Roswell Rotary Club

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MAY 16, 2023

President John’s Message





In less than two weeks, Roswell Rotary and the City of Roswell will present the 24th Roswell Remembers Memorial Day Ceremony. This ceremony is one of the best attended Memorial Day observances in the Southeast and takes a huge effort by our club to host.

This year we need more volunteers for setup, day of the event tasks, and take down than in years past. For years we benefited from people who had to perform community service to help with both setup and take down, but for some reason, they are not available to us this year.

Want to volunteer - Please let one of our Memorial Day committee members know including Dave Young (Chair), Elwyn Gaissert, or Ron Cowan.

Program This Week

John King - Georgia Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner

John F. King was sworn in as Georgia’s Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner by Governor Brian Kemp on July 1, 2019, becoming the first Hispanic statewide official in state history. He was elected to a full four-year term on November 8, 2022.

Before becoming Commissioner, King spent his career in law enforcement, beginning as an Atlanta police officer in 1985 and culminating as Chief of Police for the City of Doraville. While at the Atlanta Police Department, he worked various assignments including Red Dog, Organized Crime/Intelligence, and received the Chief’s Blue Star in 1987 for being injured in the line of duty as a result of a criminal attack with a firearm. His career also includes assignments to

MEETINGS

May is Youth Service Month

5/18	John King, Georgia Insurance and Fire Safety Commissioner
5/25	Memorial Day Program
6/1	Steve Stroud - Business Climate in Roswell
6/8	Drug Companies and PBMs - Alan Greensmith
6/15	Wondering What's Up Down Under
6/22	Roswell Rotary Year End Recognitions
6/29	NO MEETING TODAY - Installation Party tonight
7/6	No Meeting Today - July 4th Holiday

EVENTS

5/16	Rotary Means Business
5/16	RR After Hours Club
5/18	Alive in Roswell
5/29	Memorial Day
5/29	Roswell Remembers - Memorial Day Ceremony
6/6	RR After Hours Club
6/10	Homestretch Run the River 5K & 10K Race
6/10	Magnolia Ball

BIRTHDAYS

5/16	R. Dennis Canata
5/17	Leslie Bassett
5/19	Lee Dodson
5/20	John Gordon
5/21	James Rains
5/22	Gabriel Prado
5/24	Elwyn Gaissert
5/24	John Carruth
5/25	Taylor Schmidt

both FBI and DEA as a Task Force Agent.

A native of Mexico, King made a meaningful impact by building bridges among Doraville's diverse populations and implementing youth education and crime-prevention programs in his role as Chief of Police. Recognizing the international composition of Doraville's community, King made it a priority to hire bilingual police officers, place multiple languages on police cars, and ensure effective translators and public defenders were employed at the City Courthouse. Commissioner King's initiatives include Anti-Gang education programs for elementary school students and parents. He worked with the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to establish an education program for prospective small business entrepreneurs and worked with state, county, and local leaders to implement a safety and speed reduction program targeted to Buford Highway to reduce the number of pedestrian fatalities. Commissioner King is also a member of Leadership DeKalb.

In addition to his former roles in the Atlanta and Doraville Police Departments, King retired as a Major General in the U.S. Army following his final assignment to NORAD and U.S. Northern Command. King was the former Commander of the 48th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and has deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Africa. He served as the Military Advisor to the Deputy Minister of Interior for Security for Afghanistan, who oversaw an agency of over 96,000 police officers.

While serving on Active Duty and the National Guard, King earned numerous awards for his achievements. King received the Combat Action Badge for his service in Iraq and the Combat Infantry Badge for service in Afghanistan. Other awards and decorations include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (2) Award, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, El Salvador Gold Medal for Achievement, and the Afghanistan Barial 2nd Degree Medal.

King received his Bachelor's of Arts degree in criminal justice and public administration from Brenau University and a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. He graduated from Harvard University Senior Executives in National Security and Syracuse University National Security Decision Making Course. Commissioner King was a graduate of class #229 in the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA, and also a graduate of the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange program to Israel (GILEE).

Commissioner King is also fluent in Spanish.

