



# Rotary Club of Covington Bulletin

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President -Elect



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Service Projects Chair



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## Rotary Program 6-23-20 MEETING AT Covington Airport & VIRTUAL MEETING: TBA

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 22, 2020

### Meeting topic TO BE DETERMINED

Jackie Gutknecht is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rotary Club of Covington's Zoom Meeting  
Time: Jun 23, 2020 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://emory.zoom.us/j/96023888586>

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## Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 22, 2020

06-23-2020 - MEETING AT Covington Airport and VIRTUAL MEETING: To Be Announced

06-30-2020 - Installation of Officers

07-07-2020 - Meeting Canceled for 4th of July

07-14-2020 - Club Assembly

07-21-2020 - To Be Announced

## June Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 1, 2020

### June Birthdays

**Clay Hodges 6/22**

**Janet Brewer 6/25**

**Kevin Price 6/25**

**Samantha Fuhrey 6/27**

**Salisa Bacon 6/30**

**Nathan Pulliam 6/30**

### June Anniversaries

**C.L. & Joyce Johnson 6/7**

**Brook & Katie Collins 6/11**

**Brad & Marlece Bettis 6/14**

**Pete & Gail Carter 6/16**

**Bubba & Sue Edwards 6/19**



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iPast President



[Dorothy Bala](#)  
Assistant Governor

**Boone & Dawn Brothers 6/28**

**Mark & Alison Davis 6/28**

### June Membership Anniversaries

**Joe Davidson 18 Years**

**CL Johnson 32 Years**

**Jerry Roseberry 31 Years**

**Hugh J Steele 61 Years**

## The Vidalia Onions are here!

By Joseph Davidson on Tuesday, April 14, 2020



The Vidalia Onions are HERE! The Vidalia Onions are HERE!

Vidalia Onion sales is a Rotary Club of Covington fundraiser to finance our Empty Stocking Fund that provides Christmas Gifts to children in Newton County.

Everybody loves Vidalia's. You get to enjoy some of the best Onions grown and the children of Newton County benefit. It is a winner for everyone.

**Onions are 25 lbs. bag and are @\$20.00 per bag. They will be available in May 27th. Order now and reserve yours.**

If you are interested in a bag or bags of onions please let us know at [info@rotarcovington.org](mailto:info@rotarcovington.org) or click on the Add to Cart to purchase one or more bags. Delivery available in the Covington area.

Enter the Rotary member's name selling the onions  
Rotary member's name

**Add to Cart**

Thank you for your support  
Rotary Club of Covington

## Rotary club serves free pancakes in drive-thru breakfast for Father's Day

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 22, 2020

### Birthdays

Clay Hodges  
June 22nd  
Janet Brewer  
June 25th  
Samantha Fuhrey  
June 27th  
Salisa Bacon  
June 30th

### Wedding Anniversaries

C. L. Johnson  
June 7th  
Brook Collins  
June 11th  
Brad Bettis  
June 14th  
James R. Carter  
June 16th  
Harold M. Edwards Jr.  
June 19th  
Boone Brothers  
June 28th  
Jonathan Mark Davis  
June 28th

### Club Member Anniversaries

J. Hugh Steele  
06-01-1959  
61 Years  
C. L. Johnson  
06-01-1988  
32 Years  
Joseph Davidson  
06-01-2002  
18 Years  
Johnny L. Capes



06-30-2002  
18 Years  
Jerry Roseberry  
06-30-2009  
11 Years  
Dale L. Evans  
06-30-2009  
11 Years

The crowd may not have been as big for the Rotary Club's annual Father's Day Pancake Breakfast as it would have been if they had been able to conduct the breakfast in the sit-down style of the past 20 years, but club members were pleased with their well-organized effort to feed members of the community for free.

Nobody had to pay this morning for three pancakes, two sausage links, butter and syrup, milk and orange juice, though donations were gratefully accepted.





## Rotary food drive helps those in need

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 22, 2020



T-R Photos by Thomas Nelson. Rotary members check expiration dates on donated food at a community drive at a community food drive at the Fisher Community Center Saturday morning. Marshalltown and surrounding communities came out to support the Rotary Club of Marshalltown for a community food drive Saturday at the Fisher Community Center parking lot.

Throughout Saturday morning people came around to the Fisher Community Center parking lot in trucks and cars to donate food and money to the needy. Some came from as far away as Jasper County.

About 120 people in Marshalltown are involved in the Rotary. They have been meeting virtually since the pandemic but are transitioning to provide members the choice to meet in person or virtually.

Rotary Volunteers helped take in donations to go to the Salvation Army and Marshalltown's Emergency Food Box.

## Denison Rotary golf tournament raises funds for new police dog

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, June 22, 2020



Members of the Denison Rotary Club hit the links Friday morning to raise money for a new Denison Police K-9.

DENISON, Texas (KXII) - Members of the Denison Rotary Club hit the links Friday morning for a good cause.

The club held its annual tournament at Tanglewood on Lake Texoma Friday morning.

This year, the tournament raised money for a new K-9 for the Denison Police Department.

Denison Rotary says they have a \$25,000 commitment to the police department and hoped to raise \$12,500 at the tournament.

Anyone wanting to support the cause can make a tax-deductible donation to Denison Rotary Foundation.

## RI President's June Message

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, July 1, 2019



**Mark Daniel Maloney**

**President 2019-20**

**June 2020**

My Rotary journey began 40 years ago when I joined the Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama, at the age of 25, and it has brought my family and me many unforgettable moments. But nothing could have prepared me for connecting with the world as president of Rotary International. My individual Rotary journey has become a shared Rotary journey with each of you.

All of the incredible people Gay and I met this year ♦ Rotarians, Rotaractors, and the extended family of Rotary ♦ will be an inspiration for the rest of our lives. We visited clubs and projects from Uruguay to Ukraine, from Nigeria to New Zealand, and beyond. We were privileged to crisscross the globe, circumnavigating it twice and moving back and forth between the Northern and Southern hemispheres. Each country and each stop held its own Rotary magic. While in Zimbabwe in March, we participated in a medical vocational training team mission with Rotarians from India, providing health, hope, and life itself to the thousands who came for treatment. We also felt the energy of more than 300 young people at a Rotary Youth Symposium in Harare. What a thrill it was to be with these young people!

This year Rotary launched our new Action Plan, and I trust each club is putting that plan to use. And I have been energized by the efforts to embrace the priorities I set for this Rotary year: engaging families, providing leadership opportunities for all ages, celebrating our history with the United Nations in its 75th year, and, most significantly, growing Rotary.

As COVID-19 reached around the globe, we found ourselves in a world transformed. We have been forced to connect in ways we could never have imagined, testing our ability to adapt. We have made tough decisions, including canceling club meetings, district conferences, presidential conferences, and, much to our regret, the 2020 Rotary International Convention in Honolulu. Together everyone is placing the public good and welfare first, despite the loss of meetings, events, and experiences that had

been planned for years.

As we looked forward to the Rotary Convention in Honolulu, we learned about the aloha spirit. Our Rotary friends in Hawaii showed us that "aloha" means mutual regard and affection. It extends warmth and caring with no expectation of anything in return. The spirit of aloha applies wherever in the world we may live. As Rotarians, Rotaractors, and members of the family of Rotary, we are connected, and as aloha has been defined to me: Our connection to one another is based upon mutual respect for our differences as well as our appreciation for what we have in common. Community is the sum of individuals ♦ individuals who have concern for one another, who care, share, and take responsibility.

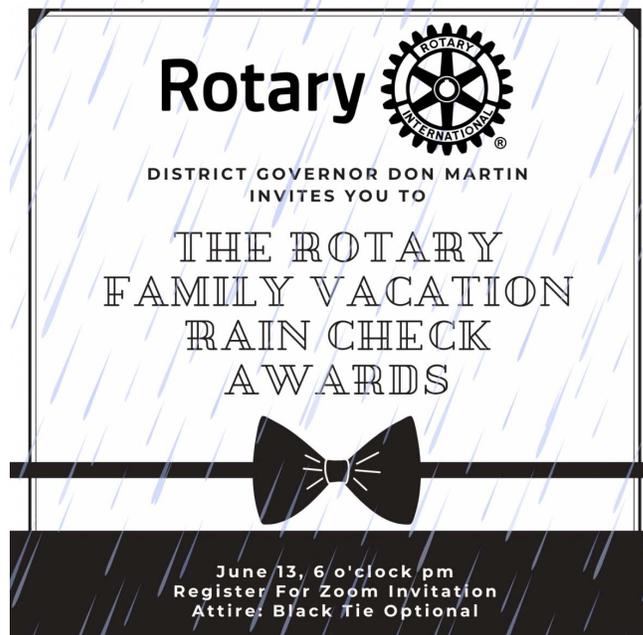
As I have witnessed the members of the Rotary community act to care for humanity amid the coronavirus pandemic, I have seen the aloha of Rotary. We are indeed people of action. Every day, but particularly during this pandemic, the Rotary community has demonstrated its aloha spirit. It is a gift to be shared, and we are each a steward of this gift of Rotary. Gay and I have been amazed, inspired, and humbled by all of you within the family of Rotary.

