Roswell Rotary Club

Rotascope

FEBRUARY 25, 2025

Message from the President



Welcome to Our New Members!

We are excited to welcome our newest members to the Roswell Rotary family: Queen Brown, Deb Perkins, David Houck, Peter Saddler, and Steve Money. Each of you brings unique talents and experiences, and we are thrilled to have you join us in serving the community.

A special thanks to Dan Corso for his insightful presentation on the elite sporting events coming to Atlanta, including the FIFA World Cup. His updates on the exciting opportunities for our city were truly inspiring.

We look forward to working alongside our new members and continuing our mission of service above self!

Leadership 20/20: Empowering Our Future Leaders

One of the highlights of the year is our involvement with Leadership 20/20, where we have the privilege of hosting emerging student leaders from every corner of the Roswell High School campus. This program is a fantastic opportunity for these students to learn about leadership, personal growth, and the importance of service to others.

As part of their experience, the students will join our Rotary meeting to hear from Past President Dave McCleary, a leading advocate for ending human trafficking. Dave's powerful message about keeping young people safe and empowering them to make a difference will no doubt inspire the next generation of leaders.

Leadership 20/20 continues to be a cornerstone of our commitment to nurturing youth leadership, and we are honored to support these bright young minds as they prepare to take on the challenges of tomorrow.

Nancy Alterman

MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

2/26	Leadership 2020
2/27	Leadership 2020 - Dave McCleary - EHT
3/6	Ben Young - Editor & Chief of Georgia Trend Magazine
3/13	Dr. Ben Arthur - Stem Cell Research
3/20	Mitch Harris - US Maritime Day - USN Veteran & Former St. Louis Cardinals Pitcher
3/21	Be The Voice 10th Annual Anniv. Gala
3/27	Samir Abdullahi - Fulton County Economic Development
4/3	Annie Long - Parkinsons Awareness - April is National Parkinsons Awareness Month

EVENTS

2/26	Women of Rotary
3/10	RUMC Job Networking
3/15	Roswell Relays
3/19	Meals On Wheels
3/21	Meals On Wheels
3/22	Sweep the Hooch
3/24	RUMC Job Networking
3/29	District Assembly Training-Columbus GA

LEADERSHIP

President	Nancy Alterman
President-Elect	Trummie Patrick, III
Treasurer	Katie Anderson
Secretary	Leslie Bassett
Public Image	Kathryn Igou

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Speakers Thursday: Hannah Palmquist & Dave McCleary-Ending Human Trafficking

Speakers-Leadership 20/20 Keynote Hannah Palmquist & Dave McCleary End Human Trafficking





Roswell Rotary Club is sponsoring Leadership 20/20 on Thursday Feb. 27. Part of the program for these 80 plus students of Roswell High School who have been selected by their teachers for this Leadership Development Program is the keynote presentation. This year, Hannah Palmquist and Dave McCleary will speak with the club and the students about Human Trafficking and what is being done in Georgia to stop it.

Please welcome all of our student guests and also our outstanding speakers who have blazed the trail for ending human trafficking across the globe!

Hannah Palmquist Bio:

Hannah Palmquist leads the Office of the Attorney General's Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit.

Hannah earned her law degree from Emory School of Law in 2012. After Law School, Hannah served as an Assistant District Attorney for DeKalb County. She then served as an Assistant District Attorney for Cobb County in the Trial Division before moving to the Special Victims Unit where she prosecuted sexual offenses and crimes against children. She obtained convictions on cases including child molestation, rape, child pornography, domestic violence and human trafficking. During that time, Hannah was named to the Daily Report's 2016 "On the Rise,"

ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
Roswell Area Park
Bill Johnson Community Activity Building
10495 Woodstock Road
Roswell, GA 30075

