

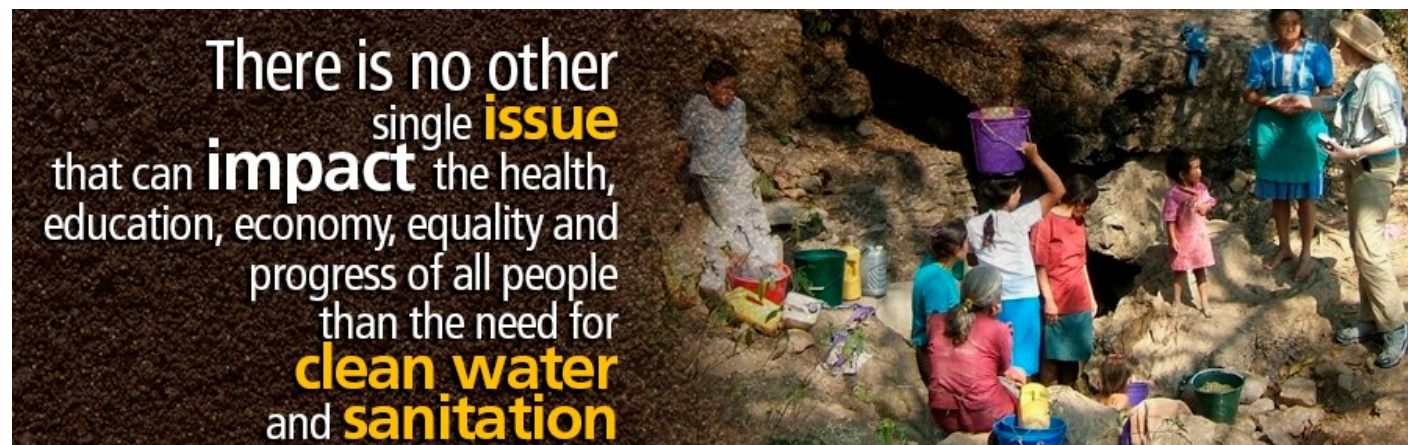
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DISTRICT 6920 NEWSLETTER March, 2023

Dear Georgia District 6920 Rotarian Jim,

This is: **Water and Sanitation Month**



What is YOUR Club doing to **IMAGINE ROTARY** in March ?



March Message from Governor Heather;

Greetings, Jim, - and all D6920 Rotarians !!

Time sure flies when you're having fun! We've just entered the last quarter of the 22-23 Rotary year. This means we have four months to complete our goals. **One of our biggest goals is the "333" challenge: Every Rotarian making an effort to donate \$333 to the Foundation this year.** There are some clubs who have already reached or exceeded this goal. There are clubs who are very close and there are several clubs who have not donated anything to the Foundation.

March is my birthday month, and my wish is for each of you to consider giving something. As Rotarians we give what we can. If you can give more, that's a blessing. If you can only give \$20 then give \$20. When we combine our resources we can change the life of a child, the hope of a family, and sometimes the course of a whole community. Please revisit this initiative as a club and as a Rotarian. The Rotary Foundation is how we make an impact and do good around the world.

March is WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE MONTH. Did you know there are over 748 million people around the world who do not have access to clean drinking water? March is also the month we celebrate and **EMPOWER WOMEN.** I found this video, from an organization called "Water is Basic," that perfectly combines the two. This organization believes that women, in these rural communities, suffer the most from dirty water and they should be allowed to bring the solutions. They have empowered women and provided clean water. Beware, it's a tearjerker. [Empowering Women and Providing Clean Water VIDEO](#)

Club Focus:

- March is Women's History Month [Great timeline of Women in Rotary](#)
- March 8th International Women's Day: Highlight the women in your club on social media or club programs
- March 12th: Daylight Savings Time--Spring forward an hour.
- March Madness March 14th- April 3rd—Does anyone have a fun competition in

their club?

