



November is Foundation Month



NOVEMBER GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

October was another very intense month of official visits to clubs all around the district. It has been my pleasure to see the wonderful diversity of our clubs. Each has a different personality and priorities. The common bond though is the values of Rotary that bind all of us together to do good in the world. A consistent goal of each club is to find ways to connect . . . with their communities, with each other and with the Rotary world. It was clear to me everywhere I went that Rotarians in our district genuinely enjoy each other – Rotary fellowship is alive and well in District 6600. There are many fund raisers being planned, community projects being organized and connections being made to launch global projects through the Rotary network. Future updates will include reporting on the good that comes from all this work.

I am waiting to see the stories and pictures from the many Polio activities that were held all around our district. I am pleased to say that on World Polio Day my End Polio Now collections from the clubs I have already visited climbed to over \$10,000. Thank you to all who gave so generously!

November is Foundation Month and is a great time to focus on Every Rotarian Every Year. The Rotary Foundation is our foundation – created by Rotarians to fund Rotary projects both locally and internationally. It consistently receives Charity Navigators highest rating. Rotary Direct is a safe and easy way to contribute as you are able.

Please remember my challenge to each of you to attend one district event during this Rotary year! Check on the District calendar to register for events as they are announced.

Thank you to all of you for everything you do to make Rotary great!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Carolyn



Celebrating World Polio Day with my home club of Lorain & President Michelle Pullin.



November – Rotary Foundation Month

REBUILDING LIVES

HEALING THOUSANDS

SUPPORTING EDUCATION

PROMOTING PEACE

GROWING LOCAL ECONOMIES

WHEN YOU HEAR ROTARY FOUNDATION, WHAT DO YOU THINK OF? I WOULD GUESS YOU THINK OF GIVING MONEY.

The Rotary Foundation is so much more than just giving money. We are rebuilding lives, healing thousands, supporting education, promoting peace, and growing local economies.

The Rotary Foundation awarded \$86,677, 399 in funding grants during the 2018 fiscal year. District 6600 raised \$343,053 during the 2018-2019 Rotary year. \$123,366 went to the PolioPlus Fund. The District also awarded 11 grants from the giving to the annual fund/share in Rotary year 2015-2016. The total project budgets totaled \$96,036.

Your donation is needed to continue the great work of the Rotary Foundation in your local communities and across the globe.

We encourage each of you to be an Every Rotarian Every Year giver and highly recommend doing this by becoming a Paul Harris Society member.

For more information on the Rotary Foundation, reach out to one of the below individuals:

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ROTARY CONNECTS
THE WORLD



PEOPLE OF ACTION



Lorain Rotarians worked to install the Falbo Park Inclusive Playground. The swing set shown was purchased by the club. Immediate past President Ron Mantini, current President Michelle Pullin and her daughter Leah, along with other Lorain Rotarians were there to help with the installation.



Mansfield Rotarians working on Adopt a Highway.

Upcoming District Events

PLEASE LOG INTO WWW.DACDB.COM FOR DETAILS ON THESE AND OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS.

The Rotary Club of Willard is holding their annual online auction

November 21 through December 1, 2019
at www.willardrotaryauction.com

Please check it out as there will be great items to be had.

District 6600

Peace and Leadership Workshop

November 23rd, 8:30AM-3PM (see ad for details)

One Rotary Summit

January 4, 2020 – starts at 8:30AM

Terra State Community College,
2830 Napoleon Rd., • Fremont, OH 43420

Project Fair 2020

January 23-25, 2020 (see article for details)

District Advisory Committee Meeting

February 1, 2020 – 8:30AM-12PM,

Terra State Community College,
2830 Napoleon Rd. • Fremont, OH 43420

District 6600 President-Elect Training Seminar

Friday and Saturday – March 13-14, 2020,
Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel

2020 District Conference

Friday & Saturday, May 1– 2, 2020

Friday 8AM • Saturday 10PM

Maumee Bay State Park

1400 State Park Rd, Oregon, OH 43616

District Assembly

Saturday May 30, 2020 08:00 AM

2:00 PM Penta Career Center,

9301 Buck Rd. • Perrysburg, OH 43551

Rotary International Conference

June 6-10, 2020 <https://rotaryhonolulu2020.org/>

District Governor

Keith Hodkinson Installation

Friday June 26, 2020 • 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

<https://www.hancockhotel.com/>

Youth Exchange Program

Outbound Orientation

Otterbein Ohio-Erie Multidistrict

July 10-11-12, 2020

Friday July 10, 2020 4PM – Sunday July 12, 2020 11:30AM

Otterbein University

1 South Grove Street • Westerville, OH 43081

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ROTARY CONNECTS
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OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION DAY IN INDIA

