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Rotary Program 12-06-22 - District 6910 Governor Gerry Taylor

By Levi Bailey on Monday, December 5, 2022



Rotary Program 12-06-22 - District 6910 Governor Gerry Taylor

Gerry Taylor is a retired Sr. Vice President of Resource Development in the United Way system. He has served United Ways for over 30 years beginning in Lexington, KY as Assistant Campaign Director, and then moving to Racine Wisconsin as Campaign Director before relocating to Birmingham Alabama as Senior Vice President of Resource Development. He began his position with United Way of Northeast Georgia in January of 2007. Prior to his career with United Way, he spent over eight years in sales and sales management, primarily with office product companies. He is an alumnus of the University of Minnesota and has completed various campaign and management courses from the National Academy of Volunteerism at United Way of America - a graduate of their 4 year Management Program.

During his United Way career, he was responsible for raising more than ¼ billion dollars in annual campaigns and over 15 million in Planned Giving assets.

Gerry decided to become a United Way professional to help improve the quality of life for others after experiencing assistance in his young life from a couple of United Way agencies that taught him lifelong lessons and provided him opportunities to succeed. This same background was why he joined Rotary.

He is a Past President of the Classic City Rotary Club in Athens Georgia, Past Assistant Governor of District 6910, Past District 6910 Training Vice Chair, Past District 6910 Awards and Recognition Chair, a member several District 6910 Conference Committees, District 6910 Board Member, current District Governor Elect of Rotary District 6910, a Board Member of Georgia Laws of Life, Peachstate PETS, GRSP and C.A.R.T, and Past President of Sales and Marketing Executives of the Birmingham Alabama Chapter and the Past President and founder of Professional Sales Association of Birmingham. He has spent many years coaching youth baseball.

Gerry is a Rotary Benefactor, a Bequest Society Member, a Rotary Foundation Major Donor, a Paul Harris Fellow and Paul Harris Society Member and a Will Watt Fellow.

Gerry began his Rotary career in Racine Wisconsin in 1996 – Rotary Founder Paul Harris' hometown.

Gerry is married to Lisa Landers Taylor, a retired special education teacher. They have two sons, Christopher (daughter in law Ashley) and Ryan.

His favorite pastimes are outdoor sports, model railroading and spending time with his family, including his Black Labrador Retriever, Hannah.

ZOOM INFO

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 860 6220 8959

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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



[Boone Brothers](#)
Membership Retention Chair
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Membership Retention Chair
Family of Rotary



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Club Director



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Service Projects Chair



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Club Programs Chair



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iPast President

Patrick Carmichael 11/10
Steve Whatley 11/17

November Anniversaries
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**

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

12-20-2022 - Lynn & Lace Photography

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

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

01-06-2022 - Legislative Prayer Breakfast

01-10-2022 - TBD

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HELPING UKRAINE PLATFORM TO CONTINUE AS UKRAINE DEFENDS ITSELF THROUGH A TOUGH WINTER

By Emory L. Morsberger on Monday, November 28, 2022



When Emory Morsberger, of the Morsberger Group and leader of the Tucker and Gateway CIDs, agreed to travel to Ukraine in June of this year, he was unaware of the impact his trip as a philanthropical envoy would have on his spirit and how deeply committed he would become to the cause of helping Ukraine fight for its freedom.

Read more of his thoughts on the continued efforts to support Ukraine.

[Read More](#)

Also Summer GRSP Scholarship Opens for Georgia College Students

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Birthdays

Gena McLendon

December 8th

Lauren Poynter

December 12th

Arthur M. Vinson

December 21st

Brian Keith Adams

December 29th

Megan L. Sellars

January 1st

Boone Brothers

January 3rd

Wedding Anniversaries

Patrick Roy Carmichael

December 18th

Club Member Anniversaries

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



While Georgia Rotary Student Program spends the year hosting international college students, we are thankful for the one opportunity that allows college students from Georgia to spend the summer attending school and exchanging cultural customs in Norway. The GRSP scholarship application for International Summer School at the University of Oslo for summer 2023 is open.

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December Message from DG Gerry Taylor

Monday, December 5, 2022



GET ON BOARD...

MONTHLY MESSAGE FROM DG GERRY TAYLOR

December is Disease Prevention month in our Rotary World. It is a time to remember that there are many individuals in the world afflicted with ill health and disease. In Rotary District 6910, through the efforts and contributions of all of our clubs and members, we support many health issues. Whether it's Polio, Alzheimer's, Cancer or many other disabilities and illnesses, we strive to make a positive difference in the lives of those suffering, and seek remedies and eradication.

December is also a time to celebrate our faiths with our families and friends. The holiday season is upon us. Rotary is an organization that supports all faiths. Our leadership believes that each of us must be treated equally and not to discriminate towards any individuals. Enjoy your celebrations and families!

As I sit here, I think about all of the clubs that I have visited this Rotary Year. There is so much good being done in each of our communities. I have witnessed many wonderful club service projects and heard of a great number of others. I feel great about the work that each of you are doing, and I know you, too feel good about giving back to your communities. Keep it up.

The District is doing well. After launching the 35 and under new member program, we have had a number of clubs taking advantage of the program. District membership is booming with over 100 new members since July 1. Foundation giving is growing this year, too. Our contributions to The Rotary Foundation are critical to the continued efforts of disease prevention and many other efforts. December is a great time to make a year-end tax-deductible contribution to The Rotary Foundation!

Lastly, I thank all of you for your leadership this year!

DG Gerry

The Rotary Club of Big Canoe Is Off to a Roaring Start

Wednesday, November 30, 2022



Six months have passed since the Rotary Club of Big Canoe held its charter dinner. In that short amount of time, the club has

become a force to be reckoned with both locally and internationally.
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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 [PolioPlus Society form](#) to [PDG Bill Strickland](#). 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 its focus to disease prevention and treatment during the month of December. Rotarians 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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Dalton Academy Interact Named Citizen's of the Week

Saturday, December 3, 2022



The Dalton Daily Citizen Newspaper recently named the Dalton Academy Interact Members their citizens of the week. The news recognized the students efforts to get out and help the community. [Read More](#)

HAS YOUR CLUB CHOSEN ITS VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS?

By Peter Gleichman on Saturday, December 3, 2022



The holidays are upon us and so is the time for your club to be selecting its recipients of the annual Vocational Service Awards. The W. Lee Arrendale Vocational Excellence Award and the Robert S. Stubbs, II Guardian of Ethics Award are two prestigious awards that each club in District 6910 should be presenting to recognize outstanding vocational service!

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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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The 6th Annual Rotary Thanksgiving Community Dinner was a success

By Nicole Stewart on Monday, November 21, 2022

The 6th Annual Rotary Thanksgiving Community Dinner was a success and so much fun! We served over 600 meals! (We truly apologize to anyone who didn't receive a meal.)

Thank you to all of the Rotarians and Dawson County High School Interactors who embodied "Service Above Self." We are honored to serve the Dawson County Community.

BIG THANK YOU to Ingles for helping us put together additional meals when we ran out of food. We love that our community always comes together to help one another!

Happy Thanksgiving!

