



News



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Keep up to date electronically with District 6270:

- District website: www.rotary6270.org
- District Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryDistrict6270>
- District YouTube site: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiF7TiGu-a0-KD62GI4HVmg>
- District Public Image website for non-Rotarians: <http://www.rotarywisconsin.org/>

News from around District 6270

Membership Challenge

DG Kola Alayande is challenging clubs to grow their membership.

- The five clubs with the highest per capita growth from July 1 – December 31, 2018 will each receive a \$500 Visa card, to be used for the Hamburg convention.
- The top ten new member sponsors will receive recognition points toward a Paul Harris Fellow.

Young Professionals Council

The District 6270 Board of Directors has voted to formally approve the permanent formation of the Young Professional Council as a committee in District 6270. The names of the charter members of the Young Professionals Council (Committee) are:

- Amanda Follett (Noon Rotary Club of West Bend)
- Bryce Gannon (West Bend Sunrise)
- Andrea Jorgensen (M-T Sunrise)
- Elodie Ontala (Mequon Milwaukee Afterhours)
- Kristopher Ulrich (Neenah)

Congratulations and thank you for your commitment to growing membership in our district!

New Clubs Forming in District 6270

Rotary Satellite Club of Whitnall Park Muskego After Hours



Whitnall Park Rotary Club's satellite club in Muskego is off and running! Spearheaded by Dr. Kelly Thompson, Superintendent of the Muskego Norway School District, the satellite club meets periodically at the Muskego Circle, a community center hosted by Lakepoint Church. Location is S63W13694 W. Janesville Road.

On October 11 the potential satellite club members gathered and received a briefing at the Muskego Food Pantry. They also met at Muskego Circle on October 25 to discuss future service projects. A minimum of 8 (eight) members is required to establish a satellite club. Contact Dr. Thompson (kelly.thompson@muskegonorway.org) to express your interest and to receive information on dates, times, & locations of meetings.



Passport Club

Know someone who would be a great Rotarian, wants to participate in community service, but who needs flexibility with the meeting schedule? The new Passport Club may be a great option! Open to new or former Rotary members within the four-state area of the Midwest- Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, and Minnesota. (Current Rotary members cannot transfer to the Passport Club.)

- Annual dues of \$300 includes Rotary International and District dues plus a \$100 contribution to The Rotary Foundation's *Every Rotarian, Every Year* campaign.
- Attend a minimum of five (5) meetings per year- two online meetings with other Passport Club members, two meetings with any other Rotary club around the world, and the annual meeting at District Conference.
- Perform a minimum of 40 hours of service per year (or pay \$250 to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation).

Refer potential members to DG Kola Alayande at kola.alayande@rotary6270.org.

RI Convention Speaker Xavier Ramey Coming to Mequon Saturday 17 November

BRIAN MONROE, M-T Sunrise Rotary

I had the wonderful opportunity to attend one of Rotary's six "International Peace Conferences" in Chicago last June. D6270 was well represented with fifteen of us in attendance. We enjoyed the privilege of hearing many phenomenal speakers and participating in thought provoking breakout sessions and panel discussions.



One of those speakers, Xavier Ramey really stood out and I had the pleasure of hearing him speak again at the RI convention in Toronto. Good news, the Ozaukee County Branch of the NAACP has arranged to have Xavier Ramey as their guest speaker at their "Freedom Fund Fundraiser Event" on Saturday 17 November at the River Club in Mequon. The theme for this year's event is "*The Road to Peace is Justice*".

Promoting peace and understanding is one of Rotary's six areas of focus. Please consider joining us to enjoy dinner and hear fellow Rotarian Xavier inspire us to action. Tickets, sponsorship opportunities and his RI

Convention speech are available on this [Eventbrite Link](#). Our emcee that evening will be D6270 AG Rayna Andrews, who is also a public health ambassador, author and activist with her core work in food security.

I know that you'll love this event. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best Regards, Brian Monroe

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Cedarburg Grafton

JAMES A. SCHOWALTER, Club President



As a new President of my club, I've found in a very short time that you need to ask for help. Every Rotarian is a busy individual, often working, volunteering, parenting and living a very active life.

Our club, the Cedarburg-Grafton Rotary Club, is a dynamic club. We host two large fundraisers each year that demand much of the club time and talent to pull off successfully every year. This, in addition to all of the other demands that are present in running a Rotary Club today.

When the call from Rotary International came last year with the tree planting challenge for Arbor Day, clubs like ours heard the call but were left with the feeling that we just didn't know how to pull off yet another large endeavor. Yet we wanted to be a part of this movement and our community deserved our interest in this project.

Read more at: https://drive.google.com/open?id=1_ZzRsJuIIsEew18mo7UxzNuTKPz6wcK7

Fond du Lac Morning

DEB WITKOWSKI

A Welcome Baby Literacy Kit is given to the parents of newborns at their 20-week prenatal/ultrasound appointment at Agnesian HealthCare locations in Fond du Lac, Ripon and Waupun. The kit features a children's book, a guide from the Fond du Lac Public Library with suggested books for infants in English and Spanish, a county-wide resource guide, and a tip sheet on the importance of communicating with your baby.

