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# District Newsletter

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### **Rotary Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution Month**

February is Rotary's Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution Month, a time to highlight the essential work being done to create a more peaceful world. Those of you who have heard me speak know how deeply this mission resonates with me. As a volunteer mediator for more than 20 years, I've seen firsthand the transformative power of dialogue and understanding in resolving conflicts and fostering harmony.

Peacebuilding is at the heart of Rotary's mission and central to many of our other areas of focus, including education, health, and economic development. This month, I'm particularly excited to share the progress of our new satellite e-club, the Rotary Peacebuilders of Savannah. With 18 charter members ready to make a difference, this club will dedicate itself to advancing peace and conflict resolution locally and globally. If you

know of anyone who would like to learn more about the club, join us, or offer their support, please don't hesitate to contact me!

Did you know Rotary also operates Peace Centers worldwide? This month marks a historic moment as Rotary opens its first Peace Center in the Middle East, a significant step in addressing one of the most conflict-prone regions on earth.

Let's use this month to reflect on how each of us can contribute to peace within our communities, relationships, and the world. Together, we can be the change that builds a brighter, more harmonious future.

Todd

P.S. Not to be outdone by the new Savannah E-Club, the Rotary Club of Milledgeville is launching an E-Club AND an Impact Club. Kuddos to them! And Augusta-West is not far behind with a new E-Club. Congratulations to those clubs for looking for new ways to get new Rotarians involved. Anybody else?

# **District News**

### An Update on Georgia Rotary Student Program

Georgia Rotary Student Program Chair Ian Bond honored Frank E. Bentley, Jr., Rotary Club of Sandy Springs and M.A. "Doc" Jaleel, Rotary Club of Peachtree City as well as J. Milton Heard, IV, Rotary Club of Macon, with respective resolutions and proclaimed them each as Trustee Emeritus members in late January.

More than 50 GRSP Trustees along with the GRSP Foundation Board of Directors met in Macon to discuss administrative and financial reports as well as honor members in the Winter Business Meeting. GRSP Foundation President Terry Adkins also thanked Bentley for serving as the Foundation's financial advisor for the past 30 years and presented him with a crystal bowl etched with an outline of the world map and the GRSP logo for his dedication to the program.



Heard was appointed as a Trustee in 2011, and later named as District 6920 Director of GRSP. He is a Ronnie Waller Fellow with the GRSP Foundation, which represents contributions of \$10,000 or more. Heard, along with his wife Laura, has been a host family and documented multiple GRSP Conclaves and events with his passion for photography. Jaleel served District 6900 as District World Community Service and 3H Grants Chair from 1985-1993 and as an Area District Governor from 1998-2001. He and his wife Christy served three times as a GRSP host family, six years as a GRSP Trustee and several years as an Advisory Trustee.

Bentley, son of Past GRSP Endowment Chairman Frank Bentley, Sr., is a Jim Brim Fellow with the GRSP Foundation, which represents contributions of \$15,000 or more. Bentley, as well as his wife Earlene, has been a counselor, adviser and friend to countless students and other Rotarians. They have each demonstrated through service to Rotary and the Georgia Rotary Student Program continuous commitment and dedication to the ideals of "service above self" and "world peace through understanding." To view the three Trustee Emeritus resolutions in full for Bentley, Jaleel and Heard, please visit <a href="https://www.grsp.org/history">www.grsp.org/history</a>.

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LINKS 2024-2025 A moment of silence was held in memory of two GRSP Emeritus Trustees this year, Karl Waechtler, Rotary Club of Rome and Larry "Frog" Frosteg, Rotary Club of Pelham. Both men continued to support GRSP after their respective roles as a Trustee, investing both time and finances. Both died in 2024.

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### **GRSP Student Helps District 6920 Serve Ronald McDonald House of Macon**



District 6920 Rotarians and their families during an afternoon of fun service work at the Ronald McDonald house in Macon, GA. Many hands make light work! GRSP student Joao Vilela from Brazil got to see & experience Rotarians in action.





