

Rotary
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PLAYBOOK



FEBRUARY 2018

Message from Governor Deb Cheney



HELLO TEAM 6600!

The month of January was an absolutely SUCCESSFUL month for District 6600. We started out the month with an awesome One Rotary Summit where more than 60 leaders joined together to exchange ideas on how to energize their Clubs. The leaders engaged in positive new thinking based on the video Seeing Red Cars and took home hands-on tools to strengthen membership, public image and involvement in Foundation programs. Thank you so much to everyone who attended.

During the second week of January a TEAM from District 6600 flew to Sri Lanka to officially open water filtration centers in seven Villages in North Central Sri Lanka! These Villages did not have access to clean drinking water and were fighting Chronic Kidney Disease, resulting in death and the lack of ability to support their families. With the support from a Global Grant between District 6600 and the Columbo Rotary Club of Sri Lanka, these Villages now have clean water. I witnessed an amazing project between two districts that worked remarkably together. It is impossible to put into words how this experience affected me! Congratulations TEAM 6600, every one of you are a part of this story of clean water across the globe! For the full story and beautiful photos [click here](#).

Next up a TEAM from our District attended the Uniendo Project Fair in Belize City, Belize January 25-27th. Every member of that team spent time exploring new projects and connecting with Rotarians on service projects. They all returned excited with many possible projects and opportunities to work with our friends in South America!

Last but not least, our 2018 District Conference registration opened at the end of January. We have an exciting and rewarding District Conference planned for you from May 18th to 20th, 2018 in the heart of Downtown Toledo at the newly opened Renaissance Hotel. Please [click here](#) to read about our conference and to register. Bring a team from your club, you won't regret it!

As you can see our District truly exhibits "service above self"! The money you give to the Foundation is making an impact on people locally and internationally! We have so much to be proud of but there is still so much to do to help the people who are less fortunate than us. Let's keep the momentum going and continue to be "people of action"! I hope February is a GREAT month for District 6600!
Make a Difference!

Yours in Service,

Deb



FEBRUARY 2018 THEME

Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month



Consider joining a Rotary Peace Action Group! The Rotarian Action Group for Peace gives Rotary members resources and support to advance world peace and turn ambitious ideas into life-changing realities. [Click here](#) for information and videos on the efforts Rotary is doing for Peace!

District 6600 Peace Chair/Coach is PDG Chuck Stocking. Please reach out to Chuck for information on "Peace" or for a speaker at cstocking@pbenet.com

MARCH 2018 THEME

Water and Sanitation Month

Clean water and sanitation is a human right. When people, especially children, have access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, they lead healthier and more successful lives.

We don't just build wells and walk away. Rotary members integrate water, sanitation, and hygiene into education projects. When children learn about disease transmission and practice good hygiene, they miss less school. And they can take those lessons home to their families, expanding our impact.

Important Rotary International Dates



February 22 – M.E.S.A. Meeting at 4:30 at the M.E.S.A. Warehouse in Fostoria

March 9 - 10 – All Ohio Presidents Elect Training in Columbus, Ohio

March 12 - 18 – World Rotaract Week (It's the 50th Anniversary!)

March 16 – District 6600 trip to Rotary International in Evanston, Illinois

March 23 – 4 Way Essay Contest due to District Essay Chair

March 24 – Foundation Training for Club Foundation Chairs

April 13 – 4 Way Essay Contest winners announced

April 14 – Speech Contest at Van Wert

April 28 – District Assembly

April 28 – RYLA

May 5 (Saturday) – STRIVE Interviews (West) - Findlay Inn and Conference Center

May 19 – 4 Way Speech/Essay Contest and STRIVE winners will be recognized at the District Conference

May 18 - 20 – District Conference at Renaissance Toledo

Save The Date

FOUNDATION SEMINAR

Foundation Chair/Coach Rex is having a Foundation Seminar on Saturday, March 24th at the University of Findlay. Our RI guest trainer is Janet McPeck! Registration is at 8:30 and we will begin at 9:00AM. Please come and bring your Club Foundation Chairs and/or anyone interested in the Foundation.

