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The Monthly Newsletter for the "People of Action" of District 6910



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Over The Transom #10

By Donald W. Martin on Monday, May 11, 2020



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Well, it appears that **Time Flies** whether you are having fun or not. I assure you that up until sometime in February I was having the time of my life; however, trying to rewrite the play in the middle of the 3rd Act turns out to be about as awkward as it sounds. The College of Governors promised me when I interviewed for this job that I could not wreck the district **train**. I could speed it up or slow it down, but it would stay on the tracks. I don't think any of them could have foreseen this sequence of events; never-the-less, here we are in the middle of a world-wide pandemic with the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression and Rotary, Rotary Clubs and Rotarians **stubbornly optimistic, determined, heart-warming, servant leader Rotarians** continue to soldier on as if they were dealing with nothing more serious than a cold and rough day at the office. It would be impossible to be prouder of any organization or to be more blessed to have the opportunity to hold a leadership role at a time like this. I have told you before that you were amazing **I was right then and I am right now **You Are Amazing!****

There was a very long email yesterday about the current situation and I am not going to re-hash all that, but just in case you missed it. The message and attachments can be found [here](#).

In this issue:

Tuesday Night the **District All Call** will feature TWO Past RI Directors **our own David Roper and Florida's John Smarge**. You won't want to miss it. Access [Here](#)

The very exciting, first of its kind, **Virtual District Assembly** on May 16th. DGE Tina is bringing in the stars and over 160 have registered already. Read her article in this addition.

Rotary Family Vacation "Rain Check" **Virtual Awards Night** on June 13th. More info soon.

New Members Elected to the Board of Directors.

More great stories about how **Rotary Responds** in this time of crisis.

One thing has become crystal clear as we work through this crisis and that is how very, very important all the Doctors, Nurses, Nurses Aides, Volunteers, First Responders, Front Line personnel of all kinds, Food Service workers and Logistics folks of all stripes are that literally hold our world together. A quote from John W. Gardner really hit home with me the other day:

We must learn to honor excellence in every socially-acceptable human activity and to scorn shoddiness, however exalted the activity. An excellent plumber is infinitely more admirable than an incompetent philosopher. The society which scorns excellence in plumbing because plumbing is a humble activity and tolerates shoddiness in philosophy because it is an exalted activity will have neither good plumbing nor good philosophy. Neither its pipes nor its theories will hold water.

Hopefully, when we get through this. both our pipes and our theories will still be intact.

Let's Go Do Rotary! Don Martin

TWO RI Directors on the May 12th District All Call

By Donald W. Martin on Monday, May 11, 2020

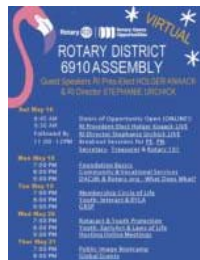
On May 12th at 7:00 PM, Past RI Director, and current Vice Chair of the Council on Legislation, David Roper will explain that process to us and Past RI Director John Smarge will bring us up to speed on HANWASH.



Two great presentations in one night that you wont to miss. Click the More Button to get the link to the Zoom Call:
[Read More](#)

Virtual District Assembly Begins May 16th

By Tina D. Fischlin on Monday, May 11, 2020



DISTRICT ASSEMBLY **May 16th Zoom Room opens at 8:45am**

5 DAYS and counting!!

Rotary Opens Opportunities

While we may not be able to hold an in-person District Assembly the District Training team has created a **Virtual** District Assembly. This is an opportunity to embrace technology and the **new** norm for Rotary learning. You will not want to miss Rotary President-Elect Holger Knaack and Rotary Director Stephanie Urchick during the General Session. The training team has gathered some amazing presenters on topics that will benefit you in preparing for the opportunities in the 2020-2021 Rotary year. We have made it easy for you to register. Below are the links to the General Session as well as the breakout sessions. Just click on the one(s) you want to register for!

ROTARY DISTRICT 6910 ASSEMBLY Registration LINKS (each session link is underlined). For more info, click on image below or [HERE](#).

