

"THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

May 5, 2021

Meetings

May is Youth Service Month

- 5/7 Laws of Life Essay Contest
Winners ... in Person and
Via Zoom
- 5/14 Service Project - Books for
Dresden and Kingsley
- 5/28 Michael Wilensky, State
Representative ... In Person
or Via Zoom
- 6/4 Michael Starling, Director of
Economic Development,
City of Dunwoody ... in
Person and Via Zoom

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 5/4 Lorri Christopher
5/20 Tina Philpot

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/4 Jennie Stipick (13)
5/11 Hoshi Daruwalla (13)
5/27 Jack Francisco (13)
5/28 Bob O'Brien (44)
5/28 Matthew Johnson (10)
5/29 Mike Shortal (125)

Rotary Online

<https://dunwoodyrotary.org>
<https://rotary6900.org/>
<https://rotary.org/>

ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am
Zoom
111 Perimeter Center West

This Week's Speakers

Georgia Laws of Life Essay Winners ... in Person and Via Zoom



Join us this Friday to celebrate this year's Dunwoody High School winners in the Georgia Laws of Life Essay Contest. You have two ways to join - in person at Le Meridien Atlanta Perimeter, 111 Perimeter Center West, Atlanta GA 30346, or via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86202979419>

The students will be accompanied by Heather Van Wyk, Dunwoody High School's Laws of Life Contest Chair for the last four years. This year 25,112 students from 49 Georgia high schools wrote essays for the Laws Of Life Essay Contest. The contest named 135 school level winners and seven state winners with \$17,200 in cash prizes. The Rotary Club of Dunwoody has been a huge supporter of this program for almost 20 years. [\[more\]](#)

Don't Miss Out!

Dunwoody Arts Festival Returns May 7-9 ... We Need Your Help and Support



A big thank you to the ten Dunwoody Rotarians who have volunteered to help with Arts Festival set-up on Friday, May 7 - and to those of you who have signed up to welcome visitors to our Dunwoody Rotary booth at the Festival on Saturday and Sunday.

Haven't signed up and still want to help?

- Check with Carter Stout about opportunities in the Dunwoody Rotary booth - volunteers are working three hour shifts on either Saturday or Sunday
- We are also looking for up to six volunteers on Sunday from 5-7 pm to help artists exit in a smooth and orderly fashion. Please contact Kathy Brandt if you'd like to volunteer for the Sunday shift.

Visit Brook Run This Weekend

Even if you're not volunteering, take time to enjoy the festival - drop by Brook Run on Saturday, May 8, 10AM to 6PM, Sunday May 9, from 10AM to 5PM. For more information on the Festival, visit the [Dunwoody Arts Festival website](#).

From Our Club President

Time to Connect with Potential New Members



We all know Dunwoody Rotarians are people of action, connecting to make a significant difference in our community and the world ... and have fun while we are doing that. Our membership is the lifeblood of all that we do ... and can do!

Regardless of what roles you have in our club, you are all on a very important

LEADERSHIP

President	Ardy Bastien
President-Elect	Carter Stout
Immediate PP	Cathie Brumfield
Treasurer	Josh Podczervinski
Secretary	Jennifer Bowler
Foundation	Jennie Stipick
Membership	Darrin Vanderpan

committee - the Membership Committee. And as part of that committee, we're asking you to help us with a special event on Thursday May 20:

1. Invite anyone you think would make a good Dunwoody Rotarian to this member social. If everyone could bring just ONE person we could be well set for membership growth in 2021-22
2. Be there to welcome our guests and share Dunwoody Rotary's story.

The event will be Thursday, May 20, 2021 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at Le Meridien, 111 Perimeter Center West, Atlanta GA 30346. We'll buy everyone who attends a drink and share some appetizers, while we give potential members an idea of what it means to connect through Rotary.

Talk to President Ardy or President-Elect Carter if you have questions.

Making a Difference

Club Helps Bring Oxygen to India's COVID-19 Patients



When Mike Parks shared a heartbreaking request from the Rotary Alumni Association of former Rotary Youth Exchange students in India (Rotex India D3054) for donations to provide oxygen to COVID-19 patients there, your members and board went into action late last week - approving a grant to India in record time for \$2,000 (including \$625 from interested members). Before 11:15 am this past Monday, the money was on its way to India via approved web sites that accepted the club's ATM card.

This could not have been done without assistance from our members for funding and sourcing approved web sites that allowed us to get this money to India quickly and economically. Thanks to Cathie Brumfield for her help with making the financial side work! It was a true Team Dunwoody effort to do what we could to assist.

If you committed to be part of this, your checks to the Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund should go to Cathie Brumfield. If you wish you could have signed up to contribute, it's not too late. We had hoped to raise \$1,000 in matching funds but only raised \$625 given the time. Reach out to Cathie Brumfield if you would like to be part of this effort. Thanks to all for making this happen.

Making a Difference

Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust (CART) ... Help Meet Our Challenge Goal

Last week, we were all moved by Charlene Hall's presentation about Alzheimer's, and the medical research that is made possible by Rotarian contributions to CART. She shared that this program started by Rotarians gave a \$100,000 grant in its early years, and this year will award more than \$1,000,000 in grants. Charlene and Robert Hall pledged to match up to \$1,000 in contributions to CART from Dunwoody Rotarians and the Club. If you'd like to contribute, you can make your donation to the Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund and we will be sure it gets to CART. Let Cathie Brumfield know if you would like to make a pledge.