



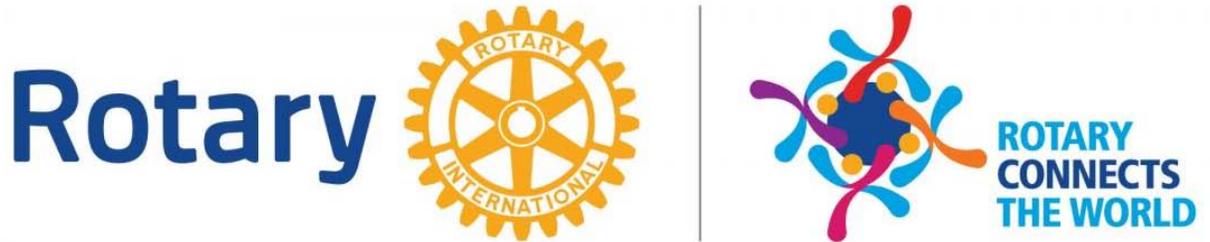
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Club Leaders



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 Rotary Program: Dr. Terry L. Welscher, Citizens Climate Lobby



Dr. Terry L. Welscher retired from Lucent Technologies-Bell Laboratories Engineering Research Center in 2001, as the director of the quality, test, & reliability center. In this position he directed over 100 scientists and engineers in the development and deployment of quality, test and reliability assurance practices across Lucent Technologies business units. Since his retirement has continued to be active as an international consultant, lecturer and instructor.

Dr. Welscher holds a BS in chemistry from Florida State University and a PhD in chemical physics from the University of Texas at Austin. He is author or co-author of over sixty papers in solid state physics, applied mathematics, organic chemistry, electronics reliability, and electrostatics.

Dr. Welscher has been working as a volunteer in climate change advocacy and policy since 2009. He is currently leader of the Gwinnett and Forsyth Chapters of Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL), a non-partisan volunteer climate advocacy group focusing on passing legislation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. He is also co-state coordinator for CCL in Georgia where his focus is building CCL presence in every Congressional District in the state. He makes presentations on climate change and facilitates the start of new CCL chapters with emphasis on the southeastern US. He is also a member of the Sierra Club, the Union of Concerned Scientists, the Chattahoochee Riverkeepers and the South Forsyth Rotary Club.

Terry and his wife Karyl have five adult children and two grandchildren, and have lived in Suwanee, GA since 2003.

Upcoming Programs:

- August 13 - Jason McCarthy - Arbor Pharmaceuticals
- August 20 - Brandy Swanson - Smith And Howard
- August 27 - Donna Hall - Atlanta Journal Constitution



Emanuel Hoffman
Webmaster



Ife Marie Williams
Youth Services Chair



Adam Frangos
Club/District Events Coord - Fellowship Chair



Mark Willis
iPast President



Brandy Lynn Swanson
Assistant Governor

Birthdays



Louise Radloff
August 4th



Chris Dooley
August 7th



Jasper Watkins III
August 10th



Bobby Robinett
August 11th



Joe Godfrey
August 11th



Suleima Salgado
August 21st



Rich Bartolotta
August 24th



Paige W Havens
August 27th

Recap of Last Week

Our Club Assembly was very informative about all the great things our Club is already doing and what is on the horizon. Jennifer shared the theme for the 2019-20 year which is "Rotary Connects the World" and presented our Club-specific goals and priorities. In addition, the Club approved the 2020 fiscal year budget. Jennifer introduced the Club Leadership and each Committee Chair presented their top objectives for the upcoming year, and they are:

Membership-Robert Thomas: Last year, our Club increased its membership by 19 which is a net gain of six. Robert encouraged us to invite someone who would make a great addition to our Club for a meeting. Meeting invitation 'cards' have been created which include our meeting date, time and location, and he encouraged us to use those when inviting prospective members. Reach out to Robert if you would like to get a few to keep handy.

Service Projects-Wanda Weegar: The service projects held last year were very successful and include Kicks 4 Kidz, Bus Driver Appreciation, Great Days of Service, Feed My Starving Children, and the Angel Tree. JA Biz Town and Habitat for Humanity are two additional opportunities that are on the horizon and more information will be forthcoming. Wanda thanked the Club for their contribution whether it was donating money and/or goods, their time or both, and stated that Club participation is the key to the success of our projects.

Youth Services-Ife Williams: Our Interact Clubs are doing well and a great avenue to get students involved in giving their time and talent back to the community. Ife shared the exciting news that Shiloh High School now has an Interact Club. Meadowcreek High School's Club is suspended and the Peachtree Ridge High School Interact Club is in need of a liaison. If you are interested in making a strong impact on the PRHS students, see Ife.

