

Rotary



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About Rotary

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian service and to advance goodwill and peace around the world. There are 34,282 member clubs worldwide, representing 200 countries and 1.2 million members.

RI President-elect Mark Daniel Maloney's theme for 2019-20, **Rotary Connects the World**, asks Rotarians to strengthen the many ways that Rotary Connects the World, building the connections that allow talented, thoughtful, and generous people to unite and take meaningful action through Rotary service.

Upcoming Programs

Upcoming Virtual Club Meeting-Club Assembly



Our Club Assembly for the new Rotary year will be held on Tuesday. We will inform and equip Club Members about our goals for this Rotary year and introduce the new Rotary theme. Our new President and Board of Directors will officially be installed and we will approve the upcoming year budget. In addition, we will discuss our strategy to have another incredible Rotary year serving our community and fellow Rotarians.

Please join us as we host another virtual club meeting this week and will continue doing so until we are able to gather together in person. Meetings will be from Noon ♦ 1 p.m. so grab your lunch and log into the meeting so we gather together.

To participate, registration is required. For best results, please **COPY** the link below and **PASTE** it into your browser. Upon completion of registration, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. If you are new to using Zoom, we encourage you to connect at 11:45 a.m. on the day of the meeting. If you have any technical problems when connecting, you can call or text Tom Upchurch at 865-250-1141 or Mark Willis at 404-518-1894. Tom and Mark will also be available between now and Tuesday if you would like to do a one-on-one test to make sure you are comfortable connecting. Just let them know if you would like assistance.

Register in advance for this meeting and future meetings. You only need to register once and you will have access to all future virtual club meetings: [zoom.us/meeting/register/upEtcumrpkpZS9PSpzK6C0uYnjcOFo6w](https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/upEtcumrpkpZS9PSpzK6C0uYnjcOFo6w)

Here are some tips from Tom for using Zoom:

1. To see and hear everyone and for everyone to see and hear you, you need a computer linked to the internet, video camera, speakers and microphone (a typical laptop, smart phone or iPad has all this built in). If you don't have speakers and a microphone, you can use your telephone to listen to audio and talk to others while watching visual material on the monitor. If you don't have a video camera, you can still do and see everything except no one will see you.
2. To enter the zoom session click: the meeting link. (if this doesn't open the meeting, copy the address and paste on the browser address line).
3. When the Zoom screen opens click "open Zoom Meetings" as instructed.
4. After a minute or less, you should see some content on the big screen and a little screen will pop up asking which audio you want to use.
5. If you have microphone and speaker on your computer, select "Computer Audio". Then choose "Join with Computer Audio" and you are ready to go. If you don't have a microphone and speaker on your computer, select "Phone Call" Then dial any of the phone numbers that pop up and be prepared to give the meeting ID when asked. Then you can listen to everything on the phone. Be sure to click "done" in the box after you have set up the phone call (I usually write the phone number and meeting ID on a piece of paper in case the phone connection is lost and I have to redial).

Upcoming Programs - Be sure to visit the DACdb calendar to see all upcoming events.



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Youth Services Chair



Mark Willis
iPast President



Brandy Lynn Swanson
Assistant Governor



Birthdays



John Thomas Souter
June 27th



Jennifer S. Hibbard
June 28th



Stacey Zimmermann
July 5th



Joie S. Hain
July 7th



Wayne Ellison
July 11th



Lee R Jordan
July 15th



Tyler Phillips
July 18th



Michael R. Smith
July 21st



Sherwin M. Levinson
July 24th

July 7th - Adam English, General Manager of Gwinnett Strippers - Minor and Professional League Sports in Atlanta as Related to COVID19

July 14th - Olga Kane, Author - Growing Up in the Former Soviet Union

July 21st - Scott Deviney, CEO of Chicken Salad Chick

Recap of last week

Recap of Last Week's Meeting: Kentucky Derby Party!