We just received word from the Government of India that they are planning to hold a polio National Immunization Day (NID) January 19, 2020. We will be organizing a group program to Delhi and Uttar Pradesh to participate in the NID and house-to-house activities. This will be the 32nd such trip we have organized to take North American Rotarians to participate in a polio NID.

Frequently, we hear the comment, "I would like to participate in an NID, but I don't know how to find out about these trips." You now have the information to share with your Rotarians.

Along with participation in the polio immunization activities, we will meet with the World Health Organization and local Rotary clubs in Delhi and Jaipur. We will also take a couple of days to travel to Agra to see the Taj Mahal and Jaipur to see the Pink City.

Tentatively, our group will depart on Friday, 10 January from North America and return on January 21, 2020. We are working with the Indian Rotary leadership to finalize the itinerary, Rotary programs and accommodations. We hope to have specific information available the week of October 28, 2019, if not earlier. You will receive the material as soon as it is available.

We are sending you this message so you are aware that an NID will be held in 2020 in India, and we will be organizing a program. Please share this information with others in your club and in your district. We will have a limit as to how many people we can take, and typically, these trips sell out in a week or two. Please tell any interested Rotarians to send us an email so we can add them to our database to ensure they are among the first to receive a notice when the itinerary is finalized.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Jolene R. Bortz

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"We look forward to traveling with you"



POLIO UPDATE

Lee Peters, District 6600 Polio Chair

One of our smallest clubs, Milan painted Pinkies Purple for Polio during the Milan Mellon Festival to raise awareness and \$168.00 in donations to polio. Our largest club Toledo, flew in Ann Lee Hussey, a Polio activist who has led 25 immunization efforts. What did your club do to highlight World Polio Day? Please report at endpolionow.org and send them with pictures to lee.peters.apo@gmail.com. The District would like to highlight your projects during the year.



Current Polio Statistics

Country	2019	2018
Afghanistan	16	21
Pakistan	72	12

Please invest by going to endpolionow.org or to Rotary.org and make a donation. All donations are matched 2 to 1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. If you give \$100.00 they match \$200.00 which makes \$300.00! We are asking for at least a \$25.00 investment which becomes a \$75.00 contribution to ending Polio! Thank you for what you do in your communities and around the world. Let's make history and keep our promise to the children of the world as for International President John Germ stated that we would eliminate Polio.



GIRLS GOLF: STATE TOURNAMENT

YET ANOTHER NEW EXPERIENCE FOR AVON FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT AIYAWEE WATTANAVANICHAKORN

When Doug Maurer (RYE District Chair) travels the district talking about changing lives of both Inbound and Outbound students this is what it is all about.

When Avon's Aiyawee "Bua" Wattanavanichakorn tees off at 10:40 a.m. today on The Ohio State University Gray Course to begin play in the Division I girls state tournament, she might be the only one of the 72 golfers in the field with an intercontinental cheering section.

A junior who came to Avon from Thailand as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program will not only have her Eagles teammates and friends rooting her on, she'll also have the support of her family and friends following her progress on the internet from her hometown of Chiang Mai, a city of 131,000 in northern Thailand.

"I told my family and my friends I'm going to the state tournament and they are very excited and very proud of me," Wattanavanichakorn said.

Wattanavanichakorn has been golfing since she was 7. Her first sport was badminton but when she saw kids golfing at the local course which was near the badminton courts she told her parents she wanted to switch.

Until she was 14, Wattanavanichakorn played or practiced her on a daily basis, playing in community or provincial tournaments. However, once she entered high school the rigors of the Thai school system put an abrupt halt to her golf career.

In Thailand, Wattanavanichakorn attended school from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily and came home with hours of homework each night, leaving little time for recreational or sporting activities.

"After I stopped playing for two years I didn't expect to come back and be good like I was before," said Wattanavanichakorn, who had her mother ship her clubs to her in Avon when she found out she'd be able to join the Eagles golf team.

