

THE SPOKE NEWSLETTER DISTRICT 6740

Rotary



MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR SEEMA SACHDEVA

When Irving Berlin first wrote his most loved classic “White Christmas” in 1938, I don’t think he had the Christmas of 2022 in mind with subzero temperatures. Some of us were fortunate to be joyfully confined in our homes with our families while some couldn’t be together due to the icy conditions. As we bid farewell to 2022 and embrace the New Year, we do so with reflections and resolutions. I believe both reflections and resolutions are quintessential for success. We have hit the halfway mark of our Rotary year and now is the time to reflect on the need to modify our course to do better in order to achieve the goals we had set for ourselves at the onset.

Rotary’s strategic priorities and objectives have a four-prong approach. They include Increase Our Impact, Expand Our Reach, Enhance Participant Engagement, and Increase our Ability to Adapt.

We can increase our impact by contributing to The Rotary Foundation to eradicate polio and be a part of the legacy of a polio free world, focus on our local and global programs and offerings, and improve our ability to impact in meaningful, sustainable, and measurable ways.

We can expand our reach by growing our membership and increasing member participation, opening Rotary in new and innovative ways and building awareness of our brand and it’s global impact.

We can enhance participant engagement by supporting our existing and new members, offering opportunities for personal and professional growth of our members, getting powerful and inspirational programs, and providing leadership and skills training.

Finally, we can increase our ability to adapt by embracing innovation, thinking outside the box in our decision making and willingness to try new options.

I look forward to sharing our many success stories together.

Rakesh and I wish you all a very happy and blessed New Year!



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WANT TO CREATE MORE ROTARY VALUE? REGISTER NOW FOR THE UPCOMING DISTRICT 6740 ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Everywhere we turn, we hear leaders concerned about creating more value...for shareholders, customers or clients, employees, and other stakeholders. Rotarians are likewise concerned about creating more value...for members of their clubs, their communities, Rotary International, and all the people in the Commonwealth and around the world who benefit from Rotary's support. **One way you can increase that value is by attending the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) and/or recruiting a couple of your club members to attend.**

RLI courses are designed for **current and prospective club officers, directors, committee chairs, project leaders, and Rotarian who wants to learn more about Rotary.**

The curriculum for the Institute consists of three Parts, which must be completed in sequence and include approximately six hours of instruction per Part. Classes are fun, fast paced, topical, interactive, and geared for busy Rotarians who want to be more effective leaders in their vocations and their clubs.

Topics in Part I include: (Jan 28) My Rotary Word, Ethics and Vocational Service, Foundation I: Our Foundation; (Feb 4) My Leadership in Rotary, Engaging Members, Creating Service Projects.

Topics in Part II include: (Jan 28) Rotary Opportunities, Effective Leadership Strategies, and Attracting Members; (Feb 4) Club Communication, Team Building, and Foundation II--Targeted Service.

Topics in Part III include: (Jan 28) Strategic Planning & Analysis A & B, Building a Stronger Club; (Feb 4) Public Image & Public Relations, Foundations II: International Service, Making a Difference—Parliamentary Procedure.

Here are a few comments from attendees at our August 2022 RLI: "More Presidents should be encouraged to attend." Arnold Taylor, Club Director, Covington Rotary Club and Chair, D6740 Youth Study Exchange

"There should be a campaign directed at all club officers, the information presented will make them better leaders." Albert Brunelle, President, Princeton Rotary Club

"I really appreciated (and learned more from) the experiential learning of doing exercises, such as the 30 second "elevator speech" and the teambuilding exercise...." Jay Barrett, Club President, Morehead Rotary Club

District 6740's next RLI is scheduled for consecutive Saturday mornings, **January 28 and February 4, on ZOOM. Log in begins at 7:45 AM and the Institute runs from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM.**

Registration for District 6740 Part I is **free for D6740 Rotarians**. Registration for **Parts II and III** is **only \$15** (plus a nominal \$1 fee if you pay online with a credit card).

