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A Message from Your District Governor - May 2023



Hello Rotarians! Here it is, May 2023, and I have about one more month as your District Governor. It has been a pleasure to serve you in this role. I thought for this Newsletter, I would highlight the Rotary International Convention for 2024. Our Past District Governor, Sigrid Solomon, is part of the RI 2024 Convention promotion team.

2024 International Convention

Hello, and Happy Memorial Day!!

As a member of the promotion team for the International Convention of 2024 to Singapore and part of District 6670, I would like to invite you all to get registered. Please note that there is a discounted rate through May 31st. Please check out the promotion video below:

<https://rotary.webdamdb.com/>

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Some of you might be in Melbourne now, while others are looking forward to Singapore in 2024.

Join the Rotary family in Sharing Hope With the World as we come together in Singapore for the 2024 Rotary International Convention, 25-29 May.

Visit <https://convention.>

rotary.org/ to register and pay before 1 June 2023 and enjoy limited-time savings for Rotary's biggest event of the year.

In Singapore, we'll take ideas built upon hope and turn them into action as we discover new ways to create lasting change in our communities. We'll enjoy opportunities to renew relationships made at previous conventions and create new ones together as we set our course toward a better future.

Take care, and you will hear more soon!

Sigrid Solomon

IC24 Promotion Team Member

PDG Council Chair, District 6670

2023 International Assembly Training Leader



Events

No Events found

Rotary Day of Service

Rotary District 6670 along with [Rebuilding Together Dayton](#), [@fiverivershealthcenters](#), and Youth Exchange Students volunteered to spend a Saturday on a big project at the Miami Chapel Tot Lot! They worked very hard and had fun in the process! Thank you to all that volunteered and worked that day. Photo credit Kim Bramlage, Dayton.



Youth Exchange



Did you know that District 6670 is back in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program?? It's always a good time to have someone from the Youth Exchange committee come and speak to your club about hosting. You can contact Health MacAlpine (heathmacalpine@hotmail.com) or Stephen Naas (frontier.com) for more info. Photo credit Kim Bramlage, Dayton.

Cincinnati Club awards Local Jefferson Award

Jefferson Award Winner Ron Dumas Teaches Life Lessons Through Golf

Ron Dumas, who has spent more than a quarter of a century helping at-risk children build stronger futures through his free golfing and life lessons program, received the 2023 Greater Cincinnati Jefferson Award for outstanding community service.

The awards ceremony is a



celebration of the power of service, said presenter Bill Shula of Bethel. "I am so honored to be part of this great program," Shula said. "We have so many non-selfish individuals in Greater Cincinnati, this is always

difficult to choose just one."

As the local Jefferson Award winner, Dumas becomes a finalist for one of the five National Jefferson Awards to be presented in New York in October. The national award program was founded in 1972 by Cincinnati native Robert Taft and former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. It is known as the Nobel Prize for community service.

The local Jefferson Award program is administered by The Rotary Club of Cincinnati and is one of more than 90 community awards programs across the country that send winners to be finalists for the National Jefferson Awards.

Since The Rotary Club of Cincinnati started hosting the local award program in 2005, nine local winners have become national awardees. "This program celebrates individuals whose service and imagination has a continuing impact on the community," said Shula, who chairs the Rotary's Jefferson Award program.

Dumas, of Clifton, is a PGA golf professional and CEO of RelySupply who has become a mentor and life coach to thousands of at-risk children through his Reaching Out for Kids program. It combines golf skills with life lessons in persistence, integrity, teamwork, goal-setting, respect, discipline and consequence-based decision-making. The free program serves more than 350 kids annually. Dumas has helped close to 200 young students get college scholarships. His "graduates" include four doctors, two airline pilots, several engineers and four golf professionals. "It's about more than just golf," said Dumas. "It is about who they become. Golf is an avenue to their future."

Reaching Out for Kids will hold its annual fund-raiser golf scramble on May13 at Avon Fields golf course. Information at reachingoutforkids.org

Shula said the strong finalists for the award made choosing a winner difficult. In 2010, The Rev. Canon Noel Julnes-Dehner, of Christ Church Cathedral, was doing after-school tutoring in Northside when she realized that her students couldn't do their math homework because they couldn't read the instructions. When she and her husband, Joseph, couldn't find summer reading programs in the area, they started their own. Their Summer Camp Reading programs are now running in nine sites with stunning results. Typically, students can lose 10% of their school skills over the summer. In 2022, students in the Summer Camp Reading programs showed a 46% increase in reading comprehension, 25% increase in reading fluency and 35% increase in oral reading fluency. Summer Camp Reading is free and includes breakfast and lunch. The summer programs provide six weeks of one-on-one tutoring, literacy games, crafts, journal writing, exercise and a Book of the Day program. Each Friday, children get to choose a book to keep. The camps serve children in the second through fourth grades who struggle with reading.

