

MAY 2022

District 6600



News

A Message from District Governor Mary L. AufdenKampe

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My Dear Change Maker Rotarians,

It is hard to believe that this is the end of the 11th month of the Rotary year 2021-2022 as we Serve to Change Lives. The month of May never disappoints with the teasing of Summer temperatures as we celebrated Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, and Memorial Day. We should take a pause and give thanks to our Veterans, our Military and our first responders.

Earlier in the month, on Thursday, May 12th through Sunday, May 15th, we had a fantastic **District Conference** at Geneva on the Lake. We relaxed at the lake, did a little wine tasting, enjoyed a covered-bridge tour, and reintroduced our Rotary. This conference reflected on many touch points and accomplishments that we are proud of in District 6600.

The keynote speakers and youth programs were fantastic and very appropriate as we recognize Youth Services in the month of May. We had fun with a dance band and a Murder Mystery and took time for some awards. The Memorial service celebration of life was illuminated all weekend long. To all the Rotarians who worked hard to make this event successful, I appreciate each and everyone of you.

As promised on Saturday evening, we drew the winning ticket for the Mustang Mach e. After the car expense, we wrote a check to the Rotary International Foundation for \$35,399. Thank you to all that bought a ticket or sold a ticket which introduced a new concept in an all-electric vehicle that supports the Environment (the 7th Area of Focus) – and we made a little money for the Rotary Foundation too. Thank you to Mike Bass Ford as they supported this endeavor. More information about the winner is on page 6.

While these are great positive things my heart is breaking for the people and families in Buffalo, New York, and Uvalde, Texas. As your District Governor, as a wife, mother, grandmother and Christian I have to say something about the tragedy that is going on around us. Some may say that it is mental health issues, others may say it is about gun safety reform. I don't wish to enter into a political debate; I wish to be human and compassionate when tragedy strikes. The news has made us aware of these senseless shootings. The killing of the innocent.

Last month I asked you to denounce hate and extremism. I compliment those Rotarians that participated in a Vigil this month and Peace Builder clubs as part of their commitment to Peace. Rotarians are People of Action and we should consider the call to be Rotarians against Violence. We can use our words, lead by example and take time to listen and observe, write our Political leaders – and we can vote. We must always remember if we see something, say something. Keeping those that have lost love ones in our thoughts and prayers is a wonderful thing, but what will the next course of action be. Many Rotarians will be heading to Texas next week for the International Convention, this is to be a happy event Rotarians from around the world, yet our hearts are heavy. We should feel safe in our schools, our churches, our grocery stores, our malls.

Things must change, I have hope for a better tomorrow and I hope you do too.

Stay well and Continue to Serve to Change Lives.

Mary

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Dr. Hinkleman has spent more than fifteen years researching girls and educating adults both as a professor at The Ohio State University and as the Founder and CEO of the national non-profit Ruling Our eXperiences (ROX), an organization that delivers evidence-based programming, research, education and training focused on the critical issues impacting girls.

District Conference: A Photo Wrap Up

REX ENGLE, PDG
DISTRICT 6600 ALL EVENTS
CHAIR



DG Mary and Lisa Wilson (Sandusky) - Lisa was Emcee on Friday Eve



Beth Stubbs, Incoming RI Director (seated center) join Past District Governors, DG Mary and current Governor line at a dinner for all on Thursday evening prior to the conference. Kim Engle (Pathways Club) chaired the event.



The beautiful Lodge at Geneva on the Lake was the gathering place for the Conference.



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District Conference: A Photo Wrap Up



**Beth Stubbs Incoming RI Director
with Lisa Wilson (Sandusky)**



**DGE Diana Savage, Gary Newton, PDG,
DG Mary AufdenKampe, Maris Brenner, PDG
and Gary AufdenKampe**



**Beth and
Todd Cramer
(Maumee PE)**



**Maumee Rotarians Carol Rambo and
Sylvia Washburn**



**Perrysburg Rotarians Lorena Gloden,
President, and Allison Glover**





Katherine Eboch (Waterville) shows off her Rotary-pinned Jacket.



Janina Douglas (Toledo) - Water Chair



Scudder Mackey, Chief of the Office of Coastal Management of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources was the keynote speaker for Saturday. He explained ODNR's efforts to protect and manage Ohio's coastal areas and provide financial assistance to communities. Janina Douglas (Toledo) sets up the ODNR's display at the conference, including atlases and books regarding the rivers and tributaries in the state of Ohio.

John Ficorilli (Lima) and **Teresa Ficorilli** enjoy a red wine flight on a beautiful afternoon near Geneva-on-the-Lake. Over 30 wineries are located within a 30-mile radius of Geneva, Ohio.





