

District Leadership



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NOVEMBER 11, 2024 MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Time is moving at a warp-speed. The District seems to be doing no less. The various clubs are active in planning events and fundraisers. So far, my visit to the various clubs has once again been most impressive.

Hats off to the various clubs that stepped forward to help out there in North Carolina and Florida. Once again, Rotary is there to offer service and, as our Rotary motto clearly states, "Service Above Self." We are people of action, and when called to duty for humanity and the good of the people, we are there!!!!!

Rotary International highlights November as Rotary Foundation Month to emphasize the importance of and need for Rotarian support of The Rotary Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation is a non-profit corporation that supports the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions.

The foundation was created in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution of US \$26.50 to more than US \$1 billion. It has one of the largest and most prestigious international fellowship programs in the world.

November is also National Care Takers Month

November is National Family Caregivers Month, proclaimed in 2012 by former President Barack Obama. It honors the more than forty million caregivers across the country who support aging parents, ill spouses, or other loved ones with disabilities who remain at home. Yes, let all the Rotarians continue to move at warp-speed, for in doing so we continue to be the people of action, and for the good of humanity.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Randy

24-25 7630 District Governor







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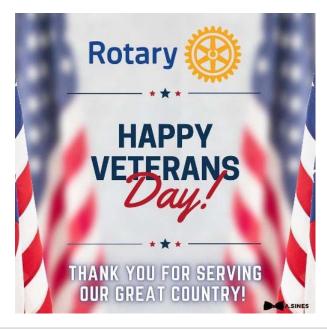




<u>Michael A.</u> <u>Friedberg</u> AG Area 51



<u>Molly Lynn</u> <u>Hilligoss</u> AG Area 60



DG Visits Centreville Club



From left to right: Bill Chesshire (President-Elect), Jay Yerkes (Treasurer), Semene Gilden (President), Randy Smith (District Governor), Judy Price (Past Club President), Rich Graves (Past Club President and past District Governor)

ROTARY DISTRICT 7630 HERO BLOOD DRIVE IN 2024



We are wrapping up the 2024 District 7630 Hero Blood Drive, supporting the Blood Bank of Delmarva. I would like to thank all the Rotarians who have donated, promoted and helped organize blood drives for your community. We have done well as a district but the Blood Bank still needs donations especially now that winter is quickly approaching.

The point this year was to have 3 target timeframes to encourage when to donate. Determined by the Blood Bank of Delmarva, the quarterly campaigns were months when historically blood product collection has been low. They were January-March 2024, June-August 2024 and November-January 2025. Although blood production donation is important and needed year round, it was great to see donations come in and drives being hosted.

My goal for our district was to collect 100 products by January 2025, have 5 hosted blood drives by Rotary Clubs and raise \$2000 for the Blood Bank in monetary donations. As of the end of September,

Events

November 12th District AG Meeting

November 19th DG Chain call

November 21st District Membership Committee Meeting Speaker: Membership Committee Chair Gary King Subject: Membership Committee Meeting we have collected 80 blood products from Rotarians, have had 4 Rotary clubs host drives and 1 Rotary Club had a donation hero week based on how close they were to the Salisbury donation center. There are 2 clubs, Camden Wyoming/Nobles Pond, and the Talbot Rotary Clubs (Tidewater, Easton and St. Michaels) that have each hosted 2 drives. Each of the stand-alone drives had at least 20 or more blood products collected, not just from Rotarians. In regard to monetary donations, we have collected \$440. We are being heroes within Delmarva and, to date, just from us, we have potentially helped 240 people in our community!

As an incentive, I have created a little competition among the clubs in the district. Based on the club's membership size as of July 1, 2023, I have divided our district into size categories. Extra large, large, medium, small and extra small. Winners for each campaign were determined based on the percentage of blood product collected to the size of the club. Rotarians have 1 month from their donation date to either fill out the hero card, or email me so that I can record their donation. Here are the winners per size category for the first two campaigns:

January-March 2024

Extra Large- Easton Large- Camden Wyoming Medium- Cambridge Small- MOT Extra Small- Denton

June-August 2024

Extra Large-Easton Large-Camden Wyoming Medium-Cambridge Small-Tidewater Extra Small - No donations

In closing, it is not too late for your club to host a drive or encourage your club to donate during a particular week at a donor center. Each donation takes no more than 45 minutes of your time and just by your donation you could potentially save 3 people. If you are uncomfortable donating, please consider training to be a volunteer or donating to one of the three funds the Blood Bank has. Here is the link for a monetary donation: <u>https://give.delmarvablood.org/campaign/</u> 2024-rotary-7630-hero-drive/ c545998. Just \$5.00 is what it would take for a volunteer to call and make a future appointment. Will you help me reach my goal of \$2000? If your club would like to host a drive, I will be happy to help. When the campaign ends in January 2025, I hope to have next year's campaign ready to go!

Yours in Service, Sherye Nickerson President Elect Easton Rotary Club

DISTRICT 7630 LEADERS ATTEND EASTERSEALS 2024 ANNUAL CELEBRATION



A group of District leaders celebrated our partnership with Easterseals Camp Fairlee last Tuesday at The Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington, Delaware. "Read More" to see more photos!

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2025 RYLA SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Rotary District 7630's Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) has been able to keep the cost of the delegate's attendance fee at relatively the same level for several years. Probably no surprise to any of us, that is not the case for the cost of conducting the event. Food costs and particularly, the cost of supplies for the "Rise Against Hunger" service project

have increased substantially. Click "Read More" for sponsorship opportunities!