ROTARY ONLINE

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

SOCIAL MEDIA

BIRTHDAYS

2/27	Leonard Greski
2/27	Justice Brakache
2/28	Alexandria Shuval Weiner
3/3	Don Horton
3/3	Jeff Kramer
3/3	Ken Vaughn
3/4	Tillie O'Neal-Kyles
3/5	Steve Dorvee
3/7	Nancy Alterman
3/11	Jon-Paul Croom
3/15	Rich Austin
3/16	Mickey Deaton
3/19	Karen Ewing
3/20	Mason Beard
3/21	Amy Brannen
3/25	Matthew Millard

YEARS OF SERVICE

3/2	Gene Beckham, III (25)
3/4	Ken Briggs (43)
3/7	Terry Taylor (12)
3/7	Amy Brannen (12)
3/8	John Michael Brunetti (2)

edition, a publication of 40 attorneys under the age of 40 state-wide who are determined to be “Rising Stars.” In 2017, she successfully argued the constitutionality of the Georgia statute which criminalizes child pornography to the Georgia Supreme Court. In September of 2018, she become the supervisor of the Cobb County Juvenile Unit where she worked with juvenile runaways and victims of human trafficking.

On July 1, 2019, Hannah was named the Unit Chief over the Attorney General’s Human Trafficking Unit where she oversees a team dedicated to the prosecution of domestic minor sex trafficking. In that role, she has been twice named to James Magazine’s list of Georgia’s Most Influential Attorneys. In her current role, she leads the investigation and prosecution of human trafficking cases across the state of Georgia and provides training to local, national, and international audiences.

Dave McCleary Bio:
Dave McCleary Founder and CEO, EndHTNow, and Global Chair, Rotary Action Group Against Slavery

Dave founded "End Human Trafficking Now" in 2012 with the goal to bring awareness and action, these include Business Engagement, Effective Law Enforcement and Sustaining Freedom though empowering survivors. In 2013 Dave was appointed worldwide Vice Chair of Rotarians Against Slavery with the mission to engage 1.2 million Rotarians and 35,000 clubs on over 200 counties to take on the issues of ending modern day slavery. Dave serves on Georgia’s Statewide Taskforce as workgroup chair “Deterring Traffickers and Buyers” though Business Engagement.

In 2019, Dave was asked to join the White House Round Table on Human Trafficking with the expressed goal to engage the business and Civic Communities in the fight to end Modern-Day Slavery and Human Trafficking.Dave McCleary is a son, husband and father. He is a small business owner from Roswell, Georgia. He is a man with a heart for making a difference in other people’s lives by getting involved.In January of 2012, Dave volunteered as a ‘doorholder’ at the Passion 2012 Conference held in Atlanta. It was there he became aware of the Human Trafficking issue and felt the first sparks of desire to get involved. He learned that it’s not only happening worldwide in impoverished, third world countries, but in his own hometown community and other communities across the U.S. With two teenage daughters of his own, the reality of the issue became real and awareness led to action.As the President of the Rotary Club of Roswell at the time, the sparks quickly ignited into ‘how can we help’ stop this. Knowing the influence and vastness of Rotary, which embraces 34,000 clubs and 1.2 million members worldwide, collectively the many become one force. Dave spent countless hours attending meetings, contacting and working with non-profit groups already serving different aspects of this multi-faceted issue to learn and determine the best way Rotary could help to achieve the goal of stopping human trafficking/modern day slavery).In 2015, Dave Chaired a World Summit with President Carter on ending human trafficking with participation from 14 counties and 32 States with a focus on Business Engagement, Effective Law Enforcement, Legislation and Sustaining Freedom though empowering survivors. Dave moderated a panel on Human Trafficking at the UN for Rotary Day in 2015 with the US State Department, Carter Center and International Justice mission. Dave lead an effort in the US for Rotarians to lobby their US House and Senate members to sponsor the End Modern Slavery Initiative Act. Dave was appointed chair to the 2019 Super Bowl Anti-Trafficking task force responsible for Business