ROTARY DISTRICT 6600 VISITS ROTARY INTERNATIONAL IN EVANSTON, IL

Toledo Rotarian Ben Hunger is planning a visit to RI in Evanston (Chicago), IL on Friday, March 16, 2018 from 9:00am to approximately 3:30pm for District 6600. Topics of discussion include: Membership Engagement, Lake Erie Water Quality, International Service Projects/Global Grants, Programs, Foundation, and Others TBD. Transportation is on your own.

Optional hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Chicago North Shore / Evanston: \$138 per night and is available Thursday, March 15 through Saturday, March 17th (checking out Sunday). Your guests can now begin making reservations for the Rotary Club of Toledo District 6600 by either calling 1-877-STAYHGI with the group code: R6600 or online by [clicking here](#).

Hurry, this event is limited to the first 25 participants!

For questions contact Ben Hunger at Ben@ICFluid.com

Our Team In Action



CHECK OUT WHAT IS GOING ON WITH TEAM ROTARY!



OUR TEAM HARD AT WORKING AT THE ONE ROTARY SUMMIT! ENGAGED! PEOPLE OF ACTION!

Vermilion Rotary and Oak Harbor Rotary were the only Clubs to have EVERYONE EREY by the end of Foundation Month in November! Congratulations! Both Clubs received homemade desserts from DG Deb!



The Lorain Board accepts the 2016-17 Polio Award from DG Deb



Immediate Past President Barbara of Archbold receives the 2016-17 Polio Award from DG Deb



The Rotary Club of Vermilion inducts their first "family" membership! Welcome to Rotary, Larry and Karen!



Immediate Past President Maggie and Club Foundation Chair Sam accept the 100% 2016-17 Foundation banner from DG Deb.

How Rotary Makes Help Happen

Rotary has issued a global challenge to its members, asking them to work collectively to improve education quality and access — particularly for girls — by working with communities to improve teacher training, curriculum, and water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities.

Need a make-up? Check out our District E-Club! <https://www.rotaryclub6600.org/>

Membership

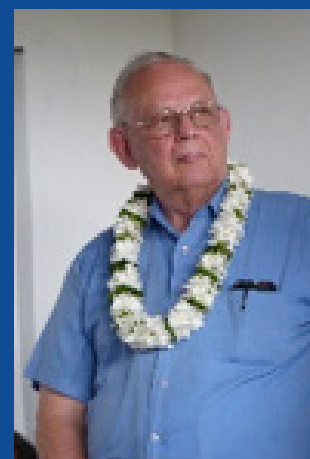


30 Clubs have gained in membership.
The District has gone up from 3482 to 3498!

Rotarian Spotlight: Ron Stoner

Ron has spent most of his retired life volunteering for Rotary including working with M.E.S.A., the M.E.S.A. Bike Ride and the GSE teams. Thirty seven years ago, Ron and his wife Jeannie and their two daughters (Gwynne and Holly) moved to Sri Lanka for a year where he taught at Sri Jawardenapura University (Physics). Ron and his daughter Gwen had the opportunity to travel back to Sri Lanka in January for the Grand Openings and Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies of seven water filtration plants in the Villages of northern Sri Lanka. The people in those villages have been dying of kidney disease. But, with a Global Grant between District 6600 and the Columbo Rotary Club of Sri Lanka these Villages now have clean water! Ron turned 80 in November and was thrilled to have the opportunity to go back and visit the country he and his family called home for one year.

Ron loves to fish and, according to his daughter Gwynne, is a great fisherman. He walks his two dogs daily Wilbur (golden retriever) and Cosmo (rescued Great Pyrenees). Ron is a fantastic Papaw to 5 grandchildren who all admire him. Ron is a Bowling Green Rotarian and is admired not only by his grandkids but BG and the Rotarians of District 6600. Congratulations Ron!



