

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Webinar for Interact Club Sponsors and Advisors Dec. 4



Wednesday, 4 December 2024, 15:00 Chicago time (UTC-5) 45 Minutes

Listen to a conversation with Interact Club President and Youth Advisory Council member, Mariana Chaves, about the best ways to champion Interactors. Questions from the audience will be answered live following the conversation.

By the end of this session, you'll understand:

1. Basic policies for organizing an Interact club
2. Youth empowerment and adult-youth partnership principles
3. The service-learning approach to youth service

This webinar will be offered in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Italian, Korean and Japanese.?

If you are unable to attend at this time, please register to receive the recording.

https://rotary-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5PkQrpRRTzWbTGTg32LW8Q#/registration

HAPPENING IN DECEMBER

District Four Way Test Information Sessions Dec. 3

Would your club like to participate in the 2025 District Four Way Test Speech Contest? Please join Matthew May for an informational Zoom session regarding the District Four Way Test for the upcoming 2024-2025 year. The date will be:

- Tuesday, December 3rd at 8pm.

The Zoom link is here:

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 410 628 4825

Passcode: 7777

Mark Your Calendars - Webinar on The Rotary Foundation Dec. 5

Gifts to Rotary's Endowment play a vital role in providing districts with a reliable income stream to support projects and grants.

[Join us this December](#) to explore how Rotary's Endowment complements Annual Giving to enhance district sustainability and support impactful initiatives. Panelists will discuss how a well-funded Endowment contributes to membership growth and community engagement by funding scholarships, humanitarian grants, and district grants. Additionally, the session will cover strategies for engaging your district leaders and club members in raising awareness of the Endowment's importance. Discover how effective use of Rotary's Endowment can drive long-term success and amplify your district's impact.

Doing Good in the World | **Future-Proofing Rotary:**
Maximizing District Impact with the
2.025 by 2025 Endowment
5 December 2024 at 09:00 CT

 Mark Daniel Maloney Trustee Chair, The Rotary Foundation	 Olayinka Hakeem Babalola Past Vice President, Rotary International	 Dominiek Willemse Endowment/Major Gifts Advisor, The Rotary Foundation	 Maria Gina Africa Sy Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator, The Rotary Foundation
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with Karena Bierman, Director of Planned and Principal Gifts

The Rotary Foundation

December 3, 2024

Reminders

Effective July 1, 2024, District 7620 will be sending weekly email announcements every Tuesday morning, promoting District and Club projects and events to the entire District membership. Please submit your request **no later than** the Friday before the Tuesday if you want your announcement to be circulated and considered. Announcements past the Friday deadline will not be considered for the following week's announcements. Please contact DCO, **Pamela Stern-Green** at psgreen@verizon.net with any questions.

[District 7620 Announcement Submission Form](#)

County Dec. 6



The Rotary Club of South Anne Arundel County will celebrate the 11th anniversary of its highly successful Annual Lights of Kindness charity event, a Christmas tree decorating contest that will be held December 5–8 at Homestead Gardens in Davidsonville, Md. This event has been important to the community over the past years; since inception, these unique and magical events raised more than \$190,000 to help local charities.

Friday, December 06, 2024 , 9:00am-6:00pm

Additional Dates

Sunday, December 08, 2024, 9:00am-12:06pm

Location

[Homestead Gardens Davidsonville](#)

743 West Central Ave
Davidsonville, MD

[Directions](#)

Price

Free—Free

Parole Rotary's Books for International Goodwill Dec. 6 and 7

B.I.G. Book Sale. Over 70,000 good used books at reasonable prices (1\$-\$3)

451 Defense Highway, Annapolis, MD 21401 (1.7 miles west of the Annapolis Mall)

Friday, December 6th (3-5 p.m.) and Saturday, December 7th (8 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Further information at www.big-books.org or (410) 757-2785



Potomac-Bethesda Club Collecting for Toys For Tots



The Potomac-Bethesda Club is collecting new unwrapped toy donations for Toys For Tots this year. We invite Rotarians to visit our club meetings and drop off any toys from themselves or from their Rotary Club **on any Thursday Evening at 6:30PM through December 12th.**

The Bretton Woods Recreation Center is located at 15700 River Road, Germantown, MD. 20874.

Toy donations will be delivered to the Montgomery County, MD Toys For Tots center.

Rotarians and/or Clubs can also make a tax-deductible donation to our Foundation which will purchase toys using the directed funds. Donations can be made through Venmo:

@PotomacBethesdaRotary or by sending a check to:

Potomac-Bethesda Rotary Club Foundation

c/o Lou Bartolo

4720 Chevy Chase Drive #407

Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Contact Lou Bartolo for additional information on the Rotary Club of Potomac-Bethesda partnership at tonylou2@hotmail.com or visit our website <https://pbrotary.org/>.

Rotary Club of Bonds Meadow Gathering Items for Children and Seniors Dec. 10

The Rotary Club of Bonds Meadow is looking forward to gathering items for children and seniors to brighten the holidays for those with limited resources. We will gather many of the items listed and then, on Tuesday, December 10 at our 7:30 am meeting, fill stockings for children and sacks for seniors. These will be distributed by Shepherd's Staff of Carroll County.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US IN THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT by gathering items and then joining us on December 10 in the Board Room, Carroll Lutheran Village, 300 Saint Luke Circle, Westminster.

For more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15DvoAv6tB/>

Holiday Visit to Memory Care Facility Dec. 17

Little Gifts and Good Wishes

Years ago, a member of our club, now deceased, helped his mother as she spent her final years in Memory Care. She was in the Wilson Health Care Building of Asbury Methodist Village, in Gaithersburg.

That member, Winfree Irvine, was so impressed with the care his

mother received that he organized a Rotary club activity. It was for members, two dressed as Santa Claus, to visit the building each year, greet each resident and staff members, and give each a delicious navel orange. The next day, club members and Scouts would visit an assisted living building at Asbury to lead Christmas carols and distribute more oranges.

Members continue to play Santa Claus, year after year, and they greatly enjoy doing it. This year, they will be saying their "ho ho hos" on December 17th.



For more information, contact Ken Weiss, Rotary Club of Gaithersburg, 301-947-8150 or plansolv@aol.com

Urbana Park & Ride Cleanup | Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County Dec. 28

Urbana Park & Ride Cleanup | Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County

Where: 8816 Fingerboard Rd, Frederick, MD

When: 12/28/24, 9am-10am

RSVP here <https://www.facebook.com/share/Dx6b9gT4FTde3mQk/>

You might have seen some of us rolling up our sleeves and picking up litter at Urbana's Park & Ride! Join us to help enhance the beauty of our town, Urbana (MD) with this simple act of community service.

Please arrive between 8:45 am - 9:00 am. - Bring your own work gloves, and we will supply the trash bags & trash disposal.

High School & Middle School students can EARN VOLUNTEER HOURS!

All information can be found here <https://www.facebook.com/share/Dx6b9gT4FTde3mQk/>

