

## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Order Your International Convention jersey shirt before April 15!

Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, and friends of Rotary District 7620,

Don't forget to order your District 7620 Rotary International Convention jersey shirt before **April 15!**

With two delightful designs to choose from, you can represent Washington DC and central Maryland in style! Not going to the Convention? No problem! Show off your District 7620 pride at club meetings, Rotary events, and around the community with one of these eye-catching, limited-edition shirts!



### Join the Metro Bethesda Rotary for Metro Move Fest May 18

Link: <https://metromovefest.com/>

#### Description:

Metro Move Fest (MMF) 2025 is where movement, community, and giving back come together! Hosted by the Nesfield Performance Foundation in partnership with the Metro Bethesda Rotary, this one-of-a-kind festival takes place:

When: 11am-3pm on Sunday, May 18, 2025

Where: Bethesda Chevy Chase High School (4301 East-West Hwy).

Metro Move Fest is designed to unite public, private, and nonprofit organizations to inspire people of all ages to move, connect, and give back. Food served! Plenty of Parking.

From competitive events like Last Man Standing, Sumo Bubble Ball Wrestling, and the Sprint & Speed 200 Footrace-Model Car Race to classic challenges like the 100m sprint, tug-of-war, fitness and yoga classes, the So What Else Donation Derby, there's something for everyone. Nonprofits have the opportunity to raise funds by hosting activities and selling tickets, while businesses can showcase their support by participating as vendors, activity hosts, or volunteers.

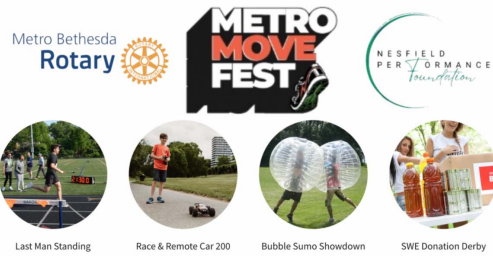
More than just a festival, Metro Move Fest is a movement, creating an annual tradition of wellness, connection, and impact. Come move with us and help make Metro Move Fest 2025 an unforgettable day of fitness, fun, and philanthropy!

Tickets: [https://app.aplos.com/aws/events/metro\\_move\\_fest](https://app.aplos.com/aws/events/metro_move_fest)

## April 15, 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](mailto:psgreen@verizon.net) with any questions.

[District 7620 Announcement Submission Form](#)



And So Much More!

## REMINDERS

### Rotarians Speaking at Carter School Spring 2025 Peace Week April 14-18

Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick, Al Jubitz, cofounder of the Rotary Action Group for Peace, Ozuem Esiri Founder of the Rotary Districts and Clubs Joint International Mega-Meeting Platform, Arthur Kanegis Rotarian, Filmmaker and Podcast host, Arthur Romano, former Rotary Peace Fellow, Nawal Rajeh and Mari Clark, Melvin Hardy members of District 7620 Rotary Club of Washington Global (a peace-builder club), will be speaking at the Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution, George Mason University Spring 2025 Peace week.

Their sessions will include discussion of pilot activities of the Rotary-Carter Collaboration for Peace aiming to diminish urban violence and achieve a final peace agreement in Cyprus, as well as remembrance of Rotarian David Fishman, whose vision inspired this collaboration. Rotary Peace Fellow, Diego Carneiro, will present a session on music and peacemaking – using music as a tool for conflict resolution and emotional healing. Virtual and in-person Peace Week sessions will focus on the challenges to peace and stability posed by persistent conflicts in regions such as Europe, South Asia, and the Middle East, the escalating impacts of climate change, and the rise of artificial intelligence.

Panels and workshops will address the need to rethink the concept of peace and how peace can be achieved and sustained. These are themes that were featured in the recent Rotary International President's Peace Conference in Istanbul. Peace week sessions will present innovative strategies, effective practices, and cutting-edge innovations in the field of conflict resolution. In addition to the pilot activities of the Rotary-Carter Collaboration for Peace will be featured.

Use this link to view the detailed program register for any of the following sessions: <https://carterschool.gmu.edu/news-events/carter-school-peace-week/spring-2025-peace-week>

### Parole Rotary Club Earth Day Activities April 22

Parole Rotary Club – Earth Day Activities  
Community Encouraged to Participate!

Parole Rotary Club will be celebrating Earth Day – April 22, 2025 from 9:00am to 12:00noon – at the Farmer's Market at 275 Harry S. Truman Pkwy. Working in conjunction with other local non-profits they will be collecting eye glasses/hearing aides with the local Lions Club; Pet supplies/food with the Anne Arundel County SPCA; Sweaters/Sweatshirts with Just One Sweater as well as Bicycles and Bike parts. As with last year, the Shred It truck will be available – first two boxes free then \$5.00 suggested donation for the next 5 boxes. Event will take place rain or shine.

### 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

## Red Line Happy Hour April 29

**RED LINE**  
**HAPPY HOUR**  
Host: Rotary Club of Gaithersburg  
Tuesday, Apr. 29  
5 - 7 pm  
The Bench at Marriott Hotel  
9751 Washingtonian Blvd., Gaithersburg, MD  
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



[Register NOW](#)

## Which Frederick County Rotary Club Rules the Green? May 15

### 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](http://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](mailto:kelly.mcquillen@ignitehcm.com))

## Rotary District Conference Early Bird Alert!

- Rotary District Conference attendees—don't miss this exclusive deal!
- For a limited time only (thru 5/1/25), lock in your registration at just \$275—**that's \$50 OFF the regular price!**
- Rates increase soon, so act fast!
- <https://www.rotary7620.org/discon-2526/>

**EARLY BIRD PRICING**  
**CPETS EXCLUSIVE!** **23% OFF**  
**Regular Registration 3/6 - 3/9 \$250**

Regular Registration Thru 5/1/25	<del>\$325</del>	\$275
Regular Registration Thru 7/1/25	<del>\$325</del>	\$300
Regular Registration After 7/1/25	<del>\$325</del>	

## Rotary Training Events Coming Soon

**District Training Assembly and Four-Way Test Speech Contest**  
 Saturday, May 3rd, 8am-2:30pm

 [Register NOW](#)

**And don't forget to register for the District Conference**  
 October 3-5, 2025  
 Washington, DC

 [Register NOW](#)

## Rotary Club of Lexington Park announces it's 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 <https://rotarylp.org/annual-golf-classic-2025.php.php>.

