

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

District 7620 Governor to Visit Area 6 and Area 8 Clubs Feb. 6



Dear Area 6 and Area 8 Rotarians, **We are very happy to announce that our 2024-25 District 7620 Governor, Nomie H., will be visiting Area 6 and Area 8 Clubs on the evening of February 6th, Thursday.** We warmly invite all Rotarians from these Areas to join us for this special occasion. Please find the list of Rotary and Rotaract Clubs in Areas 6 and 8 below.

Area 6 Clubs:
RC Gaithersburg
RC Historic Emory Grove (Satellite Club of RC Gaithersburg)
RC Olney
RC Potomac
RC Potomac Passport
RC Rockville

Rotaract Club of Montgomery County (MoCo)
Rotaract Club of Montgomery College

Area 8 Clubs:
RC Bethesda Chevy-Chase
RC Downtown Silver Spring
RC International Friendship
RC Metro Bethesda
RC North Bethesda
RC Potomac-Bethesda

Dinner will be served, and we look forward to an evening filled with fellowship, inspiration, and meaningful connections. Additionally, we are excited about the opportunities our collaboration with the host location, the Universities at Shady Grove, may bring. This partnership has the potential to enhance Rotary youth services, foster the establishment of a Rotaract Club at the University, and contribute to the growth of our Area Rotaract and Rotary Clubs.

Important: The venue has a limited capacity of 120 attendees. To secure your spot, we kindly encourage you to register as soon as possible.

Register using the links below:

For members: <https://www.dacdb.com/SecLogin3.cfm?EventID=77804733>

In case of DACdb login issues: <https://Registrations.DACdb.com/Register/ezLink.cfm?EventID=77804733> Direct Public URL

for Public/Guest Event Registration: <https://Registrations.DACdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77804733&NoCaptcha>

or contact handeapaydin@me.com to get help with your registration.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Date: February 6th Thursday

Time: 5:30-7:30 PM

Location: Universities at Shady Grove Campus

Room 1201 in Biological Sciences Building (Building 4) on the USG Campus

Address: 9636 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville

Presidential Peace Conference Waitlist

Registrations for the Feb 20-22, 2025 Presidential Peace Conference in Istanbul has reached full capacity of 1,000 participants; however, there is still an opportunity to join the waitlist through the following link::

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-rotary-presidential-peace-conference-tickets-885634104447>

District 7620 Rotarians who have already registered are warmly invited to connect with Hande Apaydin at handeapaydin@me.com for support with travel arrangements and to coordinate plans for spending time together in Istanbul. The conference also recognizes the opening of the Otto and Fran Walter Rotary Peace Center in partnership with Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul and there will be opportunity to visit the Peace Center on Feb 23rd.

Additionally, a few of our District Rotarians will be joining the pre-conference Izmir/Ephesus tour and the post-conference Cappadocia tour, both organized by the host committee. If you're registered and may be interested in joining these tours additionally, please go to: <https://rippc2025.rotary2420.org/tours.html>



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Have an announcement for District 7620? To be included in the weekly announcements, please submit your request **no later than** the Friday before the Tuesday publication 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](#)

For more information please visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/2025-rotary-presidential-peace-conference> or contact handeapaydin@me.com.

REMINDERS

Comedy Night Fundraiser Jan. 31

We are excited to invite you to our first fundraiser of 2025!

Come out and support us with a fun-filled night of laughter, good drinks and food with your friends on **Friday, January 31, 2025**.

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Pikesville-Owings Mills Comedy Club, this fundraiser is being held at:
Magooby 's Joke House - [9603 Deereco Road, Timonium, MD](#).

Tickets: \$20 per person w/a 2 order minimum pub fare & drink. (Adults only).

Doors open 6:30 pm. Arrive early for a good seat. Free Parking.

All ticket proceeds go towards programs and projects our Rotary club supports locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. Advance ticket sales only. Payments are accepted via Zelle, Cash App, or Check. DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. No refunds. New members welcome.

For more info or to purchase tickets, contact one of the following emails or text:

cardoc22@aol.com

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alexisjones316@gmail.com

443.844.6607

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

DC Rotary Foundation Community Service and Special Project Grants Deadline Jan. 31

We are pleased to announce that the application for the DC Rotary Foundation Community Service and Special Project Grants is now open and will close Tuesday, January 31, 2025. All applications must be submitted by 11:59 PM on January 31.

Please help us spread the word to eligible 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations serving Washington, DC residents by **sharing this information** with them. We will also be publicizing the grant opportunity via social media, news outlets, and other means -- please share these as you see them, too!

Community Service Grants are grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 per organization supporting projects that demonstrate need for small capital items or "seed money" for special services that provide direct and tangible benefits to residents of the DC Metropolitan Area. **Foundation Special Project Grants** are grants of \$20,000 per organization to support larger projects that demonstrate long-term sustainability and impact benefiting DC Area residents.

Applications must be sent via the link below; they **will not** be accepted via email in PDF format.

The link to our Community Service Grant application for 2024-25 can be found here:

<https://form.jotform.com/243194607979169>

Please let us know if you have any questions. The entire Community Service Grants Committee looks forward to reviewing applications from worthy organizations.

Sincerely and Yours in Rotary Service,

Elise Egan and Todd Miller, Co-Chairs
Community Service Grants Committee
Rotary Club of Washington DC



Service Event with Christ House Feb 1



**Christ
House**

HEALING AND HOPE FOR HOMELESS PERSONS

Please join members of the DC Rotary Club at a volunteer event with **Christ House!**

When: Saturday, February 1, 2025

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Where: 1717 Columbia Road NW (the nearest metro station is Columbia Rd NW & Ontario Rd NW)

How do you sign-up? [Register Here](#) or email PP/LG Marilyn Nevy Cruz @ mncruz10@gmail.com. We will register the DC Rotary Club team with Christ

House.

Volunteers will be involved in a variety of cleaning and/or maintenance projects at Christ House and Kairos House. We look forward to having you join us.

Christ House is a residential medical facility for men experiencing homelessness with acute medical needs in Washington, DC. It provides 24/7 nursing care in a safe environment that promotes healing and hope and serves 3 nutritious meals each day, provides patients with transportation to and from appointments, other case management and substance use support services, and also operates a permanent supportive housing program for former patients.

The Rotary Foundation of Washington, DC (our Club's Foundation) supported this great organization last year with a large

\$20,000 CSG grant and the year before with a small \$5,000 CSG grant.

Parole Rotary Club, Rob Smith Memorial Blood Drive Feb 17

We are happy to announce the sixth annual Rob Smith Memorial Blood Drive, again in partnership with Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center (AAMC).

This year's Donor Drive will be on Monday, February 17, 2025, at the Annapolis Yacht Club (AYC) site at 2 Compromise Street, Annapolis, MD 21401.

The bloodmobile will be parked at the AYC main parking lot from 8:30 am until 1:00 pm on February 17.

The gate on Compromise Street will be open for easy entry onto the AYC grounds.

The signup website is: <https://calendly.com/luminishealthdrives/parole-rotary-club>

Remember to ask your family members and friends to consider donating blood as well. Blood donations will go to the AAMC Blood Bank for use in saving lives here in Anne Arundel County.

Remember to bring some form of ID (i.e., government issued, student ID, etc.). Smoking is not permitted and only the donor is allowed in the bloodmobile. We will have a supply of KN95 masks should you need one. We hope you will take advantage to honor Past Parole Rotary Club President Rob's memory and to help save lives.

