at the Empower Youth Ranch in Bethel. These bags are for elementary school children in Clermont, Brown, and Highland Counties to ensure they have adequate food for the weekend.

Some of the proceeds from Batavia Rotary's upcoming golf outing on September 15 will also benefit Empower Youth. Money raised through hole sponsorships and donations at the golf outing will help purchase additional supplies for children, such as pillows for the Dream Big project at Empower Youth and other equipment that may be needed.

◆Food insecurity is a major problem in our area,◆ said Allan Shropshire, Batavia Rotary President. ◆We hope our donations toward Empower Youth will not only help the organization itself but will assist our Rotary members to see what an impact is made when we, as a group, give back to our community.◆

For additional information about Batavia Rotary, visit www.bataviaohiorotary.org.

Oxford Rotary Hawaiian Shirt Day



Lebanon Rotary Donates to YMCA Youth Summer Camp



This summer with the help of a Rotary International grant match, the Rotary Club of Lebanon, Ohio donated \$6,000.00 to the Countryside YMCA Youth Summer Camp program. These grant funds will help off-set the cost of summer camp registration for low income families in our community. The Countryside YMCA Youth Summer Camp actively encourage play, skill building, water safety, and creativity all summer long. The Rotary Club of Lebanon, Ohio is proud to partner with the Countryside YMCA to put **Service Above Self**. Pictured here with the Rotary Club of Lebanon, Ohio members are Countryside YMCA CEO and Rotarian, Chris Johnson, Cincinnati Bengals Executive VP Katie Blackburn, Cincinnati Bengals Director of Strategy and Engagement Elizabeth Blackburn, and most importantly the 2021 Countryside YMCA Summer Campers! ♦

Kettering Rotary Fundraiser at Holiday at Home

The Kettering Rotary Club had a very successful fundraiser with their new 'Poffertjes' booth



that debuted at Kettering's Holiday at Home Festival on September 5 & 6. Rotary members, family and friends all worked together to make fresh to order Poffertjes! What are they? They are a treat from the Netherlands, mini buckwheat & yeast pancakes with a variety of toppings. Look for their booth at a festival near you soon!

World Polio Day 2021

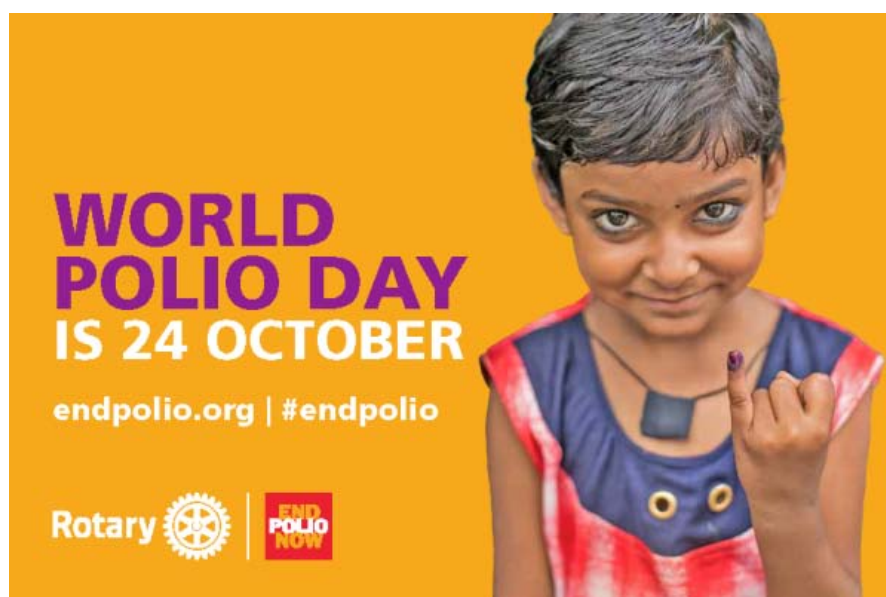


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Join us for World Polio Day

World Polio Day 2021

[Visit endpolio.org](https://endpolio.org)



24 October is World Polio Day!

As World Polio Day approaches, the Rotary community is getting ready to amplify our message about eradicating polio to protect the world's children from this devastating disease.