Public Image/Communications-Schelly Marlatt: Public Image is an important component of telling our Club's story about all of the amazing things we are doing in the community. She encouraged everyone to wear their Rotary pin as well as the Rotary Connects the World pin, not only on meeting days but each and every day. They are great conversation pieces. This year's major focus is to increase our Club's social media presence on FaceBook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIn in an effort to reach our followers, prospective members and to keep those members who have not been able to attend meetings up to date. Schelly and her committee will be working on creating a Snapchat lens to promote World Polio Day, our Derby Down South event and more. Don't worry, there will be a Snapchat training soon!

Foundation-Jeff Alexander: Jeff asked for continued support of our Club's Foundation, End Polio Campaign and District Grant. He mentioned that Gwinnett's nine Clubs are collaborating on the End Polio Campaign and there will be an event at PCOM sometime in October. The Foundation and Public Image Committees are working together to create the "We are This Close" Snapchat lens to promote the End Polio Campaign and will share more information soon.

District Grant-Rodney Brundage: Home First Gwinnett Initiative is one of our key areas of focus this year and our Club will furnish two assessment offices which will aid in the effort to assist those in need of housing assistance. Other exciting news is that there are plans to install Peace Poles at Brookwood and Duluth High School as well as on the Lawrenceville Lawn in Downtown Lawrenceville. Members are invited and encouraged to attend these installations to show support for peace in our community.

Fundraising/Charitable Giving-Suleima Salgado: This year, our Club's Charitable Giving has four focus areas and they are Homelessness, Poverty, Food Insecurity and Sex Trafficking. Our annual Derby Down South enables us to give funds to deserving nonprofits. Our grant cycle is open and applications are due by August 28th. If you know of a nonprofit that could benefit from our grant funding, please share this opportunity with them and ask them to apply.

CART Fund-LC Johnson: The Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust (CART) is an initiative that focuses on raising awareness for research funding. The District Governor Challenge asks that each member give at least \$20 towards this important cause. Beginning the second Tuesday of each month, there will be slips at the tables to give and you can either donate in cash or add your donation amount to your Rotary invoice. While this is near and dear to many members, LC asked that we consider giving more than \$20 if able.

Fellowship-Adam Frangos: Last year's fellowship gatherings were a lot of fun and well attended, and Adam thanked everyone for making them a huge success. He announced that on September 21st, John Gibb has invited everyone to his home and the plan is either to roast a pig or have a low-country boil. This is a family event to bring your spouse, significant other and your children to what promises to be a lot of fun! He also mentioned that he is looking into planning a family hike in the North Georgia Mountains on a Saturday so look for those details soon. If you have fellowship ideas, send those his way too.

Rotary Serving Gwinnett-Jennifer Hibbard: Our Club is collaborating with other Gwinnett Clubs on Initiatives, Fellowship, Peace Pole Project, Rotary Means Business and some Service Projects. She also mentioned that there will be a training called "Stewards of Children" that will teach adults to better protect children from sex trafficking predators. This training will be available to our members and once she has more information, she will share that with us.

Our Club has a lot of amazing things going on and it is going to be an exciting year!

New Board Member Induction: Schelly Marlatt was inducted as the Public Image/Communications Chair for 2019-2020.



Rotary Connects the World: Brandy Swanson shared her story about how Rotary connected her to the world. She attended a make up meeting at the Atlanta Rotary Club where she met new people and those connections led her to opportunities of joining District 6900 on a trip to Honduras as well as participating in a Homeless Seep-Out in Atlanta. These experiences changed how she viewed and now views the world. Thank you Brandy for sharing your story with us!



It's Shark Week: Our very own Paige Havens aka Lover of ALL things Shark Week paid a visit to our Club on behalf of the "Guadalupe Rotary Club" where all of the mega sharks live. She thanked our Club for being conservationists and presented gifts to Jennifer Hibbard including an honorary fin to wear. Our Club is the BEST! Happy Shark Week!!



2019-2020 AVENUES OF SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION



NOW ACCEPTING GRANT APPLICATIONS

This year, the Rotary Club of Gwinnett County will accept applications to determine eligible nonprofits to be considered for selection as the charitable recipients of the proceeds raised via the Club's Derby Down South fundraising event to be held May 2, 2020. Three non-profit beneficiaries will be selected to receive grants to support their work in the Gwinnett community specifically focused on addressing poverty, food insecurity, homelessness and human sex trafficking. We ask that members please share this grant application with non-profit organizations that you work closely with that you would like to be considered. Applications will be accepted July 1-August 30, 2019. For questions, please reach out to Paige Havens.

[Application Link](#)

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Meets at The 1818 Club

Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM