



## Events

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## Birthdays

Laura N. Mancini  
December 24th  
Nick Traskal  
December 29th  
Francisco Plaza  
January 4th  
William Moylan  
January 10th  
Kurt J Kuban  
January 12th  
Oliver K Leeds  
January 14th  
Susan Cobello  
January 15th

## 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, January 9<sup>th</sup> – Club Meeting

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:05 p.m.

We're working out a few details for January 9<sup>th</sup> so details will be forthcoming! In the meantime, plan on attending at the usual time and place. We'll produce one more Rotary Round-Up since we don't have a meeting the rest of the year with details on our next meeting.

### Get to know me – Lindsey Dogonski

A highlight in the Rotary Round-Up will be a feature on one of our club members. This week is Lindsey Dogonski!

Lindsey grew up in Northville and was a graduate of Northville High School in 1995. She went to undergrad at Bowling Green University where she was a collegiate golfer for BGSU. Following graduation, she went to the College of Mortuary Science at Wayne State University. Lindsey is married and has a daughter named Lucy, who is in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Lindsey is a licensed funeral director for Casterline Funeral Home. Casterline Funeral Home was established by her great-grandfather in 1937. Lindsey stated, "As a funeral director, guiding and supporting grieving families through one of the most challenging moments of their lives is not just a job for me; it's a fulfilling vocation where I find deep satisfaction in providing compassion, solace, and a sense of comfort during their difficult times."

In 2013, Lindsey was introduced to Rotary by Bob Buckhave and attended a meeting as his guest. She felt welcomed and loved the atmosphere of the club and decided to join. In her 10 years as a Rotarian, Lindsey has always been an engaged club member. She is currently the President of the Northville Rotary Club Foundation. She also co-chaired the Tour de Ville for a couple of years with Carol Schrauben. She said that one memorable Rotary experience that came to mind was when she volunteered at Forgotten Harvest. They packed frozen sausages and according to Lindsey, it was rewarding but also comical at the same time. We'll let you all read between the lines.

Finally, Lindsey was asked, "What is one interesting or unexpected connection made through being a member of Rotary?" Lindsey said, "Building meaningful connections within my Rotary family has enriched my life, and the joy of sharing these moments extends to instilling a sense of service in my daughter, Lucy. Watching Lucy forge deep connections with her new best friends, Anna and Blair Kelly, adds an extra layer of fulfillment to our shared journey of relationships and community engagement."





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## Rotary Service Trip to Ghana - UPDATE

On November 28, the club heard a great presentation from Kim Spirou, a Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Essex (Ontario). Kim touched on all the work Rotary has been doing in Ghana. She highlighted a number of humanitarian projects that Rotary District 6400 has completed over the years, and she spoke of their upcoming trip to Ghana in February of 2024.

One of our club members, Michael Blough, was so inspired by her speech that he asked Kim how he could join the effort. After a long negotiating process at home, Michael was approved to proceed by his wife, Cathy. Therefore, Michael will travel with the team in February to Subinso, Ghana at his own expense, to complete a number of critical Rotary projects including drilling six water wells. The team will also renovate a dilapidated school, provide backpacks, textbooks and school uniforms, and conduct eye-glass clinics. They will also distribute 1,000 mosquito nets to pregnant and nursing mothers and children to prevent the spread of malaria.

As mentioned, Michael is paying his own way to get there, but he's also tasked with raising \$2,000 for the mission. All the money raised will go to the aforementioned projects. How can you help you ask?

- 1.) Michael has established a GoFundMe page. If you would like to contribute, feel free to do so by giving here: [Michael Blough - Rotary Mission to Ghana](#).
- 2.) Write a check to "Rotary D6400 Foundation". You can mail it to Michael's home address " 561 Grace Street, Northville, MI 48167 or you can hand it to him at the next club meeting.
- 3.) Attend the "Dueling Pianos" fundraiser event at the Windsor Yacht Club on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Traci and Paul Sincock have signed up along with Michael and his wife Cathy. Ideally, it would be great if we could pull together a table of 10 for the event. We'll provide more details on the event at the next club meeting.

Help support Michael on this once-in-a-lifetime Rotary trip!

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## Rotary Bowling Social " January 3<sup>rd</sup>

Our annual bowling social event is coming fast! If you haven't attended this event in the past, you're missing out. If you don't bowl, don't worry! Based on scores in the past, not many in the club do either. It's a great time and hope you can join us.

We will be bowling on January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM (sharp). It's \$25.00 a person for 2 games, shoes, and food. You can pay Guy Bardsley via cash, check, or Venmo (@Guy-Bardsley). **Please RSVP by December 27<sup>th</sup>.**

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## Club News and Notes

## Holiday Party â€“ December 9<sup>th</sup>

Special thanks to Bob and Margene Buckhave who again hosted the annual club holiday party. Marita also wanted to thank the club members who came through in a BIG way with donations and children's socks for Mexico.

## Rotary Club Meeting â€“ December 12<sup>th</sup>

Our meeting was moved to Genittiâ€™s for the annual holiday performance by the Northville High School Choir. Many guests and club members were in attendance to enjoy their fantastic performance. A check of over \$9,000 was presented to Northville Civic Concern because of a successful Goodfellows fundraising campaign by the club. This money was used to purchase Meijer gift cards that would be distributed to families in need during the holidays.

## President-Elect and Foundation Board members

The club voted on our next President of the Rotary Club of Northville. Dr. Michele Kelly will assume the role beginning July 1, 2024. Tim Story and Patrick Giesa were voted to serve on the Club Foundation Board.

## New Rotary Sign

Kudos to DJ Boyd who purchased a new Rotary sign for us to display at 7 and Northville. Thanks, DJ!



## Upcoming Events and Meetings

**Wednesday, January 3** â€“ Rotary Bowling

**Tuesday, January 9** â€“ Rotary Club of Northville Meeting â€“ Speaker: Mohammed Sadiq of Zaman International

**Tuesday, January 9** â€“ Rotary Rewind at the Sports Den at 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday, January 18** â€“ Dueling Pianoâ€™s event in Windsor â€“ Ghana Fundraiser

**Tuesday, January 23** â€“ Rotary Club of Northville â€“ Club Assembly

**Saturday, February 24** â€“ Rotary Euchre Party at Carol Schraubenâ€™s house

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



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