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Rotary Program 11-8-22 - Mike Worley - Georgia Wildlife Federation

By Levi Bailey on Monday, November 7, 2022



Rotary Program 11-8-22 - Mike Worley - Georgia Wildlife Federation

Mike Worley, President and CEO of the Georgia Wildlife Federation, is a lifelong outdoors enthusiast. Prior to joining GWF in 2015, Mike had a successful 32 year career in the electric utility industry.

Mike is a past chair of Georgia's Prescribed Fire Council, served as Vice-Chair of the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Coalition, currently serves on the Georgia Water Coalition Leadership Team, is a member of the Rivian Quality of Life Committee, and leader in Georgia's nationally recognized effort on R3 (Recruit, Retain and Reactivate) Hunting and Shooting Sports. Mike served on the Joint House and Senate Study Committee on Stream Buffers in Georgia and is serving on the Stakeholder Advisory Board of the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission. On a national level, Mike serves as co-chair of the National Wildlife Federation's Conservation Funding initiative. He has a B.S. in Biology from the University of West Georgia and is a graduate of Emory University's Goizuetta Executive Program. Mike was named by Georgia Trend magazine in 2019 as one of the 100 Most Influential Georgians and in 2020 as a Notable Georgian.

Mike's outdoor interests include waterfowl and upland hunting, clays, and fishing. He is an avid hiker and kayaker. Mike has been married to Debbi for 43 years and has two children and three grandchildren.

Joe Davidson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rotary Meeting - Oscar Torstennson – GRSP Student
Time: Nov 1, 2022 12:20 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86062208959?pwd=Ly9CYW1KdE56Q3d5Uk9NTUpaeEVOQT09>

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
+1 360 209 5623 US
+1 386 347 5053 US
+1 507 473 4847 US
+1 564 217 2000 US
+1 669 444 9171 US
+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
+1 689 278 1000 US
+1 719 359 4580 US
+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
Meeting ID: 860 6220 8959
Passcode: 668300
Find your local number: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86062208959>

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By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, October 23, 2022

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23rd Annual Sportsman Raffle

1st prize: Ruger American .270 Rifle



2nd prize: Beretta A300 Outlander 12 GA Shotgun



3rd prize: Henry Golden Boy .22 Rifle



4th prize: Ruger Go Wild .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, December 2, 2022

You do not need to be present to win!

Available from Rotary members

or purchase at www.rotarycovington.org

Click on the "Add to Cart" button to purchase tickets using a credit card or PayPal account

To Pay for Raffle tickets purchased from a Rotary Member or no member put in no member in the box.
If no member your tickets can be emailed to you.

Please include your phone number for your tickets

Click on the "Add to Cart"

Rotary Members Name

Phone Number

Add to Cart

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Levi Bailey on Monday, May 30, 2022

November Birthdays

Brad Bettis 11/1
Tommy Davis 11/2
Cathy Laseter 11/2
Levi Bailey 11/3
Hugh Steele 11/3
Patrick Carmichael 11/10
Steve Whatley 11/17

November Anniversaries



Club Admin Chair



[Thomas E. Davis](#)
Club Director
Club Fundraising Chair



[Terry Ozburn](#)
CART Chair
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Greg Proffitt](#)
Service Projects Chair



[Tracey Clark](#)
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iPast President

Birthdays

Patrick Roy Carmichael
November 10th
Steve Whatley
November 17th
Bob I. Stafford
December 1st
Johnny S. Smith
December 2nd

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Club Member Anniversaries

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

Bob & Vicki Stafford 11/3

Member Anniversaries

Covington Rotary / Rotary
Boone Brothers 3 Years / 13 Years
Wendell Camp 29 Years / 29 Years
Cathy Dobbs 4 Years / 4 Years
Megan Sellars 2 Years / 2 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

11-01-2022 - Oscar - GRSP Student

11-08-2022 - Mike Worley - GA Wildlife Federation

11-15-2022 - TBD

11-22-2022 - No Meeting - Thanksgiving

11-29-2022 - No Meeting - canceled for Christmas Party

12-02-2022 - Rotary Christmas Party - Brad Bettis House

12-06-2022 - Gerry Taylor - District Governor's visit

12-13-2022 - No Meeting - Canceled for Empty Stocking

12-20-2022 - TBD

12-27-2022 - No Meeting - Canceled for Charistmas

01-03-2022 - No Meeting - Canceled for New Years

[Read More](#)

Rotary Club of Covington Christmas Party Friday December 2nd

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 31, 2022

Rotary Club of Covington Christmas Party Friday December 2nd



Time: Friday December 2nd 7:00 pm

Location: Brad and Marlece Bettis house
969 Knox Chapel Rd

Social Circle, GA 30025

Food: Heavy hors d'oeuvres

Beverages: Beer, Wine and Soft drinks provided. BYOB if so desired.

