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By Joseph Davidson on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 Rotary Program 01-17-23 - Classification Talks

Classification talks to be presented by Andrea Hendricks and Gabriel Stoval.

#### ZOOM INFO

Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86062208959?pwd=Ly9CYW1KdE56Q3d5Uk9NTUpaeEV0QT09

Meeting ID: 860 6220 8959 Passcode: 668300 One tap mobile +13092053325,,86062208959#,,,,\*668300# US +13126266799,,86062208959#,,,,\*668300# US (Chicago)

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#### **January Birthdays & Anniversaries**

By Levi Bailey on Sunday, January 1, 2023

January Birthdays Megan Sellars 1/1 Boone Brothers 1/3 Henry Trudy 1/13 Brook Collins 1/31

January Anniversaries Doug & Sherri Bolton 1/13 Bryan & Amelia Fazio 1/23

January Member Anniversaries Keith Adams 10 Years **Tarrence Houston 10 Years** Caralyn Leonard 12 Years Jody Smith 48 Years Johnny Smith 29 Years

#### **Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events**

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, July 8, 2022

Meetings are being held at Covington First United Methodist Church at 12:00pm Zoom Virtual Meeting starts at 12:20 PM

01-24-2023 - TBD 01-31-2023 - TBD

#### 2023 District Conference Chattanooga

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, December 12, 2022

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#### **Club Leaders**



Joseph Davidson President



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District 6910 2023 District Conference Registration Thursday, April 27 thru Sunday, April 30, 2023

Event Name: District 6910 District Conference Registration

Description: District 6910 2022/2023 District Conference Registration

Location: Chattanooga, TN - The Westin Hotel

Event Date: Thursday April 27 thru Sunday April 30, 2023

Event Start Time: 1:30 PM

#### LINK: To all Conference Information (Conference Website)

Location: The Westin Chattanooga 801 Pine Street Chattanooga, TN 37402

## District Governor Gerry Taylor visit to Covington Rotary Club

By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, December 11, 2022



District Governor Gerry Taylor, left visited the Rotary Club of Covington December 6th 2022 with a very informative in interesting program. Joe Davidson President Covington Rotary Club 2022-2023, right. Banner promoting the District Conference in Chattatnooga April 2023.







Brian Keith Adams Past President Club Director

Brad Bettis Club Director

Douglas E. Bolton Club Admin

Chair

Tracey Clark Club Programs Chair



Bryan Fazio iPast President



District Governor Gerry Taylor awarded Doug Bolton his Paul Harris +8 pin. Doug was awarded the Paul Harris for his efforts selling the most Beef & Freezer Raffle tickets this year.

Greg Proffitt February 8th Bryan Fazio February 9th Ricky Adams February 10th

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Bryan Fazio January 23rd

#### Club Member Anniversaries

Thomas E. Davis 08-15-2006 17 Years Samantha Fuhrey 08-08-2013 10 Years



District Governor Gerry Taylor, right, inducted our newest member of the Rotary Club of Covington, Andrea Hendricks December 6th 2022, Doug Bolton, left, is Andrea's Rotary Sponsor.



Joe Davidson, President 2022-2023 of the Rotary Club of Covington received a pin from District Governor Gerry Taylor December 6th, 2022 for being part of the District Rotary Team.

#### Focus on Foundation: Polio Eradication

By Bill Strickland on Friday, November 4, 2022



Polio has raised it head back in the USA. A lot of you have heard that we had a case of Polio in New York State this past summer. The case was from a young man that had been to Hungary and Poland. When he returned to Rockland County in NY State he can down with paralysis. He lives in Rockland County that has a vaccine rate for 2-year-olds at a 60.5%. You see he lives in an Orthodox Jewish community. Most of the individuals in that community do not believe in vaccinations. Therefore, he had not been vaccinated like most children his age. Unlike the cases we report overseas, this young man did not get the Wild Polio Virus 1 that Rotary frequently discusses in our End Polio Now efforts. He contracted the Vaccine Derived Poliovirus. So, What's the Difference? Read More

## A Project with a Mission: Rotary Plants Daffodils for Hope



By Anu C. Narula, Ph.D. on Friday, November 4, 2022

There was a sign on the wall of a treatment room with inspirational quotes, which I read in a hospital years ago. And, this is what it said: "What Cancer Cannot Do: <u>Read More</u>

## Get on Board & Serve at the Chattanooga Hamilton County Family Justice Center!

By Tammy Tate Gilland on Friday, November 4, 2022



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## **Community Service Connects People**



The Rotary Club of Cherokee County continues one of its primary service projects because it connects people and groups who share values that benefit those among us who have special needs. Read More

## New Rotary District 6910 Education Scholarship



Rotary District 6910 is pleased to announce a NEW opportunity for District Clubs!