- March 13-19 World Rotaract Week [How to celebrate World Rotaract Week](#)
- March 17th: Hold a fun Spring Social to celebrate St. Patrick's Day
- March 20th: Official first day of SPRING. Plan a spring clean-up project at a local park or other area of the community.
- March 31 Pre-registration discount ends for the [Rotary International Convention](#)
- Empowering Girls Initiative: Work with Girls Scouts of Historic Georgia or another organization to promote leadership for local girls. Contact District Empowering Girls Advocate, Kathy Hart, mschiefhart@yahoo.com for more information

District Governor's Movie Picks: MARCH 12th, 2023 ACADEMY AWARDS (THE OSCARS). My favorites this year are: "Top Gun: Maverick", and "Everything Everywhere All at Once", "Women Talking", "Elvis" and "Tar".

IMAGINE what we can do TOGETHER - AND DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR CONFERENCE - THIS Month!!!

Yours in Rotary,



Sec. A. TOP PRIORITIES *District News & Events*

YOUR TOP PRIORITY IS CLEAR:

REGISTER FOR DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOW!!!!

If you have any questions or complications - contact ERIN ANDREWS
at erin@marketinggeorgia.com [1-\(478\)-363-3372](tel:1-478-363-3372)



April 27-30 2023

Join the DISTRICT STARS
as we celebrate a year of
DREAMING BIG!

Callaway Resort & Gardens

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

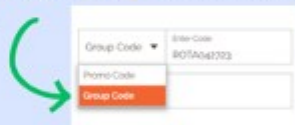
Easy directions to make sure you are getting the Rotary price at Callaway Gardens Lodge

How do I book my hotel room for the conference?

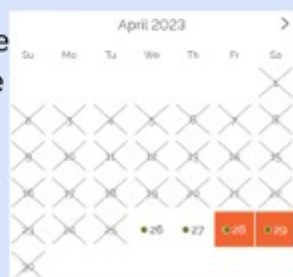
- Step 1** Visit callawaygardens.com
- Step 2** Click the **BOOK NOW** button
- Step 3** Scroll down and click **BOOK YOUR GETAWAY**
- Step 4** Click on "Special Codes or Rates". Make sure you have **"Group Code"** selected and enter your code.

Step 5

After applying the code, the dates will become available to you. Select your dates and click **Search** to select your room.



A screenshot of a web form showing a dropdown menu with "Group Code" selected. Other options include "Promo Code" and "Special Code". The "Group Code" option is highlighted in red. A green arrow points from the text in Step 4 to this dropdown menu.



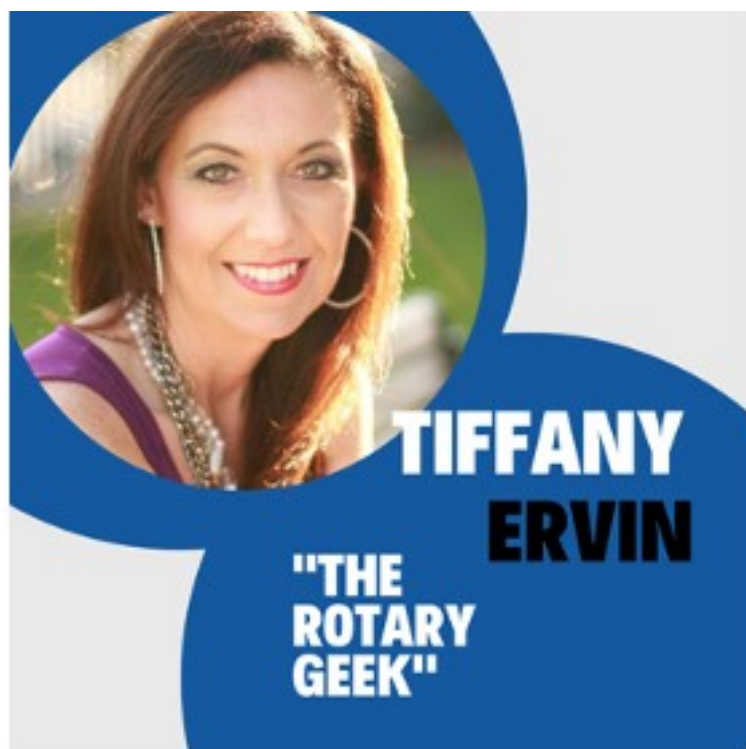
A screenshot of a calendar for April 2023. The calendar shows days from Sunday to Saturday. The 26th and 27th are marked with red dots. At the bottom right, there are two red buttons labeled "Call" and "View".

