Rotary District 6900

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District Newsletter

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LEADERBOARD Check out the full district scoreboard

Here are the clubs that are leading the way in our district for membership, annual fund and polio plus.

Category	NET MEMBERSHIP	ANNUAL FUND	POLIO PLUS
I	**Atlanta Brasil**	**Emory-Druid Hills**	**Brookhaven**
II	**Sandy Springs**	**Muscogee-Columbus**	**Muscogee-Columbus**
III	**North Atlanta Professional Alliance**	**Vinings Cumberland**	**Vinings Cumberland**
IV	**Dunwoody**	**Dunwoody**	**Marietta**
V	**Peachtree City**	**Alpharetta**	**North Cobb County**

Key Dates

Thursday, November 5th, 2026	**Rotary Means Business with the Decatur Rotary Club**
Monday, November 9th, 2026	**Douglas County Governor Visit**
Tuesday, November 10th, 2026	**Carrollton Governor Visit**
Wednesday, November 11th, 2026	**Carrollton-Dawn Breakers Governor Visit**
Thursday, November 12th, 2026	**Bremen Governor Visit**
Friday, November 13th, 2026	**Alpharetta Governor Visit**
Monday, November 16th, 2026	**Sandy Springs Governor Visit**
Tuesday, November 17th, 2026	**Forsyth-Monroe County Governor Visit**
Tuesday, November 17th, 2026	**Discover Rotary - Columbus Area**



DG Mary with Jon Black, a new member from Moultrie

From Our District Governor

Happy Half Year! Celebrating How We Share Our Talents to Make a Difference

By Mary Ligon

This month, Rotary International focuses on Vocational Service - asking members to represent their occupations within their clubs and to exemplify the ideals of Rotary in their places of work. There are many ways you can bring your vocation to Rotary's work and add to the value of your Rotary membership - including volunteering for a service project or joining a Rotary Action Group or Rotary Fellowship.

You can also share the value of Rotary with friends and business associates - by inviting them to attend a meeting, fellowship or service event to learn more about what we do and the difference we can make working together.

And making a difference we are. As we start 2022 - halfway through this Rotary Year, I am proud of what you all have achieved so far and want to share our progress toward some key goals. Read on! [more]

Wednesday, November 18th, 2026	**Emory-Druid Hills Governor Visit**
Thursday, November 19th, 2026	**Roswell Governor Visit**
Thursday, November 19th, 2026	**Atlanta Ascent GOVERNOR VISIT**
Tuesday, December 1st, 2026	**Fayetteville Governor Visit**



District Conference Update

Register Now for a Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious District Conference!

April 28 - May 1, 2022 in SanDestin

By Court Dowis, Jr.

District Governor Mary invites you to pop-in for a Jolly Holiday in SanDestin full of inspiration, fellowship, fun and learning. It's scheduled to take place April 28 to May 1 at the Grand SanDestin at Miramar Beach and registration is now open! Expect more details on the Jolly Holiday from George and Winifred Banks (Conference co-chairs PDG Court Dowis and PAG Stephanie Windham), who have a fantastic event planned. **Register by January 15th** for best prices and prize eligibility!

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Two options to support disaster response for recent tornado in Kentucky and Tennessee

By Mary Ligon
We have information on how to contribute to the disaster response in two areas. Click more for pertinent excepts from emails I have received.
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Membership

Looking for Ways to Connect with Prospective Members?

By Jaclyn Donovan
Consider the strategies and ideas in these resources to connect with potential members:
• **Engaging Younger Professionals** —Welcoming younger professionals into Rotary is essential for us. Our digital kit will help you rethink membership and bring emerging leaders into your club.
• **Strategies for Attracting New Members** —Take this Learning Center course to help draw prospective members, update your club's experience, and better highlight what it does well.
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Membership

Welcome New Members

By Jaclyn Donovan

Congrats to the clubs and welcome to 21 new members (as identified in district data base). And applause to clubs posting new member welcomes on Facebook! Check out the story! [more]

New members from Peachtree City and Polk County

GRSP Opportunity

Oslo Summer Scholarship Opportunity for Georgia Students

Applications Due by January 20, 2022

By Katheryne Fields

College students, ages 20-24, are welcome to submit an application to study in Oslo, Norway for six weeks this summer. The scholarship is sponsored by the Norwegian Rotary Advisory Board, in partnership with Georgia Rotary Student Program. We are now accepting applications ... [more]



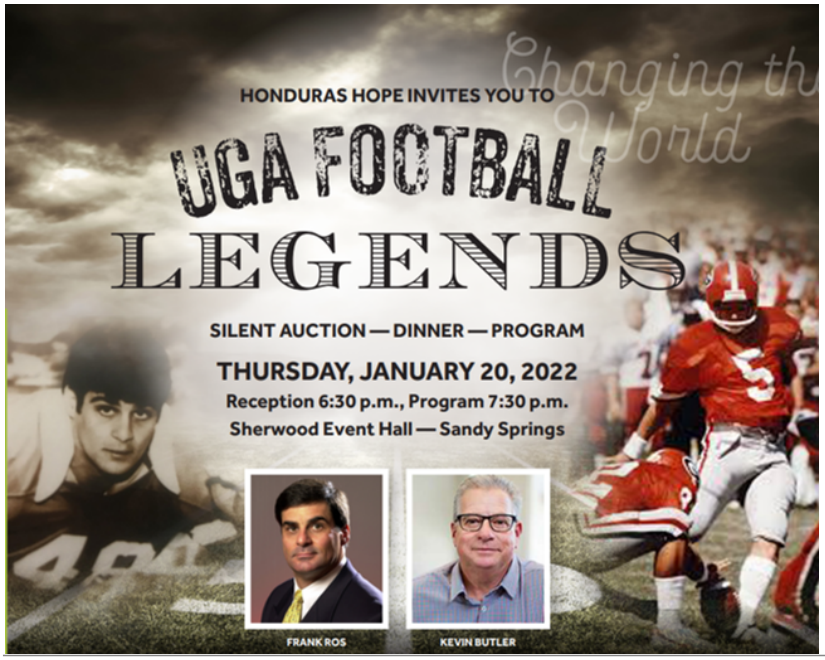
From RI Service Blog

Envisioning a Happy, Healthy and HIV-free Future

by Sneha Saloni and the Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDS Prevention

By Marion Bunch

"The Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA) is a Rotary treasure. It changes lives. There are a lot of great things that Rotary members do, but there are only a few that can be called an actual treasure. RFHA is one of them. What it does for the people is beautiful and the impact is amazing," shares Dr. Laura Kann, district governor-elect (in Illinois) and RFHA Inc. advisor. (Editor's Note: Laura started her Rotary journey here in District 6900 as part of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody.) Kann worked with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for 30 years. But she still felt there was something missing in terms of the work she was doing. After dedicating so many years working for public health on an international level, Kann couldn't wait to work with the people on the ground level. [more]



