

Rotary



District 6690

Central and Southeast Ohio



December 2019

3539



Rotarians

59



Clubs

113



Cases of Polio
YTD 2019

2019-20
Goals

\$240,500

Contributions to
the Annual Fund

\$34,829

Contributions to
Polio Plus

Find Your Aloha at the 2020 RI Convention

RI President, Mark Daniel Maloney

There is no experience quite like attending the Rotary International Convention. Discover the true spirit of aloha and Rotary with your family, friends, and fellow Rotarians from 6 to 10 June in Honolulu. It is the perfect setting for the entire family of Rotary to celebrate, collaborate, and connect.



Just as Rotary is a way of life for Rotarians, aloha is a way of life for Hawaiians — one that focuses on living in harmony, being patient, treating everyone with respect, and sharing joy with your family, or 'ohana.

[Read More](#)

Project Update: Polio Plus

US\$2.6 billion. That is the amount pledged for polio eradication by global leaders at the Reaching the Last Mile Forum in Abu Dhabi on 19 November 2019. [Read more](#) on the

remarkable news.

YTD cases of WPV in endemic countries:

- Afghanistan 22
- Pakistan 91
- Nigeria 0



GROVE CITY ROTARY CLUB HOSTS UKRAINIAN DELEGATION FOR THE CONGRESSIONAL OPEN WORLD PROGRAM

In mid-October, the Grove City Rotary Club hosted a delegation of five Ukrainian Medical Professionals and their facilitator for a week as part of the US Congress's Open World Program. The program is administered by the [Open World](#)

[Leadership Center](#) (OWLC) which in turn has enlisted Rotary International as one of its program grantees.

In December 2018, Grove City Rotary was approved for hosting the delegation of medical professionals from Ukraine with focus on medical education. Committee Chairs Brenda Newman and Adam Slane developed a robust program where the delegates visited and interacted with multiple institutions and professionals in the field of medical education and health care. Delegates were also given the opportunity to practice and gain experience using state-of-the-art medical technology.

The program also involved representatives from local government joined the delegation in a round table discussion about issues of concern in health care.



Left to Right: Scott Molino - Club President, Dima Nestor, Marta Bazylevych, Olha Kovalchuk, Mikala Riabinchuk, Brenda Newman - OW Committee Co-Chair, Anna Masovets - Facilitator, Vika Kovach, Chris Killian - Local Host Coordinator and District Governor Gary Vaughn

During the week of their visit, delegates stayed in the private homes of local Rotarians, providing a glimpse into family life in the US. The group enjoyed visits to local cultural spots throughout the week.

The group, along with DG Gary Vaughn, attended the regular Thursday morning breakfast meeting for Grove City Rotary to give a presentation on their work in Ukraine and their participation in the OW program. Major take-aways from the program included the needs to:

- increase time spent in post-graduate education
- revise their training curriculum
- incorporate more simulation technology into training
- address funding issues

Personal relationships and an outstanding program have led to interest to host training visits to Ukraine for the application of simulation technology.

On a cultural level, it was noted how the spirit of volunteerism in our society is prevalent and in stark contrast to their society that is accustomed to having the government provide for the needs of the people. They were enthusiastic about the potential to share this philosophy on their return home in the spirit of Rotary's 'Service above Self'.

At a farewell pot-luck dinner on Friday evening, the delegates shared a traditional Ukrainian dish of Verenyky and a Napoleon cake.

The focus of this exchange program is on establishing lasting professional relationships between the up-and-coming leaders of the Open World countries and Americans who are dedicated to showcasing US values and democratic institutions.

For more information about GC Rotary Club's experience of hosting the delegation or if your club is considering hosting in the future, please contact Chris Killian (ckilpcc@gmail.com), Grove City Rotary Director of Service Projects and who served as the Local Host Coordinator for this project.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) 2020

It is that time of year when we are once again asking District 6690 Rotary Clubs to commit to sponsoring one or more students to participate in RYLA.



RYLA dates: July 16 - 18, 2020

Location: Ohio University Athens

Rotary Clubs that commit early in the year tend to contact their local high school(s) sooner and have greater success in finding qualified participants. We encourage you to commit to sponsoring students today.

Please visit the District website: <https://rotary6690.org/get-involved/ryla/> or <http://ryla6690.org/index.html> for additional information and to complete the online Sponsorship Agreement Form.

Early Act Club Starts in Lancaster



Samantha Uhl is a 9-year-old 4th grader at Tarhe Trails Elementary School in Lancaster, Ohio. She loves reading, hanging out with her friends, playing games on her I-Pod...and she loves Rotary. She began attending Rotary with her dad when she was very young. Once she got

into elementary school, she couldn't attend meetings very often, but her love for Rotary remained.

