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Club Leaders



Brian Keith Adams

President

John King

President - Elect



By Joseph Davidson on Monday, April 15, 2019

Born and raised in Ohio, I attended undergrad school at Bowling Green State University and upon graduation headed straight down I-75 and staked my place in Atlanta. The north is too cold and the south suits my "sunnier" personality! I spent the next 20-plus years in the north Atlanta area working in Early Childhood Education, owning two early learning centers in the Alpharetta area and along the way earning my masters in ECE. I grew weary of the traffic in north Atlanta in the late 90s and so moved to Newton County 18 years ago. I admit that am dug in. My home is here, my friends are here, my community is here. I have been on faculty at Georgia Piedmont Technical College in Newton County for the last 16 years and enjoy teaching teachers. In my never-enough-free-time, I volunteer for the Make A Wish Foundation, sit on several area boards, including NCCP and Rockdale Career Academy, Inc. in addition to two others. I am heavily involved in my church and in ECE Advisories in both Newton and Rockdale counties. And, yes, I started the 100 Women Who Care Newton County Chapter, which you will hear plenty about at the meeting!

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, December 30, 2018

April Birthdays

Doss Cain 4/16

Jody Smith 4/16

Jerry Roseberry 4/21

Stacey Cotton 4/24

Pete Carter 4/26

April Anniversaries

Joe & Ganeva Davidson 4/1

Brian & Melissa Burgoyne 4/14

Carter & Julie Rogers 4/22

April Membership Anniversaries

Covington Rotary Rotary

Salisa Bacon 6 Years 6 Years

Patrick Carmichael 9 Years 24 Years

Brook Collins 15 Years 15 Years

Stuart Hamilton 34 Years 34 Years

Bill McCart 49 Years 49 Years

Brad Stewart 9 Years 9 Years

Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, July 27, 2015

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

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



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[Salisa Bacon](#)
iPast President



[Margie Ensley](#)
Assistant Governor

04-30-2019 - Rep. Dave Belton

May - Vidalia Onions order, pickup and delivery - exact dates TBA

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

05-21-2019 - Hosanna Fletcher - Georgia State University

05-16-2019 - Camp Sunshine for Teens

06-23-2019 - Camp Sunshine for Juniors

Newton County Schools 54th Top Ten Banquet

By Joseph Davidson on Sunday, March 31, 2019

Newton County Schools 54th Top Ten Banquet

Our Club will be hosting our 54th Annual Top Ten Banquet for the three Newton County High Schools. The top ten students from each school will be honored along with their favorite teacher. Newton High School, Eastside High School & Alcovy High School

We always like a good Rotary turn out to show our support of this great event.

Monday, May 13, 2018 6:30PM
Porter Auditorium
140 Ram Drive, Covington, GA 30014

We ask Rotary members to arrive at about 6:30 pm to help and be there before the guests arrive. The event starts at 7:00pm

Please see John King to volunteer for preparing and for the evening of the event.

This will replace our normal lunch meeting on Tuesday May 14th

Rotarian Doss Cain's 90th Birthday celebration

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, April 15, 2019



Doss Cain surrounded by (left to right) Joe Davidson, Jerry Roseberry, Hugh Steele and Betty Shaw

Birthdays

Jody E. Smith
April 16th
E. Doss Cain
April 16th
Jerry Roseberry
April 21st
Stacey Lanier Cotton
April 24th
James R. Carter
April 26th

Wedding Anniversaries

Joseph Davidson
April 1st
Brian James Burgoyne
April 14th
Carter Rogers
April 22nd

Club Member Anniversaries

William McCart
04-01-1970
49 Years
Stuart E. Hamilton
04-01-1985
34 Years
Brook Collins
04-15-2004
15 Years
Bradley Stewart

04-01-2010
9 Years
Salisa Bacon
04-23-2013
6 Years



Doss with his wife Billie and Betty Shaw. Doss is 90 on Tuesday April 16th.



There was a good crowd to celebrate number 90



Lots of family and friends came to wish Doss a happy birthday. Doss had three cakes, each with the number 30 on them

Rolling on the River ~ District Conference 6910 2019

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 3, 2018

2019 Rolling on the River Conference [?](#)



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**
[LINK: Rotary District 6910 Annual Conference Sponsorship Form](#) [LINK: House of Friendship Reservation Form](#) [LINK: Service Project - Rotary Reads](#)

The Vidalia Onions are coming! The Vidalia Onions are coming!

By Joseph Davidson on Wednesday, April 10, 2019

The Vidalia Onions are coming! The Vidalia Onions are coming!

This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the Empty Stocking Fund. We need to sell all the onions we can. Everybody loves Vidalia's. They are easy to sell and make a great promo give away too for customers.

