

## Club Calendar

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

- 2/7 Col. Dwight Schmidt and Leadership 2020
- 2/14 Egbert Perry - CEO, The Integral Group & Former Chairman, Fannie Mae (thru 2018)
- 2/21 Anna Roach - Chief Operating Officer Fulton County - Behavioral Health Update
- 2/28 Mark McGraw - You Have to Learn to Fail to Win

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 2/2 Joe Piontek
- 2/3 David Reddick
- 2/6 Keller Torrey
- 2/7 Chris S Nelson
- 2/9 Victor Smith
- 2/10 Richard Meer
- 2/11 James Redd
- 2/12 Ed Vaught, Jr.
- 2/15 Bruce Smith
- 2/16 Lafayette McKinney, III
- 2/18 Gordon Owens
- 2/19 Dutch Earle
- 2/19 Danny Tompkins
- 2/20 Kay Love
- 2/20 Katha Stuart
- 2/21 Michael Gould
- 2/22 Becky Stone
- 2/26 James Gray

## SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/1 David Bourne (46)
- 2/1 Bill Lewis (2)  
40 years in Rotary
- 2/2 Lee Dodson (5)

## President's Message Leadership



Few topics have been as studied, discussed and written about as leadership. Leaders comes in all shapes and sizes and I am fascinated by the lives and choices of great leaders, Lincoln, Washington, Churchill, Jesus, Gandhi, Mother Teresa, Truman, John Wooden, Tony Dungy and Charlie Brown to name a few. Yes, Charlie Brown! His perseverance through adversity and his ability to hope when all seems lost is inspiring. Great leaders communicate vision, provide the tools to execute on the vision, lead by example and inspire others to accomplish the goal. Simon Sinek posits in his Ted Talk that the way to inspire others is to share “why” you do what you do or believe what you believe. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Leaders matter now more than ever. This week we have the opportunity to meet 100 leaders from Roswell High School and hear from Col. Dwight Schmidt, a fighter pilot, coach, husband, father and leader. Come be inspired!

President Becky

P.S. Loved the Super Bowl! Met lots of great football fans and cheered on the G.O.A.T. Atlanta did a great job!

P.S.S. If you have gently used durable medical equipment (walkers, etc.) taking up space, please bring to the RIP Barry Rassin meeting and we will ship it to Puerto Rico seniors in need!

## This Week's Speaker



Colonel Dwight Schmidt, originally from Telluride, Colorado, has a BS in Construction Engineering from The University of Nebraska. After college, he was commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. In 1991, he was designated a Naval Aviator.

After completing multiple deployments, Captain Schmidt was selected to help stand up a new F/A-18 Squadron and deploy to combat with them to Aviano, Italy in September 1994 in support of Operation Deny Flight Provide Promise in Bosnia Herzogovenia.

In 1995, Captain Schmidt became an Instructor Pilot and in 1998, transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve in Atlanta as the Pilot Training Officer. Promoted to Major in June of 1998 while on deployment to the Pacific Missile Test Range, Major Schmidt flew 2,000 hours in the F/A-18 while deploying a Walleye II and sinking a Naval Destroyer.

Promoted during this tenure to the rank of Lt Col, Lt Col Schmidt participated in many deployments from the Pacific Rim to Europe. He deployed to Norway, Germany, Sweden, and Denmark. Lt Col Schmidt became part of the first Marine Reserve Fighter Squadron to activate and deploy to war since the Korean War, taking part in the Global War on Terrorism. He was promoted to Colonel and deployed numerous times to Osan, Korea and Al Udied, Qatar.

- 2/7 Bucky Cook (28)
- 2/7 Malone Dodson (33)
- 2/8 Dutch Earle (12)  
21 years in Rotary
- 2/8 Tom Lynch (12)
- 2/9 Donna Smythe (13)
- 2/11 Alex Kaufman (9)
- 2/14 James Redd (11)
- 2/14 Brian Clark (11)
- 2/14 Peter Calabro (11)
- 2/17 Roger Wise, Jr. (8)
- 2/22 Lee Jenkins, Jr. (1)
- 2/22 Roderick Malone (1)
- 2/22 Nancy Tolbert-Yilmaz (18)
- 2/22 Robert Shaw (1)
- 2/22 Nancy Diamond (18)
- 2/23 Richard Stilley (2)  
4 years in Rotary
- 2/23 George Rhodes, III (2)  
12 years in Rotary

## Rotary Online

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

## ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
 Community Activities Bldg,  
 Roswell A  
 10495 Woodstock Road  
 Roswell, GA 30075

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of  
 Atlanta April 18, 1951  
 Active Membership: 242

## CONNECT WITH US



Col Schmidt's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Nine Strike/Flight Awards, Two Navy Commendation Medals, Two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M", Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal (6<sup>th</sup> award), and the Humanitarian Service Medal.

Col Schmidt is married to Renee and has two sons currently playing professional baseball. He is a Captain for Delta Airlines and serves as a military and aviation consultant to the film and television industry.

### New Member Spotlight

## Andy Williams



Andy Williams, CMP, TMP, serves as Executive Director of Visit Roswell, the Convention & Visitors Bureau of Roswell, Georgia. At the CVB, he and his team are charged with leading the efforts of tourism promotion through marketing and sales activities relevant to the destination's hotels, restaurants, venues, special events and attractions. A through-and-through Georgia-born peach, Andy has 12 years of experience in the hospitality industry. Prior to joining the team at Visit Roswell, Andy served as Director of Sales at Destination South Meetings & Events, a leading company in destination management, event production and meeting management. Previous to his time at Destination South, Andy was Director of Sales at the Dunwoody Convention & Visitors Bureau, where he established the organization's sales plan and worked daily to build business through group sales. His efforts resulted in \$12.7 million in estimated economic impact within the city during his tenure. Andy also worked at the CVB in Madison, Georgia - promoting the town as a tourist destination and partnering with location scouts on film productions being produced in the area. In Madison, he also served terms as President and Public Relations Chair of the Rotary Club of Morgan County.

Andy is an engaged and passionate member of MPI Georgia, the seventh largest chapter within the global Meeting Professionals International community. He currently serves as Immediate Past President, and has previously served as President, Vice President of Finance, and Vice President of Membership. Andy is a Certified Meeting Professional (CMP) through the Events Industry Council and a Travel Marketing Professional (TMP) through the Southeast Tourism Society. He received the "40 under 40" designation in 2012 from Connect Meetings for his contributions and leadership within the meetings and events industry. Additionally, MPI Georgia named Andy Rising Star of the Year in 2013, Supplier Member of the Year in 2014, and Chapter Leader of the Year in 2015. In 2018, Andy was named one of 25 "Young Event Professionals to Watch" by Special Events Magazine.

Andy is a graduate of Young Harris College and Georgia Southern University—where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in tourism & commercial recreation. He and his wife Ryan have a two-year-old son Morgan, a four-month-old daughter Addie, and a rescue pup, Beckett. They enjoy hiking and camping in the north Georgia Mountains and can be found sipping a beer on a patio around town or enjoying a glass of wine at a local Georgia vineyard.

## Charity Spotlight



### Friends of the Roswell Library

#### Mission:

To provide financial assistance to the library, to promote the library as a learning center for all citizens in the community, and to act as an advocate for improved library services.

**ROTARY CLUB OF  
ROSWELL  
P.O. Box 783  
Roswell, GA 30077**

President	Becky Stone
President-Elect	Gordon Owens
Immediate Past President	Lisa Carlisle
Treasurer	Terry Taylor
Secretary	Lynne Lindsay
Foundation Chair	Danny Tompkins
Membership Chair	Karen Pilcher
Public Image Chair	Karen Schwank
Service Chair	John Carruth

**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@mcpsa.com](mailto:lynn.dunn@mcpsa.com)

**Fast Facts:**

- Friends of the Roswell Library was founded in 1985.
- The Friends provide volunteer and financial support through periodic book sales of donated materials (books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, educational games, etc.), membership dues, and monetary donations.
- The Friends purchase books for children's and adult book discussion groups.
- Every summer, the Friends support the Summer Reading Program by buying books and prizes for children, young adults, and adult participants.
- The Friends also provide funding for several supplemental programs for the library including:
  - Roswell Reads - a program designed to promote the value of reading, literacy, and lifelong learning through the shared community-wide experience of reading and discussing a common book or collection.
  - Atlanta Author's Series - local authors meet at the library in a small group setting to talk about their writing, answer audience questions, and autograph books on sale at the event.
  - Mystery Book Club - a book review group that meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month.
  - Noonday Nosh - a book review group that meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Find out more:

[www.forl.net](http://www.forl.net)

**ENTREPRENEUR'S WORKSHOP  
INVITE AN ENTREPRENEUR!**

**How To Start A Business, Make It Grow And Turn It Into A FUN, THRIVING...and PROFITABLE Future!**

This 6 week workshop led by Hal Coleman is for those individuals who either already own a small business and want to know how to make it grow faster...or dream of someday owning their own business but don't know how to get started!