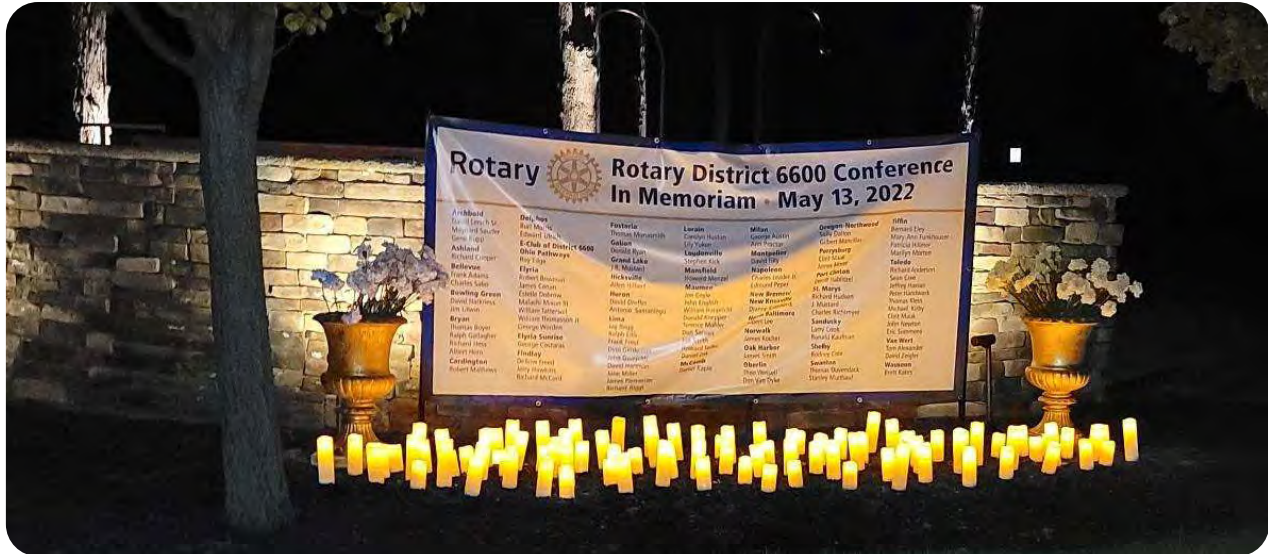
Foundation Chair Joe Ludwig, PDG, (Maumee) invited Major Donors to a private reception following the wine and covered bridge tours on Saturday afternoon. Pictured are new Major Donors – left: Husband and wife team Melanie Satterfield (Oberlin) and Rich Fredrickson (Elyria) with Joe. Right: Joe with Dawn and Lee Peters (Ashland). Also receiving a Major Donor Award was Annie Kuttothara (Loudonville) who could not attend.



Pam (Sandusky) and Michael Brumbaugh and Jim Murray (Huron)



Sunday Speaker Roy Hall with Tiffin Rotary contingency



Powerful candlelight vigil in honor of nearly 100 District Rotarians who have passed away since our last in-person Conference, three years ago.

A special thanks!

to the dedicated Rotarians who made the District Conference happen.

The Rotary Club of Oberlin

Outbound Youth Exchange Students:
Ellie, Max, Naim and Zoe

Gary Aufdenkampe

Dianne Brehm

Maris Brenner

Andy Bone

Pam and Mike Brumbaugh

John and Ronnie Cole

Jeanine Donaldson

Janina Douglas

Rex and Kim Engle

Jim Hieb

Chris and Sue Lewis

Molly Lofton

Joe Ludwig and Suzanne Hagelberg

Gary and Carol McIntyre

Gary Newton

Curt Paul

Melanie Satterfield

Sharon Trabbic

Doug Welch

Lisa Wilson





Announcing – our Car Winner!

**Toledo resident Robert Ruff
bought the winning ticket
for the 2022 Mustang Mach-E.**

DG Mary and Gary Aufdenkampe unbridled the Mustang Mach-E and it was delivered to the winner Robert Ruff. In addition, \$35,399 went to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Thank you, everyone, for supporting this amazing project and congrats, Robert!





This Month's Focus:

Youth Exchange

Our four outbound students will be headed to Taiwan, Germany, and Thailand.

Our four outbound students were presented with their Rotary blazers at the District Conference. They each gave a short presentation on the countries that will be hosting them in starting in August 2022

Right: Four students with DG Mary and Gary Aufdenkampe, along with Ron Hall, and the countries where the students are headed this year: Naim / Taiwan, Max / Germany, Elspeth / Thailand, and Zoe / Germany. Next on the agenda for these students is their final training at Otterbein University and attending the Guardian's baseball game as we support the eradication of Polio in July.

