



MANDY WARFIELD GRANGER, DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2025-2026



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 30, 2025

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Red Line Happy Hour Oct. 28

Click here to [Register NOW](#)

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81560125331?pwd=XiVYIF8B0jo1UABFNpdfBodGeYsrr.1>

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Submitting Announcement Requests for Publication

District 7620 sends weekly email announcements every Tuesday morning, promoting District and Club projects and events to the entire District membership. If you have an announcement you'd like included, please submit your request **no later than** Friday for the following Tuesday if you want your announcement to be considered. Announcements past the Friday deadline will not be considered for the following week's announcements. Please

RED LINE

HAPPY HOUR

AND COSTUME PARTY

Host: Rotaract Club of Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, October 28

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Ellipse Rooftop Bar

1522 K Street NW, Washington, D.C.

Join us and network with members from various Rotary and Rotaract Clubs in the DC Metro Area.

Bethesda Chevy Chase | Capitol Hill | College Park | Downtown Silver Spring | Dupont Circle
Gaithersburg | International Friendship | Metro Bethesda | North Bethesda | Olney
Potomac Passport | Rockville | Washington D.C. | Washington Global
Washington Area Rotaract Clubs

Rotary District 7620

contact DCO, **Pamela Stern-Green** at psgreen@verizon.net with any questions.

[District 7620 Announcement Submission Form](#)

REMINDERS

Fear of Missing Out?

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REGISTER TODAY!

Rotary **DISCON 2025**
Districts 7610 & 7620

Join Us in Washington, D.C. for the [2025 Rotary District 7610 & 7620 Joint District Conference!](#)

Rotarians from [Rotary District 7610](#) & [Rotary District 7620](#) are uniting for a weekend of inspiration, connection, and fun in our nation's capital!

DisCon 2025 Highlights:

Friday: Scavenger Hunt, Peacebuilding Workshop, documentary screening + panel, and our lively International Night to Unite for Good!

Saturday: Morning mindfulness, powerful keynotes, breakout sessions (AI, Peace, Youth & more), service project, local dine-arounds (\$), and hospitality fun!

Sunday: Final sessions + optional outing to a Washington Spirit soccer game!
House of Friendship open all weekend!

Stay at the [The Westin Washington, D.C. City Center](#)
<https://book.passkey.com/event/50961144/owner/1686/home>

Register & learn more:

7610: <https://www.rotary7610.org/district-conference/>
7620: <https://www.rotary7620.org/discon-2526/>

Follow us on [Facebook](#) for updates!

Let's come together to connect, learn, and serve—see you there! [#DisCon2025](#) [#UniteForGood](#)

Peacebuilding Workshops at the DISCON Oct. 3

Discover the Power of Peacebuilding at the DISCON from 2-5 pm on Friday Oct. 3rd

The District 7620 Peace Committee is sponsoring two outstanding Peacebuilding workshops designed and facilitated by the Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution at George Mason University. These workshops are part of the Rotary-Carter Collaboration for Peace. **These workshops are open to registered DISCON participants only.**

There is no extra fee for these workshops. You can still register for the DISCON at:
<https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77810858&NoCaptcha>

Workshop Date: Friday October 3, 2025 from 2:00-5:00pm

The Beginners Peacebuilding Workshop in the East Wing of the Westin Hotel. It is tailored for Rotarians with no experience in using conflict resolution skills. Participants will learn about and styles of conflict and conflict resolution, techniques for building trust, and how to apply these skills in their clubs and communities.

The Advanced Peacebuilding Workshop in the west wing of the Westin Hotel. It is designed for Rotarians with conflict resolution experience who want to hone their skills. Participants will develop negotiation and mediation skills and learn tactics for addressing interorganizational conflict and how to apply these skills in their clubs and communities.

If you are registered for the DISCON and want to participate in one of these workshops, please email Mari Clark, Chair of the District 7620 Peace Committee at marianth05@yahoo.com and provide the following information: Beginners or Advanced Workshop, Name, Rotary Club, email, mobile phone, role in your club, and conflict scenarios you would like addressed.

Service Event at the Joint District Conference Oct. 4

We're delighted to announce that for our service event on Saturday, October 4 at the Joint District Conference, we are again partnering with [Friendship Place](#) following our successful service project at last year's DisCon.

We'll be collecting items that Friendship Place can distribute to our unhoused neighbors. Please let us know what you'll be bringing by [clicking here](#) or sending an email to office@rotary7620.org.

You can [check here to see our current item count](#) if you'd like to see what's already been purchased. If you would like to donate but are unable to attend the District Conference, you're welcome to send items along with a fellow club member or Assistant Governor who may be attending.

Friendship Place is the premier housing service provider for people experiencing homelessness in the DC region. Their innovative, customized, person-focused programs empower participants to rebuild their lives, find homes, get jobs and reconnect with friends, family and the community, permanently. We're proud to partner with them to provide relief and build solutions.

If you have any questions about the project, please reach out to [Meesh Peters \(7610\)](#) or [Rafael Centeno \(7620\)](#)

Warm regards,
The Districts 7610 & 7620 Joint Conference Team

Joint 7610-7620 DisCon House of Friendship Sign-Up



The graphic is a promotional poster for the 'House of Friendship EXPO'. It features a dark blue background with white and yellow text. On the left, the text reads 'House of Friendship EXPO' in large, bold letters, followed by 'RESERVE YOUR TABLE TODAY!' in smaller yellow text. Below this, a calendar icon is shown next to pricing: '\$50 | Clubs & Non-Profits' and '\$100 | Businesses'. At the bottom left is the Rotary logo and 'Districts 7610 & 7620'. On the right side, there are two circular images: the top one shows a group of people standing together, and the bottom one shows two hands shaking in a firm grip. The text 'DISCON 2025' is written in large, bold, yellow letters at the bottom right of the graphic.

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 - Susan Gordon, susangordonrotary@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.

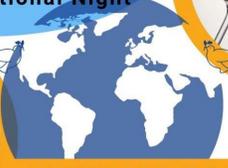
Joint 7610-7620 DisCon Mega Hospitality Suite Sign-Up

Rotary  **DISCON**
Districts 7610 & 7620

Hospitality Night

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD @ 7:00PM

SNACKS/LIBATIONS
Club Participation Tables
7610 Andrea Savitch, asavitch@uniquetravevents.com
7620 Sterling Hoffman, sterling@sterlingportraits.com
Friday International Night



UNITE FOR GOOD

To reserve your table, please contact:

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

Rotary  **DISCON**
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Hospitality Night

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH @ 8:00PM

SNACKS/LIBATIONS
Club Participation Tables
7610 Andrea Savitch, asavitch@uniquetravevents.com
7620 Sterling Hoffman, sterling@sterlingportraits.com
Saturday is FUN Night



UNITE FOR GOOD

BCC Rotary Hosts Third Annual Rotary Hold 'Em Game Oct. 10

Please join host BCC Rotary President Jamie Arthurs for the THIRD Rotary Hold 'Em game! 50/50 Split between the winner and the Bethesda Chevy Chase Rotary Foundation. 50 dollar Buy in with Max 25 dollar one time re-up. 18 max for poker, 30 max for party.

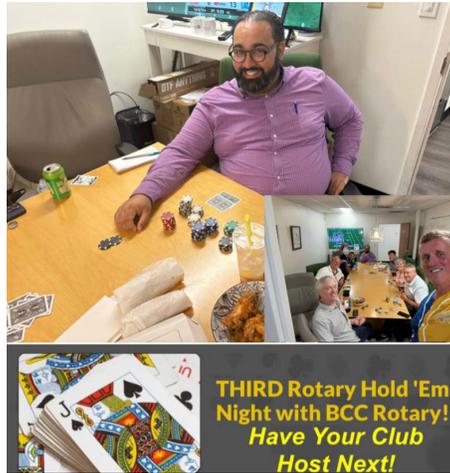
Friday, October 10 7:30-11pm. Must RSVP. Sign Up Genius:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4AACAF2FA2FD0-58567796-third#/>

Don't play Texas Hold Em? No worries! We have a game good for beginners. We will increase the stakes gradually until there's a single winner. Our goal is to have monthly games with other clubs eventually hosting, like Rotary Red Line. We already have some great hosts lined up for future games. Eventually we can have a solid core of folks who would help us launch a once a year 7620 Poker Tournament! WE NEED MORE CLUBS TO HOST ROTARY HOLD 'EM PARTIES! We can loan you the chips and walk you through how to do it.

Here's a guide to hosting a game: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BvWndugnPySQE3INMRVO7rsgqopzE9ot/view?usp=drive_link

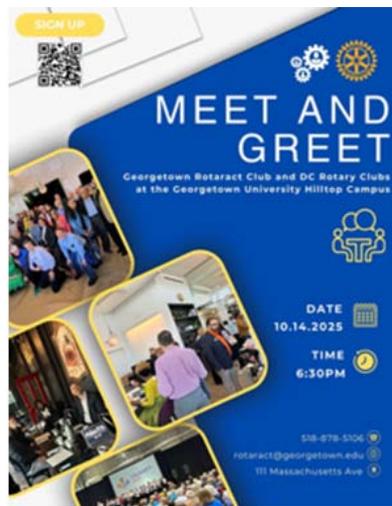
To sign your club up Email David Searby Metro Bethesda Rotary: david@beachcorps.com

On Friday September 5, IPDG Nomie Hamid hosted a group of Rotarians and guests (photo shows Nomie before he lost all his chips :-)) The second "Rotary Hold 'Em" Poker Party, raising \$287.50 for a District 7620 project TBD to honor Metro Bethesda Rotary Member Barton Goldenberg, who passed recently.



Career Meet and Greet Oct. 14

Rotaract Club of Georgetown University and Rotaract of DC are looking to invite Rotarians to the Georgetown Capitol Hill Campus for a Career Meet and Greet Event where Rotarians will help advertise their careers and answer questions about their job industry from Georgetown Rotaract students. This is a great event to get to connect with the next generation of Rotary! It will take place 10/14 from 6pm-7:30pm with more details to come. Here in an interest link if you are looking to attend: <https://forms.gle/ANYCBsDznCBXzp7hZ>

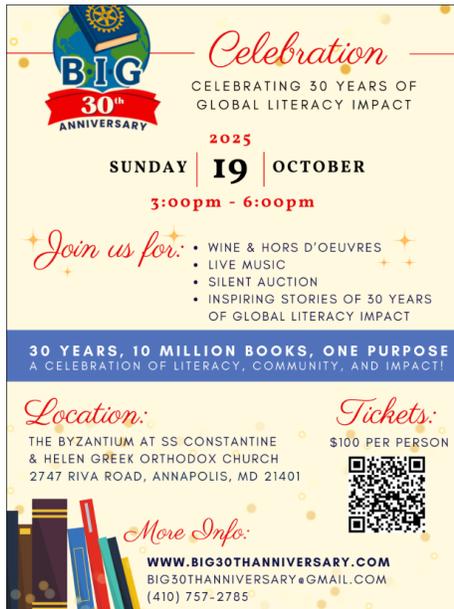


Celebrate 30 Years of Books International Goodwill (B.I.G.) Oct. 19

Parole Rotary Club's signature project, Books International Goodwill (B.I.G.), has been giving books new life for 30 years. By recycling books no longer needed by current owners, B.I.G. has placed more than 10 million books into the hands of new readers—serving schools, libraries, and communities across the U.S. and in more than 40 countries worldwide. The hunger for books and knowledge staggers the imagination. B.I.G. provides learning, inspiration, and opportunity both locally and globally—demonstrating the power of Rotary service in action.

We invite all Rotarians and friends to join us in celebrating this 30th Anniversary milestone — using the QR code in the announcement to purchase tickets. Come be part of this momentous achievement to honor the past, celebrate the present, and look ahead to the future of B.I.G.

For more information: <https://sites.google.com/view/big30thanniversary/home>



BIG 30th ANNIVERSARY *Celebration*
 CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF GLOBAL LITERACY IMPACT

2025
SUNDAY | 19 | OCTOBER
3:00pm - 6:00pm

Join us for:

- WINE & HORS D'OEUVRES
- LIVE MUSIC
- SILENT AUCTION
- INSPIRING STORIES OF 30 YEARS OF GLOBAL LITERACY IMPACT

30 YEARS, 10 MILLION BOOKS, ONE PURPOSE
 A CELEBRATION OF LITERACY, COMMUNITY, AND IMPACT!

Location:
 THE BYZANTIUM AT SS CONSTANTINE & HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
 2747 RIVA ROAD, ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401

Tickets:
 \$100 PER PERSON

More Info:
 WWW.BIG30THANNIVERSARY.COM
 BIG30THANNIVERSARY@GMAIL.COM
 (410) 757-2785

Rotary Club of Howard West Fundraiser Nov. 1

The Rotary Club of Howard West invites all Rotarians to participate in our thrilling fundraiser on November 1, 2025.



Rotary Club of Howard West (MD)

*Early Bird tickets: \$275pp until 09/22/25
 General tickets: \$300pp or less (2 for \$500 when purchased together) (code: RCHW2)
 Group tickets: \$1,350 for a table of ten (code: RCHW3)*

Harvesting Hope Servant Leadership Awards & Annual Fundraiser
Saturday, November 1, 2025
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET

Here's What To Expect:

ENTERTAINMENT:
 Be amazed by a world class Magic Show with Mr. Dave Thomen of D's Magic
 • davemagic.com

FOOD:
 Enjoy an array of international cuisines sure to delight every palate.

BEACON OF HOPE AWARDS:
 Celebrate the extraordinary individuals being honored.

SILENT AUCTIONS:
 Bid on exclusive items and experiences while supporting a great cause.

ATTIRE:
 Step out in Glimmer & Glamour – dress to impress!

