

# Rotary



District 6910 Newsletter



Rotary Opens Opportunities

## PEACE THROUGH ACTION

By Tina D. Fischlin on Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Hi Everyone,

Can you believe we are in the third month of this Rotary year?

So much has happened in just the last 30 days. Jennifer Jones was nominated to serve as the first female Rotary International President in 2022 ♦ 2023. The World Health Organization (WHO) announced that the transmission of the wild poliovirus has officially been stopped in all 47 countries in Africa. This milestone is historic toward the global eradication of polio.

Locally, clubs are continuing to find ways to stay connected and participate in service projects. We ♦ are feeding hundreds in our District with the Farmers 2 Families program.

To comply with Rotary International ♦s branding standards, the D6910 PI Team has redesigned our District logo. You can find the designs in the ♦Logos♦ folder in DACdb under the ♦District Files♦ tab.

Georgia Rotarians are gathering at Rotary Peace Poles across the state on September 21 to recognize the International Day to demonstrate the positive changes that occur when people unite in good faith to serve humanity resulting in "Peace Through Action." Reach out to Jennifer Hibbard at [Jennifer.hibbard@vphealth.org](mailto:Jennifer.hibbard@vphealth.org) for the Peace Kit outlining step-by-step information on how to organize an event. If you have an event planned, please provide the location, time and a short description of the activities to the PI Chair Brandy Swanson at [bswanson@smith-howard.com](mailto:bswanson@smith-howard.com).

Rotary has designated September as Basic Education and Literacy Month, reflecting our dedication to creating a literate world. Every Rotarian has the ability and opportunity to share knowledge, both locally and abroad (click on the picture to play video):



Education for individuals of all ages ♦ an essential component to achieving peace and prosperity ♦ fuels many projects of Rotary clubs in our District that inspire learning.

We continue to witness how Rotary Opens Opportunities both locally and globally!

May Peace Prevail on Earth,  
DG Tina

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Rotary International



## R.I. Five-Year Forecast



### UPDATE ON ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S FIVE-YEAR FORECAST

*Rotary's Chief Financial Officer **Julie Burke** discusses the organization's Five-Year plan with Treasurer **Bharat Pandya***

Click on the picture above to see a video report updating Rotary International's "Five-Year Financial Forecast." It is presented by R.I.'s C.F.O., Julie Burke, and Treasurer, Bharat Pandya.

Monthly Rotary Theme



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### District Events

September 1st  
**DG Official Visit - Elberton**  
**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin  
**Subject:** DG Official Visit

September 2nd  
**DG Official Visit - Athens**  
**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin  
**Subject:** DG Official Visit

September 15th  
**DG Official Visit - Columbia County West**  
**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin  
**Subject:** DG Official Visit

September 16th  
**DG Official Visit - Columbia County**  
**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin  
**Subject:** DG Official Visit

September 16th  
**Lanier Area Rotary Means Business (RMB)**  
**Speaker:** Lanier Area Rotary Means Business (RMB)

# MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



**Rotary**  
District 6910



Attracting new Rotarians while keeping our current members on the roster *and* engaged remains essential to the vitality of every club and our global organization. To maintain membership during a world pandemic let alone expand it requires fresh perspectives and new approaches.

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## Club Focus



## Photos From Around The District

September 16th  
**Joint Governor Club Visit - CCW, Thomson, & Martinez**

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

September 18th  
**DG Official Visit - Martinez-Evans**  
**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin  
**Subject:** DG Official Visit

September 21st  
**Rotarians Stand for Peace and Unity**

September 21st  
**Gwinnett 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**





Rotarian Tim Ranney loads boxes of food at the Farmers to Families Food Drive sponsored by The Rotary Club of Clayton Aug. 22.

For more memories made and great District 6910 photos, click the link below.