Indeed, I would say that the last part of our shared Rotary year was transformational. We found new ways to make the lives of others better, new ways to move forward together. And, together, we will continue to grow Rotary so that we may increase our gift of Rotary to our local and global communities.

Gay and I will always remember and treasure our year with you, our shared journey, as *Rotary Connects the World!*

## Rotary Family Vacation Raincheck Awards

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Monday, June 15, 2020



Rotary Family Vacation may have disappeared into a cloud of COVID-19 mist, but we still had dozens of Clubs and individuals to recognize for their amazing accomplishments in 2019-2020.

Click on or paste into your browser the following hyperlink for videos of the award presentations, and on the Read More button just below that for a complete list of the award recipients!

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/7219520>

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## Rotations - June 2020

Monday, March 23, 2020



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## Jasper Rotarian Plays in Taps Across America

By Max Caylor on Monday, June 1, 2020

The photo below is of local trumpeters Dr. Carl McCurdy and Pat Gallagher who joined the national "Taps Across America" program by playing Taps at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day from the Veteran's Memorial. CBS's Steve Hartman organized the event to "pay tribute to fallen service members and victims of coronavirus."

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## South Hall Presents \$1,000 Check to South Hall Food Bank

By Amanda R Groover on Saturday, May 16, 2020

The South Hall Rotary Club presented a \$1,000 check to [South Hall Community Food Pantry](#) as part of the club's efforts to assist with food insecurity during COVID-19. The check was a collaboration of funds from the club and a matching grant from Rotary District 6910's District Designated Funds program stated Rotary President Rena Pendley.

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## Over The Transom #11

By Donald (DIST GOV) W. Martin on Monday, June 8, 2020



Over The Transom # 11

This note will be shorter than usual because you will have the opportunity to be exposed to my thoughts more than is probably healthy for anyone over the next few days.

Please plan to attend the **District ALL CALL** tonight (**Tuesday evening**) at **7:00 PM**. Two GREAT presentations by our favorite Rotary Peace Scholar, Linh Vo, and our favorite Zone Major Gifts Officer and about to be District 6910 Rotarian, Debra Lowe. Details in the article, on the website, and on DACdb.

Final recordings are underway for the **Rotary Family Vacation** & **Raincheck Awards** on **Saturday night at 6:00** with Bonus presentations on Thursday & Friday evenings and Saturday morning. Details in the article, on the website, and on DACdb.

One special prayer request, please. Morgan Mitchell who is the daughter Kelsey Mitchell, from the Rotary Club of Rome, is in the hospital with a brain tumor that cannot be operated on at the present time. Morgan, Kelsey and her husband Bruce, and the whole extended family would appreciate your prayers at this very challenging time.

I will be back on June 30<sup>th</sup> with one last hurrah and then it will be time to claim the title of Immediate Past District Governor and you can look forward to an exciting year from your new District Governor, Tina Fischlin. You are going to love her and you are going to understand right away why she was selected to lead the best District in Rotary & yours!

