

**Rotary**



**District 6690**

Central and Southeast Ohio



March 2020

**3497**



Rotarians

**59**



Clubs

**23**



Cases of Polio  
in 2020

**2019-20**

**Giving**

**\$232,223**

Contributions to  
the Annual Fund

**\$88,585**

Contributions  
to Polio Plus

## Young Partners in Service

**RI President, Mark Daniel Maloney**

March is the month we celebrate Rotaract — and this has been quite a year for our young partners in service.

Last spring, the Council on Legislation elevated Rotaract in our constitution: Rotary International is now the association of both Rotary clubs and Rotaract clubs. Then in October, the Rotary Board of Directors eliminated the artificial Rotaract age limit and took other steps to break down barriers that were preventing Rotaract from growing in some parts of the world.

These steps were long overdue, because Rotaract is a vision of what Rotary must become. Not only do we need to open our doors to our young colleagues, but we also have to open our ears and minds to the Rotary experience they find most engaging. That is one of the best ways we will meaningfully grow Rotary.



[Read More](#)

## Project Update: Polio Plus

YTD (2020) cases of WPV in endemic countries:

- Afghanistan 2
- Pakistan 21



- Nigeria 0

## Wellston Rotary Rocks Public Image!



Using a District6690 public image grant, The Wellston Rotary Club purchased billboard advertising on a digital billboard. Using the “People of Action” theme, the club displayed how and where they are involved in the community. Within a 30-day period, an estimated 15,000 people viewed the campaign that brought a greater awareness of Rotary. **Result:** The Wellston Rotary Club gained **FOUR new members**.

Total cost for the project was \$650. One of four images were displayed on a 10’x20’ electronic billboard at the entrance to town, one time every minute for 30 days.

**Nice job, Wellston Rotary!**

## Rotary Makes a Difference in the Lives of Youth

Have you ever stopped to consider that a high school age youth would experience homelessness? Think back when you were at that age. What would you do if you found yourself without a home?

Star House provides central Ohio youth experiencing homelessness with a safe place to get something to eat, shower and sleep. In addition they provide resources all in one place so young people will not be on the streets. Star House is open 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. In fact, they are the nation's only drop-in center serving youth between the ages of 14 and 24.



They provide direct access to food, clothing, showers, restrooms, hygiene items, laundry machines, case management, therapy, medical exam room, phone booth, mailboxes, computer lab, gymnasium, art studio and bus passes. In addition Star House has built partnerships to provide resources of housing assistance, employment, transportation, ID cards, government benefits, education, medical services, legal aid and addiction services.



The **Rotary Club of Westerville Noon Club** is supporting Star House through mentorship, donating time working at warehouse, collections of items and money. The goal of the club is to support the city in having a second location of Star House in Westerville.

At the 52nd annual Westerville Fish Fry and Bake held Sunday,

March 1st, Star House held a bake sale, made T-shirts, sold mugs as well as provided live entertainment from members of Star House. Hale from Star House shared a poem she created for the event. Tatiana auctioned off five pieces of art she created after telling her story about living on the streets - until Star House gave her a helping hand and resources so that she has a permanent roof over her head.

**If you are a business owner and can assist Star House with**



mentors, employment training or purchase T-shirts from them, please contact them at 614-826-5868.

## PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY



The  
**Rotary**  
Foundation



**A yearly commitment to  
doing good in the world!**

### **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. The Paul Harris Society member's ongoing donations are vital for The Rotary Foundation to continue to *do good in the world!*

Go to the Paul Harris Society page  
**[www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety](http://www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety)**

and choose Join Today.

## Around the District



### Ironton Rotary Club

Club President Nathan Davis goes on WSAZ First look at 4 to discuss the Rotary Club of Ironton's Centennial Celebration. (Click the image to watch the video!)

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## Wellston Rotary

What a great turnout for their Rotary Valentine dinner and dance. The proceeds will go to scholarships for our Wellston High School Seniors!!

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## Rotary Club of Westerville

52nd Westerville Fish Fry & Bake. Proceeds help benefit scholarships for Westerville Students.

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## Middleport-Pomeroy Rotary Club

DG Gary Vaughn visits the Middleport-Pomeroy Rotary Club. Special recognition to Tina Rees to her for her Rotary Achievements and her dedication working in the club.

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## Upcoming Events

### March

#### Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Month

31 - Preregistration discount ends for the [Rotary International Convention](#)

### April

#### Maternal and Child Health Month

18 - [District Four Way Test Speech Contest](#)

30 - [Rotary International Convention](#) registrations and ticket cancellations are due



## FOLLOW, LIKE & SHARE

District 6690 now has a [public-facing Linked-in page](#) (in addition to the [members-only group](#) that already existed.)

We can reach more prospective members, partners, and supporters if we're sharing "who Rotary is" with our professional networks. Please follow the District 6690 page and "Like" and Share weekly stories that have the Rotary logo.

Frequent impressions of Rotary and of you, as a Rotarian, will build awareness and respect for our organization and the work we do.



## 6690 Spring District Conference starts:



DAYS

HOURS

MINUTES

SECONDS

[Register for District Conference](#)



# Countdown to RI Annual Conference 2020:

June 6-10, 2020



**REGISTER FOR RI ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

## 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](mailto: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!

**Follow District 6690:**





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