Sat May 16

0800-1055 [General Session](#)

1100-1155 Breakout Sessions for [President-Elect](#), [President-Nominee](#), [Secretary](#), [Treasurer](#) & [Rotary 101](#)

Mon May 18

7:00 PM [Foundation Basics](#)

8:00 PM [Community & Vocational Services](#)

9:00 PM [DAGdb & Rotary.org - What Does What?](#)

Tue May 19

7:00 PM [Membership Circle of Life](#)

8:00 PM [Youth: Interact & RYLA](#)

9:00 PM [GRSP](#)

Wed May 20

VIRTUAL
ROTARY DISTRICT 6910 ASSEMBLY
 Guest Speakers RI Pres-Elect HOLGER KNAACK & RI Director STEPHANIE URCHICK

Sat May 16
 6:45 AM Doors of Opportunity Open (ONLINE)
 9:30 AM RI President-Elect Holger Knaack LIVE
 Followed By RI Director Stephanie Urchick LIVE
 11:00 - 12PM Breakout Sessions for PE, PN, Secretary, Treasurer & Rotary IOL

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 7:00 PM Foundation Basics
 8:00 PM Community & Vocational Services
 9:00 PM District & Rotary.org - What Does What?

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 7:00 PM Membership Circle of Life
 8:00 PM Youth, Interact & RYLA
 9:00 PM GSEP

Wed May 20
 7:00 PM Rotaract & Youth Protection
 8:00 PM Youth, EarlyAct & Laws of Life
 9:00 PM Hosting Online Meetings

Thur May 21
 7:00 PM Public Image Bootcamp
 8:00 PM Global Grants

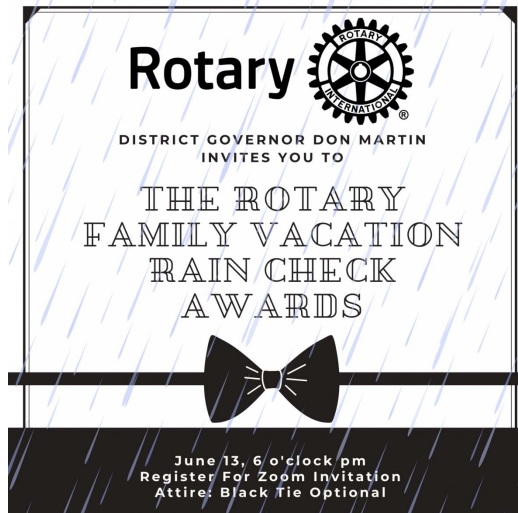
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If you have any questions, please contact Tom Upchurch (tomupchurch41@gmail.com) or Leo Lawrenson (leo@lawrenson.com)

Rotary Family Vacation Raincheck Awards

By Kelsey Mitchell on Monday, May 11, 2020


Rotary Family Vacation may have disappeared into a cloud of COVID-19 mist, but we still have dozens of Clubs and individuals to recognize for their amazing accomplishments in 2019-2020. So knock the wrinkles out of your best pajamas or dress to the nines, order take-out from your favorite restaurant, pour yourself a big glass of sweet tea or one of your favorite adult beverages, pull your TV tray up in front of your biggest computer monitor and come join the fun. Saturday, June 13, 2020 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM or the awards run out. Come join the fun and revel in the accomplishments of our great clubs and amazing individual Rotarians. Details to follow after District Assembly.



Rotary 

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DON MARTIN
 INVITES YOU TO

THE ROTARY
 FAMILY VACATION
 RAIN CHECK
 AWARDS



June 13, 6 o'clock pm
 Register For Zoom Invitation
 Attire: Black Tie Optional

Hall County Books Two RI Presidents!

By David Stovall on Monday, May 11, 2020

The Rotary Club of Hall County has booked Immediate Past RI President Barry Rassin as their guest speaker on May 19th and then they will follow that up with 2019-2020 Rotary International President Mark Daniel Maloney as their guest speaker on June 2nd. You can join in on the event. The link to join is on the DACdb Calendar on the respective date. See you there?





Georgia Laws of Life Announces State Winners

By Elizabeth Harden McIntyre on Monday, May 11, 2020



The Georgia Laws of Life Essay Contest announced state winners for the 2019-2020 contest. Cindy Huynh, an 11th grader at Brookwood High School in Snellville, won the competition with her essay about standing up to bullies. Sha'niya Rogers, a 9th grader at Westover High School in Albany, won the George A. Stewart Jr. Character in Action award with her essay about working through homelessness to achieve in school and for her family. Each of these outstanding student writers will receive a \$1000 prize.

Savannah Johnson, in 11th grade at Lafayette High School, was awarded 1st runner-up. Faith Fitzgerald, a 9th grader at Thomasville High School, won 2nd runner-up. The 3rd runner-up winner was Reagan Beach, a senior at North Cobb High School. Wade Chappell, a 10th grader at North Springs Charter High School, was awarded 4th runner-up. Hyuk Lee, a senior at Lambert High School, won 5th runner-up.