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## Awesome 80's 5K Raises over \$9,000 for Local Charities

By Amanda R Groover on Monday, August 31, 2020

### County

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 1st

**DG Official Visit -**

**Loganville**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 5th

**DG Official Visit -**

**Lawrenceville**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 6th

**DG Official Visit -**

**Gwinnett Mosaic**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 7th

**DG Official Visit - Duluth**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 8th

**DG Official Visit - Calhoun**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 12th

**DG Official Visit - Johns**

**Creek**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 13th

**DG Official Visit -**

**Woodstock**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 13th

**DG Official Visit - Canton**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 13th

**DG Official Visit -**

**Cherokee County**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 15th

**DG Official Visit - Towne**

**Lake**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 20th

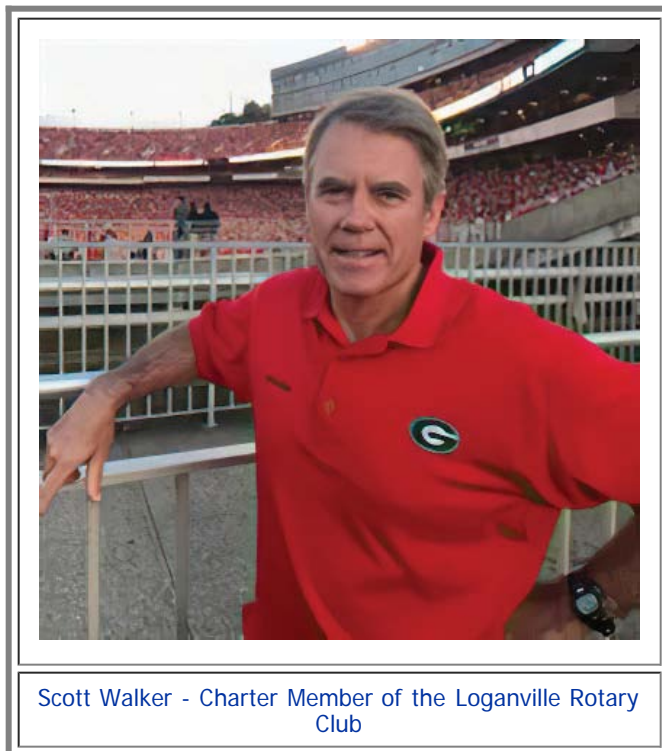
**DG Official Visit - Lanier-**



South Hall Rotary raised over \$9,000 from its recent Awesome 80's 5K run to support local charities during the 2020-2021 calendar year efforts. The race - held on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in downtown Flowery Branch featured over 100 runners and numerous local sponsors- even with the changes in procedures taken to compensate for COVID-19 concerns. Several new protocols were implemented to encourage social-distancing and health guidelines while on the course but the spirit of the 80's was still present. Check it out!

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## Loganville Rotary Club Says Goodbye to Charter Member



In August the Loganville Rotary Club lost a very near and dear friend and fellow Rotarian, Scott Walker. He was a charter member of the club and has served as the club Treasurer for over 15 years. Please join all of District 6910 in the following short tribute to Scott.

[Read More](#)

## Making Connections Through Literacy

By Kimberly S Reynolds on Monday, August 24, 2020

September is National Literacy Month

### Forsyth

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 21st

**Lanier Area Rotary Means Business (RMB)**

**Speaker:** Lanier Area Rotary Means Business (RMB)

October 27th

**DG Official Visit - North Forsyth-400**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 28th

**DG Official Visit - South Forsyth County**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

October 29th

**DG Official Visit - Forsyth County (Cumming)**

**Speaker:** Tina D. Fischlin

**Subject:** DG Official Visit

## Important Dates & Deadlines

[Click Here for PDF of Upcoming Key Dates](#)

### Club Anniversaries

[Sugarloaf](#)

September 17th

## Communication Pipeline

[Click here to send a note to the Public Image Committee](#)





and a Rotary focus! Clubs throughout District 6910 are supporting literacy in many exciting ways.

