Rotary Club of Dunwoody

The Friendly Breakfast Club

FEBRUARY 10, 2017

This Week's Speaker: Chief Billy Grogan

Chief of Dunwoody Police, and Dunwoody Rotarian

The Dunwoody Police Department recently recognized 13 members of the department for their outstanding achievements in 2016. Chief **Billy Grogan** said, “Our staff is dedicated to providing the highest level of service to the citizens in our community and our award recipients reflect that dedication."

This week's meeting will be dedicated to recognizing not only those who received awards, but also to Chief Billy and his outstanding team whose excellence is deeply appreciated by all in the City of Dunwoody and beyond.

2017 State of the City: March 9, 2017

The 2017 State of the City for Dunwoody has been set for *Thursday, March 9th, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.*

As in the previous State of the City, The Dunwoody Rotary Club has volunteered to assist the City of Dunwoody in running the event. For our help, the Dunwoody Rotary Club will be able to keep 100% of funds above the costs to run the event.

We need your help in the following ways:

1. Setting up the event and checking people in the day of the event Thursday, March 9th. This is the area we need the most help, and we'll start about four hours before the event.

2. Assisting with getting sponsors to donate or provide gifts to put in the 250 gift bags.

3. Assisting the City of Dunwoody with filling the gift bags either the night before the event (Wednesday, March 8th), or the day of the event (Thursday, March 9th).

Dunwoody Rotarian **Tom Lashway** has volunteered to be the

MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

2/10	Valentine's Day Event
2/17	Nancy Wright Beasley- Polio Survivor
2/24	Dekalb Council Joint Meeting
3/4	Governors Ball
3/10	Zenith Houston - Posse Atlanta
3/17	Member Moments
3/24	Shane Stephens - Irish Counsel General
3/31	Wonya Lucas - WABE NPR

EVENTS

2/14	Future Presidents Meeting
2/21	Board Meeting
2/24	Dekalb Rotary Council Breakfast
3/4	Governor's Ball - Fund Raiser
3/8	Membership Committee Meeting
3/9	2017 Dunwoody State of the City
3/14	Future Presidents Meeting
3/21	Board Meeting

BIRTHDAYS

2/10	Eleni Bafas
2/13	Griff Ransom
2/13	Mark Galvin
2/21	Marie Crean
2/24	Dave Burr
2/27	Bob O'Brien
3/7	Jackie Cuthbert
3/8	Louise Barden
3/8	Ken Levy

WEDDING

Chair for Rotary this year, but needs your help in making this event go smoothly.

Contact Tom Lashway if you can help with any of the above efforts or if you have any questions.
tomlashway@gmail.com
678-523-5643

A Good Day at Monroe Park

PDG Robert Hall, PP Jennie Stipick, PP Fred Brandt, Hoshi Daruwalla, and Fred Bounds did a spruce up at Monroe Park last Saturday 2/4/17. They swept the perimeter and did a major pruning job on the bushes along Chamblee Dunwoody Road. Those bushes had not ever been actually pruned, just snipped and clipped. Ranger Fred was concerned that they were blocking the line of sight for motorists turning right on red from Ashford Center Parkway onto Chamblee Dunwoody. Those bushes once brawny, massive and haughty, now squat low to the ground in all their naked glory. Don't shed a tear for those fellows, they may look forlorn now but will soon be sporting shoots of green and talking plant smack to yours truly.

It took us 12 person hours to do a proper prune job on that hedge. Twenty paper yard trash bags festoon the sidewalk on the north end of the park, waiting to be picked up by Dunwoody Public Works.

We need to revisit the park soon to do the same thing to the bushes on the south edge of the park, along Ashford Center Parkway. I am hoping to get the "regular Sprucetarians" back out there two Saturdays hence, February 18. We'd like to see some National Guard "weekend warriors" come out; anybody bringing a gas powered hedge trimmer will receive an immediate battle park promotion to Hedgebuster, earning the privilege of using and being addressed by that title, and further, receiving all the honors and privileges appertaining thereunto.

ANNIVERSARIES

2/14 Erich Schuetz (40)

ROTARY ONLINE

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

ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am
Maggiano's - Perimeter Mall
4400 Ashford Dunwoody Rd,
Dunwoody, GA 30338
Atlanta, GA , GA 30338

SOCIAL MEDIA

LEADERSHIP

President	Tina Philpot
President-Elect	Rick Otness
Treasurer	Lawrence Domenico
Treasurer	Patti Bunker
Secretary	Cathie Brumfield
Public Image	Dottie Toney

2017 Governors Ball

The 2017 Governors Ball is fast approaching. Here are a few of the essential details.

When: Saturday March 4, 2017 from 6 PM to 11:15 PM

Where: Westin Hotel

Theme: Moonshine and Magnolias

Dress: Black tie optional

***What can you do?**

1. Get stores/organizations to donate high quality Gifts that can be auctioned off to raise money for the Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund,

2. Invite your friends that are:

   a. willing to donate money to the Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund

   b. but who also like to party

3. Plan on attending with your spouse (You have already purchased 2 tickets with your Club dues)

4. If you own a small to medium sized business, consider purchasing a sponsorship

   a. Can invite 4 of your best customers with their spouses, treat them to a great party, and make a substantial contribution to the Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Foundation, all of which should be a tax deductable business expense related to entertaining your key customers. Contact Hoshi Daruwalla (bhdaruwalla@hotmail.com) for further details.

