

## GOVERNOR JOHNSON'S BIOGRAPHY



Robert "Bob" Johnson will serve as District Governor for northeast Ohio district 6630 for the 2013/2014 Rotary Year. My wife Cindy and I live in Burton Township in Geauga County and have 3 children; David 44, Lori (Robertson) 36, and Brian 32. We have 3 grandchildren; Alexis 11, Emma 7, and Kendall 3. I have been a Rotarian in the Burton-Middlefield Club for 26 years and have served as club president in 2001/2002, board of governors, treasurer and as international service chair. I and fellow Rotarian James Eldridge have successfully completed 6 international humanitarian projects around the world, including 3 very successful literacy projects in the rural Patagonia region of Argentina in conjunction with former Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars. In the last 6 projects funding has totaled over \$200,000. We just completed a fourth Argentina project for the 2012-2013 Rotary year. I was named "Rotarian of the Year" in the Burton-Middlefield club on 3 separate occasions and I am a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow. I have also served at the district level on the World Community Service Committee twice, most recently from 2008 to 2010 as chair and also the District 6630 Grants Committee. I have also been active in local Rotary projects, most recently serving as coordinator for a successful project by all four Geauga County Rotary clubs to raise \$8000. for the purchase and training one of the new dogs in Sheriff Dan McClelland's K-9 unit.

I grew up in Chagrin Falls and attended Chagrin Falls Schools. I am a graduate of Kent State University with a BA in Geography and a minor in Geology.

I retired from the Postal Service in 2002 after a 31 year career. I served as carrier and supervisor at Chagrin Falls, superintendent of mail and delivery at Chesterland and finally as Postmaster from 1992 to 2002 in the Middlefield office. While serving as Postmaster in 1998 I received the Cleveland Federal Executive Boards highest honor of the "Wings of Excellence" from Congressman Louis Stokes. I also retired from the Ohio Turnpike Commission after 8 years in 2010, in the parts and component purchasing department. I had the honor of being elected to 3 terms on the Berkshire Board of Education and served from 1992 to 2004. I also was a member of the Board of Education for the Auburn Career Center from 1998 to 2004.