# Upper Arlington Rotary



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**UPPER ARLINGTON ROTARY CLUB** District 6690, Columbus Ohio, USA Club 3694, Chartered 1972

# **KRISTIN RONAI**

ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - OHSAA

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## **ROTARY**VIEW

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## **ON THE WEB**



Brad Frick provided an introduction of the speaker, Kristin Ronai. Kristin has been Associate Executive Director of the Ohio High School Athletic Association since April 2024. She served as Director of Compliance from 2019-2024, and Assistant Director of Compliance from 2014-2019.

Kristin joined the OHSAA in August 2011. She is currently responsible for oversight of all student eligibility issues and also serves as the liaison for legislative affairs. Other primary responsibilities include responding to concerns/questions of administrators regarding eligibility guidelines and bylaw interpretations, co-chairing the Competitive Balance Committee, providing testimony and explanations for the OHSAA Appeals Panel and legal cases, and collecting data for divisional alignment purposes.

Kristin graduated from Warsaw River View High School, where her teams won two girls basketball D2 state titles and she was named the OHSBCA's "Miss Basketball" award winner her junior and senior seasons. She then went on to graduate Magna Cum Laude from the University of Dayton. While at UD, Kristin played on the women's basketball team for the Flyers and was a four-time All-Conference honoree and served as a three-time captain. She was also the Atlantic-10 Women's Basketball Student-Athlete of the Year in 2011 and an inductee into the University of Dayton Athletic Hall of Fame in January 2020. Kristin resides in Mount Vernon with her husband, Jared, who is the head men's basketball coach at Mount Vernon Nazarene University (MVNU). The couple has three children.

Kristin provided an overview of OHSAA's history and its current affairs, including a legislative update. OHSAA was founded in 1907. In 1908, it hosted its first state championship events, in track and field. It is a voluntary, nongovernmental, nonprofit organization working with more than 300,000 student-athletes in grades 7 through 12 at 817 member high schools and 747 member 7th-8th grade schools. It now hosts 28 state championship events, 14 each for boys and girls. Its goal is provide uniform rules for all teams to abide by. It has the 3rd largest number of member schools of any comparable state organization in the U.S.

Kristin described recent state legislation, amending the Ohio Revised Code to address topics including religious accommodations, online ticketing and the provision of AEDs in schools. She described the general rule that participating students must play sports at where they go to school, if their sport is offered. There are 7 exceptions to this general rule in the Ohio Revised Code, some of which she described, and which are not uncomplicated. Kristen also talked about recent Ohio legislation regarding the participation of transgender athletes.

Kristen described the process for updating OHSAA's own rules, which sometimes get confused with Ohio law, which OHSAA and its member schools do not make but must follow.

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## **GREETERS**

Jim Henson Rich Irelan

Jim Manning Steve Turnbull

Alan Thompson Robert Hunt

## **REGISTRATION DESK**

Rick Barth Tom Westfall

Jim Winfree Dave Shelby

Mike Brady John Cleland

## **CALENDAR**

**Amateur Astronomer** and Astrophotographer Host: Tom Westfall

er 22 - Scioto CC/Zoon Mark Wagenbrenner, Rapid 5 Host: Dave McCurdy

District Governor Gary Baker, **Rotary District 6690 District** Governor

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Submit your volunteer opportunity in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

## **SOCIAL EVENTS**

Please submit your social event reminder to inclusion in the Rotaryview Newsletter.

## **OUR NEXT MEETING**

**OCTOBER 15TH** Scioto Country Club / Zoom



## THE MEETING







Angela Lanctot opened the meeting, which was held in person at Scioto Country Club and also via Zoom.

Michele Hoyle provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

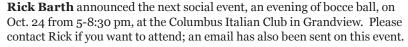
**Dr. Jayme Figueiredo** was a visiting Rotarian from the Recife, Brazil Club, and he was accompanied by his wife Luciana Filho; his son Bruno Regis, a student at Ohio State; Bruno's wife **Violeta Regis**; and their 3 month old daughter Nina.

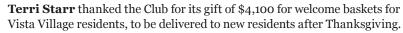
Janet and Mellow Honek were visiting Rotarians from the Las Cruces, New Mexico Club.

Dave Dewey introduced his guest Tom Morgan. Jim Ayers introduced his guest Sandra Ford. Sandra Cotter introduced her guests Natalia Lebedin and Sgt. Heather Galli, whom she also thanked for speaking at that morning's Roundtable. Mike Kull introduced his guest Suzanne Kull.

# **NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**









Sandra Cotter introduced Natalia Lebedin, of the Ukrainian Cultural Association of Ohio, who thanked the Club for its gift of \$5,000, and she described how the gift was used to provide medical aid in Ukraine.



Price Finley announced that boxes of Purple Pinkie Doughnuts are now available for a contribution of dough of at least \$25 to Rotary International for Polio Plus, to be dough-livered at the Club meeting on October 22, and he thanked member Lou Sauter of Buckeye Doughnuts for the dough-nation of these treats (see what I did there?). Contact Price or complete a sign-up sheet, to participate.

Don Leach announced his 3rd contribution to the Grandparents Club, upon the adoption and arrival of his new granddaughter.

# SORTING OUT WHERE TO CONTRIBUTE

Where do your contributions go? There are three main organizations where we as Upper Arlington Rotarians direct our Rotary giving. Sometimes it can be confusing, so here is something to hopefully help keep things straight.

ORGANIZATION	DONATION DESIGNATIONS	ADDRESS	MEMBER CONTACT	EMAIL
Upper Arlington Rotary Club	Club dues	P.O. Box 12013 Columbus, OH 43212	Peggy Concilla	concillapl@gmail.com
Upper Arlington Rotary Foundation	Annual \$365 and some other club funding requests	1704 Sundridge Dr. Columbus, OH 43221	Andy Livingston	andy.w.livingston@gmail.com
Rotary International Foundation	\$125 Club, Paul Harris and Polio Plus	2902 Halstead Rd. Columbus, OH 43221	Milt Lustnauer	milt@miltsellshomes.com