District 6600 will be welcoming two inbound students, Jose from Ecuador and Daniella from Italy in August of 2022.



**DG MARY AND
GARY AUFDENKAMPE**
YOUTH EXCHANGE CO-CHAIRS



Roy Hall, OSU Chaplain, former OSU and NFL football player met with DG Mary and Gary Aufdenkampe and four outbound students at the District Conference. Roy Hall was one of the Keynote Speakers.



Outbound students, from left to right, Naim, Max, Zoe, and Elspeth.

Maris Brenner, PDG and E1B1 Coordinator reports the latest winners of the monthly contest to bring guests to a Rotary meeting or event:

May 21st - Lidia Ebersole, Perrysburg, for her guest Anne at their April 22 Meeting.

April 21st winner - Lisa Andrade of Findlay.

Each winner will receive a \$100 donation to a charity of their choice. (Waiting on info on the charity of choice for each of the winners.) The initiative continues through June 2022 – send the list of your guests to Club meetings, events, or service projects to Maris Brenner, District 6600 **Each One Bring One** Membership Coordinator at mbrenner1229@icloud.com.

Each One Bring One



Every Monday – Membership Mondays 6:00 PM.

Join via Zoom Meeting <https://bit.ly/zoomMembershipMondays>



Environment Sustainability

Hard questions to ask ourselves as we model the Rotarian way.

As I wrap up my year as D6600's first Environmental Sustainability Chair, I must say it has been an honor and a pleasure. I send a big thanks to DG Mary and to all the clubs that are doing their best to be environmental stewards. Special thanks goes to Rotarians Chris Vogel, Janina Douglas, and Chris Anderson for walking me through some very complex scientific, economic and social facts of life. I have learned so much and I have changed my mind on a few environmental issues.

I believe that Rotary D6600 members need to have difficult discussions about our communities relationships with our environment and the economic realities we live with. Everyone wants both safe and affordable food plus all the comforts of life and we want a sustainable world for our children. Finding a balance won't be easy, but Rotary with its rural, suburban and urban memberships is in a unique position to understand the complexities. We need to be able to state what we want as an organization concerning the environment.

It is time for rotary totalk about ...

- a review of the clean water act in Ohio and should it address animal and chemical field runoff?
- CAFO's (Concentrated Animal Feed Operation) – I have come to think that CAFO's and the agriculture industry in general will be an essential part of reducing animal and chemical waste getting into our streams, rivers and lakes.
- We must be partners not advisories.
- How do we stop putting carbon into the environment. Is a carbon tax at the source able to pass the Four-Way Test?
- How do we stop making and consuming things that end up in landfills or dumped into lakes and oceans. If something won't be recycled, should it be made?

All of the above could be considered controversial to some and in every case we should consider the Four-Way Test. Let's talk.



TIM RYAN
ENVIRONMENT
SUSTAINABILITY CHAIR





M.E.S.A. Needs Wheelchairs!

Rotarians – MESA needs wheelchairs! We have requests for many, many wheelchairs and the warehouse is in short supply. Please contact Scott Salyers, Operations Manager, if you have a supply to donate and he will arrange for a delivery time or pick-up if he is going to be in your area of the district. Thank you.

Support the M.E.S.A. Bike Tour!

Even if you are not riding, you can support the
Bike Tour from Sunday, June 19 to Friday, June 24.
For more info, go to:
<https://rotarydistrict6600.org/mesa-bike-tours/>

Bike Tour
for **MESA**
Medical Equipment
and Supplies Abroad
Foundation, Inc.





ROTARY DISTRICTS #6630,6650,6600 END POLIO NOW GAME

**AT PROGRESSIVE FIELD**
Wednesday, July 13th, 2022
Chicago White Sox vs Cleveland Guardians
Gates Open: 6:00pm / First Pitch: 7:10pm

TERRACE CLUB EVENT INCLUDES:
Access to Terrace Club 4th Floor
Dinner & Pepsi Products
Exclusive Raffles and Silent Auctions



TICKET PRICING OPTIONS:
Terrace Club + Lower Box - \$75
Terrace Club + Upper Box - \$65
\$5 off Kids ticket in Terrace Club
Lower Box Ticket Only - \$35
Upper Box Ticket Only - \$25

**ALL TICKETS INCLUDE A CONTRIBUTION
TO END POLIO NOW CAMPAIGN**

QUESTIONS CONTACT:
Rotary: Stew Buchanan: 330-607-1442// stewb1898@aol.com

Gate Giveaway: Cooler Bag – 10,000 fans





The Rotary Club of Ashland and Marion Rotary Club both recently celebrated 100 years of service to their communities.