All you have to do to register is GO TO <https://rlihoa.org>, **Upcoming Trainings, RLI Parts I, II and III Online--District 6740. Choose More info** and follow the directions. If you run into problems with registration, contact Judy Worth at jkworth@icloud.com or 859-494-9889.

No matter how long you've been a Rotarian, we guarantee at RLI you'll learn something new!



Rotary District 6740's RYLA 2023: Bigger Than Ever

Christopher Hickey, District 6740 RYLA Chair

Rotary District 6740, with support from the Rotary Club of Lexington, will host our 7th RYLA on April 22, 2023, at the Life Adventure Center in Versailles, Kentucky. Rotary District 6740 Governor Seema Sachdeva's vision is making RYLA 2023 bigger than ever. What the District 6740 RYLA Team needs from our district Rotarian Clubs is identifying five volunteers and to sponsor students to attend. The goal is to host 44 students divided into four teams, each led by a Rotarian volunteer, we call "Wranglers." The cost to sponsor a student is \$275 which pays for the Life Adventure Center programming and administrative costs, food and refreshments, a RYLA team shirt, and the coveted RYLA coin. RYLA provides our students, who have experienced a couple years of pandemic isolation, with outdoor adventure challenges and leadership experiences, at a pivotal point in their lives, that are life changing.

RYLA's vision is to help build future leaders of our community by providing an adventure experience that bolsters strength, resilience, confidence, and self-awareness. The District 6740 RYLA program, since it's inaugural program in 2015, has enabled 269 students become better leaders. The District 6740 RYLA team has conducted program models ranging from 1 to 4 days. The one-day model achieves the RYLA vision while striking a reasonable balance of time, costs, and energy. This one-day model will open many more Rotarians to volunteer and lesson program costs, which will enable us to invite many more students and increase the program's impact. We executed RYLA 2022, after a two-year pandemic program pause, with a smaller group of 20 students but are now ready to go big. We want to identify 20 students from Lexington and 20 from the rest of the district to attend RYLA 2023.

RYLA is a full day of adventure that begins with drop off no later than 8:30 am at the Life Adventure Center, 507 Milner Road, Versailles, KY 40383, and concludes with pick up at 6:00 pm. RYLA will provide lunch and dinner. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring Rotary Club to transport the student to and from the Life Adventure Center. This is often done by the parents, but the sponsoring Rotary clubs have had volunteers transport students who didn't have a means of transportation.

RYLA begins with a discussion on leadership and being a leader. They learn that being a leader is not a position but a distinction that has to be earned through their actions. The RYLA leadership model is framed by an ethical framework called, "The Code of the West." When the students are contemplating whether they want to climb a 60-foot wall, their teammates encourage them to, "Live each day with courage."

They learn that courage conquers fear, a powerful life lesson. I love watching the students as they transition from fear, to fortifying themselves with courage as they begin the high adventure challenge, to pride when they come back to the ground. The Life Adventure Center has a policy "Challenge by choice" and students will not be forced to negotiate a challenge. The vast majority of the students are able to achieve the challenges or at least do most of them.



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The student's RYLA experience is packed with adventure challenges like a 60-foot wall, which they have to climb up and rappel down, a zip line, archery, a high ropes course, and an equestrian program to learn how to work around horses. We found most of our students have never been around a horse. The day culminates with the "Amazing Race" where teams bring everything together in a two-hour, multi-event competition where they use the skills they have learned. All of this is not possible without our fantastic Rotary volunteers. Dean Hammond, a past district governor, our RYLA Director, has been leading RYLA since the beginning. Peggy Trafton, the Rotary Club of Lexington Executive Director, has led RYLA teams multiple years as well. We get as much out of RYLA as the students.