### GRSP Barbara M. and Donald L. Thomas Peace Award

The Georgia Rotary Student Program (GRSP) recently celebrated two outstanding scholars who embody the spirit of peace and understanding among their peers and nations. This celebration coincided with Rotary International's 120th anniversary on February 23, which also marks World Understanding and Peace Day, honoring the date of the first Rotary meeting in 1905.

Two GRSP scholars were recently honored in their respective host Rotary Club meetings. Committee Chair John Carruth, representing the Roswell Rotary Club, presented the Barbara M. and Donald L. Thomas Peace Award to Shifa Maherali Jiwani of India and Jordan Laurent Noueku of Cameroon. Both scholars will also be recognized at the Georgia United District Conference in April.

Shifa Maherali Jiwani, a student at Kennesaw State University, is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of East Cobb and Paulding County. She immediately became involved in the U.S. healthcare system and began her research into antimicrobial resistance as a freshman. Her research has the potential to save millions of lives worldwide, making her stand out as an exceptional candidate for the Peace Award.

"We were very impressed with her desire to become a healthcare professional to help overcome the healthcare inequities in impoverished areas of the world, having witnessed them in her native country of India," said Carruth.

Jordan Laurent Noueku, a student at Morehouse College, is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Midtown Atlanta, Atlanta West End, and Fayetteville. His letter introduced him as a young man eager to give back with his time and talents, emphasizing the importance of the monetary award in helping him pursue his medical education.

"Jordan's journey has not been easy in pursuit of this goal, with many setbacks and financial struggles along the way—first with being able to come to America, then with high school in San Francisco, and now in college at Morehouse," Carruth explained. "We hope that this award, in some small way, will help you on your path toward becoming a medical technician and giving back to those who have helped you get this far."

Roswell Rotarian PDG Bob Hagan shared that Donald and Barbara Thomas, after whom the award is named, were well-known throughout Georgia for their 1980s rhyming radio and television advertisements for Anchor Savings Bank, where Donald served as chairman. The couple was recognized for their commitment to Rotary and their significant contributions to the Georgia Rotary Student Program.

Both Donald and Barbara Thomas were strong supporters of GRSP. They were recognized as Kendall-Weisiger Fellows, a distinction awarded by the GRSP Foundation for contributions of \$5,000 or more. In June 1992, they established a substantial Charitable

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Remainder Trust to be given to GRSP. Later, in June 2001, they created the Barbara M. and Donald L. Thomas Peace Award, given to a recipient who exemplifies the spirit of the program, demonstrates Service-Above-Self, and shows evidence of financial need to meet the educational or career goals of the recipient.

Thanks to their generosity, each of this year's award recipients, Shifa Maherali Jiwani and Jordan Laurent Noueku, received a \$2,500 award to support their education and future endeavors.





# **Important Information**

### Unlock Your Leadership Potential: Join the RLI Training on March 8th!

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Sunshine Division is inviting Rotarians to enhance their skills and knowledge at the upcoming training session on Saturday, March 8th, at Augusta University's Summerville Campus. This event, designed to build a better Rotary through education, will provide tools and insights to help Rotarians become more effective leaders and contributors to their clubs and communities.

Participants can choose from various course offerings, including:

• Part 1: The Rotarian

Part 2: The Rotary Club

· Part 3: The Rotary Journey

Graduate Course: Public Speaking (available to Part 3 graduates)

The program will also cover essential topics such as Rotary opportunities, effective leadership strategies, service projects, grants, and the history of Rotary. Breakfast and registration begin at 7:00 AM, followed by classes from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM. The \$100 registration fee includes course materials, meals, facility fees, and a certificate of completion.

Registration closes on Saturday, March 1st, and space is limited to ensure an engaging and interactive learning experience.

#### Two Easy Ways to Register:

- 1. Visit www.RLlsunshine.org, click "Course Information," then "Course Schedule," and scroll to March 8th to register.
- Log into your Rotary account on DACdb, click "My Club," select "Calendar & Events," and follow the prompts to register for the RLI training event.