WHEN: February 7, 14, 21, 28 and March 7 and 14 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Century 21 Connect Realty, 880 Holcomb Bridge Road, Suite 150, Roswell, GA (Next to Brookwood Grill)

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [Click Here](#)

**Be The Inspiration  
Rotary International President Barry Rassin Visits  
Roswell Rotary!**

**Rotary International President Barry Rassin will Visit Roswell Rotary on February 16, 2019 at Blessed Trinity High School, 11320 Woodstock Road, Roswell, Georgia 30075**

**District Interact Conference and Lunch Meeting Agenda:**

9:30 - 11:30 District 6900 Interact Conference

11:30 - 12:30 Registration, Supply Collection\* and Lunch (\$15 per person-except for

Roswell Rotarians, then no charge)

12:30 - 2:00 Roswell Rotary Special Meeting – Featured Speaker Rotary International President Barry Rassin

2:00 - 3:00 Interact members pack items destined for Puerto Rico

**Service Project:**

In honor of President Barry's visit to Roswell, please make a donation or bring the following supplies for delivery to Puerto Rico: Adult diapers, body lotion, Wet Ones, Ensure and vitamin drinks in powdered form. You may also bring gently used durable medical equipment (walkers, etc.) for the seniors.

**Please Register Online** For more information, please contact Becky Stone at [Rebecca.Stone@StonePC.net](mailto:Rebecca.Stone@StonePC.net) or 770-634-2717.

**Evening Reception:**

There is also another great chance to meet and interact with Barry and Esther Rassin that evening at the home of Bob Hagan. Tickets can be purchased for the champagne reception at 5pm and/or the cocktail reception at 6pm. Proceeds will go to the Polio Plus Program. **So get your tickets to the reception** by [CLICKING HERE](#). For more information about the reception, please contact PDG Bob Hagan at [bhagan@sterling-health.com](mailto:bhagan@sterling-health.com)

**TIME TO REGISTER!**

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT SANDESTIN!**

*The Rotary Bandit is racing to SanDestin arriving April 25 - 28, 2019 singing:*

- *We are Sandestin bound and down, loaded up and truckin',*
- *We're gonna do what they say can't be done.*
- *We've got a long way to go and a short time to get there.*
- *We are Sandestin bound, just watch ol' "Rotary Bandit" run.*

**District Conference registration is now open.**

**Be sure to get your Adult Big Wheel Team together for Thursday night! The First 5 Teams from Roswell Rotary will be FREE! See Michael Gould to sign-up your team!**

[Click Here](#) to Register.

**See you there for Adult Spring Break!**

**Volunteer Opportunity**

**NFCC WARMING CENTER - UPDATE**

The NFCC Warming Center needs volunteers to sign-up to help staff the center. You can sign up for

\*food (30 people)

\*one of the 2 shifts: 5:30-9:30pm at NFCC Annex or 8:45pm to 7:00am at Cross of Life Lutheran Church.

Email Darlene Turk at [dturk@nfcchelp.org](mailto:dturk@nfcchelp.org) or 678-387-4471 and copy Mike Nielsen.

The Warming Center will be activated when the overnight temperatures dip into the 20's. Emails and text messages will be sent to the volunteers about noon when the center is activated and you can then sign-up for a spot. Be part of keeping Roswell's most vulnerable population warm this winter!

## **RUMC Job Networking - Mini Job Fair**

Roswell United Methodist Church Job Networking and Roswell Rotary will hold a 'mini' job fair on Monday, Feb 11 at 6:45 p.m. at RUMC. Employers from all corners of Greater Atlanta will be joining together to meet in person with potential candidates to fill their job vacancies.

Job Networking starts at 12:30 pm with 13 afternoon workshops, and dinner, sponsored by Roswell Rotary, at 5:30 p.m. with dinner speaker Rusty Gordon. Workshops/activities include free headshot photos for LinkedIn, Resume Review, Crossroads Career, (a 7-step process for seeking and finding a job), how to write the best resume, how to capture the hiring manager's eye with appropriate messaging on LinkedIn, resume review, boomer & gen X job search strategies, and much more.

If you have job openings, please consider bringing them to our 'mini' job fair. Contact Karen Griggs Medley, 770-2611739, or [CLICK HERE](#) for further information.

### **Roswell Rotary History**

## **A Blast from the Past!**



There was lots of clowning around at District Conference during Dave Young's year as President of Roswell Rotary (2003-2004). Ask him about his big project that year!

## **Last Week at Rotary**

