



From Our District
Governor

Thank You for a Year That Was All I Could Imagine and So Much More!

By George Granade
We have just returned from the Rotary International convention in Melbourne, Australia which was very good. DGE André Marria was on the program and did an outstanding job and represented District 6900 very well. The meeting was very educational, and we all picked up a lot of good Rotary information. Several of stayed and toured part of Australia and saw what a beautiful country it is. As this Rotary year comes to an end, I look back and remember so many excellent things that our District has accomplished. Clubs in our district have completed many service projects that have assisted in improving their communities. They have completed many fundraisers that have enabled them to accomplish these projects. [more]

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	North Atlanta Professional Alliance	Emory-Druid Hills	Brookhaven
II	North Columbus	Jackson-Butts County	Atlanta West End
III	North Fulton	Vinings Cumberland	Dougherty County (Albany)
IV	Dunwoody	Dunwoody	Carrollton
V	Peachtree City	Alpharetta	Roswell

Key Dates

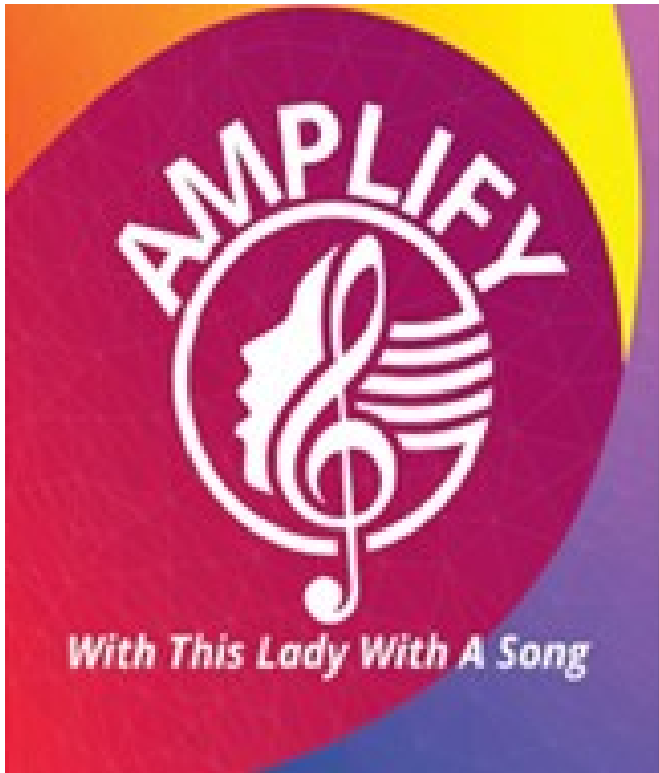
Tuesday, July 28th, 2026	Jackson-Butts County Governor Visit
Thursday, July 30th, 2026	North Cobb County Governor Visit
Monday, August 3rd, 2026	Marietta-Metro Governor Visit
Tuesday, August 4th, 2026	North Columbus Governor Visit
Wednesday, August 5th, 2026	Columbus Governor Visit
Thursday, August 6th, 2026	Muscogee-Columbus Governor Visit
Tuesday, August 11th, 2026	Smyrna Governor Visit
Wednesday, August 12th, 2026	Harris County Governor Visit



Our Rotary
Foundation at Work
**2023-2024
Competitive
&
Collaborative
Community
Grant
Awards
Announced**

By Gillian Leggett
Thanks to the
generosity of our
fellow Rotarians to
the Rotary
Foundation, we had
enough DDF to award
more than the
originally stated
competitive grants.
This year we received
a total of 67 grant
requests with a total
of \$148,250 in grant
funds awarded.
\$78,250 was awarded
in the standard ...
[more]

Wednesday, August 12th, 2026	La Grange Governor Visit
Thursday, August 13th, 2026	West Point Governor Visit
Tuesday, August 18th, 2026	Polk County Governor Visit
Wednesday, August 19th, 2026	East Cobb Governor Visit
Wednesday, August 19th, 2026	Vinings Cumberland Governor Visit
Friday, August 21st, 2026	Decatur Governor Visit



District Conference
2024

Help Us Amplify Rotary at 2024 District Conference

- Registration Open

By Stephanie
Windham
District Conference
returns to Jekyll
Island, Georgia
March 21-24, 2024.
Join us as we
Amplify Rotary and
feature the Lady
with a Song, none
other than our
District Governor-
Elect André Marria.
The conference will
be at the beautiful
Jekyll Island
Convention Center,
and several hotels
have room blocks
reserved through
February 21, 2024.
Jekyll Island is
booming, so you are
encouraged to book
your hotel room
NOW! Once our
room blocks are sold
there is no
guarantee that more
room nights will be
added.
When making your
reservation, please
be sure and
reference Rotary
District 6900. We
have room blocks
reserved with:

- The Westin Jekyll
Island, within
walking distance of
the Convention
Center
- The Courtyard by
Marriott and The
Residence Inn, with
a free island-wide
shuttle
- Hampton Inn &
Suites; Seafarer Inn
& Suites; Holiday Inn
Resort; and the
Beachview Club
Hotel.

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GRSP Alumnus Joins Columbus Rotary

By Katheryne
Fields
Georgia Rotary
Student
Program
alumnus
Sebastian Villa
added Rotarian
to his list of
milestones
earlier this
month.

A member of
the GRSP Class
of 2015-2016 of
Colombia,
Sebastian is one
of a few alumni
who have
returned to
Georgia and
joined Rotary.
GRSP Vice Chair
Ian Bond
inducted him as
a member of
the **Rotary
Club of
Columbus**, the
same club that
sponsored him
eight years ago
as a GRSP
scholar. [\[more\]](#)



Club News

Celebrating the National Day of Prayer

By Steve Siders
President Harry S. Truman signed a proclamation in 1952 to declare The National Day of Prayer "a celebration of the promise and power of prayer in our daily lives that exists to invite people to pray for the nation". The **Rotary Club of North Fulton** hosted their 21st Annual North Fulton Interfaith Prayer Breakfast May 4th at St. David's Episcopal Church in Roswell.

We celebrated the power of prayer with several Rotary clubs in attendance including tables purchased by **Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Roswell, and Sandy Springs** (thanks for your support). And we hosted many special Rotary guests - PDG Bob Hagar, Past RI Director Robert Hall, PDG Alec Smythe, and PDG Jim Squire. [\[more\]](#)



Club News **East Cobb Supports Lunches for Learning**

By Aaron Strimban
Each year, East Cobb Rotary supports an international charity called "Lunches For Learning." This charity provides food for lunches for underserved children in Honduras. This year, the club put on a raffle to raise money. The raffle was a huge success and East Cobb Rotary was able to raise \$29,097.46. The money was presented to Phil Dodson, the Executive Director of Lunches for Learning on May 10, 2023. During the 2022-2023 Rotary Year, East Cobb Rotary has raised over \$120,000.00 for local and international charities. [more]



Club News

Rotary Brazil: The Next Generation!

By Bob Koncerak
 What does an Interact Club do to top its recent Zone 34 award? It plans an international service trip, of course! Alpharetta Rotary's Innovation Academy Interact Club departed on Saturday, June 3 for Pelotas, R.S., Brazil to continue District 6900's partnership with six clubs in District 4680. The two districts, along with clubs in New England D7780, have been partnering since 2021 to support a Down Syndrome training and service program slated to launch later this year. Pelotas-based APADPEL, the Association of Parents of Down Syndrome in Pelotas, is excited to host the service team. In addition to the groundbreaking teaching/training model, funds have also been raised for a service building. The Interact team, led by Alpharetta Rotarian Josh Jarvis, will meet and enjoy service time with the 40+ members of Interact Pelotas. Together, they plan to paint and assist with landscaping around the new building in addition to other adventures. The trip will be highlighted by a Friday evening celebration with the Rotary Club of Pelotas-Oeste. [more]



Club News

Americus Honors Public Service Personnel with Rotary National Medal of Honor

By Angela Smith

In Rotary's ideals of Vocational Service, our Law Enforcement, Fire Safety, First Responders, and other public safety personnel serve above self within their profession each day. They ask for a fair wage and the opportunity to serve, yet their level of service has the potential to far exceed normal expectations of "Service Above Self." In 2021, Rotary International developed a method for Rotary Clubs to honor those community heroes who share our creed of "Service Above Self" within their professions and the club reached out to leaders in law enforcement and public safety for nominations. In this third year of awarding the Rotary National Medal of Honor, the Rotary Club of Americus wishes to recognize four public service personnel for providing exemplary service to the citizens of the Americus and Sumter County community. We are honored to award these individuals who share a core value of the 1.4 million Rotary International members, worldwide, which is "Service Above Self."
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Program Possibility for Your Club

Hear the Georgia Ports Authority Story

By George Granade

The Georgia Ports Authority has a dynamic message of growth, statewide impact and plans for the future to share with community leaders across Georgia. If your club is interested in learning more about how the growth at Georgia's deepwater ports affects you, please go to <https://gaports.com/speaker-request-form/> to schedule a program. [more]



Club News Douglas County Honors Top 8th Graders

By Nell Boggs
The Rotary Club of Douglas County capped off its year by presenting awards to the top 8th grade students in the four core subject areas at all nine middle schools in the county. The students received a certificate and \$50 for their outstanding academic achievement. [more]



Club News
**Clubs
Honor
New
Mayor of
Jonesboro**

By Claudia Mertl
The Rotary Club of Atlanta Southern Crescent and the Rotary Club of Lake Spivey/Clayton County held a reception for the newly elected Mayor of Jonesboro, Dr. Donya Sartor. he mayor is a member of the Atlanta Southern Crescent club and we congratulate her for this great achievement. The reception was held at the beautiful home of Dr. Manjeet and Mrs. Lata Chinnan.
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Club News

Thomasville Stands in Support of GRSP

By Debbie Goodman
The Rotary Club of Thomasville continues to support the Georgia Rotary Student Program (GRSP) at the highest per capita level in District 6900. For the 13th year in a row, the club was honored with the Jake Cheatham Award at District Conference, recognizing the club as the number one club in per capita giving for clubs of its membership size. GRSP was founded by Thomasville Rotarian William A. Watt in 1947. Watt served in the military in Europe during World War II and saw the destruction war causes. He founded GRSP to help promote world peace by bringing college age students to Georgia to study in Georgia colleges and universities for one year. Each year the club's Board of Directors sets the amount of GRSP funds; for 2022-23, club members met and exceeded the goal - raising a total of \$27,471. This brings our total GRSP giving since the 1987-1988 Rotary year to \$612,946. [more]