

DISTRICT 6900 NEWS FOR NOVEMBER, 2018

	From the District Governor
Team Mechanics is Your Foundation to Winning!	
District Governor Cheryl Greenway who will be our new District Foundation Chair in July 2019, Americas Club President Jimmy Whaley and DGE Jim Squire at the gala celebrating 100 years of the Rotary Club of Americas.	
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We'll Have Fun and You Should Come! Registration Now Open!	
By Bill Woulfin	
DG Court has been strong in his opinion that if you "Have Fun They Will Come!" That's exactly what we're planning for the 2019 District Conference so plan to come to Sandestin, Florida from April 25-28 for the 2019 District 6900 Conference. Even Smokey and the Bandit will be there!	
Why attend? President Elect Kim Walden, RC of Thomasville - District conference has been one of my favorite Rotary events because I always experience a life changing moment. It may come from one of the amazing speakers they always have or from having time to truly fellowship with so many Rotarians. Or it may happen during the service project, but there always is that awe inspiring moment where you feel our Service Above Self and are so glad to be part of it. And, that all happens at a beautiful venue with so much to explore which always makes for a great trip.	
I encourage you to attend - and promise you - you really will be so glad you did! See you there!!!	
Registrations is now open! [more]	
	
End Polio Now	
E-Rotary Club of Emory Clifton Hosts Polio Symposium in Atlanta	
By Alan James	
Internationally known polio experts, vaccination field teams from Afghanistan, and Rotarians across District 6900 came together on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at the Polio Symposium: Past, Present, and Future held at the Shiner's Auditorium in Atlanta. Sponsored by the E-Rotary Club of Emory Clifton, the keynote speaker was Dr. Hamid Jafari, Deputy Director of the Center for Global Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) who previously was the Director of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) at the World Health Organization in Geneva. [more]	
	
Webinar	
Exploring Life Above the Club Level	
By Jim Squire	
So you have served your Club in a leadership role and wonder what you can do next in Rotary? Are you interested in learning what is possible in serving beyond the Club Level? Where do you fit? How much time does it take? How do you get your name on the list for District Committees and beyond? Join us for a panel discussion about the next steps ... [more]	
	
DGE Jim Squire and DGN Kirk Driskell with DGE Cheryl Greenway, who will serve as our 2019-22 District Rotary Foundation Chair.	
The Rotary Foundation	
Thankful for How TRF Helps Us Make a Difference	
By Margie Kersey	
This is the one month a year that we really focus on The Rotary Foundation - and it is appropriate since November is also host to Thanksgiving. And frankly, I give thanks for The Rotary Foundation because of the way it allows Rotarians to make such a big difference in the world.	
Sometimes it is easy to become jaded and focus on the negatives in this world. How awesome is it that we can look at those negatives and say "I can do something about that!" [more]	
	
RI Convention	
Join Us in Hamburg, Germany in 2019	
By Jim Squire	
District 6900 is excited to be heading for Hamburg, Germany for the Rotary International Convention June 1-5, 2019. The District has chosen the Reichshof Hamburg Curio Collection by Hilton as its recommended hotel. You can register for the convention AND book your hotel by visiting http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg If you register by December 15, you will benefit from discounted registration fees! [more]	
	
RJI News	
Make a New Year's Resolution to Join Us for RLI	
By Elwyn Gaisert	
Thomasville Rotary Club will host Rotary Leadership Institute on January 19, 2019, at the Southern Regional Technical College. Parts 1, 2, and 3 and Grad Course Transforming Your Rotary Club will be held. Registration and course information may be found at ... [more]	
	
Rotary Means Business	
Join in Rotary's Newest Fellowship	
By Famous Lou Alvarado	
Rotary Means Business is the newest Rotary Fellowship. It offers a business to business networking opportunity to share your business with fellow Rotarians. Empowering your business by the Power of the Pin. Atlanta Node Networking meetings are held monthly on the last Tuesday at 6:30 pm at Oglethorpe University Wehrer Library, second floor. Plenty of parking behind the library. [more]	
	
Feb. 3, 2019	
India National Immunization Day	
By Margie Kersey	
Here's your opportunity to participate in the Feb. 3, 2019 India Polio National Immunization Day (NID). [more]	
	
GRSP Update	
Scholarships, Holidays and More	
By Lynn Clarke	
Read about this year - including recent student weekends and planning for the holidays, take a look at scholarship opportunities for Georgia students and our current GRSP class, and important information about the requirements when current GRSP students want to travel out of country during their scholarship year. And get an update on the future of GRSP and our strategic planning process. [more]	
	
