





Beverly Ghent-Skrzynski District Governor

## **ROTARY DISTRICT 6630 NEWS**

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#### **Governor's Letter**

#### May is Youth Service Month

#### **Dear Family of Rotary:**

In my opinion "every month" in Rotary is dedicated to Youth Service. Not a day goes by that at least one Rotary club in District 6630 celebrates their commitment to youth through programs such as Interact, Rotaract, RYLA and our short and long-term Youth Exchange programs, to name just a few. After what I have witnessed this year – no one does it better. Our *Presidents of Action* and their clubs, our District Chairs and their committees have all done an excellent job.

"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

-Franklin D. Roosevelt

We work hard to empower our young people; provide mentoring opportunities; heroes to emulate; ethical standards to guide their business and personal lives; tracks to leadership development; scholarships to advance their education and we "give them a voice" that might otherwise not be heard with our 4-Way Test Speech Contests.

"When educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their hearts"

-Dalai Lama

We consistently demonstrate the importance of "taking care of our own." Rotarians are fierce in their compassion for those less fortunate and continue to fight battles on their behalf when there is no one else "to be their voice." That is one of the greatest gifts Rotarians can share with our youth and young professionals – the belief in the importance and worth of all people everywhere.

Our youth are our future, our peacemakers and do change this incredible and complex world of ours. If you look through their eyes, there really are no "boundaries" whether they be cultural, political, religious or geographical – they all really do speak the same language called "Rotary."

It was our District's Interactors who had the vision to reach out their hands in support and friendship to their fellow youth in hurricane-ravaged St. Thomas, resulting in a Global Grant spearheaded by the Rotary Club of Chesterland and supported by so many. Organized by the Rotary Club of Westlake-Bay Village, once again the Children of the Dump in Chinandega, Nicaragua knew that "Rotary cares" when they received their shoeboxes filled with items that give them hope and packed with love. Our 53,000 Points of Light initiative has, to date, because of your generosity enabled 700,000 children to receive the polio vaccine so that they need never fear the scourges of that dreaded disease ever again.

#### Governor's Letter cont'd

I have witnessed this year the power of the youth in this district and am constantly impressed with their creativity, maturity, "take charge" attitude and ability to guide and challenge one other. They have been my teachers and my inspiration in so many ways.

We Rotarians have spent a lot of time this year continuing to ensure that our humanitarian service is sustainable, but it is important for us to always remember that our **young people are what make Rotary and its future sustainable**.

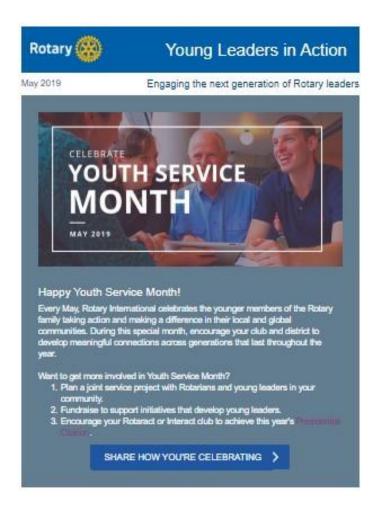
Thank you to each of you for your continued dedication and commitment to our youth.

"The youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow."

-Nelson Mandela

**Save travels to the 40+ Rotarians and their family members** who will be joining David and me at the RI Convention in Hamburg, Germany, at the end of the month – what a great representation for our district!

Warmest regards, Governor Bev





### Holger Knaack Named 2020-21 RI President

By Ryan Hyland

Holger Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, has been selected to serve as president of Rotary International 2020-21.

The Nominating Committee's decision follows the resignation last month of President-nominee Sushil Gupta due to health reasons. Knaack will officially become president-nominee if no other candidates challenge him by 31 May.

To build a stronger membership, Knaack says Ro-

tary must focus on increasing the number of female members and transitioning Rotaractors into Rotarians.