Finalist Bruce Kintner founded Samaritan Car Care Clinic in 2007, as an outreach program for Madison Avenue Christian Church in Covington, Ky. He worked with social service agencies and forged partnerships with local garages to make affordable car repairs, helping low-income working families get to work and maintain independence. The program helped 315 families (70% single mothers) in 2022, working with seven garage partners. In 2021, the program received several major grants, allowing Kintner to break ground on the program's own repair center at 1428 Madison Ave., in Covington. Kintner stepped down from his career at PNC bank to direct the program. Shula said the Rotary's focus on service above self makes it a perfect host for the Jefferson Award. Rotary partners on the program with the Cincinnati Enquirer and WKRC-TV Local 12. The national award is a program of the national non-profit Multiplying Good.

Finalists for the Greater Cincinnati Jefferson Award were Joseph & Noel Julnes-Dehner of Hyde Park, who created the Summer Camp Reading program, helping children retain and expand reading proficiency over the summer, and Bruce Kintner of Cold Spring, Ky., who created Samaritan Car Care Clinic to help low-income individuals keep jobs and build independence by providing affordable car care. Nominations for the 2024 Jefferson Award open in January. Information is available on the Rotary Club of Cincinnati web site www.cincinnatirotary.org

The Rotary Club of Cincinnati was Cincinnati's first Rotary Club, founded in 1910. It is a service and networking organization for business and community leaders and has a mission to provide selfless service in the community and the world.

Oxford Rotarian receives Southwest OH Avenue of Service Award

OXFORD, OH - Oxford Rotarian Etta Reed was honored recently with a special Rotary award by District Governor Frank Scott. On the



recommendation of Oxford President Lisa Dankovich, Scott, along with Assistant Governor Mary Nenninger, presented Reed with the District's Avenues of Service Award for Community Service at the club's March 15 meeting at LaRosa's Pizza Oxford.

The Avenues of Service Award recognizes individual Rotarians in OH District 6670 who have achieved outstanding merit in one of five Avenues of Service: Club, Vocational, Community, International, and Youth Service. For Community Service, the Rotary member must show exceptional efforts to improve the quality of life for those within the club's locality. Rotary District 6670 comprises 46 Rotary clubs in Southwest OH, from Bellefontaine to Cincinnati.

After seven years, Etta Reed recently stepped down as the chairperson of the Oxford Rotary Club's Oxford Community Stars & Stripes Program. Reed, the Vice President of Transportation Engineering at Bayer Becker in Oxford, was the first chairperson, starting with the program's inception in 2015. Reed directed the club's major service project, which has raised \$131,000 for scholarships and other activities and provided over \$25,000 to partner organizations as part of their fundraising efforts. The Rotary Club takes great pride in the program that oversees the installation of over 750 American flags throughout the Oxford area. The flags are displayed on six national holidays, from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

"The success of the Oxford Community Stars & Stripes Program can be attributed to the collective efforts of our 60 members and loyal partnership teams. With Etta's leadership, civil engineering and environmental expertise, we were able to launch this program effectively and grow it steadily to make our residents proud," said Oxford Rotary President Lisa Dankovich.

About Stars & Stripes Program: To learn more about the Oxford Community Stars & Stripes Program, go to www.oxfordflags.org. The Rotary Club of Oxford is currently accepting new subscriptions and renewals for the 2023 Holiday Season. If your club or organization seeks a fundraising opportunity, contact the Rotary club through their website for additional details.

About Rotary: Rotary brings together a global network of volunteers dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian issues. Rotary connects 1.4 million neighbors who see a world where people unite to take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Visit the Oxford Rotary Club's website, www.oxfordrotary.club, to learn more.

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Attached Photo Credit: Heidi Schiller
Standing L/R: Oxford Rotary President Lisa Dankovich, Etta Reed, Assistant Governor Mary Nenninger, District Governor Frank Scott

Heart2Heart Projects

Ron Hollenbeck, D6670 Assistant Governor, will speak to your club and present information on his trip to Mexico in 2022 as part of Rotary's [Heart2Heart](#) projects. This program provides assistance like transplants for high-risk, economically challenged people in Central Mexico and grant monies/pledges for dry toilets for indigenous communities like Las Guaylas. For more information, contact Ron at Hollenbeck407@gmail.com.

