



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 2, 2025

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly ICA Call TODAY, September 2 at 5:00 p.m.

Please be reminded that our next monthly ICA call will be **Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. EDT**, and you definitely won't want to miss it !! After we recap last month's meeting, we plan to make a **BIG ANNOUNCEMENT** about the future of our Zone 33 ICA journey. We encourage you in the meantime to revisit your most recent monthly reporting data in the New Club Performance Google Sheet found [HERE](#) so that you are always prepared to discuss where the problems are, and more importantly, how you plan to work through them. Don't forget you can also reach out to your connected Zone ICA Team member for additional insight !! Remember . . . together, we can continue to explore the infinite number of ways to collaborate, guide and assist each other moving forward into the new Rotary year and make it even better than the last. Please come prepared to be vocal, insightful and intentional.

Again, below you can see the connection details for the link and current schedule for EACH AND EVERY monthly ICA meeting for 2025-26. You also can connect to our meetings using the calendar function in DACdb (be sure the box for multi-district events is checked in the calendar). See you soon !!

Sincerely,

Sean J. Sawyer
Your Zone 33 Innovative Club Advocate Team Lead

Topic: Zone 33 Monthly ICA Call
Time: Sep 2, 2025 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Every month on the First Tue, until Jun 2, 2026, 10 occurrence(s)
Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/84770214158?pwd=cTnoanYEOMYJGfakZ21fqf4D1ahdda.1>
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Join Zoom Meeting

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District Governor Office Hours



Join DG, Mandy Granger for District 7620 Office hours! Office hours are held via Zoom on the following days:

- **First Friday of each month at 8 AM**
- **Third Monday of each month at 6 PM**

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Seeking District Volunteers!

District 7620 is in need of volunteers. We are looking for a Weekly Announcements editor and members for the district grants committee. Anyone interested in receiving more information may contact DG Mandy Warfield Granger at mwgranger.rotary@gmail.com

Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland's Polo Classic Sept 13

It's time to gather our fellow Rotarians for a day of fellowship, fun, and polo! Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland's 6th Annual Polo Classic is coming up on **September 13** at the beautiful **Congressional Polo Club in Poolesville, Maryland**, and we'd love for District 7620 to be part of the excitement.

In partnership with our local Rotary Clubs, HFHMM is offering **each Rotary Club a complimentary tailgate spot**. Just have your Club President reach out to me directly to reserve a spot. Plus, **all Rotarians receive \$35 off admission** with the promo code in the attached flyer!

This is a fantastic opportunity to relax, connect, and celebrate the incredible impact Rotary and Habitat make in our communities. Let's show how we're **'United for Good'** while enjoying a spectacular day on the polo field.



Rotary Club of Frederick Raffle



The Rotary Club of Frederick invites you to participate in our exclusive raffle for a once-in-a-lifetime experience in Augusta, GA. Here is your chance to attend one of golf's most prestigious events – The Masters – all while supporting a local cause.

Only 2,000 tickets will be sold. \$50 = 1 raffle entry.

Two grand prize winners will be selected to receive (Winner 1: Thurs & Fri | Winner 2: Sat & Sun):

- Two-night accommodations
- Two tournament badges per winner for two tournament rounds
- \$1500 travel credit

See full details, rules and purchase ticket at <https://givebutter.com/c/cqoR8h>. Raffle is not affiliated with The Masters or Augusta National. Email frederickrotaryclub@gmail.com with any questions.

Get Your Feet Wet ... Try a Rotary Grant even if not MOU Qualified!

The District Governor (DG) and District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC) are encouraging all clubs to experience the benefits of Rotary grants. As a special, one-time opportunity, every Rotary club in our District—whether MOU qualified or not—may apply for up to \$1,000 in 2:1 matching District Designated Funds (DDF) to support a local project.

Key Parameters:

- Open to clubs that have not received District DDF this year (as lead or contributing club)
- Available regardless of MOU compliance
- Requires a 2:1 match (example: \$1,000 DDF with \$500 club contribution)
- Local projects only
- Maximum of \$1,000 per grant

Must meet Rotary International and District requirements, including:

- o At least one applicant has completed grants training (video available on the District website under Foundation ? Grants)
 - o Submitted in DACdb
 - o Balanced budget with supporting quotes
 - o Letters of commitment from cooperating partners
 - o Project completed and Final Report to be submitted by May 15
- Compliant applications will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until the available \$12,000 in DDF is allocated.

Rotary grants open the door for clubs to expand their impact far beyond what local resources alone can accomplish. Matching funds multiply your contributions, bring projects to life, and create opportunities for members to engage

more deeply while showcasing Rotary's reach. If your club has never applied before, this is the perfect way to get started and see how powerful Rotary grants can be.

Need assistance? Want to bounce an idea for a grant? Reach out to a member of the District Grants Committee: Linda Lymas, Phil Reynolds, Patsy Ezell, Daniel Fisher, Mimi Kanda, Martin Mushambo and Alexa Bedwell.

Call for Nominations: 2026 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship

It's time to identify and nominate outstanding candidates for the 2026 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship! With the power of your District Designated Funds (DDF) and Rotary International's matching funds, our District can award up to \$30,000 to a candidate pursuing graduate studies in one of Rotary's Areas of Focus outside the United States.

What Clubs Need to Do
September–December: Identify, interview, and endorse qualified candidates.

December 31: Deadline to submit club endorsements online to the District Global Grants Scholarship Committee using the following link - Club Endorsement.

February–March: District finalist interviews.

March–April: District selection of scholar(s).

May–June: District submits Global Grant application and partners candidate with a host Rotary club in the destination country.

August: Scholarship funds become available; most scholars begin studies.

Key Eligibility Rules (Remember 1–2–3!) Graduate studies only (no undergraduate programs).
Outside the United States.

Degree must align with one of Rotary's Areas of Focus.

Together, let's Unite for Good by launching a scholar who will create measurable, sustainable change in the world!

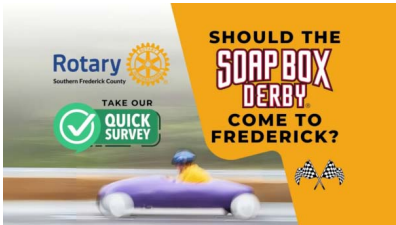
Contact Kristin Post, District 7620 Peace Fellow and Global Scholarship Chair, for more information.

District-Wide Input Needed: Soap Box Derby in Frederick County?

The Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County is exploring the possibility of bringing the All-American Soap Box Derby tradition to Frederick County (MD)—and we'd love your input!

Take the 2-minute survey here: <https://forms.gle/mDjyLTDEc11BicSL7>

We're also interested in learning whether other Rotary Clubs in District 7620 would like to partner with the Southern Frederick County Club to help bring this event to life.



To learn more or discuss partnering opportunities, please contact:
Dr. Jon Moles – drmoles@molesortho.com

For generations, Soap Box Derby races have united families, friends, and neighbors for a day of fun, teamwork, and unforgettable memories. Imagine cheering crowds, homemade racers, and a showcase of community spirit right here in Maryland.

Your feedback and partnership interest will help shape whether this beloved tradition finds a new home in Frederick County.

Bus Tour for Seniors



My name is Wanda Young, and I am a member of the Pikesville Owings Mills Rotary Club.

I am organizing a bus tour for seniors, adults and families to visit the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, Kentucky.

This 5-day, 4-night tour departs from the Baltimore area and offers a meaningful and uplifting travel experience centered on fellowship, and fun. Seniors are encouraged to join us and bring a roommate, spouse, or friend.

I am reaching out to kindly request if you are able to share this opportunity within the weekly newsletter. Should Rotary Members join this tour, a portion of the proceeds from those travelers will be donated to the Pikesville Owings Mills Rotary Club.

Trip Overview:

Fellowship! 5 Day/4 Night Bus Tour to the Ark Encounter in Kentucky — a life-sized replica of Noah's Ark built to Biblical dimensions.

