

# Rotary

## District 6780



# Club of Cleveland



Rotary Opens Opportunities

## Speakers

**April 13, 2021**

[Joe Bryan](#)

Trail of Tears & Calhoun History

**May 04, 2021**

[Senator Bill Hagerty](#)

United States Senator

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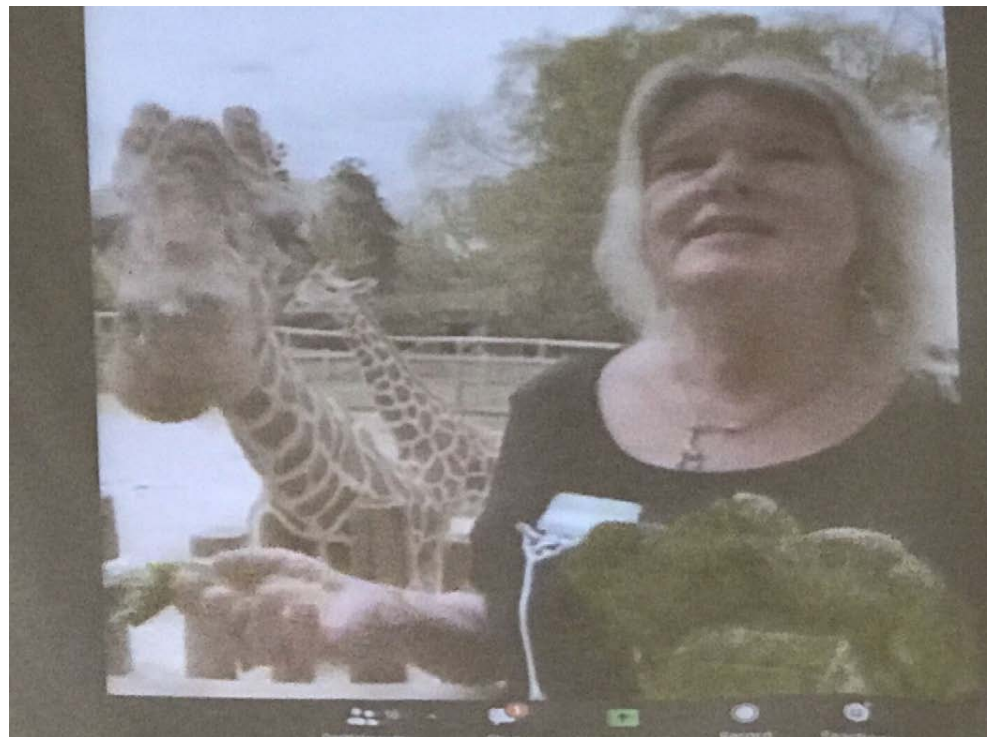


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## Zoom Program with Darde Long, and Some Long Necked Guests (Including Hardee Star!)

By Mica Stephens on Friday, April 9, 2021



At our April 6th meeting, we had Darde Long with the Chattanooga Zoo join us from their giraffe exhibit via Zoom for an update on what the zoo has planned for the upcoming year.

The program began with an introduction from Rotarian Julia Scoggins, who told us their company's journey to buying Hardee Star for the Chattanooga Zoo and Giraffe Enclosure. "You don't know how close we came to having warthogs named "Bacon Egg & Cheese, and Sausage Biscuit," said Julia.

The Chattanooga Zoo itself was founded in 1937. When acquiring new animals, they almost always come from other zoos, animals are hardly ever stripped from their natural habitat unless absolutely necessary.

While the COVID pandemic impacted the business and growth of the Chattanooga Zoo last year, Darde was happy to report they have started to roll out their improvement plans in 2021. The first project they plan to tackle is the remodeling of a fan favorite, the Red Panda exhibit and also the children's petting zoo.

She was also excited to share that many activities are ramping back up in the near future as they slowly integrate back to live events. One of the new programs being launched is aimed at making the zoo a more inclusive and accessible activity for families of all different backgrounds and income brackets.



