DISTRICT 6900 NEWS FOR DECEMBER, 2018

Rotary Club of Cuthbert with President Clara Hammock, AG Donna Gray and District Service Chair Terry Rouse; this great club helped their neighbors during Hurricane Michael

From the District Governor

Celebrating the Gifts of Rotary

By Court Dowis

As the holiday season is in full swing, it is a great time to take a break from the race to celebrate our families, friends and all the good that we able to do as Rotarians.
Just consider the BIG thinking of the **Rotary Club of Emory Druid Hills** in establishing partnerships to fund grants that are providing a C-Arm to one hospital and a complete nephrology unit to another hospital in India. Or the **Rotary Club of Atlanta** partnering with CARE USA in a project that's just getting underway to build sustainable livelihood for Syrian refugees living in camps in Jordan. This project could provide with a model for addressing refugee issues around the world.
Or look closer to home, at the projects our District Grants are supporting this year .... [more]

The Rotary Foundation

TRF ... a Great Tax Deduction

By Margie Kersey

Wow! Foundation month was a lot of fun – and on behalf of the District Foundation team and me, thank you for your invitations to visit your clubs and share information about the Foundation. Y'all did a great job raising funds this month for The Rotary Foundation...rumor has it that one club raised $40,000 in November alone. Wow! [more]

GRSP Update

Celebrating Holidays and Planning for the New Year!

By Lynn Clarke

Learn more about GRSP holidays, the GRSP endowment, planning for next year, a Peace Award, and the Oslo Scholarship. [more]

From a GRSP Scholar

Top Learnings from My GRSP Year

By Lynn Clarke

Smilla Luuk from Stockholm, Sweden was hosted by the Muscogee R/C and Harris County R/C last year at Columbus State University and listed some things that she learned from her year in the United States. She writes:
Trying to summarize the year in ... [more]

Global Grant Scholar Update

Thank You District 6900

By Kathy Brandt

It's fall again in Wageningen. I've been riding my bike to classes and the local Saturday market for over a year, now. The picturesque fields around my town have become familiar paths that I casually use for runs and errands. And I am still spoiled daily by homemade ... [more]

Global Grant Scholar Update

As Their Year Gets Underway ...

By Kathy Brandt

Hear about the early experiences of our two Global Grant Scholars who have started their year of study at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the London School of Economics [more]

Public Image

Are You on Track for 2018-19?

By Jaclyn Donovan

Public Image Citation

Is your club on track for the Zone 34 Public Image Citation? Clubs which complete four required activities and at least two additional activities by March 31, 2019 qualify for a Citation. Get more information at more]

Rotary Leadership Institute

Join Us in Thomasville on January 19

By Elwyn Gaissert

The **Thomasville Rotary Club** will host Rotary Leadership Institute on January 19, 2019, at the Southern Regional Technical College. Parts 1, 2, 3 and Grad Course Transforming Your Rotary Club will be held. Registration and course information may be found at www.rlitraining.org. [more]

Sandestin-Bound - April 25-28, 2019

It's Time to Register, Win Prizes, Plan for Fun at the Beach!

By Bill Woulfin

Conference registration and conference room reservation sites are now active and linked to the District website. All you have to do is go to www.rotary6900.org/v2/ and click on the Smokey and the Bandit **REGISTER** button and you are off to the races. The " **MORE INFO"** button leads to the 2019 Conference home page with information about the speakers, events, and the opportunity to Register and Get your Hotel room.
Learn more here about why it's time to register now! [more]

RYLA

RYLA is Right Around the Corner!

By Jaclyn Donovan

RYLA 2019 is right around the corner!!The dates for next year are June 15 – 19, 2019.There are a couple of things you can do now to get ready. [more]

Patti Schoettler, Susan Norris, Mallory Price and Jim Tomak. Norris and Price are from Rescuing Hope; Schoettler and Tomak are Rotarians

Club News

North Cobb Grant Supports Ending Human Trafficking

By Jessica Patterson

The **North Cobb Rotary Club** has committed a $2000 grant to the Rescuing Hope Foundation. Rescuing Hope's mission is to eradicate sex trafficking by enlightening the public about the dangers of sex trafficking in America, educating potential victims and first responders, and empowering advocates and survivors ... [more]

Future Leader

Mary Ligon Selected

By Jackie Cuthbert

We are pleased to announce that Mary Ligon from the **Rotary Club of Dougherty County** has been nominated for the post of District Governor Nominee Designate. This means that Mary will serve as our District Governor in the 2021-22 Rotary year. The district leadership was out in force to celebrate Mary's nomination! Watch for more about ... [more]

Rotary Fellowship

Rotary Means Business

By Famous Lou Alvarado

Watch for activities to start again in January! There will be no meeting in December.

Club News

SOUNS Makes a Difference in Georgia, Puerto Rico and Around the Globe

By Michael Nelson

In early November, the **Rotary Club of Peachtree City** travelled to Puerto Rico to work on its ongoing literacy project, SOUNS. The project combines the talent and resources of clubs in Districts 6900 and 7000. Developed by Rotarian Brenda Erickson, SOUNS is a letter-sound program with touchable letters that has had tremendous results in helping children learn to read at an early age. Learn more about the SOUNS program at http://www.souns.org/approach. [more]

Rotary Legislation

Helping Shape Rotary's Future

By Margie Kersey

At the last Council on Legislation they split Resolutions and Enactments. Now Resolutions are handled yearly online as the COR (Council on Resolutions). Volting on this year's resolutions is complete and you can read more about them. Enactments are still handled once every three years live in Chicago - still known as the COL (Council on Legislation). As your delegate, I will be asked to vote Enactments in April - so I am asking for your thoughts on these to help guide my voting. [more]

Club News

Vinings Student Enjoys Rotary and Football Experiences

By Ross Henderson

Members of the **Vinings Cumberland Rotary Club** recently helped clean up the old Civil War era cemetery on Paces Ferry Rd. The Club's Italian Rotary Youth Exchange Paolo (far left) participated.
Paolo has also had an opportunity to experience American football. Club President Joe Luranc took Paolo Lazzaroni ... [more]

RI Convention

Join Us in Hamburg, Germany in 2019

By Jim Squire

District 6900 is excited to be heading for Hamburg, Germany for the Rotary International Convention June 1-5, 2019. The District has chosen the Reichshof Hamburg Curio Collection by Hilton as its recommended hotel. You can register for the convention AND book your hotel by visiting http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg If you register by December 15, you will benefit from discounted registration fees! [more]

Club News

Rotary Club Helps Kick Off Salvation Army Kettle Drive

By Dale Covington

The **Rotary Club of Marietta** and two other local Rotary Clubs were on hand to support the 2018 Salvation Kettle Drive in Marietta. President Jesse Evans encouraged everyone to give generously this holiday season.

Upcoming Key Dates

Sunday, December 9th, 2018	**Buckhead Social**
Monday, December 10th, 2018	**Buckhead Governor Visit**
Tuesday, December 11th, 2018	**Quitman County Governor Visit**
Wednesday, December 12th, 2018	**The Big Reveal: 2019-2020 RYE Outbound Students**
Wednesday, December 12th, 2018	**Cairo Board Meeting**
Wednesday, December 12th, 2018	**Cairo Governor Visit**
Wednesday, December 12th, 2018	**Thomasville Governor Reception**
Thursday, December 13th, 2018	**Thomasville Board Meeting**
Thursday, December 13th, 2018	**Thomasville Governor Visit**
Friday, December 14th, 2018	**Marietta Metro Christmas Party**
Tuesday, December 18th, 2018	**North Fulton Governor Visit**
Wednesday, December 19th, 2018	**Stone Mountain Boars Head Feast**
Thursday, December 20th, 2018	**Camilla Board Meeting**
Thursday, December 20th, 2018	**Camilla Governor Visit**
Friday, December 21st, 2018	**Pelham Board Meeting**
Friday, December 21st, 2018	**Pelham Governor Visit**
Thursday, December 27th, 2018	**Tucker No Meeting scheduled**

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