

Rotary

Club of Portsmouth



Tuesday, November 29, 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 MONDAY 12/5

MEETING REMINDER
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

GUEST SPEAKER:

BRYAN SMITH
Friends of Portsmouth



Rotary  Portsmouth, Ohio

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY -- RING THE BELLS!!

RING THE BELLS!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

SHIFTS FROM 10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

If you (and your family or friends!) can cover a shift, please contact
Linda: [?lswjones@gmail.com](mailto:lswjones@gmail.com) or 740-935-1062



REPRESENTATIVE TO DISTRICT COMMITTEE NEEDED

Rotary



District 6690

ASAP.

District 6690 has asked us for a club liaison for the district's Veteran's Affairs Committee. The VAC would utilize this club contact person to help promote its program and activities that promote veterans services, programs, and activities.

If interested, please contact [President Linda](#)

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 8

Bryan Davis

December 20

David Thoroughman



[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



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 [Natum 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)

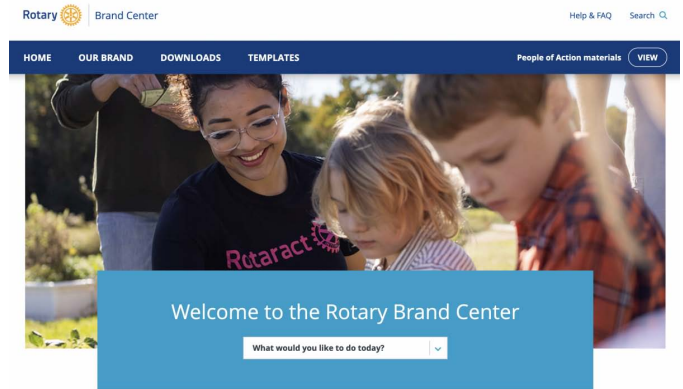
- Friday evening: Welcome reception on the rooftop – beautiful views of the downtown skyline.
- Saturday: Inspiring speakers and breakout sessions, plus guided tours of the museum.

SAVE THE DATE

New & Improved Brand Center

You don't have to reinvent the wheel each time your club wants to promote an event or spread a Rotary message. The RI Brand Center has just about everything you'll need from tools to create your club's logo and custom brochure to social media templates. Download ready-to-use banners, posters and flyers. Build awareness using People of Action marketing materials. Go to my.rotary.org and login. Then hover over Member Center and click on [Brand Center](#). You'll be amazed at all the available tools. If you get stuck, reach out to [Dave](#) or [Claudia](#) with your questions.

Oh, and about reinventing the wheel – none allowed on Rotary logos, including the wheel. Use all logos and brand elements exactly as presented in Brand Center. How easy is that!



November is ROTARY FOUNDATION Month

EVERY MONTH

- Share photos from club meeting on social media at least once each week. Tag the speaker.
- Highlight one member's story with photo on social media.
- Highlight one club committee or service project on social media.

Suggested hashtags: #Rotary #RotaryPower #RotaryHappy #YourClub'sName #Imagine #Imagine Rotary #YourServiceProject #District6690

Graphics & Additional Information: <https://rotary6690.org/our-clubs/public-image/>



ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

MONTH	DESIGNATION
JULY	No Special Designation
AUGUST	Membership & New Club Development
SEPTEMBER	 Basic Education and Literacy
OCTOBER	 Community Economic Development
NOVEMBER	Rotary Foundation
DECEMBER	 Disease Prevention and Treatment
JANUARY	Vocational Service
FEBRUARY	 Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention
MARCH	 Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
APRIL	 Maternal and Child Health
MAY	Youth Service
JUNE	Rotary Fellowships

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