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* District News *



Presidential Retreat Review

DG Susan and DGE Clenice hosted a joint training event on January 5, 2019. At the Presidential Retreat committee chairs shared "where we are now" and "where we go from here". Club Presidents: If you would like the PowerPoint presentation used during the Retreat send an email to JoAnn Meaker (jomeaker51@gmail.com) and it will be emailed to you.

To view the end People of Action video played at the end go [>HERE](#).
To view photos taken by David Rosenthal (thank you, David!) go [>HERE](#).

President-Elects... register NOW!

A poster for the Chesapeake PETS training event. It features a drawing of a suspension bridge over water. The text "Rotary" is in blue, with a yellow gear logo to its right. Below the bridge is the text "CHESAPEAKE PETS" in blue. At the bottom, it says "Training & Inspiring Rotary Leaders of Action!" and "Districts 7600, 7610, 7620, 7630". On the right side, it says "MARK YOUR CALENDAR!" in red, "C-PETS 2019" in blue, "Feb. 28 - March 2, 2019" in blue, and "Westfields Marriott Washington Dulles Chantilly VA" in black. At the bottom right, it says "Club Presidents-Elect are required to attend." in black.

Deborah Wall
District Secretary

Matthew McDonald
Finance Chair

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District Treasurer

Maryann Tetreault
District Executive Secretary

Chuck Arnason
Rotary Foundation Chair

JoAnn Meaker
Newsletter Editor

Send article submissions to
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Deadline: 25th of each month

Online conference registration via DACdb opens mid-October 2018.
Register for your hotel room in C-PETS block via link at:

www.ChesapeakePETS.org

New RI Logo revealed at International Assembly:



Above: Our next Rotary International President, Mark Maloney unveils his new theme and logo.

Below: Our next district governor, Clencie Platt, is shown with other DGEs at the International Assembly in San Diego.



* Clubs in the News *

James City County Club Promotes Rotary:

The Virginia Gazette, a Williamsburg bi-weekly newspaper recently encouraged readers to submit stories of instances of "random acts of kindness". The James City County Rotary Club's Public Image committee submitted a story of their club's deliberate acts of kindness which was published in the January 5, 2019 issue. Instead of focusing on their club, the article that was submitted told of the many acts of kindness done by Rotarians around the world. RI encourages sharing with the public the good we do, information about Rotary, which encourages potential members, and helps with club fundraising.

To read more go [HERE](#).

Blackstone Club Road Cleanup:



On a cold January 12th morning, members of the Blackstone Club were joined by two well-known visiting Rotarians to do a road cleanup. DG Susan and Zach were there... and yes, she was promoting Rotary at the same time... she's the one with this year's Rotary logo on her back! Be the Inspiration...

Portsmouth celebrates First Responders:



*Members of the Rotary Club of Portsmouth recently honored area first responders...
L-R: Firefighter, Captain Carroll Ward, Paramedic, Laurel Lapp, Master Jail Officer
Katrina Evans, Police Officer, Killilan Desbois, Sheriff's Deputy, Lt. John Gomoke with
Club President Warren Channel.*

To read specifics go >[HERE](#).

Warwick Club donates funds raised from their Bacon, Bee and Bourbon Bash event:



In December, the club finalized donations for 2018. They donated twelve bicycles to the Salvation Army for deserving children in the greater Hampton Roads area (in addition to ringing the bell). \$1,000 went to the Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast, \$500 to Megagenesis, a non-profit organization that provides local programs and opportunities for those students moving from high school into professions. They also donated \$2,000 to the local Food Bank as well as volunteering to help sort food items for distribution.

Club Speakers - Goochland and South Boston:



Most meetings, clubs have a variety of speakers who share about their professions, experiences or the organization they support. At the Goochland Club, Rotarians heard from Barry Moore from the Better Business Bureau.



And recently South Boston heard from Captain Dennis Barker and Investigator Chris Carswell of the South Boston Police Department about steps to take to ensure personal safety as well as security in the work place. Captain Barker talked about active-shooter situations, current scams to avoid, and provided other useful information to prepare for possible threats to individuals, businesses and the community as a whole. In addition, Cameron Griffiths of the Ambassador Company introduced a program that the South Boston Police Department conducts in the public schools. It provides books for the officers to read and discuss to first and fourth graders on the topics of bullying, using good manners, showing compassion and much more.

Does your club share ideas for speakers? If your club has an interesting speaker, it would be helping for neighboring clubs to be aware of them. Gathering speakers for club meetings can be a daunting task - perhaps we can all help each other.