3/9	Jacque Digieso (19) 32 years in Rotary
3/9	Syd Mostajabi (16)
3/9	Michael Byars (19)
3/10	Mickey Deaton (20)
3/10	Angela Medley (3)
3/10	Jeff McCoy (20)
3/10	Will Colley (3)
3/10	Vivian Bankston (20)
3/11	Lisa Carlisle (15)
3/11	Michael Gould (15)
3/11	Lynne Lindsay (15)
3/12	Gordon Owens (14)
3/14	William May (12)
3/14	Jerry Orlans (23) 34 years in Rotary
3/16	Tori Nielsen (3)
3/16	Scott Morchower (9)
3/17	John Albers (14)
3/17	Tori Alterman (3) 4 years in Rotary
3/17	Evan Coyle (3)
3/17	John Connell (3)
3/17	Michael Brown (3)
3/17	Leigh Brown (3)
3/17	Lee Hollingsworth (16) 24 years in Rotary
3/17	Tim McFarlin (14)
3/17	Walt Woliver (16) 43 years in Rotary
3/18	Becky Nelson (11)
3/21	James Broadway (40)
3/22	Ron Redner (41)

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Save the Date

Women of Rotary Wed Feb 26 5:50-7:30pm



Women in Rotary is a group of women Rotarians and wives of Rotarians from Alpharetta, Johns Creek, North Fulton and Roswell who connect once a quarter for social interaction, business networking and to get to know each other better. All women Rotarians and wives of Rotarians are invited.

The first Women in Rotary event of 2025 will be held at the Hotel Avalon on Wednesday, February 26 from 5:30-7:30PM. Light refreshments will be provided, and women may buy their own drinks.

Please **RSVP HERE** by February 23rd.

Men, be sure to pass this invitation on to your wives so they may join in the fun!

Because our Rotary motto is "Service Above Self," we include a service aspect each quarter. This time, ***please bring one or more $5 Kroger, Publix or Target gift cards to donate to the Drake House,*** which provides housing to single mothers and their children who are experiencing homelessness in North Fulton. As always, thank you in advance for your generosity!

Questions? Email Michele Curtis @ mlcurtis97@gmail.com.

Dr Seuss & Kindergarteners

Read Across America- Friday Feb. 28 8am - 9am



Volunteer with Roswell Rotary for Read Across America!

Join us in celebrating Dr. Seuss's Birthday by sharing the joy of reading with local kindergarten students!

Date: Friday, February 28, 2025

Arrival Time: 7:45 AM | **Reading Time:** 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Location: Local Roswell Kindergarten Classrooms

We need enthusiastic volunteers to bring stories to life and inspire young minds. This Year's Featured Book is, ***Sometimes you Win Sometimes you Learn*** By John C. Maxwell

Sign up today and help us make reading fun and memorable for these young learners.

"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child!" – Dr. Seuss

Volunteer Link

Deadline Feb. 27, 2025

Patsy Wolff Scholarship



Announcing Patsy Wolff Scholarship

for 2025 Roswell area female high school graduates

This is exciting! The launch of the Patsy Wolff Scholarship is for 2025 Roswell Area HS female graduates. This scholarship, for $1,500, will honor the qualities of Patsy Wolff as one of the first female Roswell Rotarians and a generous philanthropist in our community. The candidate will need to show her sense of community spirit and how her contributions exemplify the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self". DEADLINE for applications to the area HS Counselor's office is 3:30 p.m on Friday, Feb 27, 2025

Application link

Rotary Last Week

Dan Corso, President Atlanta Sports Council & Trummie Lee Patrick III, RRC President Elect for 1925-26



New Members!!


EXIT




Stephanie A. Urchick
2024-25 President
Rotary International
Nancy Alterman
2024-25 President
Rotary District 6900

Thank You American Legion!





District Conference at Jekyll

Time to Register!

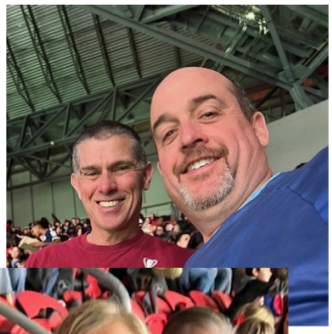
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