

## **ROTARY HISTORY IS MADE**

Thursday, August 6, 2020



At about 11:00 a.m. yesterday morning (August 6, 2020), a collective roar of excitement and elation could be heard across District 6910, throughout the country and around the world, from men and women alike, as the announcement was made nominating Jennifer E. Jones to become Rotary International's President for 2022-23. She will become the first woman to hold that office since the organization's founding 115 years ago!

Jones is a good friend of District 6910 and is well known from many visits and appearances over the years. "I can't begin to tell you how excited I was when I first heard the news! It is so momentous, so historic, and so overdue ... I am stoked!" exclaimed DG Tina Fischin. "She is a tremendous choice and very deserving. I know she will do an incredible job and make a real difference!" she added.

Click below to read on and learn more about RI's newest President Nominee and check out a selection of photos, some from her past visits to District 6910. <u>Read More</u>

## Not One Member Lost!

#### By Tina Fischlin on Thursday, July 30, 2020

One of the most exciting things about the first month of club visits has been hearing about all the wonderful projects you completed last year and your plans for 2020-2021 and beyond. Using innovative ways and embracing technology, you are doing a great job staying connected.

Last month, our Long-Range Planning Committee, led by Rotarian Mark Willis, continued to develop a new strategic plan to support the clubs. A survey was emailed to the entire membership to seek information on how the District can support YOU, the members. The committee also includes Rotaractor Brad Scarberry, a member of the Gwinnett Rotaract Club. We are prepared to put the collected information to practical, meaningful use in serving you.

We also welcomed another Rotaractor to serve on the District team

Rotarian James Alewine, who will serve as our new Rotaract Assistant Governor. James is a member of the N400 Rotaract Club. We must realize a growing population of youth are not even aware of what the organization is or does, while those who are familiar cannot join for a variety of reasons. If you or someone you know would like to become involved with Rotaract or learn more about membership

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Did you know that August is membership month? Yes, indeed! And  $\diamondsuit$  all of you are serving on the membership committee! There is no better time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world. Think for a moment about the reason why Rotary is such a successful organization: It is full of members who have one trait in common  $\diamondsuit$  the passion to make a difference in the world. We all share this passion, and it's what drives us to work together.

One thing we must do during this pandemic to stay connected to our current members. We should put up banners that say, *Not One Member Lost*. If you have not seen a fellow member on a Zoom or in person, please reach out to the individual. Let that person know you love him/her. Ask how you (or maybe several from your club) can help.

In this newsletter, the membership committee explains ways to attract new members by offering alternative membership types as well as by implementing new club models.

Click here to view a short, insightful video!

Click here to watch a short entertaining video from Rotary International.

I encourage you to share your Rotary story at <u>www.rotaryshares.org/myrotarystory</u>. This is your opportunity to tell the world *why you joined Rotary* and *why you stay in Rotary*. Such stories are **o**pportunities (remember, Rotary Opens Opportunities!) to highlight what we are doing in our community and in the world. They allow us to let everyone know that Rotary is alive and well.

In other news, the District was awarded \$25,000 from Rotary s Disaster Relief Fund. The money will be used to provide much needed food and PPEs to our communities and frontline workers.

And that  $\diamondsuit$ s not all! Supporting the environment becomes Rotary's seventh area of focus this year, joining peacebuilding and conflict prevention; disease prevention and treatment; water, sanitation, and hygiene; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and community economic development. As Rotarians, we understand that the whole world is our backyard.

SAVE THE DATE: On September 21<sup>st</sup> is the International Day of Peace. The District Governors from all three Districts across the state will gather in Atlanta to unite and promote peace and social justice. We are asking all Rotary clubs to consider participating in the International Day of Peace by hosting a Peace gathering centered around Rotary s 4-way test. You were emailed a Press Kit earlier this week. Please reach out to Jennifer Hibbard for more information. Jennifer.Hibbard@vphealth.org

Over the last few months, the world has changed, prompting Rotary International to issue the following statement: At **Rotary**, we have no tolerance for **racism**. Promoting respect, celebrating diversity, demanding ethical leadership, and working tirelessly to advance peace are central tenets of our work. We have more work to do to create more just, open, and welcoming communities for all people.

We need to continue our work in ensuring the culture we nurture is open and inclusive, fair to all, builds goodwill, and benefits our community.

