



Theme 2018-19

February is World Understanding Month

By Michael T. Owsley on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



Welcome to February as Rotarians across West Kentucky start to thaw ourselves out after a major frigid spell! The second month of the year brings to mind love and the promise of a soon to come spring and new beginnings. Let's take Inspiration from that and show our love for our fellow man and our communities with our volunteerism and by inviting someone to experience Rotary for the first time. The end of this month also marks our Rotary Reads Across the District. Remember that I have challenged every club and every Rotarian to read to children during the last week of February. [Read More](#)

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Reminder of Interim Filing for District Grants-2/15

By Sheila Stoke on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

February 15, 2019 is an important date to all the clubs that received a District Grant. Did your club receive a district grant for 2018-19 Rotary year? If so, and the club hasn't submitted a final report, then your deadline for an interim report is fast approaching. If your project is already complete you do NOT have to wait to submit the final report. You can submit the final at any time and after the committee reviews and approves, you will receive your funds. We are so excited about all the amazing projects!

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D6710 Interact Leadership Conference 2019: Saturday, March 2

By Beverly R. Clark on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



WHO is invited? All Interact leaders: including students, school sponsors, Rotarians, and those interested in starting a Rotary Interact Club. Eight Interact clubs have committed. There is room for more!

WHEN: Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Papa John's Pizza has graciously agreed to sponsor our lunch. Gourmet cupcakes for dessert.

WHERE: IWU – Louisville Campus, 1500 Alliant Ave (by Sams Club in Jeffersontown) Louisville, KY 40299

WHAT: Round table discussions: Workshop topics include: How to Make Rotary Interact FUN! Doing Service Projects; Developing International Projects; Using Social Media in your Interact Club; Starting an Interact Club; Using student-led committees in Interact

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Super Bowl Time Is Speech Bowl Time

WHAT IS THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY?

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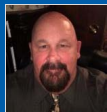
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By Stan Klausing on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

All clubs must advise their Speech Contest Regional Coordinator of the contest date as soon as possible. All contest Forms, Packets, and the latest Contest Schedule, which is updated each weekend during the contest, is posted on the [District 6710 web site](#).



- The following clubs have advised that they are having a speech contest: Murray, Paducah, Bowling Green, Hardin Co. AM, Radcliff, Glasgow, Greensburg, La Grange, South Oldham and Owenton.
- The following clubs need to provide their contest date: Mayfield, Cadiz, Princeton, Muhlenberg, Russellville, Frankfort, Lawrenceburg, Bedford.
- The following clubs have advised that they will not be having a contest this year: Hickman, Springfield, Horse Cave.

If your club is not listed...
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9TH PLACE IN A 12 "HORSE" RACE

By Michael J. Kull on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



The [attached report for](#) giving to the Annual Fund shows how our District 6710 compares to eleven other Rotary districts that make up Zone 30. There are 34 zones and about 535 districts in Rotary worldwide.

These numbers are from late 2018. Our "per Rotarian" giving to the Annual Fund ranks us 9th in the 12 districts. The good news is this is a 12-month race and 5 months remain. Each of the 12 districts is different socially and economically, but I hope you agree with me that we shouldn't be in 9th place.

The [Annual Fund SHARE](#) is what funds our District Grants, Global Grants in the six areas of focus and Global Scholars.
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Only 10 Clubs Left to Register for PETS!

By Otha Ray Stearman on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

It's almost here and all but 10 of our clubs have registered! As a reminder, ALL Presidents-Elect must register for the conference, which begins Thursday afternoon March 28 and will end Saturday afternoon March 30. Please make sure you also make your [hotel reservation](#)-the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown fills up quickly since it is the official conference hotel. If you have any problems registering, contact District Administrative Assistant, Leigh Perry (leigh@rotarydistrict6710.org) and she will be glad to help you.

See you in Chattanooga!



Bringing on New Members with Style!

