

# **"THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER**

August 18, 2021

# Meetings

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

- 8/20 No meeting join us for Thirsty Thursday
- 8/27 Club Assembly Carter Stout
- 9/3 No meeting Enjoy your Labor Day weekend
- 9/10 Frank Buonanotte, Entrepreneur and Commercial Real Estate Investor

# Our Rotary Family **BIRTHDAYS**

- 8/2 George Stewart, Jr.
- 8/4 William Thiele
- 8/14 Cathie Brumfield
- 8/15 Jack Francisco
- 8/17 Charlie Augello
- 8/23 Andrew Kaiser

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/2 William Grogan (41)
- 8/3 Deb Cameron (30)
- 8/12 Marion Bunch (43)
- 8/18 Darrin Vanderpan (3)
- 8/19 Mike Parks (4)
- 8/20 Ron Barden (54)
- 8/31 Rick Woods (20)

# **Rotary Online**

https://dunwoodyrotary.org https://rotary6900.org/ https://rotary.org/

# No Meeting This Week Join Us for Thirsty Thursday at Dunwoody Tavern

We have booked Dunwoody Tavern for our Thirsty Thursday gathering this week. Join us from 5:30 to 7 PM outside on the patio. Think about bringing a friend who might be interested in Rotary!

# Congratulations! Lorri Christopher Honored as District 6900 Rotarian of the Year

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Past District Governor Kirk Driskell honored our own Lorri Christopher at last weekend's District 6900 celebration in Sandestin. He commented that Lorri was willing to take on any task that needed doing - and that all her efforts "helped me and the District look good." Lorri helped with the planning for Kirk's year, stepped in for a fourth year as an Assistant Governor when there was an unexpected opening, all while serving as Secretary for the Georgia Rotary Student Program and contributing in many other ways.

Congratulations Lorri for an honor well-deserved! And thanks for all you do!

# Rotary Youth Exchange We're Back in Business and Need Your Help

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Rotary Youth Exchange is shifting into gear to recruit outbound exchange students for the 2022-23 school year, and to recruit host families for our inbound student for that school year. Please direct any interested people to me, Deb Cameron, at dsc630@gmail.com. You can also direct people to the Rotary Youth Exchange website: ryese.org. (It helps if interested people know that we are in District 6900.)

We would love a few good volunteers from our club to help with recruiting and other activities related to Rotary Youth Exchange. You need to be an approved volunteer to interact with the inbound and outbound students – it is a U.S. State Department requirement. Becoming an approved volunteer involves a background check and a short state department training – all on line! Easy!!! Please let Deb know if you are willing to help with this amazing program.

# GRSP Update Welcome to Maro, Our 2021-22 GRSP Student

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We are excited to welcome Maro Innocent-Otolo, our new student from Nigeria. Maro arrived last Thursday with her father - met at the airport by Ron and Louise Barden. She will be attending Oglethorpe University, and Ardy and Lydie Bastien will be her Dunwoody host family! We'll be sharing more soon about this special new member of our Dunwoody Family of Rotary!

#### ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am Le Méridien Atlanta Perimeter 111 Perimeter Center West Atlanta, GA , GA 30346

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| President       | Carter Stor         |
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| President-Elect | Jennifer<br>Bowler  |
| Immediate PP    | Ardy Bastie         |
| Treasurer       | Cathie<br>Brumfield |
| Secretary       | Louise Bar          |
| Membership      | Brian Harp          |
| Foundation      | Jennie Stip         |
| Public Image    | Jackie<br>Cuthbert  |
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### Making a Difference Dunwoody Sending \$2,500 to Rotary Relief Fund for Haiti

On August 14, 2021, Haiti was rocked by a massive 7.2 Magnitude Earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace followed right behind the earthquake - brining heaving rains and flooding to the country. Nearly 2,000 people have died, another 10,000 are injured and more than 7,000 homes were destroyed.

The Rotary District 7020 Earthquake response committee met Monday to begin assessing the damage done, the immediate needs and how to help. Our Dunwoody Board of Directors voted this Tuesday to respond to District 7020's urgent fundraising appeal with a \$2,500 contribution from our Dunwoody Charitable Fund.

Louise Barden reported at the meeting that the hospital in Haiti we worked with a few years ago to buy a C-Arm for orthopedic surgeries was still open for business and would be able to provide important care for earthquake victims.

If you are interested in making personal contributions to Haiti earthquake relief, <u>use</u> <u>this link for more information about how to contribute to the District 7020</u> <u>Haiti Earthquake Disaster Recovery Fund</u>.

### Opportunity to Serve Calling All Gardeners: Bounds Garden Is Waiting!

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For 20+ years, Dunwoody Rotarians have owned the appearance of Bounds Garden formerly known as Monroe Park and identified as the traffic island across from the Dunwoody Library on Chamblee Dunwoody Road. Ranger Fred Bounds needs your help with regular maintenance. Our next visit to the garden is scheduled for 9:00 AM on August 28 - please bring your gloves and a garden tool and join in the fun!

Not available August 28? Then consider these dates:

- October 23
- January 8
- March 12
- May 14

### District Celebration Great Time in Sandestin!

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Nearly 20 members of Dunwoody's Family of Rotary joined the District 6900 Celebration in Sandestin last weekend. Thanks to Ed and Judy Holliday for coordinating our hospitality suite and a lovely dinner at the Ocean Club (pictured here). We enjoyed time at the beach and the pool, and fellowship with District 6900 Rotarians we hadn't seen much since the pandemic hit last year.

Mark your calendars now for District Conference 2022 - April 28 to May 1 in Sandestin. It's a great opportunity for fun and fellowship!

### Club Calendar What's Happening in August and September ... and

# **Early October**

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Here's a way to keep up with all that's happening with the Rotary Club of Dunwoody. If you would like to add an event - or add a story to the bulletin, send an email to Jackie Cuthbert at cuthbert@mindspring.com by Tuesday evening.

| Aug 19    | Thirsty Thursday, Dunwoody Tavern, 5:30 pm  |
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| Aug 19-21 | GRSP Conclave and 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration,<br>Thomasville – POSTPONED – Date TBD later |
| Aug 20    | No meeting  |
| Aug 27    | Meeting: Club Assembly  |
| Aug 28    | Bounds Garden 9:00 am   |
| Sept 3    | No meeting – enjoy your Labor Day!  |
| Sept 10   | Meeting: Frank Buonanotte, entrepreneur and commercial real estate investor                             |
| Sept 11   | Dunwoody Nature Center service project  |
| Sept 14   | Rotary Youth Exchange Information session in Dunwoody – sign up in advance at RYESE.org                 |
| Sept 16   | Thirsty Thursday with Rotaract Club of Atlanta  |
| Sept 17   | No meeting  |
| Sept 21   | Board meeting: Zoom 7:30 am   |
| Sept 21   | Attorney/CPA – Rotary Means Business, 5:30 pm at Crowne<br>Plaza Ravinia                                |
| Sept. 24  | Meeting: Bob O'Brien hosts panel of Dunwoody Restaurant owners  |
| Oct. 7    | District Governor Mary Ligon visits Dunwoody  |
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