



## Meetings

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

- 2/16 Hearing Life - Susanne Lynch & Rebecca Knox
- 2/23 Leadership 2020 - Zach Fields keynote speaker
- 3/2 Steve Holman - Voice of the Atlanta Hawks
- 3/9 Georgia Public Policy Foundation - Kyle Wingfield

## Events

- 2/18 RR After Hours - Unity Garden Service Project
- 2/21 Rotary Means Business
- 2/21 RR After Hours Club
- 2/22 Hump Day - The Vick

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 David Reddick
- 2/2 Joe Piontek, Sr.
- 2/5 Mike Oetinger
- 2/10 Richard Meer
- 2/14 Gabriel Kelly
- 2/15 George Rhodes, III
- 2/15 Grace Peoples
- 2/16 Fate McKinney, III
- 2/18 Gordon Owens
- 2/19 Danny Tompkins
- 2/21 Michael Gould
- 2/22 Becky Stone
- 2/22 Bill Wolff
- 2/24 Holland Earle
- 2/25 Carly Kozar
- 2/27 Bruce Smith
- 2/27 Leonard Greski
- 2/27 Justice Brakache

## President John's Message



Are you getting tired of winter and looking for activities to get out of the house? Well, this month and next we have numerous ways to get involved serving our youth and our community. Opportunities include:

- **February 18 - Unity Garden** volunteering at Chattahoochee Nature Center with our After Hours club. All the produce grown in the garden is donated to North Fulton Community Charities - see signup link below.
- **March 2 - Read Across Roswell** in conjunction with Read Across America. Reading to kindergartners at 5 elementary schools - see signup link below.
- **March 4 - Roswell Beer Festival** supporting STAR House. Get your tickets and come visit the Roswell Rotary tent. Or join with our After Hours club to volunteer as pourers.
- **March 11 - Unity Garden** volunteering Round 2
- **March 18 - Roswell Rotary Relays** at Roswell High School. Great day of track and field with many volunteers needed - see signup link below.
- **March 25 - Sweep the Hooch** - annual springtime cleanup of our portion of the Chattahoochee River along Riverside Road. Great way to get the whole family involved in service - signup will be available soon

Rotary is about Service Above Self. Take the opportunity to get involved in Service this February and March.

## Thursday Program HearingLife: Susanne Lynch & Rebecca Knox

## YEARS OF SERVICE

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| 2/1  | David Bourne (50)                            |
| 2/2  | Lee Dodson (9)<br>45 years in Rotary         |
| 2/8  | Holland Earle (16)<br>25 years in Rotary     |
| 2/11 | Alex Kaufman (13)                            |
| 2/11 | Langdon Hollingsworth (2)                    |
| 2/13 | Kevin Benscoter (3)                          |
| 2/14 | Peter Calabro (15)                           |
| 2/17 | Roger Wise, Jr. (12)                         |
| 2/18 | Talaya Parker, Ms (4)                        |
| 2/18 | Mary Robichaux (4)                           |
| 2/22 | Nancy Tolbert-Yilmaz (22)                    |
| 2/22 | Lee Jenkins, Jr. (5)                         |
| 2/22 | Robert Shaw (5)                              |
| 2/23 | George Rhodes, III (6)<br>16 years in Rotary |
| 2/23 | Richard Stilley (6)<br>8 years in Rotary     |

## Rotary Online

<https://roswellrotary.club>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>

## ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
Roswell Area Park  
Bill Johnson Community Activity  
Building  
10495 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA 30075

## CONNECT WITH US



Do you have difficulty following conversations? Are phone conversations unclear? Do you have to ask others to repeat themselves? Do you have difficulty locating sounds? Do you have ringing or buzzing in your ears? Do you have to turn up the TV loud?

These are signs of hearing loss. Our hearing has never been a more significant part of life than it is today. It connects us in every way possible. Without it, we lose touch with life and those around us. We use our hearing to feel, connect, navigate, communicate and make sense of the world. Hearing care can be life-changing for those with hearing loss. The more sounds we hear, the more we're able to participate in and enjoy life.

This week we will hear from Susanne Lynch and Rebecca Knox from HearingLife. You'll want to hear them!

