

# Rotary



## Club of Southern Frederick County (Urbana)

### Club Meeting

Southern Frederick County (Urbana)  
Meets at South County Family Y  
3481 Campus Drive  
JJamesville, MD 21754  
Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

### Events

No Events found

### Speakers

**May 09, 2024**

Caitlin Fletcher  
YMCA's Support of Community Youth

**May 16, 2024**

Jim Hagan  
Soap Box Derby

**June 06, 2024**

Summer Social on the Rooftop at the Urbana Y  
With Rotary Clubs: Frederick and Carroll Creek

### Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

### Wedding Anniversaries



Wil X. Graham  
May 17th



Dario Augustine Cavazos  
May 31st



Benjamin R. Willens  
June 2nd



John Matthew Robinson III  
June 3rd



Charles Edward Seymour  
June 3rd

### Club Leaders



Benjamin R. Willens  
President



Mary Jo Anderson  
President-Elect  
Youth Services Chair

## Welcome to the Rotary Club of Southern Frederick County

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. [More info.....](#)

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to: Become connected to your community. Work with others in addressing community needs. Interact with other professionals in your community; assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts. Establish contacts with an international network of professionals. Develop leadership skills. Involve family in promoting service efforts. [More info.....](#)

## May is Youth Service Month



Every May, Rotary International celebrates Youth Service Month! We invite you to spend this time highlighting the leadership development and service impact of the more than 350,000 young leaders who participate in Rotary International's youth programs each year. RSVP to the [Facebook Event](#) to learn ways to celebrate and receive updates throughout the month.

[JOIN THE CELEBRATION](#)

## Thank You for a Remarkable District Conference

Dear Rotarians,

I hope you are doing well.

Following the District Conference, I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on the past weekend. The District Conference was a testament to the dedication, passion, and commitment that each Rotaractor and Rotarian brings to our organization. From the speakers to the engaging breakout sessions, every moment was filled with learning, fellowship, and the spirit of service.



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## Marilyn Nevy Cruz (Washington DC) and Ashley Waters (Carroll Creek) Received Major Awards

During our Saturday Night Dinner at the District Conference, District





**David G Longstaff**  
Secretary



**Gerald Lee Miller Jr.**  
Treasurer



**Missy Baker**  
Board Member



**Joseph J Unangst**  
Board Member



**Kelly A McQuillen**  
iPast President



**Clifford Vernon Barr**  
Club Programs Chair



**Jon A. Moles**  
Past President Club Foundation Chair



**Dave Sowers**  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**Kristin LeDuc**  
Club Public Image Chair

Governor Delores presented two major awards to recognize two of our fellow Rotarians and District Leaders. Marilyn Nevy Cruz (Washington DC) was awarded the Rotarian of the Year award (left) and Ashley Waters (Carroll Creek) was awarded the Service Above Self award (right). Congratulations to both of these women - and thank you for all that you do for our clubs, districts, and Rotary as a whole!



**District Governor Installation Ceremony - Register NOW!**

[REGISTER NOW](#)

**Saturday, 22 June 2024**

**WE INVITE**



**THE MAGIC OF ROTARY**

Rotary District 7620

**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:  
 CITY OF COLLEGE PARK

Free Garage Parking Available

Free Entry



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)

## Joint District 7610-7620 District Conference - REGISTER NOW!

**When:** Friday, October 4 - Sunday, October 6, 2024

**Where:** Westin City Center, Washington, D.C.

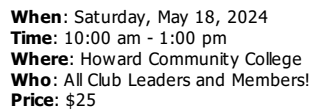
**Price:** Early Bird \$275, First 50 new members \$225, Rotaractors \$200

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**Hotel:** \$161 + tax and fees (includes \$8 donation to PolioPlus)

<https://book.passkey.com/go/Rotaryinter>





Please contact District Trainer, Chris Zabriskie at [district7620trainer@gmail.com](mailto:district7620trainer@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Kashonna Marrow**  
President, Rotary Club of Columbia-Patuxent  
<https://columbiarotary.com/>





Immediate Past Chair, D7620 DEI Committee  
Committee member, D7620 DEI Committee



#### Elizabeth "Liz" Moody

Assistant Rotary Coordinator (Rotaract), Zone 33 Membership Committee  
Immediate Past Rotaract Representative (2022-2023)  
Past President (2021-2022), Rotaract Club of Washington, D.C.,  
<https://rotaractdc.org/index.html>  
Past Global Scholar (2016)  
Committee member, D7620 Membership Committee  
Committee member, D7620 RYLA Committee

Missed our April 1st webinar? [Watch the recording here!](#)

What topic would you like the District Membership Committee to focus on in their next webinar?  
[Submit your response here!](#)

## Rotary Citation Name Change

The name of the Rotary Citation is changing to the Club Excellence Award. While the name is changing, the award's purpose and requirements will remain the same. This award recognizes Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs that successfully achieve goals that are aligned with Rotary's action plan. The RI Board approved this change to better convey the award's purpose as a recognition of club excellence. This change will take effect on 1 July 2024.