By Kevin Wardell on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



In order to grow a club, an obvious need is to engage new members quickly so that they'll stay with the club long-term. The size and personality of clubs varies, and it doesn't seem like there is a "one size fits all" process. But we know it is critical that clubs develop an INTENTIONAL, comprehensive way to bring on new members. Experiment, evaluate, and experiment again with different approaches to find one that works. Here are a few ideas to start with, drawn from club success stories: [Read More](#)



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The 11th Annual Rotary Bourbon Ball-2/9

By Christopher Poynter on Monday, January 7, 2019

The Owensboro and Daviess County Rotary Clubs invite all Rotarians to join us for the 11th Annual Rotary Bourbon Ball being held on February 9th at the O.Z. Tyler Distiller located at 10 Distillery Road, Owensboro, KY 42301. It's an evening filled with bourbon tastings, hors d'oeuvres, bourbon themed dinner (catered by Moonlite Bar-B-Q), a silent auction and a live band (Top Tier Band from Nashville, TN). [Read More](#)



Danville Hosts International Dinner-3/16

By Marian Becker on Monday, January 7, 2019



On March 16th, the Rotary Club of Danville will once again host its International Dinner at Centre College. This annual event features wonderful food from over 20 countries all prepared authentically by volunteer cooks who have picked up their culinary skills from world travels, time living abroad and family traditions. Rotarians and their guests will enjoy learning about the dishes from the chefs as they make the full circle of the world in a festive atmosphere. No one ever goes home hungry! [Read More](#)

Get your Club Qualified for Foundation Grant Programs

By Frederic Harned on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

There are only two more opportunities to qualify your club to participate in Rotary Foundation grant programs for Rotary Year 2019-20.

- The first is the on-line seminar scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm EST (6:00 to 7:00 Central); see the District Calendar to reserve a spot for your club.
- The second opportunity will be at the District Conference in Louisville.



As of now, at least **11 of our 55 clubs have not yet begun the qualification process** - which means they are leaving significant funding for their local or international projects lying on the table!

Help your club do more good locally! Learn about and get qualified for Foundation Grants!

District Conference: Save the Date

Club Anniversaries

Paducah
February 1st

Prospect/Goshen
February 9th

Elkton
February 14th

Hardinsburg
February 21st


Elizabethtown
February 23rd

Bowling Green AM
February 23rd

SAVE THE DATE

District Conference

May 17 & 18, 2019
Marriott East, Louisville

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Mark your calendars for the 2019 District Conference. May 17 and 18 at the Marriott East in Louisville Ky. Additional details to follow next month.

District Project: Shoes for Orphan Souls

By Kaytlin VanMeter



Children across the United States and around the world worry every day about not having good shoes to wear for day to day tasks like walking to school, playing soccer, and many other tasks we don't think twice about. This year, Rotarians in District 6710 have a chance to Be the Inspiration in these children's lives by providing shoes through the Shoes for Orphan Souls project. As District Governor Michael Owsley has challenged each of our clubs

at his official visits and directly to all of our club presidents earlier this year; every club is being asked to help with this worthy project.

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ANNUAL FUND GIVING PROVIDES DISTRICT GRANTS

By Michael J. Kull on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

This is a reminder that district grant money comes from Annual Fund giving. Clubs that give more per member, get more, when they apply for district grants.

Two Year Average per Member Matching Amount:

- \$100 and above \$1.50 for \$1.00
- \$75 - \$99.99 \$1.00 for \$1.00
- Below \$75 \$0.75 for \$1.00



As of January 31, our giving to the Annual Fund SHARE is \$44.11 per Rotarian (Goal is \$100.) The goal by year end is \$100 per Rotarian and in 2018 we were at \$46.75 per member. Thanks to the 812 District Rotarians who have contributed so far this year. (30% vs goal of 50%)

[Attached is a ranking](#) by average contribution per club member for the four divisions of membership as well as what each club had given at this point last year.

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International Project Opportunities in

Central America

By Frederic Harned on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



The Central America Rotary Project Fair was held in San Jose, Costa Rica, on Jan 24-26, 2019. Two Louisville Rotarians met with Rotarians from the region and with others from all over the US to consider project opportunities in Peace Education, Water and Sanitation, Community Development, and other Areas of Focus.

