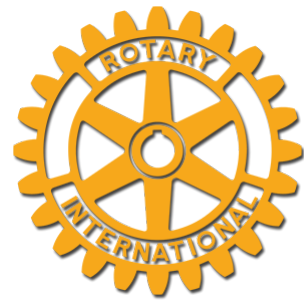


# Rotary

## Club of Forsyth County (Cumming)



### Speakers

**Aug. 19, 2021**  
Joni Smith, The Place of Forsyth County, courtesy of Donna Wade

**Aug. 26, 2021**  
Steve Mickens, CEO Boys and Girls Clubs of Lanier, courtesy of Deana Jordan

**Sept. 2, 2021**  
Football Pool Kick-Off, Denton Ashway & Gus Morris

**Sept. 9, 2021**  
Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger

**Sept. 16, 2021**  
Northside Volunteer Auxiliary, Paula Malmfeldt

**Sept. 23, 2021**  
FALL BREAK -- NO MEETING

### Club Leaders



J.B. Bader  
President



Denise Leeson  
On-To Conference Chair  
President-Elect  
Rotary Foundation Chair



Robert Lee Parrish  
Secretary



Donna S. Wade  
Treasurer

Zack A. Rice Jr.  
Family of Rotary  
Membership Chair

### Club Meetings

Forsyth County (Cumming)  
Meets at New Academies of Creative Education  
1160 Dahlonega Hwy.  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Time: Thursday from 12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

*(Use entrance off Pilgrim Road, third left from Hwy. 9, then take first right, 1160 is the second building, which has two sets of double doors on the front. Use the doors to the right.)*

### This Week in History

1909

## First race is held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway

On Aug. 19, 1909, the first race is held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, now the home of the world's most famous motor racing competition, the Indianapolis 500.

Built on 328 acres of farmland five miles northwest of Indianapolis, Indiana, the speedway was started by local businessmen as a testing facility for Indiana's growing automobile industry. The idea was that occasional races at the track would pit cars from different manufacturers against each other. After seeing what these cars could do, spectators would presumably head down to the showroom of their choice to get a closer look.

The rectangular two-and-a-half-mile track linked four turns, each exactly 440 yards from start to finish, by two long and two short straight sections. In that first five-mile race on August 19, 1909, 12,000 spectators watched Austrian engineer Louis Schwitzer win with an average speed of 57.4 miles per hour. The track's surface of crushed rock and tar proved a disaster, breaking up in a number of places and causing the deaths of two drivers, two mechanics and two spectators.



Matthew Van Dyke  
Public Image Chair



Stephanie Woody  
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Terri L. Willett  
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iPast President



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The surface was soon replaced with 3.2 million paving bricks, laid in a bed of sand and fixed with mortar. Dubbed The Brickyard, the speedway reopened in December 1909.

In 1911, low attendance led the track s owners to make a crucial decision: Instead of shorter races, they resolved to focus on a single, longer event each year, for a much larger prize.

That May 30 marked the debut of the Indy 500 a grueling 500-mile race that was an immediate hit with audiences and drew press attention from all over the country.

Driver Ray Haroun won the purse of \$14,250, with an average speed of 74.59 mph and a total time of 6 hours and 42 minutes.

Since 1911, the Indianapolis 500 has been held every year, with the exception of 1917-18 and 1942-45, when the United States was involved in the two world wars. With an average crowd of 400,000, the Indy 500 is the best-attended event in U.S. sports.

In 1936, asphalt was used for the first time to cover the rougher parts of the track, and by 1941 most of the track was paved. The last of the speedway s original bricks were covered in 1961, except for a three-foot line of bricks left exposed at the start-finish line as a nostalgic reminder of the track s history.

<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/first-race-is-held-at-the-indianapolis-motor-speedway>

### Upcoming Events:

- \* Aug. 17: Club Social: Legends Distillery, 210 Industrial Park Dr., Suite A, Cumming, GA 30040
- \* Aug. 18: Rotary Board Meeting: 5:30 p.m. Boling Rice LLC, 207 Pirkle Ferry Road, Cumming, GA 30040
- \* Sept. 14: Club Social: Marlow's Tavern, 410 Peachtree Parkway, Cumming, GA 30041
- \* Sept. 27: 25th annual Challenge Scholarship Golf Tournament, Crystal Falls Golf Club
- \* Oct. 12: Bagwell Boat Cruise
- \* Nov. 9: Freedom Mill, 2730 Spot Road, Cumming, GA 30040

# 25th Annual Challenge Scholarship Golf Tournament is coming up, sponsorships open now

The Rotary Club of Forsyth County is hosting our 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Challenge Scholarship Golf Tournament. It will take place on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at Crystal Falls Golf Club. Over the years, we have raised over \$1,000,000 from this tournament, which has provided funds to support scholarships, charities and community organizations, both locally and internationally. With your support, we can continue the legacy of giving to our community through our 25<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament and other fund raising activities.

Our Rotary Club of Forsyth County Challenge Scholarship program provides scholarships to seniors from each the Forsyth County High Schools to help fund their college education. Each recipient is nominated and chosen by their individual school based upon an extraordinary challenge or adversity they have had to overcome to achieve both personal and academic success. In the past, we have helped many to include those that are dealing with diseases, those losing parents at an early age, and those experiencing a tragic event. We have had many recipients come back after graduation to let us know that the scholarship is what allowed them to follow their dreams.

There are 5 sponsorship levels available:

#### ***PRESENTING SPONSOR \$5000***

- *Exclusive logo placement and size on all materials and website*
- *Logo on Golf Shirt*
- *3 Four person golf teams*
- *Preferred location hole signage*
- *Large and centrally placed logo on banner*
- *Special recognition at the event*

#### ***DIAMOND SPONSOR \$2500***

- *Advantaged logo placement on all materials and website*
- *2 Four person golf teams*
- *Preferred location hole signage*
- *Advantaged logo placement on banner*
- *Special recognition at the event*

#### ***GOLD SPONSOR \$1000:***

- *Signage on 1 tee box*
- *1 four person team*

*Logo on Banner at Tournament*

**SILVER SPONSOR \$400**

- *Signage on 1 tee box*
- *Logo on Banner at Tournament*

**BRONZE SPONSOR \$200**

- *Logo on Banner at Tournament*

**[Deadline August 31,2021](#)**

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### Social Media Links

For more information about our club click on one of the links below:

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*If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at [swoody@forsythnews.com](mailto:swoody@forsythnews.com) or mobile 678-878-0516.*