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Rotary Program October 24th, 2023 - Nipuna Ambanpola - Asst. Governor Rotaract District 6910

By Levi Bailey on Monday, July 10, 2023



Nipuna Ambanpola – Biography

Nipuna was selected to the Georgia Rotary Student Program in 2015 from Sri Lanka sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Savannah South and Savannah West. Nipuna is the Founder & Executive Director of IVolunteer International, a 501(c)3 tech-nonprofit and is employed full-time as the Research & Public Service Manager at the J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development at the University of Georgia.

Nipuna has been involved in the Rotary family since 2009, first through Interact, and now in Rotaract and Rotary. He has served Rotary in multiple positions, starting as the Interact President of his high school, the District Interact Secretary for District 3220, Founding President of the Rotaract Club of Georgia Southern, Founding District Rotaract Representative for the Rotary District 6920, a Board Member of the NoBorders Rotaract e-Club and a member of the University of Georgia Rotaract Club. Nipuna is a Paul Harris Fellow and a Will Watt Fellow. Nipuna was also selected as a Rotary Youth-All Star by Rotary International in 2017. Nipuna now serves as the Assistant Governor for Rotaract for the District 6910.

An avid volunteer himself, Nipuna has spoken about the power of community volunteering in a variety of forums including the World Forum for Democracy in Europe, University Leadership Symposium in Malaysia, and the Global Goals Summit at the United Nations. In 2017, Nipuna spoke at TEDx Savannah on how volunteering can unite the world. Nipuna also serves as a Program Advisor to Humanitarian Affairs Asia, a Young Leader at the United Way of the Coastal Empire, a Steering Committee Member of the International Research & Exchange Board and a Civil Society Youth Representative at the United Nations Department for Global Communications.

Nipuna earned his undergraduate degree in Economics at Georgia Southern University and Masters in Public Administration & Policy and a Masters in Business Analytics at the University of Georgia. Nipuna is also an IBM Artificial Intelligence Design Thinking Practitioner.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Levi Bailey on Sunday, January 1, 2023

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October Birthdays

Wyane Pugh 10/03

Dale Eveans 10/17

Cathy Dobbs 10/24

Terry Ozburn 10/31

October Anniversaries

Stuart & Ann Hamilton 10/12

Membership Anniversaries

Cathy Laseter 8 Years

Tracey Clark 19 Years

Carter Rogers 19 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

10-31-2023 - TBD

11-07-2023 - Sam - East Atlanta Dutch Lions - Minor League Soccer

11-14-2023 - Sara Vinson - Sustainable Newton

11-21-2023 - No Meeting - Thanksgiving

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24th Annual Sportsman Raffle

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, October 6, 2023



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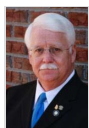
Cathy Dobbs
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Family of Rotary



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Past President
Club Director



Brad Bettis
Club Director



Thomas E. Davis
Club Director
Club Fundraising Chair



Terry Ozburn
CART Chair



Tracey Clark
Club Programs Chair



Andrea Hendricks
Youth Services Chair



David Lawler
Youth Services Chair



Doug Malone
Youth Services Chair



24th Annual Sportsman Raffle

1st prize: Ruger American .270 Rifle



2nd prize: Beretta A300 Camo 12 GA Shotgun



3rd prize: Henry Golden Boy .22 Rifle



4th prize: Ruger American .308 Rifle



5th prize: Ruger American 243 Rifle



Raffle Tickets are a \$20.00 Donation

100 % of proceeds to benefit Rotary Club of Covington Empty Stocking Fund and other Community Projects

Prizes to be redeemed at Shots Fired, 8175 Washington St., Covington, GA

**** Subject to Federal/State Background requirements****

Drawing to be held Tuesday, November 21, 2023

You do not need to be present to win!

