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Rotary Board Meeting at 11:00am before the regular meeting

By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, September 4, 2022

There will be a board meeting before the regular meeting Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 11:00am

Rotary Program 9-06-22 - Duane Ford - Newton Trails

By Levi Bailey on Tuesday, September 6, 2022



Duane Ford - Newton Trails

Duane M. Ford grew up on a family farm outside of Tonica, Illinois; received a BS in Agronomy with Highest and University Honors from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1977; farmed with his father and brother for two years; and then attended graduate school at Iowa State University. After graduating with an MS (1982) and a PhD (1984) in Crop Production and Physiology, he served as a Post-Doctoral Fellow in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

In 1986, he began his career in teaching and academic leadership at Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri. While there he taught and performed research in crop science and biology, served as Chairperson for Agricultural Science, as Associate Division Head for the Division of Science, received a fellowship in the W.K. Kellogg National Leadership Program (1991-1994), and studied for a sabbatical year at the Center for Biotechnology Policy and Ethics at Texas A&M University (1993-1994). In 1996, Dr. Ford became Chairperson and Professor, Department of Agriculture, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. From 1999-2011, he served as Dean for the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture at

the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, Platteville, Wisconsin. He also was Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for one year (2009-2010).

In 2011, Dr. Ford became Southwest Wisconsin Technical College's fifth president. He led the College, located in Fennimore, Wisconsin, until retirement in 2015.

While in Southwest Wisconsin, he served on the Platteville Water and Sewer Commission, Platteville Economic Development Advisory Committee, and Southwest Health (hospital, nursing home, ambulance service, and clinics) Board of Directors. He chaired an ad hoc City of Platteville Citizen's Advisory Committee which reviewed the adequacy of the current police station and recommended construction of a new facility. He was actively involved with the Grant County Economic Development Corporation and Fennimore Industrial and Economic Development Committee. He and his wife, Sheri, moved to Covington, Georgia in 2016. There Ford worked as a free-lance education reporter and served on the Main Street Covington Board of Advisors. For the past two years he has been Chair of the Board of Directors for Newton Trails, Inc.

The Fords have two children, a grandson, and a great-grandson.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Beef & Freezer Raffle Winner Announced

By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, September 4, 2022

Congratulations to Jennifer Skaggs, our winner of the Beef and Freezer Raffle.

The winning ticket was sold by Rotary Member and Past President Keith Adams

Thank you everyone that bought raffle tickets and helped support the Rotary Club of Covington

The proceeds will go to good use for our community



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Beef & Freezer Raffle

Donation \$10

Drawing 8/30/22

Includes

7 cu ft freezer

2 Bone in Ribeyes
2 T-bones
4 New York Strips
2 Sirloins
4 Filets
2 packs of cube steak
2 packs of stew meat
1 Chuck roast
20 Packs of Ground beef
1 Whole Brisket

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Levi Bailey on Monday, May 30, 2022

September Birthdays

Gary Steele 9/12

Lloyd Kerr 9/21

Billy Smith 9/30

September Anniversaries

Ricky & Nancy Mock 9/4

Lauren & Dean Poynter 9/6

Amy & Thomas Kephart 9/10

Johnny & Judy Smith 9/12

Terry & Patricia Ozburn 9/29

Membership Anniversaries

Covington Rotary

Taylor Beck 1 Year

Thomas Kephart 14 Years

Stacey Cotton 24 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

09-13-2022 - Ruth Banks - Newton Mentoring

09-20-2022 - TBD

09-27-2022 - Dr. Tim Schmitt - Workforce Development

10-04-2022 - No Meeting - Rotary Car Show on 10/2/2022

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District Promotes 10 for \$10 Challenge to Support ShelterBox

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Birthdays

Gary C Steele
September 12th
Steven Hamilton
September 15th
Billy S. Smith
September 30th
E. Wayne Pugh
October 3rd
C. L. Johnson
October 3rd

Wedding Anniversaries

Lauren Poynter
September 6th
Thomas Kephart
September 10th
Johnny S. Smith
September 12th
Gena McLendon
September 25th



Terry Ozburn
September 29th

Club Member Anniversaries

Thomas E. Davis
08-15-2006
17 Years

Samantha Fuhrey
08-08-2013
10 Years

Over the next few months, Rotarians around District 6910 are encouraged to participate in the Rotary District 6910 10 for \$10 Challenge to support ShelterBox. Learn More about how you can participate.
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GRSP Conclave Ushers in Class of 2022-23

Tuesday, August 30, 2022



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District 6910 Endeavors to help Ukrainian Refugees

By Anu C. Narula, Ph.D. on Friday, September 2, 2022



Read this insightful article from Dr. Anu Narula, Ph. D. about Rotary's impact in Ukraine and ways you can help.
[Read More](#)

Literacy as the Empowering Mission of Rotary

By Anu C. Narula, Ph.D. on Friday, September 2, 2022



With World Literacy Day right around the corner, take a moment to learn more about the ways Rotary focuses on empowering our world to read.

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Announcing a New Membership Program for Those 35 Years and Younger

Friday, September 2, 2022



Rotary International District 6910's Board of Directors is officially announcing a new membership program for new club members 35 years of age. Learn more!

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September Message from DG Gerry Taylor

Friday, September 2, 2022



"Imagine Rotary"

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in the Rotary World. Exciting things are happening in District 6910 when it comes to education and literacy. Many clubs are recruiting and sponsoring schools to participate in the Georgia Laws of Life essay contest. This contest is for high school students who will be writing an essay about life's lessons learned. In the entire state of Georgia, there are currently 62 schools committed to this outstanding program with many of these schools located in District 6910. There is still time to recruit and sponsor schools. The essays will be judged in late winter with awards determined in early spring.

Speaking of education, we will soon be announcing a new College Scholarship program sponsored and financed by District 6910. This program was spearheaded by PDG Tina Fischlin. It will be an annual program for 1 or more students within District 6910 who have qualified for the Pell Grant program. Stay tuned.

We also have several new Early Act and Interact clubs starting up this year. Congratulations to those clubs who have started these new programs!

Following up on August's Membership Month, I am pleased to say that I have had the pleasure and opportunity to induct many new members during my club visits. District 6910 is the leading District in Georgia for new members since July 1st, 2022. We are well on our way to a 5% net membership increase for 2022-23. We have over 30 new members in our District for the first two months of this Rotary year. Our goal is a net 150 new members. Keep up the great work!

Hometown Hero - Randy Wells

By Alexa Bruce on Friday, August 26, 2022

We also have our very own "Hometown Hero", Randy Wells. It is an honor to have him as a long-time member of our club and to call him a friend. He goes above and beyond each day for this community and his fellow Rotarians.