Dress: Casual dress and casual time.

[Click here for directions.](#)

RI President's October Message

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, October 31, 2022



Jennifer Jones

President 2022-23

October 2022

In August, I was proud to visit Pakistan and highlight Rotary's top goal, eradicating polio. It was also a tremendous opportunity to spotlight female health workers who are playing a critical role in protecting children from this vaccine-preventable disease.

This month, as we celebrate World Polio Day, we are shining a spotlight on our more than 30-year effort to lead the first global polio eradication campaign and our success in forming partnerships capable of completing this massive goal. We all know that this is one of the most ambitious global health initiatives in history and that we've reduced polio cases by more than 99.9 percent worldwide.

Pakistan is one of only two countries in the world where wild poliovirus remains endemic. (The other is neighboring Afghanistan.) I was able to witness and take part in vaccination campaigns in Pakistan, and soon after I left, a monumental nationwide immunization campaign took place, focused on 43 million children under the age of 5. I saw the incredible work of Rotary members on the ground. More than 60 percent of vaccinators in Pakistan are women, and they are doing a remarkable job building trust and convincing mothers to vaccinate their children.

Seeing it all firsthand, I know that the will exists across the Rotary world to end polio, and I'm confident that we have the strategy. The Pakistani media has been very supportive of our efforts as well, and this is making a difference. This month, a new global pledging moment at the World Health Summit in Berlin promises to pull together more resources to fund these time-sensitive eradication efforts. Now it is up to us to do our part and raise \$50 million this year to earn the full 2-to-1 match from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

There's great cause for optimism on the polio front — but also some staggering new events that have further raised the stakes. Over the past few months, new polio outbreaks have occurred in Israel, the United Kingdom and, most recently, in the New York City area. These stories are frightening, but in every case, the response is clear — vaccines work, and if polio is spreading, we need to make sure the most at-risk people have kept their vaccinations up to date.

Most importantly, we need to eradicate this virus now. If polio exists anywhere, it can spread everywhere. What I saw in Pakistan convinced me that we can and must finish the job, but it will only happen if we remain committed to a strategy that's working and back it with all necessary resources.

Through our commitment, generosity, and sheer determination, we will #EndPolio.

Empowering Girls: A Rotary International Presidential Initiative

Friday, August 5, 2022



Did you know that Zone 33/34 and District 6910 are actively involved with Rotary's latest efforts to empower girls? Right now our zone is working with organizations such as [Crown Her](#), [WrapAround Centres](#), and the [Rotary Action Group Against Slavery](#) to make a difference. Find out more about how you can champion efforts to empower girls locally and globally. [Read More](#)

Membership Growth and Engagement - the Lifeblood of Rotary

Saturday, August 6, 2022



As Rotary moves its focus to membership in the month of August, what actions are your clubs taking to recruit new members and retain your existing Rotarians? Check out a few simple steps from our District Membership team! [Read More](#)

District Promotes 10 for \$10 Challenge to Support ShelterBox

Tuesday, August 30, 2022



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. [Read More](#)

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](#)

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!

DG Gerry

Vocational Service Awards and the Holiday Jam

By Peter Gleichman on Thursday, September 29, 2022



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Building Bridges: Rotary celebrates the International Day of Peace

By Anu C. Narula, Ph.D. on Monday, October 3, 2022



Rotarians from around District 6910 recently attended Rotary Peace and Unity Day celebration hosted by the Rotary Club of Gwinnett. Take a moment to read about this special day.

[Read More](#)

Rotary Leadership Institute Returns this October in Jasper

By Donald W. Martin on Thursday, October 6, 2022



Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) returns this October to Jasper, GA. Find out more about this in person event and how you can register to attend. [Read More](#)

Choo! Choo! It's time to Get on Board!!

By Tammy Tate Gilland on Thursday, October 6, 2022



It's time to Get on Board the Rotary Express and join your fellow District 6910 Rotarians in Chattanooga! Learn more about our annual convention now.

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Disaster Relief for Southwest Florida through District 6960

By Amanda R Groover on Friday, October 7, 2022

Rotary  **DONATE NOW**

HURRICANE IAN DISASTER RELIEF FUND

FT. MYERS | SANIBEL | ENGLEWOOD | PUNTA GORDA
NAPLES | PORT CHARLOTTE | SURROUNDING AREAS
DISTRICT 6960



For district support, contact
KELSEY MITCHELL
 (239) 776-1699
kelsey.mitchell@KW.com

For those looking for ways to provide tangible disaster relief to those in Southwest Florida, please visit <https://www.rotaryfl.org/> or reach out to Kelsey Mitchell listed on the flyer.