A special hotel rate, at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, is available for Rotarians requiring an overnight stay.

For additional information or registration assistance, contact District 6920 RLI Director, Fel Lee, at **FelLeeD6920@gmail.com** or call **912-282-8494**.

Don't miss this chance to network with fellow Rotarians, explore new perspectives, and strengthen your Rotary journey!

**Apply for RYLA Today** 

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# Apply Today for RYLA! Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

June 11 - 14, 2025 Brunswick, Georgia

RYLA is a FREE! 4 day, 3 night leadership experience at the College of Coastal Georgia for high school Juniors and Seniors who are ready to develop their leadership potential and make their community better.

#### Benefits of RYLA:

- Develop Communication Skills
- Build Self-Confidence & Self-Esteem
- . Learn Ethics of Good Leadership
- Perform Public Service
- Enhance Conflict Management Skills
- Impact Your Community
- Make Dreams Happen



More Info: www.rotarydistrict6920.org/RYLA



#### Qualifications:

- Open to rising HS Juniors & Seniors
- Aspire to leadership roles at your school
- Sponsored by your local Rotary Club (see application link)
- Have transportation to/from Brunswick, GA



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# Registration Now Open for the 22nd Annual Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center Spring Conference



We are excited to announce that registration is now live for the 22nd Annual Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center Spring Conference, and we would love your support in spreading the word! This year's conference, titled "Stories of Peace: Centering Community for Collective Transformation," will feature presentations by the graduating Class 22 Rotary Peace Fellows, who will share their research on innovative approaches to peacebuilding, international development, and conflict transformation.

#### **Key Event Details:**

- Date: Saturday, April 5, 2025
- Time: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM (Doors open at 8:00 AM)
- Location: FedEx Global Education Center (UNC-Chapel Hill)
- Virtual Option: Available for those unable to attend in person

The conference will highlight the work of Class 23 fellows, with a special exhibition of research posters from the **Peace Innovation Showcase** at Duke University. Whether you are joining us in person or virtually, this event promises to be an insightful and inspiring day

#### **Registration Information:**

- Early bird registration ends on March 8
- Online registration closes on March 28 at 5:00 PM EST
- Register now: Conference Registration Link

Please help us promote this exciting event within your district by sharing the registration link on your district website, social media

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channels, and newsletters. We've also attached some graphics for your convenience.

We look forward to seeing you at this transformative conference, whether in person or virtually!

### **Time to Get Smart!**



What tips and tricks would help you serve your club? Help **us** help **you** by taking this <u>quick survey</u> on what topics you would like to see at our next District Learning Assembly in June!

# Club News

# A Night of Gratitude and Celebration: Valdosta North Rotary Honors Local Educators

The Valdosta North Rotary Club recently hosted its highly anticipated Annual Teacher Appreciation Dinner, bringing together over 500 attendees to honor and celebrate the incredible educators in our community. This special evening was filled with laughter, inspiration, and heartfelt gratitude, all while teachers were treated to a fantastic meal that made the event even more memorable.

Keynote speaker Willie Spears entertained and inspired with a powerful and humorous address that left the audience motivated and uplifted. His message resonated deeply with teachers and community members alike, highlighting the profound impact educators have on shaping the future.

The Rotary Club also presented over \$20,000 in gifts and prize money to deserving educators. The evening recognized the Teacher of the Year from each school in both the Lowndes County School System and Valdosta City Schools, honoring their exceptional dedication to education.



In addition to these honors, the Valdosta North Rotary Club presented the prestigious Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award, sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America. Each school district nominated a representative, and the award was facilitated by VNR President Elect Nominee John Alford. This award celebrates those who go above and beyond in their commitment to their students and the community.

The Teacher Appreciation Dinner was a wonderful reminder of the invaluable contributions educators make every day. The Valdosta North Rotary Club is proud to continue this tradition of recognizing and supporting the individuals who play such a vital role in shaping the future.