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## RI Monthly Themes

[Click here](#)

## Second Harvest And Greene County Food Pantry Hold Special Food Distribution

By Laura Dent on Friday, September 4, 2020



Second Harvest and the Greene County Food Pantry partnered together for a special food distribution held on August 25, 2020. All of the food was supplied by the Golden Harvest Food Bank in Augusta. Together, they served 250 families and each family received a box of dry goods plus grapes, tomatoes, plums, watermelon, and milk.

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Second Harvest Volunteers ready to help distribute food.

## Hidden Hero Celebration

By Schelly Tennant Marlatt on Thursday, August 20, 2020

As the saying goes, "no good deed goes unrewarded!" At least, thanks to the Rotary Club of Gwinnett, no one would have ever heard of Michele Bourdonnay and the many things that she quietly goes about doing in her everyday life. Read on to find out why Rotarians surprised her on her doorstep recently and how she ended up the talk of the town. You will be



inspired by this story! Be sure to read to the end! [Read More](#)

## Clubs Working Together Make a HUGE Impact!

By Peter Gleichman on Wednesday, September 2, 2020

*African Proverb: If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go FAR, go TOGETHER!*

The 5 Rotary clubs in Cherokee and Pickens Counties joined together on August 26 to distribute 1680 boxes of fresh vegetables equivalent to 15,000 meals to families in need during the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. Check out this video <https://youtu.be/UdXIPYHPqII>





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## ROTARIANS MAKE A DIFFERENCE: For Pet Lovers Only!

By Debby Ciccone on Thursday, August 20, 2020

As a pet lover, when Millie of Never Alone, a Cherokee County-based non-profit food pantry made a presentation to the Rotary Club of Towne Lake, I posed a question: "Do you accept donation of pet food?" It tugged at my heartstrings to learn that there was a great need. Millie let us know that many clients request dog food and cat food, but many times they don't have any to give out.



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## International Day of Peace Events

By Sallie Boyles on Monday, August 31, 2020



Is Monday, September 21 highlighted on your calendar?

As a reminder, Rotarians in District 6910 and across the globe will be commemorating the International Day of Peace, informally known as World Peace Day. First celebrated in 1981, the annual holiday, sanctioned by the United Nations, is now dedicated to peace education. [Read More](#)

## Leadership Spotlight

By Paige W Havens on Sunday, August 23, 2020



DGN Gerry Taylor (far right) stands proudly alongside his fellow Rotarians after installing a granite bench on the Oconee River Greenway in Athens, GA.

We continue our monthly "Leadership Spotlight" series in September to help Rotarians throughout the district to become more familiar with the team leading the charge in District 6910 this year and in the years to come. This month we turn our focus toward Gerry Taylor, the District Governor Nominee

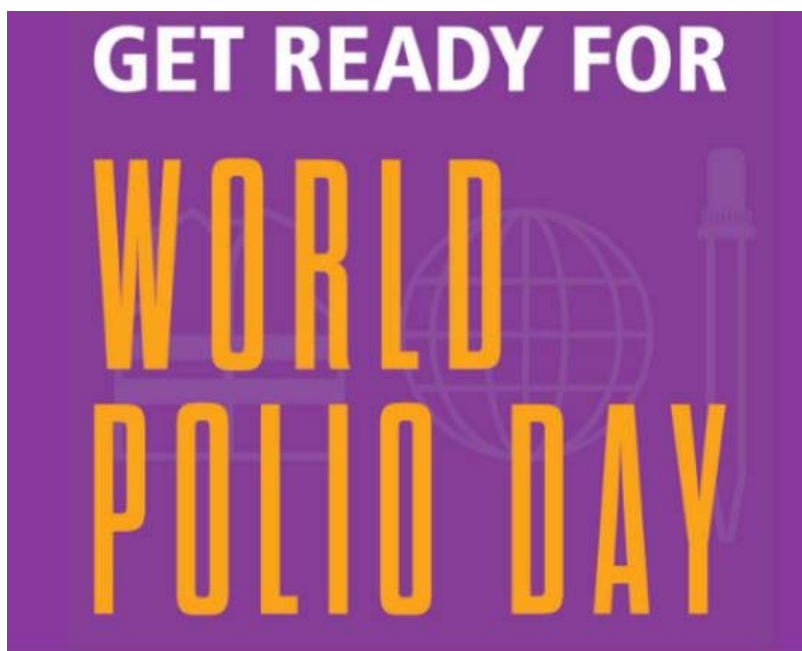
(DGN). He is on track to be our District Governor in 2022-2023. If you have the pleasure of having him come to speak to your club, you may want to insist that he brings his trombone with him!!! Read on to find out why!