The type of student RYLA is looking for is someone who would not otherwise have an opportunity for leadership training or develop their leadership potential. We are looking for that young person who needs a boost in their confidence. We encourage the Rotary Clubs to work with your Middle School counselors to identify these students. We have pre-formatted letters that you can send to Middle School leadership and for their counselors to send to parents explaining the RYLA program. The District 6740 RYLA will serve students who meet the following criteria:

1. Be a middle school 8th grader
2. Should exhibit leadership potential that could be developed in this environment
3. Have little or no opportunity to otherwise develop their leadership potential
4. Must have a 2.5 GPA and have a good attendance and discipline record
5. Must reside in District 6740 and be sponsored by a Rotary Club in District 6740
6. Be physically and mentally able to participate in a team-oriented leadership adventure. RYLA staff is not qualified to administer medications to RYLA students

Rotary Clubs will submit the student applications to the District 6740 RYLA Chair, me, at cmhickey@lexingtondoctors.org, and payment to the Rotary Club of Lexington, 401 W. Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507. An application, meeting the above criteria, will be approved on a first come, first served basis once payment has been received.

We need a Rotarian volunteer to lead each of our four student teams, with one volunteer backup. Our Rotarian RYLA volunteers, in accordance with the Rotary Youth Protection Guide, Chapter 3: Youth Protection Procedures, will have a background check conducted. The Life Adventure Center staff of certified instructors will provide all the high adventure instruction and oversight. The role of the Rotarian volunteers, called Wranglers, are to encourage and support a team of 10 to 12 students as they navigate the challenges of RYLA. One of the principals of the Code of the West is, "When you make a promise, keep it." I make you a promise, if you volunteer for RYLA next spring, you will get that feeling of immense satisfaction that you helped shape our future leaders. We will send the RYLA application, flyers, letters to counselors and parents out to the District 6740 Rotary Clubs in mid-January. Contact me if you are up for the challenge, cmhickey@lexingtondoctors.org, cell (859) 967-4099.

Together, we can achieve our District Governor's vision of making RYLA 2023 bigger than ever.

Rotary Club of Florence and Gateway Community & Technical College Honor John and Connie Salyers with Hand Up Grant Endowment Adam Curry, Rotary Club of Florence and Ignite Intern

Florence, Kentucky – December 2, 2022 – The Rotary Club of Florence (@FlorenceRotary), Kentucky held a meeting on November 21, 2022 to honor the late Rotarian and his wife, John and Connie Salyers. The club partnered with Gateway Community & Technical College to establish the Hand Up Grant, an emergency fund grant that will help financially support eligible Gateway CTC students in Northern Kentucky.

Florence Rotarian Greg Palmer began the celebration by sharing the story of John and Connie Salyers and their involvement in the Rotary Club of Florence. John Salyers was a Rotary Club member for many years, along with being District 6740 Governor and supporter of his community. Connie Salyers also served her community through her 30 years as a middle school teacher. Mr. Palmer shared how John Salyers had been appointed as a Rotary representative for the Global Polio Eradication initiative. As part of this initiative, John advocated with federal officials for funds to be allocated toward eradicating the virus and he even spent time in Africa vaccinating children against polio.

Immediate Past President of Florence Rotary Duane Froelicher laid out his goals for the club prior to his tenure in office with former President, Adam Howard. One of those goals was to create a hand up grant whereby money would be raised to help adult students with

Adam Howard, Former Rotary Club of Florence President, then shared some personal memories he had with John and Connie. He explained that the Salyers were very devoted to their faith, being involved in the Revived Ministries. Whether it be through their faith or through the Rotary Club of Florence, the Salyers were devoted to giving back and helping others. After a sizable donation of \$10,000 to the Rotary Club of Florence Foundation by the Salyers family, Mr Howard knew he and the club had to do something to memorialize the Salyers.

After a number of coincident meetings and paths crossing, the Hand Up Grant then came to fruition, with the goal of helping Gateway CTC students with a barrier in their life while pursuing their education. After a lot of deliberation on how the Club was going to hit its goal of \$50,000, a grant opportunity of \$30,000 was given to Gateway CTC that was matched with \$30,000 in federal funds that needed to be allocated. This created a \$60,000 endowment that will continue to provide Gateway CTC students with funds in emergency situations.