Ashland

From left-Lee and Dawn Peters, Ted Daniels President, Stacy Schiemann, President-Elect, DG Mary



DG Mary AufdenKampe presenting Lee Peters (Ashland) and Dawn Peters with a Paul Harris award at the club's 100th Anniversary Party held on May 24. (photo courtesy of the Times-Gazette)



Marion

Marion Rotary's 100-Year Gala on April 23.



Marion Rotary's 100-year project is the Marion Park's PEP Club's All-Abilities Playground. The PEP club was established to preserve and beautify the parks in and around Marion.



50 Years!

Jim Thompson (Bryan)
being recognized for
50 years of service.



Oberlin

Pat Serio, Oberlin Rotary
Service Project - Planting
Flowers for the Oberlin
Beautification Day.

Perrysburg

Perrysburg
Rotarians and
professional
dancers
entertained at
La Cantina -
Perrysburg
Rotary's Fund-
raiser. This year's
project is a new
Pickleball court at
Rotary Park.



Vermillion

Six Vermilion
High School track
team members
and Vermilion
Rotarians pitched
in to begin the
cleanup of Rotary
Park on April 23.

There is still time!

REGISTER TODAY
[AT CONVENTION.ROTARY.ORG](https://convention.rotary.org)

Houston, Texas, USA
4-8 June 2022



HOUSTON
2022





Update: Rotary District 6600 Ukraine Efforts

Through the joint efforts of 45 or more Rotary clubs, District 6600 has raised at least \$183,991 together for the Rotary International Disaster Relief Fund for Ukraine.

Ukraine is a topic on everyone's mind and weighing on the hearts of Rotarians. Rotarians joined forces at the All Ohio PETS conference and our District Governor shared the district-wide campaign. An anonymous donor offered a district wide challenge match of \$50,000. In total, more than 235 donors across the district provided donations to support the Ukraine efforts.

Thanks to the generosity of donors around the world, Rotary raised more than \$15 million in contributions that are already helping provide people with essential items such as water, food, shelter, medicine, and clothing.

Rotary leaders in Ukraine and bordering countries have identified primary points of contact on various humanitarian response efforts. Most countries are also collecting in-kind donations and financial contributions to support Rotary club and district-led local response efforts.

So far, 90 disaster response grants totaling \$2.4 million have been awarded to support people affected by the war. The Rotary Foundation will continue to use the donations for humanitarian aid in and around Ukraine, and districts can apply for these grants until June 30, 2022.

Find out more at: <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-responds-ukraine-crisis>



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Club and District Upcoming Events Calendar
from the District Calendar on DACdb (more information and registration at DACdb)

Rotary
District 6600

Thursday, June 2

**Lima Rotary Club
Reverse Raffle**

Allen County Fair-
grounds, Youth Build-
ing Tickets: Cat Sarno,
csarno@limapallet.com
419-633-7305

Rotary
District 6600

Saturday, June 4 –
Wednesday, June 8

**Houston
International
Convention**

Still time to register
- [https://convention.
rotary.org/en/houston/
register](https://convention.rotary.org/en/houston/register)

Rotary
District 6600

Sunday – Friday,
June 19-24

MESA Bike Tour

Donations and Rider
Support:
[Rotarydistrict6600.org/
MESA](http://Rotarydistrict6600.org/MESA)

Rotary
District 6600

Friday & Saturday,
June 24-25, 2022

District Installation

Friday Sauder Village,
Founders Hall
Saturday Outdoor
events, Evening
Concert & Fireworks
Click here for RSVP

Rotary
District 6600

Friday and Saturday,
June 24-25, 2022

**Huron Rotary
Festival**

Huron Basin,
220 Main Street
Artists & Makers, Food
Trucks, Live Music

Rotary
District 6600

Wednesday, July 13
6 PM, First Pitch: 7:10 PM

**Guardians Baseball
Game – End Polio
Now Tri-District
Event: 6600, 6630, 6650**

Stewb1898@aol.com
330-607-1442

Rotary
District 6600

Saturday, July 30

**Waterville Rotary
Blues, Brews & Brats**

Downtown Waterville
Tickets at the door

Rotary
District 6600

Wednesday, August 17

**Lima Rotary Golf
Outing**

Hidden Creek
Golf Club
Andyw@wanntl.com

Rotary
District 6600

Saturday, August 20

**Fremont Rotary
Blues, Brews & Brats**

Downtown Fremont
Historic District
Tickets at the door

Rotary
District 6600

Saturday, August 27

**Grant Writing
Training**

Plan now to attend
with your grant
committee

Rotary
District 6600

Monday, October 24

World Polio Day

Plan your Club's Polio
Fundraising!

Rotary
District 6600

May 12-13, 2023

District Conference

Rock & Roll Hall
of Fame
Cleveland