Water is Life



ROTARY CITIZEN'S SCIENCE WATER MONITORING

New for this season – we are expanding this program! We are working with 4 universities (OSU Stone Lab, Heidelberg, BGSU and UT), the Lucas County Sustainability Commission/Nutrient Source Inventory, Lucas County Soil and Water Conservation group. A new analytical technique for Phosphorus will help us take a major step up in data quality along with Nitrate and Ammonia testing. Most importantly, we will be selecting sites to monitor based on likely spots of highest nutrient runoff and this makes it very important for us to work cooperatively with Soil and Water Conservation and AG/Farm groups. (We intend to help resources get to the places they will do the most good – NOT to be policemen!) If any clubs can help us to make good contacts with their local County Soil and Water conservation group please get in touch with Janina Douglas (Toledo) or Eric Anderson (Findlay). Eric Anderson is taking over from Jim Page to lead this important and growing project!

ENVIRONMENT/TREES

The District Water Committee (Janina Douglas) and the District Tree committee (Melanie Satterfield) are working with the Environmental Sustainability group to restore our wetlands. President Riseley's tree-planting challenge will do double duty – we are helping to restore wetlands which will contribute to clean up the Maumee River! Our target date (depending on the Spring weather) is April 21st and we will be planting 1,000 trees in cooperation with the Black Swamp Conservancy at their Forrest Woods Preserve site in Cecil, Ohio, just west of Defiance. This site, along the upper Maumee River is regarded as one of the finest remnants of the Great Black Swamp and is home to more than 30 rare and endangered species of plants and animals. It is truly a treasure and its position along the Maumee River means that work preserving and restoring it will contribute to making the Maumee healthy again! The day will include a naturalist-led walk and lecture. This will be a multi-club project – Toledo, Waterville, Perrysburg, Oberlin, St Francis Interact, others? Please consider joining us! Students and families are welcome!

Check out our "Rotary District 6600 Go Green Challenge" Facebook page here.

You can share your spring tree planting projects! You can also send your photos to our Coach Melanie Satterfield at mfredrickson68@windstream.net

Spotlight on a Grant



THE ROTARY CLUB OF ADA'S MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO HAITI

On November 13, 2017, Mission Possible's medical mission team – physicians, nurses and pharmacists, including Ada Rotarian and pharmacist Joey Campbell spent one week in Haiti. The goal of the trip was to provide physicals to 2,000 school age children, whose basic medical needs are often not met, and to treat a variety of acute and chronic conditions.



Medical Equipment Supplies Abroad (MESA)



THE NEXT MEETING IS FEBRUARY 22ND AT 4:30 AT THE M.E.S.A. WAREHOUSE. THE NEXT WORKDAY IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 24TH!



Please call, text or email Scott Salyers 419.348.7719 (cell) salyersscott@yahoo.com if you and/or your Club is able to work!

M.E.S.A. Chair Bob DiNardo, Bob Ruehl, and Toledo President Sharon Skilliter discuss projects at the Uniendo Project Fair in Belize.

Grants

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OFFERS GRANTS THAT SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAMS. HERE'S AN OVERVIEW:

GLOBAL GRANTS support large international projects with long-term, sustainable outcomes in one or more of Rotary's areas of focus. They range from \$15,000 to \$200,000.

DISTRICT GRANTS fund smaller-scale, short-term projects that address immediate needs in your community or abroad. Districts use funds that are designation based on giving to The Annual Fund through The Rotary Foundation. Your donations come back and help us make grants within our clubs.

We are pleased to announce the following clubs have received District Grants for the 2017-18 Rotary year. District Governor Deb has presented several clubs their "big check" and more presentations and pictures will be coming soon.

Congratulations to all of these clubs for their hard work and commitment to service.