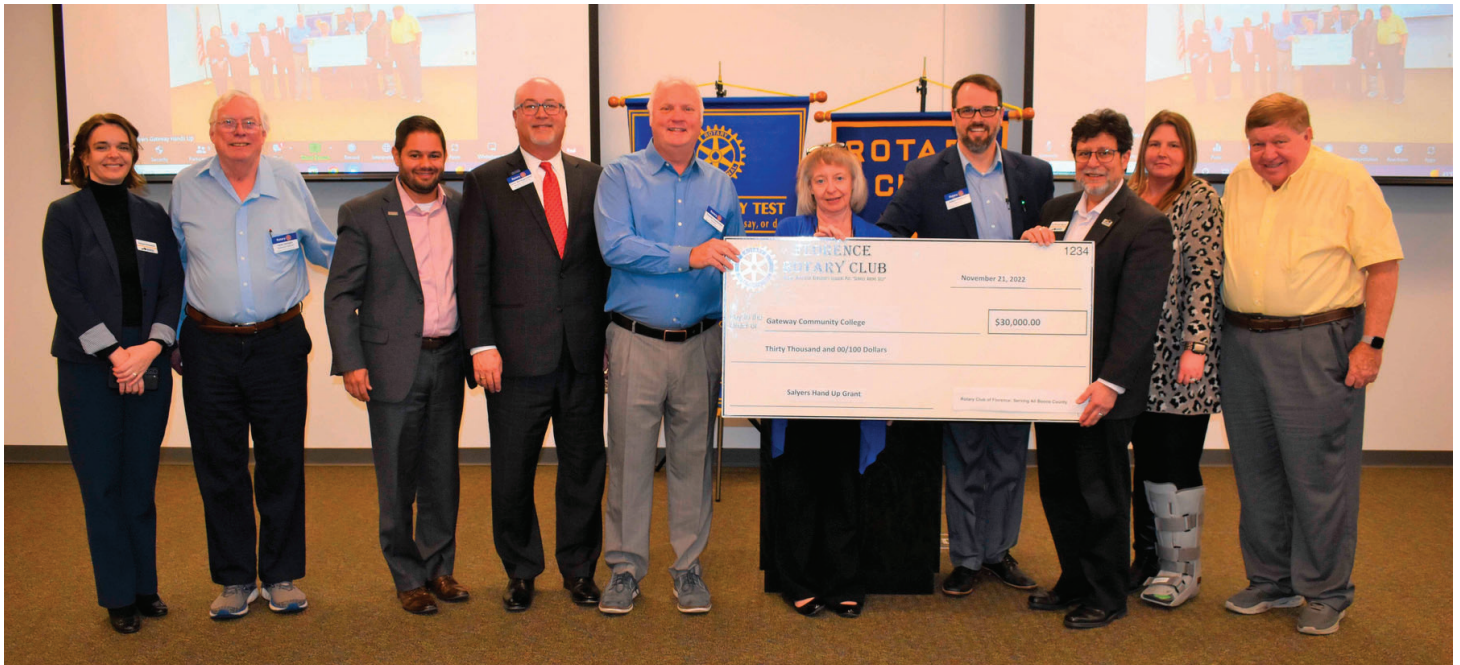
Dr. Figueroa (@GatewayPrez), President of Gateway Community & Technical, and Sarah Young, Community Resource Coordinator then spoke about what the Hand Up Grant means for the students of Gateway CTC. Seventy five percent of their students work a part-time or full-time job. These students work very hard every day to reach the goals they have set for themselves, and the Salyers Hand Up Grant provides a layer of financial support that will help them achieve their goals, even in times of need.

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Anyone interested in contributing to this fund, may contact the Gateway Community & Technical College Development Department at (859)442-1177 or email adrijana.kowatsch@kctcs.edu. All support is tax deductible and 100% of contributions are used for the purpose for which they are given.

A recording of this presentation and past meetings of the Rotary Club of Florence is available on the club's Youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N0yWTis9fsA>

The Rotary Club of Florence, Kentucky (serving all of Boone County) is a community service organization focusing on "service above self". The club meets weekly on Mondays in a hybrid format at the Florence Nature Center and streams the meeting via Zoom (for members) and to YouTube (for the general public). Guests are always welcome. To learn more about upcoming speakers and events, please visit the club's website at www.florencerotary.org or follow their Facebook page.



