# Rotary



# Club of Gaithersburg

July 11, 2025

### **Club Meeting**

Meets at First and third Tuesday
- La Villa Restaurant and on
zoom, Fourth Tuesday - zoom
only, Second Tuesday - no
meeting.
18701 N Frederick Ave
Gaithersburg, MD 20879
Time: Tuesday at 12:15 PM

#### **Club Leaders**

Priscilla S. Kinnear President Immediate Past President

Jacqueline Grenning-Mulcahy President-Elect

Community Projects Chair

Denise MacfoyVice President

**EsiSonia Sotoglo** Secretary

Maria R. Garcia Treasurer

Frederick W. Cooksey Sergeant-at-Arms

Janet Greiner Rotary Foundation Chair

Kenneth Weiss Bulletin Editor

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#### **Events**

July 13th, 12:00 noon Installation of District Governor Mandy BC Brewery, Hunt Valley, MD Sign up for this lively event at Rotary 7620.org.

July 15th, in La villa Club assembly

July 22nd, on Zoom
Youth mental health + what
is DBT
Speaker: Emma Young ,
Licensed Mental Health
Counselor

July 29th, 5:00 p.m. In the bar at the Marriott Hotel in Rio **Happy hour** 

Join club members for appetizers (curtesy of the club), drinks (you pay!) and to get to

### **Points from DG Nomie**

**Nomie Hamid** was Governor of our district at age 39, one of the youngest, or perhaps the youngest, to hold that job. He covered the ground amazingly well, attending and speaking at dozens of district and club events.

In a statement dated July 1, 2025, his first day **off** the job, Nomie stated about his one-year term that he "... set out with one clear goal: to build a stronger, more connected district," and "... I truly believe we have achieved that." Many people in the district agree wholeheartedly.

Nomie also said that "We welcomed 303 new members into our Rotary family, achieving a net growth of 108." This is a huge achievement given the large number of organizations and activities that vie for the time of people who value "service above self."

He stated further: "We raised over \$1 million for The Rotary Foundation."

That is more than \$16,000 for each of the 60 clubs in our district, a remarkable achievement that will do a whole lot of good.

And then: "We built a Public Image and PR team like never before." Getting the word out about Rotary and its work is vital. Millions of people do not know about us, and we need great PI teams to break through the clutter and tell them.

And, of course, Nomie remains a Rotarian. We will see him often in the years to come.

# The Quality of Our Leaders



Our District Governor for 2027/28 has been selected. It took a while, as it should, given the importance of the job. Rotarian Barton Goldenberg and others on the selection committee were highly devoted to their task.

Their selection is Rose Cardarelli, Doctor of Education, Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Initiatives, and Founder & CEO of the *Education for All Coalition*. What has she done that qualifies her to lead us?

First, she has 30 years of leadership experience in the U.S. Army Medical Service Corps, the Department of Defense, and Humanitarian /

Non-Governmental Organizations.

Next, she has earned degrees or certificates from The College of William and Mary, Baylor University, Boson University, Fitchburg State University, Georgetown University, the University of Oxford, George Washington University, and the U.S. Army War College. **Wow!** 

She has been appointed NGO Representative to the United Nations and Rotary International Representative to the United Nations Children's Fund.

And, she has been awarded the President's Medal by Fitchburg State University, a Distinguished Achievement Award by Boston University, a Governor and Regent's Award from the American College of Healthcare Executives, the Legion of Merit, the Order of Military Medical Merit, and the General George C. Marshall Award for Leadership and Academics.

Having that kind of leader in Rotary should inspire us all to help our organization create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

know your fellow Rotarians. better. Guests will be welcome.

August 5th in La Villa **Classification Talk Speaker:** Franklina Buck (Frankie) ???????.

# The Rotary 4-way Test Of all that we think, say, and do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?





## **The Board Plus**

Our Board of Directors for the new Rotary year held its first meeting on July 8th. Nearly all the officers and committee chairpersons were present as the group worked systematically through a long and meaningful agenda.

The subjects included our participation in the upcoming district conference, our committees, one by one; club projects, one by one, and finances. The dynamic and progressive discussions portend well for the club's growth and accomplishments in the next twelve months.



Note: The photo is illustrative. It does not show directors of the Rotary Club of Gaithersburg.