Available from Rotary members

or purchase at www.rotarycovington.org

30th Annual Rotary Cars of the Past Sponsors October 1st 2023

Thank you to all of our sponsors for the 30th Annual Rotary Cars of the Past Car Show

Thanks To Our Rotary Car Show Sponsors

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Melvin's Classic Ford • Newton Electric Supply

30th 2023 and 1st Cars of the Past 1993

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, July 24, 2023

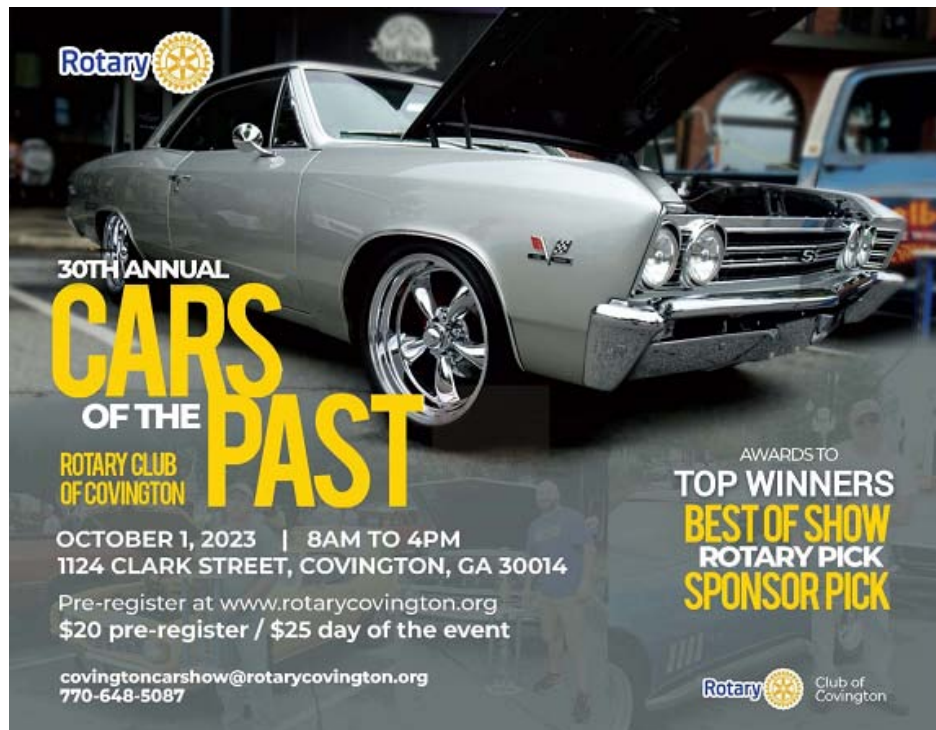
Cathy Dobbs
October 24th
Terry Ozburn
October 31st
Brad Bettis
November 1st
Thomas E. Davis
November 2nd
Cathy Crenshaw Laseter
November 2nd
Levi Bailey
November 3rd
J. Hugh Steele
November 3rd
Andrea Hendricks
November 9th
Patrick Roy Carmichael
November 10th
Steve Whatley
November 17th


Wedding Anniversaries

Bob I. Stafford
November 3rd

Club Member Anniversaries

Thomas E. Davis
08-15-2006
18 Years



Rotary 

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CARS
OF THE
PAST**


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**AWARDS TO
TOP WINNERS
BEST OF SHOW
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OCTOBER 1, 2023 | 8AM TO 4PM
1124 CLARK STREET, COVINGTON, GA 30014

Pre-register at www.rotarycovington.org
\$20 pre-register / \$25 day of the event

covingtoncarshow@rotarycovington.org
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Ragtops & Runningboards
"A Duesenberg of Information - A Crosley Price"
The Southern Auto Enthusiasts Newsletter
Now Celebrating Our 30th Year!