HANWASH Update for District 6910



The Haiti National Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (HANWASH) program has only been around since 2017, but it is making a huge impact on communities in Haiti. Learn about the impact of this program and how you can help.

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Meet our Members | A Spotlight on Service to our Country and Community

By Amanda R Groover on Thursday, November 3, 2022



District 6190's Meet our Members Series for November introduces you to Col. Gerald Lord who has spent decades of serving others. Take a moment to meet to salute Col Lord in this quick introduction. [Read More](#)

Focus on Foundation: Polio Eradication

By Bill Strickland on Friday, November 4, 2022



Polio has raised its 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 came 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?

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A Project with a Mission: Rotary Plants Daffodils for Hope

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

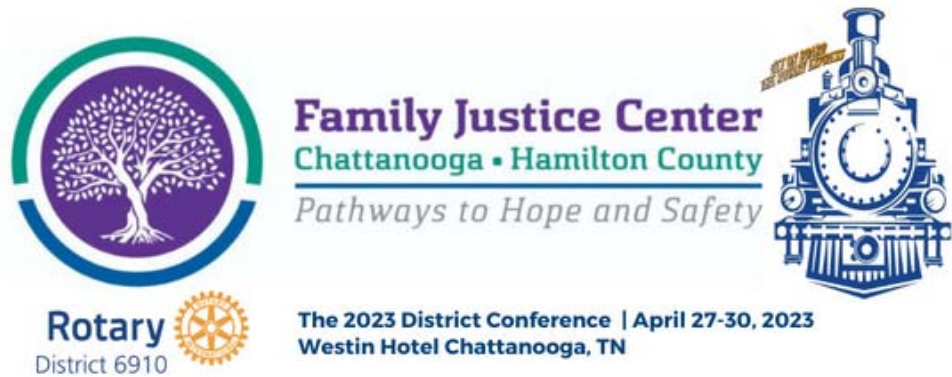


There was a sign on the wall of a treatment room with inspirational quotes, which I read in a hospital years ago. And, this is what it said:

"What Cancer Cannot Do: [Read More](#)

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

By George J. Lopos



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.
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November Message from DG Gerry Taylor



GET ON BOARD...

MONTHLY MESSAGE FROM DG GERRY TAYLOR

November is Rotary Foundation month. It is a time for us to devote our efforts and donations to the Rotary Foundation. I hope each of your clubs have a Foundation presentation during the month. The Rotary Foundation is what makes Rotary so special versus other organizations.

Donations to the Annual fund come back to us 3 years later at a 50% rate, allowing us to provide funds to Rotary international efforts, but also providing District grants back to our clubs for local service projects. District 6910 raised a record \$620,000 last year. We want to beat that this Rotary year so that we can give more back to our local communities for service projects.

Please consider a donation to the Rotary Foundation at the next Paul Harris level and consider making an annual contribution of \$1,000 to be recognized as a Paul Harris Society member. We appreciate your Foundation contributions, knowing that you are making a difference in our communities and the world!

After you make your donations to the Rotary Foundation, don't forget about making a contribution to Polio. Even with a tick up in Polio cases this year, we are "This Close" to eradicating polio. Stay the course.

Also, keep recruiting new members. At this time, District 6910 is not only number 1 in our Zone, but also the number 1 District in North America for net new members. Congratulations to our District membership team and club membership leaders!

Lastly, I have visited 43 clubs so far. Every one of our clubs are awesome and doing great. I appreciate all the support and want to remind all of you to register for our District Conference now. The "Get On Board the Rotary Express" conference is filling up, and if you want to join us on the Tennessee Valley Railroad dinner train excursion, we have limited seats. Register now to reserve your spot on the train.

I appreciate each of you and your leadership!

DG Gerry

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.

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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.

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ROTARY COMMUNITY CORPS

Certificate of Organization

This certificate recognizes that the Rotary Community Corps of
Abbott Medical Devices

(ID 95236 - Established 01 April 2022)

has been organized and has agreed, through its members, to be bound by the guidelines and bylaws of the Rotary Community Corps program of Rotary International.

Sponsored by
Rotary Club of Carpe Diem (Woodstock)

Debby Ciccone

PRESIDENT, SPONSORING ROTARY CLUB

August 29, 2022

DATE

Jerome J. Jones

REGIONAL MANAGER, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

29 August 2022

DATE

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 Braille 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 Braille 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 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.