

NOMIE HAMID, DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2024-2025

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Please Join Us at the House of Friendship at the Upcoming Joint District 7610 and 7620 Conference



Dear Fellow Rotarians and Community Partners, We are excited to invite you to participate in the House of Friendship at the upcoming Joint District 7610 and 7620 Conference, taking place from Friday, October 3 to Sunday, October 5, 2025, at the Westin City Center in Washington, D.C.

REGISTER HERE -->

The House of Friendship offers a unique opportunity to showcase your products, projects, or passions to a diverse audience of Rotarians and community members. Each exhibitor will be provided with a high-visibility location, a table, a table skirt, and two chairs. Setup is scheduled from 1:30 PM to 6:00 PM on Friday.

The participation rates are as follows:

- Clubs, Community Organizations, and Nonprofits: \$50 - For-Profit Businesses: \$100

SECURE YOUR SPOT --> https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77810857

We encourage you to reserve your table promptly, as spaces are limited and expected to fill up quickly.

For more information about the conference and additional opportunities for engagement, please contact:

7620 - Marilyn Nevy Cruz, 562-303-4711, mncruz10@gmail.com 7610 - Aimee Atteberry, aimeeatteberry@gmail.com

We look forward to your participation in making this year's House of Friendship a vibrant and enriching experience for all attendees.

#### Red Line Happy Hour April 29



### April 1, 2025

Have an announcement for District 7620? To be included in the weekly announcements, please submit your request no later than the Friday before the Tuesday publication if you want your announcement to be circulated and considered. Announcements past the Friday deadline will not be considered for the following week's announcements. Please contact DCO, Pamela Stern-Green at psgreen@verizon.net with any questions.

District 7620 Announcement Submission Form



#### Rotary Club of Lexington Park Announces its 27th Annual Charity Golf Tournament May 15

The Rotary Club of Lexington Park announces its 27th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Breton Bay Golf and Country Club in Leonardtown, MD. This Best Ball tournament overlooking Breton Bay includes prizes, coffee and donuts, lunch, post-tournament oyster bar, and dinner.

Rotary Club of Lexington Park invites community members, businesses, and golf enthusiasts to participate in this exciting charitable event.

To register or learn more, visit <u>https://rotarylp.org/annual-golf-classic-2025php.php</u>.



#### 2026-27 Rotary Peace Fellowship Application is Available Through 15 May 2025

The 2026-27 Rotary Peace Fellowship application is available online through 15 May 2025 at this link: https://my.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowship-application



If you know a potential candidate, use the Rotary International referral form so they can receive more information: https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_cP8EInvsT3toZOB

A club or district recommendation is optional, but strongly encouraged as part of the application of a candidate.

Submitted applications are screened for eligibility requirements. Qualified applications move forward for further review and evaluation. The Rotary Peace Centers Committee, composed of Rotary members, and university representatives review the top candidates and select finalists. Top candidates may be contacted by the university for an interview. Selected candidates are notified in November.

Throughout the process, applications are reviewed based on the following criteria: Qualification based on the eligibility requirements English proficiency Commitment to peace and development Leadership potential

Compatibility with fellowship objectives and fit with Rotary Academic record and compatibility with preferred university program

Feasibility and impact of Social Change Initiative (certificate only)

Rotary Peace Fellowships may not be used for doctoral study.

The following people are not eligible for the fellowship: Active Rotary members, or Rotaract members who are also Rotary members\* Employees of a Rotary club or district, Rotary International, or other Rotary entity Spouses, lineal descendants (children or grandchildren by blood or legal adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parents or grandparents by blood) of any living person in these categories Former Rotary members and their relatives as described above (within 36 months of their resignation) \* Rotaract club members who are not also Rotary club members are eligible to apply.

For questions please contact District Peace Fellow Chair Ukpeme Akpan Okon at emepaix@yahoo.com.

#### 2025-26 District Grant Applications Are OPEN!

Got a great idea for a community project? Now's your chance to make it happen! The window for District 7620

Grant Applications is officially open from March 1st through May 31st, 2025. These matching District Designated Funds (DDF) grants are perfect for short-term, high-impact humanitarian projects—whether it's funding small capital items, startup initiatives, or services that bring direct, tangible benefits to communities both locally and globally

What You Need to Know:

Competitive Grants – Funding is awarded based on merit!