She didn't join the team until late August, a few weeks into the season, but she immediately made her presence known. By the time the Eagles got to the Southwestern Conference Tournament, Wattanavanichakorn was one of the favorites and she didn't disappoint, shooting a 76 to win by eight strokes. She followed that up by winning the sectional title with another round of 76 and earning her way to state with a round of 79 at last week's district tournament in Hudson.

"It's been a really exciting season," Wattanavanichakorn said. "Golf helped me make many new friends and learn about the school."

Wattanavanichakorn said the mild late summer, early fall weather in Northern Ohio is somewhat more conducive to golf than her native climate, where high temperatures average in the 90s six months out of the year.

Besides adjusting to a new school and a new country, Wattanavanichakorn has also had to adjust to different cuisine. Many of the spicy foods she enjoys back home — her favorite is spicy papaya salad — are not readily available in Ohio, but she's adapted to western tastes, listing cheese pizza, macaroni and cheese and ice cream as her favorite American dishes.

Once golf season is over, Wattanavanichakorn will also have the opportunity to travel the country

as part of the Rotary program, taking trips to New York and Washington, D.C., followed by another out west to visit Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Canyon.

"I think school is better in the U.S.," Wattanavanichakorn said. "Your day ends around 2 or 3 p.m. and the school supports you with other activities like sports."

Wattanavanichakorn also plans to join Avon's winter sports club and is looking forward to going snowboarding once the snow starts to fly.

Right now she's focused on golf. Before she played a practice round on the Gray course Thursday, Wattanavanichakorn said she was hoping to pick up some tips to help her once the competition begins.

"I just want to see what the course looks like and see how fast the greens are," Wattanavanichakorn said. "I just hope it's not too hot or not too cold."

Although Wattanavanichakorn will return home to Thailand before the start of the next school year, she hopes Saturday won't be her final round of competitive golf on American soil.

"I want to come back and study university here," she said. "Maybe I'll be able to come back and play golf in university, too."



MEET YOUR DISTRICT 6600 MEMBERSHIP TEAM

We are excited to announce our team of experienced Rotarians, that are eager to assist you with your membership experience. Each member of our team have been very successful in membership growth and engagement. Depending on what focus you wish to take, we can tailor our support to your club's particular needs.



Jacque Boehnlein – Membership chair, Elyria Rotary (jboehnlein@lcaa.net)

Deb Cheney – PDG and membership chair, Waterville Rotary (dcheney6600rotary@gmail.com)

Maris Brenner – iPDG, Sandusky Rotary (mbrenner1229@icloud.com)

John Ficorilli – P.E., Lima Rotary (jficorilli@gmail.com)

Kevin Francis – Past President, secretary, Port Clinton Rotary (pcrotary@gmail.com)

Dianne Brehm – D-6000 Secretary, and DACdb guru, Elyria Rotary (dianne.brehm@uwloraingraincounty.org)

John Hill – Past President, District Membership Chair, Vermilion Rotary (degaje98@hotmail.com)

Each Rotarian will have a specific district Area (i.e. 1 and 2) to concentrate their energies.

Our initial focus will be on those clubs who have either a dedicated membership chair, a membership committee, or communicate with us that they wish to concentrate on an aspect of membership (acquiring new members, member engagement and/or retention, new member orientation, or determining what your club culture is, and how we can be more effective in membership). And, we can come to you!

Perhaps a good place to begin would be for you to also utilize RI's membership section, specifically the "Club Planning Assistant," on the membership page, where you could obtain concrete strategies tailored to your club's challenges (<https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/membership>). Based on this, you could then request our help for your individual club needs.

Wishing you well, in Service, and let us know how we can help you develop and more vibrant, flexible, and effective club!



International Service



WHY MESA?

MESA is a hidden gem of the district. In the last 5 years we have had great financial support from 53 clubs within the district. This support has enabled us to purchase a new used truck for pick ups, improve our maintenance planning and to burn the mortgage on the property here in Fostoria.



MESA is over 30 years old this year. We have a permanent warehouse in Fostoria Ohio.

Beginning in 2015 we surveyed the State of Francisco Morazon in Honduras for small clinics. We revised our process to shipping Rotary Club to Rotary Club. We ship to the POE Port of Entry using what we call Hi Boy Containers. This year we shipped 12 containers at an average cost around \$7,000. This figure includes some overhead costs. Clubs may full fill their International obligation by sponsoring a shipment. Contact Scott Salyers at 419-348-7719.