Joseph Hester won a Top 50 at the first show and started his publication *Ragtops & Runningboards* in May the same





Newton Trail Rotary Bench

By Joseph Davidson on Tuesday, August 29, 2023



The Rotary Club of Covington Plaque is being installed on the Rotary bench on Cricket Frog Trail just west of Spring Street.



Black History sign about St. Paul's AME Church that you can see from the Rotary Bench.



Rotarians and Duane Ford from Newton Trails that were present for the dedication of the Rotary bench donated to Newton Trails by The Rotary Club of Covington.

Seated from left Lauren Poynter 2023-2024 Rotary Club of Covington President, Joe Davidson 2022-2023 Rotary Club of Covington President. Standing from left, Rotary members David Lawler, Steven Hamilton, Gary Steele, Brook Collins, Keith Adams, Doug Bolton, Doug Malone, Carter Rogers, Wayne Pugh, Salisa Bacon, Tracey Clark, Bradley Stuart, Brad Bettis, Bryan Fazio, Diane Jennings, Diane's guests, Son Matthew Jennings, Ron Kennebrew, CEO 404 Concrete LLC, Newton Trails chair, Duane Ford and Rotary member Phil Lanier.



First trail users that got to enjoy relaxing on the bench donated by the Rotary Club of Covington.

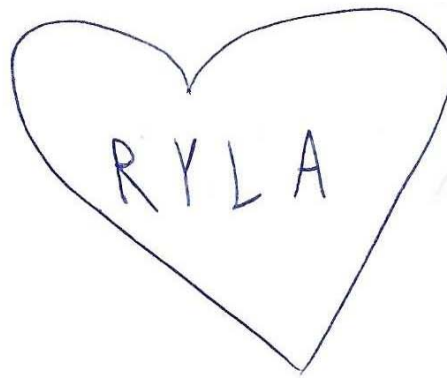
RYLA students thank Rotary

By Joseph Davidson on Thursday, August 17, 2023



Dear Rotary of Covington ~~the~~ thank you for
~~Sponsoring me~~ Selecting me to go to Ryla Camp.
 The past 4 days were fun from talking to people
 to white water Rafting. I have learned a lot
 about leadership, there have been Speakers
 talking about the best ways to lead people. Thank
 you again ^{the people} for selecting me for Ryla, So I can
 lead Covington to be the best people.

from - *Shant Amick*



Dear Covington Rotary,

Thank you so much for selecting me for RYLA! I have had so much fun and met so many people. Everyone here is genuinely kind and wants to talk to you. I have been able to become a nicer and more considerate leader. Not only did I have fun ziplining & white water rafting, but I even enjoyed simple things like make bracelets. Again; thank you for this opportunity!

— Emerson Sheldon

New Club Development Across District 6910

By Amanda R Groover on Wednesday, August 23, 2023



The month of August isn't only about developing our members, its also about developing our clubs. Rotary District 6910 is fortunate to have two great examples of recent club development right here within Northeast Georgia. We are also excited to have Neil Azevedo represent the District as an Innovated Club Advocate for Zone 33/34. What's that? Read to find out.

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Rotary District 6910 forms Intercountry Committee (ICC) between USA & Turkey

By Amanda R Groover on Friday, August 25, 2023



Rotary District 6910 is excited to announce a new Intercountry Committee between our District, the United States, and Turkey. The agreement was started under the leadership of Past District Governor Gerry Taylor and began seeing traction this year. Learn more about how we are working to create hope in this earthquake-ravaged country.

[Read More](#)

Expand your horizons on a weeks long exchange.



Did you know that Rotary has a youth exchange program for high school students that allows eligible high schoolers to spend time abroad? It is a family to family cultural exchange experience for 15 to 19 year olds. Learn more.

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Girl Empowerment! International Service Projects & Unity Celebration

By Paige W Havens on Friday, October 6, 2023

OUR DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SERVICE PROJECT IS ALL ABOUT

GIRLS EMPOWERMENT



We can't have a District Conference without a service project and in 2024 it's going to be all about Girl Empowerment! We are so excited to have the opportunity to collaborate with Rotary Clubs from [District 7020](#) and community partners in the Bahamas to make this a true international effort to *Create Hope in the World*.