Let's Go Do Rotary,

Don Martin

June 8, 2020

## Last Two District ALL CALLS this Rotary Year

By Donald (DIST GOV) W. Martin on Monday, June 8, 2020

The next District ALL CALL is Tuesday night, June 9th at 7:00 PM. We have two very special Foundation Guests. Linh Vo, a Rotary Peace Scholar from Vietnam and Debra Lowe our Zone 34 Major Gifts Officer. Debra will discuss the intersection of PolioPlus with the COVID 19 Pandemic. Linh will discuss her path from Vietnam to the US to study as a Peace Scholar. If you would like to know more about Linh you can read her bio here: <https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/fellow/linh-vo-thi-my/> and read her blog here: <https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/2019/07/kibera-slum/>

Registration for the call is on the Calendar or right here: <https://zoom.us/j/95737105433?pwd=QTZwdFJMYlIxWEk5MUJYNDYQXA4Zz09>  
Meeting ID: 957 3710 5433  
Password: 703351



The June 23rd ALL CALL will feature the (nearly) World Famous Charlene Hall to talk on CART and our own DG Minus 7 Days, Tina Fischlin. You won't want to miss that.

## Rotary Connects

By Tina Fischlin on Monday, June 8, 2020



**Rotary Opens Opportunities**

On behalf of all Rotarians in District 6910, I thank you, District Governor Don, for your steadfast leadership during unprecedented times. We must also thank First Lady Regina for her constant support as you traveled around the district on this journey. Her passion to serve and dedication to Rotary were evident by her presence in person and behind the scenes. As a true example of the motto & People of Action, you both inspired and empowered us to & Go Forth and Do Great Things.

The theme for 2019-2020, Rotary Connects the World, could not have been more fitting with keeping us connected as a district. Under your leadership, the clubs in our district united in fighting the impact of Covid-19 and took the pandemic as a call to action. Clubs stepped up and took the challenge by:

- & Donating money and supplying food banks and other charities
- & Making masks for medical personnel and first responders
- & Disseminating news to benefit the community
- & Delivering meals to hospital workers

Championing ingenuity, Governor Don inspired clubs and members to remain engaged via online meetings and social distancing. He, along with the training team, communication and technology experts, and talented presenters, also delivered an amazing & virtual & District Assembly. Much to our surprise, we ended up with record-breaking attendance at every session, including those late-evening breakouts.

Stepping into Governor Don shoes, I have my work cut out for me. Thankfully, I am blessed to preside over an outstanding District of Rotarians with amazing leaders in every club and an incredible team at the district level.

Our incoming Rotary International President, Holger Knaack, who spoke during our virtual General Assembly, also affirmed that Rotary remains in solid hands. He couldn't have chosen a better theme for the 2020-2021-year: Rotary Opens Opportunities and these Opportunities Open Rotary.

By marshaling courage to create the & new & Rotary, radiating compassion to serve our communities and the world, and forging connections to expand our reach, we will open those doors of opportunity. Mike and I look forward to meeting with you soon!

## Short Takes # 11

By Donald (DIST GOV) W. Martin on Monday, June 8, 2020

**Georgia Literacy Program** - The program that PDG Dick Hyer started last year has been put on hold, but it will return when PDG Dick is able to get around the District and promote it once again. PDG Dick is still recovering from the horrible accident he was in last year. He will undergo surgery again on June 23rd. Please keep Dick and his wife Marsha in your prayers.



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**Rotary Youth Protection Plan** - PDG Gary Moore is the Youth Protection Chair for 2020-2021 and he is rolling out a brand new program. Look for the new plan and forms on the District Website in the next few days.

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2020 Census - Letter from Rusty Haygood

I hope you and yours are well. I wanted to reach out as co-chair of Governor Brian Kemp's Complete Count Committee (CCC) to encourage participation in Census 2020. We are tasked with doing everything possible to ensure that every Georgian is counted in Census 2020. Full Letter Here: [Haygood Census Letter](#) Childhood Development [Community Growth](#) [Professional Growth](#)

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## **News for Peacebuilder Districts - Rotary Peace Fellowship Alumni Association initiatives**

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## **Rotary Club of Covington Responds**

By Douglas E. Bolton on Monday, June 8, 2020

When the Pandemic started to be taken seriously in March, 2020 in the USA, a major national retail warehouse immediately felt it -- not the virus itself, but the ripple effect of the virus. The warehouse had a great quantity of goods that had been returned from the many stores it serviced regionally that were seasonally out of date or not moving off the shelves. The warehouse manager had been selling those items at a fraction of the cost to another company to make a slight profit rather than take a loss. In March, the company that bought and hauled the excess goods stopped everything due to the virus.

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