CLUB	PROJECT	AREA OF FOCUS	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	DISTRICT FUNDING
Ada	Medical Mission to Haiti	Disease Prevention and Treatment	\$1,200	\$400
Bucyrus and Galion	Crawford County Society for Crippled Children and Adults	Health- Treatment Equipment	\$3,000	\$1,000
Celina	Celina Rotary Onesie Program	Health	\$2,400	\$600
Celina Lima New Bremen/New Knoxville St Marys	Costa Rica Medical Clinic	Disease Prevention and Treatment	\$19,400	\$5,000
Elyria	Elyria Rotary Club Centennial Playground	Community Development	\$350,500	\$15,000
Elyria Sunrise	Shoebboxes of Supplies for Nicaraguan Children	Basic Education & Literacy, Maternal and Child Health	\$750	\$375
Findlay	Leader in Me Findlay/Hancock School Funding	Basic Education	\$4,300	\$450
Lima	Fighting Opiate Addiction Through "Let's Talk"	Basic Education & Literacy, Disease Prevention & Treatment, Economic Development	\$5,000	\$1,650
Lima	No Excuses: 24/7 Homeless Assistance	Basic Education & Literacy, Economic Development, Maternal & Child Health	\$15,200	\$5,000
Loudonville	LED Lighting for Ohio Theatre	Community Support	\$101,000	\$2,000
North Coast	Dolly Parton's Imagination Library	Basic Education & Literacy	\$10,000	\$2,500
Perrysburg	Deborah House 2: Repairs and Remediation	Maternal and Child Health	\$9,130	\$3,000
Waterville	Basic Education Mission to Belize	Basic Education & Literacy	\$9,000	\$4,500
Willard	Mercy Hospital Transportation Van	Disease Prevention & Treatment	\$4,500	\$1,500

Club Awards



DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR CLUBS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ROTARY AWARDS?

District Governor Deb Cheney is calling for nominations for awards to be presented at 2018 District Conference. While certain awards are awarded solely by the district governor, others are forwarded on to Rotary International for additional consideration. District Awards and Rotary International award nominees will be recognized at the 2018 District Conference. These awards include:

- **Club Builder Award** honors deserving Rotarians in District 6600 who have significantly supported and strengthened their Rotary Clubs. Winners must have recruited at least five members who are active Rotarians at the time of nomination, participated in Rotary training in their club, participated in at least one meaningful club-level vocational service project, and attended at least two district meetings in the three years immediately preceding nomination. **Up to 10 may be awarded each year.**
- **Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service** to honor members who have been actively involved in service activities related to The Rotary Foundation, such as serving on a Foundation committee, participating in a grant-funded project, or supporting a Rotary Peace Fellow for longer than one year. Financial contributions to the Foundation, however notable, are not relevant considerations for this award. **One is awarded each year.**
- **Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award** is the Foundation's highest service recognition and is given to Rotarians who have demonstrated exemplary service to the Foundation. Recipients must have received the Citation for Meritorious Service at least four years prior to be eligible for this award. **One is awarded each year.**
- **Rotary Foundation District Service Award** is given to Rotarians who have demonstrated exemplary service to the Foundation. **Up to 20 may be awarded by the District Governor.**
- **Significant Achievement Award** recognizes a club in our district whose local project has addressed a significant problem or need in your community. International projects are not eligible. **One club per district will be recognized each year.**

Where applicable, nomination forms are available for download and completion [here](#). Where no nomination form is provided, please submit a letter via e-mail to district6600@gmail.com of not more than two pages. Nominations for awards conferred by or forwarded by the district governor must be received no later than March 31, 2018.

Giving



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING:

- **Giving: Piggy raised \$328.88** at the One Rotary Summit and the District Advisory Committee Meeting
- **Annual Fund \$526,220** – Have you given to the Foundation yet this year? Please consider being a part of the Every Rotarian Every Year program by giving \$100.

