Subject: READ NOW: Your DISTRICT 6920 NEWSLETTER For November 2021

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DISTRICT 6920 NEWSLETTER

November, 2021

This is: Rotary Foundation Month

Attention ALL: Be SURE to READ your Newsletter!

WE HAVE A GOAL TO REACH! ~~~ 60% readership by end of year!

In September 34% of you read the Newsletter. In OCTOBER - We hit 50.01 %

SO -NOW "Let's get our readership to 65% by End of December!"

Presidents: Please promote the Newsletter in your clubs.

Everyone: Learn about the Rotarians and clubs and projects all around you!

Together: WE ARE: ROTARY DISTRICT 6920



Message from Governor Ed;

Greetings, Changemaker Jim, - and all My Fellow Rotarian Changemakers!!

As I said in last month's intro, I'm sure **RI president Shekar Metha** will not mind me reinforcing your roles in Rotary this year by using his monthly salutation and addressing you as **Changemakers**. That's our assignment...

First, I want to sincerely thank everyone for your continued enthusiasm as we meet one another in club visits, town halls, and email exchanges. October has really gone fast!!

What's on my mind, you ask? Many things, I answer. A quick summary:

"Serve To Change Lives"......most everyone has heard me describe the significance of this year's Rotary International theme. Hopefully, each club is beginning to record the lives impacted by service projects. Please be focused on this initiative...it's the result of the result as we collectively make a difference in 6920. It occurred to me recently that it's entirely possible that we may literally impact over a million lives in our district. Wouldn't it be nice to be truly changing lives within our respective communities?

November's monthly theme is The Rotary Foundation. This is a perfect opportunity to make a commitment to change through The Rotary Foundation. Are you a Paul Harris Fellow, or a PHF+, or making regular contributions to the Foundation? No matter the level, the impact matters, so thanks to each of you for evaluating your status Remember, should you attain 100% status, it is permanent ...and if your club has previously attained 100% PHF, perhaps this is the time to do a "true up" to once again be pure 100% status.

Membership continues to grow and attendance is increasing. Remember.... Each One, Bring One. Share our opportunity of service whenever we can and we will be glad we did in the long run.

As promised, the District Citation goals have been released. The objective was/is simply to be in concert with The Four Way Test and the 2021-22 RI Objectives. Examine the criteria and seize the moment. It is very conceivable that every club could receive a Gold Citation. Again, wouldn't it be nice?

The District Conference will be April 28-May 1, 2022. Look for more details this month and make plans to join us in Augusta to celebrate our Rotary accomplishments and continue our enthusiasm. I FEEL GOOD !!!!

So many thoughts constantly occur as we continue this Rotary journey together. Opportunities to serve abound. As we approach Thanksgiving, I sincerely hope we can all **be thankful that we get to be Rotarians**.

Again, thanks to each of you for what you are doing as we **Serve To Change Lives.**

Yours in Rotary,



SEC. A. TOP PRIORITIES: DISTRICT NEWS & EVENTS

DON'T FORGET:

Rotary First Friday LIVE with the Governor

BE SURE To Watch At NOON On Friday, November 5: Click HERE

Here are The Details

Our District sponsors a once a month conversation with Gov. Ed through Facebook Live called "Rotary First Friday".

You DO NOT have to be a FACEBOOK user to watch.

Our District Facebook page is set to "PUBLIC" - which means, anyone - whether they have a facebook account or not - - can visit our page - and can see these LIVE conversations (or watch the recording of them later).

Each month Governor Ed discusses things happening around our District and the world in ROTARY with other special guests to join him.

Rotarian Marjorie Young (Dist. Comm. Chair) - hosts this informative and fun conversation. Those watching can ask questions or make comments - by typing them into the 'comment' section.

Join in LIVE - or watch the recording any time you like (using the link above or by going to our District Facebook Page).

(AGAIN - you do not have to be a Facebook user to watch - it's set to 'public').

Let's give Gov Ed some LOVE & SUPPORT by turning out for FIRST FRIDAY.



DISTRICT AWARDS CITATION GUIDELINES & CHECKLIST Info

The Citation Worksheet for District 6920 clubs to work on this year is Incredibly EASY to Use

---- and the Goals are EASY to Achieve!

Click HERE to view and download the Worksheet.

Instructions for completing the form are on the form, page 2.

If anyone asks, this is the only worksheet that needs to be filled out to achieve Bronze-Silver-Gold club status this year.

WOOO WOOO: There is no multi-tab excel worksheet to complete.

Remember: EVERY CLUB can achieve these goals! This is the year we could have 100% Club Success!

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Let's Go For It !!!

Yours in Rotary Service, Amy Maley

IMPORTANT: DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2022 Will be here before you know it !!!

"Whoa -- I Feel Good"

... is how District 6920 is going to be feeling on April 29th-May 1st, 2022 when we all come together for the District Annual Conference in Augusta, GA.

If you want a sensory explosion of feel good vibes, then join us next Spring at the Augusta Marriott Convention Center where Rotary FUN, FELLOWSHIP and FOCUS AREA LEARNING will certainly be on the agenda.

Save the date now - more information will follow -- hope to see ya'll in Augusta!

Cheers,
Kelly Knitter
2022 District Conference Chair
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Augusta West Rotary Club



THE 2021-2022 DISTRICT CONFERENCE WILL BE ...

WHEN: 29 April –1 May, 2022 WHERE: Augusta Marriott at the

Convention Center in Augusta, GA

Let's have some Fun - TOGETHER!



SEC. B. DISTRICT PROJECTS: INITIATIVES & PLANS

Let's Talk: MEMBERSHIP

By Alfie Cofield, District Membership Chair

EACH ONE BRING ONE CHALLENGE

Congratulations District 6920 Presidents and Clubs!

We are GROWING again!

I have been blessed to have witnessed <u>in person</u> 2 different clubs induct 7 or 8 members each in one meeting! I have heard reports and seen RI data proving we are moving in the right direction. Gov Ed's visits are a big hit and he's pushing membership and we are following the leader! EACH ONE BRING ONE is catching on, and the momentum is flowing. So proud of each of you who have sponsored a new member and ask you to keep on helping them become better Rotarians and keep sponsoring!

New Members are so important, but what about <u>new clubs</u>? I hear rumors of Satellite Clubs being discussed in nearby towns.

We had one established last year in Baxley sponsored by the Hazlehurst Club. ALL CLUBS can start a Satellite Club with as few as 8 members & those members can be part of your club but they meet at a different time, and/or day - more convenient to those folks.

They can even be a theme-based club: How about a Veterans' Club in a military town? How about a literacy-based club centered around the schools in your town?

Educators usually can't meet with us at lunch, but they may want to meet twice a month late one afternoon.....

Be Creative, toss ideas around, then find a way to grow the Rotary family!

If you need help, email me and let's get together and talk about the possibilities. (alfiecofield@gmail.com)

So happy to be part of Rotary with you! Alfie

Announcing New Saving Lives With Medicine Clinic

By Beverly J Trainor





I am happy to announce the new collaboration between the Saving Lives With Medicine Program, MAP International, the Claxton Rotary Club and Good Health Ministries to build a brand new free and charitable faith based medical clinic in Claxton.

The mission will be to render compassionate healthcare through a Christ centered service to bring help and hope to the community.

The Clinic is well on its way with the foundation down and the crossbeams and walls raised. We are planning a ribbon cutting ceremony in January.

If there is a free/charitable clinic in your Club's area that does not have a partnership with the Saving Lives With Medicine Program please let me know. We save lives.

Yours in Service,

Beverly Trainor

District SLWM Chair

FOUNDATION NEWS:

Six District 6920 Rotary clubs Are supporting <u>Healing Little Hearts Global Grant</u> Project in India

Governor Ed Presnell is happy to inform you that D6920 is partnering with D3150 to

fund a new global grant (GG) project, "**Healing Little Hearts**" in India. With a budget of \$125,676, the project aims to treat 62 children suffering from <u>Congenital Heart Diseases</u> from economically backward families in the village of Armoor in Telangana, south India and gift them a healthy life. This AMAZING Project comes under the <u>Disease Prevention and Treatment</u> area of focus and will pay all treatment expenses for <u>Pediatric Cardiac Surgery or Cath Intervention for 62 children</u>.

This project is made possible with funding from the Rotary Foundation

The Six D6920 Rotary clubs supporting the Saving Little Hearts GG project in India are

1. Rotary club of Glennville, sponsor club	\$1,000	plus 5% admin fee
2. Rotary club of Augusta	\$1,000	plus 5% admin fee
3. Rotary club of Richmond Hill	\$ 500	plus 5% admin fee
4. Rotary club of Savannah,	\$1,000	plus 5% admin fee
5. Valdosta North Rotary club	\$ 300	plus 5% admin fee
6. West-Chatham Rotary club	\$ 250	plus 5% admin fee

Governor Ed's goal is to have 30-35 out of 61 clubs support a global grant project during 2021-22.



DISTRICT GRANTS TEAM NEWS:

By Hunt Thornhill & Joy Hurst

Fellow Rotarians,

39 of our clubs have qualified, applied, and have been approved for 41 separate grant projects across an amazing spectrum of service throughout your communities. \$57,000 of DDF funds with \$34,000 of club money (will grow typically to a dollar for dollar match) are currently budgeted to these projects. The following is a reminder on our District Grant Process:

Grant awards will be paid on a reimbursement basis. As soon as the project is finished, clubs may submit the Final Report for Reimbursement.

Critical Reminders:

- Your budget should be balanced, and you should list expenses separately.
- Complete the Documents tab by uploading itemized receipts/invoices of what was purchased and cancelled checks or copies of bank statements proving expenditure of funds.
- Upload pictures under Images.
- Complete the Final Report tab then click Submit to District for Approval

On behalf of your District Grants Team, thank you for service to your community and to our District,

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IMPORTANT "CART" NEWS:

Message from the D620 CART Chair, Glenda Kessler:

All Rotary Club Treasurers are reminded that CART funds should be sent to CART quarterly through the CART Online Contribution Portal found at https://mycartfund.org/index.cfm Use the Dacdb user name and password to log in.

For information about CART, help with logging in to the portal, or to sign up for the CART newsletter, please go to the CART website at www.cartfund.org

Thank you to Rotarians in D6920 for your generous contributions to CART so far this year. You are helping fund cutting-edge research that will lead to a prevention or cure for Alzheimer's.

SEC. C. CLUBS & MEMBERS: CLUB NEWS & EVENTS

Governor Ed's Travels:



"....On the road again
I just can't wait to get on the road again
The life I love is makin' music with my friends
And I can't wait to get on the road again

On the road again
Goin' places that I've never been
Seein' things that I may never see again
And I can't wait to get on the road again..."
(copyright Willie Nelson)

Below are Highlights from some of Gov Ed's Recent Club Visits - -



It was an honor to host District Governor Ed Presnell at our meeting this week at The Curtis Center. We presented him with a gift from the Georgia Artisan center in Warner Robins.













Monday, October 4 was a busy day at Rotary. We met our GRSP student, Luisa Panazzolo, inducted new member, Charles Olson, recognized 4 Paul Harris Fellows (Gary Abbott received a PHF +1, Jonathan Alderman received a PHF +1, and Sam Hollis received a PHF +7), and welcomed District Governor Ed Presnell.





Positivity! No negative Nellie's allowed around this guy!

The new greeting is: My Fellow Changemakers !!!! Gov Ed reiterated this salutation by International President Shekar Metha

Our district membership growth is rapid. Many clubs have already inducted multiple new members and we are on track to end the year back over 3,000 Rotarians. If we are vigilant in our efforts of Each one, Bring one, there is no limit to our success. Attendance numbers are also growing in a positive direction at an exciting pace. He complimented Centerville Rotary for having new members AND 90% attendance by his recent measurement and for offering a Zoom option to keep Rotarians connected.

He focused on this year's theme: Serve to Change Lives

He's Asking each club to turn in the numbers of lives they've affected including a multiplier to account for the ripple effect. He joined our club's Rotary Reader program at Centerville Elementary School and helped two children improve their reading skills. By his count, those two children may uplift their families of 5, and their neighbors. We could've touched twenty lives by that visit. He will present the total count at District Conference.

Gov Ed promoted the District Conference in Augusta, Friday, April 29 - Sunday, May 1st.





Today, we had the honor of having our District Governor, Ed Presnell, come to speak to our club today about how Rotary and how we as an organization "SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES."

Pictured left to right: Eva Byrd, Ed Presnell, Terry Adkins





















...and for a bit more of "Gov. Ed's Life on the Road"......





SEC. D.YOUTH: GRSP, RYLA, ROTARACT, INTERACT

Oslo Scholarship Application Open (Now Online)

The Norwegian Rotary Advisory Board in partnership with GRSP extends a scholarship annually to three Georgia college students to study in Norway as part of their International Summer School. This year, the program runs from June 27-August 22, 2022. The deadline to apply December 31, 2021 through the GRSP website. Nominees will be reviewed and winners will be selected by a committee of GRSP Trustees in each District.

Open to undergraduate and graduate college students who have completed their sophomore year, ages 20-24, single, in good health and academic standing plus willing to serve as an ambassador for Georgia Rotarians. Scholarship includes air fares from Atlanta to Oslo and return to Atlanta, one weekend excursion

(administered by the University of Oslo), room, board and administrative fees for the International Summer School at the University of Oslo. Scholarship recipients must pay their travel expense to and from Atlanta, plus provide their own personal spending money. Requirement informational flyer and application are now available online: https://grsp.org/oslo-application.

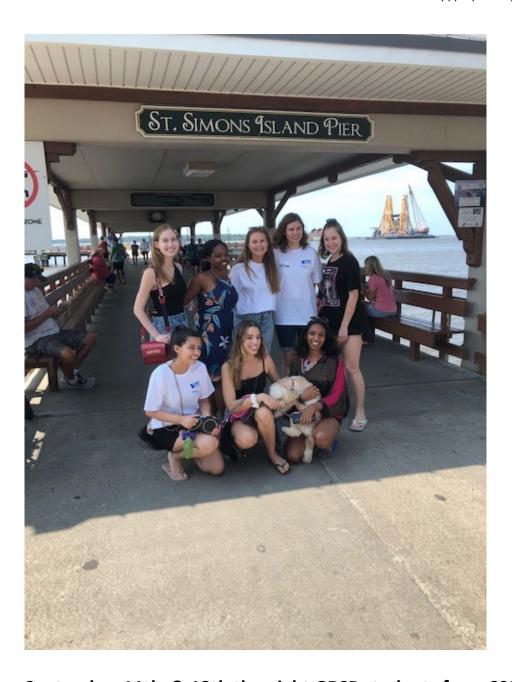
GRSP Selection Goes Digital

GRSP is preparing the selection book of potential students for the 22-23 academic year in a digital format. The new format will allow clubs to sort potential applicants by country and other criteria. Around Thanksgiving club presidents will receive an email from GRSP. The email will include links to the selection book, the commitment form, and statistical table. The email will also contain a unique log in for each club and password. Clubs will be asked to reset their password upon initially logging in. This login and reset password can be shared with other club members involved in the selection process. Commitment forms ae due on or before January 14, 2023. The Trustees will meet January 22, 2022 to select the 22-23 class of students. The statistical table outlines the financial commitment a club needs to make to sponsor or cosponsor a student. The amount varies depending on the cost of the institution where the club(s). places their student In addition to the standard selection process that GRSP has utilized for years, the program has introduced direct College Selection as an alternative method of selecting students. This allows the clubs to work directly with the campus to select a firsttime international student who has already applied to the school. GRSP will match the club's contribution up to \$6000 per year. This scholarship like those selected through standard selection is not renewable. This program was an outcome of the GRSP Strategic Plan as a way to reach countries we have not served in the past and increase diversity.

For more information, contact your Trustee or District Chair rob Kellner <u>rob@kelllner.com</u> or <u>grsp@grsp.org</u>

GRSP students experience the Golden Isles





September 11th & 12th the eight GRSP students from 6920 spent the weekend getting to know each other and exploring the Golden Isles. Hosted by the rotary Clubs of St. Simon's Island and Brunswick the students toured the St. Simon's Island lighthouse with a climb to the top, Jekyll Island Turtle Center along with some beach time at Driftwood Beach on Saturday. Duane Harris, President of the Brunswick Rotary Club hosted the Low Country Boil in has yard. The students were joined at the low country boil by club members that assisted with the weekend and GRSP Trustees that brought the students to St. Simon's. The GRSPs, weekend host families and the Trustee who transported the students all enjoyed the meal. After the meal the students entertained us in their costumes in a series of country folklore. On Sunday, the students met at the St. Simon's Island Pier and then hit the shops before returning to their respective campuses. Trustees Mike

Muldowney and Dave Razo shuttled the students around to the various stops of the weekend.

SEC. E. TOOLS: CITATIONS, RESOURCES, FACEBOOK, RI NEWS, CONTACT US, & LINKS

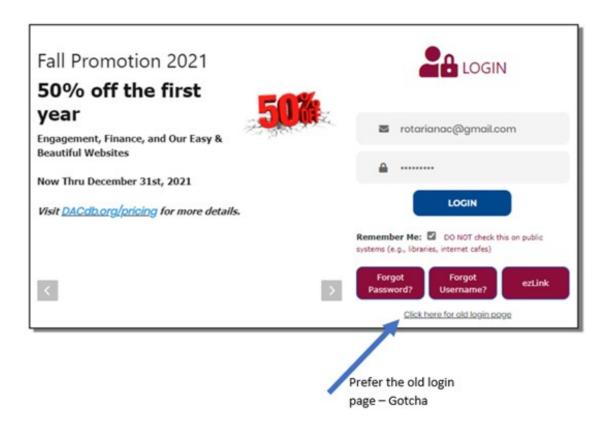
Talking TECHNOLOGY:

DACdb Gets a New Look and Brings Back Weekly Training !!!



Our District's Membership Database, aka DACdb, is sporting a new logo and a new user login interface, and it's free training is BACK! Technology is great, but only if it works and the first step on that path is learning how to use it.

Let's look at the new login page. You will notice in the photo of the new logo in interface that if you want the old login page - you can still get it. You'll click on the words "Click here for old login page.". It's on the right side under Forgot User Name, Forgot Password.



Now, the training - aka DACdb University- is available to any Rotarian in our District

ANYONE - who wants to learn how to use this powerful software to make keeping track of the administrative details of club operations easier - can take advantage of this.

The 30-minute FREE sessions are at 3:30 p.m. EST on Tuesdays on ZOOM. An email about the latest upcoming session is sent to Club and District Leaders and within that email are links to register for the session. Closer to the time of the class, those who registered will be emailed a ZOOM Link to his/her email address in DACdb.

If you want to attend - - just tell your Club President you want the email forwarded to YOU.

Club Presidents: You may want to ALWAYS forward that email to your club officers and committee chairs!

OR - - Just CLICK Below: Once you have registered you will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom link.

Register NOW for DACdb University Training: New Features

If you register and can't attend, no worries. The training sessions are recorded and posted generally within 48 hours of the session.

To access the recorded sessions, follow this path Support> DACdb training > Tuesday training. too. (There's a whole library in there.)



any questions - - - contact:

Anne Cordeiro

Asst. Governor for District 6920 (2020-2021), Area 3

Rotary Club of Savannah South

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<u>(912) 656-9272</u>

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Your Club & District on-line Database DACdb: http://www.dacdb.com or CLICK HERE

Our District Website: http://www.rotarydistrict6920.org/ or CLICK HERE

Our District Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/Rotary6920 or CLICK HERE
Our District Twitter Account: https://twitter.com/RotaryDist6920 or CLICK HERE

Rotary International Website: https://www.rotary.org/en Or CLICK HERE

Rotary International Foundation: https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/rotary-foundation

Or **CLICK HERE**

My Rotary: https://my.rotary.org/en/ or CLICK HERE

(My Rotary is a place FULL of tools for Rotarians and Clubs - you'll need to register seperately for an 'account' - - but OH what a Treasure trove of info, videos, PR materials - awaits!)

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