While COVID-19 has forced the postponement of the 2020 Kentucky Derby, we were still excited to celebrate our efforts in supporting our local charities. Our Club faced many challenges during the COVID19 pandemic and not only did we rise to meet those challenges head on, we successfully raised more money than 2019's event, enabling us to give \$10,550 to our three local charities and \$3,500 to the Rotary Foundation, totaling over \$35K raised! The local organizations share with us how these funds will be used:

Food Finder is an organization that has created an online app to help people find the closest food pantry to them. In 'normal' times, Food Finder assisted 700 to 750 people per day but during COVID19 that number rose to three thousand per day and have connected over 100K people to food assistance during the pandemic alone. Jack Griffin, Founder of Food Finder shared with us that the funds will go to two main purposes - 1. Enabling them to continue to reach and serve our community, bringing awareness with the goal of offering assistance to at least fifty thousand people; and 2. Supporting our local efforts by hiring a local Gwinnett County Public School student to serve as an intern. This student will help with data verification and fundraising activities.



Good Samaritan Health Center of Gwinnett demonstrates the love of Christ by providing quality, affordable primary health care, dental services and counseling. Executive Director, Greg Lang shared with us that they will use our donation to facilitate onsite COVID19 testing and utilize the remainder of funds when they move into their assessment center in the coming months. Currently they are seeing at least 100 people per day and helping underwrite the cost of testing and other medical assistance.



Mosaic of Georgia was founded in 1986 as Gwinnett Rape Crisi to provide support to victims through a crisis line and accompaniment through forensic medial exams (aka 'rape kit' exam). They are a dual services center with specialized services for children, teens and adults, providing free, confidential support and services to victims and survivors of rape, sexual assault and child sexual molestation and abuse - including human sex trafficking. Marina Peed, Executive Director of Mosaic of Georgia shared with us that while the numbers were down during COVID19 during the months of March and April, they have seen a steady increase of cases during May and June which have kept them very busy. Our donation will be used to help keep teams going, enabling them to extend their hours of operation to help others because many parents of victims would otherwise have to take time off from work to seek help. These funds will allow them to continue to provide convenient, high quality care to those in need.



Rotary Foundation - End Polio Now is an international effort to eradicate Polio. Today, there are 61 cases in two countries - Pakistan has 49 and Afghanistan has 12. We must be diligent in our actions and efforts through the Polio Plus Network where testing sites will not only test for Polio, but for COVID19 as well. Ten percent of the Derby earnings will go to End Polio Now. While today, we received notification that Nigeria has been declared Polio-free, we must not let our guard down and continue to fight to where all countries are eradicated.



A special thank you to all of our jockeys and owners. The preliminary race results are in:

1. Gem Dandy - Jeff Alexander/John Gibb
2. Horsey McHorseFace - Scott Jordan/Tyler Phillips
3. Gwinnett's Glory - Terry Swaim/Slade Lail
4. It's Expensive - Wanda Weegar/Jennifer Hendrickson
5. Big Chill - Matthew Holtkamp/Wayne Ellison
6. RED: Rotarians and Extremely Dangerous
7. ShowMeDa Money - Marlon Allen/John Gibb
8. Thunder and Destruction - Robert Thomas/Joe Godfrey
9. Bad to the Bone - Audrey Arona/Layna Weldon
10. Behave Yourself - Shelly Hoffma/Dionita Cornell

Steve McCart shared with us that the Holtkamp Trophy is being awarded to all ten teams for their fundraising efforts during this uncertain time.