Rotary and Great Wolf Lodge help terminally ill child

City Point Energy Center

An ADVANTIX Company



Learn how Rotarians, workers at City Point Energy Center, and the Great Wolf Lodge joined together to support a six-year old child with Batten's Disease (a terminal illness) and his family by providing a three-day stay at the Great Wolf Lodge. For complete story go [HERE](#).

Club Newsletters:

Some clubs have published newsletters to share with their members. For ideas for your club...

Rotary Club of Chesterfield County click [HERE](#)

Rotary Club of Western Henrico click [HERE](#)

[Hampton Roads Club Events Upcoming:](#)

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The Rotary Clubs of Hampton Roads, Norfolk, Satellite Norfolk-Waterside, Norfolk Sunrise, Town Center Virginia Beach, Virginia Beach, Cape Henry and the Rotaract Club of Southside Roads
Welcome you to join us




Rotary Club of Hampton Roads
proudly presents

Big 80s
HANGAR PARTY


Coming April 6, 2019

Franklin, Suffolk, Smithfield joint event:

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**LET'S GO
BOWLING FOR CHARITY!**

All proceeds benefit our area charities!

March 2, 2019
Saturday, 1:30pm at Franklin Bowling Center
\$500/team

Support your community with a sponsorship or enter a team to play.

You can help make a difference!

Thank you!



Registration is Saturday at 1pm
For more information contact Charles Qualls at cqualls31@gmail.com

James City County Satellite Club's Valentine's Gala

To read details of the Valentine's Gala to support Latisha's House go [HERE](#).

* Youth Services in the News *

RYLEA Update:

Does your club support sending students to RYLEA. This wonderful event takes place during President's weekend at the 4-H camp in Wakefield. Students from around the area spend their weekend in group activities that enhance their leadership skills.

Note: This year the event will only be Saturday and Sunday since some area schools are holding classes on Monday (normally a day off) due to making up for snow days.

How to create a community-based Rotaract club

Watch the video >[HERE](#)

* Tech Tip of the Month *

You can find all the graphics and materials for the new RI logo and Rotary year at Rotary Brand Center. Click [HERE](#)

Note from DACdb: Since November 2018, the servers hosting the club Easy and Beautiful Websites have been upgraded. If your club uses DACdb to manage your club's domain, you need not do anything. BUT if you have another service managing your club's domain you need to have the DNS pointed to 216.198.210.213 in order for it to work.

* Save the Dates*

February 9: Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) at Blacksburg, VA

February 16: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) at Wakefield, Saturday / Sunday only

February 28: PETS (mandatory for all incoming Club Presidents)

March 16: RLI at Fairfax, VA

April 6: RLI at Norfolk, VA

April 27: District Training Assembly

The Rotary Foundation



A message from DRFC Chuck Arnason



DRFC Chuck Arnason was with RI PRIP Ron Burton at RI headquarters in Evanston.

Chuck says, "For the 11th consecutive year, the Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating - four stars - from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the US. The Foundation earned the recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how The Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness."

Foundation Trustee Chair, Ron Burton says, "We are extremely honored to be recognized. It represents the hard work and dedication of countless Rotarians throughout the world. They know their gifts will be used for the purpose for which they were given and that they will, indeed, make a real difference."

New Rotary Cycle Begins



Save the date for the next Grant Management Seminar - read the details [HERE](#).

South Boston District Grant in Progress





A district grant in South Boston is underway. Read the details [>HERE](#)

Clubs' Partnership with grant to Improve Day Care Centers





The Rotary Clubs of Virginia Peninsula and Warwick at City Center Newport News partnered to write a district grant to help with improvements at two day care centers in their area, one in Hampton (Giggles and Smiles Day Care) and the other in Newport News.

Bob Preston and wife recognition - Major Donor +4



L-R: PDG John Padgett, DRFC Chuck Arnason, Jane and Bob Preston, and Carl Davis (RI Senior Major Gifts Officer) posed after recognition ceremony.

Congratulations to Bob and Jane Preston! Read more [HERE](#).

Yorktown members Mike and Lois Hensley recognized



PDG John Padgett and DRFC Chuck Arnason traveled to Yorktown to recognize Mike and Lisa Hensley for their donation to the Rotary Foundation. Read more [HERE](#).

North Suffolk Club members recognized



At the Club's meeting recently, member Ben Lynch was recognized for his donations to the Rotary Foundation with a Paul Harris +6 pin. Congratulations Ben.

