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## 2024 DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 19 & 20 AT MAUMEE BAY STATE PARK

District Governor Jim Duke's  
vision for this year's event is  
**FRIENDSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, AND FUN!**

The committee is excited to bring you this celebration of our District's success throughout the year, while delivering on a unique opportunity to connect, share ideas, and strengthen our bonds of friendship. We have carefully curated a program and social activities that encompass engaging speakers and interactive sessions including a wine tasting and water quality testing, all aimed at empowering and energizing our Rotary community. We're also looking for clubs to showcase their best fundraising, grant or service project ideas at our House of Friendship tables. Contact Joe Ludwig, Past District Governor at [jludwig67@gmail.com](mailto:jludwig67@gmail.com).

Looking to come early or stay late? Check out the website for hundreds of things to do in the area: <https://ohiodnr.gov/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/maumee-bay-state-park>



## DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY AND STRIVE SCHOLARSHIP INTERVIEWS ON APRIL 20

Attending the District Conference on Friday evening, April 19 and the morning of April 20? If you are a club leader, officer or director, plan to stay for training on database systems, district grants, membership and more. President-Elects will be voting on the 2024-2025 District Budget, and the updated District Memorandum of Procedure. Sessions start at 1:30, with a wrap up by 4:30 pm or so.

Also in the afternoon at Maumee Bay State Park, applicants for the District's STRIVE scholarships will be interviewed.



**FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO  
REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE:**



Overnight stay at Maumee Bay State Park? A block of rooms are available through March 18 at \$159 per night. Contact the hotel directly at 419-836-7758.

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## US AIR FORCE MUSEUM DOCENT TOUR ON APRIL 13

Steve Miller of the Pathways Rotary Club is going to be hosting a tour of the National Museum of the USAF on Saturday, April 13 at 10 AM. Rotarians and their guests are invited for a one-hour walk through of the museum, followed by lunch in the cafeteria, and a Q&A session afterward. There is no admission cost and parking is free. The museum is located near Dayton at 1100 Spaatz Street Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

## EVAN BURRELL: CHANGEMAKER COMING TO TOLEDO ON MAY 1



Rotarian, digital content creator, social media guru, and public image trainer with a larger-than-life personality, Evan Burrell, will be visiting our district on May 1. Join Maumee Rotarians at Toledo Country Club to hear his message about being community hero and changemaker. Tickets are \$25 and available on DACdb or EventBrite.

[Click here to register](#)

## TOTAL ECLIPSE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN AVON LAKE



On Monday, April 8 the shadow of the moon will pass across the United State making a line from central Mexico to New England, passing right over Avon Lake, bringing us a total solar eclipse. Avon Lake will have the longest duration in the area which means the population will likely triple that day. North Coast Rotary is seeking volunteers to prepare and help that day to ensure a great experience for residents as well as the many non-resident viewers. Be a part of a once in a lifetime experience in our region! Link to volunteer sign-up on DACdb Calendar.

## JIM DUKE'S GOVERNOR VISITS COMPLETE

Jim Duke finished up his official DG visits this week, reinforcing his year-long message about membership engagement, service projects, foundation giving and a strong succession plan for clubs. Stryker Rotary greeted the District Governor in style by adding a sign and directing our eyes to the basketball court and hoops in the background. Way to go Stryker!



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June 14-19, 2024



Current Itinerary:

**Friday night, June 14:**

Riders arrive in Tiffin

**Saturday, June 15:**

Tiffin-Upper Sandusky-Marion

**Sunday, June 16:**

Marion-Cardington-Mansfield

**Monday, June 17:**

Mansfield-Loudonville-Ashland

**Tuesday, June 18:**

Ashland-New London-Shelby-Bucyrus

**Wednesday, June 19:**

Bucyrus-Carey (non-hosted rest stop)-Tiffin

Having fun uniting the District to heal the world! Come Join Us!! Contact Tour Chair - Kurt Anderson (Elyria Sunrise)

[kanderson@cruglaw.com](mailto:kanderson@cruglaw.com).



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SINGAPORE MAY 24-29



The Rotary International Convention is where you'll find people of action from around the world brainstorming solutions to some of the most pressing challenges and celebrating our works of service that create lasting change. Renew connections, discover fresh perspectives, and create unforgettable moments and enduring relationships. Registration, special breakouts and hotel accommodations are still available. Visit <https://www.convention.rotary.org>.

A district **membership incentive award** for the club that has the highest percentage of new members (based on club size) will be announced at the District Conference on April 19th. **The winning club will receive two tickets for registration to this convention.** There is still time to add new members to your roster!

## MORE SAVE-THE-DATES

*Additional information on club and district events can be found on the DACdb Calendar.*

- **Sandusky Rotary's Pizza Challenge:** Wednesday, March 20, 4:30 - 7 PM, Cedar Point Sports Center, Sandusky
- **District Interact Conference:** Saturday, March 23, 8:30 - 3:30, Fremont Ross High School
- **Oberlin Rotary's Pancake Breakfast:** Sunday, April 14, 8 AM-1 PM, Oberlin
- **District Four-Way Test Speech Contest:** April 27, Sandusky High School
- **Reynolds Corners Rotary Spaghetti Dinner Community Fundraiser:** Tuesday, April 30, 4 - 7 PM, Toledo
- **Vermilion Rotary's Reverse Raffle:** Saturday, May 4, 5 - 9 PM, Vermilion
- **District Installation Ceremony** for District Leadership Team and Club Presidents, Wednesday, June 26, Glass Pavilion, Toledo Museum of Art, 6 PM.

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