One day, her dad told her about this thing he had heard about at a Rotary conference called EarlyAct. EarlyAct is Rotary for elementary kids.

Samantha jumped on the idea and took off. After talking with the principal the Tarhe Trails EarlyAct club, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Lancaster, was born.

Fifteen 4th graders joined the club which held its first meeting in September.

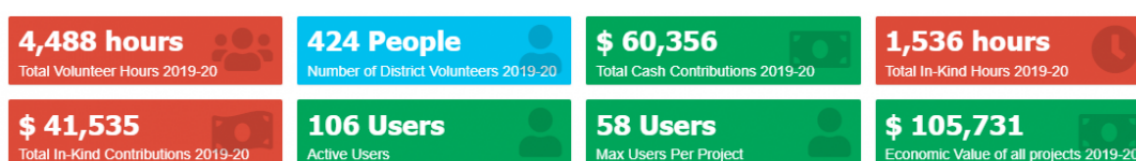
Character Development and Service are among the EarlyAct areas of focus. Each EarlyAct club is to plan and execute 3 different service projects each school year; a school project, a community project, and



an international project. The EarlyAct Club of Tarhe Trails started with the hardest one first, planning a Purple Pinkies for Polio event which raised \$75!

While EarlyAct is not an officially recognized Rotary International program, clubs are popping up across the country. This is the first EarlyAct Club in District 6690 (let us know if we are incorrect...we want to hear about what you are doing!!!)

If you would like to know more about how to start an EarlyAct club in your area, please contact Samantha and David. They would be happy to talk with you about how to get one started!