Deadline to Complete Projects – May 31, 2026.

Submit Electronically – Applications accepted only via the DACdb Grants Module.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - available for Rotary Club signatures on the District website under the Foundation tab

What Makes a Winning Application? The District Grants Committee will evaluate projects based on:

- Project Objectives Clear need, strong community input, and alignment with Rotary's Focus Areas.
  Project Design & Management Well-defined roles, responsibilities, and timelines.

- Impact & Sustainability Measurable outcomes, data-backed success, and long-term benefits. Financial Feasibility A detailed budget with transparent funding sources, including Rotary & non-Rotary contributions and matching DDF.

Need Help? Have an idea but not sure where to start? Reach out! The District Grants Committee is happy to discuss your project and guide you through the process. Email one of the Grants Committee Members: Mimi Kanda mk8601@aol.com, Phil Řeynolds philreynolds60@hotmail.com, Linda Lymas lindalymas@aol.com, Patsy Ezell pezell@umd.edu, Daniel Fisher Daniel@solveitgroup.com or B.J. Chamberlain-Skinner bichamberlain@counsellor.com Let's UNITE FOR GOOD and create lasting change—apply today!

#### REMINDERS

#### North Bethesda Rotary 51st Anniversary Charter Night April 26



To Rotary District 7620 Leadership Team Members:

Next month we'll be celebrating the 51st anniversary of our founding and the launching of a new award program for our club. We would like to invite you to attend our 51st Anniversary Charter Night to help us celebrate!

On Saturday, April 26, we will be presenting the first North Bethesda Rotary Professional Service Award to an outstanding member of our community who exemplifies the Four Way Test. The event will be at Maggiano's Little Italy restaurant in Chevy Chase.

Space may be limited, so sign up yourself, your spouse, and friends as soon as possible. Thanks! The cost for the dinner is \$110 per person. Here's the signup link (we'll send you an invoice you can pay via credit card). Also attached is the invitation you can print out or share. Thanks!

Register Here:

https://nbrotary.org/charternight/

Kevin Flynn Past President Rotary Club of North Bethesda

#### Which Frederick County Rotary Club Rules the Green?

Are you up for the challenge? The Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County personally invites you to join us for a day of camaraderie, competition, and a great cause! The Service Above Self Golf Tournament is your chance to enjoy a round of golf while representing your club in the spirit of friendly competition.

- Form Your Team: Gather your best golfers and enjoy a day on the course.

- Bragging Rights Await: Will your club take home the championship?

- A Day to Remember: Great golf, great food, and great company-all while coming together as Rotarian neighbors to support one another.

- May 15th, 2025 | Worthington Manor Golf Club in Urbana

Don't miss out-be a sponsor or register your team today! ?? ServiceAboveSelfGolf.com

We'll see you at the tee box!

In Service. The Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County (Kelly McQuillen, 301-639-6002, kelly.mcquillen@ignitehcm.com)

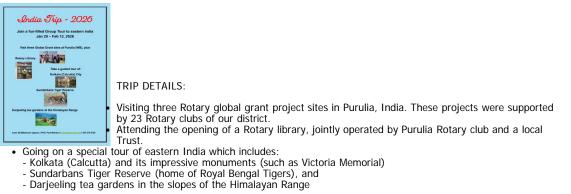
#### **INDIA TRIP - 2026**

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You are invited to join a fun-filled two-week group tour to eastern India. In Feb 2026, we are organizing an India trip for interested Rotarians and Rotaractors. The details of the trip are provided below. See also the attached Flyer with pictures.

For further information, contact: Paul Mahata at Rotary Club of Mt Airy, Pmahata@verizon.net Tel: 301-275-9730.





Expected cost for this fun-filled trip is \$2,500/person, including air fare. Purulia Rotary club will appreciate any donation toward their library project.

We had organized a similar group tour in 2020, and it was a grand success. Six Rotarians had joined in to visit northern India at that time.

Early decision from your part by March/April will help us plan the trip better.