These needs-based scholarships will provide funds to eligible individuals for study at a Georgia public institution of higher learning, including colleges, universities, and technical colleges, who are nominated by District 6910 Clubs. We ask for your assistance in identifying and sponsoring eligible students. Read More

## District 6910's First PolioPlus Society Club

By Bill Strickland on Thursday, December 1, 2022



Last year our District 6910 started the PolioPlus Society. At the end of November, we had our first District Club to become a 100% PolioPlus Society Club. I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Gwinnett Sunrise for becoming our first 100% club. All members have agreed to give at least \$100 a year until we eradicate polio.

We are once again asking all members of District 6910 to join us by giving \$100 a year to Polio until we eradicate polio. Past RI President John Germ has recently stated that Rotary has met with other leaders from the CDC, WHO, UNICEF, GAVI and the Gates Foundation. They truly believe that by December 31, 2023, we will have had our last case of Wild Polio Virus. Then we will be counting down the three years that it will take with no new cases of polio to declare the world officially eradicated of Polio.

If you or your club would like to join the PolioPlus Society all you need to do is send \$100 to The Rotary Foundation on a multi donor form marking the form that the money goes to Polio. Please also send in this attached <u>PolioPlus Society form</u> to <u>PDG Bill Strickland</u>. But please remember that we still want you to give \$100 to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund first.





We are so close to Ending Polio; we just need YOU !!!

# When CART becomes more than a blue bucket | A Tribute to Christy McKenzie Williamson

By Amanda R Groover on Thursday, December 1, 2022



Rotary turns it focus to disease prevention and treatment during the month of December. Rotarian's believe that good health care is everyone's right. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

And other than our fight to end polio, our members are using their extensive experience and leadership to fight Alzheimer's disease and dementia through research, education and collaboration. Unlike polio, Alzheimer's is still a real disease that many of us are fighting in our own families. We invite you to step into District 6910 CART Chair Elaine Cook's story about why CART means so much to her.

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## Hop aboard and book limited seating today!

Saturday, December 3, 2022



Take a trip back in time to a slower-paced era when railroad travel was a way of life. Relive the romance of the rails when vintage trains provided an escape from the everyday routine. Read More

#### Meet our Members | The Story of a Rotary Hero and a Polio Survivor

By Anu C. Narula, Ph.D. on Saturday, December 3, 2022



#### **Rotary District 6910 Meet Our Members Series**

In our December Member spotlight, we recognize Dr. Tom Upchurch, a member of the Rotary Club of Gwinnett. Dr. Upchurch has not only overcome his own battle with polio but has dedicated his life to fight disease through his professional experience as a surgeon and his philanthropic dedication to the Polio Plus program.

Learn more about Dr. Upchurch and his life as we shine a spotlight the month of December.

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## January Message from DG Gerry Taylor

By Gerry Taylor on Sunday, January 8, 2023



Happy New Year! We have completed the first half of Rotary Year 2022-2023. It's been a fantastic year so far for Rotary District 6910. I appreciate everyone's leadership and hope our momentum keeps up through June 30, 2023.

January is Vocational Service Month in Rotary. It's a time to celebrate and share our unique vocations. It used to be that Rotary International

required only so many members in each club from a particular vocation. Times have changed - thank goodness.

January is the time to highlight vocational excellence. January 31, 2023 is the deadline for the Robert Stubbs II Guardian of Ethics awards. It is also the deadline for the Lee Arrendale vocational excellence awards. Please take the time to honor your club's vocational leaders by submitting the club's award applications to the District. The District winners of these two awards will be announced at the District Conference in Chattanooga in April.

I also hope that clubs will take an opportunity in January to have at least one off-site vocational visit instead of an in-house Rotary meeting. There are many places of interest in each community to visit and discover their importance to the community and beyond.