Knaack believes that the People of Action campaign offers new pubawareness

possibilities for Rotary. "This campaign conveys our global image while still respecting differences in regions and cultures," he says.

A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. He was previously a partner and general manager of Knaack Enterprises, a 125-year-old family business.

He is a founding member of the Civic Foundation of the City of Ratzeburg and served as president of the Golf-Club Gut Grambek. Knaack is also the founder and chair of the Karl Adam Foundation.

Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

The members of the Nominating Committee for the 2020-21 President of Rotary International are Kazuhiko Ozawa, Rotary Club of Yokosuka, Kanagawa, Japan; Manoj D. Desai, Rotary Club of Baroda Metro.

> Gujarat, India; Shekhar Mehta. Rotary Club of Calcutta-

> Mahanagar, West Bengal, India: John G. Thorne, Rotary Club of North Hobart, Tasma-Australia; nia, Guiller E. Tumangan, Rotary

Club of Makati West, Makati City, Philippines; Juin Park, Rotary Club of Suncheon, Jeonranam, Korea; Elio Cerini, Rotary Club of Milano Duo-Italy; Gideon M. mo, Peiper, Rotary Club of Ramat Hasharon, Israel; Per Høyen, Rotary Club of Denmark; Aarup, Rotary Club of Knijff, Weesp (Vechtstreek-Noord), Netherlands; Sam Okudzeto, Rotary Club of Accra, Ghana; José Ubiracy Silva, Rotary Club of Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil; Bradford R. Howard, Rotary Club of Oakland Uptown, California, USA; Michael D. McCullough, Rotary Club of Trenton, Michigan, USA; Karen K. Wentz, Rotary Club of Maryville, Tennessee. USA; Michael K. McGovern, Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth, Maine, USA; and John C. Smarge, Rotary Club of Naples, Florida, USA.

#### RI President's Letter

#### **Barry Rassin** President 2018-19 May 2019

The people who know me best — my family — know that my passion for Rotary is boundless. They also

know that I don't expect them to get involved in Rotary the way I have. lt's choice that's up to them. But I must admit, I can't help smiling when I see them making the right choice.

At the end of the Toronto conven-

tion last year, my 12-yearold granddaughter turned to me and said, "I'm inspired to do something. What can I do?" Naturally, I did what any other Rotarian grandfather worth his salt would do: I asked her if there was an Interact club in her school. When she discovered there wasn't, she attempted to set one up. Unfortunately, her principal had other ideas, but we should not be deterred from helping Rotary youth programs whenever we can, because their value is beyond question.

Take Rotary Youth Leadership Awards as one example. It transforms young people into more confident. focused individuals with a better understanding of the world around them changes I was pleased to 16-year-old in my grandson after he participat-

My family is just the beginning. Everywhere I go, I meet people of all ages whose lives have been changed by our youth programs. They tell me how, five or 15 or 25 years ago, Youth Exchange Rotary taught them a new language or introduced them to a new culture. Their eyes light up when they talk about how New Generations Service Exchange

helped them advance in their career, or about how membership in Rotaract first ignited their passion for giving back to the community.

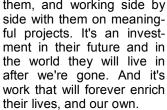
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programs young leaders extend our ideals of service, friendship, and leadership development beyond the doors of our clubs to hundreds of thousands of people young each year. And when we serve and with for young those

people — as sponsors, project partners, and mentors — it brings out the best in us, and it brings out the best in Rotary.

Youth Service May is Month, and there are many ways your Rotary club can celebrate. Sponsor an Interact club or Rotaract club, and your Rotary club will give young people in your community the tools they need to take action, become leaders, and gain a global perspective. Team up with your local Rotaract club for a service project. Get to know the participants in Rotary's programs young leaders and share their stories with your community. You'll find more ideas in this year's Rotary Citation brochure, located under the Awards section of the Member Center at my.rotary.org.

This month, let's Be the Inspiration to the young leaders in our communities by mentoring them, engaging them, and working side by side with them on meaningful projects. It's an investment in their future and in the world they will live in after we're gone. And it's work that will forever enrich





## **TRC Wadsworth Awards Scholarships**

The Rotary Club of Wadsworth recently awarded 3 Interact Club members from Wadsworth High School each with \$1500 scholarships to further their college education. Seniors Jacob Elsass and his twin brother, Henning Elsass, along with Senior Olivia Fugate have been involved in the Wadsworth High Interact Club for all 4 years of school. They are all officers of the club and have demonstrated strong leadership skills and initiative in recruiting other students and participating in various community service projects. Jacob and Henning are the sons of longtime Wadsworth Rotarian Karl Elsass.

Some of the projects the Interact Club has been involved with are the District Interact project to raise funds for the high school library in the Virgin Islands that was destroyed by a hurricane, they have put on a Veterans Day celebration each year at the

school, have provided blankets and gifts for needy pre-school children at Christmas and many other projects over the years. The Wadsworth Rotary is proud of their accomplishments!



# Rotary 🎆

## Rotary Leader

May 2019

Helping club and district leaders achieve success

### Rotary Peace Symposium brings partnerships into focus

Rotary Peace Fellows Phillip Gittins, Hai-Ryung Sung, and Sarah Agnew at the 2016 Rotary Convention in Seoul, Korea. Participants of the Rotary Peace Symposium in Hamburg will explore how partnerships can advance peace.

#### YOUNG LEADERS

How far have we come toward the goal of expanding Rotaract?

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#### **CLUB CLINIC**

Is the passport model right for your club?

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#### District 6630 Newsletter Policy

Submit story suggestions to Mike Johns, Jr. at stonecut@sbcglobal.net.

We accept article ideas about club and district successes, including fundraisers, publicity efforts, service projects, and membership drives. Please include descriptions, high-resolution photos, and contact information in your email. Due to the high volume of submissions, we cannot promise to feature your story.

PLEASE USE "ARTICLE FOR DISTRICT NEWSLETTER"

IN THE SUBJECT LINE

# My Rotary Defining Moment

When I think back to when I joined Rotary, I remember being told that there is a District Con-



ference and I would be expected to attend. That being said, my husband and I did attend! Since I am the kind of person who jumps right in, I was involved in every project the club chose and of course after the first vear, I became involved at the District level helping with registration. I wasn't alone in this though as my husband, Carmen, was voluntold and helped with everything as I did! Our club always had a good turnout for Conference and especially the Friday night Paul Harris Dinner. complete surprise my name was called to come to the stage and I was honored with a Paul Harris Fellow! My club paid the full \$1000 on my behalf. What an honor! I took this very seriously and have been a cheerleader for the Rotary Foundation ever since. I feel that I became a "Rotarian" that evening

Yours In Rotary Spirit and Friendship Marsha Pappalardo



## North Ridgeville Students with Disabilities Learn How to Fish

Click the photo below to read the Morning Journal Article



#### **E-Club NEO**

E-ClubNEO is excited to be chartering as a Satellite Club of the Rotary Club of Northampton-Cuyahoga Valley. We appreciate their encouragement and support.

Do you know any former Rotarians or community members who need the flexibility of an online Rotary club to engage with Rotary service? This is the time to encourage them to contact us to be a Charter Member of the new club or to send us their contact information. Text Juleta Craig at 330-936-7853 or email us at rotaryeclub6630@gmail.com.

-Kathryn

Kathryn Craig, Chair

District 6630 E-Club Planning Committee

Community Volunteer I Career Educator

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### Hudson Rotary Gala a Great Success in its 35th Year.

Generous sponsors, gift contributors, attendees and auction participants created another successful Gala for the Rotary Club of Hudson and for Hudson community projects. Major gifts donated included lake and rail excursions, professional services, golf outings, swim parties, use of luxury cars, sporting events, wine tasting and exclusive dining. The evening was marked by a lively silent auction cocktail hour, a delicious dinner of steak, shrimp and gourmet desert, piano music and a live auction with enthusiastic competitive bidding.

Attended by 260 local citizens, Hudson leaders, Boy Scouts, artists and local dignitaries, the event generated over \$72,000 in funds for this year's beneficiaries: The Gift of Life program of Northeast Ohio; Hudson Community First's Workshop "Uncharted Waters...What Every Senior Needs to Know Before Going to College; and the Boy Scout Cabin on the Green renovations.



Marilyn Orr, co-chair, Ron Strobl, chair, Kris Barker, co-chair(l-r)

Major sponsors of the 2019 Gala included: Platinum sponsor Kaulig Giving; Silver sponsors Akron Children's Hospital, the Forhan Family Foundation, The Tobin Family, PEG'S Foundation, Northwest, First National Bank and University Hospitals Portage Medical Center.

Table sponsors were: DKC-Warfield & Company, CPAs; Fidelity Invest-

ments; Boy Scout Troop 321, and The Burton D. Morgan Foundation. Rotary is very grateful to have the support of these loyal sponsors.



This year's Gala was developed by long time chairman Ron Strobl, cochairs Marilyn Orr and Kris Barker and a committee of Joe Avella, Dan Filburn, Jim Lang, Evan McCauley, Doug McDowell, Richard Nebiolo, Tom Page, Kathryn Sines and Jay Yard. Planning started last September with numerous ongoing discussions, presentations and meetings. The committee was pleased with the results.

The evening's Master of Ceremonies was oft recognized community citizen Ed Sogan who led the presentation of beneficiaries followed by auctioneer Jeff Jeffers who worked the crowd with determined professionalism. Ron Strobl, retiring from the Gala committee chairmanship after nine years, kept the program on track and made sure all bidders got their winnings. Ron would like to thank his wife Sue for her help over the many years of gathering gifts, organizing tables and coordinating community efforts.

Rotary members once again proved that they are People of Action applying leadership to solving social issues, tackling community challenges and finding lasting solutions to the world's systemic problems.

#### Linda G. Kramer Public Image Chair Rotary Club of Berea



PDG Jack Young displays examples of clothing and toys contained in Shoeboxes.

#### Berea Rotary supports the Shoebox Project

PDG Jack Young, board member emeritus of the Shoebox Project, said District 6630 is on track to deliver 860 boxes filled with toys, clothing and school items for Children of the Dump in Nicaragua. The aim is to reward students who have achieved good grades and good attendance and have been recommended by their teachers. Those parameters were set by the local teachers.

For Rotary, the goal is help educate the children and motivate them to do well, continue their schooling and seek a better life outside of the 80-acre dump in Chinandega. The project has set up a welding school, wood shop, sewing school and the House of Mathilda for homeless, pregnant mothers. Firefighting equipment also has been donated. So far, 28 students have gone on the college.

Over the past 12 years, District 6630 has sent more than 4,000 shoeboxes to Nicaragua with a value of more than \$1 million. Berea Rotary will donate funds to support 10 Shoeboxes this year.

## Rotary grant funds water program in Africa

There is a global water crisis, Case Western Reserve University medical student Rebecca Kelly told Berea Ro-

#### **News From TRC Berea**



Berea Rotarian Dr. Ed White and medical student Rebecca Kelly introduce us to Pure Madi - a clean water program in South Africa.

tarians on Tuesday, May 7. "It's the No. 1 global risk," she said, as 163 million people lack access to clean water.

As an undergraduate at the University of Virginia, Kelly decided to do something about it. She founded Pure Madi (in a local South African dialect, "madi" means water). Using a \$75,000 Rotary Global Grant, Kelly worked with UVA to deliver ceramic water filters to remote villages in South Africa. "With the filters, there has been an 80 percent decrease in disease," Kelly said.

The filters were perfected in the U.S. and are now manufactured on site in local African villages. The workers and factory managers are locals.

