

Rotary



District 6860

March 2020

Candidates Needed for Council of Legislation and Council on Resolutions

This year District 6860 will select a representative for the Council of Legislation and the Council on Resolutions for 2020-2022. To be eligible, candidates must have served as an officer of Rotary International. Past District Governors are often selected as candidates. Each candidate must also be endorsed by his/her home club. A letter will be issued in the next 10 days with details about how to endorse and select candidates using a certified response. The final ballot will be issued in March and candidate will be selected at District Conference. Please contact Tom Greene with any questions. Please participate!

Registration Open for District Conference

Joint District Conference, D6860 & D6880

SpringHill Suites Orange Beach at The Wharf

4673 Wharf Parkway West

Orange Beach, AL 36561

Conference at a glance:

Thursday, April 30

- PDG and Special Dinner Guest dinner cruise

Friday, May 1

- RLI I all day (Separate registration at <http://bit.ly/obconfri>)
- District Leadership Council
- Hospitality (5:00 PM)
- Dinner and Key Note Speaker, RI Director Floyd Lancia (6:00 PM)

Saturday, May 2

- Joint District Conference opening (9:00 AM)
- Speakers, Special Program and Key Note Speaker Larry Lunsford, Aide to RI President
- Lunch (12:00 Noon)
- Awards and Business
- Kentucky Derby Party
- Dinner, Program (6:00 PM)
- Music and Hospitality

Sunday, May 3

- Memorial Services (9:00 AM)
- Close of Conference (10:00 AM)

Conference Hotel Information:

Click [HERE](#) for hotel registration

Or call 251-943-6600 and reference "Alabama Rotarians Convention"

Deadline for special rate is 04/16/20

Registration Fees:

\$175.00 Rotarian (inclusive) if paid by 15 April. \$200.00 after April 15.*

Meals (For spouse/children) Non Rotarian

Friday Dinner----- \$25.00

Saturday Lunch- \$20.00

Saturday Dinner--\$50.00

PDG Dinner Cruise: \$45.00

* Spouse will have access to Hospitality if Rotarian is fully registered.

Children under 12 no charge for meals.

Register through the DACdb calendar or share this link with Rotarians and guests who don't have DACdb:

<https://www.ismyrotaryclub.org/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77417336&NoCaptcha&NoOpt>

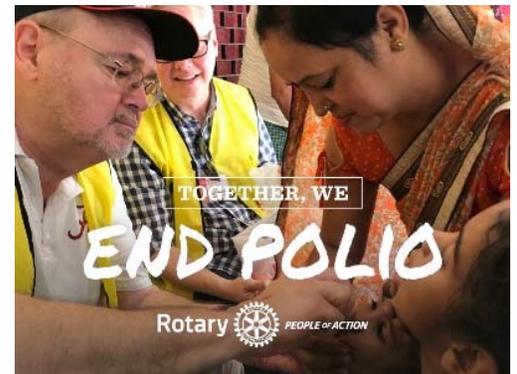
Wade Drinkard Honored with RI Appointment



Rotary International President Elect Holger Knaack has invited Wade Drinkard to serve as **Vice Chair** of the **Election Review Committee** for 2020-2021. RI President Elect Knaack selected Drinkard for this appointment because his experience and knowledge of Rotary and its program will add value to the committee. Drinkard, a member of the Tuscaloosa Club, currently serves as District Foundation Coordinator. Drinkard is a Past District Governor of District 6880.

Final Call for 2020 India Trip

DG Bill Petty has arranged trips to India for Polio immunizations for the past few years. Bill would like to invite all Rotarians, family and friends to travel to India in October 2020 to administer polio immunizations, learn more about Indian culture and challenges, and get to know local Rotarians. Bill can send preliminary information to anyone who would like to know more. Email him at bpetty@cba.ua.edu as soon as possible if you are interested. Reservations must be made around April 2020 for the October trip.



Roanoke Rotary Club Sponsors Active Interact Club



Leslie Seiffert, Handley High School English teacher and Interact Club sponsor, reports a total of 46 students participate in this busy Interact Club. To become an Interact Club member, interested students are evaluated by the faculty and staff according to service, leadership, and character. Students who pass this evaluation are then voted on by the existing membership. New members are required to complete five hours of service in addition to any club projects. Those service hours can be through projects the club promotes (Johnny Ray Century for Parkinson's Disease or Handley

High School volleyball team concession stand support, for example), or the hours can be apart from the club (recreation league youth football concession stand, for instance).

The club meets once a month. All students are required to support the school system at least once during the year through the volleyball concession stand, Handley Middle School Fall Festival, or Knight Enloe Winter Festival. Club members also support the Roanoke Rotary Club in its community activities. Club members sell tickets, take up money, cook, and clean for free movie nights, community concerts, and pancake breakfasts. Additionally, each student serves one month on a marquee crew; that group is responsible for changing a

downtown marquee at least twice. Members also have contributed to system-wide book drives and Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child as well as orchestrating a week-long emphasis called Kindness Week. During the December meeting, the club selects juniors to attend Rotary Youth Leadership Awards in Huntsville; the tuition (and sometimes transportation) is provided by the Roanoke Rotary Club, who "treats" all members to Christmas and end-of-school meals.

Pictured: New members of Handley High School Interact Club

2020 Marks the 20th Year of ShelterBox

 shelterBox was started by the Rotary Club of Helston Lizard in Cornwall, England in 2000 and from inception, Rotary has supported this work in an incredible range of ways. Globally, over 1,000 Rotary members volunteer or work for ShelterBox. Many have joined ShelterBox Response Teams, helping families directly after disasters. Rotary clubs within disaster areas assist in our relief efforts in over 90% of our responses to natural disasters. Clubs and individuals donate, create fundraisers and help spread our mission further every year. Rotary has even helped set up a new operations center in the Philippines to reach areas in the region more quickly and benefit from the power of local Rotarian knowledge and resources.

20th anniversary goal is to have support from 2,020 US Rotary Clubs in 2020 (includes Rotaract, Interact, & RYE).

Celebrate Rotary and ShelterBox for 20 years of this incredible relationship by helping ShelterBox reach more people in need. As little as \$100 covers the cost of a Shelterkit to help repair homes, or when needed a ShelterBox and family sized tent is still gifted directly to a beneficiary for \$1,000.

Last year, ShelterBox reached 145,000 people in communities devastated by natural disasters or conflict. ShelterBox was nominated a second straight year for the Nobel Peace Prize, and ShelterBox USA maintained a 4-Star rating on Charity Navigator and Platinum Seal of transparency from Guide Star.

Today there are over 87 million people displaced due to natural disasters and conflict. This is the highest number in recorded history. Your help is needed.

Further info:

2019 In Review webinar recording with ShelterBox USA President Kerri Murray (38min) <https://youtu.be/zAx2mluHHAK>

View Kunyumba- The story of home. This short film is narrated by Stephano and Mary, a couple who received ShelterBox aid after Cyclone Idai struck Malawi in March 2019 <https://youtu.be/U-11SdugQjU>

Rotary and Gates Foundation Continue Polio Eradication

Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation are renewing their partnership to end polio. Under the agreement, Rotary is committed to raising \$50 million a year over the next three years, and each dollar will be matched with an additional two dollars by the Gates Foundation. The extended partnership will raise an additional \$150 million for polio eradication every year for three years. Donate today and your contribution will be tripled. Be a part of the fight to end polio and have your donation matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Visit endpolio.org to learn more and [donate](#).

