

David Bixler
RI President's Representative



David is the CEO of Bixler Corporation, a cleaning and disaster restoration company based in Springfield, MO. As such, he was named one of Springfield's 2018 Men of the Year. David's Rotary experience began in 2002 when he joined Springfield Southeast Rotary. In 2011 Southeast Rotary started a new evening club called Springfield Metro, and David served as the charter President. In 2014-15, he was named Metro's Rotarian of the Year and 2017-18 he received his club's Change Maker award.

His District experience includes implementation of DaCdb, Foundation Banquet Chair, Endowment Fund Chair, District Governor and currently the District Foundation Chair. He was the District's Rotarian of the Year in 2010-11 and has been a member of the Show Me Rotary Multidistrict PETs Council since 2012. He will be President of that council in 2023.

At the Zone level, David is the Assistant Rotary Public Image Coordinator for Zone 31. His true passion in Rotary is coordinating international projects. He and his wife Julie have been traveling to Mexico for years, and David is currently serving as Heart-2-Heart's Project Coordinator for District 4140 which covers seven Mexican states. He is a Major Donor, Paul Harris Society member, and a Bequest Society member.



Eric B. Smith **Special Agent in Charge** **Cleveland**

Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Eric B. Smith was named SAC Cleveland by FBI Director Wray in December 2018.

SAC Smith graduated from the FBI Academy in 1999 and was assigned to the Wichita, Kansas Resident Agency (RA) where he worked multiple programs including Violent Crime, Counterterrorism, and Counterintelligence. In October 2005, SAC Smith transferred to the FBI's Counterterrorism Division where, for the next three years, he held positions as a Supervisory Special Agent and Unit Chief in the International Terrorism Operations Section, focusing on countering threats both domestically and internationally.



In 2008, SAC Smith was selected as the field supervisor for FBI Cleveland Division's Counterterrorism Squad and Joint Terrorism Task Force. In association with this role, he was chosen in 2010 to deploy to Bagram, Afghanistan and serve as the FBI's Senior Representative to the nation's elite Counterterrorism Joint Task Force.

In June 2013, SAC Smith was promoted to Assistant Special Agent in Charge in Cleveland where he had oversight for counterterrorism and cyber matters as well as multiple RAs. In April 2015, he joined the Senior Executive Service as the Chief of Staff to the FBI Deputy Director. In December 2016, SAC Smith transitioned to serve as the Executive Special Assistant to the FBI Director. In this capacity, he served both FBI Directors Comey and Wray.

From 1991 to 1999, SAC Smith served as an officer in the United States Army, primarily in airborne rapid deployment forces at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He graduated from the U.S. Army Airborne School, the U.S. Army Ranger School, the Basic and Advanced Military Intelligence Courses, the Jungle Warfare School, the Advanced Airborne (Jumpmaster) Course, and the Combined Arms Services Staff School. SAC Smith served as a battalion intelligence officer, an airborne rifle platoon leader, a company executive officer, and company commander. SAC Smith's military awards and decorations include the U.S. Army Ranger Tab, the Senior Parachutist Badge, the Royal Australian Parachutist Badge, and the German Schutzenschnur (shooting badge).

SAC Smith received his Master's Degree in Homeland Security Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security in Monterey, California in 2009. He graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 1991.

FREDERICK T. "RORY" MCGUIRE

Honorary Member, Rotary Club of Cleveland, OH USA
Grandson of Arch C. Klumph, Father of The Rotary Foundation

Frederick T. "Rory" McGuire III is the son of Frederick T. "Fritz" McGuire, Jr. and Kathryn Klumph McGuire. Thus, he is Arch Klumph's grandson and the brother of actress Maeve McGuire.



Maeve and Rory with "Arch"
2017 RI Convention in Atlanta

Rory grew up in Cleveland and attended John Carroll University, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in English in 1970 and 1973, respectively. He later went to Case Western Reserve University and earned a master's degree in library science.

During his undergraduate years, Rory took a four-year "sabbatical" to work full-time before returning to complete his degree. During this break in his studies, he worked at the American Automobile Association office.

After graduating from John Carroll, he lived at his mother's home on Derbyshire Road and worked at the Shaker Square Travel Agency.

Rory has a son from a former marriage who now lives and works in New York City. He married Suzanne in 1983 and after Rory left the travel business and Suzanne retired from her job with Cuyahoga County, they spent a few years traveling and spending time together. Then Suzanne went back to work, this time teaching Latin at Hathaway Brown School. Rory began a second career in the hotel business, working first for the old Holiday Inn-Lakeside and then for the Hyatt Hotel in the Old Arcade in Downtown Cleveland.

