



# Monthly Newsletter

## June 2024 Edition

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## JUNE NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

### Inductions

A big welcome to Mr. **Paul Simmons**, our newest member and Club Treasurer who was inducted on May 28<sup>th</sup>.



*Pauline, Paul and Vesselina*



*Paul*

**Rotary**  
Rotary Club of Capitol Hill  
District 7620



### **Second Annual Gala for Foster Care:** *By Chidubem CJ Egboluche*

“Home is where love resides, memories are created, and hearts are cherished.” In May, the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill, Washington DC, had a fantastic time attending the second annual gala for the Foster and Adoptive Parents Advocacy Center!

It was an honor to support such a worthy cause and celebrate the incredible work of foster and adoptive parents in our community. *ROTARY IS LOVE*



*From left: Vesselina Stoytcheva, Gary and Yvonne Vanderhoof, Patricia Sheikh and Najiba Hlemi*

### **Polio Day at the Senate**

In May, members of our club joined other Rotary International members from our district and selected U.S. government agencies and donor community to thank, and award certificates of recognition, to members of the U.S. Senate and Congress who continue to support legislation to end polio around the world.



*From left: CJ, Pat, Peter, Pauline, Sean and Vesselina*

**May Red Line Happy Hour:** Vesselina and Chuck represented our club.





## ROTARY RED LINE HAPPY HOUR

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Washington Global  
RSVP on DACdb

**THURSDAY,  
JUNE 20  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
Puro Gusto Cafe  
1345 F Street NW**



Come NETWORK with  
fellow Rotarians from Rotary and  
Rotaract Clubs along the Red Line:  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase • Capitol Hill  
College Park • Downtown Silver Spring  
Dupont Circle • International Friendship  
• Metro Bethesda • North Bethesda  
Olney • Potomac Passport • Rockville  
Washington D.C. • Washington Global •  
and Washington Area Rotaract Clubs

**Rotary Red Line Happy Hour**



### ***2023-2024 Club President of the Year Award.***

Vesselina Stoytcheva was the recipient of Rotary District 7620's prestigious ***2023-2024 Club President of the Year Award*** on May 31, 2024.



This annual award is given to just one Rotary or Rotaract club president. This is an extremely competitive award, as the District has near 75 Rotary and Rotaract club presidents who are eligible for this esteemed acknowledgement.

President Vesselina's leadership in the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill this Rotary year to promote Rotary International's individual member Foundation giving goals, the District's Children's Foster Care priorities, and the Washington, DC, area's youth awareness initiatives helped her to be recognized among her club president peers.

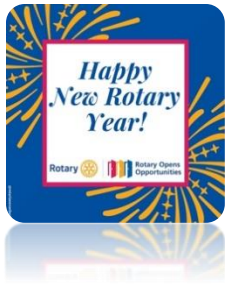
Congratulations, Vesselina, for an excellent year as Club President!

**PLAN AHEAD...NOTE:** Only some District or Washington, D.C., events are included here. Please check the DACdb District calendar and register for events of interest to you!

### **JUNE 2024**

- **Saturday, June 8, 3:00– 7:30 PM - DC Pride Parade**  
Join Rotary International District 7620 and the Washington DC Area 7 Rotary and Rotaract Clubs at the DC Pride Parade! Logan & Dupont Circle Neighborhoods, Washington, D.C.
  - Contact Area 7 AG, **Marilyn Nevy Cruz** at [mncruz10@gmail.com](mailto:mncruz10@gmail.com) with any questions.
- **Tuesday, June 11, 7:30 - 8:30 AM - Regular Club Hybrid Meeting**  
**Guest Speaker: [Patty Brosmer](#)**, Executive Director of the Capitol Hill Business Improvement District
- **Thursday, June 20, Rotary Redline Happy Hour.** Register at:  
<https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77749872&NoCaptcha>
- **Thursday, June 20, - RCCH Board Meeting.** Zoom recurring link.
  - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89335754362?pwd=N29MUEJzWm5aRWQwV2ltYU1IRzRlZz09>. Meeting ID: 893 3575 4362 Passcode: 190498
- **Saturday, June 22 - **District Governor Installation**** (See additional info. in the district news section)
- **Tuesday, June 25, – 7:30 – 8:30 AM – Regular Club Hybrid Meeting.** *The last meeting of Rotary Year 2023-2024.*
  - **Speaker: [Vesselina Stoytcheva](#) and Board members:** “Reflections on our club's 2023-2024 Rotary Year”. Q & A session and more.