Lexington Park  
**Rotary** 

*27th Annual Charity Golf Tournament*  
**THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025**



**08:30AM REGISTRATION**  **10:00AM SHOTGUN START**

18 holes & cart, goodie bag, door prizes, coffee & donuts, drinks & lunch, post tournament oyster bar, dinner.

Breton Bay  
 GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

21935 Society Hill Rd.  
 Leonardtown, MD 20650

**ALL PROCEEDS SERVE THE LOCAL COMMUNITY**

<b>Sponsorship Levels:</b>		
Tournament Sponsor	\$ 1,500	Two Foursomes, Inside Front or Back Cover of Program, Sponsorship Banner
Platinum Sponsor	\$ 1,000	One Foursome, Full Page Ad in Program, and Sponsorship Banner
Gold Sponsor	\$ 500	Half Page Ad in Program and Sponsorship Banner
Silver Sponsor	\$ 250	Quarter Page Ad in Program and Sponsorship Sign
Hole Sponsor	\$ 150	Sponsorship Sign at one of 18 Holes and Listing in Program
<b>Players Only:</b>		
Foursomes	\$ 550 ea.	Team and Player names listed in Program
Individual Players	\$ 150 ea.	Name(s) listed in Program. Individuals will be paired with others to form teams

[Golf Tournament Registration](#)

PLEASE submit your registration and logo by May 2nd to allow time for signage and program production.  
 Payment must be made prior to production of signage and inclusion in the tournament program.

**CONTACTS:** Al Gardiner (301) 904-7448, [algr34@gmail.com](mailto:algr34@gmail.com)  
 or Bob Parkinson (301) 751-2114, [bobparkinson@hughes.net](mailto:bobparkinson@hughes.net)  
 Lexington Park Rotary Foundation, Inc.  
 PO Box 202, Lexington Park, MD 20653

## 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](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](mailto: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](mailto:mk8601@aol.com), Phil Reynolds [philreynolds60@hotmail.com](mailto:philreynolds60@hotmail.com), Linda Lymas [lindalymas@aol.com](mailto:lindalymas@aol.com), Patsy Ezell [pezell@umd.edu](mailto:pezell@umd.edu), Daniel Fisher [Daniel@solveitgroup.com](mailto:Daniel@solveitgroup.com) or B.J. Chamberlain-Skinner [bjchamberlain@counsellor.com](mailto:bjchamberlain@counsellor.com)  
**Let's UNITE FOR GOOD and create lasting change—apply today!**

## 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](mailto:rotariangarciaparks@gmail.com)  
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We look forward to your participation in making this year's House of Friendship a vibrant and enriching experience for all attendees.

## DC Rotary Club Dictionary Project Needs Your Help!

We are delighted to inform fellow Rotarians about the Dictionary Project 2025 delivery season and would LOVE to have you join us in delivering dictionaries to EVERY Third-grader in the DC Public School System.

### We NEED your help!!

We are excited to invite you to join us for the Club's signature project with an exceptional level of member participation since 2005. For those of you that have delivered in the past, thank you. We would like to recruit new Co-Chairs for this project too!

Please read the section below for details on signing up for the Dictionary Project. Also, we have included supporting materials that will assist you on your journey.

**Assignment list** – Use [Sign Up Genius](#) to sign up for the school of your choice based on availability. Please pick (preferably) two schools. There are two slots available per school. Click the light blue “sign up” button to sign up for a school. School sign-ups are on a first come, first serve basis.

**Delivery Instructions** – The delivery instructions are available on the Club's [Sign Up Genius](#) site.

**Map of Schools** – All the DC Public Schools have been pinned on Google Maps. You may access this map on [Sign Up Genius](#). This is used as a visual tool to see where schools are in relation to one another or to your residence/ work.

**Bookmarks** – Please do not forget to take bookmarks to handout with the dictionaries. The bookmarks have been placed in brown paper bags in increments of 20. Each bag is labeled with a “20” on the outside of it. These bookmarks are a great way to explain the many ways the dictionaries can be used, and they get the word out about our club. And, of course, students can use them to mark their places in the dictionary.

**List of Schools** – The list of schools is available on the [Sign Up Genius](#) site. The list was recently updated and includes the school's address and phone number.

**Partnering Up** – We recommend you partner with a friend, a family member, or another Rotary member to share the experience and make it more fun!

**Storage Unit** – We have a new storage unit. The storage facility is still located at Cube Smart (175 R St. NE) but our new unit is now on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. The storage unit details are listed in the delivery instructions document.

**Post Delivery Survey** - We want to collect data on demographics on who delivered dictionaries and challenges faced/ suggestions for improvements. Your voice is very important, and we are making every effort to make the delivery process as streamlined as possible. Access this survey on the [Sign Up Genius](#) site.

If you have any questions, please reach out to either of the co-chairs.

Sincerely,

Tuya and Nancy  
Co-Chairs of the Dictionary project 2025

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