

THE INSPIRATION

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Rotary
District 6690



BE THE
INSPIRATION

3,547



CLUBS



24

CASES
OF POLIO
WORLDWIDE
(TO-DATE 2019)



+ \$303,357

BY THE NUMBERS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO
THE ANNUAL FUND

+ \$139,265

CONTRIBUTIONS TO
POLIO PLUS

Do more for the end of our year

A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR CRAIG MAXEY



The end of the Rotary year is quickly approaching. Rotarians in District 6690 have accomplished so much in the past 11 months. It really goes to show that Rotarians are People of Action! Thank you for Doing Good in the World!

Renate and I visited Westerville Sunrise Rotary Club's Field of Heroes on Saturday early evening. This might be the sixth year that I have visited. It is great to see visitors talking to their kids about the meaning of the memorial. Congratulations to their Rotarians for such a thoughtful and meaningful service project for the community.

We have about 60 Rotarians from District 6690 joining us in Hamburg, Germany for the Rotary International Convention, starting on Sunday and ending on Wednesday. You really get a sense of how vast the Rotary world is when you attend a convention. It is really neat to meet fellow Rotarians from all around the world all Doing Good in the World. If you have not had the opportunity to attend an international convention you should consider next year's in Honolulu, Hawaii. Please see information in this newsletter about registration and the early-bird discount that is offered June 1-5.

With a little over a month to go, I would like to suggest that each of you consider the following:

1. **Make a contribution to the Rotary Foundation.** If you have not, consider joining over 700 of your fellow Rotarians in joining our district's 125 Club. Very simple - \$100 to the annual fund and \$25 to PolioPlus.

Your assistant governors will present you with a 125 Club pin.

2. **Become a Benefactor, a member of the Bequest Society or Paul Harris Society.** Here are some details:

Benefactor - When you include the [Endowment Fund](#) as a beneficiary in your estate plans or when you donate \$1,000 or more to the fund outright. Benefactors receive a certificate and insignia to wear with a Rotary or Paul Harris Fellow pin.

Paul Harris Society member - When you elect to contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. Learn more about the [Paul Harris Society](#).

Bequest Society member - When you give \$10,000 or more via your estate plans. Bequest Society members are recognized with an engraved crystal recognition piece and a [Bequest Society](#) pin. If you are interested, please follow the links to sign up or see your club's Rotary Foundation chair.

3. **Finally, ask someone that you think might benefit by Rotary to join you for a club service project or social.** I think we have a better chance of them getting hooked on Rotary at a service project or social. The world needs more Rotarians!

The next month will be a whirlwind. I have a full schedule of events when I return from Germany. I hope to see most of you to thank you in person for all that you do. However, if I don't get the chance - thank you all for being Rotarians and putting service to others above yourself.



Barry Rassin

Reflections on the 'Inspiration'

A MESSAGE FROM THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

As I look back on all the things I have seen and the people I have met since becoming president of Rotary International last July, I am certain of this: Rotary's capacity to transform lives for the better is unparalleled.

Our impact is far beyond anything I could have imagined when I first became a Rotarian.

I think about the Rotarians I met in Pakistan, who partnered with Coca-Cola to improve sanitation in Karachi's neighborhoods while supporting polio eradication efforts. I think about the Puerto Rican Rotarians who are helping entire communities rebuild their lives after Hurricane Maria.

I think about the German Rotaractors who are working to save bees — whose role as pollinators is so important to our planet — from extinction. I think about the six Rotarians and Rotaractors who were honored as People of Action: Young Innovators at Rotary Day at the United Nations in Nairobi, Kenya, in November for their work to create novel solutions to tough challenges.

It seems like only yesterday that I stood on a stage in San Diego and asked you to Be the Inspiration in your clubs, in your communities, and in the world. Your response was an inspiration to me. You are paving the way for Rotaractors to become our future leaders, helping start new Rotaract clubs and working to

include Rotaractors in Rotary events and projects in your communities. You are working hard to eradicate polio, participating in 4,200 events in more than 100 countries for World Polio Day. And you are carrying out transformative projects that will create lasting change in your communities and in the world.

This year, I also saw how Rotary's work to build peace is bearing fruit. The 98 Rotary Peace Fellows who are studying at our peace centers will soon graduate, joining more than 1,200 others in applying their conflict resolution skills to problems that need solutions.

And this month, Esther and I will travel to Hamburg, Germany, for a convention where people of all races, nationalities, religions, and political backgrounds will unite because they want to make the lives of all people better.

Seeing what Rotary means to people — to the communities we serve and to Rotarians themselves — has deepened my affection and admiration for all that Rotary is and does.

Soon it will be time for Esther and me to return home to Nassau. When we get there, I will look out on the vast sea that surrounds our island, and it will remind me of Rotary's limitless possibilities, and of the amazing future that awaits us beyond the horizon. I look forward to sailing there with you.



