

# **Rotary Club of Covington Bulletin**

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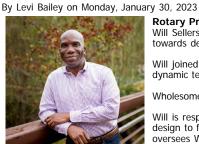
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#### Club Leaders

Joseph Davidson



Rotary Program 05-02-2023 - Mr. Will Sellers - Wholesome Wave Georgia Will Sellers is a social-sector enterprise leader that builds relationships and works towards delivering superior results one person at a time.

Will joined Wholesome Wave Georgia in August 2019 as Executive Director, where he inspires a committed, dynamic team, and supports an engaged, thoughtful Board of Directors.

Wholesome Wave Georgia believes in fresh, healthy, local produce for all Georgians in need.

Will is responsible for fundraising, strategy implementation, partnership development, and organizational culture design to further Wholesome Wave Georgia's distinctive impact so that the statewide nonprofit builds to last. Will oversees Wholesome Wave Georgia's efforts to make fresh, healthy, local produce available and affordable and provide government benefit screening services through a network of 100 community partners across Georgia with an

aggregate value of over \$2.3 million in direct investment since Wholesome Wave Georgia's founding.

#### ZOOM INFO

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

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### The Vidalia Onions are Coming!

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, March 24, 2023

The Vidalia Onions are coming! The Vidalia Onions are coming!

Onions should be arriving tentatively May 9th. It is time to gather your orders so you will have a count of what you need.

Vidalia Onion sales is a Rotary Club of Covington fundraiser to finance our Empty Stocking Fund that provides Christmas Gifts to children in Newton County.

Everybody loves Vidalia's. You get to enjoy some of the best Onions grown and the children of Newton County benefit. It is a winner for everyone.

Onions are 25 lbs. and are @\$25.00 per bag. 12 bag minimum. They will be available in early-May. Date to be finalized as we get closer.

Watch for the when you can pick them up.

ORDER DEADLINE TENTATIVELY 5:00 pm Tuesday May 2nd

Please place orders with Tommy Davis 404-304-9607 - tommy@harwellfuneralhome.com

### **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



President



05-09-2023 - NO MEETING - TOP 10 Banquet 05-16-2023 - Lindsay Dycus - CASA

05-23-2023 - TBD 05-30-2023 - TBD



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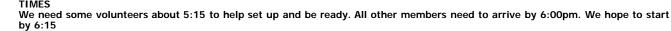
### **Rotary Top Ten Banquet May 1st**

By Joseph Davidson on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 Newton County High Schools Top Ten Banquet May 1st 6:00PM

This will be held at the Porter Memorial Auditorium. Click here for map



Salisa Bacon Membership Chair Past President





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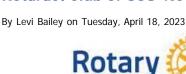


Fundraising Terry Ozburn CART Chair Sergeant-at-



Tracey Clark Club Programs Chair

Andrea **Hendricks** 





We need all members that can attend to please be present. We like a good showing of support by Rotary members to support the students and teachers being awarded for their efforts.

### TIMES

Let's make it great.

There will be no regular meeting Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> as the Top Ten May 1<sup>st</sup> will be our meeting for the 9th Rotaract Club of GSU-Newton - Induction Ceremony 04-14-2023

# Rotaract Club of GSU-Newton - Induction Ceremony 04-14-2023

The induction Ceremony for the new President of the Rotaract Club of GSU-Newton, Isabel Prieto, was presented by Doug Bolton and DG Gerry Taylor.









Youth Services Chair



2023 District Conference Chattanooga



By Joseph Davidson on Monday, December 12, 2022

### Birthdays

Nija Miranda May 1st Carter Rogers May 8th

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Gary C Steele May 10th Brian Keith Adams May 10th Bradley Stewart May 13th

#### Club Member Anniversaries

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



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

### Lake Lanier Area Clubs Partner to Promote Water Quality Awareness

Monday, March 6, 2023

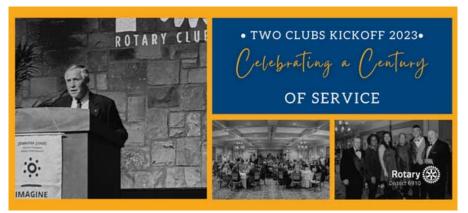


Four years ago this May, Jeff and Jess Williams were enjoying Don Carter State Park and swimming in Lake Lanier with their three sons, including their youngest, Justus. In the days following, Justus started to get sick and doctors told them that the illness should pass. But the boy's condition worsened. He developed an infection and died less than two weeks later. The couple didn't know how it happened until they saw a news report in June that River Forks Park was shut down for high E. coli levels, and they realized that their 2-year-old son must have been swimming in risky waters. Learn how this unfortunate event, became the inspiration behind this Rotary club project centered around water quality in our communities.

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### Two Clubs Kickoff 2023 by Celebrating a Century of Service.

By Amanda R Groover on Monday, March 6, 2023



The beginning of 2023 saw the celebration of two long standing clubs in District 6910 celebrating their centennial events. While one club is catching up from being sidelined by COVID, another club has been expanding its footprint all over town to mark the banner occasion. Read More

### Join in the fun for Rotary International Convention in Melbourne from your Home!



By Amanda R Groover on Monday, March 6, 2023

We would like to invite you to be involved with a film for the Rotary International Convention 2023.