5. We are asking **each Club member to volunteer at least 4 hours of their time** as we prepare for the Ball. Toward that end, on Sunday (12/04/2016) at ~8:15 PM, you were each sent an email with a link that will take you to the Club Runner website where you can sign up for one of the following Tasks:

Group	Task	Maximum volunteers
1 Invitations	Design, print, & distribute Invitations	4
	Track tables and RSVPs	2
2 Gifts	Recruit silent auction gifts (i.e. call members)	6
	Check in Gifts and/or take to storage area	2
	Find and secure live auction items	6
3 Entertainment	Menu selection Committee	6
	Secure Entertainment	2
4 Operations	Decorating on day of the ball	30
	Tear down post Ball (03/5/17 8AM to noon)	4
	Move Gifts morning of Ball	3
	Set up Computer support morning of Ball	5
	Design floor plan for Ball	3
	Acquire/coordinate Security	2
5 Sponsors	Recruit and secure Sponsors	6
6 Marketing/promotion	Preparation of electronic catalog	3

	Communicate with Club members	2
	External marketing/communication	4
7 Will do anything	Sign me up for whatever needs to be done	30

Please sign up as soon as possible, so that the various Chairs can reach out and get you involved in our preparations. We need to mobilize the entire Club this year, as we are expanding the capacity of the Governors Ball from 250 to 400 attendees.

What does that mean? We need to invite more guests.

Also, as promised at the meeting, you were sent an email outlining the steps to print the 2017 Governors Ball Gift Donation form. Those instructions are:

Step Description

1 Go to DunwoodyRotary.org

2 At top of screen click on "Rotary Club of Dunwoody"

3 Click on "About us"

4 Click on "Club Documents"

5 Click on" External Documents"

6 Click on "Governors Ball - Auction item form"

7 Click on Print icon

8 Logout

Please start talking up the Ball with your friends, and start enticing them to attend. Watch for more articles in the coming issues of the Bulletin.

Call for Volunteers for Monroe Park

Sprucetarians,

Executive Summary: Looking for volunteers for Monroe Park duty **Saturday February 18 at 9:00 a.m.**

Discussion: Hedgebuster Part Deux at Monroe Park is coming Saturday February 18 at 9:00 a.m. Last Saturday we got the bushes on the east side, parallel to Chamblee Dunwoody Road pruned way back. Saturday after next we're doing the (prickly) hedge on the south side, parallel to Ashford Center Parkway. With the gas powered hedge trimmer I rented from Home Depot, and able help from PRID Robert Hall, ADG Jennie Stipick, PP Fred Brandt, and Man About Town Hoshi Daruwalla we got Part One done in 12 person hours. I'd like to break that record this time. How Ranger Fred, get everyone to work harder? No, everybody there worked very hard, and were very productive, even Hoshi.

No, this time I would like for us to have TWO gas powered hedge trimmers. I can rent one from Home Depot again and let's get someone else to bring theirs. We'll have to be very careful; this work is more dangerous

than the usual routine because the clippers can easily remove a finger or sever an artery. And the operators will be working on the hedge with their back to the traffic coming straight across the intersection from Womack, and the cars turning left off Chamblee Dunwoody Road. So we will need at least one traffic spotter who can watch for oncoming cars and direct them to give us a little more room. To do an effective job we need two trimmer operators, two paper yard trash bag stuffers, one perimeter sweeper, and one traffic spotter. Everyone is free to volunteer for the duty of their choice. I will say that last Saturday Hoshi showed a particularly keen aptitude for getting motor vehicles to slow down during their approach. (And it appears that he didn't know that we had placed a target on this back.)

Fellow Rotarians, many of you have remained on the sidelines when I have called for volunteers to meet at Monroe Park to do a periodic spruce up. And many of you have excellent reasons, don't like to garden, don't enjoy being cold or sweaty hot, have something better to do on Saturday morning.

But what about the rest of you? Do you look at us and say that's a cool, close-knit group, there's no way I would fit in with those fine fellows and ladies? They also seem a little proud. And does the group emit, however slight, a whiff of superiority? Horse feathers! We *are* close-knit, because we do something fun and cool together, and get to see instant results from our efforts. Yes, we are proud, I mean look at what we do! The whiff of superiority you think you may sense is really more like the clean cut aroma you smell after mopping your kitchen floor with Pine Sol.

Request for Action: So what am I saying? Come Join Us. Anybody and everybody are welcome. You can come late (like Hoshi) and leave early (like Hoshi). Once you join us, it's like the Marines, there is no such thing as an Ex-Sprucetarian.

The Few, the Proud, the Sprucetarians!

Monroe Park is a traffic island across Chamblee Dunwoody Road from the Dunwoody Branch library. Named after the Dunwoody Rotarian, Monroe Brock, who began the beautification project there some 20 years ago.