Adrijana Kowatsch, Gateway Foundation; Leon Samples, Rotarian; Billy Santos, Rotarian; Peter Weickgenannt, Rotarian; Duane Froelicher, Past President of the Rotary Club of Florence; Carrie Herrmann, Current President of the Rotary Club of Florence; Adam Howard, Rotarian; Dr. Figueroa, President of Gateway; Sarah Young, Community Resource Coordinator, Gateway; Pat Raverty, Rotarian

Former Police Officer Jim Wendeln Manages Parish Kitchen

By Andy Furman, NKyTribune Reporter

The transition wasn't difficult at all.

At least it wasn't for Jim Wendeln.

The Covington native served as a Villa Hills police officer for 39 years.

Now he's the Parish Kitchen Manager – a ministry of the Diocese of Covington – at 1561 Madison Avenue.

"Sure, I was reluctant at first," the 63-year-old Wendeln told the Northern Kentucky Tribune, after serving as guest speaker to the Covington Rotary Club this week.

Jim Wendeln at Rotary Club of Covington (Photos by Andy Furman/NKyTribune)
"This was a real challenge," he added, "I never did anything like this before."
The Dixie Heights High School grad started with the Parish Kitchen as Kitchen Manager in February.

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Jim Wendeln at Rotary Club of Covington
(Photos by Andy Furman/NKyTribune)

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Rotarians and friends of the Covington Rotary, Wendeln notes, prepare and deliver varying amounts of sandwiches and cases of water every week to Parish Kitchen. “We’ve done this for 135 weeks,” says Rotarian Brenda Fauber. “This service project began in 2020 when we wanted to continue despite the COVID pandemic.”

The Covington Rotary has delivered over 20,000 sandwiches and 1,450 cases of water. In fact, Beechwood High School’s athletic teams have become Friends of Rotary under the leadership of Rotarian Mike Stacy – the school superintendent – and Rotarian Jeanne Berger – chair of the school board.

“The students prepare 150 sandwiches one week each month during the school year,” Fauber said.

Besides the sandwiches and hot meals, Wendeln notes that the Parish Kitchen has small give-a-ways during the year.

“Items like socks, gloves and hygiene items,” he said, “we’ll pass these items out about once-a-month.”

Speaking of the Parish Kitchen food, it’s all made on the premises, according to Wendeln – except desserts and bread, which are donated.

The Kitchen has three full-time employees – and two part-timers – all paid through donations.

“The nurses from St. Elizabeth Hospital volunteer usually once-a-week, as well,” Wendeln, reminds. “They’ll get blood pressure, sugar levels and arrange for follow-ups and checkups for those that may need care.”

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As for the daily lunchtime visitors to the Kitchen, Wendeln says most arrive alone. “We’ll see some families, but more during the summer months.”

Operating as the primary outreach organization of the Diocese of Covington, Catholic Charities has served those most in need in the community since 1931.

Today, Catholic Charities provides multiple programs to over 10,000 persons annually; in addition, they provide over 50,000 meals each year at Parish Kitchen, without regard to race, religion or life circumstance.

“Our mission,” says Wendeln, “is to promote healing, restore hope and affirm human potential through services that empower, voices that speak for justice and partnerships that strengthen communities.”

The future looks bright at Parish Kitchen – they’ll be changes in the courtyard, says Wendeln.

“We’ll add more gardens, a new grill and heaters in the patio area,” he said.

“We’ll also be looking for new murals on our walls.”

That hope is found in a former policeman who serves.

His name is Jim Wendeln

<https://www.nkytribune.com/2022/12/former-police-officer-jim-wendeln-manages-parish-kitchen-dedicated-to-serving-the-hungry-and-needy/>

FLEMING COUNTY ROTARY CLUB MEMORY TREE PROJECT

Kenney Gulley, Club President

The Fleming County Rotary Club sponsored a new project for the upcoming Christmas Holiday Season. Our Memory Tree Project is designed to remember and/or honor our loved ones. 125 Christmas trees were sold and are on display around the Fleming Mason Energy Pavilion.

