



## Louisville Rotary Meetings 2012



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**Louisville Rotary Club**  
**District 6650**

**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, April 4, 2012**

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**Reminder:** *Meet at Skyland Pines on Wednesday, April 11 @ 11:45 a.m. for a report from our GSE visitors from Japan.*

1. **Gathering** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 16 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** ♦ No singing today ♦
5. **Visitors and Guests:** None today
6. **General Reports**
  - a. Pat Richardson of the YMCA mentioned that the annual ♦Healthy Kids Day♦ is Monday, April 9 from 4 to 7 p.m. This is ♦Free, fun family event for everyone!♦
  - b. President Burwell indicated that there will be a sign-up sheet available for members to commit to the several committees at our meeting on April 18.
  - c. Mike Snyder indicated reported that Mary Louise Lowe, his predecessor once removed at the Library, has donated three Louisville Rotary Club banners that we can give to visitors and guests. These banners will be kept at the Louisville Public Library.
  - d. Mike Snyder indicated that the Friends of the Library will conduct a used book sale at the old Post Office (504 E. Main Street) on April 19, 20, and 21. There are several volunteer opportunities for anyone who would like to assist, particularly for moving books from a storage facility to the old Post Office on Saturday, April 14. We have also contacted the LHS athletic department for assistance.
  - e. President Burwell reminded everyone that the Annual District 6650 Conference will be held on April 20 & 21 at the Glenmoor Country Club. Go to the following Web site for additional information: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e5k6mvvqfd75ca7d&llr=54khvajab>
  - f. President Burwell reported that Stark County Auditor Alan Harold will speak at our Rotary Club meeting on Wednesday, April 15.
7. **Committee Updates**
  - a. **Health & Hunger** - Eva Roshong reported that the Louisville Rotary will be responsible for providing food and volunteers at the Louisville Meal Center on Thursday, May 3. There will be a sign-up to contribute/serve at our meeting on Wednesday, April 18. We will provide ham as the main course and potato and bean casserole as a vegetable entr♦e. Dessert is already covered so that is one course we will NOT have to provide.
  - b. **GSE/Exchange** - Betty Derry reminded everyone that we will NOT be meeting at the Paradise Church next week, Wednesday, April 11. Instead, we will meet with other Rotary Clubs at the Skyland Pines at 11:45 a.m. A luncheon buffet will cost \$10 and is payable at the door. Our districts Group Study Exchange (GSE) visitors from Japan will be present and will talk about their experiences to date and their respective backgrounds.
  - c. **Student Exchange** ♦ Denny Valentine reported that there is a female student from Italy who will be in-bound next school year. Host families are now being recruited and a residence is needed for three months, from August ♦ October. Denny also reported that Julia Esteves will reside with the Fernandez family for the period May 7 ♦ July 31.
  - c. **Water** - David Yeagley reported that he is working on a possible cooperative project with other area Rotary Clubs. More about this at future meetings.
  - d. **Web site** ♦ Jim Edwards reported that he and his committee are currently working to upgrade the Web site using CSS software. The process of standardizing our many pages is a major task and it maybe another year before completion.
  - e. **Promotions** ♦ Maranda Saling urges everyone to go to the Rotary Club Facebook page and ♦like♦ us as soon as possible. Maranda also plans to purchase some counter-top stands to advertise the sale of our U.S. Flag Program with the tag line: ♦Purchase flags here.♦ <http://www.facebook.com/LouisvilleRotary>
  - f. **Finance Committee** - Lanse Leach spoke on behalf of the Finance Committee and its report on a proposed annual budget. Main features of his presentation are as follows:
    - a) The committee distributed a ♦Sample Louisville Rotary Budget♦ (see attachment) and would like comments from the membership regarding the concept of the funding proposal. The actual dollar amounts are for discussion purposes and are subject to change.
    - b) The committee has met with Treasurer Jay Barton and this concept has his full support.
    - c) There is no line item for membership dues because 100% of those funds are remitted to Rotary International.
    - d) The \$5,000 referred to under Expenses for the Donations/Strategic ♦ Deposit in LCF refers to the \$5,000 that is deposited in the Louisville Community Foundation for a future major project that the Rotary Club may choose to support.

- e) The \$5,000 referred to under Expenses for Community Grants 5 @\$1000 is for special community grants for various community projects. The Louisville Rotary will ask for proposals from the community (such as the YMCA).
- f) The \$3,000 referred to under Expenses Committee Awards is for the three committees to decide which projects they will want to support. The decisions will be made by the respective committees and will be reported to (but not ratified by) the general membership.
- g) The Finance Committee report was well received and, again, the membership is urged to send its comments to Lanse Leach.