[\[read more\]](#)

## Past President Moment - Gene Beckham 2007-2008



The Spring of 2008...Roswell Rotary embarked on its first Honor Air flight to Washington, DC with about 90 World War II veterans. The first of many Roswell Rotary trips to take veterans to see the WWII, Korea and Vietnam Memorials, Arlington National Cemetery and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This is just one of many highlights in the Rotary year 2007-2008 under President Gene Beckham. Come hear more this week. Get there early and check out Gene's scrapbook on display and on the big screen.

## LEADERSHIP

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| President       | John Carruth         |
| President-Elect | Alex Kaufman         |
| Immediate PP    | Terry Taylor         |
| Treasurer       | Trummie Patrick, III |
| Secretary       | Nancy Alterman       |
| Membership      | Katie Anderson       |
| Foundation      | Leslie Bassett       |
| Public Image    | Michael Gould        |

## PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

- Cheryl Greenway 2012-13
- Bob Hagan 2015-16

## FAMILY OF ROTARY

Our membership cares deeply about the needs and concerns of our members. We don't want to miss an opportunity to reach out in friendship when such concerns arise. The chairperson of this committee is Lynn Dunn and all news should be directed to her at [lynn.dunn@rmcpa.com](mailto:lynn.dunn@rmcpa.com)

## RRAH Meeting Recap



Last week, After Hours welcomed STAR House Executive Director Stephanie Christiansen! She spoke on STAR House's history, mission and the vital role the Roswell Beer Festival plays in their fundraising efforts. The club is gathering a group of volunteers to pour beer at the festival and can't wait to (literally) serve the community.

The next After Hours meeting is Feb. 21 at 6:30 at The Artillery Room @ Gate City.

## After Hours to Volunteer at the Unity Garden at CNC



Service opportunities are beginning to bloom for RRAH!

After Hours is set to volunteer at the Unity Garden at the Chattahoochee Nature Center on three upcoming Saturday's: [Feb. 18](#), March 11 and April 29. The shifts start at 9 a.m. and go until Noon. The plan is to work around the garden doing anything and everything they need, like collecting plants, organizing and planting.



Did you know? The Unity Garden grows fresh produce to be donated to the food pantry at North Fulton Community Charities. Fresh vegetables and greens are delivered once or twice a week.

*All Rotarians are invited!* The first volunteer opportunity is this Saturday--[sign up here](#).

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### Rotary Youth Exchange Student Host Family Opportunity



Roswell Rotary Club is searching for her 3rd host family for LaNeige, our Rotary youth exchange student from Thailand. She needs a host family from March 1-May 31st, 2023. LaNeige is 16 years old and attends Roswell High School. Within the Rotary exchange program, she lives with three host families in the area; she is currently with her second host family. See the video below!

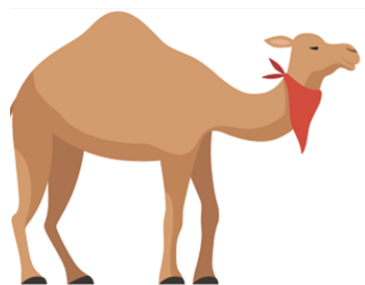
Host families provide the exchange student with a home environment that includes accommodations you'd provide for your own family - an environment to live, engage and study/learn. The family does not have to have a Rotarian, so if you know someone that might be willing to host, we need to hear from you. To learn more about qualifying as a host family, [please contact Alesia Booth](#).

[Click Here for Video](#)

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**Hump Days are Back!**

**Hump Day Wednesday - February 22 - 5:30 PM at  
The Vick**



**THE VICK**  
**KOFFEE**  
& Cocktails —

## **Read Across Roswell on March 2!**



In celebration of Read Across America (Dr. Seuss's Birthday) and to promote literacy, Roswell Rotary is again participating in Read Across Roswell Day on Thursday, March 2nd! We need readers for kindergarten classes at 8:00 a.m. on March 2. We will be reading a book about friendship called Evelyn Rey is Moving Away. Please use the Sign-Up Genius to volunteer! You can pick up a copy of the book at Rotary on February 23rd OR at the front desk of the school on March 2. The books are a donation from the club and have a donation sticker inside. After reading, please leave the book with the class for their classroom library. Addresses for the schools are included on the sign-up. Thank you for supporting our schools and students!