Together, we've made tremendous progress. Now it's time to intensify our fight to make polio the second human disease ever to be eradicated. Last year, the World Health Organization's African region was certified free of wild poliovirus, showing that eradication is possible even in very difficult circumstances. The wild poliovirus remains endemic in just two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan. We can use World Polio Day to advocate for the support we need to end polio in countries where it still paralyzes children.

Inspire action

Take action for World Polio Day by promoting the importance of polio eradication, raising funds, and planning events. Let's engage our communities in the fight against polio because as long as polio exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere.

Use the World Polio Day Toolkit to find resources and tips for planning activities and promoting a polio-free world. Inspire others to join us by hosting virtual and community events, creating fundraisers, and sharing posts on social media.

[Download the World Polio Day Toolkit](#)

Register your club's participation in World Polio Day to show how Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs around the world are taking action to eradicate polio. If you register your events, fundraisers, and promotions by 14 October, you'll get early access to a download of Rotary's World Polio Day Global Update one week before the program will be shown on 24 October on [Rotary's Facebook page](#) and [endpolio.org](#).

[Register your club's participation](#)

Use Raise for Rotary to start an online fundraiser to benefit The Rotary Foundation's PolioPlus Fund for World Polio Day. Then, share it with your network! The top Raise for Rotary World Polio Day 2021 fundraisers will be featured on My Rotary.

[Start a fundraiser](#)

Cincinnati Rotary Helps at Ronald McDonald House



Many families who have children who are ill need extra help and medical care, which many times involves traveling far from home. Ronald McDonald House Charities help families stay close to each other by providing services including housing and meals. Recently, volunteers from the Rotary Club of Cincinnati prepared and served dinner to families staying at the Cincinnati Ronald McDonald House. Here are photos of the crew from the August service project.



The Rotary Club Tour de Gem Cycling Classic

Dayton Rotarian Steve Naas would like to invite all Rotarians in District 6670 to join him **Sunday October 10 on The Rotary Club Tour de Gem Cycling Classic team** as we raise money for The Rotary Foundation. The Tour de Gem is fundraising ride benefiting local non-profits who are helping our communities.

You can join the team as a rider and pick the route that works best for you. There is something for everyone of all skills: on October 10, you can ride 1-36 miles on bike paths or 38, 67 or 105 miles on the road routes. You can even do this virtually. Not a bike rider, you can still support Rotary as a fundraiser for the team, or you can make a one time donation.

100% of the funds raised will go to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund-SHARE which helps Rotary Clubs like ours take action today to create positive change in our communities here at home and around the world. These contributions help Rotary strengthen peace efforts, provide clean water and sanitation, support education, grow local economies, save mothers and protect children, protect the environment and fight disease.



THE WRIGHT BROTHERS®
2021 CYCLING CLASSIC

Ride & support our local Nonprofits!

Sunday, 10 October 2021

[tourdegem.org](https://www.tourdegem.org)



These funds will help Rotarians in District 6670 support the efforts of The Rotary Foundation and in three years, a portion of these funds come back to the District to help fund local grants to our local Rotary Clubs.

All Rotarian team members who join and raise funds will get credit towards their next Paul Harris Fellowship. Plus, matching points from District 6670 are available 1 point for every \$1.00 raised, up to maximum of 500 points, enabling these Rotarians to potentially achieve their next Paul Harris Fellowship.

Steve knows there are Rotarians out there who are looking for this kind of opportunity to give back so join the Rotary team today: <https://www.ms-stride.org/tourdegem/profiles/team/59>

Please head to the website for more information: <https://www.tourdegem.org>

Join the 125 Club and Support the Rotary Foundation

Join Now in Our First Year



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.

5 Easy Steps

- 1** Contribute at least \$100 to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund
- 2** Contribute at least \$25 to PolioPlus
- 3** Notify your Club President that you have completed Steps 1 and 2
- 4** When you receive your District 6670 125 Club lapel pin – Wear it proudly!
- 5** Encourage fellow Rotarians to join the 125 Club! As Rotarians Let's all donate to the Rotary Foundation.

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