#### Upcoming Club Meetings:

April 11 Meet AT Skyland Pines ♦ Japan GSE @ 11:45 a.m.  
 April 25 Stark County Auditor Alan Harold

#### Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:  
 2011-2012 George W.S. Hays  
 Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Substitute Secretary Mike Snyder

ROTARY REPORT April 11th meeting was a Joint meeting with Plain Township Rotary at Skyland Pines. Mike Snyder reported:

Louisville Rotary Club President Ted Burwell welcomes four fellow Rotarians to Stark County at a luncheon program at the Skyland Pines on Wednesday, April 11. Pictured are Team Leader Masataka Toyota, Masahiro Koketsu, Taichi Kimoto and Takashi Yoshii from Rotary International District 2630 in Japan. The four Rotarians are health care professionals who specialize in senior care and are participants in a vocational and cultural exchange program known as Group Study Exchange through Rotary International. After touring various senior care facilities and other points of interest in Rotary District 6650, the four Rotarians will return to Japan on April 24. Here is a link to Ted and the Team: <http://www.louisvillerotary.com/pix/japangse12s.jpg>

#### Louisville Rotary Club District 6650

Meeting Notes -Wednesday, April 18, 2012

<http://www.louisvillerotary.com/> & on Facebook: Louisville Rotary Club

**Remember to ♦like us♦ on our Facebook page!!!**

1. **Gathering** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 20 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** ♦ No singing today ♦
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Rotary Club Exchange Student, Julia Esteves da Silva, and the four GSE visitors Rotary International District 2630 in Japan: Team Leader Masataka Toyota, Masahiro Koketsu, Taichi Kimoto and Takashi Yoshii.
6. **General Reports**
  - a. Mike Snyder reported that the Friends of the Library used book sale will be held this Friday & Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the old Post Office on E. Main Street. Thousands of used and donated books and movies are available for sale!!!
  - b. Mike Snyder reported that he is trying to assist in the placement of two cats that were owned by Tim Watkins. One is 5 and the other is 10 years old. Call Mike if interested: 330.875.4511.
  - c. Ken Smith indicated that there will be a number of flag construction gatherings at the Edwards Barn in the near future. The first U.S. flags will be placed in the community on May 24/25.
  - d. Promotions ♦ Maranda Saling urges everyone to go to the Rotary Club Facebook page and ♦like♦ us as soon as possible. Maranda also plans to purchase some counter-top stands to advertise the sale of our U.S. Flag Program with the tag line: ♦Purchase flags here.♦ She also stated that the Louisville Rotary Club will be a participant in the 2012 Relay for Life which will be held at the Marlinton High School on June 1 & 2. The Relay for Life for Coordinator will attend Rotary soon to give us an update.

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Maranda Saling moved/Kathy Fausnight seconded a motion to institute a new ♦Happy Dollar Program♦ wherein members will donate \$1.00 for happy occasions such as personal and professional achievements and milestones. Motion was approved with all those present voting in the affirmative. Betty Derry was the first to make a ♦Happy Dollar♦ contribution to publicize the Louisville-Nimishillen Historical Society ♦s annual banquet on Saturday, May 5 at the Eagles Club. Tickets are still available!

- e. Kathy Fausnight reported that our Rotary Club is scheduled to assist at the Louisville Meal Center on Thursday, May 3. Kathy Fausnight speaking: ♦Please remind everyone that food must be cooked and prepared and hot...ready to eat by 4:00p.m. on May 3. Food should be dropped off at First Assembly Church of God as close to 4:00 p.m. as possible. Those donating ROLLS, please bring them to the May 3 meeting. I will be happy to take them with me on Thursday. (save them a trip to the church)♦ Members that have not paid their donation amount could pay you, I would be most grateful. The extra money will go towards ham, and any other items needed to ensure we have enough food for 100-125. Also, if any other members would like to sign up for items still needed, especially: Potatoes - 20 lbs. needed - Green Beans - 2 large cans ? - Rolls - another 8 dozen ♦
- Thank you so much! Thank you to all of our members! And THANK YOU to ladies and men at the church for donating the 2 hams. I will get these from Joann on Wednesday, May 3 after our meeting. ♦ See attached sign-up sheet.