Past President Moment

Past President Becky Stone 2018-2019

6/1	Albert Mazzeo
6/2	Sam Lane
6/2	Sue Royappa
6/3	David Houck
6/6	Brian Fennie
6/7	Jay Pickett
6/7	John Wolfe
6/12	Dean Robertson
6/12	Jason Stine

YEARS OF SERVICE

5/23	Bruce Smith (27)
5/31	Michael Curling (5)
6/2	Lori Allen (6)
6/10	Gabriel Prado (1)
6/12	Ron Cowan (26)

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

SOCIAL MEDIA

LEADERSHIP

President	John Carruth
President-Elect	Alex Kaufman
Immediate PP	Terry Taylor
Treasurer	Trummie Patrick, III
Secretary	Nancy Alterman
Public Image	Michael Gould





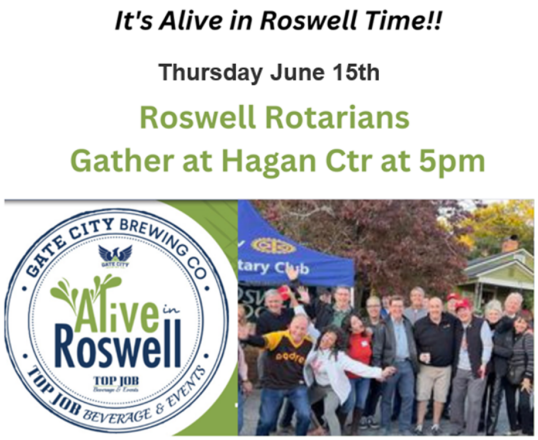


In President Becky Stone's Rotary year 2018-19 Rotary's theme was "Be The Inspiration". Roswell Rotary was inspired to continue supporting Youth in our community through many programs and events including the Roswell High School Construction Program. We won a competitive grant from District 6900 which funded over $10,000 worth of construction tools for this RHS program. And to top it off, we hosted our RI President Barry Rassin and his wife from the Bahamas in maybe the largest Roswell Rotary meeting ever.

Come hear more about what we accomplished in Becky's year 2018-19.

May 18

Alive in Roswell



Food & Beverages will be provided by Roswell Rotary. These events are so much fun and Roswell Rotary's tent is THE PLACE to be. See you there!!!!

Hal Coleman to Speak to RRAH

Next meeting is tonight!



Join us tonight at The Artillery Room at Gate City tonight 6:30 as we welcome Rotarian Hal Coleman as our guest speaker! Hal is a coach, speaker, sales trainer and entertainer who will speak on leadership and entrepreneurship for young professionals. Lets pack the house for what's sure to be an insightful and fun meeting!

And don't forget, if you need a headshot, our favorite photographer Ian will be present!

Additionally, all Rotarians please bring in Plastic Grocery Bags for After Hours Club. They provide them to Chattahoochee Nature Center!

RRAH Meeting Notice

Need a Headshot? Come to After Hours Tonight!



Tuesday, May 16, 6:00pm / New Location

Who's Looking for New Clients? Attend Business Networking for District 6900



For you, or someone on your staff, grow your business by doing business with Rotarians in an environment that supports “Service Above Self”

Bonus: This is also an opportunity for someone you are interested in recruiting to Roswell Rotary. Tuesday, May 16 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm.

NEW Location: Mutation Brewing Company, 5825 Roswell Rd NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328

For more information, contact Ken Carter 404-386-3214 ken.carter@floorcoveringsinternational.com or Hal Schlenger 770-335-0077 HSchlenger@GreatSouthBenefits.com

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Save the Date for Comedy for a Cause!

June, 22 at 7 p.m.



Save the date for the biggest event of the summer! Roswell Rotary After Hours' signature event is coming on **June 22nd!**

Grab your family and friends for burgers, brews and belly laughs at the 1st Annual **Comedy For a Cause**, presented by Roswell Rotary After Hours. Get ready to chuckle, howl and giggle at this special fundraiser benefiting the Roswell community. The event is $30 and will feature several knee-slapping local comedians. What are you waiting for? Save your spot today and we will see you on June 22 on the lawn of Lucky's Burger & Brew Roswell. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Buy tickets here.

Rotary Last Week









