Roswell Rotary Club

Rotascope

FEBRUARY 1, 2022

President's Message



The Tapes We Play in Our Head.

This week our guest speaker Steve Beecham delivered a great message about changing the thoughts that run through our heads. I am a believer that part of the success of Roswell Rotary is because our members understand how to remain positive and run positive tapes in their heads. If you are not on that bus, I encourage you to change the tape you're playing in your head so that you can enjoy the success you know you are capable of and be a part of what makes Roswell Rotary Rock!

Last Monday a group of Roswell Rotarians gathered at city hall to be recognized as significant contributors to our great city by the Roswell City Council. Congratulations to Roger Wise who received a proclamation from the Mayor Pro Tem and to Bob Hagan for celebrating his 100 day anniversary for his stem cell surgery!

Speaker for Feb. 3

Judge Maurice Hilliard shares "THE

MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

2/3	Maurice Hilliard
2/10	Hearts for Honduras
2/17	John Maxwell team
2/24	Skipper Hoke Student HS Leadership Awards
3/3	GNFCC- Kali Boatright
3/10	Roswell Arts Fund
3/17	Leadership 20/20
3/24	Computer Museum Of America

EVENTS

2/2	Hump Day
2/10	Membership Committee Happy Hour
2/12	Bulloch Hall Clean-up
2/19	Polar Plunge benefiting Special Olympics
2/19	BULLOCH HALL CLEAN-UP
2/22	PINT FOR A PINT
2/26	Hearts for Honduras
3/1	Roswell Rotary After Hours

LEADERSHIP

President	Terry Taylor
President-Elect	John Carruth
Immediate PP	Lynne Lindsay
Treasurer	Nancy Alterman
Secretary	Alex Kaufman
Past President	Becky Stone

ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
Roswell Area Park

LIST"

Do Not Miss!!!!



Judge Maurice Hilliard will share his program "The List" with us this week.

Before he retired, Maurice Hilliard was a Roswell municipal court judge for 32 years with a reputation for being hard on DUI offenders and empathic to youthful offenders. He continues to practice law and maintains an office in the queen tower at Concourse Office Park.

On Judge Hilliard's LinkedIn page he posted the quote "*I am not impressed by your position, title and money. I am impressed by how you treat others.*" This is a great testament to the Judge's character and fairness to those in his courtroom.

Maurice's son George says: "Dad is an old-school guy. My dad is like a founding father in Roswell. A living legend. There are hardly any guys like him left."

HIS ROOTS ARE STRONG

Born in Griffin in 1934, Maurice Hilliard grew up in his maternal grandparents' home with his mother and two younger brothers from the time he was born until the first grade. His father — Maurice H. Hilliard Sr. — served during his son's earliest years as

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ROTARY ONLINE

https://roswellrotary.club
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SOCIAL MEDIA

BIRTHDAYS

2/3	Chris Patterson
2/6	FJ Levy II
2/9	Angela Freeman
2/10	Richard Meer
2/15	Bruce Smith
2/18	Gordon Owens
2/20	Lenna Castagna
2/21	Michael Gould
2/22	Becky Stone
2/22	Bill Wolff
2/23	Kathryn Mulkey
2/24	Dutch Earle
2/27	Leonard Greski
2/27	Justice Brakache
2/28	Alexandria Shuval Weiner

YEARS OF SERVICE

2/1	David Bourne (49)
2/2	Lee Dodson (8) 44 years in Rotary
2/8	Dutch Earle (15) 24 years in Rotary
2/11	Alex Kaufman (12)
2/11	Langdon Hollingsworth (1)
2/17	Roger Wise, Jr. (11)
2/23	Richard Stilley (5) 7 years in Rotary

an infantryman in World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. When he returned home, he took a job selling insurance for Metropolitan Life in Atlanta.

And so the Hilliards moved north from Griffin to Atlanta, where Maurice proved a gifted student from his first days in school. He graduated from Bass High School in 1952, then Mercer University and Atlanta Law School.

It was no accident that Maurice chose law. In the years that followed his return from WWII, his father had returned to school and become a lawyer. Maurice revered his father and followed his example dutifully in life. It was at his father's recommendation that Maurice sat for the bar after just one year of law school and passed on the first try. Atlanta Law School sent the first year student a diploma, and he never went back.

And reverence for his father is why, after Maurice was named the first municipal court judge in Roswell, he developed a reputation for being hard on DUI offenses. His father had survived Nazi Germany only to come home from war and be killed by a drunk driver when his son was in his 20s.

What Drives Judge Hilliard

The judge knows loss. In the years after losing his father, Maurice started a family of his own. His firstborn son, Maurice H. Hilliard III, died from a brain aneurism at 12 years old. If losing his father to a drunk driver affected his stern demeanor in court, perhaps losing his son drove Maurice's empathy toward the youth who came before his bench.

The losses of a father and son had at once steeled and softened Maurice. He developed a sort of old-school, kind-but-cranky demeanor during his years on the bench. At home, his daughter Joanie describes him as "a big ol' teddy bear." In the community, friends describe him as "acerbic and irascible."

During the course of Maurice's 32-year tenure, Roswell transitioned from a rural community to a major metropolitan suburb as the population grew from less than 23,000 residents in 1980 to almost 100,000 today. In his courtroom, the joyriding shenanigans of high school football players who might unleash the occasional fire hydrant on a peer had given way to the methamphetamine dealers, the sex traffickers, and all other manner of big-city crime.

"For more than 30 years, if you went before my dad," says son

George Hilliard, “you knew you were going to get a fair shake.”

Links:

Facebook: **https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009619456443**

Linkedin: **https://www.linkedin.com/in/maurice-hilliard-79400285/**

Note:

You may wish to read this heartbreaking story of Judge Hilliard losing his grandson to Opioid addiction for additional background on our amazing speaker.

http://specials.myajc.com/hilliard/

Join Us!!!

Hump Day at Houck's Grill Wed. Feb 2





Hump Day Details

Where: Houck's Grill 10930 Crabapple Rd. Roswell GA 30075

What: Hump Day Networking with your fellow Rotarians

When: Wednesday, Feb. 2nd 5:30pm - Until?

Why: Because it's awesome fun and you deserve it!!!

Interact Club news

Blessed Trinity Interact Club Makes Things Happen

Kudos to this group of students!!



The Interact Club at Blessed Trinity is having a great year!

We had a great membership drive in the fall with over **125 members** signing-up. We participated in the **Miss Mary's Ice Cream Crankin** fundraiser in August and enjoyed spending time at the Roswell Firehouse for the **9/11 First Responders Cookout**. We had a good response to the **Adopt a Platoon** donation drive and had several members write thank you notes for our troops. We worked with the BT volleyball team at

our annual **"Serve for the Cure" Volleyball Tournament** to help raise funds for breast cancer. Interact members assisted with the 50/50 raffle, and various contests during the games. At Christmas, we teamed-up with the football team to wrap and **donate BT footballs to children in the North Fulton area**. We just completed a very successful **Coat and Hoodie Drive for the Atlanta Homeless Shelter.** We collected items during school, as well as at our home basketball games.

Increased Participation

To encourage participation, we sponsored halftime contests during the varsity games. The contests were a hit and we have been asked to continue doing this at future games!

Plans for 2022

This month we are focusing on supporting some of our faculty members who are fighting cancer. Club members have decorated their offices and are organizing a fund-raiser in the next few weeks. We are looking forward to a successful year as we begin to plan our spring project.

Rotary Last Week






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