Trip Dates: April 6 - 10, 2026 - Only \$769.
Perfect for everyone & their travel buddies (roommates welcome!)
Faith • Fellowship • Fun • Easy travel

Round-trip luxury bus w/movies, games and snacks
Hotel stay, 4 breakfasts & 4 Dinners, Gratuities included
Ark Encounter admission
Creation Museum
Riverboat Sightseeing Cruise
National Underground Railroad Museum

Relaxed itinerary, plenty of social time

Affordable Pricing – Payment Options - Limited Seats Available! Bring a friend or spouse

Call/Text/DM/Message Wanda 443.844.6607

Or Email: worldtravelwithwanda@gmail.com

Departing from: Baltimore

A printable flyer is attached and I'd be happy to provide bulletin-ready text or speak briefly with you.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration. I truly believe this tour will leave many with both inspiration and a joyful connection.

There's an entire world out there awaiting our footprints. Let's keep exploring through adventures in travel!

For the love of Rotary, I remain determined!

Wanda B. Young

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Phone: 443.844.6607

REMINDERS

John Clark Memorial PolioPlus Baseball Night

Rescheduled to
September 4!

**JOHN CLARK MEMORIAL
BAYSOX GAME**
~~JULY 31~~ / BOWIE, MD



Polio Plus Baseball Night
Look for the Rotary table on the 3rd base side, directly across from the food stands.

General Admission seating on the 3rd base side

\$15 tickets includes a \$5 food coupon
AND the Baysox will make a donation to End Polio Now after the game.

LOCATION: Prince George's Stadium
DATE: July 31, 2025, 6:35pm
Happy Hour Drinks in the main concourse tent: 5PM-6:30PM
Game 6:35pm

September 4

Tickets are \$15
Contact Dave Vogel (443-306-3398) or Bob Sartwell (443-306-4997) to buy tickets.



Please consider joining us for Rotary Baseball Night at the Chesapeake Baysox game on Thursday, September 4th. We will be raising money for Polio eradication and celebrating the life and accomplishments of our own John Clark, who spearheaded this event for the last 4 years.

Date: September 4, 2025

Time: 5:00-6:30pm happy hour drinks in the main concourse tent, game begins at 6:35pm

Location: Prince George's Stadium, 4101 Crain Hwy, Bowie, MD 20716

Tickets are \$15. Contact Dave Vogel (443-306-3398) or Bob Sartwell (443-306-4997) to buy tickets.

Joint 7610-7620 DisCon House of Friendship Sign-Up



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

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 - Theresa Garcia-Parks, rotariangarciaparks@gmail.com
 7610 - Pat Borowski, paborowski@cox.net

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

Joint 7610-7620 DisCon Mega Hospitality Suite Sign-Up



To reserve your table, please contact:

7610: **Andrea Savitch** asavitch@uniquetravevents.com
 7620: **Sterling Hoffman** at sterling@sterlingportraits.com



Don't Miss Out — Book Your Room for the 2025 Joint District Conference!



Fellow Rotarians,

Our [Joint District 7610 & 7620 Conference](#) is just around the corner — happening October 3–5, 2025, in the heart of Washington, D.C. This will be a weekend you won't want to miss!

We're bringing together Rotarians from across two districts for:

- Inspiring keynote speakers who will challenge and motivate us
- Dynamic breakout sessions on service, leadership, innovation, and Rotary's future
- Hands-on service projects making a real impact right here in D.C.
- The [House of Friendship](#) — your hub for networking, collaboration, and sharing ideas
- Evening celebrations and fellowship that capture the true Rotary spirit

All of this is happening in one location — and staying onsite means you'll be at the center of the action from the first cup of coffee to the last conversation of the night.

Why book now? [Our special conference room block](#) is limited and only available **until September 23**. Once it's gone, it's gone — and we want you there with us for the full experience.

?? [Reserve your hotel room](#) today and make sure you're part of the most energizing Rotary weekend of the year!

We're looking forward to seeing you in D.C. — and making this a conference to remember.

Yours in Rotary,

2025 District Conference Executive Committee