

DISTRICT 6900 NEWS FOR MARCH, 2018

From the District Governor

Support Our Biggest Force Multiplier

By Alec Smythe

The first—and arguably the best—reason to be a Rotarian is because Rotary amplifies your ability to serve others. By joining with 1.2 million other Rotarians around the globe, you dramatically increase your impact on our world. Alone you can do little. As a Rotarian you can help a disabled neighbor gain access to their house; fix a life broken by abuse; build a dam in Africa; provide food to children in our schools who are hungry; help thousands learn to read; eradicate polio; and support tens of thousands of other acts of kindness all across our planet.

The Rotary Foundation, your foundation, is the engine that enables this multiplying effect.

As we head towards the fourth quarter of this rotary year, I ask you and every Rotarian to take a look at your financial situation and consider providing some additional support to our foundation. If you have already given, think about giving a little more this year. And if you haven't yet gotten around to making your gift this year, please go ahead and do so now.

Thank you.

[Donate Now \[more\]](#)

 *Director Ron and Elaine Ferrell*

Rotary People in Action

Join Our Caribbean Island Rotarians as People of Action Rebuilding After The Hurricanes

By Jackie Cuthbert

Editor's Note: This article shares highlights from Director Ferrell's recent visit with some of our Caribbean Island Rotary family in the Caribbean, also part of Rotary Zone 34, just like us. Several of our clubs have already expressed interest in helping out. If your club is interested in getting involved, contact District Disaster Relief Chair [Steve Stanfield](#).

I would like to share a recent experience traveling to Barbados, Dominica, St Maarten, Anguilla, and Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria. My visit came 4+ months after the hurricane. I had considered such visits earlier, but was concerned that I would be considered a "looker" when what was needed was "doers." When I did visit, I came to see the damage and the recovery progress, and most importantly to be with the people. [\[more\]](#)

The Rotary Foundation

Help The Rotary Foundation Improve Lives, Make a Difference in the World

By Margie Kersey

This is a very good time to assess where your club stands with The Rotary Foundation this year, because you still have time to make changes and take action! [\[more\]](#)



District Conference 2018 Update

Less Than Eight Weeks to Rotacon 2018!

By Ryan Clements

Warmer weather, blooming plants, and longer days - all signs that district conference is just around the corner! Rotacon 2018 promises to be a weekend full of great speakers, enjoyable excursions, and Rotarian fellowship that you won't want to miss. Join us in Sandestin from April 26-29! [\[more\]](#)

Global Scholars

Prestigious Rotary Scholarship Available - Join the Search for Applicants

By Kathy Brandt

District 6900 is offering two competitive \$30,000 scholarships for graduate study for students wishing to begin their studies in the fall of 2019. The student's career goals must align with at least one of the Rotary Foundation Areas of Focus. [\[more\]](#)



Laws of Life

Griffin Rotary Inspired by Laws of Life Essays

By Stephanie Windham

The Georgia Rotary Clubs Laws of Life Essay Contest changes lives one essay at a time. Meet Jackie and learn about the impact of the program on her life and the **Rotary Club of Griffin**. [\[more\]](#)



Club News

LaGrange Joins in International Tree Planting

By Barb Henigin

Early this month, members of the **Rotary Club of LaGrange** worked together with members from LaGrange College Rotaract, Troup High School Interact and West Georgia Community Interact clubs and family members to plant 200 trees at Camp Viola. This project was a part of worldwide effort to plant a tree for every member in each ... [\[more\]](#)



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Roswell Rotary Collects Donations for Troops with "Adopt -a- Platoon"

By Lynne Lindsay

"Adopt -a- Platoon" is a **Roswell Rotary** annual fundraiser to support a troop with a Roswell connection. [\[more\]](#)

 *Book club committee chair Ron Swofford, club president Gina McCombs and club secretary Judith Bennett*

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Lake Spivey Clayton County Launches Book Club

By Ron Swofford

Members of the **Lake Spivey/Clayton County Rotary Club** started a book club in February. [\[more\]](#)

 *President K.C. Kadow (left), PE Jim Bunda (center) and Interact Sponsor Valerie Trotter (right)*

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Marietta High School Interact Students Raise \$400 for Polio

By K. C. Kadow

As part of the **Rotary Club of Marietta Metro's** World Polio Day Event, President K.C. Kadow announced that the club will match up to \$500 of Polio money raised by its three Interact Clubs. The Marietta High School Interact Club took advantage of the offer and raised \$400 through their Teacher Luncheon Event. They visited the ... [\[more\]](#)



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Tucker Club Continues FODAC Support; Changes Up Club Meetings

By Rusty Warner

The **Rotary Club of Tucker** continues to support FODAC (Friends of Disabled Adults and Children) and Crutches for Africa (C4A), and has changed its meeting mix and location. [\[more\]](#)



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Marietta Rotary Creates a Mexican Lunch at MUST Ministries

By Dale Covington

Master Chefs Harold Hobbs and his son Adam filled their shopping carts at Sam's with Mexican food stuffs as the **Rotary Club of Marietta** prepared a Valentine meal at MUST Ministries. [\[more\]](#)

Upcoming Key Dates

Thursday, March 8th, 2018	North Atlanta Governor Visit
Friday, March 9th, 2018	Alpharetta Governor Visit
Thursday, March 15th, 2018	Service Oscar Nominee Candidates Submitted
Tuesday, March 20th, 2018	Stone Mountain Governor Visit
Wednesday, March 21st, 2018	Emory-Druid Hills (DeKalb County) Governor Visit
Thursday, March 22nd, 2018	GRSP Student Weekend – Pelham
Thursday, March 22nd, 2018	Tucker Governor Visit
Saturday, March 24th, 2018	District Assembly
Wednesday, March 28th, 2018	Vinings Cumberland Governor Visit
Thursday, March 29th, 2018	Atlanta Airport Governor Visit
Sunday, April 1st, 2018	Service Oscar Nominees Announced; Voting Begins
Friday, April 6th, 2018	GRSP Student Weekend – Camden County