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Project Healthcare Heroes

By Donna O Neal on Monday, May 11, 2020

The Rotary Club of Greene and Putnam Counties designed **Project HealthCare Heroes** in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to support and encourage the healthcare community. By delivering meals to hospital staffs of Good Samaritan Hospital and Putnam General Hospital, the Club conveys that, we appreciate your sacrifices for being on the front line of this crisis, and we hope we can lighten your load, if only for a few minutes a day. This effort also assists local restaurants that are seeking revenue to survive in these unparalleled circumstances.

The Club raised more than \$35,000 in three weeks and is honored to assist the hospitals and restaurants of our community. Donna O Neal, President of the Rotary Club, stated, I am forever amazed, yet never surprised, at the kindness and generosity of our community.



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TAPS AT TWILIGHT - A VIRTUAL MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE

Monday, May 11, 2020



Looking for something meaningful to do virtually on Memorial Day? Consider joining your Rotary friends over on St. Simons Island. Here is how to watch. The full story follows the links:

The program can be viewed on the SSI Rotary YouTube page [Youtube](#)

There will be a viewing link on the SSI Rotary home page: [SSI Rotary's Home Page](#)

At the time of the event, there will be a link on our FB page. [Facebook](#)

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Short Takes # 10

By Donald W. Martin on Monday, May 11, 2020

District 6910 Annual Meeting of the Corporation

Since District Conference was cancelled this year, there will be short meeting of the Corporation on Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 9:00 PM.

The purpose of the Meeting is to meet the requirement to have a meeting and to pass the Congratulatory Resolutions, which are normally presented at District Conference.

Club Presidents or their representatives must attend. Others may attend. There will be an informal question and answer session after the Meeting is closed.

The Registration Link will be on the District Calendar.



District 6910 Director Nominating Member Selected

Past District Governor Kim Waters, Rotary Club of Hall County, has been duly nominated and elected to represent District 6910 on the Zone Nominating Committee to select the next RI Director from Zone 34. The Rotarian selected will follow Director Elect Peter Kyle and will serve in 2022-2024. Thank you PDG Kim for your willingness to serve. Select us a Great Director!!

Voting on the District 6910 Representative to the 2020-2023 Council on Legislation process is underway.

The Representative and Alternate will be announced at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation.

Four Members Elected to Serve on the District 6910 Board of Directors

Congratulations to following Rotarians nominated by the Nominating Committee and Elected without opposition. They will begin new terms on the Board of Directors Effective July 1st.

Pete McDonald, Rome, returns for a 2nd Term

Doug Bolton, Covington, returns for a 2nd Term

Jennifer Hendrickson, Gwinnett County joins the Board for the first time.

Also joining the Board on July 1st is **Becky Carlan** from Banks County. Becky will serve a 1 year term to complete the position left vacant by the resignation of Leslie George. The Board accepted Leslie's resignation, with regret, and greatly appreciates the years of service she has performed in a variety of roles.

Great Weekly Bulletins Help You Stay in Touch - Two Great Examples

Rotary Club of Dawson County: <https://dacdb.com/Ezbulletin2/preview2.cfm?ezBulletinID=21032>

Rotary Club of Jasper: <https://dacdb.com/Ezbulletin2/preview2.cfm?ezBulletinID=21164>

District Events & Reminders

May 12th
[District 690 All Call](#)

May 16th
[RLI - Columbus D6920](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Presidents-Nominee Breakout](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Club Secretary Breakout](#)

May 18th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - DACdb & RI: Which Does What?](#)

May 19th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - GRSP Breakout](#)

May 20th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Hosting Online Meetings](#)

June 7th
[Rotary International Convention](#)

May 15th
[District Grant Application Deadline for 2020-2021](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly General Session](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Rotary 101 Breakout](#)

May 18th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Foundation Basics Breakout](#)

May 19th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly- Membership Circle of Life](#)

May 20th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly- Youth Protection & Rotaract](#)

May 21st
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly- Public Image Breakout](#)

May 15th
[Final Report Due for 2019-2020 District Grant](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Presidents-Elect Breakout](#)

May 16th
[Virtual District 6910 Assembly - Club Treasurer Breakout](#)

May 18th
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District Leaders



[Donald W. Martin](#)
District Governor



[Tina D. Fischlin](#)
DG-Elect



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



[David Thomas Upchurch](#)
District Communications Officer



[Bobby D. Hildreth](#)
District Membership Chair



[Tammy Tate Gillard](#)
District Public Image/PR Chair



[Scott R. Parmenter](#)
District Rotary Foundation Chair



[Douglas E. Bolton](#)
District Service Program Director