



District Governor 2018-2019 BEVERLY GHENT-SKRZYNSKI

Beverly Ghent-Skrzynski was the 2015-16 president of the Rotary Club of Cleveland, having served for the previous 20 years as executive director/secretary of the club and its foundation.



Prior to relocating to Cleveland in 1994, she was a career association executive, having held a number of managerial positions within the not-for-profit world as well as work on international meetings and conventions with Rotary International.

A native of Glen Ellyn, Illinois, Beverly was introduced to Rotary at an early age, when she started going to Rotary meetings with her father. As this was long before women were able to join Rotary, she had no way of knowing that she would spend a significant portion of her life connected in some way to Rotary. When she first relocated to Cleveland from Chicago, Beverly was a member of the Rotary Club of Berea and was elected vice president of the club for 1996-1997 and received her first Paul Harris Fellow recognition for her work with the Berea Rotaract Club.

Beverly has served on numerous District 6630 committees including A.Z. Baker Club Awards, Group Study Exchange, Ambassadorial Scholarship, District Assembly, Executive, Finance, Grants and Bylaws Committees, Meeting and Event Protocol Advisor, District Foundation Centennial Celebration and has served on several District Conference Planning Committees and as it's chair. For several years she headed up the District Library and R.I. Information Committee and was also an officer and a long-time member of the Rotary Large Club Conference.

One of her greatest honors was to serve as the spouse/partner to her husband, David T. Skrzynski, when he served as governor of District 6630 in 1998-1999. She has attended several All Ohio PETS meetings and most recently traveled to 17 of the last 21 Rotary International Conventions.

She has attended 18 of the last 20 RI Zones 28-29 (formerly 27-28) Training and Rotary Institutes, was on the planning committee for 12 of them, and has been both a spouse/partner trainer and led sessions with the district trainers on hotel and contract negotiations. Beverly and her husband David were extremely honored to serve as co-general chairs for the Zones 28-29 Training and Rotary Institute for PRID Mike Johns in 2008.



In 2017, Beverly was extremely honored to be the recipient of the International Fellowship of Scouting's "Cliff Dochterman Award" that honors Rotarians for distinguished and dedicated service to Scouting by the Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians. This Award is named in honor of Past Rotary International President and dedicated Scouter, Cliff Dochterman of Moraga, California.

Beverly attended both Ripon College and Indiana State University in pursuit of her B.A. in Social Work. She was one of the lead organizers for her club when they produced the 2010 and 2013 Cleveland Tall Ships Festivals, is a 2014 graduate of the FBI Citizen's Academy and when not volunteering or serving on other local boards, she feels blessed to be able to "Share Rotary" with her husband and cherishes her time with their grandson, Nick, and their niece and nephews and their families.



Beverly and her husband are committed to The Rotary Foundation and are both Multiple Paul Harris Fellows and Major Donors. She is extremely honored and excited to be in line to serve as 2018-2019 District 6630 Governor and looks forward to working with the current and incoming leadership and celebrating their efforts where she can and having fun while doing it.

Although Beverly has an admitted passion for "all that is Rotary," she believes first and foremost in the strength of the Family of Rotary and the power of the individual Rotarian and their club - each one has a special gift to share in their calling to serve those less fortunate.

She is extremely honored and humbled to serve as 2018-2019 District 6630 Governor and looks forward to supporting the clubs and celebrating their efforts and having fun while doing it.

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The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary...we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity.”

— Arch C. Klumph, Father of The Rotary Foundation