The Kittleman Room (DH 100)
 Duncan Hall
 Howard Community College
 10901 Little Patuxent Parkway
 Columbia, MD 21044

Tickets or Questions?
 Dr. Geetha Jayaram: districtgovernor212@gmail.com
 Ms. Rudy Scott: rudyfscott@gmail.com

The Rotary Club of Rockville, Maryland Peace Concert Nov. 15

The Rotary Club of Rockville, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Greenbelt and the Rotary Club of Gaithersburg, proudly presents the Rotary Club of Rockville, Maryland Peace Concert — a celebration of unity, understanding, and peace.

Through the universal languages of music, spoken words, dance, and collaborative performances, this special event will highlight Rotary International's mission to foster peace and goodwill in our communities and beyond.

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15, 2025, at 2:00 pm

Location: Carnation Room, Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive, Rockville, MD 20850

Our Aims:

- Promote peace through Rotary's global network,
- Inspire connections through artistic expressions,
- Celebrate diversity and collaborations,
- Create shared spaces for reflections, hopes, and peace.

Kindly join us for an event of uplifting performances and community spirit as we come together to make peace possible.

Note that the cost of general admission tickets or donations are not tax-deductible.

Purchase tickets here: <https://buytickets.at/rockvillerotary/1857074>

Thank you

Environmental Youth Summit | Rotary Club of Southern Frederick

County Nov. 16

IT'S BACK! **SAVE THE DATE**

The Rotary Club Southern Frederick is proud to once again host this meaningful event that is perfect for high school students to get involved and fight against climate change.

All information can be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1KxThVczs9/>
Hit the "GOING" button and be the FIRST to know when the registration link goes LIVE!

If you know of a student passionate about creating a greener future, don't miss this chance to join!

When: 11/16/25, 10am-3pm

Where: Bar-T Mountainside, 2822 Roderick Rd, Frederick MD 21704

STUDENT REGISTRATION LINK WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON Students will learn about:

1. Food recovery and composting
2. Funding for free tree plantings
3. Plastics recovery
4. Sustainable architecture
5. Lithium-Ion recovery
6. Green school certification

Rotary Club of Rockville Looking for Sponsors for Rockville 2025 10K/5K Event

November 2, 2025 at 8:30 am, the longest continuous road race in Montgomery County will kick off and we are in charge of getting sponsors for this run.

It is a wonderful community gathering. Every dollar that we generate for this fundraiser is part of the pot of money that we give away in 2026. So think about who can sponsor this and how it can help your favorite charity that we give money to.

We co-host every year with the City of Rockville and the Montgomery County Road Runners. There will be about 1500 runners and about 3000-5000 spectators.

If you have a prospective sponsor in mind but do not know how to approach them, Doug, Denise or Andrew can help. Our goal this year is 15,000. Last year we raised around 12,000.

What does your Sponsorship do? The annual Rockville Rotary Foundation has raised over 1.5 million dollars since it began in 1980. And all of it has benefited citizens of Rockville and charities around the world.

Almost 1800 runners annually participate in this 5/10K race through Rockville neighborhoods. All funds raised each year are divided between the 501(c)(3) Rockville Rotary Foundation and the Rockville Recreation Fund. The Rockville Recreation Fund annually provides hundreds of low income children and families with funding to participate in summer camps, sports leagues, after-school day-care, teen programs and community center classes and activities. The Rockville Rotary Foundation supports local homeless shelters, food programs, needy families, Scouting organizations, historic projects, Rotary International's Polio Eradication Initiative, as well as many health and education programs in the U.S., India, Kenya and Mexico.

We've worked hard to get mentions and fans on social media. Check us out on www.facebook.com/rockville10k5. For inquiries about sponsorship applications and submissions, please contact:

Doug Hemmig, dhemmig@comcast.net and cell 240-793-8432,

Andrew Einsmann, drewster711@gmail.com

Denise Frederick, denise.s.fredericks@gmail.com or

Derrick Thompson, dthompson@rockvillemd.gov

Mail Check to : Rockville Rotary Foundation, 306 Linthicum St, Rockville, MD 20850

Thank you

Request For Volunteers: Rotary at the October Annapolis Boat Shows



Are you ready to 'Unite For Good' and make a splash for Rotary?

The Parole Rotary Club in Annapolis, together with the Annapolis Rotary Club and Annapolis Boat Show, is thrilled to showcase Rotary with a Booth at this year's exciting October Boat Shows! The 2025 Annapolis Powerboat Show runs October 2-5, followed closely by the Annapolis Sailboat Show from October 9-12.

We need your energy, your stories, and your passion! Join us as vibrant ambassadors at our Rotary Booth and volunteer to showcase your stories.

Click on [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040444A9AD2AA0FB6-50889379-rotary#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040444A9AD2AA0FB6-50889379-rotary#/) to volunteer for the available time slots.

As a thank you, volunteers will enjoy access to the Boat Show before and after their shift. Just arrive 15-20 minutes prior to your scheduled time to pick up your wristband at the Boat Show Office.