Our efforts would not have been successful without our Sponsors:

Presenting Sponsor: Formetco

Run For the Roses Sponsors: Primerca, Proximo Spirits and ViewPoint Health

Trophy Sponsor: Holtkamp Heating & Air

Mint Julep Sponsors: Agrisel USA, Inc.* Andersen Tate & Carr * Atlanta Divorce Law Group * AC & Jan Myers * First Citizens Bank * Buck & Cindy Lindsay * Marbury Creative Group * Jim Pack * Quantum Bank * RocketIT * Victoria Sweeny * Truist * Tom & Joyce Upchurch * Mark & Wendy Willis

Maximum Strength Sponsors: Jeff & Linda Alexander * Community Foundation of Northeast Georgia * Jennifer & Curtis Hendrickson * Lil Family Dentistry * Kelly & Stacy Patterson * Smith & Howard * Standar Press * Wanda & Michael Weegar * White Oak Wealth Management * Scott & Marian Zanardo

2020's Charitable Giving Committee deserves huge recognition for reviewing and determining the recipients of our good works, and they include:

- Paige Havens, Chair
- Audrey Arona
- Elliott Brack
- Dionitia Cornell
- Joe Godfrey
- Louise Radloff
- Anne Soutter
- Terry Swaim
- Mark Willis

President Jennifer Hibbard gives her heart-felt thank you to all members who have contributed to the success of this year's Kentucky Derby Fundraiser and looks forward to being part of the success in helping Terry Swaim make next year even greater!



Program Speakers Needed

Start putting on your thinking caps! Each member needs to think of people in their contacts who might have new and interesting subjects in science, business, education, public-awareness, charities, politics, literature, entertainment, etc. Send speaker suggestions to our new Program Chair, Scott Jordan.

In addition, if you would you like to participate in a roundtable discussion of what our club members have learned about working remotely, please let Scott and Terry know that too. Many thanks in advance for your input!

District Awards

During the District Awards Ceremony, our Club was recognized and received awards in multiple categories. They are:

Rotary Foundation District Service Award ♦ Dr. Tom Upchurch

Award for Exceeding \$100/capita ♦ Jeff Alexander, Foundation Chair

Public Image Citation ♦ Schelly Marlatt

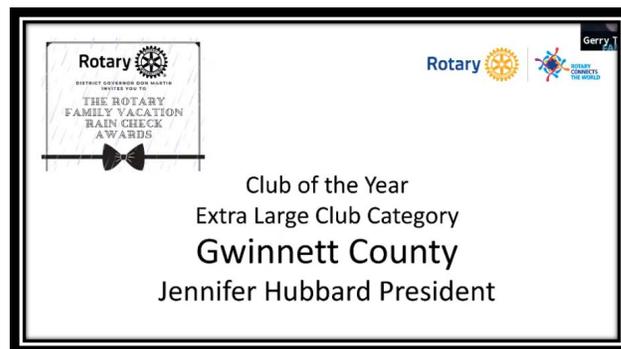
Assistant Governor of the Year Award ♦ Brandy Swanson

Gold Club Status ♦ Rotary District Award ♦ Jennifer Hibbard

RL Panyik Leadership Award ♦ Jennifer Hibbard

CLUB OF THE YEAR ♦ 2nd year in a row!!! (Extra large club category)

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!!!!



Silent Auction & Derby Update

Mark Willis shared with us that \$5,500 was raised through the Silent Auction, and while this isn't the amount we had envisioned raising, it is still considered a huge success. For those who were the highest bidder, winning your item(s), please contact Mark to make arrangements for pickup. He said that they are finalizing numbers, amounts of cash donations, etc. and we plan to present our proceeds to the charities during the June 23rd meeting. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our 3rd Kentucky Derby Fundraiser!

Rotarian of the Month

If you know of a member that deserves to be recognized as Rotarian of the Month, send submissions and recommendations to Terry Swaim.

Mark Your Calendars!



END OF YEAR Party

Wednesday, July 29th at 6pm

AT THE HOME OF AC MYERS
4745 CUYAHOGA COVE | SUWANEE, GA | 30024

PLEASE RSVP AT:
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/ROTARYEOY](https://bit.ly/rotaryeoy)

RSVP here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0445AE92CA20-rotary>

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Gwinnett County
Meets at The 1818 Club

Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM