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Message from DG Steve

By Steve Overton

Itâ€™s almost done!

What? Well, the 2023-2024 Rotary year, of course, and traditionally we celebrate that with the District Conference, which is sometimes on a cruise, sometimes at a resort; itâ€™s different every year.

This year â€” the conference will be at Rotaryâ€™s Camp Florida in Brandon, and we plan lunch, music, games, swimming, a couple of speakers, awards of all kinds, and a formal presentation about our districtâ€™s newest club.

Itâ€™s 9-3 on Saturday June 8. Please register on DACDB. \$25 bucks a head, kids under 12 free, come enjoy. Itâ€™s a family-friendly, affordable, short event, just part of one day.



Rotaryâ€™s Camp Florida

takes care of kids with all kinds of challenges. Itâ€™s a worthy mission, one many of us support. Weâ€™ll be sure the Camp gets some visibility that day as well.

Less than three weeks later, Wednesday, June 26th is the evening we install Chevon Baccus as District Governor. Thatâ€™s another event you donâ€™t want to miss. The continuity among leaders in Rotary is one of our most valuable assets.

Come join us for both of these events. Youâ€™ll be glad you did.

DG Steve



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Nominate Your Club for an Award!

By Gary Michael Gunter

DISTRICT AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN UNTIL APRIL 15TH



It's time to start thinking about recognizing your Club for an outstanding job this year. Has your Club done something outstanding that should be recognized?

The District Awards will be presented at the District Conference on June 8th, at Rotary's Camp Florida (sign up on DACdb.com). Nominate your Club between now and April 15th by sending your nomination to DG Steve Overton's Chief of Staff Lesley Zajac at: former.brit@verizon.net.

What awards can I nominate my club for?

1. Outstanding Club.
2. Most improved Club.
3. Outstanding Rotaract Club.
4. Outstanding Interact Club.
5. Outstanding youth service by a Club.
6. Outstanding family event.
7. Outstanding fundraiser.
8. Outstanding new fundraiser.
9. Outstanding public image campaign.
10. Outstanding community service project.
11. Outstanding international project.
12. Outstanding fellowship activity.

Fully describe why your Club deserves this recognition, and Your Club may be recognized with an award at the District Conference!

Awards Available from Rotary for Clubs and Individuals for Great Service!

By Gary Michael Gunter

Let's Thank Them! Nominate Now....

There are several awards that can be attained by a Club or individual through Rotary. Now is the time to make your nomination! The awards are:

1. Rotary Foundation District Service Award. This award honors Rotarians and Rotaractors who are making a difference through the Foundation's programs, promoting the Rotary Foundation and its goals of world understanding



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the Rotary Foundation and its goals of world understanding and peace. Members can be nominated by their Clubs to the District Rotary Foundation Chair Mark Scolnick at markscolnickdistrict6890@gmail.com . The Chair will then make recommendations to the District Governor. Nomination Deadline – May 1, 2024.

2. Avenues of Service Award. (District Level). The Avenues of Service Award recognizes the efforts of individual Rotarians and Rotaractors in each of Rotary’s 5 Avenues of Service. Current Club Presidents can nominate a member for one or more Avenues of Service Awards by completing this nomination form online: https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4V0rQ6ijj6qu9pj . See these examples of eligible service activities : <https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/avenues-service-award-examples-eligible-service-activities> . Nomination Deadline – May 1, 2024.

The District Governor is notified of the nomination and will decide on the award.

1. Significant Service Award. This award recognizes Rotary and Rotaract Clubs for projects that made an impact and gives District recognition to Club activities that address a significant problem or need. Club Presidents can use this online nomination form: https://rotary.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_55CFSyWTWCwhQln to send a project description to the District Governor for any project carried out during the year. The Governor makes the decision on the award. Eligibility criteria: Rotary and Rotaract Clubs that have completed projects that made an impact are eligible for recognition. Nomination Deadline – May 1, 2024.
 2. Please remember our most important award for Rotary Clubs, the Rotary Citation for Rotary Clubs. Many Clubs have already been working towards this citation all year. This has a deadline of June 30th, 2024. Goals and instructions are: <https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-citation-goals-and-instructions>
 3. Rotaract Clubs are also eligible for the Rotary Citation for Rotaract Clubs, the most important award for Rotaract Clubs. This has a deadline of June 30, 2024. Goals and instructions are: <https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-citation-goals-and-instructions-rotaract-clubs>
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District Learning Assembly!

Resources for You and Your Club!



Rotary District 6890

Bring your club team to
District Learning Assembly

9 am - 2pm
Saturday
April 20

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

Roadmap to Irresistible

Grow & Market Your Impact
Digital Media Specialists
Brittany Rohr & Craig Wallace

Membership Foundation
Public Image
Special sessions for secretaries & treasurers

After Assembly Opportunities

- Plant Flowers at Rec Center
- Visit Bok Tower Gardens (boktower.org)

Space Limited
Register at
DACdb

Lake Wales Family Recreation Center, 1001 Burns Avenue, Lake Wales

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Every Month is a Good Month for Membership

By Duane Williams



Certainly, growing membership and starting new clubs is a continuing challenge for all of us. However, I want us to never forget about our existing members in the desire to make our organization strong and effective as we ["Create Hope in the World."](#) So, here is a challenge to all District 6890's clubs this month, to include the Rotaract Clubs.

Take The Challenge!

1. How long has it been since you checked in with your membership using the [Rotary Club Health Check?](#)
2. [Enhancing Your Club Experience Survey](#) or some form of survey or questionnaire that you have developed?
3. Are your current members feeling connected, appreciated, heard, and valued?
4. Is the club meeting their needs and expectations?

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Rotary Honduras Mission Trip

By Irma Cole

Team Leader, the Lakeland Rotary Club

Some of you may be familiar with work many of us in D6890 do in Honduras, but others may not, so we thought it might be of interest to share what a Rotary Honduras Mission Trip entails. Then maybe you might want to join us! I promise you it is life changing!



This is where Maria and her two grandchildren lived before we built the house shown below.

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Rotary Foundation Update

By Mark Scolnick


OUR FOUNDATION

Polio Cases as of 3-13-24

Note: Cases may still be reported for 2023
Afghanistan - Most recent WPV case 9-4-23
Pakistan - Most recent WPV case 10-24-23

WE LOVE ZERO!

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
WPV <small>(Wild Poliovirus)</small>	0	12	30	6	140
WPV - Afghanistan	0	6	2	4	56
WPV - Pakistan	0	6	20	1	84
WPV - Malawi	0	0	0	1	0
WPV - Mozambique	0	0	8	0	0
cVDPV <small>(circulating Vaccine Derived Poliovirus)</small>	0	471	724	698	1,115

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