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## Birthdays



Mike Fulton  
May 10th



Alyssa S. Davis  
May 15th



Kelly Herndon Patterson  
May 20th

## About Rotary

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian service and to advance goodwill and peace around the world. There are 34,282 member clubs worldwide, representing 200 countries and 1.2 million members.

RI President-elect Holger Knaack's theme for 2020-21, *Rotary Opens Opportunities*, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.

## Upcoming Programs

**Upcoming Program: David Snell, Vice President - E.R. Snell**



**Beginning with the March 2nd meeting, you must REREGISTER to get a new Zoom link for our weekly meetings. That link is:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81251423073?pwd=MTU0Lk1kIm5qW0FkZ0pPQ1>

This week, we will hear from David Snell who is the Vice President of E.R. Snell in Snellville, Georgia.

E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc. is a construction company focused on new and existing road construction and repair, asphalt paving bridges and concrete structures in both the public and private sectors. As a local, family-owned company, we have a commitment to serving our customers of all sizes and the communities in which we work throughout the State of Georgia in a way that honors the standards on which our company was founded.

E.R. Snell prides themselves on maintaining excellent employee relations, delivering the highest quality work, completing projects on time and on budget, and giving back to our community.

**Upcoming Programs - Be sure to visit the DACdb calendar to see all upcoming events.**

May 18th - Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State  
May 25th - Possible Fieldtrip to Eagle Rock

## Recap of last week

### Recap of Last Week

Today's speaker was Dr. Angel Cabrera, President of Georgia Tech. Dr. Cabrera focused on how Georgia Tech managed during the pandemic and continues to succeed with its efforts. He noted that the university focused on biotechnology and informational technology to implement its strategies.

Because of biotechnical advances and global cooperation among research institutes such as Georgia Tech, this helped scientists to develop the COVID vaccines in less than one year along with enabling researchers to understand the workings of the virus.

Information technology resulted in the tools to allow businesses to communicate and keep the economic engines going.

Georgia Tech was one of the few public universities to allow students and faculty back to campus last fall. The university developed its own COVID testing system by using saliva rather than nose swabs. As a result, it now has a strong COVID database for the school which has allowed it to remain open.

The Georgia state Senate and House of Representatives also used the same COVID testing system on the legislators and staff so that they could continue with the legislative session.

Georgia Tech is proud of its research portfolio which encompasses over \$1 billion in research grants.

There are 8,000 Tech alumni living in Gwinnett County. Currently, there are 2300 students from Gwinnett attending Georgia Tech. And Georgia Tech is now considered the #2 national talent source for Microsoft.

Creating jobs, developing new innovations, researching, and educating talent for the future are what Georgia Tech does best.

### 2021 Raffle Fundraiser

The 2021 Raffle Fundraiser has officially kicked off. Tickets are now on sale. More than 100 of the 1,000 have already been sold at \$100 each.

**Rotary Club of Gwinnett County Greater Gwinnett ROTARY RAFFLE FUNDRAISER**

We're raising funds to help our community! 90% of the net proceeds from this fundraiser will go to support those in needs right here in Gwinnett County. Funds will be split between supporting the Gwinnett Cares initiative and the Community Foundation for Northeast Georgia Coronavirus Relief Fund. The remaining 10% of the net proceeds will go to The Rotary Foundation to help eradicate Polio.

**THERE ARE LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES FOR YOU TOO!**

**It's easy to win:**

- 1 Buy a RAFFLE TICKET
- 2 If your ticket is drawn, have your pick from **ONE OF THE 10 PRIZES**

Raffle drawing will be **JUNE 1, 2021**. There are only 1,000 tickets being sold, so **GET YOURS TODAY!**

**GO TO: TINYURL.COM/GWINNETTROTARYRAFFLE →**  
**OR SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE ↑**

## Upcoming Healthcare Summit

## ONLINE HEALTHCARE SUMMIT

Join Gwinnett's top healthcare experts for a briefing on efforts to vaccinate citizens quickly, safely and equitable across our community. We'll help you discern fact from fiction and offer great tips to best help your family navigate back to a new "normal" with resiliency.

Summit offered via Zoom & Facebook Live.  
Live Interpretation in Spanish, Korean & Vietnamese.

Register Here:  
<http://bit.ly/BeWellGwinnett>



Key discussion topics will include:

- ◆ Vaccine confidence ◆ what we need to know about Johnson & Johnson
- ◆ How safety protocols are working to keep us safe
- ◆ Research and vaccine developments moving forward
- ◆ Global surges ◆ the vaccines vs. variants
- ◆ Vaccination efforts to-date and progress on herd immunity
- ◆ Risk assessments
- ◆ Vaccination strategy ◆ safely, swiftly, equitably ◆ data informed decisions
- ◆ Taking vaccination efforts mobile
- ◆ Scheduling resources
- ◆ New safety guidelines post-vaccination
- ◆ Consumer beware ◆ watching for scams
- ◆ Public/Private partnerships
- ◆ Dealing with anxiety ◆ the healing process
- ◆ Kids ◆ resiliency ◆ physically and mentally
- ◆ How to better support our children and preparing them to return to school

Distinguished guest speakers will include:

- ◆ Dr. Henry Bernstein, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices - Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
- ◆ Dr. Audrey Arona, District Health Director ◆ Gwinnett Newton Rockdale Health Departments
- ◆ Sheila Lovett, Immunization Director - Georgia Department of Public Health
- ◆ Marlene Fosque, District 4 Commissioner ◆ Gwinnett County
- ◆ Chelsea Walker, LCSW, Wellness Program ◆ Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
- ◆ Gloria Juliaio, Director of Play Therapy ◆ View Point Health

Register here: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Nh4gc9IDQ6-fg2EyaEwGHQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Nh4gc9IDQ6-fg2EyaEwGHQ)

### CART Fund

CART is Change for Alzheimer's Research Trust, an organization founded by Rotarians and operated by Rotarians. One hundred percent (100%) of donated funds go to cutting edge research to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease. Thanks to your support CART was able to provide \$1,000,000.00 in Grants again this year. The bad news is that District 6910 has only raised \$38,000.00 as of March 31st and in 2020, we contributed over \$65,000.00. Please consider contributing in the next ten days to help us get closer to or previous levels of support.

Individuals who would like to make a CART Contribution and get Tax or personal Credit: you can go to [Login Form \(mycartfund.org\)](http://mycartfund.org), and using your DACdb credentials to log in. once you are logged in click on ◆Make a Contribution◆ on the left-hand side of the page. Not only will you get credit, but so will your Club.



### Stay Connected - Follow us on Social Media!



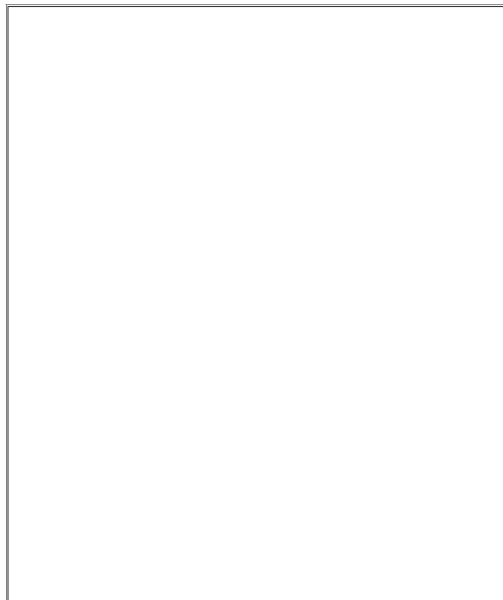
### District Assembly--May 15


By Michael L. Berg on Thursday, April 29, 2021

The annual District Assembly will be virtual this year. The general session will take place on Saturday, May 15th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All other presentations will be taped for viewing after May 15th. This process will allow Rotarians to view presentations on their own time schedule.


DACdb will be the registration point for the Saturday event. There will be no charge for registration. All other presentations can be viewed on the District 6910 website shortly thereafter. There will be something for everyone interested in many different aspects of District 6910 Rotary. Further learning opportunities can be found by viewing the Rotary Learning Center on the RI website or our own Rotary District 6910 website.