If you have any questions, write to our Awards staff at [riawards@rotary.org](mailto:riawards@rotary.org).

## Attend the Become a Champion for Youth Webinar

**BECOME A CHAMPION FOR YOUTH**

**SOPHIE ANDERSON**  
United States

**MAYA POVHE**  
Canada

**TAYLOR RANDALL**  
Australia

**ROTARY.ORG/WEBINARS**

**MAY | 15 | 10 AM (UTC-5)**

Rotary's youth programs, Interact, RYLA, and Rotary Youth Exchange, introduce young people to service and develop leadership skills. When Rotarians and Rotaractors learn to engage with youth in a way that makes young people feel seen and heard, young people develop a life-long relationship with Rotary. Learn directly from Rotary's Youth Advisory Council during this webinar on **15 May at 10:00AM (UTC-5)**. By the end of this session, you'll be able to:

- Understand how young people find Rotary and become involved
- Explore the barriers to youth participation and find strategies to overcome them
- Develop a plan to create continued engagement with youth members and alumni

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## Apply for a Rotary Peace Fellowship by 15 May

Rotary offers fully funded master's degrees and professional development certificate programs for young professionals with three to five years of experience in peace and development. They study at premier universities around the world, gaining knowledge, skills, and global networks to be effective peacebuilders. [Learn more](#) about this unique opportunity and [apply now](#) or in future years.

[APPLY NOW](#)



## Transforming Lives One Bicycle at a Time

The Rotary Club of Carroll Creek's 18th annual Community Bicycle Collection on Saturday, April 20th netted 108 used-yet-serviceable bicycles and two sewing machines for Rockville, Maryland-based Bikes For The World. Over the past eighteen years the Carroll Creek Rotary Club has collected and shipped over 6,800 bicycles to developing regions of the world, fulfilling one of Rotary's Areas of Focus - Community and Economic Development.

Bicycles and sewing machines collected will be packed in ocean-worthy shipping containers bound for ports on the continent of Africa, where NGO partners of Bikes For The World will recondition the bikes and distribute them for affordable transportation to school, healthcare and employment.





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## DC Rotary Foundation Awards \$195,000 in Community Service Grants



We are very pleased to announce that the Clubâ€™s and Foundationâ€™s Boards at their April meetings have adopted the recommendations of the DC Rotary Club Community Service Grants Committee and awarded a total of **\$195,000** in grants to worthy non-profits serving the DMV. Special Project Grants in the amount of \$20,000 each (for a total of \$120,000) were granted to the following six organizations:

**Becky Lee Women's Support Fund**

**Kingman Boys & Girls Club**

**Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)**

**Light The Way Foundation**

**Christ House**

**Smith Center for Healing and the Arts**

The seventeen organizations which were granted a \$5,000 Community Service Grant (except as noted) are as follows:

- An Open Book Foundation
- Common Good City Farm (\$1,500)
- DC Youth Orchestra Program (DCYOP)
- Everybody Wins DC (\$2,500)
- Food Justice DMV
- GALA Hispanic Theatre
- Georgetown Ministry Center
- Girls on the Run-DC
- Libertyâ€™s Promise (\$2,000)
- New Futures (\$4,000)
- Next Level Tennis and Education
- Richard Wright Public Charter Schools
- Studio Acting Conservatory
- Suited for Change
- Salvation Army National Capital Area Command
- The Theatre Lab School of the Dramatic Arts
- Woodley House

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## In Memoriam: Past District Governor Dr. John L. Sever

It is with sadness that I share news of the passing of Past District Governor Dr. John Sever of the Rotary Club of Potomac. Dr. Sever was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, and joined Rotary in 1964 in Potomac, Maryland. He served as Club President from 1969-1970, and was our District Governor during Rotary Year 1978-1979.

As many of you may know, Dr. Sever is widely known as the Father of the Polio Initiative. His contributions to eradicating the disease have been immeasurable. Dr. Sever is known world-wide for his work with infectious diseases, and also Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Sever was married. He and his beautiful wife, Gerane, raised three daughters together; Kimberly, Beverly and Valerie.

The funeral will held on June 1 at 3pm at Ingleside at King Farm, 701 King Farm Blvd., Rockville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Rotary Polio Plus Program.

Please keep the Sever Family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Thank you.

YIRS,

**DEE.**

Delores Edwards Harding

District Governor 2023-2024

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