The kits have been made possible thanks to a \$3,500 grant from the Fond du Lac Morning Rotary Club.

"Our membership recognizes the importance that reading plays on the lives of our children," says Deb Witkowski, a Fond du Lac Morning Rotary member. "Our efforts first began with researching early literacy and its importance to brain development. It shows that talking, reading and singing are critical even before the baby is born."

Read more at:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1ITjJ9uzK3r7qM-g3F-0Jb4yklwHEpV>

Fox Valley Area Clubs

LISA WERNER, Assistant Governor, Neenah

The Rotary Clubs of Fox Cities Morning, Menasha, and Neenah collaborated for the 25th year in a row for Seafood Fest, a general club fundraiser held at Jefferson Park in Menasha. This two-night festival offers free live music while they enjoy full lobster/salmon dinners in the pavilion or enjoy offerings from local food trucks. Funds raised go to support service opportunities and grants in the community it is raised in.



Manitowoc Sunrise

PATTY LOU POHLMANN

The first half of every Rotary year is always hectic for Manitowoc Sunrise Rotary because the majority of our events



occur in this half. We partnered with Two Rivers Rotary to work a food booth for a national women's beach volleyball tournament this summer. Then we moved right into an O&H kringle sale. Tree planting followed at the new Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center, which is attracting lots of tourists. Cleaning up Memorial Drive along Lake Michigan was followed by our annual Rotary Run for the Kids, and still to come is our November 13th Veterans' Day Breakfast!

Read more at: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1KET9VrDZNRSJ-Tr9TXScBJxw1rWz5KZ->

Mitchell Field

SUE HEBNER

The Rotary Club of Mitchell Field recently completed its second annual “Flags for Heroes” project in Oak Creek and its first in South Milwaukee. This multi-purpose event was designed to honor heroes—military and civilian, deceased and living—at a display of 200 American flags placed on the lawn of the Oak Creek Community Center over the Memorial Day weekend and 100 around South Milwaukee City Hall from Flag Day through the Fourth of July.

We also held our fourth successful Food Truck Sunday fundraiser in the past two years, raising a total of \$9,500 after expenses, and we used a District grant to plant, cultivate and pick an acre of cabbage, which will feed an estimated 6,000 families.

Read more at: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1kk-ud4ngle28VcmpUfC8RnV1IiJAnz7g>



Racine Founders

PATRICK BOOTH, Event Chair

The Dennis Barry STRIVE Golf Classic 2018 was another huge success at Racine Country Club on September 10th. This is one of Racine Founders Rotary Club’s largest Rotary events we do each year to raise monies for scholarships. This year we had 70+ golfers attend with 30+ sponsors. The event is truly about bringing the community together to help bring awareness on Rotary and Strive.

This event could not be done without the amazing support of so many businesses and organizations, many are Rotarians. Racine Country Club does a wonderful job hosting the event. It’s a joy for all golfers to enjoy the beauty of this course that is hidden in the city of Racine.



After a full day of golfing, we hosted a dinner where silent auctions items could be purchased. Another way to raise money for the scholarships. This year our guest speaker was Chancellor Debra Ford from UW Parkside. It was great to hear how Parkside is growing and shaping our future.

The best part of hosting the Dennis Barry STRIVE Golf Classic each year is seeing the joy this event brings that day and how it continues to give students the opportunity to go further in life with Rotary support.

Patrick is shown in the photo on the left. John Busey, Chairperson of the scholarship application review committee, is pictured second from right. The three girls shown are 3 of the 5 scholarship recipients.

International Water Project – Seeking Partners

District 6270 has embarked on a large-scale global grant with another District and club in Guatemala. This water project will be a milestone for us in monies and initiative.

Find out more on what’s happening and how you can be a part of this project. Read Mike Paddock’s story and then contact Rick Debe, District 6270 Water and Sanitation Chair, at rick.debe@rotary6270.org to schedule a presentation at your club meeting.

Rotarians Find Life-Saving Solutions

MIKE PADDOCK, Rotary Club of Milwaukee

“Am I getting too old for this?” I thought as the 5 AM alarm came too early. I was in Guatemala as a Rotarian and volunteer through Engineers Without Borders USA. We were moving at break-neck speed, hiking up and down steep mountains to evaluate 10 potential new projects. Yesterday, we’d done a half-day mountainous hike to test two newly

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discovered springs that might provide clean water to a community that had never had it. That got me moving, as did the fresh Guatemalan coffee.

I was in a rural mountain village where a community named Chupoj, descendants of the ancient Mayans, had requested assistance with a potable water system for its 840 residents. The Rotary Club of Milwaukee, along with other clubs in our District and the Vista Hermosa Rotary Club of Guatemala, want to partner on this project through a potential Rotary Global Grant.

Read more here:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1bcey2mRgZPCurqzMv19Go_KTjohCpr_E



Club Resources

Enactments or Resolutions -- How they impact you!