**Deadline to order to be announced. Expect early to mid-May
Onion Pick up day will be determined.**

Location:
Li-Way Transfer & Storage
55 Chamisa Rd, Covington, GA 30016
[Click here for Map](#)

25lb Bags \$20.00 per bag with a 12 bag minimum

Any member that doesn't order the 12 bag minimum will be assessed the profit per bag of the unsold quantity.

You can have customers pay for their onions on a credit card or PayPal on our website.

On our home page at www.rotarycovington.org there is a link "add to cart" Just enter the quantity and choose the credit card or the paypal option.

Feel free to contact me if you need assistance.

Please contact Tommy Davis to place your order.
Tommy Davis
404-304-9607
tommy@harwellfuneralhome.com
Watch for more details



Camp Sunshine June 16th and 23rd

By Joseph Davidson on Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Camp Sunshine June 16th and 23rd

Camp Sunshine is for children with cancer. The 16th will be for the teens, ages 13-18 and the 23rd will be the juniors ages 7-12

We will be greeting campers and passing out drinks for Camp Sunshine at Camp Twin Lakes in Rutledge.

We will need a couple volunteers or so to help setup in the morning. We can use as many as possible to greet campers. Times will be announced as we get closer.



[Map to Camp Twin Lakes](#)

Camp Twin Lakes - Rutledge
1391 Keencheefoonee Road
Rutledge, GA 30663
Phone: 706-557-9070

Scotch Plains-Fanwood Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, April 15, 2019



SCOTCH PLAINS/FANWOOD, NJ -- The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Rotary Club hosted its second annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast at Shady Rest Country Club (820 Jerusalem Road, Scotch Plains) on Sunday, April 7. Attendees included Fanwood Mayor Colleen Mahr, Scotch Plains Mayor Al Smith and members of the Scotch Plains Township Council, among others.



Proceeds from the event will benefit the [Save the Frazee House project](#), a local restoration effort managed by the Rotary Club. The Frazee House is a farmstead that has been standing for more than 270 years, and has been celebrated as an example of vernacular architecture from the 1700s. According to local legend, British General Cornwallis marched through the property after the Battle of Short Hills in 1777, and asked Aunt Betty Frazee to hand over bread for his tired and hungry troops. To this she replied: ♦Sir, I give you this bread through fear, not in love.♦ Cornwallis and his troops did not touch the bread, but they did take just about everything else.



The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club has served the community since 1938. Meetings are held on Wednesdays at noon at the Stage House Restaurant. Guests are invited to attend and learn about the good that Rotary is doing worldwide. For further information, go to fsprotary.org or visit the Facebook page.





Lancaster Rotary Club, First Presbyterian assist medical mission to Honduras

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, April 15, 2019



Honduran youths hold up toothbrushes they received from volunteers from the Lancaster mission team

For people in impoverished parts of Honduras, access to medicine and medical help is often beyond their reach.

To help meet that need, several members of the Rotary Club of Lancaster and others from First Presbyterian Church, 140 E. Orange St., traveled to Honduras on a medical mission last month. In the four days they were on the ground, they treated more than 1,400 people.

The trip was sponsored by Lancaster-based Central American Relief Efforts, 301 St. Thomas Road.

First Presbyterian has long been a sponsor of the relief organization's efforts. This year, the church contributed \$3,000 through its outreach ministry.

Disease prevention and treatment is one of Rotary International's primary areas of humanitarian focus. Through its World Community Service committee, the local club contributed \$7,000 toward the mission, principally to cover the cost of medicines distributed during the trip, dental assistance and eye care.



Lancaster resident Richard Manix monitors a person's blood pressure at a clinic in Honduras

Impressive response

The response to the mission was overwhelming, said August Payne, executive director of Central American Relief Efforts and a member of First Presbyterian.

◆When you show up in the morning there are probably 300 people already in line,◆ he said.

Payne was joined by volunteers Nancy Sherer and Roger Sandt as well as Richard Manix and Thomas Hooper from the Rotary Club and Lisa Douglas from First Presbyterian.

He said his organization teams up with local doctors, dentists and eye care professionals several times a year to provide medical assistance.

The team set up clinics in remote villages close to both El Salvador and Nicaragua to provide blood pressure testing, general medicine, pharmaceutical assistance, ophthalmology and dental services.

Volunteers distributed hundreds of pairs of reading glasses, administered dental care and provided hygiene instruction to hundreds of other villagers. Among those they treated was a 103-year-old man.

Because water throughout the region is often unpotable, rural Hondurans drink a lot of soda. That leads to chronic dental problems. Residents ◆ especially youths ◆ were given toothbrushes.