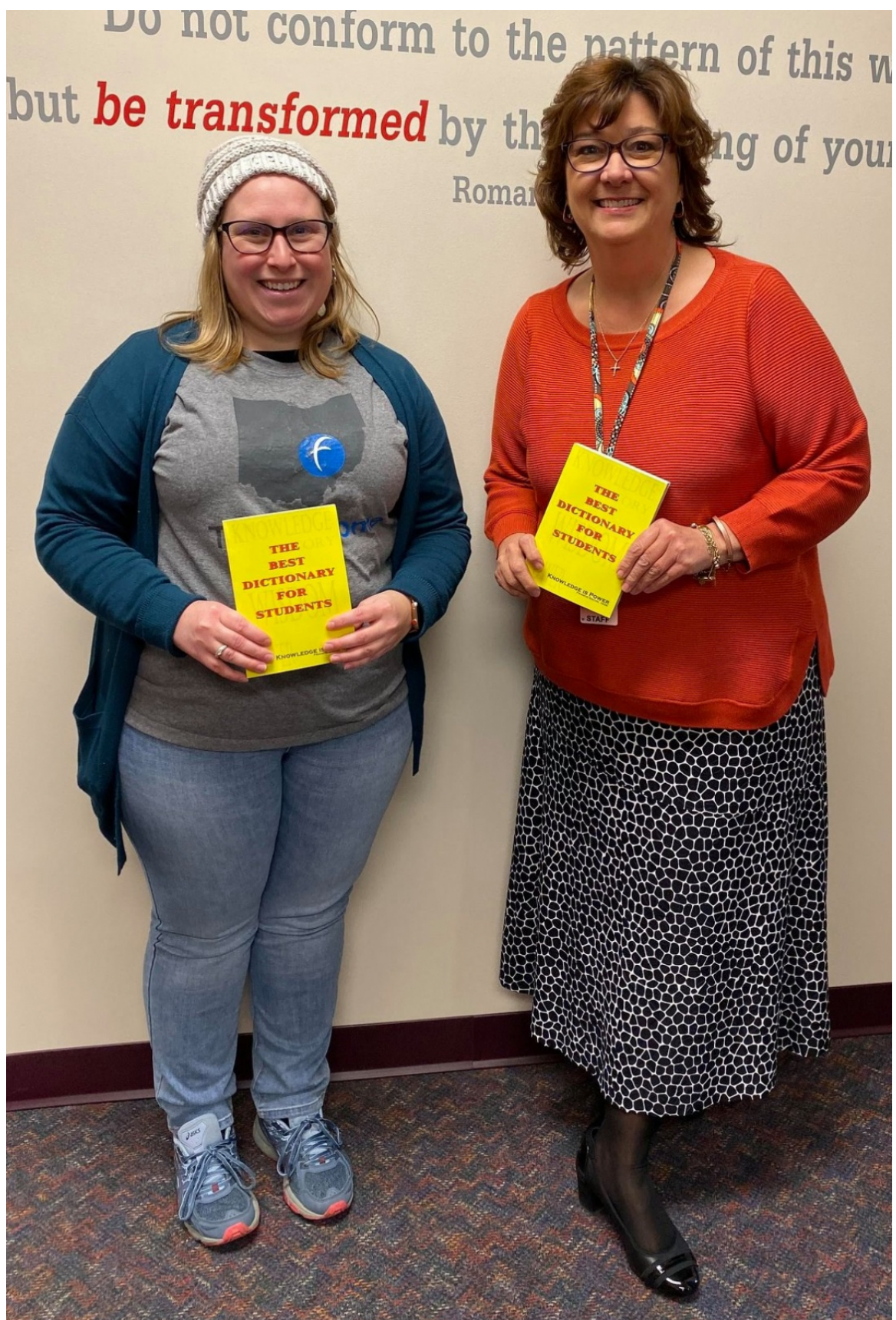


Engagement Summary: Rotary District 6690

Stats-at-a-glance: Engagement contributions of District 6690 Rotarians. ([Are you keeping your engagement stats updated in DACdb?](#))

Stop for a moment. Consider the significant impact when all Rotarians volunteer and contribute to our communities. Imagine how much more we can do with more Rotarians - convey that to potential members, partners and supporters!

Around the District



Lancaster-Sherman Rotary Club

Delivered dictionaries this month!



Upper Arlington Rotary Club

[Upper Arlington Rotary Club](#) members and [Interact](#) members from Hastings & Jones Middle Schools at Senior Service Saturday.



YOUR Rotary Club

Tell the other clubs in the district what your club is up to! [Submit](#) pictures of Rotarians in action.

Upcoming Events

December

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

8 - [Clintonville Rotary's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting](#)

14 - [Byesville Rotary Breakfast with Santa](#)

20 - [Byesville Rotary Christmas Food Basket service project](#)

January

Vocational Service Month

19-25 - [International Assembly](#), San Diego, California

26 - [Olentangy Euchre Tournament](#)

Countdown to RI Annual Conference 2020:

June 6-10, 2020



DAYS

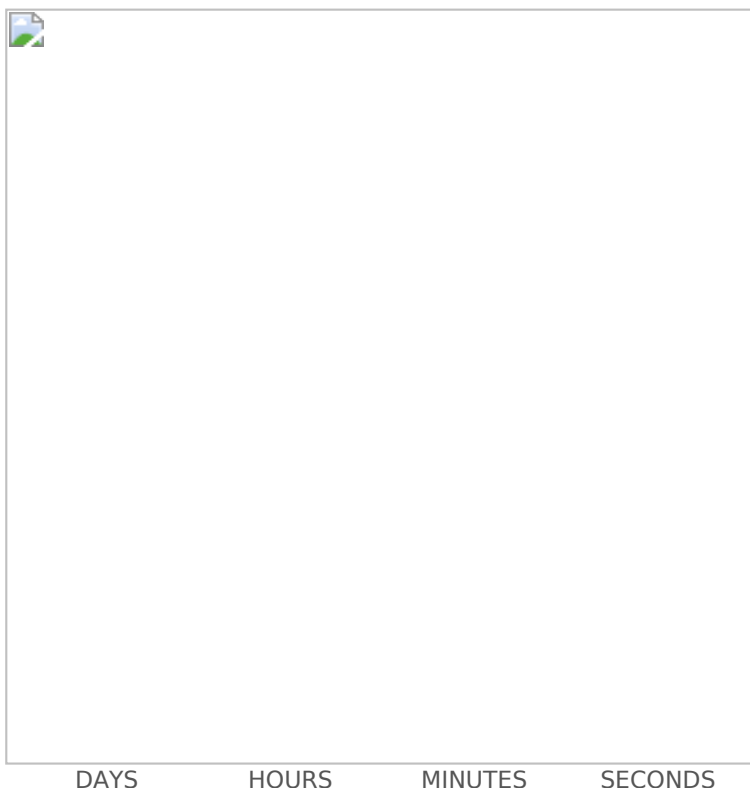
HOURS

MINUTES

SECONDS

[REGISTER FOR RI ANNUAL CONFERENCE](#)

6690 Spring District Conference starts:



DAYS

HOURS

MINUTES

SECONDS

[Register for District Conference](#)

Sharing Our P.I. Success!

Rotary is all about working together, using the best of what each other has to offer to solve problems. What has your club done to raise its Public Image? Can it be reused?

Please share with your fellow Rotarians' clubs:

- Photos of Rotarians in Action
- Promotional Collateral
- Examples of Strategic Plans

Contribute by [uploading here](#).

(In a few months, check this space again for public image assets you can *take*, thanks to your fellow clubs!)

Newsletter Contributions

Tell the rest of the district what your club or committee is up to! Where do you need help? What successes can you share? What do you want to know more about? Send submission ideas to **dave.ungar@gmail.com** by the 1st of the month.

Social Media

Does your club use hashtags when posting on social media? Using #RD6690 on your posts will enable the district to search and repost/retweet your messages. Let us help you reach a larger audience!

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