HERE (again) IS YOUR REGISTRATION LINK: [CLICK HERE](#)

TENTATIVE DISTRICT CONFERENCE AGENDA: [CLICK HERE](#)



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**You, and your family, are invited to the District Conference, and it's going to be so much fun and even more inspirational!
Here are some of the fun things to do!**

+ "Jaws" Polio Plunge

Friday night Rotarians are going to be "freezing for a reason." If there is someone (like DG Heather Kellen) that you want to see jump in the lake, here is your opportunity. Rotarians are encouraged to purchase some "fish food" by paying to see

their favorite Club or District leader swim with the fishes.

+ “Chariots of Fire” Fun Run

Meet DGE Felix Smith in the Lodge Lobby for an exhilarating start to your Saturday morning with a light run through Callaway.

+ “Fast and Furious” Car Show

Do you have a hot rod, classic car, something new, modern, or unique? Enter the Fast &

Furious Car Show! Email Conference Chair, Erin Andrews (erin@marketinggeorgia.com) with the year, make and model, and a little about what makes your car unique. Entries will be given preferred parking at the Lodge and some fun goodies. Awards will be based on People’s Choice.

+ “Caddy Shack” Golf Outing

Tee times are being scheduled and space is limited. If you would like to participate please email Conference Chair, Erin Andrews erin@marketinggeorgia.com. A minimum of 16 participants is needed to hold this event.

+ “The Butterfly Effect” Garden

Flutter on over to Butterfly Garden and witness the beauty of nature up close! The living, glass-enclosed gardens are home to REAL BUTTERFLIES that fly and grow each day.

+ “The Secret Garden” Tours

There are a vast variety of gardens and trails designed to let you escape into the heart of nature. Rent a bike or bring your own and explore the gardens.

+ “The Birds” of Prey Presentation

Join us in the Discovery Amphitheater to see the birds that appear at each program, swooping overhead and giving guests an up-close look “on the glove.”

+ **There are so many more fun things to do at Callaway Gardens!** Please take a moment to visit their website at www.callawaygardens.com.

Club Presidents, everyone is involved in making a fun and engaging conference.

Here’s how you can help!

1. Bring a door prize (or two). It’s fun to bring something from your area to share.
2. Bring a silent auction item (or two). All proceeds will be going to The Rotary Foundation.
3. Bring your Club Banner to display in the House of Friendship
4. Create display or scrapbook with a unique project or fundraiser your club created this year.
5. PARTICIPATE IN A SERVICE PROJECT at District Conference:
You have two opportunities:

Project A --Bring your old athletic shoes. (or collect at a Club meeting and send with those attending)

We're partnering with the "Got Sneakers" organization and collecting your old running and/or tennis shoes for recycling.

Let's see if we can get a big pile!



Project B: --District Governor, Heather has chosen FOCUS, a local Pine Mountain organization, as our local service project.

If your club is still looking for a place to donate canned food items - Bring or send them to Conference -

we will be delivering to the FOCUS local food pantry.



CLUB AWARDS - SUBMIT NOW!

Last call for all clubs!

END OF YEAR AWARDS Information: [CLICK HERE](#)

DISTRICT CITATION: Review the District Citation to be sure your club is recognized for their efforts this year. Don't forget Rotary International also has a special Citation for clubs. Reach out to your AGs for assistance.

BE AWARE OF DEADLINES IN MARCH AND APRIL

- **Submit completed District Citation Spreadsheet to Awards Chair Joy Hurst**
joycfp@windstream.net by **April 7** at midnight
- **Two Vocational Service awards ('til midnight **March 11th**)** [CLICK HERE\(1\)](#)
and [CLICK HERE \(2\)](#)
Submit Vocational Excellence Award Nominees to Mike Gray via
email mgray@whgmlaw.com
Submit Nominations for **GUARDIAN OF ETHICS AWARD** to PDG Bob
Griggers via email bobgrig@aol.com

Here is the Link to the Awards page on District website (for more info): [CLICK HERE](#)

DISTRICT 6920 FEBRUARY ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

DG HEATHER is HONORED to ANNOUNCE: ERIN ANDREWS is the February Rotarian of the Month

District Governor, Heather has selected Erin Andrews from the Milledgeville Club, for the Sledgehammer "Orchestrator" Rotarian of the Month recognition for her continued efforts as District Conference Chair. Her energy and enthusiasm are electric. Be sure to sign-up for District Conference in Callaway Gardens to find out all the amazing things she has planned.