Lancaster volunteers take a break from treating hundreds of Honduran villagers. Left to right: a local Honduran official, Thomas Hooper, Richard Maix, Nancy Sherer, Lisa Douglas, Roger Sandt and August Payne

Reason for hope

Their work has paid dividends. In an interview last year, Marel Carbajal, who is the project coordinator for C.A.R.E. in Honduras, said the organization◆s ongoing nutrition and medical mission programs have increased school attendance and given youths in the region hope.

During this most recent visit, pencils, pens, crayons and coloring books for the youngsters also were distributed.

Most of the work takes place in and around Choluteca, a city in southwestern Honduras near the Nicaraguan border. The volunteers, who pay their own way, stay in a hotel during their mission.

◆Its a fulfilling experience,◆ Payne said. ◆Its a learning experience for all who come from the states.◆

Those wishing to donate or to take part in a trip to Honduras can contact the organization at carelif07@gmail.com.



Honduran villagers line up for a clinic sponsored by Central American Relief Efforts, Rotary Club of Lancaster and First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster

RI President's April Message

By Joseph Davidson on Friday, December 1, 2017



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President 2018-19

April 2019

Every two minutes, somewhere in the world, a woman dies from preventable causes related to pregnancy and childbirth. And babies whose mothers die within the first six weeks of their lives are far more likely to die themselves than babies whose mothers survive. As I've traveled around the world as president of Rotary, I've met families for whom these aren't simply tragic statistics. But I've also met people who are devoting themselves to helping mothers and children ♦ and because of them, I'm hopeful. And because many of those people are Rotarians, I'm also proud. April is Maternal and Child Health Month in Rotary, so it's a perfect time to tell you about some things Rotarians are doing that will make you proud too.

Last fall, I paid a visit to a hospital in the town of Jekabpils, in Latvia. It's a modern hospital, and the doctors and nurses there are caring, dedicated, and skilled. But despite all their hard work, the maternal mortality rate at the hospital had remained stubbornly high, due to a factor that was beyond their control: a lack of vital diagnostic equipment and even basic items like incubators.

And that's where Rotary came in. Twenty-one clubs from around the world joined forces for a global grant that provided what the hospital required. And in September, when I walked into the maternity ward there, I saw state-of-the-art equipment, and I met patients who were getting the care that they needed ♦ and that every mother and child in the world deserves to have.

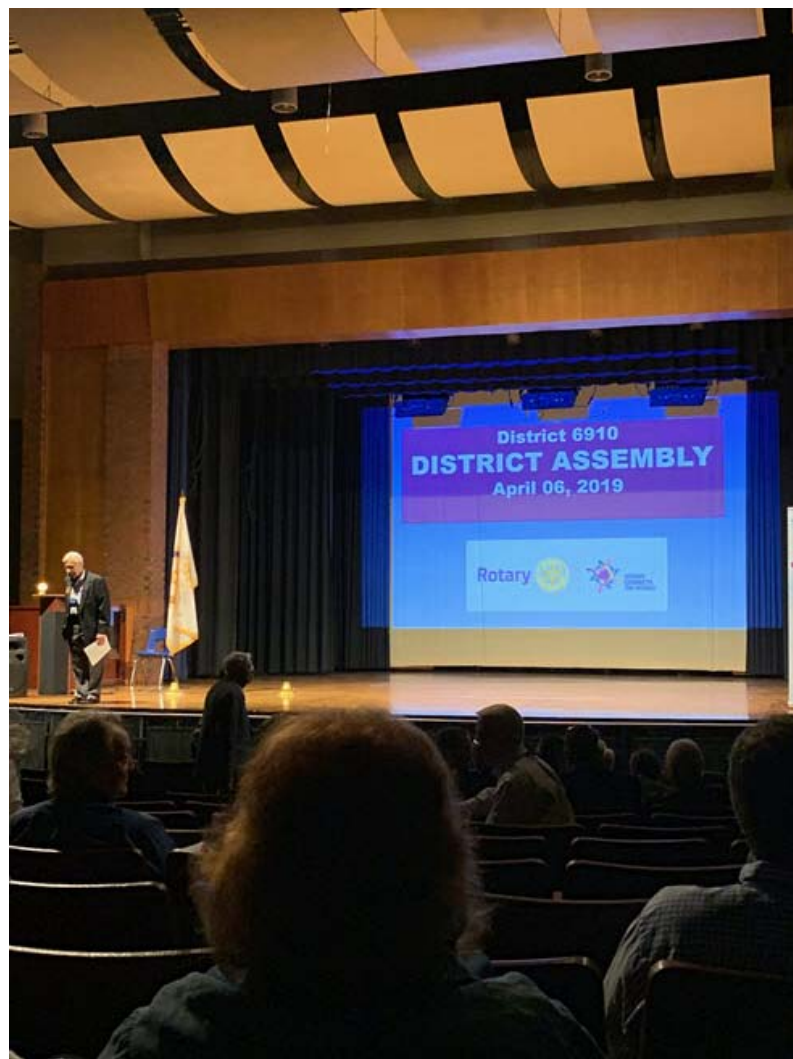
In Brazil, club members worked with fellow Rotarians in Japan on a global grant project that dramatically increased the capacity of an overstretched neonatal intensive care unit. New incubators, monitors, and other equipment have enabled the local hospital to save many more babies' lives each year.