The Warner Robins Club Area 10 event was a tremendous success. We had a great time. There were over 30+ Rotarians from various clubs and over 15 non Rotarians in attendance. We had PDG Heather Kelllen, DGN Danny Boyles, AG Dave Razo, as well as Rotarians from clubs outside of our area who were in attendance. Rotarian and WR Mayor LaRhonda Patrick, Rotarian and Perry Mayor Randall Walker, Rotarian and County Commissioner Chairman Dan Perdue, and Rotarian and State Representative Shaw Blackmon were in attendance. They were very complimentary of the entire event and the turnout of attendees. (See pictures)

We were able to share the Rotary story and pass out membership reference materials and door prizes for our guests. The four clubs (Byron Rotary, Centerville Rotary, Perry Rotary, Satellite Club of Warner Robins Trinity, and Warner Robins Rotay) in Area 10 were recognized. We had a continuous PowerPoint presentation of the activities of the four clubs playing during the entire session.

We had a great selection of appetizers and beverages. The restaurant is owned by a fellow Rotarian, Joe Wilburn. The restaurant had a Rotary wheel decor throughout, compliments of Joe's wife who found the cog decor on amazon before Joe joined the WR Rotary Clubs. (See pics)

The younger Rotarians of the WR Club came up with the Young Professionals Networking event idea with recommendations on how we should promote, organize, and structure the event. We met twice in December and twice in January for lunch to coordinate and plan this event.

Stedman Ellington stated, "Overall the event was a massive success! We had a great turnout and participation from the other groups. We had +10 guests who came in from the various groups. The agenda was kept brief and efficient and the start and end time of the event was scheduled perfectly. Both members and non-members were all dressed accordingly in business casual attire. The location was a great size allowing the room to seem full but not congested. Lastly, the addition of the raffle giveaway was a nice touch."

Jeremy Fermin added, "

- It was good to have multiple elected officials in attendance. This was noticed by a visiting area governor and DGN it says a
  lot about the clubs' influence that they could pull all of the elected officials.
- It was good to have two teachers from Argentina in attendance.
- This event was great because it brought together multiple clubs and, as a new Rotarian, was the first time I saw the shared camaraderie between different clubs.

We hope that this type of event will catch on in our district during the remaining months of this term. Duplication is the finest compliment of any successful effort.

# Warner Robins Rotary Club Hosts Successful Polio Plus Booth at Heart Disease Car Show Kick

In support of its ongoing fight to eradicate polio, the Warner Robins Rotary Club created its own Polio Plus booth during the recent "Chipping Away at Heart Disease Car Show" kickoff event. When asked to host the launch of the event's balloon release, the Club seized the opportunity to further its mission by setting up a dedicated Rotary booth.

Throughout the event, members of the Rotary Club distributed Polio Pins to raise awareness about the importance of the global Polio Plus initiative. The booth served as a great platform for spreading the word and encouraging others to get involved in the fight against polio.

The event was filled with fantastic camaraderie and a shared commitment to supporting a great cause. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Warner Robins Rotary Club to connect with the

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community and further its mission of making a positive impact both locally and globally.

With every pin handed out and every conversation sparked, the Rotary Club continues to work tirelessly toward a future without polio, all while contributing to a meaningful event for heart disease awareness.

### Jekyll Island Rotary Club Honors Paul Harris Fellow +2



The Jekyll Island Rotary Club recently honored one of their members, Glenn Cook with the Paul Harris Fellow + 2 award. The Plus 2 award is given to current Paul Harris Fellows who have donated additional money and time to further the philanthropic work of Rotary, not only on a local basis but internationally as well. Pictured are Cook on left and Foundation Chair Charles Collins.

