

A SCHOLARLY EVENING WITH GOVERNOR BARTON AND DISTRICT'S SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

By Kristin Post, District Chair of the Peace Fellow Selection Committee

With the inbound global grant scholars mid-way through their studies, and the recent selection of the Rotary Peace Fellow nominees, DG Barton Goldenberg and his wife Marina hosted these scholarship recipients and Rotarians

Peace Fellowship. Alaa Hammouda was sponsored by the Bethesda Chevy Chase Rotary Club. She is originally from Palestine, and was visiting D.C. as a National Democratic Institute Fellow when she applied for the Fellowship. She will attend the Duke/UNC program in North Carolina. Carl Vosloh was nominated by the Metro Bethesda Rotary Club. He is originally from Colombia, has lived in Washington D.C. for several years, and has worked on various District projects alongside Carla Montanez and others. Carl will attend Uppsala University in Sweden. A third nominee, Hilary Landfried, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Dupont Circle, has been selected as an alternate to Uppsala.

The global grant application process ends in January. The peace fellow application process will begin in February. Now is the time to tell promising students about all of the amazing scholarship opportunities Rotary has to offer.



[Above] A scholarly evening with DG Barton and District 7620's scholarship recipients.

at their home in January. They served a delicious buffet meal, drinks, and provided a lovely opportunity for fellowship and conversation among a diverse group of students who have the potential to change the world!

There are twelve global grant scholars attending universities across the District 7620. Many are studying health, and a few are specializing in international relations at George Washington University, Georgetown, and Johns Hopkins to name a few. They hail from Asia and Europe. Some students had not yet returned to the area from their holiday break, but Mr. Kana Matsuo and his wife and children, Ms. Teeun Kwon and Ms. Héloïse Wiart attended and described their impressive research interests.

Two Rotary World Peace Fellow nominees also attended that evening. At the end of 2019, Rotary International announced the recipients of the 2020-2021 Rotary World

CHARLES COUNTY ROTARY FUNDED SO. MD. FOOD BANK

On November 20 the Rotary Club of Charles County presented a \$1,000 check to the Southern Maryland Food Bank. The fund will go to help fund winter essentials for the food bank. The food bank is also initiating a virtual food drive. More information can be found at southernmarylandfoodbank.com by clicking on "Online Holiday Food Drive." Every year, the Rotary Club of Charles County raises approximately \$70,000 to support local and international charities and projects. The majority of the donated funds come from the club's annual lobster festival, held each fall at the Charles County Fairgrounds.



[Above] Nov. 20, the Rotary Club of Charles County presented a \$1,000 check to the Southern Maryland Food Bank. From left, Chris Zabriskie, Rotary Club of Charles County president, and Tony Jennigan, member, present an oversize check to Southern Maryland Food Bank director Brenda DiCarlo and regional distribution manager George Mattingly.