It will be wonderful to have as many people as possible involved. If you're happy to invite others to participate that would be great. We are very keen to demonstrate the global influence of Rotary and to represent diversity, equity and inclusion. A guide film has been created with instructions and for use as a guide track. This can be found at <a href="https://www.illaraart.com/">https://www.illaraart.com/</a> rotaryfilm .

Thanks for your support and for all the work you do to contribute to Rotary.

### **Rotary District 6910 strives for Environmental Sustainability**

By Anu C. Narula on Saturday, April 1, 2023



Rotary International has deemed April's theme Environmental Month. Rotary shift the themes for 2023 after adopting the environment as the seventh area of focus. Take a second to read this informative article about some of the work happening in our district that strives to make an impact on the environment.

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### Meet our Members | The Awe inspiring Journeys of an Environment Warrior

By Anu C. Narula on Saturday, April 1, 2023



We are excited to introduce you to a true environmental enthusiast and Rotarian in our April Member spotlight. Our spotlight recognize Laura Iyer, a member of the Classic City Rotary Club in Athens, GA. Laura has been actively participating in the cause of protecting the environment by founding the Non Profit Southern Sustainability Institute. Learn more about Laura in this glowing tribute.

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### Pelham hosts GRSP Students for 57th International Weekend

By Amanda R Groover on Saturday, April 1, 2023



Taking time to slow the pace and learn to say pecan seemed to be the theme for Georgia Rotary Student Program scholars who spent four days learning about rural life in South Georgia for a recent student weekend at the end of March. The Rotary Clubs of Pelham, Bainbridge, Camilla and Thomasville hosted the 40 GRSP scholars as they stayed with area Rotarians for the Larry Frosteg Pelham International Weekend, which served as 57<sup>th</sup> annual International Weekend event. Read More

### Get on Board & Let's Serve in Chattanooga!

By Tammy Tate Gilland on Saturday, April 1, 2023



We are so excited to see that so many of our District 6910 Rotarians are Getting on Board to volunteer at the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Family Justice Center. Read More

## Register Now for District Assembly | May 20th at Georgia Gwinnett College

By Amanda R Groover on Saturday, April 1, 2023



### Local Organizations Make Home Medical Equipment Available to Those in Need

#### By Fran Jackson Farias on Saturday, April 1, 2023

Thanks to a collaborative effort among several community organizations, home medical equipment will be available to those in need in North Georgia. Last fall, during an international project to Ukraine with Medical Supplies and ART project collaborative initiative with FODAC, Hospital ART Foundation and Big Canoe Rotary, Fran Farias, Big Canoe Charter President discussed bringing a similar project she had started in the Sandy Springs community with Sandy Springs Rotary. In January, FODAC President Chris Brand along with Big Canoe Rotary and Dawson County Rotary, we were able to secure a site partner - Good Shepherd Clinic for the Home Medical Equipment recycling center in North Georgia.

A bulk storage container measuring eight feet by 40 feet was delivered February 16 by staff members of the Friends of Disabled Adults and Children, a statewide non-profit organization in Tucker, which provides medical equipment and services to adults, and children with disabilities, to the parking lot of the Good Shepherd Clinic. The clinic is a free medical clinic located near the crossroads of Georgia State Routes 53 and 400, in Dawsonville. The delivery was made possible through the vision of members of the Big Canoe Rotary Club and the Dawson County Rotary Club who are coordinating the effort. Farias's vision is to encourage other North Georgia Rotary Clubs to establish a similar medical recycling project to help their community by utilizing this easy accessible location at the crossroads "north-south-east-west" on the 400 & 53 corridors.

The project works this way: Home medical equipment drives will be held in the local communities. Used durable medical equipment will be inspected, sanitized and stored for distribution in the bulk storage container. Equipment in need of repair will be picked up by FODAC, refurbished and brought back to the area when needed.

Coordinating the effort are Dawn Clay of the Big Canoe Rotary Club, a retired nurse, and Patty Kurz of the Dawson County Rotary Club, who retired from the Air Force and taught high school. Also joining the effort are Brad Herren, who has served on the board of the Good Samaritan Health and Wellness Center in Jasper for the past 11 years.

A home medical equipment drive was recently held in Big Canoe and wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, a transfer bench, knee braces and stabilizers were among the items collected and sanitized for distribution. Quarterly drives will continue to take place in Big Canoe in combination with Bulk Trash Days: April 29, July 29, October 28.

For more information about the project contact Big Canoe Rotary or Dawson County Rotary or to donate: email donate30534@gmail.com or call 470-789-0918.

### \*April Message from DG Gerry Taylor



The month of April brings focus to Rotary International's newest Area of Focus – The Environment. Many of our District 6910 clubs are working on environmental service projects. From Tower Gardens to litter pick up, and from District Grant projects and Global Grant projects, clubs provide environmental enhancements to our district and world. Thank you for your leadership with our environment!

April also contains a deadline for clubs turning in their Goals and Objectives reports by April 15th. We look forward to celebrating club achievements at our Chattanooga District Conference April 27-30. Bronze, Silver and Gold level awards will be presented, as well as 4 Clubs of the Year awards. There will also be many individual awards presented, too.

As we chug along towards the District Conference, I'd like to thank our District Conference Committee for their work that started almost 3 years ago and is continuing through the Conference. Co -Chairs, Peter Gleichman and PDG Shane Burr have led a great team that is making sure that each of us attending the Conference will have a great memorable experience.

See you in Chattanooga - Woo Woo!

DG Gerry