## JULY 2024



- **Monday, July 1:** Start on New Rotary Year 2024-2025
- **Tuesday July 2, 7-8PM (This is in lieu of our regularly scheduled Thursday meeting):** Zoom Board Meeting to finalize preparations for July 9 installation, Peter's farewell, and discussion of draft 2024-2025 calendar.
- **Tuesday, July 9, 6-8 PM.-** Installation of New Club Leadership and farewell to **Peter Kyle** at The Dubliner Restaurant, Washington, D.C.
  - **By PDG and Rotary International Director Peter Kyle.** Food will be provided; drinks are a la carte.
  - We will also use the occasion to celebrate Peter and Margaret and bid Peter farewell as he leaves our club at the end of this Rotary year to join a Rotary club near his home in Annapolis. Looking forward to seeing you all there. It will be fun!
- **Tuesday, July 23, 7:30-8:30 AM:** Regular Club Hybrid Meeting. *The first meeting of Rotary Year 2024-2025. District Governor Nomie will present his 2024-2025 goals to our club. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. Thank you!*

## COMMITTEE UPDATES

### Community Service Events

Starting July 1, we will no longer have a community service committee. Instead, **Kip Knudson** will help organize our community service events. *if you are interested in community service, or have any suggestions/ideas, please send an email to Kip at [kknudson64@gmail.com](mailto:kknudson64@gmail.com)*

- **Richard Huffine** has curtailed his club membership. A big thank you for his service.

### International Service Committee

Please email **Kuhu Maitra** at [k.maitra.8915@gmail.com](mailto:k.maitra.8915@gmail.com) if you are interested in the International Service Committee.

- The International Service Committee met in May to discuss its goals and objectives for Rotary year 2024-2025. The information will be shared with all club members during our club assembly. Date to be determined.

### Membership & Engagement Committee

Please email **Sean McAlister** at [SDMRotary7620@outlook.com](mailto:SDMRotary7620@outlook.com) if you are interested in the Membership Committee.

- The membership committee meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month to continue its ongoing discussions on how to attract new members and keep current members engaged.

### Rotary Twin Club Relationships

The membership committee developed guidelines for the establishment of twin club relationships. Twin clubs, sometimes called sister clubs, are two clubs from different countries that form a long-term relationship to promote international understanding and goodwill. These twin relationships could be with another Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact club.

The Rotary Club of Capitol Hill has updated its bylaws to include information on twinning clubs. Members can propose a twinning club arrangement with other international clubs. The RCCH board voted on April 11<sup>th</sup> to pilot the twinning club concept with a Rotary Club in Morocco. Signing of the twinning club certificate between the two clubs will be coordinated by club secretary **Eli Missouri**, the lead of this effort who currently lives in Morocco.

### Public Image Committee

Please email **Chidubem Egboluche** at [egboluchechidubem61@gmail.com](mailto:egboluchechidubem61@gmail.com) if you are interested in the Public Image Committee.

### RCCH Foundation

#### **Funds approved for 2024-2025 projects.**

- The club's Foundation met in May and agreed to provide \$2,500 for an international project proposal submitted by **Kuhu Maitra**. The project will train adolescent girls in health & sexuality in SE Delhi, India. Also in May, Kuhu submitted the proposal for district designated funds.
- If you have any questions, please email **Kip Knudson**/Foundation Chair at [kknudson64@gmail.com](mailto:kknudson64@gmail.com)



### **June Redline Happy Hour**

**Register at:**

<https://registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77749872&NoCaptcha>

## DISTRICT NEWS:

Join **AG Marilyn Nevy Cruz** to celebrate her birthday at the Richard Wright Gala on Saturday, June 8th. The Rotary Club of Washington DC sponsors an Interact Club at the school.