To register now for District Assembly, click the image below.






TOGETHER, WE  
**LEARN**

Rotary  PEOPLE IN ACTION

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A Virtual Event  
**District Assembly** | **Rotary**   
District 6910

On Zoom May 15

**Main**  
**General Session**  
May 15  
9:00 am - 11:00 am  
Zoom

Join PDG Mike Berg and his leadership team as they plot out a course for the new Rotary year.

**WHAT IS IT?**

**TRAINING & EDUCATION** for ALL Rotarians who want to learn and hear new ideas, especially Club leaders, board members and committee chairs who are looking to strengthen their skill set and Rotary knowledge.

**INFORMATION** about retaining and growing membership, improving your club's public image, developing impactful service projects, doing more good through The Rotary Foundation, using DACdb to better manage your club, and more!

**REGISTRATION FEE:** None

All other presentations can be viewed on the District 6910 website shortly after the Main General Session. There will be something for everyone interested in many different aspects of District 6910 Rotary.

Further learning opportunities can be found by viewing the Rotary Learning Center on the RI website or our own Rotary District 6910 website.

**To Register for the May 15 event & get the Zoom Link visit**  
**DACdb.com**

After the General Session, all other training presentations will be recorded for viewing after May 15. This process will allow Rotarians to view presentations on their own time schedule.

### *Infinite Possibilities*

Click the logo above if you would like to go back and revisit any of the "Infinite Possibilities" webinars presented during the past year from Zone 33-34, including Series 1: Women In Rotary and Series 2: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.

## May 2021

### Lights, Camera, Action!

By DG Tina D. Fischlin on Saturday, May 1, 2021

WOW that is the first word that stands out in my mind when I think about last weekend's virtual District Conference.

There are no other ways to express this awesome event. If I tried to list all of thank yous that need to be listed, I would miss someone. However, I must give a HUGE thank you to Dianne Cammarata and our entire District conference team. Phil Ciccone and the technology team brought an event that was as close to being in person as possible.

We celebrated our clubs and our members. Congratulations to Doug Bolton, Rotarian of the Year; Pete McDonald, Assistant Governor of the Year; and Dianne Cammarata, who received Rotary's highest award, Service Above Self. These are just a few of the highlights from conference. Read all about the wonderful awards in the Awards & Honors article.



Jennifer Hendrickson and Mark Willis, both from the Rotary Club of Gwinnett County, performed superbly as this year's district conference emcees.

May is here! We have a lot going on in the District, and Clubs are busy with their fundraisers and finishing up their service projects. Everyone is making the push to finish out this Rotary year strong and train the new leaders to do more than we did this year.

Rotary's theme for May is Youth Service Month, Rotary's annual celebration of all the ways in which we support young people to fully explore and develop who they are and what they have to offer this world. Young people are our future and the future of Rotary. Rotary International President Holger says, "Rotary youth exchange is one of the many programs for youths and young adults that we celebrate this month." My path into true engagement in Rotary. My wife, Susanne, and I began hosting exchange students soon after I joined, and the experience helped me go from simply being a member of my Rotary club to being a true Rotarian. Now Rotary Youth Exchange is a family tradition, and a strong one: Over the past 24 years, we have hosted 43 students!

Our District's Interact and EarlyAct clubs have been active this year, even in the middle of a pandemic. Check out their most recent video here. [Video Link](#).

Lastly, there are four reminders for our clubs:

1. Register for District Assembly it is FREE, but you must register in DACdb.
2. Please update your 2020-2021 Officers and Directors in DACdb. The District Directory is being prepared and we want your most current information in this Directory. Please contact your assistant Governor if you are not sure how to update your information.
3. Sign up for RYLA.
4. District grant final reports are due May 10.

Have a great month!

DG Tina



DG Tina prepares to present the "Service Above Self Award."



Phil Ciccone, a member of the the Rotary Club of Towne Lake and the genius director behind all the video and editing for district conference, tries to figure out if this camera is working?!