### **Jones County Rotary Club Supports Local Literacy**

January 2025, the Jones County Rotary Club were proud recipients of a \$1,701 Tri-County EMC Foundation Grant. The monies were approved to fund the Jones County Head Start Program with Ferst Reader publications. As a result 45 head start participants and 3 teachers will receive Ferst Reader books monthly for 9 months starting in February. Also included with the books, each parent will receive an engagement newsletter which serves as a guide for reading to their child.

### Warner Robins Rotary Club Continues Strong Support for Crimestoppers

Members of the Warner Robins Rotary Club recently attended the Crimestoppers luncheon, reinforcing their ongoing commitment to the local community. As a dedicated supporter of Crimestoppers, the Club presented a generous \$1,000 check to the organization during the event, which was held at one of the Club's regular luncheons.

The luncheon was attended by eight local law enforcement members, alongside the Executive Director of Crimestoppers, showcasing the close collaboration between the Rotary Club and the local authorities in making Warner Robins a safer place for all.

This donation underscores the Rotary Club's strong sense of community responsibility and its continued support for initiatives that benefit public safety. The Club's involvement with Crimestoppers plays a key role in fostering positive relationships between residents, law enforcement, and community organizations.

As always, the Warner Robins Rotary Club remains committed to making a meaningful impact in the community, demonstrating that together, we can help create a safer and more connected environment for everyone.

### Rotary Club of Tifton Kicks Off 2025 with Exciting Start

The Rotary Club of Tifton had an action-packed start to January, setting the tone for an inspiring and impactful year ahead. We kicked off the new year with a lineup of presentations that left everyone feeling energized and ready to make a difference in our community.

First, we welcomed Dr. Marla Golden, Dean of PCOM Moultrie, who shared exciting developments about the program and the valuable opportunities it offers. Dr. Golden highlighted their dedicated efforts to bring essential healthcare services to our hardworking farmers, underscoring the importance of accessible care in rural areas.

Next, our very own Dr. Renata Elad took the stage to shine a spotlight on ABAC's Global Service Program (GSP). She passionately spoke about the program's role in bringing international students to our community, fostering cultural exchange, and expanding global perspectives. Dr. Elad also made a heartfelt plea for families to open their homes to these students during school breaks, helping them feel welcome and supported while they're far from home.

With such meaningful discussions and opportunities for growth, it's clear that the Rotary Club of Tifton is off to a fantastic start this year. We are excited to continue building connections, supporting our community, and making a lasting impact in the months ahead!



### Jekyll Island Learns About Federal Reserve



The Jekyll Island Rotary Club recently hosted Mike Chriszt from the Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta. This was his last talk before retiring next month. He talked about the Federal Reserve's mission given by Congress. This is to control inflation while promoting job growth and the economy. Pictured are Al Tate, club president-elect from left, Chriszt, and Rotarian Ted Fleshman.

### **Welcome to Rotary, Chris Overstreet!**

At our January 10th meeting, the Rotary Club of Camden County proudly inducted our newest member, Chris Overstreet with TDS Telecom. The ceremony was led by President Hunt Thornhill and supported by Greg Lockhart, past Rotary President and Mayor of St. Marys. We're excited to have Chris join us in our mission of Service Above Self and look forward to the positive impact he will bring to our club and community!



### **Jekyll Island Rotary Club Welcomes Two New Members**



The Jekyll Island Rotary Club recently welcomed two new members to the club. Joe Coryea and Ted Rodgers. Pictured are Coryea from left, Rotarians Jerry Ezell and Thorny Parker, club president Alan Price and Rodgers.

### St. Simons Rotary Club Hosts Engaging Speakers and Annual Speech Contest

The St. Simons Rotary Club recently hosted a variety of engaging events, showcasing the vibrant community involvement and dedication to service that the club is known for.

One of the highlights was the Preston Johnson Speech Contest, which saw five talented students from Heritage Christian Academy, Frederica Academy, and Glynn Academy competing. Each student researched Rotary and delivered a threeminute speech about the organization. Annabelle Lee took first place, with Haseley Cain in second, and Abigail Winford securing third. The top two winners will go on to compete in the Zone contest on March 29, 2025, with the winner advancing to the District Conference for a top award. Pictured are the participants: Prynce Daniels, Ava Goldstone, Annabelle Lee (first place), Haseley Cain (second place), and Abigail Winford (third place).

In addition to the speech contest, the club welcomed a series of distinguished guest speakers who shared their expertise and insights on various community issues. Regina M. McDuffie, City Manager of Brunswick, spoke about current challenges facing the city,



including flooding, fire protection, and housing and homelessness.

Kat Hoyt, President of the Darien-McIntosh Chamber of Commerce, provided an informative update on local issues, from Georgia Shrimping to the development of Buc-ee's, sparking plenty of questions from the club's members.

Michael Chriszt, Vice President and Regional Engagement Officer at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, was another guest speaker who engaged members with a discussion about the Federal Reserve and its role in the economy.

Lastly, David Sweat, County Commissioner for District 4, shared stories about the history of local baseball, including highlights from his new book, *Brunswick's Golden Era of Baseball*.

These events not only offered valuable information and insights but also strengthened the connection between the St. Simons Rotary Club and the local community. Pictured are the guests with club members, including St. Simons Rotary President Kern Baker and other club members who continue to contribute to the vibrant community spirit.

### **Vidalia Rotarians Support Salvation Army**



On January 24, a few of our dedicated Vidalia Rotarians stocked food shelves at the local Salvation Army and packed food for 170 BackPack Buddies!! BackPack Buddies is run by Paige Williamson of Toombs County Family Connection and provides food for the weekends to school children in need. The money to purchase food for both projects came from a hurricane relief grant from our District Rotary office in the amount of \$2,500. We were honored to provide assistance to both organizations!





# Golden Isles Rotary Club Hosts Fascinating Speakers on History and Personal Growth

The Golden Isles Rotary Club recently had the pleasure of hosting Wheeler Bryan, who captivated the audience with his insightful presentation on President George Washington's 1791 journey to the southern states. Mr. Bryan delved into Washington's background, exploring how his study of geometry, trigonometry, and his trip to Barbados shaped him for leadership. He also highlighted how Washington's impressive height-standing at 6'2" (or slightly taller)worked to his advantage in both his military career and as President. The talk was a fascinating glimpse into the early life and leadership of one of America's most iconic figures. Pictured at the event are Club President Marjorie Mathieu, Wheeler Bryan, and Rotarian Jeff Jones.

In a testament to the remarkable talents within the Golden Isles Rotary Club, when a scheduled speaker fell ill just a day before the meeting, Rotarian Dave Adkinson stepped in without hesitation to present his program on



his *Cymatic Conversations Podcast* and his upcoming trilogy publication. Cymatics, as Dave explained, is the study of sound patterns and their impact on human communication and collaboration. His presentation emphasized the importance of balance, with each element of the framework represented as points on a wheel, leading to resilience and self-awareness.

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### Rotary Club of Kings Bay Welcomes New Area Governor Glenn Cook

At our most recent meeting, we had the privilege of welcoming Glenn Cook, our new Area Governor, as our quest speaker. Glenn shared his insights and vision for the upcoming year, inspiring all of us to continue



our efforts in service to the community and beyond.

As part of the warm welcome, President Paula proudly presented Glenn with our club flag, symbolizing the strength of our partnership and commitment to Rotary's mission.

We look forward to working closely with Glenn and are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead for our club and our community!

### Rotary Club of Kings Bay Welcomes New Member Michelle Meyer

The Rotary Club of Kings Bay is excited to announce the induction of Michelle Meyer as its newest member. Area Governor Glenn Cook had the honor of leading the induction ceremony, officially welcoming Michelle into the Rotary family.

Joining them for this special occasion was Michelle's sponsor, President Paula Goodnow, who played an important role in guiding her into the club.

We are thrilled to have Michelle as part of our Rotary community and look forward to the positive impact she will undoubtedly make in our club and beyond.



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