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## WORLD POLIO DAY Is October 24th

By Paige W Havens on Sunday, August 23, 2020



When Rotary and its partners launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988, there were 350,000 cases of polio in 125 countries every year. Today, polio cases have been reduced by 99.9 percent, and just two countries continue to report cases of wild poliovirus: Afghanistan and Pakistan. We are **◆THIS CLOSE◆** and we remain committed to the end. So, how will your Club join the fight and take action this year on World Polio Day? [Click here](#) for some great ideas on ways you can engage!

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## New District RI Compliant Logos

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Wednesday, August 19, 2020



To comply with Rotary International branding standards, the D6910 PI Team has redesigned several of the logos used throughout the District. They have been placed in the Logos folder under the DACdb District Files tab, and are also available using the Insert Image functions in EZStory

and Easy & Beautiful websites. PNG, JPG and PDF formats have been provided, as well as both color and black & white versions.

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## Who is Your Feed10Million Champion?



If you haven't heard, you need to hear the news that the District 6910 Champion of the Feed10Million Campaign this year is Randy Redner (Rotary Club of Duluth). As campaign chair his role is to help mobilize



Randy Redner  
#6910 District Feed10Million  
Champion

[VIDEO](#)

the clubs in the district and to report results up to the zone level where the program originates.

Once again this year Zone 33-34 is turning it's focus toward making meals happen for needy families...10-million is the goal to be exact. According to Randy, today in Georgia over 1.3 million people are food insecure, of which more than 400,000 are children. "As District 6910's Feed10Million chair, I would like to help change that because Rotarians are People of Action," said Redner.

At this time there are three things each club is asked to do: (1) click the LINK below, (2) enter the name of your club's Feed10Million Champion (or chair), and (3) enter a goal for the number of meals your club will provide this Rotary year (remember this can be food drives, meals on wheels, back pack programs, etc.).

Click this Feed10Million [LINK](#) to get your club signed up today.

Need more information? Check out this video: Feed10Million Kick-off



## Virtual Fundraising



## Gwinnett Duck Derby will make a Virtual Splash in 2020

By Ginger Powell on Tuesday, September 1, 2020

The Rotary Club of Sugarloaf will host the 6th Annual Gwinnett Duck Derby online this year due to continued Covid-19 safety protocols.



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## Rotary Hero Fundraising Challenge