Meet 2020-21 RI President: Holger Knaack

KNAACK TO BECOME PRESIDENT-NOMINEE MAY 31

Holger Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, has been selected to serve as president of Rotary International in 2020-21.

The Nominating Committee's decision follows the resignation last month of President-nominee Sushil Gupta due to health reasons. Knaack will officially become president-nominee if no other candidates challenge him by 31 May.

To build a stronger membership, Knaack says Rotary must focus on increasing the number of female members and transitioning Rotaractors into Rotarians.

Knaack believes that the People of Action campaign offers new public awareness possibilities for Rotary. "This campaign conveys our global image while still respecting differences in regions and cultures," he says.

A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

ON THE COVER: Olentangy Rotarians paint a map of the United States of America on the Glen Oak Elementary playground.



Around District 6690

The Chillicothe Rotary Club distributes Buzz Knoles Scholarships to Junior Achievement.



"Roundtown" (Circleville Sunrise) Rotarians participate in the Buck Fifty Race supporting the Drug Free America Program in Ross County.



Raising \$1900, Lancaster Rotary was the top fundraising team for the 2019 Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Fairfield County's Bowl for Kid's Sake event.



The Olentangy & Delaware Rotary Clubs jointly sponsor a room at New Turning Point Shelter in Delaware for victims of domestic violence.



The Rotary Club of Zanesville Daybreak partners with the American Red Cross for the Sound Alarm Project. 106 smoke alarms were installed in one weekend.



Grove City Rotarians build a fence for a deployed hero and his family.

Rotarian Spotlight: Theodore Dillon "T.D." Griley, II

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB



Theodore Dillon Griley, II is known the world over simply as "T.D." Yet there is nothing abbreviated about this Rotarian's international impact or his local legacy. For starters, T.D. embodies commitment with over 61 years of Rotary membership - and with perfect attendance. Just imagine that.

But lest you think T.D. is motivated only by lunches, let's also look at his service. In six decades, T.D. has served as the Newark Rotary President, Chairman of Rotaract, District 669 Governor (76-77), Rotary International Director, Rotary Foundation Trustee and Aide to two Rotary International Presidents: Frank Devlin and Sakuji Tanaka.

When asked to describe his Rotary highlights, T.D. reminisced about serving the then 32 Rotary clubs as 669 District Governor. He was installed in 1976, during the nation's Bicentennial year, and worked with Governor Rhodes at the time to spark economic development in Southeast and Central Ohio.

When did T.D. realize that Rotary had him for life? T.D. says he was "bitten by the Rotary bug" when he helped orchestrate the purchase of sickle cell equipment from OSU and had the privilege of delivering it to a Nigerian District Governor at the Rotary International Assembly in Nashville, TN.

"That transaction had a profound impact on me because I saw how this one act could benefit so many others halfway around the world."

T.D. still keeps up with his worldwide network of friends and mentees such as Holger Knaack who will be installed in 2021 as Rotary International President.

But he's also keeping it local - working with his Newark Rotary Club on "Strategic Vision 2021" to align club efforts with community needs. Now retired, T.D. once owned and managed 4 daily and 50 weekly newspapers in the central U.S. He and his wife Dori raised six children and now have 16 grandchildren.

That's T.D. Griley - nothing short of amazing.



Council on Legislation 2019 Report



Every three years, Rotary International reviews its constitutional governing documents for changes and updates. This year's event was held in Chicago April 14-18. Our district 6690 voting delegate was Past District Governor Michael Brown of the Olentangy

club. 117 proposed enactments were reviewed and voted upon by the delegates. 47 were adopted, 55 were rejected and 15 were withdrawn. Of those adopted, 14 have a direct effect on clubs.

While the 2019 Council on Legislation may not have made as many dramatic changes as the Council three years ago did, it did make several decisions that will shape the future of Rotary.

Representative Brown stated that he appreciated the opportunity to represent the members of our district at both the 2016 and 2019 councils. "The process allows us to have a road map forward instead of just going day to day," he said. "I was excited by the outcome of enhancing Rotaract and that we didn't weaken future Councils but preserved the ability for everybody to have a voice." Some of the highlights that will affect our clubs:

ROTARACT CLUBS - Among the most important, the Council elevated the status of Rotaract clubs. The change broadens the definition of membership in Rotary

International to include both Rotary and Rotaract clubs. Rotary clubs will still charter and sponsor Rotaract clubs and Rotaract clubs will still have their own standard constitution and their own unique club experience.

DUES - As for dues, the Council approved a modest increase of \$1 a year for each of three years, beginning in 2020-21. The previous Council set dues for 2019-20 at \$34 per half year. With the increase, the dues that clubs pay to RI per member will increase to \$34.50 per half year in 2020-21, \$35 per half year in 2021-22, and \$35.50 per half year in 2022-23.

CLUB PRESIDENT - Approved by the Council 279 to 225, the measure specifies that a president's term shall only be extended by one year if no one comes forward to take over.

ANNUAL MEETING - In addition to selecting your club officers for the coming year at your annual meeting, clubs will now be required to submit a recap of the previous year's activities including financials and submit a budget for the current year to the membership.

TIME FRAME FOR MAKE-UPS - For those clubs that still require attendance, members are no longer restricted to complete a make-up within 14 days and now have the entire Rotary year to complete a make-up.

CLASSIFICATIONS - The limitations to number of members within a stated classification has been officially

An amazing gift

A LIFE WELL LIVED PROMOTES ORGAN/TISSUE DONATION

Terry Kaufman was an amazing man. A motorcycle enthusiast, he was also a devoted husband, a father of three and grandfather. As much as Terry loved motorcycles, he loved his family more. He sold his beloved Harley so his wife could go back to college for a degree in elementary education. Terry's daughter, Erica, described her Dad as the "rock in the family. That's just who he was."

On Thanksgiving Day in 2009, the Kaufman family lost their beloved husband and father due to an accident. Although doctors did everything they could to save his life, Terry was declared brain dead. After his death, Terry's family was approached about organ and tissue donation. Terry hadn't registered as a donor so it was up to his family to make the decision. When his adult children were asked by their mom if they should agree, all three said "yes" without hesitation, knowing Terry would have wanted to help others.

Although it has been hard to cope with their loss, the Kaufman family has found comfort knowing that he lives

on through the lives he saved through organ and tissue donation.

Every individual has the power to help others, just like Terry, by registering as an organ, eye and tissue donor. A single donor has the potential to save eight lives through organ donation and heal 50 more through tissue and cornea donation.

It's simple to sign up - say "yes" to donation when receiving or renewing your driver license or ID at the BMV, or register using this link: <https://services.dps.ohio.gov/BMVOnlineServices/DL/OrganDonor/Referrer/Rotary>

For more information on organ, eye and tissue donation, log onto www.lifelineofohio.org.



DISTRICT GOVERNOR INSTALLATION OF GARY VAUGHN

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 AT 6:00 PM
ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
555 NORTH HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OHIO

VISIT WWW.SHORT-NORTH-ROTARY.ORG
FOR TICKETS

RI 2020 Special Registration Rate of \$395!



REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR'S RI CONVENTION IN HONOLULU, HAWAII, JUNE 6-10, 2020 AT WWW.RICONVENTION.ORG. THE SPECIAL PROMOTIONAL RATE IS AVAILABLE TO ALL ROTARIANS FROM JUNE 1- 5! REGISTER SOON!

50 years!
Happy Anniversary
WHITEHALL-BEXLEY ROTARY CLUB
JUNE 13, 2019



TOGETHER, WE SEE A
WORLD WHERE PEOPLE
UNITE AND TAKE ACTION TO
CREATE LASTING CHANGE
— ACROSS THE GLOBE, IN
OUR COMMUNITIES, AND IN
OURSELVES.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

june

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- 2 ZONES 30-31 FELLOWSHIP
EVENT AT RI HAMBURG
- ZANESVILLE NOON ROTARY
CLUB 2ND-ANNUAL 5K RUN
WALK
- 19 FUND YOUR ROTARY CLUB
TRIVIA NIGHT
- 21 DISTRICT GOVERNOR
INSTALLATION CEREMONY -
GARY VAUGHN
- 27 CHILLICOTHE ROTARY PARTIO

july

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- 12-14 YEP OUTBOUND ORIENTATION
AT OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY
- 18-20 DISTRICT RYLA CONFERENCE
AT OHIO UNIVERSITY ATHENS

Our Rotary Clubs have been out doing a lot of spring cleaning!



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(1) Ironton Rotarians spruced up the Rotary Fountain during the City of Ironton's Clean-up Day. (2) Hilliard Rotarians and Hilliard Darby Interact Students accomplished a little spring cleaning and mulching at Latham Park. (3) The Rotary Club of Lancaster Sherman adopted Center Alley several years ago - recently added an umbrella art installation to their benches, planters and metal arch. (4) Dublin Worthington Rotarians delivered 400 scotch pine seedlings to elementary school students in Dublin and Worthington school districts (shown at Granby Elementary School). (5) Cambridge Rotarians clean the handicap playground at Cambridge City Park.



The Rotary Club of Pike County and interact students from Waverly High School participate in the Dogwood Parade in Piketon on board the Rotary Polio Plus Fire Truck. Want to use the Fire Truck for your parade and support Polio Plus at the same time? Contact PDG Steve Sandbo at 614.570.2527.



Celebrate World Oceans Day on June 8! One of largest #Rotary wheels rests underwater in the Philippines and was created as an artificial reef to protect and preserve local marine life.