Speaking of the District Conference, registration numbers are coming in fast. The District Conference is the place where we will celebrate individual achievements and club achievements. We also have many fun and interesting things planned. Don't miss out! Please register at <u>www.myrotaryconference.com</u>.

-DG Gerry

### Carpe Diem Sponsors District 6910's Second Rotary Community Corps

By Debby Ciccone on Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Rotary Community Corps (RCC) are non-Rotarians who share our commitment to change the world through service projects.



#### Carpe Diem Participates in Woodstock Scarecrow Invasion...Imagine

By Debby Ciccone on Thursday, October 20, 2022



Woodstock, Georgia's **Scarecrow Invasion** is one of the biggest Scarecrow events in the southeast. 2022 marks a record number of entrants, with over 200 scarecrows invading the downtown area. Visitors donate a dollar to vote for their favorite and proceeds benefit downtown beautification projects.

Carpe Diem Rotary Club members stood in line on opening day to secure one of the coveted spots! Members joined forces to build a display representative of this year's Rotary theme, *Imagine*. Their Scarecrow is a representation of John Lennon proudly holding his guitar, adorned with the Imagine Rotary logo, his self-portrait and an artistic peace sunflower for Ukraine.

A pumpkin carved with the Rotary wheel holds photos of Carpe Diem members, while other pumpkins are painted with inspirational messages.

Imagine eradicating polio. Imagine volunteering in your community with like-minded friends. Imagine becoming a member of Carpe Diem Rotary Club. These are a few of the Imagine Statements on Carpe Diem's Scarecrow sign. The public is encouraged to take a photo with John and post it to Carpe Diem's FB page with their Imagine idea of how they would make their community better.

#### Carpe Diem Starts Braille Book Collection at Sequoyah Regional Library

By Debby Ciccone on Friday, November 4, 2022

In celebration of Literacy month, Carpe Diem Rotarians gathered Braile books to donate to the Sequoyah Regional Library. Members of their sponsor club, Canton Rotary, even joined in on this exciting project. Carpe Diem members are especially proud of this project, as it is the start of the Braile book collection for the library and look forward to adding many more!

The digital age has made reading much easier. However, turning the pages of a book is still very much enjoyed. This was the message a vision-impaired high school student



delivered to Rotarians during a Rotary meeting. The high school student said that his school had little to no Braille books available and the push was to move to an exclusive digital format. But, when you go to the park or beach, you don't always want to be responsible for an electronic device.

Rotarians were inspired and took action! Donated books included: Ender's Game, The Giver, The Outsiders, Magic Treehouse Civil War on Sunday, Magic Treehouse Vacation Under the Volcano, Jokes for the Whole Family, Animals - Knowledge

Family, Animals - Knowledge You Can TOuch, Exceptionally Special - I'm Blind!, It Can't Be True - Incredible Tactile Comparisons, Michelle Obama - An American Story, and Charlie & the Chocolate Factory.

Carpe Diem is looking forward to continuing to build the collection and are thankful to all those who donated.

#### January Pics 'n' Vids

By Cathy O'Gara on Wednesday, January 4, 2023



Check out the best pics from around the District during the holidays! Read More

## Meet our Members | A Spotlight on Trailblazing Vocational Success

By Amanda R Groover on Saturday, January 7, 2023



District 6190's Meet our Members Series for January introduces you to Martha Martin who has spent decades serving others both professionally and philanthropically. Her willingness to work hard to find success in her vocation became the pathway to her ability to serve others. Take a moment to

meet Martha in this quick introduction.

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#### The Men Behind our District's Vocational Service Awards

Saturday, January 7, 2023



#### By David Foster, Rotary Club of Habersham County and Peter Gleichman, Rotary Club of Canton

Every year at our District 6910 Conference, two prestigious vocational service awards are presented: The W. Lee Arrendale Vocational Excellence Award and the Robert S. Stubbs, II Guardian of Ethics Award. While many Rotary clubs throughout our District present these awards every year and submit their nominees to the District for consideration for the District awards, the story of the outstanding Rotarians for whom these awards are named is not told often enough.

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#### South Hall Rotary Serves 9 Organizations Through Two Community Inspired Fundraisers



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Flowery Branch, GA – The South Hall Rotary Club hosted two community inspired fundraisers over the last few weeks of the year to increase community interaction, the community's awareness of Rotary, and most importantly their ability to serve others during the final few weeks of the year. <u>Read More</u>