7. **Program: Jim Dansizen, Literacy Chairman of the North Canton Rotary Club, spoke about Literacy.** Highlights of his presentation are as follows:
- He has been pushing literacy for 5 years. This will be a challenge but Rotarians love challenges.
  - Literacy is defined as follows: An individual's ability to read, write, and speak in English, computer, and solve problems, at levels of proficiency necessary to function on the job, in the family of the individual, and in society (Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Title II, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act).
  - The negative effects of low literacy are most observable in the poverty level, likelihood of welfare, low income, low employment status, and crime.
  - Things we can do to address the problem of adult literacy include: referring students to a literacy program; become a volunteer tutor; sponsor a program and donate money for incentives; purchase computers and supplies needed for training adults; and advocate for adult literacy.
  - Illiteracy has a definite negative impact on the American economy and the nation must address this thorny issue if we are to compete in the global market.
  - He recommends that our Rotary Club might want to consider supporting the Adult Basic & Literacy Education (ABLE) that is available to adult students in Canton. In fact, ABLE is looking for donated gowns for their graduates to use for graduation from the program.
  - Mr. Dansizen's contact information is as follows: 330.966.4962 or 330.704.1222

#### Upcoming Club Meetings:

April 25 Stark County Auditor Alan Harold

#### Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:

2011-2012 George W.S. Hays

Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Substitute Secretary Mike Snyder

**A big thank you to Mike Snyder for covering in my (many) absence!**

#### Louisville Rotary Club

#### District 6650

#### Meeting Notes -Wednesday, April 25th, 2012

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- Gathering** Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 21 (of 46) members in attendance.
- Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
- Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
- Song** Eva Roshong
- Visitors and Guests:** Eric Thorne, Alan Harold
- Updates**
  - Tomorrow, April 26<sup>th</sup>: 6 pm at the barn to put flags together.
  - May 3<sup>rd</sup> Meal Center please submit donations.
  - Denny Valentine presented new flyers for the flag program in places of business.
- Happy Dollars:**
  - Maranda Saling got over a sinus infection using only natural methods.
  - Bill Woods is going to an Eagles concert
  - Mike Snyder's nephew is now a police officer in Iowa at the age of 22.
  - Betty Derry is pleased the Historical Society has 91 members (21 new members in the last two months), and 80 people will be attending their dinner.
  - Ken Smith will be on the front page of the Herald for his Hall of Achievement Induction.
  - Ted Burwell has enjoyed being our President but also enjoys it almost over.
- Program: Alan Harold Stark County Auditor**
  - Alan Harold is a 1994 LHS graduate and Ken Smith's best student. He has been the Stark County Auditor for over a year.
  - The county recently passed the % sales tax, which took effect April 1<sup>st</sup>. This will generate approximately 22 million dollars for the county, with the bulk of this amount going to criminal justice. The Stark County Sheriff has already called back 14 deputies of the 41 laid off. Sales tax revenue is slightly higher in gas and oil counties.
  - Alan's office is working on 6-year property appraisals. Home values are currently based off of 2006 data points (2003-2005 sales). The three year review in 2009 saw a 7-8% increase in property value. With the housing market collapse, property values are expected to decrease. Urban and rural counties will see a 12-15% drop in value; however, some areas of Canton could see a 40-50% drop in value. His office is currently reviewing the 9000 transfer documents from the past two years.
  - It is important to note that taxes do not go down accordingly because the same amount of tax generated funding is required per previous vote (levies, funding, etc). If your property value falls in par with the average, your taxes may increase. If they significantly fall, you may see a slight decrease in taxes.

- e. In August or September, residents will receive a letter indicating their new home value. He will then hold centers around the county for residents to challenge the accuracy of records before filing a formal complaint.

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

May 2 Business Meeting

**Rotary Personnel:**

District 6650 Governor:

2011-2012 George W.S. Hays

Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

**Louisville Rotary Club**

**District 6650**

**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, May 2nd, 2012**

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1. **Gathering** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 20 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Happy Dollars:**
  - a. Ken Smith ♦ Herald Hall of Achievement Induction article came out on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Jim Edwards ♦ He became a grandfather (for the 9<sup>th</sup> time) this past Saturday.
  - c. Betty Derry ♦ Historical Society has 91 members and is close to 100 members ♦ it only costs \$10 for individual membership or \$20 for the family.
  - d. Mike Snyder ♦ The Library reintroduced the obituary database.
  - e. David Yeagley ♦ His freshman daughter lettered in track.
  - f. Betty Derry ♦ June 22-23 the Historical Society and Friends of the Library will be having a garage sale. More information to follow.
  - g. Barry Gary ♦ He is glad we can all get together to have our happy dollar.
  - h. Pat Richardson ♦ June 9 the YMCA is hosting a 10k/2-mile fun run. It is part of the Subway Challenge and they need volunteers.
  - i. Kathy Fausnight ♦ May 16<sup>th</sup> at Doug♦s 57, the bank is holding ♦Strategies for Landowners♦ who may have sudden wealth due to the oil/gas.
5. **Business Meeting**
  - a. May 3<sup>rd</sup> (tomorrow) is our Meal Center meal. Paradise United Church of Christ is donating two hams. We have money to cover the remaining items. Please drop off HOT food at the First Assembly Church of God (next to Milann♦s) at 4 pm tomorrow.
  - b. Jim Edwards, Ken Smith, and Ted Burwell are looking for other non-profit groups to sell new flag applications. The non-profit group will receive \$10 as a one-time commission for every new flag. YMCA Leadership Club is going to help.
  - c. Maranda Saling is now listing our Rotary meetings on CalendarsofOhio.com.
  - d. Next week is the Louisville High School Choir ♦ also a good opportunity to bring guests. If you are bringing a guest, please email Ted so he can notify the kitchen.
  - e. June 27 will be our Rotary Banquet.
  - f. David Yeagley will be having his wife present. She recently went to Honduras with CAMO (Orrville, Ohio) to perform surgical removal of a tumor.
  - g. Kathy Fausnight indicated on May 15<sup>th</sup>, the Integrity Group and Meal Center is having a cake cook-off. It costs \$5 or 5 canned goods to enter. Rotary could either set up a booth for flags or make a Rotary cake.

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

May 9 Louisville High School Choir

June 27 Yearly Banquet

**Rotary Personnel:**

District 6650 Governor:

2011-2012 George W.S. Hays

Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

**Louisville Rotary Club**

**District 6650****Meeting Notes -Wednesday, May 9, 2012**

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1. **Gathering** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 16 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Happy Dollars and Singing:** No happy dollars today and no singing today.
5. **Guests:** The following guests were present: Marsha Elkins, Fiscal Officer of the Louisville Public Library; Steve Johnson, local resident and an engineer who specializes in designing water park slides; Heather Finlayson of North Canton, a KeyBank executive; Rick Patrick, a friend of Bill Wood, and Vivian Wood, wife of Bill Wood.
6. **Rotary Minute** ♦ Ron Derry reported that the Rotary Club has been involved with the United Nations since its inception. In fact, ♦Rotary International appoints representatives to work with the several United Nations agencies and international organizations. ♦
7. **Business Meeting** ♦
  - a. Ken Smith reminded everyone to be sure to contact their non-Rotarian flag partners about the forthcoming U.S. flag deliveries in late May.
  - b. Kathy Fausnight indicated on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> (6:30 to 8:30 p.m.), the Integrity Group and Meal Center is having a cake cook-off. It costs \$5 or 5 canned goods to enter. Everyone is ♦welcome to attend this important fund-raiser for our community. Rotary has committed to a table for our flags and also will donate a flag for the silent auction or door prize. ♦ Ken Smith will handle the table along with other volunteers. ♦Every attendee will be able to taste as many cakes as they want and vote for their favorite. Cash bar is available. ♦
8. **Program** ♦ Matt Koehler, Director of the Louisville High School ♦s Varsity Singers, introduced his very talented, spirited 25-member chorale group as they sang seven beautiful and sometimes challenging songs. The songs included the following: ♦Change the World, ♦MLK, ♦ You are the new day, ♦ ♦True colors, ♦ ♦ John the revelator, ♦ ♦Elegy for Dachau, ♦ and an African Zulu song, ♦Siyahamba. ♦ The Varsity Singers will perform their Spring Choir this Saturday, May 12 at 3 and 6 p.m. Call the high school for more information. See attached photographs by Master Photographer Denny Valentine.

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

June 27 Yearly Banquet

**Rotary Personnel:**

District 6650 Governor:

2011-2012 George W.S. Hays

Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Substitute Secretary Mike Snyder

### LHS Community Choir 2012



**Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650**

**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, May 16th, 2012**

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1. **Gathering** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 23 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** ♦ Eva Roshong ♦ Louisville High School Alma Mater
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Derek Harlan, H-P Products
6. **Updates**
  - a. Post Flags May 23-24.
  - b. Ken Smith was inducted on Monday. Congrats!
  - c. Denny Valentine mentioned Kaitlyn Pyles approached Rotary for Queen Pageant sponsorship. Ron Derry moved to sponsor and provide flowers. Ken Smith seconded. All approved.
  - d. Michelle Smith mentioned Cynthia Kerchner is doing well and says hello to everyone.
  - e. Al Gress presented Rotary material given to him by Ted Rhodes. He showed a large 1961 scrapbook featuring a group picture of all men in coat and tie. There were also programs for the Rotary Minstrel shows that were held in the old Louisville Middle School. Al remembers going to these shows. They were the talk of the town, but ended in 1958. Al motioned to donate this material to the Nimishillen Historical Society. Ken Smith seconded. All approved.
  - f. Ken Smith requests help in going over the toolkits, tomorrow (5/17) at the barn, 6pm.
7. **Program: Wendy Jackson ♦ H-P Products**
  - a. H-P is a family-owned company in operation since 1945. It has 4 locations that total over 300,000 square feet. Its Gorgas building houses administrative departments such as executives, accounting, purchasing, marketing, and customer service. The Broad Street building is primarily dedicated to Diebold and carrier pneumatic conveying. The majority of its manufacturing is done at its Main Street location, and central vacuum manufacturing and assembly is done in its North Canton location.
  - b. H-P has two divisions: Central Vacuums and Engineered Tube Bends.
  - c. Central Vacuums provide the power unit, tubing, and valves necessary for a residential central vacuum. It uses Vacuflo, Dirt Devil, and Royal brand names. One of its new products is Vroom, a stand-alone vacuum for kitchens, garages, and bathrooms. These systems are put in new housing builds or can be retrofitted for existing houses.
  - d. Engineered Tube Bends has both catalog and custom parts. Catalog parts are those used in carrier pneumatic, industrial vacuum, and pneumatic conveying systems. H-P only provides the tubing, bends, and fittings for these systems. H-P has a dominant market share in carrier pneumatic systems found in bank and pharmacy drive-thrus, hospitals, and large department stores. Industrial vacuum systems are used for dust control, debris pick-up, and trim & waste removal in manufacturing plants. Pneumatic conveying lines are also used in manufacturing plants to move material from storage to machines.
  - e. Custom parts are used in a variety of industries, such as: military, emergency response, construction, and mass transit vehicles; heat exchangers, power generation, and medical equipment. This is a growing portion of H-P ♦s business.
  - f. When the Broad St plant burned down in 1953, Rotary led a bond drive so they could rebuild. Al Gress remembers watching the fire. Jim Edwards pickled spare fittings in his barn to prevent rust. Ron Derry ♦s Dad lent H-P a truck. Many H-P employees stay at the company 30+ years and are encouraged to participate in the community.

#### Upcoming Meetings:

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| May 23  | Connie Finton    |
| May 30  | Mike Snyder      |
| June 6  | Business Meeting |
| June 27 | Banquet          |

#### Rotary Personnel:

District 6650 Governor:  
2011-2012 George W.S. Hays  
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

#### Louisville Rotary Club

##### District 6650

#### Meeting Notes -Wednesday, May 23, 2012

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1. **Gathering and Guests** ♦ Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 17 (of 46) members in attendance. Pat Richardson introduced her esteemed colleague at the Y: Gina Horton.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Happy Dollars: There is a growing number of Happy Dollars each week! Two examples included:**
  - a. Ken Smith ♦ LHS Hall of Achievement Induction!
  - b. Pat Richardson ♦ June 9 the YMCA is hosting a 10k/2-mile fun run. It is part of the Subway Challenge and they need volunteers.
5. **Business & Announcements**

a. Mike Snyder reported that two cats desperately need new homes. These cats were owned by the late Tim Watkins and, if not adopted soon, they will be turned over to a local animal disposal agency.

b. June 27 will be our Rotary Banquet!

c. The first U.S. flags are being delivered on this very day! Pickup will be next Wednesday and Thursday.

**5. Program ♦ President Burwell introduced Connie Finton of ENGAGE, dairy farmer and Tuscarora Woman of the Year.**

**Highlights of her talk were as follows:**

a. Mrs. Finton and her husband have a 90 cow dairy ♦ family farm ♦ in Tuscarawas County and they are assisted by their son and grandsons. Eight of the cows are Brown Swiss and the remainder are Holsteins.

b. While she is new to dairy farming, her husband is a 5<sup>th</sup> generation dairy farmer. She is passionate about dairy farming and wants the general public to know about the efforts of area dairy farmers to produce a quality product while taking the very best care of their cows. They are also on a mission ♦ to take care of this land. ♦

c. Louisville ♦s own award-winning Ramsey Dairy supplied the bull semen to produce Mrs. Finton ♦s line of Holstein cows. A new cow can cost from \$2,500 to \$3,000 each.

d. Prices for dairy milk are currently in decline as a result of the ♦ supply and demand ♦ rule. Dairy farmers are responding to this situation by shipping as much product as possible to overseas markets.

e. Mrs. Finton, who is active in the Ohio Dairy Farmers, was a recent recipient of the Tuscarora Woman of the Year. After receiving this prestigious award, her husband added humorously, ♦ Enjoy it ♦ milking is at five in the morning. ♦

f. In closing, Mrs. Finton thanked the Louisville Rotary Club (and all other civic-minded organizations) for ♦ what you do for your community. ♦

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

May 30 Mike Snyder on the Transit of Venus & other selected short subjects

June 6 Business Meeting

June 27 Yearly Banquet

**Rotary Personnel:**

District 6650 Governor:

2011-2012 George W.S. Hays

Rotary Club Exchange Student: Julia Esteves da Silva

Respectfully submitted by Interim Secretary Mike Snyder

**Louisville Rotary Club**

**District 6650**

**Meeting Notes -Wednesday, May 30, 2012**

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**1. Gathering and Guests ♦** Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 18 (of 46) members in attendance. There were no guests at today ♦s meeting.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of ♦The Four Way Test♦**

**3. Prayer** was led by Barry Gray

**4. Happy Dollars: Happy Dollars were given in recognition of the following:**

a. Ted Burwell is happy his son has graduated from High School!

b. Michelle Smith is happy her son has graduated from High School!

c. Barry Gray is happy for another Beautiful Day!

d. Chris Leach is happy that Bill Wood is OK after his recent bicycle accident!

e. Thaine Boldon is happy that Jim Edwards and Ken Smith have done such a fabulous job in getting the U.S. flag program to this point!

**5. Business & Announcements**

a. Jim Edwards stated that the first flag drop-off went well considering all the challenges. Thaine Boldon did a wonderful job handling the ♦ problem flags ♦ and dealt with about 100 flags during this process. Jim asks that anyone else who might be willing to assist with these ♦ problem flags ♦ to please step forward. Our next flag pickup is scheduled for June 18 & 19. Our next flag dropoff is scheduled for July 2 & 3. Also, we now have 1,005 active customers as compared to 1,016 last year (but it is still early in the year).

b. President Burwell reminded everyone that the Annual Rotary Banquet will be on Wednesday, June 27 @ Skyland Pines. Mark your calendars now!

**5. Program ♦ Mike Snyder spoke on the ♦Transit of Venus.♦ Highlights of his talk were as follows:**

a. A transit is the passage of either Mercury or Venus between the Earth and the Sun. Venus is a very inhospitable planet with extremely high temperatures, excessively high atmospheric pressure, and an atmosphere that consists mainly of carbon dioxide.

b. For those keeping score, the Transit of Venus pattern repeats as follows:

105.5 years later and then 8 years later

121.5 years later and then 8 years later

105.5 years later and then 8 years later

121.5 years later and then 8 years later

- c. Transit of Venus combos in the ♦modern♦ era were as follows: 1631 and 1639, 1761 and 1769, 1874 and 1882, 2004 and from 18:04:07 on June 5 to 00:50:49 on June 6.
- d. Jeremiah Horrocks of Liverpool, England was one of only two documented viewers of the Transit of Venus of 1639.
- e. The next transits will occur in 2117 and 2025.
- f. Watch the entire Transit from Hawaii (courtesy of NASA) at: <http://sunearthday.nasa.gov/2012/transit/webcast.php>

**Upcoming Club Meetings:**

June 6 Business Meeting  
June 27 Yearly Banquet

**Rotary Personnel:**

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Respectfully submitted by Substitute Secretary Mike Snyder

**Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650****Meeting Notes -Wednesday, June 6, 2012**

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3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Updates and Business**
  - a. Ken Smith reminded us that if we can♦t find a flag on our route, to please call him instead of email. Jim Edwards is looking for a volunteer to give up their normal flag route and take a ♦troubled♦ flag route. Flags are to be retired June 18 & 19<sup>th</sup>. Next posting is July 2 & 3.
  - b. The Committee chairs approved inviting the exchange student♦s host family and Rex and Donna Edwards to the Rotary Banquet. They also formed a committee to select the Rotarian of the Year.
  - c. June 6, 1944 was the Allied invasion of Normandy. The Historical Society is hosting a presentation on World War II this Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the First Assembly of God Church. David Yeagley indicated it♦s the second time they♦ve done this program and the first one was very well received and very moving.
  - d. Jay Barton provided a financial update.
  - e. Denny Valentine is looking for host families. Our next exchange student is from Italy.
5. **Happy Dollars**
  - a. Betty Derry told us how a man from California contacted the Historical Society looking for Roland♦s family (Roland was the first Louisville resident to die in Vietnam). He was Roland♦s friend in Vietnam and meant to contact the family on his return, but never did. The Historical Society put him in touch with family and they had a delightful and meaningful conversation.
  - b. Mike Snyder reported David Yeagley♦s freshman daughter lettered in track and Chad Gentry placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in State in the 400m.
  - c. Kathy Fausnight reminded us that the LHS Alumni Football game will be held July 7<sup>th</sup> at the football stadium. Tickets are \$10 and more information will follow.
  - d. Jim Edwards and his wife traveled to Israel with Pastor Bob Fetterhoff (Wooster). Their tour was an appropriate mix of history and religion. The tour is being offered again. It is a 12 day guided tour and includes visits to Tel Aviv, Timna, the Dead Sea, Jericho, Sea of Galilee, Church of Nativity, Hebron, and more. The cost is \$4895 and includes airfare, five star hotels, translator, and entrance fees. If Jim can get 14 people to go, he♦ll work out a deal. Please contact him for more information.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

June 6 Business Meeting  
June 13 Dr. Brian Mathie  
June 20 open  
June 27 Banquet

**Rotary Personnel:**

District 6650 Governor:  
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Respectfully submitted by Secretary Wendy Jackson

**Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650****Meeting Notes -Wednesday, June 13, 2012**

<http://louisvillerotary.com/> & on Facebook: Louisville Rotary Club



1. **Gathering** Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 21 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Ted Burwell
4. **Song** Eva Roshong
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Rick Guiley, Becky Miller, Jessica Clough, Cheryl Pandera, Diana Johns, Rose Cole, Jim Derry
6. **Induction of Tim Cox to Rotary - Welcome!**
7. **Updates**
  - a. Ted Burwell will be sending an email inviting everyone to Vince Burwell's Court of Honor Boy Scout ceremony 3pm Sunday at Paradise United Church of Christ.
  - b. Ken Smith is also throwing several parties: June 26, 7pm @ the barn to drill holes and June 28 to put flags on poles. Please plan on attending.
  - c. Reminder: Rotary Banquet is June 27 at Skyland Pines. Please email Ted your RSVP and meal choice.
  - d. Louisville summer reading registration is taking place this week. See: <http://www.louisvillelibrary.org/Programs-Events.html>.
8. **Program: Dr. Brian Mathie**
  - a. Dr. Mathie, optometrist, is a long-term Louisville resident and Ohio State University graduate. He alternates between three different office locations and collaborates with Roholt Vision Institute. He also mentors ex-terns from OSU.
  - b. In January 2012, he participated in a 10-day trip to Honduras with Cross Eyed Missions, started by Dr. Kale. The purpose of this trip was to provide eye exams and glasses to individuals in need. Prep work included sorting through 4500+ pairs of donated glasses, 1000 bottles of medication, and packing test equipment. This took place in Dr. Kale's basement and involved many volunteers.
  - c. Cross Eyed Missions works with World Gospel Missions, an organization that identifies places of need.
  - d. Honduras is a beautiful country, but is very poor. Many people would prefer to have sweatshops in Honduras because the \$2.00/day is more than they would otherwise have. Children shovel dirt in potholes on the road hoping for a quarter. They drink a lot of pop because the water quality is so poor. Honduras also boasts the #1 murder rate in the world. If someone goes to jail, it is up to the family to feed them because there is no money in the system. However, most people Dr. Mathie encountered were very friendly.
  - e. The team traveled to many different locations in Honduras, including Cedona Beach, Mal Paso, and El Terrero. At each location they would set up an exam area to serve hundreds of people. Dr. Kale and Dr. Mathie would provide eye exams and figure the prescription and then other members would find matching glasses. All patients had their eyes dilated. The locals showed up early and wore Sunday clothes because the visit was very important to them. Many people wanted to be able to read the Bible. One man showed up practically blind from a botched cataract surgery, but left able to see due to glasses jokingly brought on the trip.
  - f. During the trip, Dr. Mathie addressed a church crowd through a translator. The team sent one child who wanted to be a pastor to a private school and contacted a group to build a roof on a house of a young girl who just had twins. They met a mission team who has a school in the dump due to the amount of children working in the dump to filter out food. They also enjoyed many bonding moments, including their daily devotional moment.
  - g. Dr. Mathie was reminded that every life is special and valuable, a child is a child no matter where, there is good in everyone, and we are very blessed in America.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