At the current time. The MESA warehouse is full. Unfortunately, we will not be picking up for a couple weeks. We will be organizing, making truck repairs, and installing some new lighting. When we start picking up again, we can not take any furniture, and we will no longer be picking up at any residential address. We have had great things coming in daily. That is why we must take the time now to regroup, organize and make adjustments to keep on being able to receive as well as ship in a timely manner. If you were scheduled for next week we will still pick up. I am trying my best to make this happen quick and easy so please bear with us while we do this. – Scott Salyers



We owe many thanks to the Rotary Club of Tegucigalpa-Kaputzihil. They have made over 57 deliveries to the clinics of the State of Francisco Morazon, Lapaz, Comayagua in Honduras. Noel Eboh has made two shipments to Nigeria.

Clubs have been generous in their hospital collections this past 30 days. We have received goods from 12 different clubs plus California and Wisconsin. 28 different deliveries. The warehouse is open every Wednesday for inventory and deliveries. Saturday is good as well Let Scott know that you are coming, 419-348-7719.



Randy Box, MESA bike Chair has informed us that the Bike Ride in 2020 will be in early September. We will start in Ottawa and hopefully cover Ada, Lima, St Marys, Celina, New Knoxville. Details still have to be worked out, but these clubs should expect to participate.

IN JANUARY 2020 WE WILL SURVEY AND VET ROTARY CLUBS IN GUATEMALA . . .

as well as the clinics in their vicinity. This will be just prior to Uniendo in Antigua. We have a group going to this project fair this year. Details:

**"UNIENDO AMERICA"
PROJECT FAIR IS APPROACHING
Rotary Districts 4240 & 4250**

**JANUARY 23–25, 2020
ANTIGUA GUATEMALA**

**HOTEL-MUSEO
CASA SANTO DOMINGO**

www.casasantodomingo.com.gt

To Register for the Fair, go to: <http://distrito4250.org/> Check the box for English and follow the prompts. Registration is \$180.00, then choose a hotel.

WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN A GLOBAL GRANT?



Here is an opportunity for your Club. Lima Rotary Club has developed a Global Grant.

There is a Global Grant for **Water, Sanitation and Hygiene** looking for financial support. The objective is \$250-300,000 for 5 villages in the Merendon Mountains of Honduras. This is a partnership with **Usula Rotary in D4250** – Phase 2

For additional details or to contribute a pledge contact

Bob Ruehl at 1-419-233-3343



ARCHBOLD ROTARY CLUB



Archbold Rotary held a fundraiser for the Athletic Hall of Fame on October 12 at the Leisure Time Winery near Napoleon with wine tasting of Leisure Time's selections and beer tasting provided by Municipal Brew Works of Hamilton, Ohio along with a meal. Within the last year, Municipal Brew Works had provided a Rotary program on how their craft brewery got its start and has grown to maximum capacity in just three years for the building they now occupy. Hall of Fame committee members (from left) Jim Wyse, Cheryl Bostelman, Royal Short and Jeff Coressel planned the event to raise money to purchase and install a new interactive video display of Hall of Fame inductees prior to the next induction ceremony in January 2021. The Athletic Hall of Fame program has been sponsored by Archbold Rotary since its inception and the high school has run out of wall space to display plaques of all the inductees. Once installed, the video display can be accessed online and viewed from anywhere. The display will include more information, including video, about the inductees and can include a comprehensive listing of all Archbold High School sports teams and records. Committee member Kevin Morton was also involved with the fundraiser, but was travelling and could not attend.

BRYAN ROTARY CLUB



Above is a photo of the Rotarians who assisted with mulching a variety of 90 beautiful trees on Thursday, September 26th (after work).

The Rotary Memorial Grove was created in 1990 and Paul Webster (now deceased) was the inspiration behind it. Every Fall, many Rotarians volunteer to provide annual care of mulching 90 trees of various species. Deer protectors are placed around 15 to 20 of the younger trees and fertilized twice a year.

Thanks for your interest in one of many service projects of our Bryan Rotary Club. – Scott Bard (member since 1987)

MANSFIELD ROTARY CLUB



Akron Children's Hospital delivered a full truckload of medical equipment to the Fostoria MESA warehouse today! Thank you Cheryl Valentine, John Walters and crew. Scott Salyers, warehouse manager, also welcomed Catalyst coordinator Melissa Drozda (not pictured) on a tour, locating many items that fit local agency's needs. Thanks for a job well done. – Win Meek

CALLING ALL ROTARY CLUBS WHO SPONSOR AN INTERACT CLUB!!



Many of you received an email from RI that you were going to be terminated if you didn't go online and update your Adviser. Please click on the link they provided and update your information!! We don't want any of our Clubs to be terminated!

Also, as many of you know, we have a District 6600 Interact Facebook page. Please post your pictures, fundraisers, service projects, etc on the Interact page!! This page is for you!! Thanks in advance for sharing!!!

WANT TO START AN INTERACT CLUB?

If your Club wants to sponsor an Interact Club in your community PLEASE reach out to Sam Battle (battle.sam73@gmail.com) or PDG Deb Cheney (debcheneyrotary6600@gmail.com) and we will help you!!! You can start a Club anytime during the school year!!

THE BRYAN INTERACT

The Bryan Rotary Club is holding its annual community project on November 15. This event typically sells out and raises around \$4000 for the community. It is a project that brings together the Bryan Interact, the Bryan HS art department (they make all of the ceramic bowls), and the Bryan Work and Family Life department (they make the soup). **WAY to GO!! So proud of you!!**



FINDLAY ROTARY CLUB

The Findlay Rotary Club is proud to stand with Hancock Public Health, ADAMHS, Pathway to New Life, Blanchard Valley MOMS program, Findlay City Schools and many volunteers to fund Hancock County's first Mobile Health Clinic (MHC). The MHC will provide a broad range of health, mental health, and addiction based services where it's needed most, directly in the communities of the underserved and underprivileged. Hancock Public Health will operate the MHC on an ongoing basis with support from the organizations listed above. The gap in healthcare can be very taxing on any community and certainly, Findlay is not immune to those impacts. Therefore, it is incumbent upon those of us with the means and desire to aid those that are most at risk. Further, the MHC will provide much needed care via greater access to a broad range of services, thereby reducing the strain on emergency room and urgent care facilities.



With that mission in mind, please consider supporting the cause by sponsoring the first annual **Sip & Strut, a fashion show that is uniquely Findlay**. We have a cadre of local celebrity models ready to strut their stuff in the hottest trends from Shimmery Belle, Urban Market, Trends on Main, Flag City Printing, Christos Garkinos, and others! So, mark your calendar on **Friday, November 22** and plan on joining us at the **Hancock Hotel** for a truly memorable fashion experience!

We'd be thrilled if you'd consider supporting the event as a sponsor. Feel free to reach out to Mike Epps at 419-720-3888 or mike.epps@waterfordbankna.com if you have any questions.

FOUR-WAY TEST ESSAY CONTEST

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Esther Baldrige

It is time to begin talking with your middle school English teachers about the Four-Way Test Essay Contest. This contest is for 7th and 8th graders. (The speech contest is for high school students) Your club winning essay(s) are due March 20, 2020. Your club will need to have time prior to that to judge your local essays in order to select a winner to move on to the District level. The District winner will present at the District Conference on May 2 at Maumee Bay State Park. The first place winner will receive \$300 from the District, 2nd Place \$200 and 3rd Place \$100. We hope all clubs will join into this opportunity to introduce your 7th and 8th graders to the importance of the Four-Way Test. For questions, email Esther Baldrige, esther.baldrige@gmail.com. Winning essays are also submitted to Esther.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ROTARY CLUB

1. Agree to sponsor the contest.
2. Identify and contact the lead English teacher for the seventh and eighth grade class(es).
3. Review the contest rules on the District website: www.rotarydistrict6600.org.
4. Appoint a committee to evaluate the best essays submitted by the teachers from each school. (Judges can include future Rotarians)
5. Select the Club winner(s) and submit the first-place essay(s) to the District office by March 20, 2020. If the local club chooses to award a first-place award to each participating school, all "first-place" essays may be submitted to the District level. If your club only awards one first-place award, then only one essay may be submitted to the District. The coversheet must be submitted as a PDF. The essay may be submitted as a PDF or Word document.
6. Recognize the Club winners, parents and teacher(s) and award certificates/prizes.
7. Host the local winner at the District Conference along with the family and teacher.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ROTARY DISTRICT

1. Display rules for the contest on the District website.
2. Provide cash awards for the District winners.
3. Appoint a committee to evaluate the winning essays submitted by the Clubs and select the District winners. (Blind contest)
4. Invite the winners, their parents, and teachers to the District Conference May 2, 2020 at Maumee Bay State Park in Oregon Ohio where prizes will be awarded to the top three students and the winner will present the winning essay.

SOME SPECIFICS

CONCERNING THE CONTEST

- Original & personal work of the student. (7th and 8th grade students only, signed pledge required)
- Approximately 1,000 words in length.
- No graphics or highlighted text.
- Must be available to be published in the press.
- Must be approved by the student's parents.
- Critical dates established and followed by all concerned for the conduct of the contest.
- Initial screening of nominated essays is performed by the local school English department faculty. The most competitive essays are then given to the sponsoring Rotary Club for final evaluation. (Local club determines the number they will receive from each school.)
- A committee of the sponsoring Rotary Club evaluates the essays in accordance with an established Evaluation Guide. (copy attached)
- Finalists, parents, and teachers are recognized at a sponsoring Rotary Club function and awards presented.
- Media release, with photo(s), submitted to local press.
- The winning essay from each Club is forwarded to the District Office by March 20, 2020.

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Rotary



PEACE SCHOLAR & LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019

Join us for an interactive workshop to explore the idea of peace and how we can make a difference in our community. Connect with students and business leaders from all over Northern Ohio to learn different techniques used to solve conflicts we experience in our everyday lives.

Where: University of Findlay, Winebrenner Hall
When: 8:30 am - 9:00 am - Registration
9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Program

SESSIONS WILL:

- Broaden your perspective through engaging with an International Peace Fellow from Duke University and other seasoned professionals
- Develop baseline leadership skills including how to reach agreement and find "common ground" where division exists
- Provide exposure to the principles of peace and conflict resolution
- Shape goal-setting skills and how to build effective teams

APPLY TO ATTEND WITH THE FORM BELOW:

Name: _____

School/Club Affiliation: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

or register online at: www.rotarydistrict6600.org/peace-conference

CONTACT:

Allison Glover
p: 419-779-8369
e: allisonglover90@gmail.com

This is a free event and attendees will also receive lunch.



PROJECT FAIR 2020

"UNIENDO AMÉRICA"

DISTRICTS 4240-4250

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Global Grants usually start with a relationship with another club. One way which comes highly recommended is to attend a Project Fair 2020. I have attended 15 fairs in all Central American Countries. The fairs rotate each year to another country.

In January 2020, the fair is in La Antigua, Guatemala. Most visitors call it the land of perpetual spring. The fair is a highly condensed gathering of clubs from all over Central America, the US and Canada. Any club would profit from having a member attend.

Typical costs to attend should be less than \$1700.00. This would cover Airline Flights about \$710.00. Registration is \$180.00.

A hotel of your choosing of 560.00+- and miscellaneous expenses of \$200.00. The registration covers transportation from the airport on Wednesday and back on Sunday of \$40.00, by bus. For Wednesday through Sunday.

Clubs who elect to send a member to Uniendo and who participate as a partner in a Global Grant or choose to develop a Global Project will be partially reimbursed for their costs depending on how many participant's attend. D6600 has set aside \$5000 for Uniendo.

If I was going for the first time, I would take my spouse and stay a few extra days to explore.

Other trips to Guatemala scheduled:

1. October with George and Linda Gerard of Kootenai Valley (Libby MT).

They are going to Mazatenango, Guatemala. to finalize a GG, they have been developing for the last two years of a little less than \$400,000 for a water project. The trip is starting on October 2. Contact Mark.Rohweder@kljeng.com for details and arrangements.

2. The Montana Rotary Coalition is sponsoring a Guatemala Trip from January 22-30, 2020. Trip limited to 24 participants.

To HOLD a space on the trip, RSVP to Terri Smiley, tallerri09@yahoo.com, 406-250-1741 as soon as possible.

A deposit for in-country transportation is due by October 30, 2019. A preliminary schedule is available contact:

Married@wcoil.com.

D6600 Ohio Pathways Members are traveling to Guatemala in February 18-23, 2020. Club President Mat Peabody, Jim and Sue Hunt, Bob and Linda Kuck, Joe Berninger, and Howard Lobb will be traveling to Guatemala in February to participate in the Guatemala Snapshot Tour.

Snapshot Tour **February 18-23, 2020** Single occupancy \$1,475/ Double \$1,375 This trip gives a glimpse into the GLP's projects and Guatemala in general, with visits to GLP (Guatemala Literacy Project) schools as well as tourism (boat ride on Lake Atitlán, shopping in markets, etc.). This is a great trip to Guatemala. If you recall, *over 600 Rotary clubs* already partner with the GLP to offer textbook, computer, teacher training, and youth development programs to over 50,000 impoverished students. We need more hands-on deck! Additional Rotary Service Trips to Guatemala check the projects web site <https://www.guatemalaliteracy.org/>

**For more information contact our District International Service Chair:
Bob Ruehl (419) 233-3343**



THE 33RD ANNUAL DISTRICT 6600 WORLD COMMUNITY WORKSHOP "CENTRAL AMERICA" SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2020 – TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020

This three-day workshop for high-school students is designed to help participants learn about the history, customs, economic and political issues of a selected region of the world. Students participate in small group discussions and experience hands-on activities. In addition, guest speakers share their stories about life in different countries.

The workshop is open to high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Students should be in good academic standing and have a genuine interest in learning about different regions of the world.

Local Rotary Clubs within District 6600 provide scholarships which cover the cost of attending the workshop. Contact your local Rotary Club for more information and to confirm that they are willing to sponsor your participation.

Please make sure you know the name of your local Rotary Club when completing the Registration Form.



2020 World Community Workshop March 8–10, 2020

Registration Details: Your local Rotary Club covers the cost of registration for the Workshop, which includes all meals and snacks, lodging, the Grand Banquet and entertainment. The cost to your local Rotary Club is \$225.00 per student.

Deadline for registration is February 28, 2020.

Students should complete the online registration form available at the registration website:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/>

After registering, participants will receive a confirmation e-mail. Specific materials related to the workshop (medical authorization, list of what to bring, workshop schedule,

etc.) will be sent to Workshop participants closer to the actual date of the event. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Pete Lundberg World Community Workshop Liaison (419) 438-4767 peterlundberg200@gmail.com Check-In for the Workshop is scheduled for Noon – 1 pm on Sunday, March 8, 2020. The Workshop will conclude at Noon on Tuesday, March 10, 2020.

Join students from all over the world for this three-day event as you explore and learn about Central America. Workshop participants spend three days and two nights at Sauder Village and Heritage Inn, interacting with Sauder Village staff, other local educators and students.

Research special topics with your peers Join in small group discussions Participate in hands-on activities Interact with peer international students from a dozen or more countries Enjoy informative presentations by knowledgeable speakers Fun social events in the evening with fellow workshop participants Local and regional historians help staff the workshop and mentor participants through an interactive learning process Grand Banquet on Monday night featuring cultural cuisine.

WHO WE ARE

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

WHAT WE DO

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- **Promote peace**
- **Fight disease**
- **Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene**
- **Save mothers and children**
- **Support education**
- **Grow local economies**

OUR MISSION

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

HOW OUR MEMBERSHIP WORKS

Membership in a Rotary club is by invitation only. We want to make sure you join a club that best fits your passion and perspective. We can connect you with a club that's right for you and make it easy to get involved and on your way to membership immediately.

1

You express interest

Let us know a little about yourself and what you're looking for in a club. We'll find the local clubs in your area and let them know you're interested.

2

Rotary matches you with a club

Based on your preferences and interests, Rotary leaders in your community will match you with the local club that fits you best.

3

A local club contacts you

A Rotary club member will contact you by email or phone to discuss your interest in Rotary. You'll be invited to get to know the club better by attending a club meeting, a social event, or even to join in on a service project as a volunteer.

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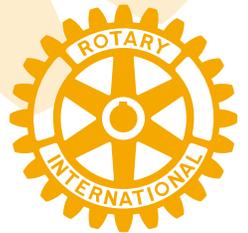
The club invites you to join

Now that you and a local club have spent some time together and determined that you're a good fit for each other, you will be invited to join. Each club has its own ways of welcoming new members; they may hold a ceremony for you.

5

You're a member!

Enjoy getting involved in your new club as a Rotary member. Join a committee. Lead a service project. Organize a social event. Lead and contribute to your new club.



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