[The attached document](#) describes a community development project near Jacó, Costa Rica, a popular resort community. The local Rotary Club has native English-speakers. Want to know more? Connect with r.harned@twc.com, or beth.eden.adventures@gmail.com,

14 PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

By Michael J. Kull on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Thanks to these fourteen Rotarians who became first time, or multiple, Paul Harris Fellows since the January issue.

[The attached list](#) recognizes these Rotarians from NINE clubs in Bowling Green, Frankfort, Hardin County AM, Henderson, Louisville, Paducah, Prospect/Goshen, Russellville and Southwest Louisville.

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of US\$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. [Read More](#)



Districts Encouraged to Change With the Times

By Otha Ray Stearman on Tuesday, February 5, 2019



District Governor-Elect Otha Ray Stearman and his wife, Nancy, attended International Assembly in San Diego during the week of January 13-18, 2019. International Assembly is a week of intensive training for over 532 worldwide District Governors-Elect. Each session is comprised of 20-25 DGE's from over 15 countries and is translated simultaneously into 8 languages.

On the opening day, incoming Rotary International President Mark Maloney (Decatur, AL) announced the 2019-20 theme for Rotary, "ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD." The theme logo was also unveiled. President-Elect Mark also left the Governors-Elect with a challenge for this next year of "GROW ROTARY." His objectives for

the year are:
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Call to Action: District Needs You

By Otha Ray Stearman

There are several district committees that could use your expertise if you would like to volunteer. If you are interested, please contact DGE Otha Ray Stearman or District Administrative Assistant Leigh Perry and let them know your interest. Our goal is for committees to be comprised of 3-5 five individuals, including the chair, all of whom together represent the diversity of our membership. Committee work usually involves conference calls and in some



cases a meeting or presenting at clubs, when requested. This is a wonderful opportunity to network with Rotarians from around the district, to learn more about the district level of Rotary, and to get more involved in our good work around the world. [Click here](#) to review the list of committees and descriptions of their work, and to volunteer complete the [District Committee Volunteer Form](#).

District 6710 Clubs Partner in LBL Project

By Ralph Young on Monday, January 7, 2019



The Rotary Clubs of Paducah, Cadiz, Hopkinsville, and Mayfield partnered with District Grants to purchase a new program for the planetarium at the Golden Pond Visitors Center. The Visitors Center and Planetarium are operated by the Friends of Land Between the Lakes (LBL). The new program entitled "Explore" is an odyssey to the planet Mars, as seen through the lens of human history and scientific development. In addition to the

admission vouchers to 750 second graders as part of their Spring Backpack program. The new program is tentatively scheduled for a March 2019 premiere.

2019 Council on Legislation

By Michael J. Kull

Every three years the Rotary International Council on Legislation convenes. Each of the 529 Rotary Districts is represented by a past District Governor serving as a voting delegate. The next will be held in Chicago April 14-18, 2019. The delegates will review and vote on 116 proposed enactments to the Rotary International Constitution, the Rotary International Bylaws and the standard Rotary club constitution.



Delegates are asked to consider how each enactment will affect Rotary International as the world-wide organization it is. The enactments have been proposed by Rotary Districts and Clubs around the world, as well as the Rotary International Board of Directors.

[This link](#) leads to the 116 proposed enactments.

I am honored to represent our district at the 2019 Council on Legislation. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions please contact me.

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WHAT IS THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY?

By Michael J. Kull on Monday, January 7, 2019



First it should not be confused with a Paul Harris Fellow. The Paul Harris Society recognizes Rotary members and friends of The Rotary Foundation who elect to contribute \$1,000 or more each year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or approved global grants.

In 2017-18 forty-two Rotarians of District 6710, from twelve different clubs, were members of the society who made \$1,000 or more in contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

As we say to all contributors to The Rotary Foundation, "Thank you."

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