All in all, we have so much to celebrate, and we ll do just that during our Fun-In-The-Sun District Conference from April 22 to 25 of next year. Who won t be thrilled for an end to social distancing! Before you know it, we ll be on our way to Jekyll Island for a fun-filled weekend of inspiring speakers, activities for all ages, and fellowship with one another

Registration is open!

**Rotary Opens Opportunities** 

May Peace Prevail on Earth, DG Tina

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## HOT . . . NEWS . . . District Guidance on New Legislation in Georgia

Thursday, August 6, 2020

Based on Senate Bill 359 that was recently signed into law by Governor Kemp, District 6910 is issuing the following guidance to all Rotary Clubs in the District:

All Rotary Clubs should immediately post at the entrance to their respective club meeting venue the following WARNING as provided in the statute.

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Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Classes Now Offered Virtually Published on 08/03/2020

Pic of the Month

One Word?

#### **District Events**

August 4th <u>DG Official Visit - White</u> <u>County</u> Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin

Subject: DG Official Visit August 5th

DG Official Visit - Helen Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 6th DG Official Visit - Clayton Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 11th <u>DG Official Visit - Toccoa</u> <u>Speaker:</u> Tina D. Fischlin <u>Subject:</u> DG Official Visit

August 12th <u>DG Official Visit - Banks</u> <u>County</u>

Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 13th <u>DG Official Visit -</u> <u>Habersham County</u> <u>Speaker:</u> Tina D. Fischlin <u>Subject:</u> DG Official Visit

Subject: DG Official Visit August 18th

DG Official Visit - Franklin County

Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 20th DG Official Visit - Hartwell Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin

Subject: DG Official Visit August 21st

DG Official Visit - Madison County Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 21st <u>GRSP Conclave</u> <u>\*\*CANCELLED\*\*</u> August 24th Warning Under Georgia law, there is no liability for an injury or death of an individual entering these premises if such injury or death results from the inherent risks of contracting COVID-19. You are assuming this risk by entering these premises.

--Georgia Senate Bill 359

For more information, <u>click here</u> for a link to Senate Bill 359. The specification of the above described sign mandates that it should be created in at least **one-inch 'ARIAL' font** placed apart from any other text, and should be prominently displayed at the entrance to the meeting premises.

The District 6910 Leadership Team is committed to providing as much information as possible as our clubs continue to address COVID-19.

Monthly Rotary Theme



#### **Retention, Innovation & Growth**

By Chad Bingham on Saturday, August 1, 2020

WHY JOIN ROTARY?

While it is true that you can help humanity thru charity works in your own private capacity and without the help of others, you deprive yourself of extending help in global scale, not to mention, the oportunities of meeting people from all walks of life thru service and fellowship.

Rotary opens opportunities for you to be of help to others, to be a friend to someone, and transforms you to be a great, inspired and champion leader. -w.P. DELLORO, JR.



August is Membership & New Club Development Month. This theme helps us set the stage for what is to come throughout the year. Get off to a good start and your team so that you can do more, help more and achieve more! Read on for a special message from our District Membership Committee Co-Chairs. Read More

**Club Focus** 



DG Official Visit - The Classic City of Athens Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin

Subject: DG Official Visit August 25th

DG Official Visit - Oconee County Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin

Subject: DG Official Visit August 25th

DG Official Visit - North Oconee

Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 26th DG Official Visit - Athens Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

August 28th <u>DG Official Visit -</u> <u>Oglethorpe County</u> <u>Speaker:</u> Tina D. Fischlin <u>Subject:</u> DG Official Visit

September 15th <u>DG Official Visit - Columbia</u> <u>County West</u> <u>Speaker:</u> Tina D. Fischlin <u>Subject:</u> DG Official Visit

September 16th DG Official Visit - Columbia County

Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 17th DG Official Visit - Thomson Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 18th <u>DG Official Visit -</u> <u>Martinez-Evans</u> Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 21st Rotarians Stand for Peace and Unity

September 22nd DG Official Visit -Covington

Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 22nd DG Official Visit - Rotary E-Club of the South,District 6910 Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 23rd DG Official Visit - Rockdale County

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin **Subject:** DG Official Visit September 24th

DG Official Visit - Conyers Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin Subject: DG Official Visit

September 28th DG Official Visit - Social Circle Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin

Subject: DG Official Visit September 29th

DG Official Visit - Morgan County Speaker: Tina D. Fischlin



Rotary Club of Gainesville '19-'20 President Tommy Howard and his wife Emmie (right) are presented a Paul Harris Fellowship. Incoming '20-'21 President Bill Hall and his wife Stacy also received Paul Harris Fellowships. For more memories made and great District 6910 photos click the link Below. <u>Read More</u>