Kelly said a major obstacle was educating villagers about hygiene and that dirty water was causing their illnesses. For many, the local source of drinking and cooking water is a river. Once that water is filtered, it is safe to drink.

So far, Pure Madi has distributed 3,000 filters, impacting 15,000 people. It is part of a four-year study to measure the effects on the health of villagers.

Next steps are to create a marketing program and to develop a high-end receptacle to make the filters more attractive and marketable.

"Our hope is that the facilities will become sustainable with the sale of the filters," Kelly said. Right now, the filters are provided free of charge. "Fundraising is still needed."

Kelly is a second-year medical student and is a student of Dr. Ed White. She continues as president of Pure Madi.

Berea Rotary celebrates Arbor Day



#### with 2<sup>nd</sup> graders

Berea Rotarians Judy Stull and Linda Kramer brought pine tree seedlings to Donna Giblin's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class at St. Mary School in Berea on May 2.

The Arbor Day program was a joint project with Strongsville Rotary, which supplied the trees. Thanks to Berea Rotarian Bob Hammer who helped stuff the trees into the plastic bags with plenty of potting soil and water.

Judy played a game with the children, asking them whether items they picked from a bag came from trees or not – such as an orange, syrup, coconut or tomato. She stumped them with olives. Plus her gold-plated earrings were originally leaves fashioned into jewelry.

The class discussed why we need trees and Judy taught them the ASL symbol for trees — raise your right arm, supported by your left, and wiggle your fingers.

Some of the children decided to name their new Arbor Day friends. One little boy declared his tree would be known as Billy Bob. We hope Billy Bob and the other seedlings grow to be tall and straight and green additions to plenty of backyards.

#### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Sister Anne Victory
Of the Collaborative to End Human
Trafficking

Berea Rotary 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 4 BW's Strosacker Hall 125 Tressel St., Berea

> Please RSVP to (440) 236-9055 Jasdq1@gmail.com

## **Rotarian Recognized** by Toastmasters

District 10 of Toastmasters International recently held their district conference at Walsh College in Canton,

Each year, one non-toastmaster is selected for a "Communications and Leadership Award" for their achievement in a project that benefits society.



Roger Cline, Stow-Munroe Falls Rotary Club, was nominated by a Toastmaster to be considered for this award based on his 30-year involvement in the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Roger was interviewed by two high ranking district officials in separate phone calls. The outcome of the phone call interviews resulted in Roger being selected for the award.

Roger received the award at the district conference luncheon on Saturday, May 11 and was the featured luncheon speaker. He explained the youth service aspect of Rotary and in particular discussed the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. Then he spoke of all the factors that led him in the direction of Rotary and Rotary Youth Exchange.

The speech was well received and about 100 toastmasters left the luncheon with a much better understanding of the program.

Roger Cline, Treasurer for Ohio-Erie NAYEN Director Region 7

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### **Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Raises** \$5530 for Club Projects

Twenty One Students from Lakewood High School will be able to go to the American Youth Foundation's Miniwanca Leadership Camp in Shelby Michigan this summer. The Club's April 12 Annual Raffle Fund Raiser netted over \$22,000 for its community and international service projects in the coming Rotary year! As part of the event. students who attended AYF Camp in past years related how their experience inspired them to get involved at the school, and in the Community, including working with Sunrise Club members in projects that benefited services organizations. Attendees were so impressed with their stories that a special Paddle Raise as part of the live auction, raised \$5,530 for 2019 Scholarships so that all students who want to attend will be able to afford the tuition.

The American Youth Foundation was established in 1925 by a group of progressive leaders committed to helping young people reach their potential. The Founders were inspired by a common vision: to develop leaders for all of life's vocations, to inspire young people to discover and develop their own best self.

Camp Miniwanca is a not profit organization that offers camping, leadership conferences, and year round community and school programs to more than 6,000 youth each year. The programs go beyond simple camp and outdoor experiences by concentrating on a mission that challenges young people mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually. The Camp is set on 360 wooded acres and a mile of private Lake Michigan shoreline, and is a breathtaking and inspiring setting for growth.

