

UPCOMING EVENTS

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District Conference
The Graduate, Annapolis



GOVERNOR JIMMIE GORSKI'S REMARKS AT THE JUNE 28TH INSTALLATION CEREMONY

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across our district, to examine the problem of hunger and to address these problems in ways that best fit the needs of those areas.

A unique program started in Southern Maryland, led by civic leader Bernie Fowler and endorsed by our Governor Larry Hogan, Farming 4 Hunger, combines our fight against Opioid addiction with instruction on making good choices and eating healthy foods grown in local communities. Beginning in elementary schools in our district, the premise is that early on making wise food choices can and does transfer to making wise decisions in other aspects of life.

Also, I would like clubs to consider addressing the issues of honoring those who help us every day—our first responders and other medical personnel, educators, local and state law enforcement, veterans, and others that fit into the areas serviced by our clubs.

As an educator for over 30 years in a number of services at different levels, I have been an advocate for youth. My interests lie in programs to promote and further the growth of young people. At the request of RI President Holger Knaack,

I would like to lead our district in programs to show that youth can, indeed, be sources of action and innovation as we all work together to achieve greater understanding of our world.

I thank those who are here tonight. I extend a special thanks to Sue Weber, the DG Installation Chair, and to Carolyn Richards, the Zoom moderator, both of the

Annapolis Rotary Club.

Thank you to Sean McAlister and Geetha Jayaram. Although I have accepted the role of District Governor, the three of us form your DG string and work together in our planning for this district.

I thank Peter Kyle, our incoming RI Director, for being here tonight to conduct the installation. I would like to note that Peter has the distinct honor of being the first Director elected to Rotary's Board from our District. Congratulations, Peter, for this great achievement.

I thank Daniel Fischer, Club President from Metro Bethesda Rotary, and Andy Colevas, my Rotary sponsor twenty years ago and my former student, for being here for the Home Club banner exchange.

I thank District Rotary Foundation Chair Rich Glover for being here tonight as the Moderator, and also for being mentor, not only to me but also to the DG string.

Thanks to our 2019-20 DG Barton for being with us virtually. Our traditional gift exchange will, through necessity, occur through the mail.

Also, thank you Council of Governors, my family, and especially to my son Albert (Al) who is in the process of moving from North Carolina back to Maryland. He is the best son anyone could imagine.

And finally to my late husband, who, though not a Rotarian definitely had the heart of a Rotarian. I feel his strength and support daily.

I look forward to participating in club activities and to working along side you to solve problems and reach resolutions in what we realize will be a challenging time.

And last, thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve this great district as your District Governor.