Individuals and businesses purchased a cut Christmas tree and decorated it in memory of or to honor their loved ones. The funds we raised from this project were shared between Community Christmas and A Better Community's Matthew 25:35 Project (Food Distribution). An official tree lighting ceremony was held on Saturday evening, November 26th to kick off the Holiday season. The trees will be on display until December 31st where you can take a stroll down Memory Lane or drive by the trees.

The Fleming County Rotary Club recognized one of our Rotarians, Marvin W. Suit, who is receiving a National Historic Preservation Award from the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Marvin's involvement with Rotary projects were part of his nomination, especially his preservation of Stockton Cemetery.

Mr. Suit was recognized for his efforts in the historic preservation of an abandoned church, the James Crawford home, the relocation of an early log home, restoring the Big Run Cemetery and most recently assisting in the restoration of the Stockton Graveyard. He formed a corporation to collect funds for a monument to be placed at PFC. Franklin Sousley's grave (raising flag in Iwo Jima during WW II).

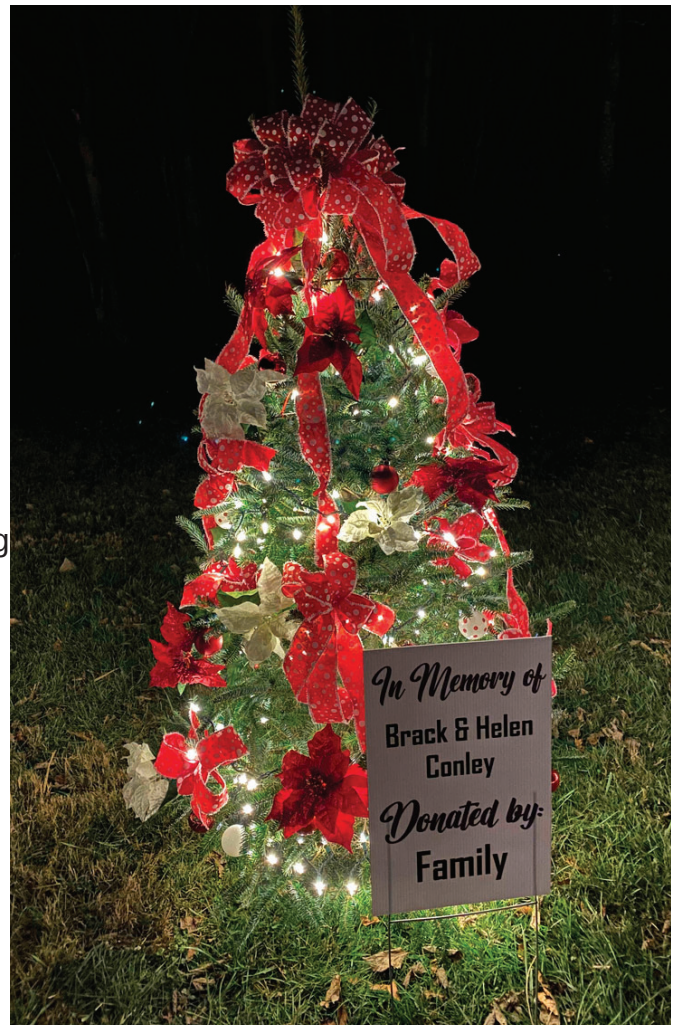
Marvin has written numerous articles on historic preservation having an article in the weekly newspaper for several years. Many of his manuscripts are from the old books in the late 1700's and 1800's in the County Clerk's Office. His latest writing is the compiling and publishing the book, James Crawford, Early Lawyer of Fleming County, Kentucky. He has an extensive photography collection of Fleming County.

He started doing walking tours from one end of Flemingsburg to the other for elementary students and has also done walking tours for the Fleming County Covered Bridge Society which can be viewed on-line, "Walking Tour Draws History Buffs Downtown,"

<https://aroundtown-news.wixsite.com/newspaper>

Marvin worked with the Kentucky Heritage Commission to put our four covered bridges and the Presbyterian Church on the National Historic Register.

Marvin is one of the founding members of the Fleming County Rotary Club.



