



## From the District Governor

### Natural Disaster Trifecta

By Alec Smythe

As I write this, the people of Texas are just starting to see the Harvey floodwaters subside, Irma is plowing through the Caribbean headed directly for Florida, Georgia and South Carolina and last night Mexico suffered a major earthquake. So we have plenty of work to do in our own corner of the globe to help the needy. I've already sent out information ... [more]

### 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  
MEMBERSHIP FUND PLUS

- I **Cordele**
- II **Blakely**
- III
- IV **Alpharetta**

### Key Dates

- Thursday, July 9th, 2026 **North Atlanta Professional Alliance Governor Visit**
- Tuesday, July 14th, 2026 **Paulding County Governor Visit**
- Tuesday, July 28th, 2026 **Jackson-Butts County Governor Visit**
- Thursday, July 30th, 2026 **North Cobb County Governor Visit**
- Monday, August 3rd, 2026 **Marietta-Metro Governor Visit**
- Tuesday, August 4th, 2026 **North Columbus Governor Visit**



*In 2016, Ceasar Gaiter presented Congressman John Lewis with a Trailblazer Award*

Rotary  
People in  
Action  
**Ceasar  
Gaiters,  
Rotary  
Club of  
South  
DeKalb**

By Jackie  
Cuthbert  
This month,  
District 6900  
is honoring  
South  
DeKalb  
Rotarian  
Ceasar  
Gaiters for  
his personal  
contribution  
to the  
community.  
Ceasar is  
currently  
CEO of  
Gaiter  
Ventures Inc.  
where he  
leads the  
company's  
community  
and  
philanthropic  
strategy,  
which is  
focused on  
fostering our  
youth  
through  
mentoring  
and  
furthering  
education.  
He is also  
the CFO of  
another non-  
profit - JABY  
Inc - and  
president of  
its annual  
fundraiser,  
"The  
International  
Trailblazers  
Awards."  
[more]

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Club News  
**Join the  
10th  
Annual  
Peachtree  
City  
Dragon  
Boat  
Festival**

By Pamela Young  
The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Rotary Club of Peachtree City Dragon Boat Festival is scheduled for Saturday, September 23, 2017, and you will not want to miss it. Featuring teams from different communities and countries, the excitement is sure to thrill. New races and events will highlight the day. The Rotary Club of Peachtree City would ... [more]

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Stop Bullying Now

## **Join the Fundraiser to Support “Be the Voice”**

By Katha Stuart

**OCTOBER 15, 2017: SAVE THE DATE!!**

Over 3 million kids will be bullied this year, making it the most common form of violence experienced by young people in our nation. To combat this epidemic, Be THE Voice<sup>®</sup> was developed. BTV focuses solely on empowering the student bystander to find his/her “voice” when ... [more]

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The Rotary Foundation

## **Set Your Goals to Make a Difference - Support TRF!**

By Margie Kersey

Goals. Every study ever completed agrees that the likelihood of success is improved when you set a goal. Your Rotary club is no different. If you want a strong Rotary club that is growing and vibrant, you need to set goals. Have a vision of what you want to accomplish.

This morning I pulled up a Foundation giving report for our district ... [more]

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RLI

## Give Yourself the Gift of Attending the Rotary Leadership Institute

By Elwyn Gaissert, II

**Rotary Leadership Institute** is coming to Sandy Springs, Ga on October 21, 2017. Thank you Sandy Springs Rotary Club for sponsoring! The location is Sandy Springs Charter Middle School, 8750 Pride Place (formerly Colonel Drive), Sandy Springs, GA 30350. Parts 1, 2, 3 and Graduate Course in Foundation will be offered. Here is ... [more]

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### District Conference 2018 Update **And the Award Goes to**

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By Ryan Clements  
At this year's District Conference, the Saturday evening general session will be solely focused on recognizing our clubs' outstanding community and international service projects in an Oscars-style format. The goal is to celebrate Rotary and the good Rotarians do in the world - to celebrate **ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE** [more]



GRSP  
**GRSP  
Update**

By Lynn  
Clarke  
August  
GRSP  
Conclave in  
Bainbridge,  
Maynard  
Knestrick  
Memorial  
Weekend  
Sept. 8-10,  
DG Alec's  
support,  
Endowment  
Update,  
Words from  
a Recent  
Alumni and  
photos from  
one new  
student  
starting her  
year [more]

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Literacy

## **Greetings to you in Literacy Month!**

By Brenda Erickson

At the recommendation of DG Alec, I have created a Facebook page dedicated to District 6900 literacy work. Our shared experiences offer the greatest source of information and inspiration for one another. This FB page - Rotary6900Literacy - is meant to be a platform for sharing literacy projects ... [more]

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Club News  
**Kennesaw State Honors South Cobb Rotary Club's Generous Financial Support**

By Darlene Duke  
Kennesaw State University President Sam Olens (left) paid tribute to the **South Cobb Rotary Club** and its President Darlene Duke (center) for the group's steadfast commitment over the past 40 years to fund dozens of scholarships for Cobb County students and various faculty projects. Olens praised the organization, which has ...  
[more]



Club News  
**East  
Cobb  
Supports  
Local  
School  
and More**

By Blake Joiner  
The **Rotary Club of East Cobb** furthered its partnership with Wheeler High School during a ribbon cutting ceremony launching Wheeler High School's new AVID program. AVID stands for "Advancement Via Individual Determination." represent a significant commitment to the community. In July, the 12th annual race attracted more than 700 runners and walkers, and raised more than \$90,000 for community and non-profit organizations. [more]



Club News  
**Griffin  
Rotary  
Embraces  
Youth  
Service  
and  
Supports  
Teachers  
in the  
Community**

By Stephanie  
Windham  
The **Rotary Club  
of Griffin**  
welcomed over  
100 new teachers  
and administrators  
to its July 27  
meeting for its  
annual New  
Teacher  
Appreciation  
luncheon. The  
2017 Georgia  
Teacher of the  
Year, Casey  
Bethel, presented  
the program. Mr.  
Bethel praised the  
Rotary Club of  
Griffin for bringing  
together educators  
and community  
leaders. ... [more]

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Literacy  
**Peace Corps  
and  
Rotary  
Join  
Forces  
on  
Literacy**

By Brenda Erickson  
In August, a workshop was held in Denver, Colorado for Rotarians who served in the Peace Corps as volunteers or staff. About 85 people attended the workshop to learn about the Peace Corps/Rotary Partnership including Rotarian guests who wanted to learn more about the partnership, senior Peace Corps and Rotary staff, and other Rotary dignitaries ...  
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