Proceeds from Sunrise Club's April 12 Fund Raiser will also support community service projects such as its Dictionary Project, the Lakewood and Rocky River food programs for needy families, Beck Center for the Arts, Vocational Student awards, and local Interact Clubs. Funds raised will also support International activities such Rotary Student Exchange and the Children of the Dump Shoe Box project.

A second Paddle Raise at the Event raised \$2,400 for seed money for the Club's Malawi Schools Project to help children in one of the poorest parts of Africa, to get access education. It is a new international service project of the Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Club for 2019.

## **George F. Qua Memorial Golf Outing June 18**

The Rotary Club of Cleveland has announced that it will host a golf outing in memory of George F. Qua on

Tuesday, June 18, 2019, at Coppertop Golf Course in Valley City, Ohio. George was a long-time member and past president of the Rotary Club of Cleveland. He was also an active supporter of the Boy Scouts of America and the father of Assistant District Governor Paul B. Qua. George Qua passed away on September George F. Qua 15, 2017, just a few

weeks after the death of Sabra Hansen Qua, his wife of almost 58 years All Rotarians and their quests are welcome to participate in this memorial golf outing.

For those who want to play in the golf outing, the price is \$75 per person,



which covers greens fee, cart, lunch, and a buffet dinner. The shotgun-start scramble will begin at 10:00 a.m. Bag lunches will be served at the turn, and dinner will begin at about 4:00 p.m. For those who only want to attend the dinner, the price will be \$25. Beer and soft drinks are included with both meals. To register for the outing (for golf or dinner or both) or to get more

information, email Cleveland Rotarian **Thomas** edthomat ascsu@gmail.com.

## Our Rotary Legislative Process – 2019 Council on Legislation

I had the honor of being our District's delegate to the 2019 Council on Legislation held April 14th-18th in Chicago. What follows is an overview of the process, the proposed changes, and a more detailed coverage of several of the adopted enactments. I would be happy to speak at your Rotary Club if there is interest in learning more about the process or outcomes. (jwest@ameritech.net)

Every 3 years delegates from every Rotary District meet in Chicago to discuss and vote on proposed changes (enactments) to the RI Constitution, RI By-Laws and Standard Club Constitution. These changes have been proposed by Clubs, Districts, and the RI Board of Directors. If proposed by a Club or Clubs, enactments must also be endorsed by the Club's District. The enactments are provided to delegates several months in advance of the Council meeting and include marked up portions of the affected document, statements of purpose and effect, and financial impact, the latter being provided by RI Staff.

Proposed changes we considered included wording changes in the Object or Rotary or the Avenues of Service; flexibility in club meetings and attendance; the election processes for RI President and Directors, District Governors, and Council on Legislation delegates; RI membership, including Rotaract Clubs; RI per capita dues; the Council on Legislation process; changing the tax status of RI, and streamlining of the Bylaws of RI and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.

Those approved enactments related to Rotary Clubs included

1) Statements in both the RI Bylaws and RI Constitution that club membership should be as diverse as possible including members' vocations/

avocations, age, gender and ethnicity.

- 2) Requiring the presentation of a budget and an annual report at the club's annual meeting.
- Raising per capita dues to US\$34.50 per half year for 2020-2021, US\$35.00 per half year for 2021-2022, and US\$35.50 per half year for 2022-2023, a US\$1.00 increase in each of these years. There was significant discussion regarding cost reduction efforts taken by RI and improvements needed in coming years, the finances required to sustain current operations and programs, and the requirement for a balanced annual budget. For comparison, RI per capita dues increases for each of the two preceding years, this year and next year was/is US\$4.00.
- 4) Enabling Rotaract Clubs to be members of Rotary International, just as Rotary Clubs are members of Rotary International. This strengthens Rotaractors' connection to Rotary through their Clubs' membership in RI rather than being a program of RI as they currently are. It also encourages partnering between Rotaract and Rotary Clubs on projects and events, and encourages Rotaractors to join a Rotary Club as they age out of Rotaract.
- 5) Revised Standard Rotary Club Constitution and RI Bylaws with no substantive changes to either document. The changes included removing extra words, repetitive language, and streamlining the format. These changes were needed due to modifications resulting from previous Councils on Legislation being made without a comprehensive review. The Standard Club Constitution will be about 1/6 shorter and the RI Bylaws will be about 1/3 shorter. More importantly they will easier to use.