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## Birthdays

Bryan C Clary  
April 13th

Bradley Benson  
April 13th

Kyle Cooper  
April 16th

Nicholas Lillios  
April 17th

Brian Workman  
April 20th

Brent Thomas Baker  
April 27th

Kevin D. Brooks  
May 4th

Thomas W. Thomas  
May 7th

To learn more about the upcoming events the Chattanooga Zoo has planned, peep on over to: [Chattzoo.org](http://Chattzoo.org)



## Interactive Member Poll: April 6, 2021 - Zoo Be Zoo Be Zoo

Friday, April 9, 2021

At the April 6 meeting we met Darde Long at the Chattanooga Zoo.

What's your favorite animal at the Chattanooga Zoo?

- Giraffe
- Red Panda
- Chimpanzee
- Cougar
- Komodo Dragon
- Jaguar
- Other (please specify)

Having trouble with the survey link image? Click here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RCoC0406Program>

## April 13 Program: Joe Bryan, Charleston-Calhoun Historical Society

Friday, April 9, 2021



Joe Bryan is currently president of the Charleston-Calhoun Historical Society and a Board Member of the Hiwassee River Heritage Center.

Joe worked at Resolute/Bowater for 27 years in accounting. He obtained his Master's from Lee University in 2004 and started teaching business at Walker Valley High School. Joe taught for 17 years before retiring in 2019.

Joe is married to Luajean Bryan, and together they have two children and three grandchildren.

Joe will be speaking on the history of Calhoun, Tennessee, McMinn's oldest town, which was organized in 1819 as the first County Seat of McMinn County.

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## IN PERSON (or Zoom) beginning March 9th

Friday, March 5, 2021

A message from Rotary President Mike Griffin:

We will begin meeting hybrid (In person and via Zoom) beginning at our next meeting on March 9th. In case you missed it, I have attached a link to a survey regarding in person attendance and meals. Things to remember:

1. If you opted in for meals before, you will be opted back in for meals
2. If you want to change your preference let me or Tanya Mazzolini know
3. The charge for the four meals in March will be added to your next Rotary invoice

I look forward to seeing everyone either on Zoom or in person next week. Any questions, please feel free to give me a call. 423-802-2202 Remember the survey below. Thanks MG

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/rotaryattendance>

Here are the Zoom Instructions for March & April:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762494154?pwd=REtldVExdzVRZ1hOOXIVZk9zWm9qUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6249 4154

Passcode: 708044

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Passcode: 708044  
Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762494154>

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## Paul Harris Fellow Awarded to Dr. Seth Ford

Wednesday, March 31, 2021



Rotary Foundation Chair David Chaffin awarded THREE Paul Harris Fellowships at the March 30, 2021 meeting, and our last story neglected to include the award given virtually to Dr. Seth Ford. This is Seth's first Paul Harris Fellow.

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation. Learn more about Paul Harris Fellows at <https://www.rotary.org/en/history-paul-harris-fellow-recognition>.

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## Service Opportunity: Volunteers needed for Dictionary Project

Wednesday, March 31, 2021



*Pictured: Doug Caywood and a third grade class at Valley View Elementary School displaying their new dictionaries in 2019*

Volunteers are needed for our Dictionary Project! As part of the dictionary project, you'll hand out dictionaries to each student in a class, and spend a little time showing them some features of the dictionary (Longest word! List of US Presidents! How to find a word!). You get to have some fun, and the kids are opened to world of words and increased literacy!

You can volunteer for a specific local school, or volunteer for the project in general and you'll be assigned to a school. To volunteer, contact Lyle Swartzel at contact Lyle 423-339-1905  
[lswartzel@shelterinsurance.com](mailto:lswartzel@shelterinsurance.com)

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## Matching Grant Funds Presented to Club - Correction



Pictured: Paul Dellinger presenting check to President Mike Griffin

Paul Dellinger, Grants Committee Chair, presented a check for \$2,552 to the Foundation at the March 30, 2021 meeting. This check is money coming back to the club as a matching grant for the two reading projects that were implemented by Bradley County Schools and Cleveland City Schools.

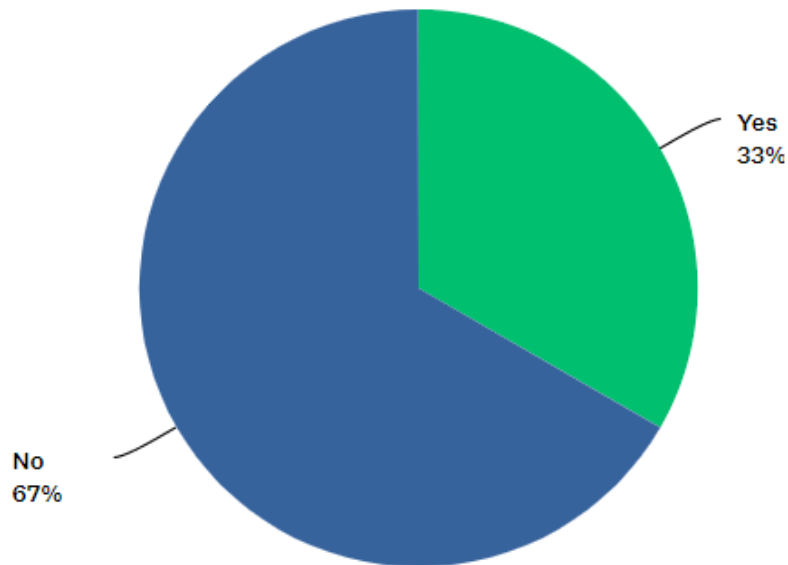
Learn more about District Grants here: <http://www.rotarydistrict6780.com/applyfordistrictgrant.php>

## Results from last week's poll: Do you have immediate family on the Autism Spectrum?

Friday, April 9, 2021

At the March 31 meeting we heard from LUDIC Spectrum Center about the care and learning the provide for students and adults on the spectrum. The number of students who are on the spectrum are rising 10-17% per year.

We asked: Do you have any immediate family (children, parents, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews) diagnosed as on the autism spectrum?



Don't forget to answer this week's poll: [What's your favorite animal at the Chattanooga Zoo?](#)

## Celebrate Spring at District Golf Tournament May 7



Join District Governor Ron Appuhn and other District leaders for a day of fun, food, and fellowship at our Signature Polio Plus Fundraiser and Golf Tournament Friday, May 7, at the Avalon Golf and Country Club.

Prizes will be awarded for the Governor's Cup, first and second place in two flights, Hold-in-One, Closest-to-the Pin, team with the highest score, and door prizes. To win the Governor's Cup competing teams must be composed of all Rotarians from the same club. The winning team will retain the Cup for the year following the tournament. The following year the cup will be returned to the club sponsoring the Governor's Cup. Teams competing for, but not winning, the cup will be eligible for flight awards.

Governor Ron is asking that every club be a hole sponsor. Hole sponsorships are \$300 and offer district recognition, a hole sign with the club name, and opportunity to contribute to goodie bags.

Sponsorship levels are as follows:

- Gift Sponsor - \$3,000. Benefits include logo on player gifts and recognition at the tournament and in the District Newsletter, which goes out to 6,500 Rotarians.
- Awards Sponsor - \$2000. Benefits include logo on player gifts and recognition at the tournament and in the District Newsletter.
- Lunch Sponsor - \$1,500. Benefits include prominent signage across the dining area and recognition at the tournament and in the District Newsletter. **Dunkin Donuts**
- Hole-in-One Sponsor - \$750. Benefits include prominent signage at the prize hole and recognition at the tournament and in the District Newsletter. **Fox Toyota**
- Prize Hole Sponsor - \$400. Benefits include signage at all prize holes and recognition at the tournament and in the District Newsletter.
- Hole Sponsor - \$300. Benefits include hole sponsor sign and recognition in the District Newsletter.

The cost to participate is \$100 per player or \$400 per team. Includes lunch and a goodie bag. Lunch will begin at 11:00 AM, and Shotgun starts at 1:00 PM.

Avalon Golf and Country Club is located at 700 Turnberry Circle, Lenoir City. To register, make checks payable to District 6780 District Golf Tournament and mail to Jenifer Campbell, 12515 Choto Mill Lane, Knoxville, TN 37922. Send email to [hackettjy@aol.com](mailto:hackettjy@aol.com).



[2021 Golf Tournament Sponsor Info](#)

[2021 Golf Tournament Registration Form](#)

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Meets at Museum Center at Five Points  
200 Inman St E  
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Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM