

# Rotary



## District 6710 The Spectrum Newsletter

### Theme 2018-19

## Happy New Year-Vocational Service Month

By Michael T. Owsley on Monday, January 7, 2019



Happy New Year! In Rotary, our year runs until July, but in the rest of the world we are celebrating new opportunities and new resolutions. This year, let's take a chance to try something new. At PETS this year, I read "What do you do with a chance?" by Kobi Yamada to the incoming Presidents. The last line answers the title question by saying "You take it... because it just might be the start of something incredible." What new chances are you going to take with Rotary this year? A new project? Invite a new member? Contribute to the foundation? Here's your chance to do something incredible and Be the Inspiration!

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## Registration OPEN for PETS/AGI

By Otha Ray Stearman on Monday, January 7, 2019

All Presidents-Elect and Assistant Governors-Elect should be watching their Rotary e-mail. Registration is open for AGI/ PETS training and also for the hotel. However, the e-mail from MidSouth PETS had some faulty links. A new PMAL will be sent as soon as the links are repaired.

As a reminder, ALL Presidents-Elect and Assistant Governors-Elect must register for the conference, which begins Thursday afternoon March 28 and will end Saturday afternoon March 30. AG's will need to be in Chattanooga early Thursday morning for AGI training.

Please make sure all of you register for the conference and ALSO for the hotel reservation-the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown fills up quickly since it is the official conference hotel.

See you soon.



## Schedule Your Speech Contest NOW

By Stan Klausung



If your club has not yet committed to having a club Speech Contest, or to hosting an Advanced Contest, now is the time to act. The contest clock starts running the first of the year, with March 8, 2019 the last day for completion of Club Contests.

Each club is requested to contact their Regional Coordinator, as indicated on the attached contest schedule and advise them of the approximate date of their contest and the name of their contest Chair /Coordinator. Club Presidents will be our source of

contact until this happens, and we know they already have more than enough to do, as we all do this time of the year.

**Please Contact your Regional Coordinator as soon as possible.** Our Regional Coordinators are:

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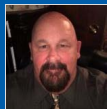
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# Interact Leadership Conference 2018: Saturday, March 2

By Beverly R. Clark on Monday, January 7, 2019

**WHO** is invited? All interact leaders: students, school sponsors, Rotarians, and those interested in starting a Rotary Interact Club  
**WHEN**: Saturday, March 2, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., lunch provided.

**WHERE**: IWU - Louisville Campus, 1500 Alliant Ave., Louisville, KY 40299

**WHAT**: Round table discussions focused on helping YOU with your club. Topics include Doing Service Project; Developing International Projects; Using Social Media in your Interact Club; Starting an Interact Club; Using student-led committees.

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## 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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## The 11th Annual Rotary Bourbon Ball

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

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](#)

## New Year's Resolution: Eradicate Polio Once and For All

By Christopher Poynter on Monday, January 7, 2019

I'm sure as the ball dropped in Time Square this New Year's everyone took a moment to reflect on 2018 with all of its ups and downs. As you look forward to 2019 there are a few Rotary



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## Club Anniversaries

Radcliff  
January 14th

Hardin County Sunset  
January 20th

Bardstown  
January 21st

Grayson County  
January 31st

resolutions we'd like you to consider, however as the District Chair for PolioPlus, #8 is near and dear to my heart.

Unfortunately, we lost ground in 2018 with more cases of Polio then in the previous year, however there were certainly valid reasons for it. As you consider your goals for the new year, please consider donating to PolioPlus. Your contribution may make all the difference in a child's life.



## PADUCAH AND HARDIN COUNTY AM FIRST TWO STAR CLUBS

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



As of December 31, our giving to the Annual Fund SHARE is \$32.75 per Rotarian. The goal by year end (June 30) is \$100 per Rotarian. Annual Fund SHARE is the fund that drives good works here and around the world. From it comes matching district grants, global scholarships, global grants and vocational training teams. Thanks to the 660 District Rotarians who have contributed so far this year.

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. Look at how your club is doing. Congratulations to Paducah and Hardin County AM as the first two STAR clubs who are already over \$100 per Rotarian.

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## Mid-year Club Assessment

By Mark Edward Welch on Monday, January 7, 2019

Movie-goers will remember the scene in Ron Howard's blockbuster Apollo 13 when the astronauts executed a tense mid-course correction during their return to the earth. If they had missed their proper trajectory the spacecraft and crew would have either burned up in re-entry or skipped off the atmosphere and gone into orbit back almost to the moon (also fatal)! Not nearly as dramatic is the mid-course correction an organization may make in order to realign itself with its core mission and purpose. Mid-year is the perfect time for our Rotary clubs to take advantage of excellent club assessment tools available at [Rotary.org](http://Rotary.org).

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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](#).



# Get Qualified for Grants in 2019-20!

By Frederic Harned on Tuesday, December 4, 2018

In order to participate in any Rotary Foundation grant program - District Grants, Global Grants, Scholarships or Peace Fellowship recommendations - a club must become qualified by:

1. Having at least one member attend a Grant Management Seminar, and
2. Submitting a completed Memorandum of Understanding by June 30, 2019.



36 of our 55 clubs in the District completed the first step by having a representative attend one of the seminars, done in combination with the pre-PETS sessions, in September 2018. 19 clubs have not yet met this requirement.

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## Yes, Your Club can do an International Project!

By Frederic Harned on Tuesday, December 4, 2018



Curious about how to share in Rotary's international emphasis and make a difference worldwide? Many of our district clubs are doing it already and your club can, too! District grants can be used for international projects, but it can be really satisfying to partner with a club in another country on a Global Grant. And your club can do that as well!

One way is to join with another club in the district to help support a project they are already developing. Prospect/Goshen, Paducah, and Louisville have such projects in the works. Why not reach out and learn whether these fit your interests? Another path is...

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## District 6710 Clubs Partner in LBL Project

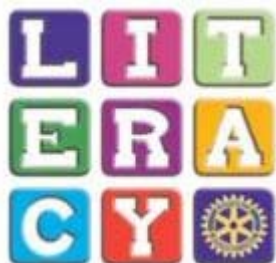
By Ralph Young on Monday, January 7, 2019

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 program, the Paducah Club will be distributing planetarium admission vouchers to 750 second graders as part of their Spring Backpack program. The new program is tentatively scheduled for a March 2019 premiere.



## Daviess County Rotary Launches ROTARY READS

By Christine Salmon on Monday, January 7, 2019



The Daviess County Rotary Club launched its ROTARY READS program on December 19, 2018 with a presentation of books and bags to Sunrise Children's Services. Books were donated by Mentor Kids of Owensboro. ROTARY READS provides books and reading materials to those in our community who may not have access to books - the homeless and children in foster care. Literacy is an essential skill for educational, social, and career success. But practicing or maintaining this skill can be hard for those in difficult circumstances. It's hard to get a library card if you're living in a homeless shelter with no permanent address. Children in foster care often come from situations where literacy

was not a priority. [Read More](#)

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## Central KY Multi-Club Christmas Party

By Margaret McElroy Goatley on Monday, January 7, 2019

Springfield Rotarians and guests from Lebanon, Springfield, Campbellsville and Greensburg enjoyed a Christmas gathering at Rosewood Country Club in Lebanon on Wed. Dec. 19th.



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## 12 PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS IN DECEMBER

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

Thanks to these twelve Rotarians who became first time, or multiple, Paul Harris Fellows in December. The [attached list](#) recognizes these Rotarians from clubs in Danville, Frankfort, Greensburg, LaGrange, Louisville, Murray, Owenton, and Paducah.

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](#)



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## 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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