June 20 Jared Shive & Stark Parks  
 June 27 Banquet

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**Louisville Rotary Club - District 6650****Meeting Notes -Wednesday, June 20, 2012**

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1. **Gathering** Meeting called to order by President Burwell with 24 (of 46) members in attendance.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of The Four Way Test**
3. **Prayer** was led by Barry Gray
4. **Song** Eva Roshong We sang Happy Birthday to June birthdays Ron Derry, Eva Roshong, Maranda Saling
5. **Visitors and Guests:** Our exchange student Julia, Eva Roshong's father, Ernest, and daughter, Leah.
6. **Updates**
  - a. Ted Burwell will be sending an email inviting everyone to Vince Burwell's Court of Honor Boy Scout ceremony 3pm this Sunday at Paradise United Church of Christ.
  - b. Ken Smith is also throwing several parties: June 26, 7pm @ the barn to drill holes and June 28 to put flags on poles. Please plan on attending.
  - c. Reminder: Rotary Banquet is June 27 at Skyland Pines. Please email Ted your RSVP and meal choice.
  - d. This Saturday meet at Greg Anderson's house in Park Village at 8 am to help clean the Nickelplate Trail.

**7. Happy Dollars**

- a. Chris Leach ♦ is happy over 140 kids have been involved with the Library ♦s summer reading program.
- b. Maranda Saling ♦ is happy she ♦s moving to Italy to work in a vineyard in August. She just got back from hiking in Peru.
- c. Bill Woods ♦ is happy to be here and happy his helmet worked.
- d. Andy Turowski ♦ is happy his son didn ♦t get kicked out of the Library ♦s summer reading program.
- e. Betty Derry ♦ 9-3 this Saturday is the NHS-FoL White Elephant sale at the old post office. Also, prayers for her grandson and troops in Afghanistan. A truck bomb drove into the base ♦s mess hall, killing and injuring several troops and Afghanistan civilians.
- f. Eva Roshong ♦ is happy her Dad is visiting and thankful for everyone who served in the military.
- g. Kathy Fausnight ♦ Alumni game is 7:30 July 7 at the stadium. Beatty ♦s and Milann ♦s will have tickets.
- h. Ted Burwell ♦ is happy his son Vince finally made Eagle Scout.

**8. Program: Jared Shive ♦ Completing Community**

- a. Stark Parks started in 1967 with 40 acres. After a tax levy finally passed in 1988, Stark Parks grew countywide in the mid-1990s. Today they are associated with 13 parks, 4 lakes, 80+ miles of trails, and 7000+ acres of land. They ♦ve received numerous local and national awards.
- b. Having a local park system impacts the economy in four ways. First, it protects property values. In Stark County, Sippo Lake property values average \$156,000 compared to Perry Township ♦s \$146,000 average home value. Second, they bring people into the area. Studies how that people look for parks and green spaces when selecting homes. Stark Parks has contributed to greater property and sales tax revenue and provides opportunities for retirees. Third, parks bring jobs. Bike and pedestrian trail creation establishes more new jobs than road upgrades. Stark Parks has noticed increased business success around trails, as shown by Ernie ♦s Bike Shop and downtown Canal Fulton. Finally, parks enhance tourism, as outdoor activity is a vigorous growth area. Stark Parks estimates 1.3 million people visit their locations each year, including 200,000 to Exploration Gateway.
- c. Parks ameliorate one ♦s health. First, they promote a healthy lifestyle. An outdoor workout is more likely to be followed than indoor activities. Stark Parks has grown to where 85% of the county ♦s population is within 3 miles of a Stark Parks park/lake/trail. They sponsor Fit Fridays and Healthy Adventures. Parks also balance mental health. Teachers indicate unruly students behave better outdoors and studies show 15-20 minutes outside can increase concentration. Parks are also good for the environment by increasing oxygen levels and filtering storm water. Stark Parks filters toxins from storm water at Petros Lake, Devonshire, Sippo Lake, and Burnham Wetlands.
- d. Park systems increase the quality of life. Green space increases community cohesion by providing a place to meet. Crime has decreased at Walborn and Molly Stark after Stark Parks involvement. Stark Parks has involved many civic organizations including our Rotary Club and Perry Township. They also partner to maximize dollars and to create synergy. This is shown with the co-located library, Arts in Starks work on trails, school programs, and the combination of trails.
- e. Lance Leach ♦ there will be a 1 mil levy in November which equates to \$30/\$100,000. The park system is an asset you can ♦t put a money figure on. Please vote yes.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

June 27 Banquet - Please RSVP to Ted  
 July 4 No meeting ♦ Fourth of July

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