By Lisa Hadden on Monday, August 17, 2020

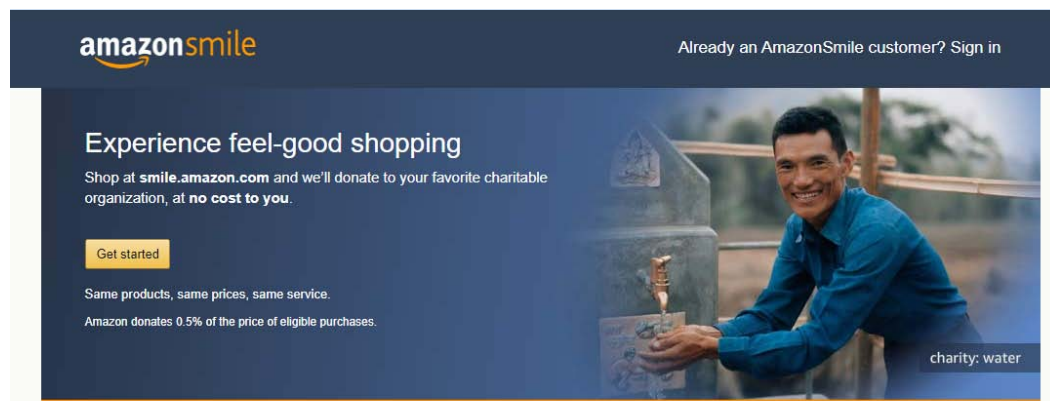


The cancellation of our annual Wing Fling due to Covid-19 caused our club to have to adapt to government restrictions on public gatherings. As you know the relationship between the Rotary Club and the community is more than just raising money. Connecting with the community during local events has always played an essential role in building our community relationships. [Read More](#)

## Fundraising Ideas: FREE MONEY with Amazon Smile for Non-Profit

By Patricia Schaefflern Kenney on Wednesday, August 12, 2020

During this difficult time, Rotary Clubs are coming up with new ideas for fundraising. If your club is a 501(c) (3), one easy way to raise funds is to set up an Amazon Smile account for your non-profit. As more and more people are shopping on-line, with a generous amount of that shopping being done on Amazon, this program (and its return) provides **low hanging fruit** for strapped Rotary Clubs.



When you join AmazonSmile you can...

**Generate donations**  
Shop at smile.amazon.com and we'll donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to your favorite charitable organization—no fees, no extra cost.

**Donate products to charity**  
Thousands of charities created AmazonSmile Charity Lists of items they need right now. Simply browse, order, and enjoy giving.

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## District Conference



## Opportunity Knocks

By Paige W Havens on Sunday, August 23, 2020



Sponsorships opportunities are now available for our **Annual Rotary District Conference**, scheduled April 22 -25, 2021 at Jekyll Island, Georgia. Your support is critical to underwrite the event, which attracts over 400 Rotarians and their guests. District Conference is a time when we come together to highlight the clubs service to their community and beyond. This is an excellent way to showcase your business to fellow Rotarians while helping us spotlight the great work we do together. [Click here](#) to explore all of the opportunities available in the sponsorship packet.

## Don't Forget!

By Paige W Havens on Sunday, August 23, 2020



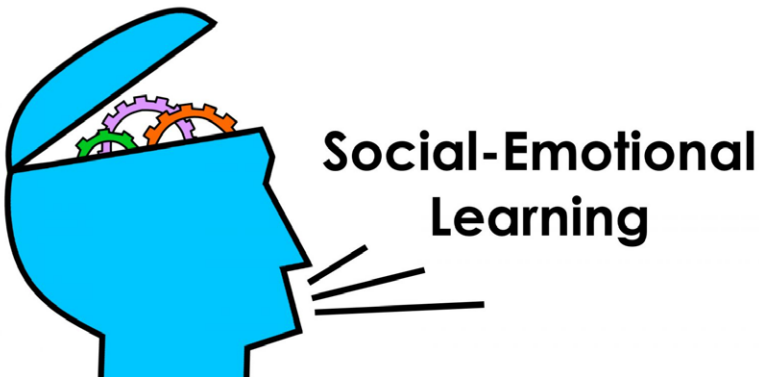
DON'T FORGET!! Design your club's beach towel or mat to reflect the heart and spirit of your club. Present it to DG Tina during her official visit and then display it in the House of Friendship at this year's convention.

## Laws of Life



## Tool For Schools....Laws of Life

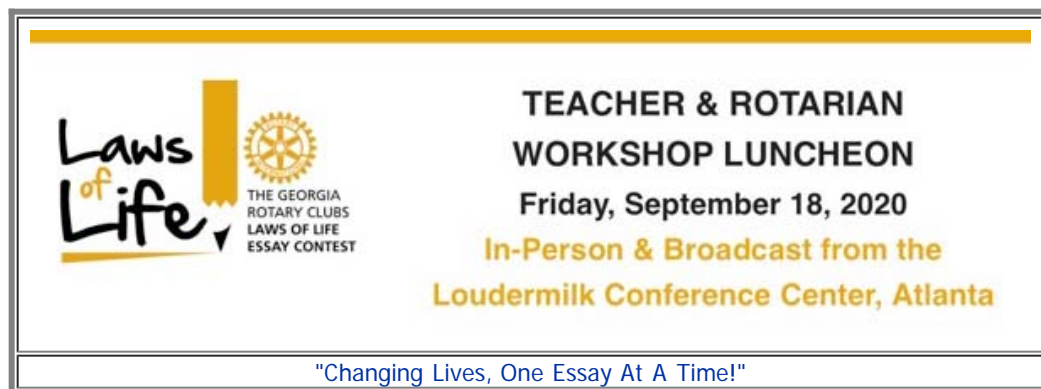
Thursday, August 13, 2020



Written by: Linda Hatten, Laws of Life Staff Member

Schools face a daunting challenge for the 2020-21 school year -- how to ensure that every student can reach their potential in the current education environment. Each passing week presents new changes and the stress that goes with them. Most schools will focus on *Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)* programs to help students get the year started from a positive place. The Georgia Laws of Life (GLL) Essay Contest provides high school teachers with a powerful tool to promote SEL along with writing

## Laws of Life - Teacher Rotarian Workshop & Luncheon



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## Training



## What Do All Of These Logos Have In Common?



Do these logos look familiar?



Can you guess what's wrong with them?





Click thru to find out!

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## Odds & Ends



### A Reminder From our Beloved iPDG



The Nomination Period is open for District Governor for 2023-2024!!!

The nomination notice and forms went out to all Rotarians on August 4th and nominations close on **October 15th**.

If anyone needs information or another copy of the email they can contact iPDG Don Martin.

Click [HERE](#) to review the District Election Guidelines.

### Hot! Hot! Public Image Deadlines



To be eligible for the Zone 34 Public Image Citation for the '20-'21 Rotary Year, there are two important deadlines coming up on **SEPTEMBER 30**:

#1 - Get your club registered. Simply Click the link: [PI CITATION REGISTRATION](#)

#2 - Submit your content calendar. Click the link: [SUBMIT CALENDAR](#)

*Important notes from the Zone 34 PI Team:* This year, to achieve the Public Image Citation, clubs will be asked to complete a series of tasks each month. The idea is to develop sustainable public image capabilities to tell the Rotary story and promote what our clubs do in their communities. And we know that strong public image supports membership initiatives. In addition to bringing in new members, a solid public image program can elevate the pride that members have in their clubs which ensures higher retention rates!

Step one is simply to get registered. Step-two, we are now asking clubs to [submit content calendars](#). We know that creating a plan around Rotary themes, club projects and fundraisers makes it easier to be consistent in public image efforts. And some INCREDIBLE content plans have already been submitted. For those clubs that need a little assistance, the Rotary Zone 34 Public Image Team is here for you and your clubs every step of the way.

As always, if there is anything we can do for you or your clubs, please reach out to us!

[www.rotaryshares.org/teamflyer](http://www.rotaryshares.org/teamflyer)

#RotaryShares

## Official NEW District Logo



## Pic of the Month

Click [HERE](#) to see this month's photo of the month!



## District Team



[Tina D. Fischlin](#)  
District Governor



[Michael L. Berg](#)  
DG-Elect

[Gerry Taylor](#)  
DG-Nominee

[David Thomas Upchurch](#)  
District Communications Officer



[Chad Bingham](#)  
District Membership Chair



[Brandy Lynn Swanson](#)  
District Public Image/PR Chair



[Bruce Allen Azevedo](#)  
District Rotary Foundation Chair

## Committee List 2020-21

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[Club Rotary Foundation Chairs](#)  
[Club Secretary](#)  
[Club Treasurers-elect](#)  
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[District College of Governors](#)  
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[District Public Image Team](#)  
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[District Youth Service Leaders](#)  
[Z-All Members July 1](#)

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