## CHESAPEAKE ROTARY CLUB NEWSLETTER

Oct 2018



#### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Yesterday, I had the privilege of meeting with Peggy Matthews and five local business leaders who have expressed an interest in becoming members of the Chesapeake Rotary Club. Peggy did a fantastic job of presenting to them what Rotary is all about and provided materials for everyone to consider. One thing that really stood out to me in response to the question: what is it about Rotary that is appealing to you? – was that every one of them talked about their involvement in the community and desire to be a part of an organization that values others above themselves. Our motto "Service Above Self" really stands out to them and to this community.

The other interesting thing was that they expressed a desire to be involved with a club that has a proven record of taking action instead of just talking about it. It was very encouraging to see that your efforts as a member of this club have produced that kind of a perspective to the business leaders of this community! Thank you all for actively participating in the life of the best club in Virginia!

#### October Club Social

Sat Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm Home of Ameena & Jay Lewis, 1120 Sutherlyn Ct Eat, drink & be scary. Wear a costume, spooky or sweet. Prizes awarded for best costumes. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Adults only please.

## **Upcoming Events**

- W 10/10 12pm Meeting Wine Festival Planning
- F 10/12 Wine Festival Set Up at City Park
- S 10/13 Wine Festival at Chesapeake City Park
- W 10/17 12pm Meeting Kerry Dougherty, columnist formerly with The Washington-Post and the Virginian-Pilot
- W 10/24 12pm Meeting Honorable J. Randy Forbes
- S 10/27 Rotary Social Halloween Party
- W 10/31 12pm Meeting Brigadier General Anthony Tata, retired US Army combat general, TV & radio personality
- S 12/1 Christmas Parade
- F 12/7 Christmas Party Home of Roland & Teresa Davis



SEE OUR CALENDAR, FACEBOOK & MORE AT CHESAPEAKEROTARY.ORG

### **SERVICE ABOVE SELF – OUR UPCOMING PROJECTS**

#### **WINE FESTIVAL 10.13.2018**

All hands on deck. Our major fundraiser, the Chesapeake Wine Festival, is happening now. Many club members have volunteered and have been given assignments. If you do not have an assignment, please talk to Scott Danner. We will need members to be flexible & available the day of the event to help wherever needed as things come up.

The Club tries to have almost everything set up on Friday evening before the vendors & wineries arrive on Saturday morning. Please stop by City Park anytime Friday afternoon. Your help is very necessary to ensuring a smooth event!

#### **CHESAPEAKE ROTARY FOUNDATION** Q1 AWARDEES

In the first quarter we awarded;

• \$1,000 to 757 Seahawks Youth Sports that provides football, basketball, and other spring sports while emphasizing family values. Our grant will provide funding for new safety equipment for youth football.

https://www.facebook.com/757Seahawks/

- \$1,000 to The Elizabeth River Project to support their projects and the premier of RiverFEST in Chesapeake (Oct 6) https://www.elizabethriver.org
- \$500 to The Tidewater Winds to support their • music intern program and three Chesapeake Concerts offered by the volunteer Sousa/Big Band non-profit. http://www.tidewaterwinds.org

\$7,500 remains in this year's Grant Budget.

# **GET INVOLVED!**

**Club Project/Committee Heads** Wine Festival – Scott Danner Coats for Kids – Gardner King Rotary Day of Caring – Mike Love Christmas Parade – Anthony Draper & Mike Love First Citizen Banquet – Debbie Ritter, Vonda Chappell & Lori Galbraith Chesapeake Rotary Foundation – David Hanson Rotary/Paul Harris Foundations - Henry Thrasher STRIVE – Candy Waller & Dani Feret Socials – Jeb Britt & Beverly Grandison International Projects – Tom Dana Public Relations – Roland Davis Programs – Lori Galbraith & Baxter Ennis Interact – Ella Ward & Beverly Grandison Membership – Peggy Matthews **Communications – Jamaila Melchers** Newsletter – Dani Feret Social Media – James Hanna New Member Package – Beverly Grandison Rotary Calendar – Carolyn Maddox

#### CHRISTMAS PARADE 12.1.18

Our annual Christmas parade will start at 6pm on Sat Dec 1st. Our main sponsor will be Chesapeake Healthcare. All 7 high school bands will be participating. Joe Flanagan will be the television announcer again this year.



2018-2019 Chesapeake Rotary Club Officers

President – Doug Davis Pres Elect – Grady Palmer IPast Pres – Steve Best Secretary – Janet McCaskey Treasurer – Jonathan DeLoatche Sgt at Arms –Chuck Wilson

**1** Year Directors Anthony Draper Scott Danner Nick Baum Tom Dana John Maddux

2 Year Directors Jamaila Melchers **Beverly Grandison Roland Davis Bob Mohrhusen** Lori Galbraith

#### **SEPTEMBER 2018 HAPPENINGS**

PLANT A TREE PROJECT AT DEEP CREEK PARK, WHERE WE PLANTED 70 TREES IN THE SHAPE OF A ROTARY GEAR.



FOLLOW THIS LINK TO VIEW THE AERIAL DRONE FOOTAGE TO GET THE FULL IMPACT OF THIS PROJECT: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vu\_Efg1wSPA</u>





AT THE SEPTEMBER SOCIAL HOSTED BY DANI & DAVID FERET

2018 FIRST CITIZEN OF CHESAPEAKE CARROLL SMITH, SR & HIS WIFE JACQUELINE

2017 FIRST CITIZEN BISHOP KIM BROWN PRESENTS CARROLL WITH HIS FIRST CITIZEN MEDALLION

