Rotary Club of Dunwoody

The Friendly Breakfast Club

SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

This Week's Speaker

Michael Starling, Director of Economic Development, City of Dunwoody



Join us at Maggiano's this Friday to welcome Michael Starling, Director of Economic Development for the City of

MEETINGS

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

9/25	General Meeting - Michael Starling, City of Dunwoody
10/2	General Meeting - Ann Hanlon, PCIDs
10/9	General Meeting - Doug Turner, Growing Future Leaders
10/13	Board meeting
10/23	General Meeting - Felicia Voloschin, The Rockin' Finance Story
10/30	General Meeting - Sebastián Samayoa, GRSP Student
11/6	General Meeting
11/13	General Meeting

EVENTS

9/26	Dunwoody Diners - Les Miserables
10/4	Reception for our GRSP student - Sebastián
10/10	Bounds Garden Cleanup
10/15	Thirsty Thursday
11/19	Thirsty Thursday - Whiskey Raffle
11/27	No Meeting
12/11	Rotary Club of Dunwoody Holiday Party @ Dunwoody Country Club
12/25	No meeting

BIRTHDAYS

10/2	Felicia Voloschin
10/12	Sarah Friend

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10/6	Alison Norris (36)

Dunwoody.

Michael has been Dunwoody' Director of Economic Development since 2010 and is responsible for leading the City's efforts to expand the local economy through business development efforts. Priorities for the City include retention of existing businesses, recruitment of new firms, and the redevelopment of existing commercial areas. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody. [read more]

Whiskey Fundraiser Update

Our Big Fund Raiser is Underway… and We Need Your Whiskey!



September is all about assembling our whiskey lineup!
We're looking to get all of our donations in by October 4 so that we can start advertising. Consider donating a bottle (or two)! As of this newsletter, we have 5 of the 24 anticipated bottles.

The best thing to do: Go to our partner at Dunwoody Beverage (located in Dunwoody Village) and buy off the list. The owner, Bob Patel, will donate 10% of all items purchased at that location to our Rotary club. He has the list at his store and will be happy to guide you. There's a variety of prices.

The easiest thing to do: If you prefer to make a cash donation and make the Whiskey Committee do the shopping, that can also be done! Just let Neal MacDonald or Juan Lago know.

The Show-Off thing to do: If you have something else you'd like to donate from somewhere else that you think is awesome, also great! We'll take it all.

The *Spirited Dunwoody* website is live (http://www.spiriteddunwoody.com)! If people want to buy tickets

10/10	Lorri Christopher (45)
10/12	Gary Lane (23)
10/17	Jennifer Shumway (5)

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	Dave Burr
President-Elect	Alison Norris
President Nominee	Mark Galvin
Treasurer	Juan Lago
Secretary	Neal MacDonald
Sergeant-at-Arms	David Cesar
Past President	Matthew Johnson
Advisor	Jack Sparks, Jr.

early (we will sell out!) that option is now available.

Service Opportunity

Join Us for the DSAA Buddy Walk on Saturday, October 3!



The Rotary Club of Dunwoody has a wonderful opportunity to support our community and make a meaningful impact. We are looking for volunteers to help out at the **Down Syndrome Association of Atlanta (DSAA) Buddy Walk on October 3**!

The Buddy Walk is an amazing day filled with fun, games, and activities for individuals with Down syndrome and their families. It also serves as DSAA's main annual fundraiser, making volunteer support essential to ensure the event runs smoothly and successfully. Our own member, Andrew Turner, serves on the DSAA board.

Volunteering at the Buddy Walk is a rewarding experience where you'll get to interact directly with inspiring families, help run activities, and share in the joy of the day.

EVENT DETAILS

- **Date:** Saturday, October 3, 2026
- **Time:** 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Location:** Kennesaw State University – Marietta Campus

As we know, dedicated volunteers are the key to making any event a success! Whether you can lend a hand for a few hours or stay for the full shift, your time and effort will make a huge difference.

HOW TO SIGN UP

Please fill out the **Buddy Walk Volunteer Form** to select your availability and preferred volunteer roles.

Thank you for demonstrating Service Above Self and helping make this year's Buddy Walk a wonderful celebration for everyone involved.

Service Opportunity

Join Forces with Bagel Rescue - October 3

We have another service opportunity on Saturday, October 3, to join forces with Bagel Rescue to help out the Dunwoody community. In April 2026, we heard about Bagel Rescue, a nonprofit founded by Erin Steiglitz. Erin shared how Bagel Rescue collects unsold bagels from local businesses and delivers them to distribution centers so families in need can use them. Since then, Erin and I have been looking for a way to serve together.

On Saturday, October 3, at 10:00 AM, Bagel Rescue will deliver a large load of bagels to Room 8 at St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church (4755 North Peachtree Road, Dunwoody). Our job is simple: pack the bagels into family-size bags of about one dozen each. Bagel Rescue will then deliver the bags to local distribution centers. [read more]

Fellowship Opportunity

Help Welcome Sebastian, Our GRSP Student



We're

having a welcome party for Sebastian on Sunday, October 4 at 4 pm - and you're invited to attend. Thanks to Carter and Marycarol for hosting this event at their home (3889 Downing Ln., Atlanta, GA 30319).

Sebastian is a senior at Oglethorpe University and hails from Guatemala. He was happy to serve at the DeKalb Rotary Council FODAC equipment collection day and is pictured here with President Dave (his GRSP host dad this year) and Past President Jennifer.

The welcome party offers a great opportunity to get to know him a little better and enjoy time with the Dunwoody Family of Rotary. The event begins at 4 pm and includes dinner. Please let Carter know if you will be attending (and how many people are coming with you) - and whether you plan to bring an appetizer, salad or dessert. The club will provide beverages and the main course.