Pikeville Rotary completes 3rd successful Christmas Nursing Home Project

Karen Prater, Club Member

Pikeville Club Treasurer Eva Stewart lost her father during the pandemic; in 2020 she wanted to honor him by obtaining gifts for the nursing home residents in the community near her residence. She brought her idea to then Club Secretary Karen Roberts Prater; and between them they decided to begin a Christmas Nursing Home Project for all 4 Pike County Nursing homes; nearly 400 residents! Within 3 weeks, Stewart and Prater had assembled a team to spearhead the project! Nearly \$12k was raised for the project and every resident at all 4 nursing home in Pike County were provided a gift bag filled with treats; which included either a warm up outfit, pajamas or a gown, socks, toiletries, and snacks. In 2020 due to the pandemic, Rotarians were not allowed inside the facilities to sing carols. However, they elected to stand outside the residents windows and other locations where residents could see them and sing carols!

Stewart and Prater continued the project for 2021. So again; they put together the committee and had another successful event! EXCEPT FOR 2021, THE PIKEVILLE ROTARIANS WERE ALLOWED INSIDE THE FACILITIES TO SING CAROLS TO THE RESIDENTS!

Again for 2022, Stewart and Prater spreadheaded the project; however, they began acquiring gifts earlier (in July!) and were able to provide even more gifts to the residents for this year. There are not in excess of 400 residents in skilled care facilities in Pike County and the Pikeville Club visits while providing gifts and singing carols at each one.

Prater indicated she feels this is the most humbling, worthwhile and rewarding service project the Pikeville Club does each year.

Stewart indicated she felt this was an honor to her father who as a Church Deacon spent many hours visiting nursing homes!



Ashland Rotary Club Shares Michael Huy, Club Member

Ashland Rotary Club shares pictures from this past year.



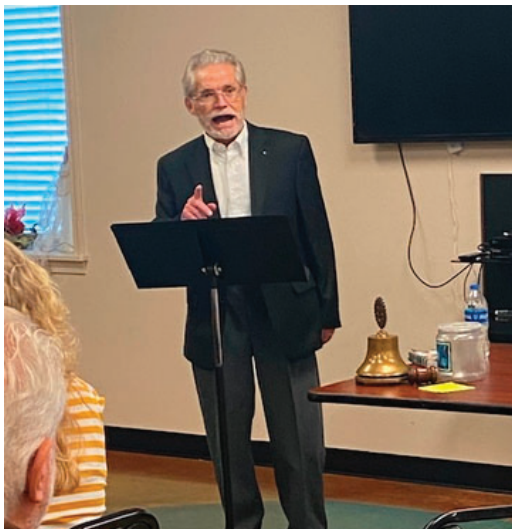
Georgetown Rotary Club Shares Bruce Gordon, Club Member

Georgetown Rotary held its annual Christmas Party for Kids on Tuesday, December 13th. Two first-grade classes came to our luncheon at the Holiday Inn Express in Georgetown. We had a Santa Claus, who gave out presents to the good boys and girls.



Louisa Rotary Club Shares Bev Scarberry

The club held their annual CHRISTmas party Saturday, December 11. Rotarians, Tommy & Ellen Taylor, graciously opened the doors of their lovely home to host a wonderful party. The dinner was catered and Dirty Santa gift exchange was played. A delightful time was had by all that attended. A special guest appeared and entertained in a 'Grinchy' sort of way.



Left: Thursday, December 8, 2022, the Louisa Rotary club met at noon for their weekly meeting. Guest speaker was Mike Miller with The Gideons International. The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about JESUS, by providing Bibles and New Testaments. They place and distribute Scriptures in strategic locations and are available for those that want them.



Right: Thursday, December 15, the weekly noon Rotary meeting was held at Louisa First Baptist church. Rotarian Michelle Brewer was the speaker. Michelle is over the Community Work Transition Program at LCHS. This program is for students with severe mental or physical disabilities or both. The program is to help participating students achieve success. Michelle works with the students on skills to help with such things as resumes and interviews. The students are referred by teachers. The program currently has 15 students.