Club News	
Stone Mountain Distributes Dictionaries	
By Elizabeth Dison	
Since 2007, The Dictionary Project has been a major annual volunteer activity for the members of the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain . Each year, the club has provided free dictionaries to third grade students in local public schools. This year the club distributed over 2,000 dictionaries to 11 schools in Dekalb County and ... [more]	
	
From a GRSP Alumna ...	
Life After GRSP - Making a Difference in Uganda	
By Lynn Clarke	
I thought I'd write to give you an update on how my trip to Uganda went this summer as I know how you like hearing from old GRSP students.	
I went to Uganda with the charity Little Big Africa. We arrived in Entebbe on the 10th June and we spent the first week training for what was ahead near a town called Mikono. During training we learned some Luganda-the local dialect, how to build the stoves, key information about the communication and teaching skills. Training was a lot of fun and me and my group (Student Volunteers Abroad) got to meet the other two groups that were there-one from Strathclyde University (also in Glasgow) and one from Bristol University (in England). We then all set off for our separate villages. [more]	
	
Council on Legislation	
Take an Opportunity to Comment on Possible Worldwide Rotary Rule Changes	
By Margie Kersey	
Every three years one representative from every district in the world comes together in Chicago for one week at the end of April to review, debate and vote on proposed changes to the Manual of Procedure, Club & District Constitutions, RI Constitution and other Rotary governing documents. This is where the rules are made, changed and deleted.	
This year I am your Council representative. We will be looking at 116 proposed changes. Now is the time take a look at the Proposals and let me know your opinion. [more]	
	
Club News	
Roswell Helping to Build a Future in Construction	
By Karen Schwandt	
Just as schools are in full swing for 2018-19, so is Roswell Rotary in helping those schools. Club members are invaluable in contributing to programs that benefit the area school children and community. Rotarian June Brown leads the club's effort to collect ... [more]	
	
Club News	
LaGrange Supporting Polio Eradication	
By Barb Hennigan	
For this year's World Polio Awareness Day members of the Rotary Club of LaGrange took part in a variety of activities. During their regular Wednesday meeting members had their pinkies dyed purple in solidarity with the children who are being vaccinated for polio, held a separate collection to raise additional funds for RI's PolioPlus campaign ... [more]	
	
Club News	
Peachtree City Directory Has a Legacy of Service	
By Michael Nelson	
October 13 was a lucky day for the Rotary Club of Peachtree City and the local community, when the club published the 45th edition of its Rotary Smart Directory. The directory was first published as a community service project for Peachtree City. Over time, ads were sold to cover the cost of production and printing. By the 1990's the directory had become the primary fundraising project for the club and has produced over a million dollars that has funded countless projects, both locally and globally. [more]	
	
Rotary	
"CLOMP CLOMP, WIGGLE WIGGLE, SHAKE SHAKE" ... The Sounds of Marietta Reads!	
By Dale Covington	
The Rotary Club of Marietta has been reading up a storm in the local schools - as part of the 16th annual Marietta Reads! This Marietta City Schools citywide effort to foster reading and literacy in the community carries the slogan, "We all succeed when Marietta Reads!" The event kicked off at ... [more]	
	
Club News	
Johns Creek Helps Refurbish Woman's Shelter	
By Gillian Leggett	
Through a \$10,000 District Rotary Foundation grant, the Rotary Club of Johns Creek North Fulton helped Wellspring Living, a nonprofit serving survivors of human sex trafficking, to refurbish a women's shelter. Wellspring services women between the ages of 18 and 31, providing therapy, education and career training. [more]	
Family of Rotary Event	
Are You Ready for the Kentucky Derby? Mark Your Calendars ...	
By Claudia Mertl	
The Rotary Club of Lake Spivey/Clayton County is having a fundraiser May 4, 2019 - a Kentucky Derby Gala at the Altanta Motor Speedway - and District Governor Court has endorsed the Gala as a District Family of Rotary Event! [more]	
Upcoming Key Dates	
Thursday, November 8th, 2018	
Friday, November 9th, 2018	
Saturday, November 10th, 2018	
Tuesday, November 13th, 2018	
Thursday, November 15th, 2018	
Tuesday, November 20th, 2018	
Tuesday, November 27th, 2018	
Wednesday, November 28th, 2018	
Thursday, November 29th, 2018	
Tuesday, December 4th, 2018	
Thursday, December 6th, 2018	
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