#### Subject: DG Official Visit

RI Monthly Themes

<u>Click here</u>

#### Communication Pipeline

<u>Click here to send a note to the</u> <u>Public Image Committee</u>

# Important Dates & Deadlines

<u>Click here for PDF</u>

#### Meet Rotaract Assistant District Governor James Alewine

By Sallie Boyles on Thursday, July 30, 2020

Rotary has a bright future with the promise of Rotaractors like James Alewine. A founding member of the 400 North Rotaract Club (2019), he quickly jumped into leadership as the club@s secretary. James now serves a dual role as his club@s vice president and Rotaract Assistant **District Governor for** District 6910. Read <u>More</u>



### The Rotary Club of Duluth Serves Up Holiday Meal for Police

By Sallie Boyles on Thursday, July 30, 2020



To commemorate Independence Day, the Rotary Club of Duluth provided a traditional holiday meal for the Duluth Police. While expressing their appreciation for the men and women who put their lives on the line to preserve peace within the community and safeguard the liberties of all, the club hoped to set an example for fellow citizens. <u>Read More</u>

## **Rome Rotarians Deliver Food to Families**

By Clarence (Pete) McDonald Jr. on Saturday, August 1, 2020



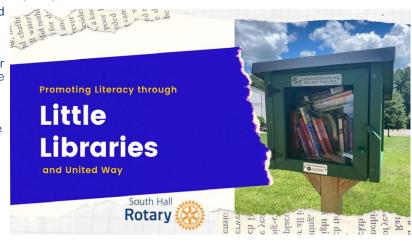
Both the Rotary Club of Rome and the Rotary Club of Rome Seven Hills partnered with the USDA and multiple community groups to distribute more than 20,000 pounds of food to over 1,500 families. <u>Read</u> <u>More</u>

## South Hall Promoting Literacy through Little Libraries

By Amanda R Groover on Friday, July 31, 2020

Meghan Mitchell and United Way President Jessica Dudley first visited the South Hall Rotary club at the end of June to consider joining the club. During the club s announcements it was mentioned that our club was looking at new creative ways to do service in our community. Dudley was quick to ask for our assistance in collecting books.

Club leaders decide that collecting books could be an easy way to continue focusing efforts on literacy.



It was also a great project to be done through social distancing. So, during the month of July, members of the South Hall Rotary club cleaned out their bookshelves or purchased new books to collect books for the United Way. <u>Read More</u>



## **Georgia Rotarians Stand for Peace and Unity**

By Paige W Havens on Thursday, July 30, 2020

Georgia Rotarians are gathering at Rotary Peace Poles across the state on September 21, 2020 to recognize the International Day of Peace. Rotarians are people of action and will come together to promote peace and social justice using the Peace Pole and the Four Way Test of things Rotarians think, say or do: 1. Is it the TRUTH; 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned; 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS; and 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL to all concerned?** 



Read More

## **Community Service Update**

By Peter Gleichman on Saturday, August 1, 2020



How can you help your club be in a better position to serve your community? Read on to learn more about Rotary Showcase, Rotary Voices and why it is important to identify your club's Community Service Chair in DACdb!! Read More

#### **Sweet Sounds to the Environment**

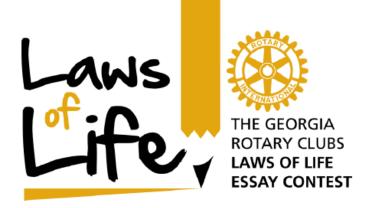
By Maria A Peagler on Saturday, August 1, 2020



Two local Jasper children shown here enjoying the Rotary Children's Music Park, making sweet sounds for the environment!

As Rotary celebrates the addition of a new Focus, The Environment, in District 6910 we'd like to highlight some of the things that our Rotary Clubs have done or are doing that in any way brings environmental conservation, education, sustainability or related efforts to the forefront. Please share your environmental efforts with the District Public Image team. Read on to find a unique and proactive approach from the Rotary Club of Jasper. <u>Read More</u>

#### Laws of Life



As the 2020-2021 Rotary year kicks off so does the 2020-2021 Georgia Laws of Life Essay Contest! The related information has been sent out to all club Presidents. Is your local school participating? For more information click the link below.