- If you can't make it, donations are welcomed and can be made here: <https://www.richardwrightpcs.org/donate>
- Information about Richard Wright can be found here: <https://www.richardwrightpcs.org/>

## 2024-2025 District Governor Installation

**Saturday, 22 June 2024**



**THE MAGIC OF ROTARY**  
Rotary District 7620

WE INVITE YOU



Free Entry

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**NOMIE HAMID'S  
DISTRICT GOVERNOR  
INSTALLATION**

**TIME: 6PM - 9PM**  
**MUSIC / FOOD /  
FESTIVITIES**

Located:  
**College Park City Hall**  
7401 Baltimore Ave,  
College Park, MD, 20740



HOSTED BY:





Free  
Garage  
Parking  
Available

Please join us on this special day. We look forward to your presence. This is a family friendly event.  
[bit.ly/4afv06Y](https://bit.ly/4afv06Y)



**DISCON 2024**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4-6, 2024**  
**THE WESTIN WASHINGTON DC | CITY CENTER**  
**1400 M STREET NW, WASHINGTON DC, 20005**


**Skybox**

**Rotary Happy Hour and Baseball Night**  
**\$2 beer/Craft beer specials/Food specials**


**August 22, 2024**  
**5PM-9PM**



**VS**



**Join the**  
**Rotary Clubs of Anne Arundel &**  
**Prince Georges counties for the party & the game!**



**50-50 Raffle**  
**to benefit End Polio Now**

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Rotary in Review for May---2024 Convention in Singapore and other stories are available at:

- <https://msgfocus.rotary.org/q/15e3NmNNi5hWAFTRCVIBtTz6j/wv>
- **2025 Rotary Convention will be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.**  
 Please see details. Including registration at: <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/>  
**AG Marilyn** has created a WhatsApp group for all area attendees. Please let her know if you plan to attend so she will add you to the group.



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### **2023-24 CLUB LEADERSHIP AND BOARD MEMBERS**

<b>President</b>	Vesselina Stoytcheva
<b>President-Elect</b>	Pauline Simmons
<b>President Nominee</b>	Patricia Sheikh
<b>Secretary</b>	Eli Missouri
<b>Foundation Chair</b>	Kip Knudson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Kevin Freese
<b>Membership &amp; Public Image Chair</b>	Sean McAlister
<b>Community Service Committee Chair</b>	Richard Huffine
<b>International Service Committee Chair</b>	Kuhu Maitra

### **NON-BOARD POSITIONS - Appointed by Club President**

<b>Sergeant-at-Arms</b>	Jason Chang
<b>Georgetown Rotaract Advisor</b>	CJ Egboluche

### **2024-2025 CLUB LEADERSHIP AND BOARD MEMBERS**

<b>Pauline Simmons, President</b>
<b>Pat Sheikh, President-Elect</b>
<b>CJ Chidubem, President Nominee</b>
<b>Eli Missouri, Secretary</b>
<b>Paul Simmons, Treasurer</b>
<b>Kip Knudson, Community Service Coordinator</b>
<b>Sean McAlister, Director, Membership &amp; Engagement Chair</b>
<b>Kuhu Maitra, Director, International Service Chair</b>
<b>CJ Chidubem, PR/Public Image Chair</b>
<b>Vesselina Stoytcheva, Past President, Club Foundation Chair</b>

### **Serving in Club Leadership Positions**

<b>Jason Chang, Sargent of Arms and</b>
<b>Liliana Bachelder, Assistant Secretary</b>

# ROTARY'S 7 AREAS OF FOCUS:



PEACEBUILDING AND  
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION  
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,  
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND  
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION  
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

## SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCES



Rotary Club of  
Capitol Hill's  
**Facebook Site**

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofCapitolHill>

<a href="#">What is Rotary?</a>	<a href="#">My Rotary Dashboard</a>	<a href="#">Rotary International</a>	<a href="#">My Rotary Login</a>	<a href="#">Worldwide Club Finder</a>
<a href="#">The Rotary Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Rotary Zones 33-34</a>			

## FOUR-WAY TEST



The Four-Way Test was adopted by Rotary in 1943, but it had been around since 1932 when Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor coined it when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy.

This 24-word test for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy.

The Four-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways. [Click here](#) for the Story Behind the Four-Way Test, in Taylor's own words.

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