



**WE CONNECT PEOPLE!
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WE FUND SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS!**



**AUGUST IS
MEMBERSHIP & NEW
CLUB DEVELOPMENT**



Join Rotary!

From Our District Governor

Let's Grow Our Membership!

By George Granade
August is Rotary International's Membership and New Club Development Month - what better time for each of us to imagine how we can make our clubs stronger, tell our stories better, and introduce new people to our world of fellowship and community service. One of RI President Jennifer Jones requests is for districts to grow membership by increasing the number of club members and by creating two new club models - like the satellite clubs we have in place in Stone Mountain and Roswell, for example. She also would like to see women represent 30% of our total membership by Rotary year end; here in District 6900 we are already at 29.1%! There are several avenues for assistance on finding new members.
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LEADERBOARD

Check out the full district scoreboard

Here are the clubs that are leading the way in our district for membership, annual fund and polio plus.

Category	NET MEMBERSHIP	ANNUAL FUND	POLIO PLUS
I	Fayetteville	North Atlanta	Brookhaven
II	North Columbus	North Fulton	Vinings Cumberland
III	Marietta	Dunwoody	Carrollton-Dawn Breakers
IV	Roswell	Roswell	Peachtree City

Key Dates



D6900 Finish Line Celebration Coming Soon!

By Mandy Timmons
If you've registered, we look forward to seeing you at our Finish Line celebration lunch at Atlanta Motor Speedway on August 20. We will be recognizing clubs for their achievements during the 2021-2022 Rotary year and provide an annual report for the district. Registration is open and thrill seekers can sign up for a hot lap around the AMS track in a pace car! In addition, incoming District Membership Chair Dave Schwickerath is offering a membership summit on the same day which is a perfect time to hear the latest in ideas and resources to help you with your membership plans.
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Our Rotary
Foundation
**District
6900
“Doing
Good at
Home and
around
the
World”**

By Anne Glenn
Thank you to every Rotarian who made last year so special for our Rotary Foundation. Your generous donations and passionate concern for people you know in your community as well as people you will never meet, or see, continues to display decency and “good” in a world growing poor and needy. As your newest District Rotary Foundation Director, I remain humbled by your commitment to Rotary and The Rotary Foundation. I look forward to helping you achieve your goals. And as a starter -

NEWSFLASH - all District Grant and Special District Grant checks are in the mail to all of you! [more]



Our Rotary
Foundation at
Work

Where Did the Money Go in 2021-22?

By Anne Glenn

We encourage
you to keep
donating to
The Rotary
Foundation
(TRF) - and we
share

information
along the way
about some of
our projects -
but we wanted
to give you
access to
reports

show [what TRF](#)

[allowed us to](#)

[do in 2021-22](#)

[in our](#)

[communities](#) -

and what we

did and

continue to do

on the [five](#)

[Global Grant](#)

[projects](#)

[approved in](#)

[2021-22](#). Click

either of these

links to get

some specifics

Some simple

facts about

how we got the

money for

2021-22 ...

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J. MICHAEL SWEIGART, CHAIR
Rotary Club of Duluth



GRSP OFFICERS 2022-2023



IAN BOND, VICE CHAIR
Rotary Club of Columbus



LORRI CHRISTOPHER, SECRETARY
Rotary Club of Dunwoody



JACKIE CUTHBERT, ASST. SEC.
Rotary Club of Dunwoody



STEVE HARROLD, ASST. TREASURER
Rotary Club of Athens

GRSP Update
**Welcome
2022-23
Leaders and
Students**

By Katheryne Fields
We are pleased to announce the Georgia Rotary Student Program's new slate of officers for 2022-23 - elected at GRSP's Summer Trustee Meeting earlier this month. J. Michael (Mike) Sweigart of the Rotary Club of Duluth (**D6910**) moves up to serve as Chair and Ian Bond of the Rotary Club of Columbus has been elected to serve as Vice Chair. Both Mike and Ian have served as host families and trustees. Mike most recently served as Treasurer then Vice Chair while Ian served the last several years as District 6900 Chair. Secretary Lorri Christopher and Assistant Secretary Jackie Cuthbert, both from the Rotary Club of Dunwoody, and Assistant Treasurer Steve Harrold of the Rotary Club of Athens (D6910) were also thanked for their contributions to the program and re-elected for another year. [more]