All clubs are encouraged to consider sponsoring the contest as well!. Read More

#### **10 Million Meal Challenge**

By Kimberly S Reynolds on Saturday, August 1, 2020

"Did you know 1 in 5 children are hungry and deal with food insecurity? Join the 10 Million Meal Challenge and make a difference today!"

Read More



Welcome to our second year of Zone 33/34's initiative to Feed 10 Million! As the world's premier Volunteer Service Organization, we will once again focus on supporting and caring for our neighbors by feeding at least 10 Million Meals during the upcoming Rotary year.

#### Get Your Club Signed Up!



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#### LEAD

By appointing a Champion at the District and the Club level



COLLABORATE

With local and regional food and meal providers

#### ENGAGE

With partners in your community to maximize the number of meals we can provide

#### PROMOTE

Your success by partnering with your District PI Team

## Leadership Spotlight

By Paige W Havens on Sunday, August 2, 2020



DGE Mike Berg and his wife Jane enjoying a ride about town in

#### their little Z3.

In case you haven't met him yet, it's time we all start to get to know our District Governor Elect Mike Berg. We continue our monthly 'Leadership Spotlight' series in August to help Rotarians throughout the district to become more familiar with the team leading our District this year and in the years to come. You might want to find out, for example, why Mike is known to be the life of the party! Click below to find out more! <u>Read More</u>

**District Conference** 



#### **Beach Towel Competition Off to a Very Competitive Start**

The first few reveals fo the Beach Towel Art have set the bar high!!! District Governor Tina Fischlin can't wait to see what your Club dreams up!

Beach Towel	
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Fun to the Sun JEKYLL ISLAND + APRIL 22-25, 2021 + DISTRICT 6910	
Show your club spirit! Present your towel or mat during your club's DG visit!	

#### **Registration for District Conference 2021 Is NOW OPEN!**

By Paige W Havens on Thursday, July 30, 2020



Be one of the first to reserve your place in the sand with Rotary District 6910 on Jekyll Island in April! By that time you will be ready to have fun, so start planning now and don't put it off. Just click below to get more details. <u>Read</u> <u>More</u>



### Where To Begin?



This month we will look at the very basics! Are you a new Rotarian, or new to a leadership position for your club? Let's keep it simple and give you two important places to go to get the basic information you need, **DACdb** and **Rotary Central**!!! Read More

## Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Classes Now Offered Virtually

By Clarence (Pete) McDonald Jr. on Monday, August 3, 2020

If you've never heard of the Rotary Leadership Institute, R.L.I. for short, you really need to click the link below to find out more as it offers Rotarians of all experience levels wonderful insights and knowledge about the many facets of Rotary. It is well worth the time invested.

On the other hand, if you are familiar with RLI and have already participated in Part One, Part Two, or Part Three, there is some great news to share. Beginning in August the RLI classes are now being offered virtually. Click below to get the details. <u>Read More</u>



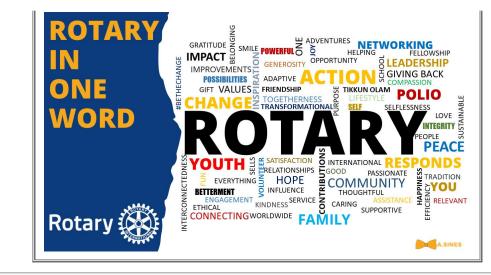
## Odds & Ends

Rotary Opens Opportunities

#### **Pic of the Month**

Click here to see this months 'Pic' of the Month!

#### One Word?





#### **District Team**



Tina D. Fischlin District Governor







Bruce Allen Azevedo

**District Rotary Foundation Chair** 





Michael L. Berg DG-Elect

David Thomas Upchurch District Communications Officer

Brandy Lynn Swanson District Public Image/PR Chair



Committee List 2020-21

**Club Communications Officers** 

Club Executive Secretary	Club Membership Chairs
Club President-Nominees (before becoming the PE)	Club Presidents
Club Presidents-elect	Club Public Image Chairs
Club Rotary Foundation Chairs	Club Secretaries-elect
Club Secretary	Club Treasurer
Club Treasurers-elect	District Administration
District Assistant Governors (see Area Icon for Details)	District Board of Directors
District College of Governors	District Communication Team
District Leadership Team	District Membership Team
District Public Image Team	District Rotary Foundation Committee
District Service Leaders (Youth Service Separate)	District Strategic Planning Committee
District Youth Service Leaders	GdG-Presidents and Treasurers
Z-All Members July 1	Zone 34 & RI