

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

#### **Club Meeting**

Portsmouth
Meets at Shawnee
State University,
University Center
Ballroom, 2nd Floor
940 Second Street
Portsmouth,
Time: Monday at
11:45 AM

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Timothy Horner Secretary Treasurer Club Executive Secretary

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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5** 

**GUEST SPEAKER:** 

Maureen Cadogan Black History Month



Portsmouth, Ohio

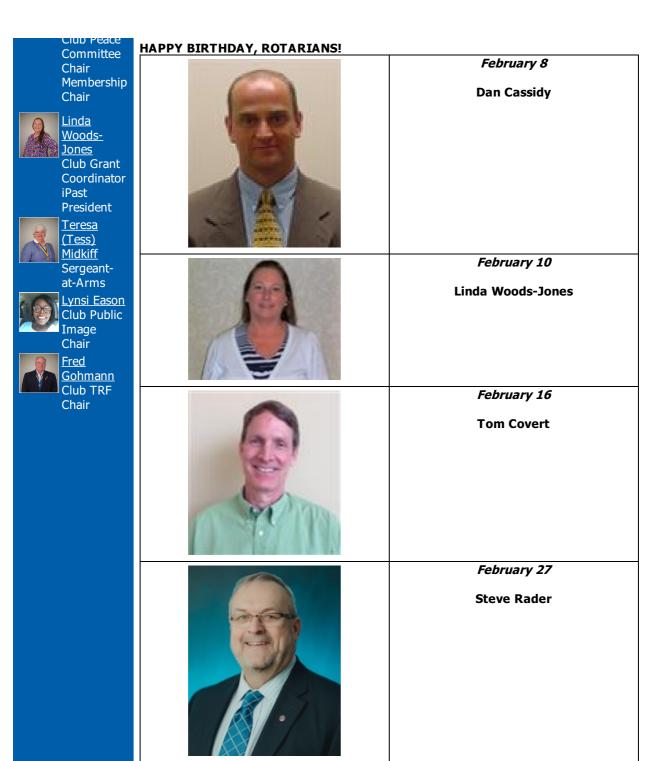
### **ROSE SALE INFO COMING!**

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Details coming soon, but... we will be able to:

- Accept orders ONLINE
- SHIP anywhere in the US!



## **FACEBOOK FOLKS:**



## Message from District Governor, David Uhl

David Uhl, District Governor

Happy New Year! District 6690 had a fantastic 2023. We spent the first half of the Rotary year focused on Creating Hope in the World. And we aren't done yet! There are still 6 months left in this year to make an impact and a difference in our communities and around the world.

During the first 6 months of the year, I traveled across the District, completing 44/58 club visits. It has been a fantastic experience meeting so many great Rotarians who are putting **Service above Self** every day! Keep up the great work and momentum as we move through the last half of the Rotary year. As I have said many times, the days may be long, but the Rotary year is short!

Please read through the newsletter below. There are several short but important articles that will provide you with information and opportunities as we continue to Create Hope in the World.



See you at District Conference on April 19-20! Mark your calendar. Registration opens soon!!!

Serving Together, David

# **District 6690 Rotary Foundation Gala**

Register by clicking here today (registration closes January 29<sup>th</sup>!)





## **Progress toward Foundation Goals:**



**District Conference 2024** 

Save-The-Date: April 19th-April 21

Now is the time to get the 2024 District Conference on your calendar. Get your phone or calendar out and reserve April 19th-April 21 for District Conference. The location for the 2024 conference is Deer Creek



State Park (which has been completely remodeled).

We are planning a phenomenal event that you do NOT want to miss. So, mark your calendar now and watch for more details, coming soon!

## **Each One Bring One is Back!**

During the months of February, March, and April, District 6690 will once again run our Each One Bring One campaign. The rules are simple. We are asking each Rotarian to bring at least

one guest to a meeting, social, fundraiser, or other club event. At the end of the three months, the club (per capita) that has the most guests will win a \$500 Social Visit with the District Governor.



Remember, there are people missing from around your Rotary

table. People who are your friends, co-workers, neighbors, and family members. People who are looking for an outlet for service and giving. So, Each One Bring One…and then bring one more…and then one more. Together, we can grow Rotary and do even more good in the world!

So…who will you invite???

**Save the Date: Winter Assembly 2024** 

The District 6690 Winter Assembly will be held Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am â€" 4:00pm, in Newark at a location TBD. Look for registration to open soon.

The purpose of the event is district and club leadership learning. The Winter Assembly will take the place of District Leadership Training held in February in Columbus last year. Each club will be asked to send at least two representatives. In addition to club leadership, this is an opportunity to send new committee chairs, new board members, or new members for district and/or club learning.

