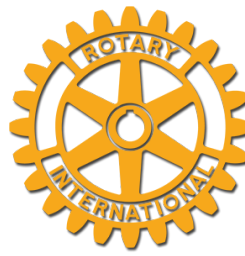


Rotary

Club of Portsmouth



Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Club Meeting

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

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UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKER

MEETING REMINDER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21



GUEST SPEAKER:

**JOHN SABIN
CLIMATE ACTION**



WINTERFEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We have agreed to cover two shifts for Winterfest on *Sunday, November 20*. Seven (7) volunteers are needed for each shift:

- 12:00-3:00 p.m.
- 3:00-6:00 p.m.

If you (and your family or friends!) can cover a shift, please contact Linda: lswjones@gmail.com or 740.935-1062

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!!

Volunteer opportunities



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RING THE BELLS!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

SHIFTS FROM 10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

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Youth MAX Leadership Conference December 7 (snow date December 14) from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at **South Central Ohio ESC**.

- One senior and one junior from each school are invited.
- Local community leaders are invited to join as "mentors" for the day.

WHAT HAPPENS?

- They try to have 2 mentors for every 6 students and we sit you together in small groups.
- ESC curriculum department runs the training
- Mentors are asked to help guide the students' discussions and/or team-building activities.
- No preparation; just show up and interact with the students.
- Activities on John Maxwell's book, "Sometimes You Win, Sometimes You Learn".



Mehaffey
President-Elect



Timothy Horner
Secretary
Treasurer



Steven Rader
Membership Chair
Past President
Club Peace Committee Chair



Daniel Simco
iPast President



Teresa (Tess) Midkiff
Sergeant-at-Arms



Sondra M. Hash
Club Public Image Chair



Fredrick Gohmann
Club TRF Chair



Thomas Downard
Asst Governor

• It's really fun!

CONTACT LINDA IF INTERESTED!

NOVEMBER ROTARY BIRTHDAYS



November 1

Ralph Wisniewski



November 5

Jim Wayne

November 26

Jamie Mehaffey



Rotary



November 28

Bryan Smith



November 28

Neil Hatcher



November 30

John Walker

Find Your Rotary Foundation "Why"

Price Finley, District Governor

If you've ever had a toddler, you know that they ask "Why?" a lot! Why do I have to take a nap? – Why is a frog green? – Why does



a dog bark? Our son Rees once asked a question that completely stumped Alice and me - "Why can't I go to the North Pole and become one of Santa's elves?" That's when we admitted that we didn't have all the answers. Rees gradually stopped asking so many questions.

At some point along the way, we all seem to stop asking "why?" and we just go along. However, I believe it is time to reclaim our "why?" Noted author and speaker, Simon Sinek, who has one of the most popular TED Talks of all time ([How Great Leaders Inspire Action](#)), argues that the most important question that we should ask ourselves is "Why?"

Every single person, every single organization on the planet knows what they do, 100 percent. Some know how they do it, whether you call it your differentiated value proposition or your proprietary process or your USP ["unique selling point"]. But very, very few people or organizations know why they do what they do... By "why," I mean: What's your purpose? What's your cause? What's your belief?

Why does your organization exist? Why do you get out of bed in the morning? And why should anyone care? -Simon Sinek

If we can find our "why," then everything else starts to fall into place.

It was during my recent trip to Guatemala, that I was overcome with emotion and rediscovered my Rotary Foundation "why?" Her name is Ana Florinda. She is one of about twenty young moms who graduated from the [Natún Guatemala](#) trade school program the day we visited. With a baby wrapped tightly in a cloth sling and nestled closely to her chest, Ana Florinda received her certificate of completion. With her limited education, she has only learned to speak a little bit of Spanish (the Mayan people in this region speak the indigenous language, Kaqchikel), so it was impossible for me to understand her words. However, even with the language barrier, I felt the strength and hope in her voice and saw a proud twinkle in her dark eyes as she held her head up high and celebrated her achievement. As I write this, I can still feel the emotions filling my heart and tears filling my eyes as I realized why I was there and why I wanted to help make a difference.



I will likely never know if Ana Florinda's business is successful or if her baby will receive a good education and have access to clean water or health care. But the determination and love on Ana Florinda's face that day leads me to believe that the opportunities that she has been provided will make a difference for this mother and child and others like them.

Ana Florinda's opportunity in this program was possible because of The Rotary Foundation. In 2013, the Upper Arlington Rotary Club applied for and received a Rotary Foundation Global Grant of over \$75,000 to build a trade school to teach carpentry, computer and sewing skills to adults who have aged out of Guatemala's education system - most participants have a first or second grade education, are illiterate, and wouldn't otherwise be able to provide a means of support for their families.

November is Rotary Foundation month. The Rotary Foundation is the gas that fuels our Rotary service bus. In celebration of Ana Florinda's graduation, I invite you to support the Foundation with a meaningful financial gift.

Finally, please share your Rotary Foundation "Why?" on my FB page. I look forward to hearing from you.

Some Important Information

About OUR Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation truly is one of the top charitable foundations in the world. For 14 consecutive years, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from [Charity Navigator](#), an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S. The Rotary Foundation has earned this recognition by adhering to sector best practices

and executing its mission in a financially efficient way, demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. Only one percent of the organizations Charity Navigator evaluates have received 14 consecutive 4-star evaluations.

- All-time contributions to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund (the fund from which local and international projects are funded through district and global grants) and the PolioPlus Fund (the fund supporting Rotary's effort to eradicate polio) have totaled \$4.9 billion.
- In 2021-22, our Foundation funded more than 1,190 global grants, 470 district grants, and 225 disaster response grants to help communities thrive.
- That's NOT including contributions to the Foundation's Disaster Response fund which, so far, has provided 353 disaster response grants, totaling \$11.7 million in 29 countries, to support people affected by the war in Ukraine.



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125 CLUB

Recognizing Rotarians who contribute \$100 or more to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund and \$25 or more to PolioPlus for the 2022-2023 Rotary Year.

Two Options to Give

1 Log into your My.Rotary.org account using your Rotary ID and contribute \$100 or more to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund and \$25 or more to the PolioPlus Fund;

or

2 Use the District's giving app by going to https://givebutter.com/125_club or scanning this QR Code

(Note: Givebutter applies a \$5.33 credit card convenience fee)



- When you receive your District 6690 125 Club pin, **WEAR IT PROUDLY!**
- Encourage fellow Rotary members to join the 125 Club! Last year, over 800 Rotarians in District 6690 joined the 125 Club - will you join this year?



(Pins will be distributed by Assistant District Governors periodically throughout the Rotary year)

Events

DISTRICT 6690 ROTARY FOUNDATION

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save-the-date



SATURDAY, FEB. 4, 2023, 6:30 - 9:30 PM
HOCKING HILLS LODGE & CONFERENCE CENTER
KEYNOTE SPEAKER: LARRY LUNSFORD, PAST RI
DIRECTOR AND CURRENT TRUSTEE FOR THE
ROTARY FOUNDATION (2021-25)

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2022-2023 District 6690 Conference

April 28-29, 2023

National Veterans Memorial and Museum

300 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215
(on the Scioto Peninsula of the site of the former Vets Memorial building)

- Friday evening: Welcome reception on the rooftop – beautiful views of the downtown skyline.
- Saturday: Inspiring speakers and breakout sessions, plus guided tours of the museum.

SAVE THE DATE