



PRESIDENT ALEX'S MESSAGE



Fellow Rotarians-

It is hard to believe that one month of Rotary Year 2023-2024 has come and gone. I believe that our lunch and lunch service is improving. We will continue to work towards refining the process so please be patient.

Kurt Hilbert and I just returned from Colombia where we met the Club's 2022-2023 GRSP Student Emilio Ochoa and his family to celebrate Emilio's college graduation. We also connected with his uncle, who is a Rotarian, and we are working towards a joint international project - stay tuned!

Our speaker this week is Congressman Rich McCormick of the 6th Congressional District. Congressman McCormick's resume includes being a Marine, a doctor, and a family man. He is a dynamic speaker, so I encourage everyone to attend.

Featured Speaker- Dr. Rich McCormick, GA Congressman 6th District

MEETINGS

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

- 8/3 Congressman Dr. Rich McCormick
- 8/10 Do Nguyen - Rotary Service Above Self
- 8/17 Tomer Zvulun - Atlanta Opera
- 8/24 Golf & Tennis Tournament Pep Rally
- 8/31 Maurice Smith - USDA / Foster Care
- 9/7 SC House Rep Brandon Guffey - Gavin's Law
- 9/14 no meeting
- 9/21 State Rep. Scott Hilton - Fall Legislative Preview

EVENTS

- 8/2 Hump Day
- 8/15 Rotary Means Business (district networking event) August
- 8/16 Tennis Clinic
- 8/17 Alive in Roswell
- 8/19 Walk with a Doc
- 8/19 Area 13.1 Half Marathon - 10K - 5K - Benefitting End Human Trafficking Now
- 8/23 Summer Blood Drive
- 8/31 Christmas decorating at Bulloch Hall Meeting

BIRTHDAYS

- 8/2 Gene Beckham
- 8/3 Martha Spencer
- 8/3 Mike Ivkovich
- 8/4 Ryan Williams
- 8/4 Vanessa Snyder
- 8/7 Ryan Gehricke
- 8/8 Jay Pittroff



Roswell Rotary Club is honored to welcome Dr. Rich McCormick, Congressman from Georgia's 6th District, as our featured speaker this Thursday.

Dr. Rich McCormick is a decorated veteran and Emergency Room physician who proudly serves Georgia's 6th Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives.

Raised by a single mother, Rich was a paperboy in middle school and eventually worked his way through college, earning a degree from Oregon State University. A firm believer in service before self, McCormick joined the Marine Corps and became a helicopter pilot. During his two decades of service, Rich deployed to combat zones in Africa, the Persian Gulf, and Afghanistan. As a Marine, he flew helicopters, was Airborne and attached to Army and foreign forces. Additionally, Rich taught at Georgia Tech and Morehouse College as the Marine Officer Instructor. In the Navy, Rich earned the rank of Commander and served as Department Head for the Emergency Medicine Department in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Between deployments, Rich earned his Master of Business Administration from National University and medical degree from Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, where he was honored to serve as student body president. He completed residency in Emergency Medicine through Emory while training at Grady Hospital in Atlanta. Most recently, Dr. McCormick served as an Emergency Room physician at Northside Hospital.

In Congress, Rich serves on the House Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, and Science, Space, and Technology Committees, as well as the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Rich lives in Suwanee, Georgia with his wife Debra, who is an oncologist, keeping busy as parents to seven amazing children. The McCormick's are members of Cross Pointe Church.

Let's have a full house to welcome Congressman/Dr. McCormick to our club!

Can't Miss This!!

Hump Day at Rock'N'Taco This

- 8/9 Jennifer Briggs
- 8/10 Kathryn Igou
- 8/12 Richard Dreger
- 8/13 Lori Allen
- 8/13 Mike Mizell
- 8/13 Ross Patton
- 8/15 Dr. Betty Price
- 8/17 Jacque Digieso
- 8/18 John Albers
- 8/19 Susan Rumble
- 8/20 Debbie Cwalina
- 8/22 Becki Campolito
- 8/26 Grant Miller
- 8/27 Lori Kirn
- 8/28 Richard Spencer

YEARS OF SERVICE

- 8/1 Steven Palmer (7)
7 years in Rotary
- 8/2 Chris Webb (1)
- 8/3 John Carruth (28)
- 8/4 David Young (35)
- 8/6 Elwyn Gaissert, II (42)
- 8/13 Richard Meer (31)
- 8/20 John Wolfe (31)
- 8/20 Trummie Patrick, III (8)
- 8/23 Jay Pickett, III (5)
- 8/25 Lynn Dunn (7)
- 8/28 Lori Kirn (9)
- 8/29 Lucy Hall (4)
- 8/29 Katie Anderson (4)

ROTARY ONLINE

<https://roswellrotary.club>
<https://rotary6900.org/>
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ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
 Roswell Area Park
 Bill Johnson Community Activity

Wednesday



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Building
10495 Woodstock Road
Roswell, GA 30075

SOCIAL MEDIA



LEADERSHIP

President	Alex Kaufman
President-Elect	Nancy Alterman
Treasurer	Leslie Bassett
Secretary	Trummie Patrick, III
Public Image	Becky Nelson
Membership	Bob Clarkson

End Human Trafficking NOW Rotary (and the Braves) Beat the Brewers in a HOT Game



The Braves Beat the Brewers 8-6 in (literally) the hottest game of the summer. Thank you, Dave McCleary and your many Roswell Rotary, Delta, and other Rotary friends who came out in support of End Human Trafficking, NOW! The Power of One has built an army!

New Location: Houck's Grille on Wed, Aug 23

Blood Drive: It's Personal for Me

The poster for the Summer Blood Drive at Houck's features the Rotary Club logo in the top left. The main title is "Summer Blood Drive at Houck's". On the left, there are two graphics: "GIVE A PINT" with a heart and blood drop, and "GET A PINT" with a beer mug. The central blue box contains the date "Wed. Aug 23", the location "Houck's Grille, 10930 Crabapple Rd B130, Roswell, GA 30075", contact information for Hal Schlenger, Darrell Bartlett, and Jonathan Crooks, and the quote "Saving a life with your blood donation... true service above self". Logos for Variant Brewing and Houck's Grille are on the right. The bottom left says "Sign Up to Donate Your Pint!" and the bottom right says "Graciously Supported By: Houck's Grille & Variant Brewery".

Last week I wrote to you asking you to make giving blood personal to you. This week I'm writing because it's personal for me.

August 9, I head back to WellStar North Fulton Hospital to have a second kidney procedure. I must have 15 to 20 kidney stones removed from my left kidney. I had the right kidney cleaned out March 29. August 9th is a rather wonderful, yet ominous date for me. Two years ago, on that date my daughter received word in the morning that she was indeed pregnant with my first grandchild, it was the little guy you saw pictured last week. In the afternoon she received a call informing her they may have to pull the plug on her father...me, as I lay in a coma battling Covid.

As I head back for this second procedure, it is possible I will have to have blood infused. I didn't have to last time and I'm hopeful I won't have to this time either, but I won't know until I know.

The bottom line of this is simple. You don't know until it happens if you will ever need blood. It's good to know there are people out there willing and able to do so. Please be one of them. If you can't yourself find someone to give in your honor. It will truly be an honor to them to do so. Just ask them. You will truly be a blessing to the one who receives it, just as it was for me two years ago when I received 3 pints.

[Schedule an appointment here](#)

For more information, contact [Hal Schlenger](#) , Darrell Bartlett or [Jonathan Crooks](#)

Rotary Last Week