# It Will be a Great Night at the Ballpark

#### End Polio Now Indians vs Tigers July 17, 2019

Are you planning summer activities for your family and your Rotary club? Be sure and sign up for

The "End Polio Now" night with the Indians on 7/17/19. March on the field before the game, get a free

"End Polio "T Shirt, dinner in the Terrace Cub, a raffle, an auction and see the Indians beat the Tigers.

Upper and lower level tickets available.

We will also be having our Paul Harris fellow raffle and a chance to throw out the first pitch at a future

Indians game. Raffle tickets are now available from your assistant governor and other district officers.

Click on the flyer below for more info.



## **News From TRC Twinsburg**

#### Teacher of the Year



(L to R) Twinsburg Rotary Co-President Shannon Collins, Teacher of the Year Lauren Wilson, and Wilcox Primary Principal

The Rotary Club of Twinsburg had the honor of recognizing Wilcox Elementary physical education teacher, Lauren Wilson as our 2019 Teacher of the Year at the Twinsburg Chamber of Commerce luncheon, which featured the State of the School's address by Superintendent Kathi Powers.

Mrs. Wilson's passion for fitness and a healthy lifestyle is the focus for her lessons which include direct instruction and multiple opportunities to practice every time students enter the gymnasium. When you enter Mrs. Wilson's physical education classes, you will find students actively engaged in whole class and small group activities using movement, music, and technology to meet the learning style of all students.

Beyond the classroom, Mrs. Wilson has had an impact on the entire school through the amazing annual field days she plans and facilitates. On these days, students work with their classmates to compete in different events that take place on the Wilcox grounds and that align with themes like the Olympics or the television show "Survivor", where teams outwit, outplay, and outlast each other. Mrs. Wilson's creativity and leadership have also extended to district and community initiatives such as staff wellness challenges and community fitness events that have brought staff and families together.

Because she is an innovative educator who helps students grow and succeed each day, Lauren Wilson is our Twinsburg Rotary Teacher of the Year.

## Twinsburg Club Staffs Kitchen for Pasta Dinner



(L to R) Twinsburg Rotarians Anna Knoch, Cindy Leonard, Steve Bosso, and Phil Weiss staff the kitchen at the Twinsburg Historical Society's

The Rotary Club of Twinsburg was proud to assist the Twinsburg Historical Society by providing food and kitchen staff for their pasta dinner fundraiser, which raised money to

restore the historic Moses Roach House on Twinsburg Square. Twinsburg Rotarians served just under 200 dinners! Special thanks to fellow Rotarian Shannon Collins and her mom, Roxanne Barringer for all of the meal prep and running around!

## Twinsburg Rotary Helps Paint Historic Home



Twinsburg Rotarian Phil Weiss and Twinsburg Historical Society president Andy Tomko work to prep house for painting.

The Rotary Club of Twinsburg was proud to partner with the Twinsburg Historical Society and other community organizations as we helped to scrape and paint the historical Riley House on Liberty Road. Rotarians climbed ladders, scraped, and prepped the home for a complete paint job.

Contact: Steve Bosso (216) 244-3710 sbosso@twinsburg.oh.us

#### ROTARY YEAR END DEADLINES

Help ensure that Rotary will continue to do good in the world for the next 100 years by encouraging club members to make a contribution prior to 29 June 2019. Donations made this Rotary year will be applied to your club fundraising goal, will help your club qualify for a Foundation banner, and will be applied to a donor's individual giving record. As a reminder, the fastest and most secure way to make a gift is online at <a href="https://www.rotary.org/donate">www.rotary.org/donate</a>.