SPRING CONTESTS AND YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

1. **From the STRIVE Coaches, PDG John and Ronnie Cole** – Please SAVE the DATE for Saturday, May 5th! The interviews for the West side of the District will be at the Findlay Inn on West Main Cross in downtown Findlay and the interviews for the East side is at the Marble Institute of America in Oberlin! **Here is the link for the information.**
2. **From the 4 Way Speech Coach Steve Hosler** – The 4Way Speech Contest is Saturday, April 14th at the Fine Arts Center in Van Wert. **Here is the link for the information.**
3. **From the 4Way Essay Coach Esther Baldrige** – The 4Way Essay Test essays are due to Esther Baldrige on March 23rd! (Peer editing and teacher suggestions are appropriate for theses Junior High Essays.) **Here is the link for the information.**
4. **From the Defiance Rotary Club** – The World Community Workshop is Saturday, May 10th-12th at Defiance College. **Click here** to register!!
5. **From the RYLA Coach Jim Vanderpool** – The date for RYLA is Saturday April 28th! Start spreading the word to our youth. Stay tuned for more info!
6. **From the District Conference Youth Chairs Wes and Aly** – There will be a YOUTH Conference on Saturday, May 19th during the District Conference. Please SAVE the DATE and start to spread the news about the YOUTH Conference!

Lead. Connect. Grow. Serve.

HOW LEADERSHIP TOLEDO AND ROTARY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TOGETHER!

For the over 2,000 Leadership Toledo (LT) graduates, these four powerful words best define the experiences shared throughout its 36-year history of inspiring community volunteerism and expanding awareness of community issues. LT graduates represent both this community's emerging and veteran leaders of today. Many are Rotarians – as both organizations espouse a commitment to “service above self.”

Why is information on LT included in this newsletter? I believe it important to encourage collaboration, especially as we seek opportunities for youth. In talking to LT leaders, they, too, promote collaboration and I was pleased to learn in how many instances Rotarians and Interact members throughout the District are assuming leadership roles in their award-winning initiatives. At a time when young leaders are already stretched to meet demands, we're proud that we're finding ways to grow and strengthen our impact – working smarter, not harder!

What are those initiatives? Youth Leadership Toledo (YLT) was created in 1997 and challenges over 50 high school sophomores throughout the greater Toledo region each year to realize what their leadership roles and responsibilities are and how to impact their schools and community. YLT meets at least monthly as a group to gain leadership skills and perspective through a variety of sessions designed to expose participants to community needs and opportunities to step away from the sidelines and play an immediate role in solutions!

During the 2008-09 school year, LT was chosen by Jefferson Awards Foundation to assimilate their national service recognition program into our high schools. While at first the focus was on making Youth Jefferson Awards available to deserving young leaders, today, LT expertise in leadership training plays a greater role. SIA has grown beyond its initial function of offering “an award” – in the

Toledo Region it is an initiative/movement that empowers young people in grades 9-12 to step away from the sidelines to accept leadership roles at their schools, in their neighborhoods, and well beyond! The Toledo Region continues to dominate the nation in service and leadership – evidenced in national competition with Springfield High School being named #2 Ambassador High school in the nation (highest category) and Lake High School being named the #1 Banner School in the nation (largest category). LT also encourages collaboration between the schools and facilitated a regional service project that resulted in 25,000 cookies being distributed to those too often overlooked during the holidays. Also, during the 2016-17 school year, the 40 SIA schools reported 459,596 total service hours and presented 107 Youth Jefferson Awards to deserving students. (in 2014, Maumee's Rotary supported the school's SIA's trip to the national ceremonies to represent the Toledo Region in national competition).

Maumee and Sylvania's Northview/Southview high schools take advantage of Interact to lead their school's SIA initiatives. Let me tell you about some of our young leaders: Janaki Patel is a senior at Anthony Wayne High School and is YLT graduate and both an Interact and Students in Action leader at her high school. Janaki was also awarded a Youth Jefferson Award last year for her countless efforts to lead classmates to engage in service. Most recently, she led the school's “Cookie Drop” which baked and presented over 2,750 treats to their heroes at the 180th Fighter Wing! Mark Reid graduated last year from Maumee High School. Mark's leadership and commitment to service were responsible in 2016 for his receipt of a Youth Jefferson Award. His leadership helped engage classmates in too many service efforts to list. Holland/Springfield Rotary member Kristina White works as LT's Director of Community Impact and has engaged several club members to play a significant role in their school's nationally recognized Ambassador-level SIA.

Challenge. Lead. Connect. Grow. Serve.

These four powerful words have and will continue to define Leadership Toledo.