Rory McGuire is an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Cleveland, OH and a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Through the years he has always been honored to share his many remembrances of his grandfather Arch and helped to "bring him alive" during his remarks at the inaugural luncheon of the Arch Klumph Society held during the 2005 RI Centennial Convention in Chicago, IL where the first members were inducted.

KEVIN P. KELLY

Major Gifts Officer | Zone 29



Kevin Kelly joined The Rotary Foundation in January of 2016 as a Regional Major Gifts Officer. He resides in Metro Detroit and a Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Northville. Kevin is responsible for major gift cultivation and stewardship in Zone 29 which includes Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, West Virginia and Ontario, Canada.

Prior to his role with The Rotary Foundation, Kevin served as the Director of Development for Easter Seals Michigan as well as a Major Gifts Officer for Starr Commonwealth. While Kevin is a Michigan native, he spent 8 years living in Charlotte, North Carolina working for Pi Kappa Phi National Fraternity as the Director of Risk Management and their philanthropy called Push America as the Director of Development.



Lawrence S. Wright
District Governor 1995-96
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"Nicaragua at the Crossroads"

Member of the Rotary Club of Taylor since 1983, Larry served as Club President 1991-92 and District Governor from 1995-96.

District positions include District Conference Chair (5x), New Generations Chair, District Webmaster and 10 years on the District Youth Exchange committee as General Chair and General Administrator. Wright was a District COL Representative. He and Sarah, his wife, have hosted 8 exchange students.

Larry was a RI Training Leader, Zone GETS Training Leader 2001 and 2002 and Zone Institute Chair 2004 and 2012. Wright served as Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator (RRFC) 2002-04 for Zone 28 and twice as Chairman on the Nominating Committee for Director. He was the Zones Promotions chair for the R.I. Chicago Convention 2005 and most recently the Rotary Coordinator (RC) for Zone 29.

Larry holds a BS degree from Eastern Michigan University. He and Sarah have run their landscape-contracting firm for over 40 years. Married to Sarah since 1976, Larry has two daughters, Rachelle and Andrea, and four grandchildren.

Sarah and Larry are Paul Harris Fellows, Charter members of the District Paul Harris Society, The Rotary Foundation Bequest Society and Major Donors. Larry is a recipient of Rotary's 'Service Above Self' recognition, The Rotary Foundation's 'Citation for Meritorious Service', the Rotary Foundation's 'Distinguished Service Award' and recently the 'Rotary Responsible Businessperson' recognition for the 'LaunchDETROIT' project.

When not doing Rotary, Larry loves to ride his Harley, accumulating over 100,000 miles. In 2008 he rode from Detroit to LA and back home, traveling much of historic Route 66. Thus, checking off one more item on his 'bucket list'.

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Eddy Rolando Palma Terceru Chinendega, Republica of Nicaragua

“Children of the Dump”

Eddy is from a small family because most of them have emigrated. His mother, grandparents and his father (he has not been with his father since he was a child) have supported him economically. He lives with his grandparents and has participated in RYLA in Panama. He was selected for being the most outstanding in the support offered by the scholarships of the local Foundation.

Returning from this experience, Eddy founded the local Rotaract Club in 2017 and has been actively working promoting and collaborating in all the projects they have done to date. He graduated from the Haldo Dubon school of the Nirios del Basurero (Children of the Dump) project. He had the second-best high school average and was awarded the Rotary scholarship in March of 2014.

He has maintained his good performance during his university period, delivering his required grades every semester. Since he was awarded the scholarship, he has supported all of the year end requirements in the delivery of the Shoe Boxes that Rotarians donate with his ability to speak English.

Eddy is currently studying in his 5th year of electronic engineering on weekends. He works from Monday to Friday in a sugar mill (Monterosa) as a computer analyst. Part of his Sunday, he is dedicated to his family and to meetings and projects of the Rotaract Club.

His goal for this year is to finally graduate and continue studying English either inside or outside of Nicaragua. He has participated in Costa Rica in the Rotaract Confe-Bidistrict conference thanks to the support of Rotarians in the United States.

For those who know him, Eddy is a remarkable young man and they have Gained a great deal of respect and admiration for him because of his capacities for getting ahead in life and helping others.