



Events

## Rotary Round-Up

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

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### A New Rotary Year

As we embark on this new Rotary year, I am filled with excitement and gratitude. Thank you to my husband, Kevin, for being a great role model. We joke that all I need to do is be better than him to make a difference, but the truth is the bar is high!

At the installation party on Friday, June 28, I shared the story of a fortune I had just opened a few days before, "Trust the magic of July; it's on your side."



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### Recent Events & Highlights

#### Monday, June 24, 2024: Golf de Ville

We had a beautiful day for golf at our annual Golf de Ville event. Thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of our participants, sponsors, and volunteers. We raised about \$35,000, which will be used to support various charitable causes. None of this could have been done without the meticulous leadership of **Jeff Smith**! Thank you to our hardworking committee for arranging baskets and auctions, arranging volunteers, persuading sponsors, managing the website and marketing, etc. etc. etc.

#### Tuesday, June 25, 2024: Club Meeting and The Big Vote!

The club really turned out for an exciting vote where we unanimously agreed that the Rotary Club of Northville to be a key contributor to the playground renovation at Ford Field. The Foundation will donate \$50,000 outright to the project and they will also match up to \$25,000 in a dedicated fundraising effort. This project is a testament to our commitment to enhancing our community and creating accessible spaces where children and their families can play and thrive. Thank you to Alan **Somershoe** and **Jackie Spycher** for rearranging our regular venue; it worked great!

#### Tuesday, June 25, 2024: 71<sup>st</sup> annual "Meet the Governor" Event in Harrow, Ontario

We had a wonderful time in Harrow, Ontario, at the "Meet the Governor Event," where we installed our new DG, Nick Krayacich. [All the clubs in District 6400](#) are represented at this event where the tradition is to enjoy Red Pop (an unidentifiable alcoholic drink) and Sunflower seeds. Once I overcame the panic attack I experienced driving over the Ambassador bridge with 3,000 semi-trucks, I had a great time!

The event was filled with camaraderie, inspiration, and a shared vision for the future of Rotary. At this event, they announce all the clubs in the district. You can trust that Traci Sincock and I were loud and proud for the Rotary Club of Northville!

Wednesday, July 3,  
2024 â€” 4:00 pm  
â€” **Float Prep** -  
Imagine Design And  
Build, 19275 Gerald  
Ave, Northville, MI  
48167

Thursday, July 4,  
2024 â€” 8:30 am  
â€” **Parade** - Cady  
St. Enter on Main at  
Northville Car Wash

Tuesday, July 9,  
2024 â€” 12:05 pm  
â€” **Club Meeting:  
Strategy**

Tuesday, July 23,  
2024 â€” 12:05 pm  
â€” **Club Meeting:  
Speaker**

Wednesday, July 31,  
2024 â€” 9:30 am  
â€” 12:00 pm â€”  
**Service: Backpack  
Prep** - Zaman  
International, Hope  
for Humanity (&  
Good Deeds Thrift  
Store), 26091  
Trowbridge St,  
Inkster, MI 48141

Sunday, August 11,  
2024 â€” 8:30 am or  
11:00 am â€”  
**Service: Meal  
Service at  
Crossroads** -  
Crossroads of  
Michigan, 2424 W  
Grand Blvd, Detroit,  
MI 48208

Tuesday, August 13,  
2024 â€” **Club  
Meeting:  
Centennial  
Strategy and a very  
special Rotarian  
Birthday Party!**

Tuesday, August 27,  
2024 â€” 12:05 pm -  
**Club Meeting:  
Speaker**

Wednesday, August  
21, 2024 â€” TBD  
â€” **Fun &  
Fellowship: TBD**

Sunday, August 25,  
2024 â€” 9:00 pm -  
**Fun & Fellowship:  
Airport Party for  
Exchange Student  
from France,  
Salomé** â€” Detroit  
Metro Airport  
Baggage Claim

**Birthdays**



*Past Rotary International President, Jennifer Jones, with her husband, Nick Krayacich, the new District Governor for District 6400 and me.*

### **Friday, June 28, 2024: Installation of New Club President and Officers**

My own installation ceremony was a special celebration. Thank you to **Traci Sincock** and **Jennifer Walker** for making my champagne vision come to be and thank you to **Bob and Margene Buckhave** for hosting. In a memorable moment, Bob rang the church bells marking the beginning of a new chapter for our club!

It was extra special for DG Nick Krayacich to install us and to discuss exciting plans for the upcoming [District 6400 conference](#). Kevin and I are already registered and hope to see you there!



*Me, DG Nick Krayacich, Immediate Past President (and Membership Chair) Kevin Kelly, Treasurer (and Social Committee Chair) Carol Schrauben, Past President (x2) and Secretary Jennifer Walker, and Board Director Frank Plaza. Missing are Board Directors Marita Smith and DJ Boyd.*

## **Our First Meeting â€” July 9, 2024**

At our first meeting on July 9, I plan to outline some special initiatives for this year. Some highlights include:

1. Formation of an official Centennial committee led by Traci Sincock to prepare for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations! A special workshop to outline the strategy will be at our regular club meeting on August 13, 2024.
2. Commitment to re-integrate virtual meeting options to ensure everyone can participate. Weâ€™re working out the logistics of this and hope to be up and running by August.
3. Introducing the idea of collecting a consortium of local Rotary clubs to support a Rotaract club at either Schoolcraft College or Madonna University, empowering young leaders to engage in service and professional development.

I am deeply committed to the Rotary areas of focus and the districtâ€™s strategic vision. This includes challenges for the foundation, polio eradication, the installation of peace poles, and growing and maintaining our membership. We will align our speakers, our service, and our fellowship with these goals to create a truly dynamic and impactful Rotary year.

Remember, the magic of Rotary isn't just about grand gestures. It's in the small acts of kindness, the connections we forge, and the lives we touch along the way. One of the goals for the year is for every club to donate \$1,500 for World Polio Day (October 24, 2024). Last year, our club gave over \$2,000 toward Polio eradication. I think we can give at least that much again through â€œeffortless generosity.â€ Wherever you see me this year, I will have the little red watering can to grow the Polio fund. Whatever stray change or spare \$1, \$5,

Jacqueline S Spycher  
July 3rd  
Ronald Scott Weidenfeller  
July 3rd  
James E. Haselwood  
July 14th  
Lawrence J Griffin  
July 17th  
Carol J Graham  
July 18th  
Brian D Van Riper  
July 22nd  
David Marold  
July 26th

### 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

\$10, \$20 or \$50 you have can go in this can. Every cent that makes it into the can will go toward Polio.

I introduced this the little red watering can at the installation event, and we already made \$172 effortlessly.



Thank you for your trust and support! Hereâ€™s to a fantastic year ahead.

Yours in Rotary,  
Michele Kelly â€™ 248-808-1981 (feel free to call/text)  
President, Rotary Club of Northville

### Upcoming Events and Meetings

**Wednesday, July 3** â€™ Service: Float Prep â€™ 4:00 pm â€™ Imagine Design and Build, 19275 Gerald Ave.

**Thursday, July 4** â€™ Fun & Fellowship: Parade â€™ 8:30 am â€™ Cady St. Enter on Main at Car Wash

**Tuesday, July 9** â€™ Club Meeting: Strategy

**Tuesday, July 23** â€™ Club Meeting: Speaker

**Wednesday, July 31** â€™ Service: Backpack Prep at Zaman â€™ 9:30 am â€™ 12:00 pm 26091 Trowbridge St. Inkster MI 48141 â€™ sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CACAB2FABF4C70-50201622-service>

**Sunday, August 11** â€™ Service: Meal Service at Crossroads â€™ 2424 W Grand Blvd. Detroit, 48208

**Tuesday, August 13** â€™ Club Meeting: Centennial Strategy & Birthday Party

**Wednesday, August 21** â€™ Fun & Fellowship: TBD

**Tuesday, August 27** â€™ Club Meeting: Speaker

**Sunday, August 25** - Fun & Fellowship: Airport Party for Exchange Student from France, Salomé â€™ 9:00 pm Detroit Metro Airport Baggage Claim 9

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**TOGETHER** WE SEE A WORLD  
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION  
TO **CREATE** LASTING  
**CHANGE** ACROSS THE GLOBE  
IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES



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