

72nd Annual Youth Day Parade

President's Message



October is here! We started off October with a bang - literally. Farm Day was a huge success at Gary Garrett's farm. Started off with shooting clays followed by four wheelers, baby quail and great food. Many thanks to Gary, Michael Agurkis, James Stone, George Rhodes, and all who brought food to share. What a great time with lots of kids and grandkids on a picture perfect Fall afternoon!

We continue celebrating our Youth this week with the 72nd Annual Youth Day Parade this coming Saturday morning. What a unique and great tradition Roswell has celebrating the Youth in our community. At our meeting we will have the Youth Representatives from our Roswell area high schools along with the City officials they each represent.

The Youth Day theme this year is "Love Your Parks". Come hear how Roswell Rotary hopes to put this theme into action as we seek to serve our Roswell community. And remember to bring your candy for the Roswell Rotary/Interact float. See you Thursday!

Bring Candy to rotary for parade

Oct. 6 Program: Roswell Celebrates Youth Day

MEETINGS

October is Economic and Community Development Month

- 10/6 Youth Day Preview
- 10/13 Be The Voice
- 10/20 DG George Granade Official Club Visit
- 10/27 Restaurant Industry Post-COVID
- 11/3 Interact Kickoff
- 11/10 John Germ - Past RI President & Chair of End Polio Now
- 11/17 Retired Command Sergeant Major Sarita Yvette Dyer
- 11/24 No Meeting - Enjoy Thanksgiving

EVENTS

- 10/4 RR After Hours Club
- 10/8 Youth Day Parade
- 10/18 Rotary Means Business (district networking event)
- 10/18 RR After Hours Club
- 10/19 DG Dinner
- 10/20 Alive In Roswell
- 10/24 First Annual World Polio Day Cornhole Tournament
- 10/25 Red Cross Blood Drive

BIRTHDAYS

- 10/4 Ron Cowan
- 10/4 Lucy Hall
- 10/7 Lynne Lindsay
- 10/10 Jeffrey Meyers
- 10/11 Michael Brown
- 10/12 SaraBeth Huntley
- 10/13 Peter Collaros
- 10/15 Tori Nielsen
- 10/16 Natalie Cook
- 10/17 James Byrd



Our program this week is the Roswell Youth Day Parade presented by the Roswell Youth Advisory Council. President Katie Wishert will say a few words and read the Youth Day Celebration Proclamation. Jeff Leatherman, Director of Recreation and Parks, says that *Roswell is the only city in our country that has a parade specifically celebrating youth.* That's amazing!

Join us Thursday as we celebrate our young people and hear details about the upcoming Youth Day Parade!

More info on the Youth parade:

Celebrate Roswell's youngest residents on Saturday, October 8, 2022, at the 72nd annual Frances McGahee Youth Day Celebration! The celebration will begin with a parade at 10:00 AM through downtown Roswell and will continue with a celebration at Roswell City Hall (38 Hill Street, Roswell, GA 30075) from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM with activities for the whole family.

The parade will begin at 10:00 AM on Mimosa Boulevard and end at Roswell Area Park on Woodstock Road. Guests are invited to line the streets to view and catch candy from the handmade community-made parade floats. This year's Youth Day Celebration theme is "Love Your Parks."

Following the parade, the outdoor space surrounding City Hall will be alive with activities including Art Block at Roswell Cultural Arts Center, Fall Farm Days at Smith Plantation and a Touch-A-Truck exhibit at the City Hall roundabout.

Explore the world of performing arts, literature, visual arts and

- 10/17 Geoff Smith
- 10/18 Allen Dalton
- 10/19 Jack Stephens
- 10/23 Jeff McCoy
- 10/23 Mindy Jones
- 10/23 Queen Brown
- 10/24 Tim Maurer
- 10/26 Katie Anderson
- 10/30 Bryan Turner

YEARS OF SERVICE

- 10/6 Chuck Savage (6)
14 years in Rotary
- 10/7 Jim Coyle, Jr. (13)
- 10/7 Matthew Millard (13)
- 10/10 Mike McRay (20)
- 10/11 Darrell Bartlett (3)
- 10/11 William Lindsey (3)
- 10/11 Theodore Lescher, Jr. (3)
9 years in Rotary
- 10/13 Jennifer Briggs (11)
- 10/16 Lou Tabickman (14)
- 10/19 Kurt Hilbert (5)
5 years in Rotary
- 10/23 Steve Stroud (36)
- 10/28 Ryan Gehricke (1)
- 10/29 Harold Coleman (24)

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

more through interactive booths, live performances and make-and-take crafts at Art Block. Take a stroll to Smith Plantation to experience a youth-friendly petting zoo, a pumpkin patch, specialized autumn crafts and more at Fall Farm Days! At Touch-a-Truck, view a variety of rescue vehicles, provided by Roswell Fire Department and view a helicopter landing and take off, exclusive to Youth Day guests.

The Youth Day celebration is free to attend. Food and drinks will be available for purchase at one of the four food truck vendors located on the City Hall campus.

Limited free parking will be available at Roswell City Hall, Green Street and East Alley. Please be aware of road closures from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM to accommodate the parade route.

For more information, please visit www.roswellgov.com/youthday.