**VIEW DEADLINES** 

# Shelter Box International Nominated for 2019 Nobel Peace Prize

Past United States Board member of Shelter Box USA and District 6630 Past District Governor Jack Young has been notified by the Shelter box Office that Shelter Box has been nominated for the second year for the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize. The nomination and recognition is for their humanitarian efforts in areas of extreme conflict throughout the world. According to Jack, just to me nominated is an honor it itself and to be recognized a second year by the committee is even a greater honor of the work that Shelter Box does to help others.

This great acknowledgement for the work that the staff, Rotarians, Rotary Clubs and friends of Rotary is a tribute to all of those involved. Shelter Box provides much more than material aid - we provide the foundation for recovery and thus stability needed for peace, one family at a time. According to Jack, Shelter Box has been doing this since the year 2000 and has been helping those all over the world.

Every hour, more families, just like yours, lose everything in conflict, their lives torn apart, their homes destroyed, lively hood lost, and family members and brutality taken away. Not only natural disasters take place but fighting leave cities in ruins and when troop storms villages, the families are separated.

As Rotary International official and only project partner, in disaster Relief, this nomination is an example of supporting Rotarians area of focus on promoting peace in the world and at the same time providing basic shelter to families who have lost the basic part and provides that shelter to families and children.

This Nobel Peace Prize nomination reflects the incredible work done by

the Shelter Box Staff and volunteers around the world, many of which are Rotarians and those supported them, especially Rotary Clubs. According to Jack Shelter Box has affiliates in 18 different countries in the world and continually sends its volunteers to those who need help.

The work of Shelter Box and its volunteers keeps families and communities together, increasing feelings of stability and works with many global humanitarian agencies including UNHCR, the Red Cross, Amnesty International UNICEF and Medecins Sans Frortieres.

Jack is a past Board member of Shelter USA, and Shelter Box Hall of Fame inductee and has been involved with the organization since 2006. He is grateful for all of the work that Shelter Box has accomplished of helping others throughout the world. Please continue your support of Shelter Box. If you would like a Shelter Box presentation to your club or organization, please feel free to contact Jack at (440-759-400 or jack1villa@aol.com)

Please remember, the process of Shelter Box was started in Cornwall, England by ONE ROTARIAN who had a passion and saw a need of helping others in time of loss and devastation. We now have affiliates in 18 different countries and have served millions of people. ONE PERSON DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE. As I hear of the final decision by the committee, I will let you know. It is not the award but what we do that changes the lives of families.

Yours in Rotary Spirit and Friendship, Jack

# Shelter Box Sell a Home Give a Home Project

Shelter Box USA is constantly developing new ways to engage Rotarians and others with Shelter Box. As you already know, thousands of families are forced from their homes every day by wars, conflicts and natural disasters. We are working every day to provide emergency shelter and tools for displaced families, transforming despair into hope.

We are seeking out real estate agents across the country to help us make an impact in our world. For every home that real estate agents sell, realtors across the U.S. are donating \$ 1,000 to Shelter Box USA, enough to cover the cost and delivery of a Shelter Box.

Realtors can do good and drive sales at the same time. In a 2017 study, "87 per cent of consumers said they would be willing to buy a product or service based on a company's advocacy concerning a social matter." Shelter Box provide photos and case studies TO SHARE WITH CLIENTS THAT REFLECT THE IMPACT THAT IS BEING MADE.

THEREFORE, DO YOU KNOW ANY REALTORS WHO MIGHT WANT TO JOIN THIS EFFORT? THEY CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP and can sign up at www.ShelterBoxUSA.org/give a home or contact PDG Jack Young, (2007-14 Shelter Box USA Board of Director and Shelter Box Emeritus) at 440-759-4000 or Jack1villa@aol.com)

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