In 2016 your Rotary legislative body made changes in how enactments and resolutions are handled.

Tamie Koop, PDG is your District Representative on this body. Tamie is willing to come out and speak to Rotary Clubs on this topic and how it does impact Rotary decisions. To book a presentation -- email her at tkoop@wi.rr.com with date and time of the meeting.

Liability Insurance Program for U.S. Rotary Clubs and Districts

Never sure what is and is not covered with your Rotary Club or Foundation's operation? What about RYLA or Interact or Rotaract? Rotary International's carrier RJ Gallagher offers a broad package of coverage to us. Please contact our District 6270 Insurance Chair, Rick Debe at rick.debe@rotary6270.org to help you review your own needs as you and/or your sub groups may already have coverage under the master contract.

Membership Development

District 6270 Membership Chair, Cathy Christensen, has created a toolkit of Best Practices and resources for all things related to membership!

Find it here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ifkxq6wO57_MLhmrCZXRz_NHZj6i9EnR/view?usp=sharing

Photography: Simple Tips to Improve Your Pictures to Tell Rotary's Story

Rotary staff photographer Alyce Henson has been shooting images for Rotary for more than a decade. In her post for Rotary Voices, Alyce shares her tips for taking better photos of club projects, and how to shoot images that you can use to make your own People of Action ads. With a little bit of practice, a few simple guidelines, and a touch of confidence, you can produce some amazing results.

Read more here: <https://blog.rotary.org/2018/10/23/how-to-improve-your-photography-telling-rotarys-story-in-pictures/>

Events around the District

District 6270 Foundation Dinner. November 7 (Wednesday) Cocktails 5:45 p.m., Dinner Seating 6:15 p.m.

West Bend Country Club, 5858 County Road Z, West Bend, WI 53095

Keynote Speaker: Sarah Ehlinger Affotey, 2011-2012 Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar at the University of Ghana.

Reservations are required – no walk-ins. Contact Dana Kohlmeier at dana.kohlmeier@rotary6270.org to check availability for reservations.

Additional details here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Fgb1n-wd3Xpm79ydq9IpAHCmze5OzK76/view?usp=sharing>

Ozaukee County Branch of NAACP 2018 Freedom Fund Dinner. November 17 (Saturday) 5-9:00 p.m.

River Club of Mequon, 12400 North Ville du Parc Dr., Mequon, WI 53092

“The Road to Peace is Justice” with 2018 RI Convention speaker Xavier Ramey. Tickets, sponsorship opportunities and his RI Convention speech are available on this [Eventbrite Link](#).

2nd Quarter Rotary District 6270 Board of Directors Meeting. November 13 (Tuesday) 4:00 p.m.
Moraine Park Technical College – West Bend Campus, Room T117, 2151 N. Main St., West Bend, WI 53090.

Christmas Craft Fair. December 1 (Saturday) 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Whitnall High School, 5000 S. 116th St., Greenfield, WI 53228

Whitnall Park Rotary Club's famous annual holiday craft fair expands this year with 30 more crafters than previously. That's a total of 250+ crafters . . . so don't miss the fun! Also enjoy "Breakfast with Santa" and get your children's photo taken with Santa. Both breakfast and lunch are served in the school cafeteria.

Rotary International's 2018-19 President Barry Rassin and his wife Esther. December 4 (Tuesday) 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., War Memorial Center (Memorial Hall), 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI 53202

Proudly presented by The Rotary Club of Milwaukee. Advance registration required.

Cost: \$20 payable at the door (cash only). Please RSVP at tinyurl.com/RassinAtRCM by Friday, November 30.

Read more here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/10uXWVAO2cxDgkhFkmWziTLQwa1QK01eD/view?usp=sharing>

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert. December 6 (Thursday) 7:00 p.m.

Cedarburg Performing Arts Center, W68 N611 Evergreen Blvd., Cedarburg, WI 53012

Presented by the Cedarburg-Grafton Rotary Club. Proceeds from the concert support student scholarships and community service. Tickets for reserved seats are \$45 and \$60 and available at www.cedarburgpac.com or by calling the CPAC Box Office at 262-376-6161.

DualCon (District Conference for D6220 and D6270). May 17-18, 2019.

Grand Canyon Lodge at Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells – Fun for the whole family!

Join us for a celebration of Rotarians in our districts and learn more about issues impacting our communities.

Registration opens January 1, 2019.

For additional events, see: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50114/events/calendar>

International Convention



Hamburg 2019 RI Convention

June 1 thru 5, 2019, Rotarians will gather in Hamburg, Germany, for the 110th Annual RI Convention. It promises to be another exciting and informative event, celebrating the 2018-19 Rotary Theme: **Be the Inspiration**. Numerous D6270 Rotarians have already registered. Come join us in Hamburg!

Register at: <http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg>

Still need to book your flight? These are the two sites PDG Rick Debe and his wife used to look up and secure economical travel next year to the RI convention. Scotts has a better search engine but Momondo was better on linking with the air carriers. This is just a reference for those interested.

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Be the Inspiration!

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