Rotary Club of Kenton County Shares Noelle Grimes, Public Relations Co-Chair

In December, we delivered Go Pantry Christmas Break boxes to our partner school Miles Elementary. This was an extra delivery that was truly a team effort! The boxes were twice the size and weight of a normal Go Box and included food items to subsidize an entire family over the two-week break. With a group of pick-up trucks, one sedan, and a team of Rotarian muscles, we managed the delivery in record time!



Every year, we end our speaker calendar with Rick Wurth, Chief Executive Officer at Children's Home of Northern Kentucky. Our group works annually with CHNK to help with their Christmas Tree Angel tree to bring presents to the residents at the Home.

Pictured to left is Rotary Club of Kenton County President, Barbara Rahn, with Rick Wurth from CHNK.

Our next Fundraiser Event will be a 1920s themed
Murder Mystery Dinner on February 11.
Tickets may be purchased at:
Florence, KY Gangster Gals And Gats Events | Eventbrite

Pikeville Rotary Club Shares Karen Roberts Prater, Club Member

The Pikeville Rotary Club held their 71st Annual Pancake Day on Thursday, December 6, 2022 at the Appalachian Wireless Arena. This was the busiest pancake day in recent memory! Special thanks to Rotarian Tim Collins and Food City; the University of Pikeville and Aramark; and the Appalachian Wireless Arena and Elite Catering for their generous donations that make this event possible.



Russell Rotary Club Shares Earl Twinam, Club President



Russell Rotary Club members ringing the Bell for the Salvation Army.



Christmas Meeting Lunch –
Members enjoying the
Christmas lunch



The Russell High School
Choir performing Christmas
Songs. Club President Scott
Hill presented the Choir
Director with a \$200.00
donation.

Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary Club Shares Brian Dopp, The Spoke Rotary Newsletter Editor



Past District Governor Mike Noftsger and member of the Somerset-Pulaski County Morning Rotary recognized Brian Dopp for his work as the Editor of the Spoke Rotary Newsletter. Brian was supposed to receive this recognition at the 2022 District Conference but had to miss due to emergency hernia surgery. Brian finally stopped by to pick up the award at Mike's office.



SAVE THE DATES

District 6740

Virtual Rotary Leadership Institute

January 28 & February 4, 2023

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM

On ZOOM



Meet the District Leadership Team

DISTRICT GOVERNOR (DG)

Seema Sachdeva

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT (DGE)

Mrs. Jeanne Williamson Clark (Jeanne)

Term: 2022-2023

District Governor- Nominee (DGN)

AG Alexander (Xandy) Stewart

Term: 2024-2025

DISTRICT FINANCE CHAIR*

PDG John R. Hutchings IV (John)

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CHAIR* (3-YEAR TERM)

PDG C. Dale Elifrits (Dale)

Term: 2020-2023

DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR (DRFC)* (3-YEAR TERM)

PDG Rakesh Sachdeva

Term: 2021-2023

DISTRICT ROTARY PUBLIC IMAGE CHAIR*

AG Gilmer Davis Fauber Jr.

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT TRAINER*

Martha C. Riddell and Judy Worth

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT ALUMNI CHAIR

PDG James Glass

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT CONFERENCE CHAIR

PDG Rakesh Sachdeva

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION CHAIR (3-YEAR TERM)

AG William H. Wilson

Term: 2022-2025

DISTRICT ENDOWMENT/MAJOR GIFTS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR

PDG Keith Key

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT GRANTS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR

PDG Kathryn Hardman

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT INTERACT CHAIR

Joanna Foley

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT CHAIR

Patton R. Hart

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT NEW GENERATIONS SERVICE EXCHANGE CHAIR

Martha C. Riddell

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY COORDINATOR

PDG Keith Key

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT POLIOPLUS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR

PDG Rakesh Sachdeva

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT RI CONVENTION PROMOTION CHAIR

PDG James Glass

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT ROTARACT CHAIR

AG David C. O'Meara

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT RYLA CHAIR

Christopher Hickey and PDG Dean Hammond

Term: 2022-2023

DISTRICT YOUTH EXCHANGE CHAIR

Mr. Arnold Taylor

Term: 2022-2023

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