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NEW Education Scholarship Opportunity for Students in Your Community

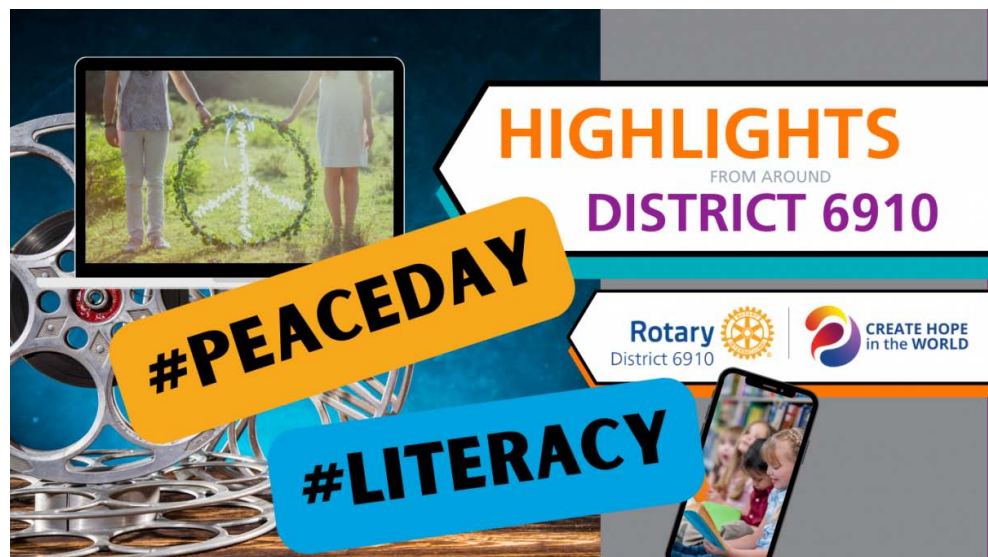
By Paige W Havens on Friday, October 6, 2023



Rotary District 6910 is excited to announce a new needs-based scholarship program empowering clubs to nominate students in their communities who are experiencing significant barriers to achieving a postsecondary education. The purpose of the District Education Scholarship is to forge a link between Rotary and the development of skilled professionals aligned with Rotary Foundation's seven areas of focus. [Read More](#)

District Highlights showcase Peace Day and Literacy

Saturday, October 7, 2023



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World Polio Day is October 24th!



After 35 Years, Polio's Cornered--We Must Finish the job!

We have the opportunity to make history by ending polio, which will be only the second human disease ever to be eradicated, and the time for action is now--visit endpolio.org. This #WorldPolioDay, join our tenacious fight. Together, we #EndPolio.

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Members You Should Meet | Dr. Lance Barry – Etowah Rotary Club

By Amanda R Groover on Sunday, October 8, 2023



Meet an individual who is making an Impact on Mental Health in the Court Rooms in District 6910.
Rotarian Dr. Lance Barry - member of the Etowah Rotary Club in Cartersville- immediately resonated with Rotary International President Gordan McNally's call to shine a light on the importance of mental health in our communities. He had recently begun working to find ways to create hope for those struggling with mental health issues in his community and it opened a door for the Rotary District 6910 team to have a deeper conversation with Dr. Barry. We quickly recognized that he was a member that embodied the essence of community and economic development month for Rotary. Learn more about why Dr. Barry is a member you should meet.

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Shiver me timbers - the October Message from DG Brandy Swanson is Here | Rotary District 6910



Take a few minutes to listen in as District Governor Brandy Swanson shares her message for October as we prepare for World Polio Day and enter Rotary's month on Community and Economic Development. Plus here more about what is happening in our district. [Watch now>](#)