Sign Up Genius for Read Across Roswell on March 2: [ReadAcross Roswell 3.2.23](#)

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**Volunteer Opportunity**

**Roswell Relays Coming Up!**



Roswell Relays is on the horizon and we need your volunteer commitment. The oldest and biggest Track & Field Meet in Georgia, we therefore need dozens of volunteers through the day. The SignUp Genius has specific slots and times but if you just want to tell one of us, we can make that work too! Please let me know if you have any questions.... Mindy Jones [goldyall@aol.com](mailto:goldyall@aol.com) is coordinating the Coaches Hospitality Suite while Michael Curling [michael.curling@gmail.com](mailto:michael.curling@gmail.com) is coordinating the volunteer positions on the track/field.

**When:** Saturday, March 18th ... all day

**Where:** Roswell HS Football Field

It's a wonderful chance to volunteer and work with all of these talented high school athletes. The energy is contagious! Hope you will be part of it!

[Click here to Sign up: Roswell Relays Hotlink:](#)

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**District Conference April 27-30 Sandestin, FL**  
**Did Someone Say Beach???**



Okay...so you arrived at Sandestin Thursday, visited the hospitality suite, survived the Pig Roast, tried to win the Cornhole tournament, and visited the hospitality suite again. This District Conference is definitely the place to be. What's on tap for Friday? Probably meetings and listening to speeches.

The Beach ... Did someone say the Beach ??

Yes that's right...free time on Friday can be spent at the beach, playing golf, playing tennis, or just plain relaxing. Then join the group again in the hospitality suite before the evening festivities begin.

Registration fees increase on March 1. Make your reservations today! [Registration and Accommodations Link](#)

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**Sharing the Good We Do!**

**Calling on our selfie and snapshot experts**



**Send us  
your  
pictures!**

We want to share all of the great things our club is doing for our community! And it's hard for Michael Gould to be everywhere all the time. So we need you all to be part of the Roswell Rotary Photography Team!

Anytime you are at an event and you take a few pictures with your phone, please send them via text or email to [michael@goulddigitalimaging.com](mailto:michael@goulddigitalimaging.com) or text 770-617-2958



or [kigou@gmail.com](mailto:kigou@gmail.com) or text 404-408-4188 so we can add them to club picture archives for 2023. These can be used in social media, videos, newsletters, and meeting powerpoints! but if we don't have the pictures, we can't communicate the joy and fun and work and engagement of our club projects.

Looking forward to spreading the word about the work this club is doing in 2023! Thanks for your help!

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**Tue, Feb 21, 6:00p**

## **Who's Responsible for Revenue Growth? Attend Business Networking with Rotarians (12-club event)**

For you, or someone on your staff, grow your business by doing business with Rotarians in an environment that supports "Service Above Self"



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Bonus: This is also an opportunity for someone you are interested in recruiting to Roswell Rotary.

Tue, Feb 21 from 6:00 - 8:00pm.

Location: Eclipse Di Luna, 4505 Ashford Dunwoody Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30346

For more information, contact Ken Carter  
404-386-3214 [ken.carter@floorcoveringsinternational.com](mailto:ken.carter@floorcoveringsinternational.com) or Hal Schlenger  
770-335-0077 [HSchlenger@GreatSouthBenefits.com](mailto:HSchlenger@GreatSouthBenefits.com)



Save the dates

## Save the Date: Be Part of Making Roswell Rotary's Magic.



This is what earns Rotary such a great reputation...and "Club of the Year" recognition. Plan to attend many of these events...and think about bringing a friend or prospective new member. If you believe in Rotary's mission and recognize the value our club brings to our community and our world, then participate -- and share it with others!

### **RR After Hours - Unity Garden Service Project**

[Add To Calendar](#) Feb.18, 2023 9:00 am—12:00 pm

### **Rotary Means Business (networking with 12 area clubs)**

[Add To Calendar](#) Tuesday, Feb 21 6pm - 8pm

### **Hump Day - The Vick**

[Add To Calendar](#) February 22, 2023 5:30 pm— 7:00 pm

### **Read Across Roswell**

[Add To Calendar](#) March 2

### **Roswell Rotary Relays**

[Add To Calendar](#) March 18, 2023 7:30 am— 6:00 pm

### **Roswell District Training Assembly**

[Add To Calendar](#) March 25, 2023

### **Roswell Sweep the Hooch**

[Add To Calendar](#) March 25, 2023 8:00 am— 12:00 pm

### **After Hours April Fools Comedy Fest**

[Add To Calendar](#) April 1, 2023

### **District Conference**

[Add To Calendar](#) April 27-30 San Destin FL

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## **Rotary Last Week**