REMINDER: The Trip of a LIFETIME awaits you !!

MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA - in the company of over 3,000 Rotarians from around the world

IF You've never attended a RI Convention You should plan your trip NOW!

For More INFO and to start planning NOW - - Click on the image below

 A banner for the Rotary Convention Melbourne 2023. On the left, there are colorful gears and circles. The text reads: "IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT". To the right, it says: "Register today at convention.rotary.org MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA | 27-31 MAY 2023". At the bottom right, there are logos for Rotary and Melbourne 2023.

Sec. B. DISTRICT PROJECTS: Initiatives & Plans



Rotary and Lions Districts are working TOGETHER

to serve communities in Georgia

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DISTRICT 6920 CANNED FOOD DRIVE

The District will continue to keep track of food donated by clubs through the weekend of District Conference.

The 'winner' of the Pie to Face - our DG or the Lions Governor will be announced there.

Terry Adkins: (of "We Are ROTARY" fame) is our District Services Chair

- please call or email him with any questions, any time:

[912-258-3900](tel:912-258-3900) terryadkins.rotary@gmail.com

Just get your can count to Terry!

Sec. C. CLUBS & MEMBERS: News & Events

The Rotary Club of Downtown Macon Hosted a GREAT joint meeting with their Interact Club recently:



Assistant Governor Beverly Trainor had the pleasure of presenting President Paula Goodnow from the Rotary Club of Kings Bay her Paul Harris Fellow + 7 pin



Sec. D. YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS: GRSP, RYLA, Rotaract, Interact, EarlyAct



June 8- 11, 2023

College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick Georgia
Rotary International District 6920

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!!!

For the **BEST PRICE (\$350)** - Clubs should register their "Spots" before **March 31**
As of **April 1** - the Price is **\$375** and on **May 1** it goes to **\$400**

[CLICK HERE](#) for all Information and Registration Forms

You can Register on line at the website -

or [CLICK HERE](#) and [CLICK HERE](#) to download the forms For **CLUB** Registration and **STUDENT** Registration.

- then send them in by mail.

NOTE -- RYLA has moved to the **COAST** -- next door to **St Simons Island** and **Jekyll** -- this is going to be **FUN** !

For a **PRINTABLE FACT SHEET** [CLICK HERE](#)

Interactors Have Big Hearts

Interact Clubs throughout the District participated in the *Random Act of Kindness Day* District Interact Project in Recent Months and weeks.

Interactors showed their appreciation and support for their community in many different ways.

East Laurens High School donated a blanket to Dublin's "Waving Man" Mr. Melton.

They also had a party with a cake to show their appreciation. Mr. Meltron is a resident of a nursing facility and ,weather permitting, sits outside and waves to people driving by. In an Interview he said he does it to make people happy.

Pinewood Christian Academy made goodie bags for the administrative, lunchroom and custodial staff to show their appreciation for all they do.

St. Andrews Middle School made 74 Valentines Cards and distributed them to an Assisted Care facility.

Baldwin High School made 80 Valentines Cards and distributed them to a local Nursing Home. They also made 100 hygiene bags with toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs,deodorant, kleenex and crackers and distributed them to the homeless in partnership with Overview Inc.

Jenkins Middle and High School held a Jeans Day Fundraiser at school to raise money for items to distribute to a local Nursing Home. They partnered with the [Millen Rotary Club](#) to donate lotion, crossword puzzle books, kleenex, gripper socks and blankets.

Georgia Christian Academy made cookies and distributed them to the Lowndes County Sheriff's Dept and the Valdosta Police and Fire Departments to show their appreciation for all they do.

A big Thank You to all participating Clubs.

Jan Horidan, District Chair





Sec. E. TOOLS: Resources, Social Media, Contact Us & Useful Links

Talking TECHNOLOGY:

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO AND LINKS:

Contact DG Heather: [\(478\) 244-1714](tel:4782441714) Email: hakellen@gmail.com

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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