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APPLICATIONS SOUGHT FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF SALISBURY'S 3-POINT INITIATIVE

The Rotary Club of Salisbury, in its 105th year of service to the community, is seeking applications for its ninth annual 3-Point Initiative, a grant program with awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Funds will be awarded to local non-profits in early 2025 that promote **Responsibility**, **Integrity, and Academic Achievement to area youth. The deadline to apply is Friday, November 15, 2024.**



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CAMDEN WYOMING PRESIDENT RECOGNIZES CLUB VETERANS

In a heartfelt ceremony, Club President Ronald Kahn, Lieutenant Colonel, USAF, RET, recognized the service of Camden-Wyoming Rotary Club members who are veterans of the armed forces. Each veteran received a special rotary pin to honor their service. The event featured Rotarian Dave Skocik as the keynote speaker, who discussed the Delaware Veterans Trust Program, highlighting its benefits and support for veterans. This ceremony underscored the club's commitment to honoring those who have served and supporting veteran-related initiatives. "Read more" to see larger photo.



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FOUR CLUBS JOIN FORCES FOR MULCH MADNESS AT CAN DO PLAYGROUND



Members of Brandywine Naamans, Brandywine Hundred, Caesar Rodney and Wilmington gathered for their bi-annual Mulch Madness at Can Do Playground last week. This service project is one that they have been doing since the playground opened in 2007. Click "Read More" for more awesome photos!

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ROTARY CLUB OF ST MICHAELS DRAWS MUSTANG WINNER!

WE HAVE A WINNER!!!

At 9:00 am on October 23rd, St. Michaels Police Chief Jeff Oswald chose the lucky winner, who hails from Pittsburgh, PA and was visiting our lovely town in August when he purchased two raffle tickets. It only takes one to win, right?



THANK YOU to everyone who supported this year's Classic Mustang Raffle. All proceeds from the sale go towards our Scholarship Program and "Read More" to see

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TIDEWATER ROTARY COMPLETES BACKYARD CLEAN-UP AND REVITALIZATION AT TALBOT HOSPICE



Members of the Tidewater Rotary Club, along with their families and friends, recently gathered to revitalize the backyard patio and garden areas at Talbot Hospice, contributing their time and effort to a meaningful project that will benefit both residents and staff. Over two Saturdays, volunteers transformed the space, giving it a fresh, renewed look. <u>Read More</u>

NANTICOKE ROTARY PAINTBALL TOURNAMENT WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Nanticoke Rotary of Seaford and Laurel held its annual Ken Everline Paintball Fundraiser on Saturday, November 2. The winning team this year was *Dread Naught*, with players Marshall Jackson, Johnathan Santiago, Isabelle Trudel, Joshua Jackson, and John Burton. The funds raised at this charity event assist children, recommended by their schools, to be able to purchase, wrap, and provide Christmas gifts to their families. (Read more for larger photo!)

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WILMINGTON ROTARIANS IN ACTION!

Rotarians in Action



Many thanks to our intrepid volunteers who helped Rock the Block alongside Habitat for Humanity.

Good work was done and community connections were made...People of Action demonstrating Service Above Self!

HARRINGTON GREENWOOD FELTON HOLDS ANNUAL BOOK DISTRIBUTION EVENT



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The Harrington-Greenwood-Felton Centennial Rotary Club held their annual book distribution event to third-graders at Lake Forest South Elementary School in Harrington, DE., on Wednesday, October 16, 2024. Over 400 books were viewed by the students. Each student received 1 book to take home. In the photo, Coordinator Bunny Williams assisted students in their selection of a book. "Read More" for a larger photo by Bernard W. Carr.

REHOBOTH BEACH SUNRISE INVITES YOU TO HARLEM WIZARDS FUNDRAISER ON NOVEMBER 17TH!



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HUB CLUB LOBSTER DINNER FUNDRAISER SET FOR DECEMBER 4TH!

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REHOBOTH BEACH SUNRISE LOOKING FOR WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA SPONSORS

Click "Read More" for a letter from RBS President Lisa Grossman about this project and the sponsorship form!



* December 14, 2024 * National Wreaths Across America Day



Help Rotary District 7630 honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at Sharon Hill Memorial Park.

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/DE0127P





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RI 2025 ROTARY PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCE -REGISTER NOW!



Led by Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick, the 2025 Rotary Presidential Peace Conference in Istanbul, Türkiye, 20-22 February 2025, will be an opportunity for the Rotary community and our partners to build on Rotary's contributions to promoting peace by exploring:

- Peace in a polarized world
- · Technology, media, and peacebuilding
- Environmental issues in peacebuilding
- Making peace last

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REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 2025 RI CONVENTION!



Calgary, along with breathtaking beauty, is a big city with a small-town feel that warmly welcomes visitors. More than 165 languages are spoken in Calgary, making it a perfect destination to bring together Rotary members from around the world.

The 2025 convention theme is "Magic All Around," and from the moment you arrive, you'll feel it. The one-of-a-kind connections and friendships. The people with different backgrounds, experiences, and points of view. The energy of thousands of members with their spirits, hearts, and passions together in one place, creating a lasting impact and changing the world. That's magic!

Click here to go to the Registration Page!