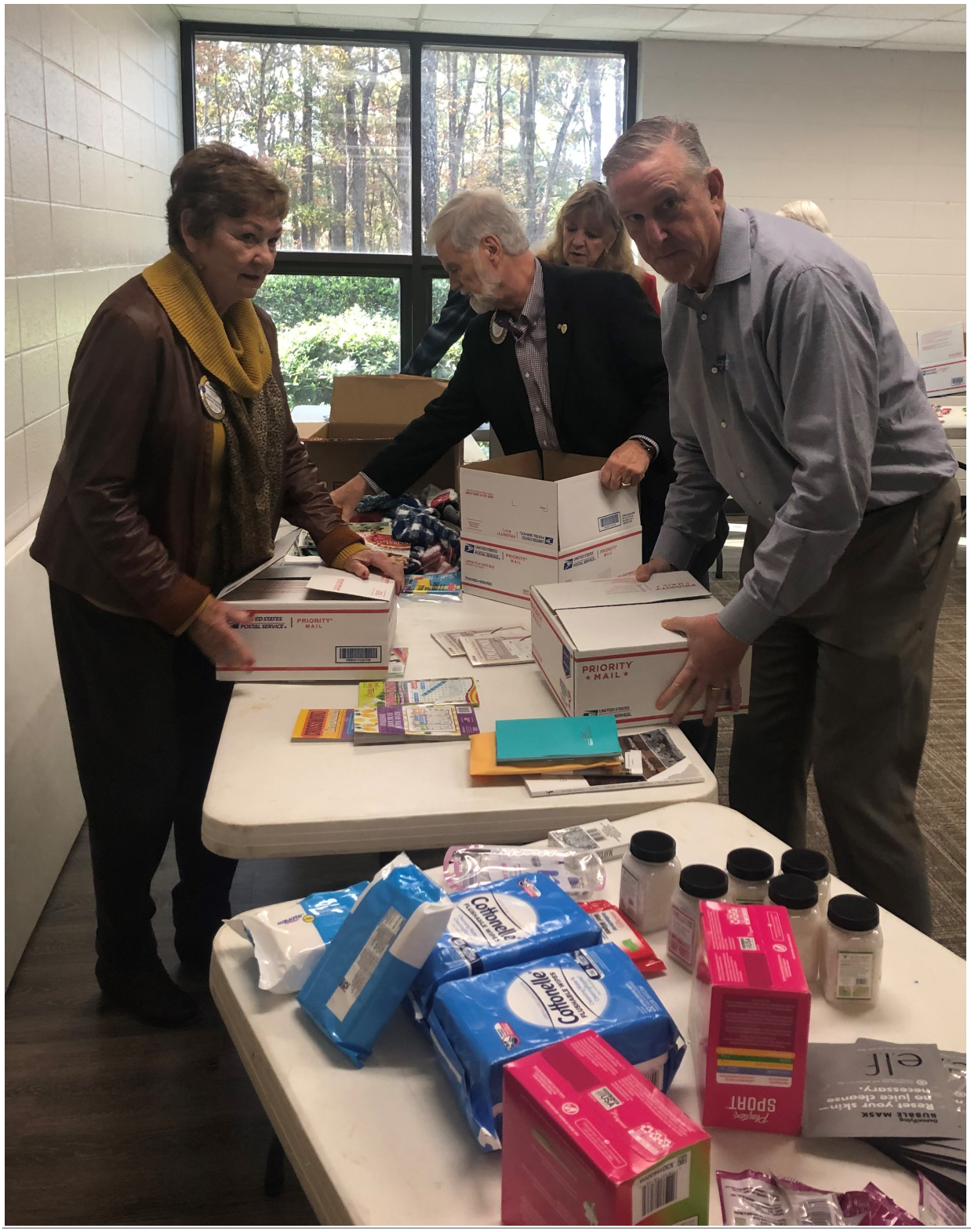
Opportunity to Support

Join the Rotary Wilderness Team to Support Work in Honduras

By Paul Ray

The Rotary Wilderness Team and HAVE Foundation are having a fundraiser to reignite our projects in Honduras. This event is Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 6:30 pm, at the Sherwood Event Center in Sandy Springs. The Rotary Wilderness Team is the official international trip of the **Rotary Club of Atlanta** but many clubs participate. Go to: https://events.handbid.com/auctions/honduras-hope-2022 for tickets or sponsorships.

If you are a University of Georgia Bulldog fan, this event should interest you - especially after their 2022 National Championship Win. We will have a brief program featuring past Honduras visits and the premier of our 2022 Wilderness Team documentary. The highlight of the evening will feature a UGA Football Legends panel with Kevin Butler, a two-time All American at Georgia and former Chicago Bear, and Frank Ros, Captain of the 1980 Bulldog National Championship team. Our emcee is Mr. College Football, Tony Barnhart. We may also have some surprise "visitors." [more]



Club News

Roswell Continues Adopt a Platoon

By Becky Nelson Adopt-a-Platoon is a highly regarded service project done at least annually in **Roswell Rotary Club.** Led by Rotarian Ralph Rowland, members donate jerky, gloves, sanitizer, magazines, etc. This year 85 boxes were packed for active service men and women around the world. ... [more]



Club News

Tucker Collects Equipment, Packs Food

By Lizbeth Dison

The Rotary Club of Tucker has been busy in the community. In November, the club sponsored a Drive-Thru Electronics Recycling Event in November, benefiting Friends of Disabled Adults and Children. RCT volunteers collected over 200 pieces of working and non-working electronics, including forty laptops, along with $3700 worth of home medical equipment, which will be cleaned, refurbished and reissued to FODAC clients. Event participants also donated $600 in cash which will go to FODAC.

In December, a volunteer team helped with a Saturday morning food distribution at NETWorks Cooperative Ministry, where they packed grocery orders for families in need. [more]

Celebrating Rotarians Together (from Facebook)

- **Peachtree City** – Jingle Bell Trail race for elementary school
- **Atlanta West End** at Fred Astaire Dance Studio dancing the night away!
- **Forever Fed** – North Cobb
- **South Cobb** - Christmas





- **Meriwether County** – Annual Coat Drive
- **Roswell Rotary** – Christmas on Canton Street
- **Americus Rotary** – featured in Rotarian magazine for their district grant that helped update the projection equipment at the historic Rylander Theater