Rotary Leadership
Institute

Top 10 Reasons to Consider Attending RLI

By Stephanie
Windham

Did you know you could register for live online sessions and in-person events to complete your Rotary Leadership Institute experience? Just visit rlitraining.org. In-person events are currently scheduled for AUGUST 13, 2022 in Columbus, NOVEMBER 19, 2022 in Kennesaw, and JANUARY 14, 2023 in Thomasville. So what are the 10 top reasons to participate in RLI?
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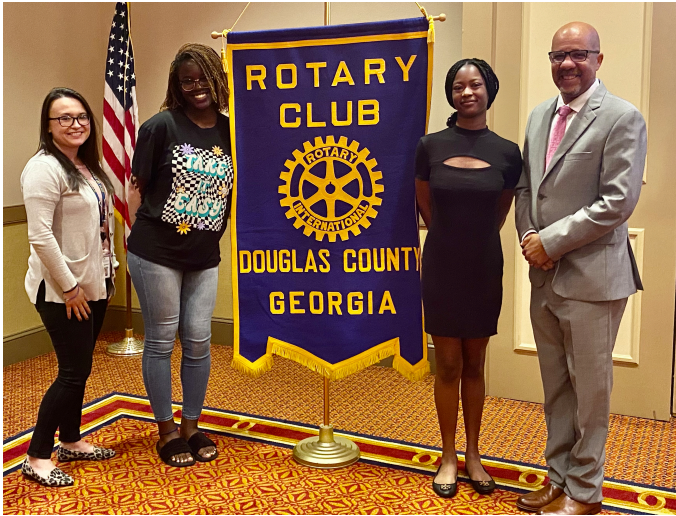


RYLA Update
**2022
RYLA
Was a
Blast!**

By Jaclyn
Donovan
Summertime
in District
6900 mean
it's time for
the Rotary
Youth
Leadership
Awards,
better known
as RYLA!!

RYLA is
designed for
young adults
with proven
leadership
ability and a
commitment
to
community
service. The
District 6900
RYLA camp
was hosted
by the Rotary
Club of
Americus and
held June
18-22 on the
campus of
Georgia
Southwestern
State
University
and included
82 students
sponsored by
over 30
clubs. This
year was also
the first RYLA
gathering
since 2019,
so the RYLA
Family of
counselors
had a great
reunion!
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Rotary President Samantha Rosado, Hannah Byssainthe, Tiffany Grier, and Rotary Member and Douglas County School Superintendent Trent North.

Club News

RYLA Students Speak at Douglas County

By Nell Boggs

The **Rotary Club of Douglas County** recently enjoyed hearing from students who attended RYLA

- an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary where young people can develop leadership skills while having fun and making connections.

This year, the club sponsored four students to attend RYLA in June on the campus of Georgia Southwestern State

University in Americus Three of the students attend Douglas County High School: Hannah Byssainthe,

Amelia Hasan, and Ronzell Mullen. Tiffany Grier attends Lithia Springs High School.

Hannah and Tiffany attended the meeting and answered questions about their experience.

Hannah enjoyed it so much she plans to volunteer as a counselor at RYLA in the future! [more]



Our Rotary
Foundation at
Work

**Year-end
Brazil
Trip
Planned
to Visit
Global
Grant
Project
Funded
by D6900
Clubs**

By Bob
Koncerak
Bom Dia! Six
clubs are
supporting a
project that is
doing amazing
good the world!
The Rotary
Clubs of Stone
Mountain,
Dunwoody,
Peachtree City,
Atlanta Brazil,
Roswell and
Alpharetta have
successfully
funded Down
Syndrome
Education
Global Grant
2231616—and
a year-end trip
is planned to
visit this
impressive
project. *This is
your invitation
to travel with
Rotarians to
southern
Brazil -
a truly beautiful
place in the
world. [more]*



Club News

Dunwoody Fundraising Efforts Net Almost \$40,000 for Our Charitable Endeavors

By Bob O'Brien
The **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** had a great year in service projects with two new fundraising efforts. The club held its first Whiskey & Cigar Raffle in October, November and December of last year and raised more than \$6,500 for our Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund, and its inaugural charity golf tournament called FORE! the Memories at St. Marlo Country Club on May - providing \$20,000 to Alzheimer's of Georgia and \$13,000 to our Dunwoody Charitable Fund.
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(left to right) David Fisher, executive director of NETWorks; DeKalb County Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson; Jim Rodeghiero, special events coordinator, and Kirk Fordham, director of community services, Rotary Club of Tucker, accepting the check.

Club News **Tucker and DeKalb County Help Families Impacted by COVID**

By Lizbeth Dison
DeKalb County has approved in \$25,000 Super District 7 American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding appropriation from Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson for the **Rotary Club of Tucker** to support mortgage and rent assistance and purchase and distribute school supplies to eligible residents of ...
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