About Youth Day

Youth Day has been a long-standing tradition in Roswell that began in 1950 when a group of parents decided to sponsor a parade and a day of activities to honor the youth of the City. In 1951, Mayor Ford Rucker proclaimed the second Saturday in October as "Roswell Youth Day" and each year the tradition grew stronger within the community. Mrs. Frances McGahee, whom the annual Youth Day parade is named after, was a Roswell resident for over 50 years. McGahee was a pillar in the Roswell community, serving on various boards and holding multiple positions. In 2007 the Roswell Youth Day Parade was renamed the Frances McGahee Youth Day Parade. Every year, Roswell will host the annual Youth Day Celebration to commemorate the youth of Roswell and to honor the legacy that Mrs. McGahee left for the community of Roswell.

SOCIAL MEDIA



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Secretary	Nancy Alterman
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After Hours' Next Meeting is TONIGHT!



Two of After Hours' passion points are veterans and mental health. So, we are excited to combine the two topics as we welcome back our favorite vet, Alfonso Rogers! Formerly, with the VEO, Alfonso currently serves as the Regional Development Director for The Headstrong Project. Headstrong is a national mental health treatment practice for veterans and their families. We look forward to hearing Alfonso speak on the importance of mental health in the military community and how we can support. See you tonight--same time, same place!

Save the date: RRAH is having a special *virtual* meeting on Tuesday, November 15th. Join us as we dive deeper into suicide prevention with a virtual course: Talk Saves Lives: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention. Sponsored by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, the community-based presentation will cover the general scope of suicide, the research on prevention and what people can do to fight suicide. *All* Rotarians are invited and more information will be shared closer to time.

New Member Spotlight

Welcome New Member: Ryan Sprinkle



Schools attended: The University of Alabama, B.S.; The University of Alabama School of Law, J.D.

Major: Undergraduate - Majored in economics with specialization in finance; Law School - focused on health care law with MBA coursework in healthcare management

Where you live and have lived: I grew up in Fayette County, Alabama in the rural farming community of Hubbertville. While in college, I lived in Tuscaloosa, AL for 7 years and met my wife during our sophomore year. After graduating from law school, we lived briefly in Florence, AL before moving to Alpharetta. In 2015, we bought a home in Roswell.

Spouse: Lauren Hendrix Sprinkle. Lauren is originally from Huntsville, AL. She owns and operates "A Taste of Sprinkles," a bakery that she runs out of our home. She specializes in Bundt cake of all sizes and flavors.

Kids and ages: We have one daughter, Sela Faith Sprinkle. Sela will be 2 in October. Her favorite activities are playing with her princesses and coloring.

Other involvement in community: We are members of Lebanon Baptist Church in Roswell.

Career: Before moving to Georgia, I practiced law in Alabama. In late 2014, I had the opportunity to pivot into healthcare management consulting. Since that time, I have worked with hospitals, health systems, and physician groups in the areas of strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, and financial and operational turnarounds. I am currently a Managing Director at Warbird Consulting Partners, LLC.

Interesting Facts: During the COVID quarantine period, I developed an obsession with tomatoes. For the last few years, I have grown about a dozen different heirloom varieties from seeds in a small raised garden bed in my yard.

Why you joined Rotary: Roswell and North Fulton is the home that Lauren and I have chosen, and I have been looking for an opportunity and way to better serve the community. Jerry Orland suggested that I attend a Roswell Rotary meeting. When I began learning more about how Roswell Rotary supports the North Fulton area, it became an obvious decision to join.

Positive Reinforcement for High School students

Gift Card Drive for RHS



Roswell High School is built on many traditions that help to develop our future leaders. Under the leadership of Principal Mrs. Latoya Miley, a new focus to "Commit to the R" has been set in motion. Through this Positive Behavior Intervention, "Commit to the R" is a focus on REWARDING the good behavior that our students display.

If you would be interested in supporting "Commit to the R", RHS would sincerely appreciate donations of gift cards in the amount of \$5 (or up to \$20) to help us REWARD students making the RIGHT choices. Gift cards can be from any location (fast food, Wal-Mart, Target, gas cards, Starbucks, etc.). Gift cards will be collected at Rotary meeting during the following dates 9/29 and 10/6.

If you would be interested in partnering your business with this ongoing effort to reward positive student behavior, please reach out the RHS School Social Worker, Valerie Rogers at rogersv@fultonschools.org |404-583-8304. Rewards other than gift cards are welcome too! Thank you for helping Roswell High students "Commit to the R".

For more info, Rotary's contact is Becky Stone.

Youth Day Parade: Oct. 8



From the pictures above from last year's parade, you can see both the work and the fun as Interact Club works to build the float and then ride and walk in the parade.

What We Need: The float needs bags and bags of candy to throw out to the parade goers! Individually wrapped candy is perfect. NO CHOCOLATE- It melts! Come enjoy the fun of watching the parade and cheering for the floats! 2022 Youth Day our coordinators are Zach Fields, Jack Wyche and Ken Briggs.

Remember it's this Saturday, October 8th starting at 10:00am - The parade starts on Mimosa Boulevard, continues onto Canton Street and ends at Roswell Area Park - WE STILL NEED CANDY!!

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Rotary Last Week

