

Rotary

Club of Northville



Events

No Events found

Birthdays

Guy C. Bardsley

February 5th

Michael S. Vetter

February 27th

Isidoro F Mazzitelli

February 27th

Club Meeting

Northville

Meets at First Presbyterian

Church (2nd and 4th

Tuesdays only)

200 E Main St

Northville, MI 48167-1680

Time: Tuesday at 12:05 PM

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Rotary Round-Up

A between-meetings collection of what's happening with our Club, District 6400, and Rotary International.

Tuesday, February 13th – " Club Meeting

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 13th at 12:05 p.m. Lunch will be provided by Little Salumi. They've opened up the menu and offering salads as an option too. Sign up here,

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CACAB2FABF4C70-meeting2>

Please sign up by 5:00 p.m. Monday, February 12th. Sign-up is required if you want a lunch. If you sign up and do not attend the meeting, you will be billed for your lunch.

This will be a Club Assembly. Committee Chairs, please prepare to present to the club on your respective area. I have to travel for Rotary and Jennifer Walker will preside over the meeting. (thanks Jennifer!)

Hope to see you all on the 13th.

Speaking of Lunch

We worked out an arrangement with both Genitti's and Little Salumi for the next few months. Starting in March, we will have Genitti's supply us lunch one week and Little Salumi will take care of us the other week that we have a meeting. Nice variety while supporting local businesses.

Get to know me! Michele Kelly!

A highlight in the Rotary Round-Up is a feature on one of our members in the Rotary Club of Northville. This week is President-Elect Michele Kelly!

Where did you grow up? How did you find yourself in the community of Northville (Farmington)?

My father was a Detroit police officer, so I grew up on the east side of Detroit. When he retired, we moved to Sterling Heights where I graduated from high school. After I earned my Bachelor's degree at Central Michigan University (Fire Up Chips!), I moved to Cincinnati to earn a Master's degree at UC (Go Bearcats!). Kevin and I met at CMU, but coincidentally re-met in Cincinnati where he was living at the time. He doesn't like to admit that we fell in love in Ohio! We moved to Charlotte, NC for work and were married in 2005. I worked on a PhD at the University of South Carolina (Go Gamecocks!) and defended my dissertation 10 days before our first daughter was born. After Anna (almost 12) was born in 2012, we came back to Michigan to be near our family. Blair (10) joined us in 2013. At the time, we lived in Clinton Township where I worked at Macomb Community College and belonged to the Rotary Club of Mt. Clemens. We moved to Farmington in 2018 when I got a job at Schoolcraft College. We wanted to join a vibrant club close to where I work. For me, it was important to have strong women leaders in the group. We lucked out with the Northville Club – when Traci so ably persuaded us to try it out.

Tell us about your career. What do you do for a living?

I work as the Dean of Liberal Arts & Sciences at Schoolcraft College. Essentially, I manage the curriculum and faculty for the 36 disciplines within our general education and transfer programs. I've done similar academic administration at various colleges and universities for 20 years in addition to teaching Communication and Writing. I'm about to complete an MBA at Bowling Green State University (Go Falcons!) to add to my degree collection. Planning on attending law school next (just kidding, Kevin!).

When did you join Rotary and why?

When Kevin began working for Rotary International in 2016, we decided to join a local club. We decided on Mt Clemens for the same reasons we joined Northville, a big vibrant club with great female leadership. I've always thought that Rotary is a bit of a steep learning curve for new members because the rituals are specific and can be hard to learn even with the most welcoming clubs. Mt. Clemens was a singing club; imagine Kevin belting Yankee Doodle; you're welcome. But when you describe it to people as a service club with local and global impact it easily becomes part of your identity. When I negotiated my salary at Schoolcraft, I requested membership in Rotary. So, even though I serve on behalf of Schoolcraft, being a Rotarian is special to me personally.

Have you had a memorable experience in Rotary that you can share? What first comes to mind?

Being able to travel with Kevin to other Rotary clubs and functions has been memorable. I have loved meeting Rotarians from everywhere and was especially proud to know Jennifer Jones personally when she became RI President. It was especially memorable when she led a round of Happy Birthday on Anna's 10th birthday at the Grand Hotel in Mackinac Island for the 2022 District Conference. I can't wait to celebrate Stephanie Urchick next year when she becomes President of Rotary.

PS – If you want to learn a bit more about our Rotary International President Elect Stephanie Urchick, here's [a recent Q&A in the Rotary magazine](#).

What is an interesting or unexpected connection that you've made through being a member in Rotary?

Lucy has been the best Rotary connection! Our daughters and Lindsey Dogonski's daughter, Lucy, are very best friends growing up together in Rotary. And it has been a joy to forge such a great friendship with the Dogonski family – even if they are not very nice on the Pickleball Court. But I make Rotary connections everywhere. If you can sneak it into a conversation, chances are you'll make a Rotary connection that instantly breaks down barriers and increases sharing.

If you could go anywhere in the world on vacation; where are you going?

I'd love to be able to go on that Ireland trip we planned for June 2020. And one day I'd like to make it to Italy to explore my Sicilian roots!



Rotary Youth Exchange

One of the more popular programs that Rotary offers is Rotary Youth Exchange. Read more about our program here – [Rotary District 6400 Youth Exchange](#). The Rotary Club of Northville has hosted numerous inbound students over the years.

There has been some chatter in the club that we should consider hosting an inbound student this upcoming year. If our club does indeed want to do this, we would need some families agree to host an inbound exchange student. For a family to be considered, you must reside in the Northville community because the student would go to Northville schools.

If interested, please contact our Youth Exchange Chair Debbie Tyler at dstyler02@hotmail.com or Kevin Kelly at kevin.kelly@rotary.org. The sooner the better.

Forgotten Harvest – Service Opportunity

We will be volunteering again at Forgotten Harvest on Tuesday, February 20th, from 1pm - 4pm to help pack emergency food boxes, re-pack or sort fresh nutritious food that will be distributed through Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb County. This is a fun and non-strenuous activity, although we will be standing for 3 hours.

In addition to responding to this email to let me know you are attending, all volunteers need to pre-register by following the directions and link below. This will allow you to complete your volunteer profile on-line and sign the liability waiver electronically. If you have any problems, please email Nicole Peoples directly at npeeples@forgottenharvest.org

Forgotten Harvest is located at :

Forgotten Harvest
15000 W. 8 Mile Rd.
Oak Park, MI 48237

Please arrive at **12:45pm** for check in. If you arrive after **1pm**, you may not be able to participate with your group, but may be assigned to the following tasks:

- General cleaning and warehouse needs
- Sweep warehouse floors and mop corners
- Dust off the top of food boxes/pallets
- Separate and bag food into gaylords
- Put cardboard in the baler

MANDATORY DRESS CODE

You must wear long pants & closed toe shoes.

NO open toe or heel shoes (any kind of shoe exposing feet or any part of the foot. ex. sandals, sling back, or Crocs)

NO tank tops

NO jewelry. Wedding rings are fine. All earrings and facial piercings must be removed.

Health and Safety Information: The safety and well-being of our community, staff and volunteers are important to Forgotten Harvest.

1. If you are sick, FH requests that you refrain from volunteering and stay home until you have recovered. We respect and honor the rights of any individuals who may prefer to mask when volunteering.
2. Continue personal health etiquette, including frequent handwashing or hand-sanitizing.

Registration Instructions:

Click on this link to register for the February 20th event: [Register](#)

Login: Enter email and password or click: [@cshaven.com](#) signed up yet? follow instructions

Click to read volunteer waiver

Check box [I have read and agree to the volunteer waiver](#)

Click on [Join Team](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Guy Bardsley.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

Tuesday, February 13 – Club Meeting at 12:05 p.m

Tuesday, February 13 – Rotary Round-Up at the Sports Den at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 20 – Service Project – Forgotten Harvest from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, February 23 – Rotary Euchre Party at Carol Schrauben's house

Saturday, March 16 – [Northville Township Firefighter's Charity Ball.](#)

Friday, May 3 – **Sunday, May 5** – District 6400 Conference at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids

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TO **CREATE** LASTING
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