And in Mongolia, a vocational training team from New Zealand organized instruction in emergency response techniques for doctors and midwives, set up a program that taught midwives modern best practices, and researched and wrote a culturally relevant childbirth education manual. Between 2013, when the team first went to Mongolia, and 2017, the neonatal mortality rate in the country fell from 11.2 to 9.1 per 1,000 births, and the maternal mortality rate has decreased as well.

That's what I mean when I talk about transformational service, and it's what Rotarians do best. Because of our networks, which span the globe; our community presence, which allows us to see what's most needed; and our expertise, which encompasses countless skills and professions, we're able to serve in a manner that has no equal. And we're able to ***Be the Inspiration*** as we help those who need us most.

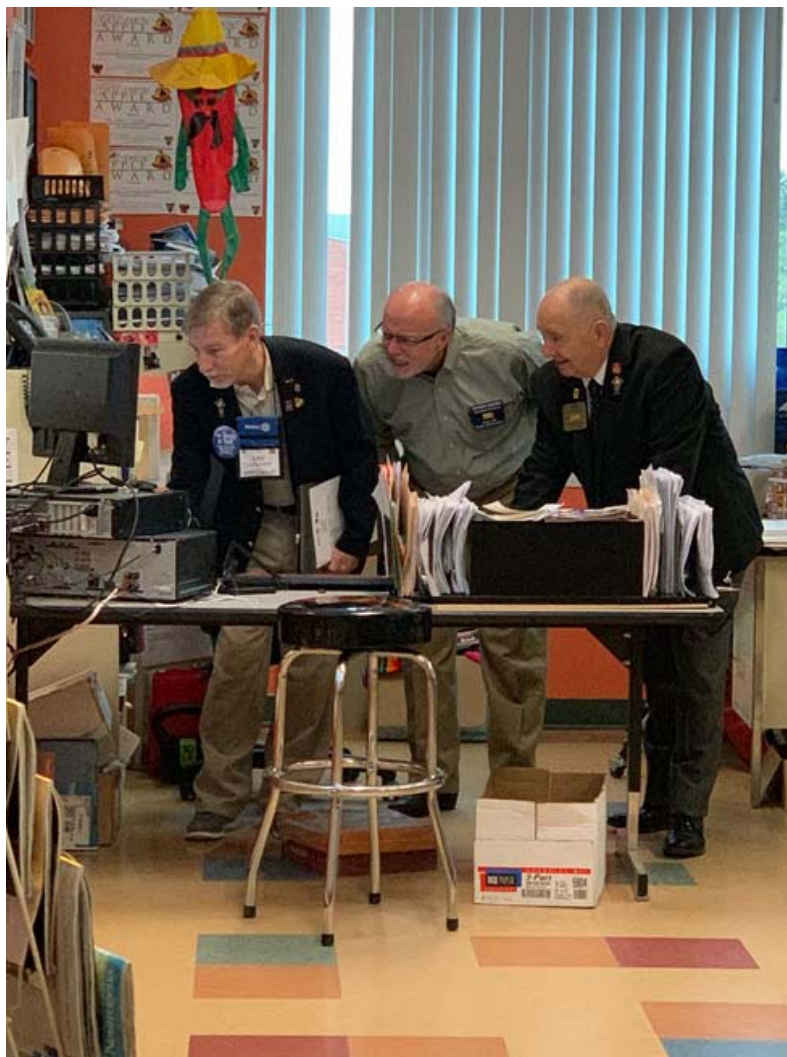
District Assembly

By Steve Lawrence on Sunday, April 7, 2019



District Assembly is a training school for all Rotarians, from new members who have just joined to seasoned veterans who want to catch up with the latest and greatest.

Offering classes such as Rotary 101, Membership recruitment, Public Image, Secretary Training, DacDb training, and, in my case, President Elect training and District Grant training, this is an informative path forward for those Rotarians who choose to learn more.



DGE Don Martin with District Technology Experts Shannon Osborne and Leo Lawrenson testing computer before class.

This once a year assembly is taught by past District governors, Assistant Governors and District Chairs selected for their knowledge and skills in the various courses.

Representing the Rotary Club of Jasper, District Governor Elect Don Martin taught the PE♦s what to expect in their upcoming years. Kay Lawrence also showcased her expertise in teaching membership recruitment.

All of us should consider attending next years assembly. Good food, great Rotary connections and lots of fun. What♦s not to like?

Rolling on the River Conference Update



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