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The Newton County Pregnancy Resource Center provides pregnancy testing, proof of pregnancy for Medicaid, parenting and family education, adoption information and referrals, abortion information, post-abortion support and ultrasounds for women who are facing the challenges of unplanned pregnancies. The center provides weekly support for women throughout their pregnancy and six months after the birth of the baby. NPRC is a relatively new nonprofit in Newton County. The center officially opened in August of 2016 and has already served more than 100 women. All services are free of charge and provided by five staff members and 10 volunteers. Hours of operation are Mondays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The center is located at 6142 Gordy St. in downtown Covington. You can contact the center at 770-415-1176 or email hello@newtonprc.org.

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March Birthdays

Ricky Mock 3/6

Doug Bolton 3/11

Brad Stewart 3/24

Philip Byrd 3/30

March Anniversaries

Stacey & Lana Cotton 3/8

March Member Anniversaries

Brad Bettis 17 Years

Brian Burgoyne 5 Years

Phillip Byrd 5 Years

Dick Cottrill 1 Year

Jack Coyle 1 Year

Bryan Fazio 5 Years

John King 3 YearS

Lauren Poynter 5 YearS

Betty Shaw 24 Years

Steve Whatley 21 Years

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Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, July 27, 2015

03-26-2019 - Rachael Long - Newton Pregnancy Resource Center

04-02-2019 - TBA

04-09-2019 - Classification Talks - Jennoa Graham, Cathy Dobbs

04-16-2019 - Sherry Lowery - 100 Women Who Care

04-23-2019 - Lavendar - 4-H presentation

04-30-2019 - Rep. Dave Belton

05-07-2019 - Matthew - 4-H presentation

05-13-2019 - Newton County Schools Top Ten Banquet

05-14-2019 - Meeting Canceled for Newton County Schools Top Ten Banquet

Rolling on the River ~ District Conference 6910 2019

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 3, 2018

2019 Rolling on the River Conference



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For more info, click [HERE](#)

Rolling on the River August '18 Conference Update

District Governor Bruce Azevedo is a great believer in teamwork. Teamwork is vital to Rotary. Rotary cannot achieve complete success without the participation and cooperation of all members of the team. We would like to have all team members attend Rolling on the River District Conference May 2-5, 2019. District Conference brings our clubs' successes full circle. Here, you will inspire your fellow Rotarians with what you and your club are doing and you will be inspired by them.

If you've been to a district conference before, we are bringing back a few traditions: cookie breaks, local service project, child care during the dinners, and clubs will have the opportunity to share their outstanding projects. There will be group activities or you can visit Greenville on your own. Click [here](#) for information on Greenville and all it has to offer.

Who knows? Maybe there will be new club traditions started on Saturday, May 4 with clubs inviting their conference attendees to lunch with ample time afterwards to explore Greenville.

Due to the success from last year's conference, we will offer again a 1st time Attendee Session on Thursday, prior to the official start of the conference, to learn about expectations at a District Conference.

Some new additions to District Conference this year will be themed dinners, promotion of sponsorships, and lots of fun that will be happening in our House of Friendship.

Click [here](#) for conference agenda or visit Rotary6910Conference.org/Agenda.

Click [here](#) for sponsorship information or visit Rotary6910Conference.org/Sponsors.

As your District Conference Chair, I am committed to ensuring that you have the best conference experience ever! Bring the family and enjoy an incredible, entertaining weekend in beautiful Greenville, South Carolina.

Be the Inspiration. See you in Greenville May 2-5, 2019.

[LINK: To all Conference Information \(Conference Website\)](#) [LINK: Notes, Disclaimers, and Reminders](#) [LINK: Conference Agenda](#) [LINK: Hyatt Regency Greenville Reservation Link](#) **Phone: 1-864-235-1234**
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Birthdays

- Ricky Mock
March 6th
- Douglas E. Bolton
March 11th
- Bradley Stewart
March 24th
- Philip Byrd
March 30th

Wedding Anniversaries

- Stacey Lanier Cotton
March 8th

Club Member Anniversaries

- Betty Shaw
03-01-1995
24 Years
- Steve Whatley
03-03-1998
21 Years
- Brad Bettis
03-15-2002
17 Years
- Brian James Burgoyne
03-06-2014
5 Years
- Bryan Fazio
03-11-2014
5 Years
- Lauren Poynter
03-30-2014
5 Years
- Philip Byrd
03-30-2014
5 Years
- John King
03-08-2016
3 Years
- Jack W Coyle
03-13-2018
1 Year
- Richard Cottrill
03-13-2018
1 Year

Wetumpka Rotary Club donates \$10K to Boy Scout troops

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, March 25, 2019



Donald Campbell / The Herald Representatives from the Rotary Club presented two of the local Boy Scout troops with a check for \$10,838 to help both troops recover after being affected by the Jan. 19 tornado.

Through the generosity of the Rotary Club, Boy Scout troops 13 and 50 received more than \$10,000 to help them recover from the Jan. 19 tornado that struck Wetumpka.

◆We are so excited to be here,◆ club president Leisa Finley said at last week◆s Rotary Club meeting. ◆Tragedy brings people together.◆

The Rotary Club◆s Eric Hyde said the organization had been working to find a way to help out in the community following the tornado. Through regional contacts, Hyde said he was placed in contact with the Shades Valley Rotary Club in Birmingham, a chapter with its own charitable foundation providing funds to those in need.

Representatives from the Shades Valley chapter were present at the meeting, sharing how they felt about helping in the aftermath of the storm.

◆We are very proud to be here,◆ Dennis Devane with the Shades Valley Rotary Club said. ◆When we saw what had happened down here, it really touched our hearts. It was a unanimous decision among us to help out.◆

The check presented during the meeting, totaling \$10,838, will be split evenly between the two troops. Troop 13 Scoutmaster Scott Rouse and Troop 50 Scoutmaster Gardner Perdue said the money would go a long way in helping their respective troops return to firm ground.

◆We are going to put this toward our building fund so we can build a new scout lodge,◆ Perdue said. ◆We are sponsored by First United Methodist Church and we have been meeting there. We appreciate them giving us a meeting space but our intent is to get back into our own building.◆

Despite the Samuel Chester Bass Boy Scout Lodge being heavily damaged by the storm when a tree went through the structure, Perdue said one iconic part of the building was saved and will be installed at the new lodge once it is constructed. According to Perdue, Bass took every member of the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts to a brick maker in 1962 and each scout made a brick to be used in a fireplace that was built in the lodge. As the fireplace survived the storm, Perdue said there are plans to carry it over and make it a part of the future structure.

◆We◆ll definitely be putting this money to good use,◆ Rouse said. ◆Our most immediate need is getting a replacement trailer.◆

Rouse said he plans to meet with the pastor at First Presbyterian Church, where the troop has met since it was established in 1970, to make sure the troop has adequate and efficient space to meet inside the church once it is rebuilt.

Rouse and Perdue thanked the Rotary Club for its sizable donation to the two troops.

◆I think the Rotary Club is a superior organization and sees the need to invest in our youth.◆ Perdue said. ◆This is great stuff.◆

Rouse added, ◆I knew there was going to be a donation given today but I was completely blown away by the amount we received. It◆s humbling to be the recipient of this. The Rotarians◆ motto of ◆Service Above Self,◆ that◆s what we teach our scouts. Today has been a great day and we appreciate the Rotary◆s support.◆

Meadowcreek, Rotary partner for Peace Pole

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, March 25, 2019



Members of Meadowcreek High School's Interact and Environmental Club, school faculty and Rotary Club members teamed up to create a Peace Pole, a hand-crafted monument that displays the message and prayer "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in different languages on each of the pole's four sides.

Meadowcreek High School and the Rotary Club of Gwinnett are working together in the name of peace.

Members of the school◆s Interact and Environmental Club, school faculty and Rotary Club members teamed up to create a Peace Pole, a hand-crafted monument that displays the message and prayer ◆May Peace Prevail on Earth◆ in different languages on each of the pole◆s four sides.

Students decided the message should be written in English, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese in honor of Meadowcreek High◆s diverse student body. The school recently hosted a dedication ceremony in honor of the display.

Ni Za Vang, the Interact Club president, said she is proud of what the Peace Pole represents.

◆The Peace Pole is an internationally recognized symbol of the hopes and dreams of future generations which is in line with our vision of coming together for a brighter future,◆ Vang said.

Rodney Brundidge, Gwinnett Rotary Club member, echoed Vang◆s thoughts.

◆Each day we should strive to teach our youth the importance of inclusion and how it can build up communities rather than destroy them,◆ Brundidge said. ◆The Peace Pole Project provides our youth this invaluable opportunity to recognize their differences while achieving a common goal ◆ to promote peace and love.◆

The Peace Pole Project was founded in 1975 in Japan by Masahisa Goi, author of the Universal Message and Prayer, ◆May Peace Prevail On Earth,◆ and founder of The World Peace Prayer Society. The Peace Pole is an internationally recognized symbol of the hopes and dreams of the entire human family, standing vigil in silent prayer for peace on earth.

Rotary is an international organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service and encourages high ethical standards in all vocations.



Meadowcreek High School students and faculty, along with Rotary Club members, recently unveiled a Peace Pole at the school. The Peace Pole is an internationally recognized symbol of the hopes and dreams of the entire human family, standing vigil in silent prayer for peace on Earth.

Gwinnett County Public Library will roll out the red carpet for the 2019 Teen Film Challenge Awards Ceremony, presented by East2West Media Group, on Saturday at Discovery High School Theater.

The Teen Film Challenge is an annual contest for aspiring student filmmakers to show off their skills through short films in a variety of genres including comedy, drama, horror, animation and documentary. More than \$1,000 in prizes will be awarded by film professionals and library staff for Best Picture and Best Performance, among others. Selections from this year's films will also be screened.

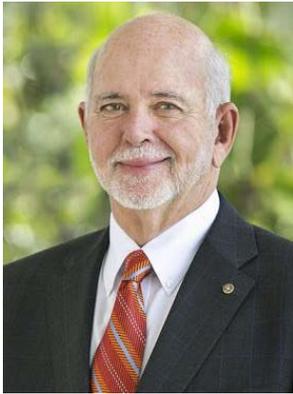
◆We◆re extremely pleased with the quality of films submitted this year. ◆said Tonya Aumack, GCPL Learning Labs manager. ◆This is our fourth Teen Film Challenge and the films are more powerful and more skillful each year. We are so proud of the filmmakers◆ efforts and can◆t wait to meet this year◆s participants at the awards ceremony. ◆

More than 30 entries were considered for this year◆s Teen Film Challenge, thanks in part to the growing interest and development of the film industry in the state.

The Discovery High School Theater is located at 1335 Old Norcross Road in Lawrenceville. The program begins at 2 p.m.

RI President's March Message

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, December 1, 2017



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President 2018-19

March 2019

One of the things I appreciate most about serving as president of Rotary International is the people I get to meet. Much of my time is spent traveling and visiting Rotary clubs around the world. A Rotarian welcome is something quite special. But let me tell you, there's nothing so warm as the welcomes that have been rolled out for me by Rotaractors. These are young people who are committed to Rotary ideals, who are pouring their hearts into service, and who, in the process, don't forget to have fun.

◆ in fact, they're excited about a plan to double it. They'll do it, too.

Rotaractors are vaccinating children against polio. They're donating blood where the supply is dangerously low. They're providing handwashing facilities to schools where children previously had no way to get clean. In short, they're all about transformational service: carrying out projects that make a real difference in their communities.

In Nakivale, Uganda, one special Rotaract club is making a difference in its community ◆ which happens to be a refugee settlement. These young leaders are turning what others might see as disadvantages into opportunities for service, building community and opening up new possibilities to those who are most in need of them.

In Turkey, Rotaractors are visiting children in the hospital every Wednesday to lift their spirits by playing games with them. They also are mentoring new students at their university and teaching them leadership skills.

Rotaractors are blazing the path for Rotary to be more relevant in this new century of service. And World Rotaract Week, which we're celebrating 11-17 March, is the perfect opportunity to get to know your local Rotaractors and talk to them about how your clubs can work together. If your Rotary club doesn't already sponsor a Rotaract club, know that you don't need to be near a college or university to do it: Community-based Rotaract clubs are a great option. And remember that Rotaractors are part of the Rotary family.

When Rotaractors are ready to leave their Rotaract club, we don't want them to leave that Rotary family behind. I'm asking all Rotarians to help them make the transition into a Rotary club or to start a new one: I'm happy to charter as many new clubs as we need to give everyone a place where they feel at home while making the world a little better. Service should be fun, it should be inspirational, and it should be open to all.

If there's one thing Rotary has always excelled at, it's diversity. In the past, that often meant diversity of profession, nationality, and outlook. We've made great strides when it comes to diversity of age and gender, and as we welcome more Rotaractors into our organization, we'll become even stronger.

Rotary is powerful. Together with Rotaract, it is unstoppable. Working side by side, we have the potential to **Be the Inspiration** in every part of society, to every person we meet.

Rolling on the River Conference Update



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[Link to Conference Website](#)

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Registration is Open for 2019 R6910 District Assembly with New No-Password-Required Registration

By David Thomas Upchurch on Sunday, February 24, 2019



District 6910 District Assembly & Rotary Revelry Party Registration is Open



Fun, Networking, Fellowship and Training for Current and Future Leaders.

Rotary Revelry Party with food and live entertainment 6-8 PM Fri evening April 5 in Athens and District Assembly the next morning 9AM ♦ 2:30 PM Sat April 6 at North Oconee High School about 13 miles Southwest of Athens.

Reduced room rates in two Athens hotels for Fri night, June 5 (hotel expense is not included in registration)

To register, you can go to the DACdb calendar as before, but there **is a new way to register. If you are a Rotarian, you no long have to remember your DACdb log in and password to register.** You just have to remember that we are district 6910 and the email address that you use for DACdb.

It is necessary to register separately for the party and the assembly.

Click to register for Reveling in Rotary - <https://IsMyRotaryClub.com/Register/RegisterMe.cfm?EventID=77423881>

Click to register 2019 D6910 District Assembly - Training for Current and Future Club Leaders. <https://IsMyRotaryClub.com/Register/RegisterMe.cfm?EventID=77374190>