



**WE CONNECT PEOPLE!
WE TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES!
WE FUND SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS!**



**AUGUST IS
MEMBERSHIP & NEW
CLUB DEVELOPMENT**

Join Rotary!

From Our District Governor

Let's Grow Our Membership!

By George Granade
August is Rotary International's Membership and New Club Development Month - what better time for each of us to imagine how we can make our clubs stronger, tell our stories better, and introduce new people to our world of fellowship and community service. One of RI President Jennifer Jones requests is for districts to grow membership by increasing the number of club members and by creating two new club models - like the satellite clubs we have in place in Stone Mountain and Roswell, for example. She also would like to see women represent 30% of our total membership by Rotary year end; here in District 6900 we are already at 29.1%! There are several avenues for assistance on finding new members.
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District Newsletter

AUGUST 5, 2022

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	ANNUAL	POLIO PLUS
	MEMBERSHIP	FUND	
I	Fayetteville	North Atlanta	Brookhaven
II	North Columbus	North Fulton	Vinings Cumberland
III	Marietta	Dunwoody	Carrollton-Dawn Breakers
IV	Roswell	Roswell	Peachtree City

Key Dates

Saturday, June 6th, 2026	Americus RYLA - DISTRICT 6900
Saturday, June 6th, 2026	Americus 2026 Rotary Sheffield Gala



D6900 Finish Line Celebration Coming Soon!

By Mandy Timmons
If you've registered, we look forward to seeing you at our Finish Line celebration lunch at Atlanta Motor Speedway on August 20. We will be recognizing clubs for their achievements during the 2021-2022 Rotary year and provide an annual report for the district. Registration is open and thrill seekers can sign up for a hot lap around the AMS track in a pace car! In addition, incoming District Membership Chair Dave Schwickerath is offering a membership summit on the same day which is a perfect time to hear the latest in ideas and resources to help you with your membership plans.
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Our Rotary
Foundation

**District
6900
“Doing
Good at
Home and
around
the
World”**

By Anne Glenn
Thank you to
every Rotarian
who made last
year so special
for our Rotary
Foundation. Your
generous
donations and
passionate
concern for
people you know
in your
community as
well as people
you will never
meet, or see,
continues to
display decency
and “good” in a
world growing
poor and needy.
As your newest
District Rotary
Foundation
Director, I remain
humbled by your
commitment to
Rotary and The
Rotary
Foundation. I look
forward to
helping you
achieve your
goals. And as a
starter -

NEWSFLASH - all
District Grant and
Special District
Grant checks are
in the mail to all
of you! [more]



Our Rotary
Foundation at
Work

Where Did the Money Go in 2021-22?

By Anne Glenn

We encourage
you to keep
donating to
The Rotary
Foundation
(TRF) - and we
share

information
along the way
about some of
our projects -
but we wanted
to give you
access to
reports

show [what TRF
allowed us to
do in 2021-22
in our](#)

[communities](#) -
and what we
did and

continue to do
on the [five
Global Grant
projects](#)

[approved in
2021-22](#). Click

either of these
links to get
some specifics

Some simple
facts about
how we got the
money for
2021-22 ...

[more]



J. MICHAEL SWEIGART, CHAIR
Rotary Club of Duluth



GRSP OFFICERS 2022-2023



IAN BOND, VICE CHAIR
Rotary Club of Columbus



LORRI CHRISTOPHER, SECRETARY
Rotary Club of Dunwoody



JACKIE CUTHBERT, ASST. SEC.
Rotary Club of Dunwoody



STEVE HARROLD, ASST. TREASURER
Rotary Club of Athens

GRSP Update **Welcome 2022-23 Leaders and Students**

By Katheryne Fields
We are pleased to
announce

the Georgia Rotary
Student Program's
new slate of officers
for 2022-23 - elected
at GRSP's Summer
Trustee Meeting
earlier this month. J.
Michael (Mike)

Sweigart of
the Rotary Club of
Duluth (**D6910**)
moves up to serve
as Chair and Ian
Bond of the Rotary
Club of

Columbus has been
elected to serve as
Vice Chair. Both Mike
and Ian have served
as host families and
trustees. Mike most
recently served as
Treasurer then Vice
Chair while Ian
served the last
several years as
District 6900 Chair.

Secretary Lorri
Christopher and
Assistant Secretary
Jackie Cuthbert, both
from the Rotary Club
of Dunwoody, and
Assistant Treasurer
Steve Harrold of
the Rotary Club of
Athens (D6910) were
also thanked for
their contributions to
the program and re-
elected for another
year. [more]



Rotary Leadership
Institute

Top 10 Reasons to Consider Attending RLI

By Stephanie
Windham

Did you know you
could register for live
online sessions and
in-person events to
complete your Rotary
Leadership Institute
experience? Just
visit rlitraining.org.

In-person events are
currently scheduled
for AUGUST 13, 2022
in Columbus,
NOVEMBER 19, 2022
in Kennesaw, and
JANUARY 14, 2023 in
Thomasville. So what
are the 10 top
reasons to
participate in RLI?
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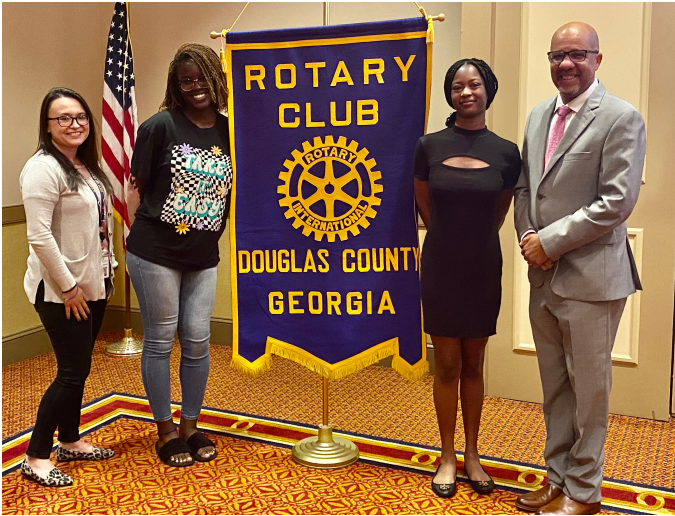
RYLA Update

2022 RYLA Was a Blast!

By Jaclyn
Donovan
Summertime
in District
6900 mean
it's time for
the Rotary
Youth
Leadership
Awards,
better known
as RYLA!!

RYLA is
designed for
young adults
with proven
leadership
ability and a
commitment
to
community
service. The
District 6900
RYLA camp
was hosted
by the Rotary
Club of
Americus and
held June
18-22 on the
campus of
Georgia
Southwestern
State
University
and included
82 students
sponsored by
over 30
clubs. This
year was also
the first RYLA
gathering
since 2019,
so the RYLA
Family of
counselors
had a great
reunion!
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Rotary President Samantha Rosado, Hannah Byssainthe, Tiffany Grier, and Rotary Member and Douglas County School Superintendent Trent North.

Club News

RYLA Students Speak at Douglas County

By Nell Boggs

The **Rotary Club of Douglas County** recently enjoyed hearing from students who attended RYLA

- an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary where young people can develop leadership skills while having fun and making connections.

This year, the club sponsored four students to attend RYLA in June on the campus of Georgia Southwestern State

University in Americus Three of the students attend Douglas County High School: Hannah Byssainthe, Amelia Hasan, and Ronzell Mullen. Tiffany Grier attends

Lithia Springs High School. Hannah and Tiffany attended the meeting and answered questions about their experience.

Hannah enjoyed it so much she plans to volunteer as a counselor at RYLA in the future! [more]



Our Rotary
Foundation at
Work

Year-end Brazil Trip Planned to Visit Global Grant Project Funded by D6900 Clubs

By Bob

Koncerak

Bom Dia! Six

clubs are
supporting a
project that is
doing amazing
good the world!

The Rotary
Clubs of Stone
Mountain,
Dunwoody,
Peachtree City,
Atlanta Brazil,
Roswell and
Alpharetta have
successfully
funded Down
Syndrome

Education
Global Grant
2231616—and
a year-end trip
is planned to
visit this
impressive

project. *This is
your invitation
to travel with
Rotarians to
southern
Brazil -*

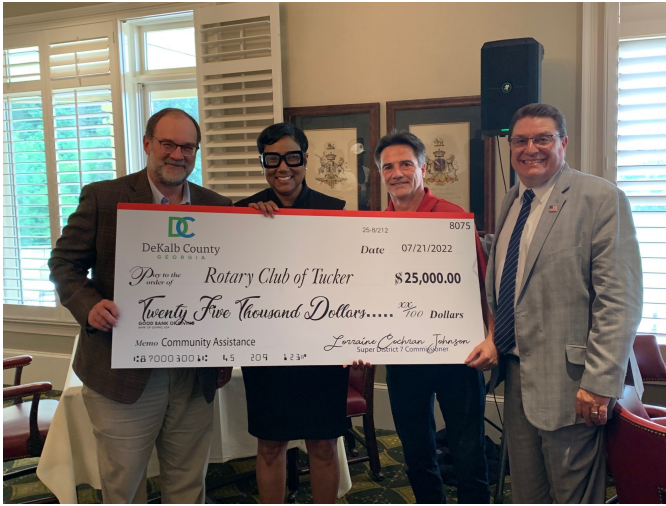
a truly beautiful
place in the
world. [more]



Club News

Dunwoody Fundraising Efforts Net Almost \$40,000 for Our Charitable Endeavors

By Bob O'Brien
The **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** had a great year in service projects with two new fund-raising efforts. The club held its first Whiskey & Cigar Raffle in October, November and December of last year and raised more than \$6,500 for our Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund, and its inaugural charity golf tournament called FORE! the Memories at St. Marlo Country Club on May - providing \$20,000 to Alzheimer's of Georgia and \$13,000 to our Dunwoody Charitable Fund.
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(left to right) David Fisher, executive director of NETWorks; DeKalb County Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson; Jim Rodeghiero, special events coordinator, and Kirk Fordham, director of community services, Rotary Club of Tucker, accepting the check.

Club News

Tucker and DeKalb County Help Families Impacted by COVID

By Lizbeth Dison
DeKalb County has approved in \$25,000 Super District 7

American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding appropriation from Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson for the **Rotary Club of Tucker** to support mortgage and rent assistance and purchase and distribute school supplies to eligible residents of ...
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