More details will follow. But, save-the-date and plan to attend this great learning event! The District 6690 Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest will be held on Friday, April 19, 2024 in conjunction with the Rotary District 6690 Assembly at Deer Creek Lodge and Conference Center. High School students (freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors) who live in Rotary District 6690 (Central & Southeast Ohio) are eligible to participate.

The First-place winner will be asked to speak at the Rotary District Assembly luncheon held on Friday, April 19, 2024. The Second place and Third place winners may also be asked to speak at the luncheon. The three winners, their families and sponsors will be Rotary's guests for the luncheon.

2024 District level prizes will be: First Place: \$1000, Second Place: \$700 and Third Place: \$500

For more information, including how to register, please visit: https://rotary6690.org/get-involved/four-way-test-speech-contest/

#### RYLA is BACK!

While it has been several years since we have held a RYLA event, District 6690 is excited to announce that under the leadership of Melissa Sowers, Jackson Rotary, RYLA will be returning this Summer. Please stay tuned for additional information coming to your inbox and this newsletter for more details.

Questions: Contact RYLA@district6690.org

## **Rotary Peace Candle**

Bring Peace To Your Community! Your club can share the message of peace, kindness and compassion while raising funds for projects you care most about.

District 6690 Peace Candles are now available.

Share Peace At Your Club â€" Share with those who present at club meetings â€" Thank you for Interact Advisors & other supporters â€" Special recognition for club members â€" Share with community



â€" Fundraising to support other peace projects
Cost per candle for clubs is only \$17 (regular price is \$24)

### How does it work?

leaders

Your club purchases candles, adds a markup, and then receives the profit to use as you choose.

Example: Purchase 50 candles at \$17 each Sell 50 candles for \$24 each (you determine final price) Profit made \$ 7 each or \$350 total

\* The special \$17 cost per candle includes a \$5 return to the district to support peace initiatives.

Spread the message of Peace. Ask Club Members to sell candles to friends & family!

For more information, contact PDG MJ Shackelford: mj@barnesadv.com

# **Peace Pole Locator Project**

District 6690 is putting together a map listing the locations of all the Peace Poles within our District. Our hope is to have something to present at DG David's District Conference in April. If your club has a Peace Pole, please let District Peace Committee Co-Chair MJ Shackelford know its location so it can be included on the map! mj@barnesadv.com

The Rotary Club of Newark To Dedicate "Peace Pole" At Rotary Park

Newark Rotarians and community members attended an event on Tuesday, December 19th, 2023 at 1:45pm when a Peace Pole, the most prominent international symbol and monument to peace, was dedicated in recognition of the common desire for peace in the world

The Newark Rotary Park & Playground Peace Pole stands with over 250,000 Peace Poles throughout the world, which are all inscribed with the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth†to demonstrate a commitment to peace and



remind people to think, speak and act in a spirit of peace.

The Rotary Club of Newark, Ohio is one of over 46,000 clubs around the world inspired by Rotary International to collective action and community engagement for world peace as well as our future peacebuilders â€" children.

Club President James Cooper, III said "So many of our Rotary Club members and friends throughout the community are deeply concerned with the unrest in the world. This dedication is a welcome and important opportunity to promote peace in the world and peace in our hearts.â€

The Passing of a Rotary Legend: Past RI Director TD Griley

Past RI Director, Past District 6690 Governor, and Mr. Rotary himself, Theadore "TD†Griley passed away on January 10th, 2024.

TD served as RI Director from 1990 to 1992 and Trustee of The Rotary Foundation from 2001 to 2005.

TD has served Rotary in many positions, including Chairman of the International Conference in 1994, Chairman of the International Assembly in 1995 & 1996 and member of the Nominating Committee in



1993, 1995, 2008 and 2014 (Chairman). He was Aide to two RI Presidents, Frank Devlyn in 2000-2001 and Sakuji Tanaka in 2011-2012. He was a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award. The was a member of the Potary Club of

Newark, Ohio, USA since 1959 and was District Governor of our District in 1976-77.

Known for his gentle demeanor, TD was a mentor to numerous Rotarians.

Rotarians around the world were touched by TD's infectious enthusiasm for Rotary. He leaves a tremendous legacy!

His Obituary can be found **HERE**.

# **Upcoming Learning Events**

For all club Presidents-elect, AGs and District Leaders

District 6690 Pre-PETS | March 15 | Columbus State | REGISTER NOW

All Ohio PETS | March 15-16 | Downtown Columbus | REGISTER NOW