



Rotary Opens Opportunities



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF MACON THROBS

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## Changing of Guard Manley to McQueen

### **FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS approved by the Board of Directors**

#### **July**

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| 5  | No Meeting July 4 <sup>th</sup> Holiday                     |             |
| 12 | Georgia Core  | Lynn Durham |
| 19 | No Meeting Church holding Vacation Bible School in facility |             |
| 26 | Singer/Songwriter – American Idol Contestant                | Ryan Mims   |

#### **August**

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| 2  | Blight Panel moderated by Alex Morrison | Wade McCord, JT Ricketson, Everett Verner |
| 9  | Ocmulgee National Park & Preserve       | Seth Clark                                |
| 16 | Macon Mayhem Hockey                     | Charles Olson                             |
| 23 | Birds of Prey & Raptor Preservation     | Pete Griffin                              |
| 30 | Georgia Historic Preservation Updates   | Mark McDonald                             |

#### **September**

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| 6  | No Meeting Labor Day Holiday |             |
| 13 | Mrs. Griffin's BBQ Sauce     | Roland Neel |

# MEETING June 21, 2021

Attendance: 55 In Person and 29 Zoom 64.1%  
CART Collection \$40.11

President Jim Manley rang the bell to open the meeting. Amy Rauls offered the Prayer and led members in Pledge to the flag. President Jim introduced our guests and reviewed members birthdays and anniversaries.

Past President and GRSP Trustee Amy Rauls gave members a GRSP update. The Georgia Rotary Student Program was started in 1948 to promote world peace by offering foreign students a scholarship for one year at a college in the United States. Our Club with the Downtown and North Macon sponsor/share a student each year. There was no student in 2020 due to travel restrictions but this year Laurie from Brazil will be arriving August 5<sup>th</sup> to study at Wesleyan College. Amy encouraged all members to get involved and meet the student.

## Link for Makeup

Please click this link to view the Zoom recording of this meeting. <https://tinyurl.com/yg4fb6oq>  
If you need a makeup for a missed meeting 2 weeks prior or after this meeting viewing the recording will qualify. Once you view, please email Club Administrator, Cecil Coke, <mailto:cecilcoke210@gmail.com> to report your makeup.



CART Brags were plentiful and good

President Jim gave members an update on the change in meeting time. The board at last week's board meeting discussed and approved a change which a large number of members responded positively to on the member survey. The meeting time will move up a half hour, 12 to 1:30. The incoming McQueen board will set the date this is to begin.



President Jim called on Past President Andy Nations to introduce new member Lauren Nations Lanter. Lauren is Co-CEO of Bearings and Drives and will hold the classification Bearings Distribution. President Jim did the formal induction. Please greet and give Lauren a warm Rotary welcome. Andy will be changing his classification to Senior Active Rule of 85.



President Jim called on Cathy Cox, International Service Chair and Board Member, to present Paul Harris Fellow awards to three members.

- Marcus Tripp Paul Harris Fellow +2 unable to attend but will be awarded when in attendance.
- Bob Dickey Paul Harris Fellow +3
- Ron Shipman Paul Harris Fellow +5



President Jim called on Past President George Lee to introduce the speaker for today, Debra Lam. Debra Lam is Managing Director for Smart Cities and Inclusive Innovation at Georgia Tech's Institute for People and Technology. She has over a decade of experience in urban innovation and resilience, strategy, and management, and previously served as Chief Innovation and Performance Officer for the City of Pittsburgh. Lam is a founding leader of the MetroLab Network and serves on their executive steering committee. She's also a World Cities Summit Young Leader, a Leadership Pittsburgh alumnus, and has spoken nationally and internationally on inclusive innovation, performance management, data-driven decision-making, and cultural change

Debra Lam presented members an overview of the Inclusive Innovation program that she founded in Georgia. Innovative Inclusion improves access and opportunities for all in Georgia. It drives innovation and creates opportunities for all to thrive together as part of an innovation ecosystem. It expands opportunities across all demographics.

PIN, Partners for Inclusive Innovation, assists emerging innovators across the state of Georgia. It is a public, private partnership with funds from Georgia, Georgia Tech, and public funds. PIN started in Augusta and has spread to several cities including Macon. Mansfield and Conyers have focused on farms and training a new generation of farmers. The farms are the first in the nation under innovative training.

Students are part of the program and getting them involved in innovation. To learn more about all the avenues for their programs visit their website <https://pingeorgia.org/> or view our meeting recording <https://tinyurl.com/yg4fb6oq>

President Jim closed meeting with members reciting the 4 Way Test.

## Donations to Rotary Foundation and CART

Club members can make donations to The Rotary Foundation or the CART Fund online line using credit cards or EFT. These can be made in memory of, honor of, or personal donations. They can be setup as recurring or one time. Follow these easy steps:

**The Rotary Foundation:** Go to <http://rotary.org/> If you have never signed in you will need to register so it credits your Paul Harris Fellow account and our Club. You may need our District number 6920 and club number 4202. Once registered you can SIGN IN to MY ROTARY then click DONATE button in upper right. Check the area ANNUAL FUND or POLIO PLUS to donate, then just follow easy steps to make payment.

**CART FUND:** <https://mycartfund.org/Login.cfm> follow the online instructions. You will need our **Club number 4202** and **District number 6920**.

## Vocational Spotlight

See <http://maconrotary.com/vocational-spotlight.php> to read more information on Rotarians featured monthly on our website <http://maconrotary.com> If you would like to be included in a Vocational Spotlight, please contact Mike Austin.

## Dates to Remember

July 20

McQueen Board of Directors meeting 6pm Idle Hour Club

## Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events

### Reminder - Makeups can only be used 2 weeks before or after a missed meeting

When requested	Viewing of Monday meeting recorded on Zoom	Request from Jim Manley or Steve Allen
Anytime	Rotary Project or Rotary Committee Meeting	
Anytime	Volunteer at Volunteer Clinic	
	Warming Center	
	Backpack Buddies	

## Club Membership Applications

Our club is using a new online (no paper) membership application. Contact Membership Chair Lynn Murphey <mailto:murphey@kf.org> or any board member or officer or the Club Administrator. All we need is the potential members name and email address to send an application to them for the potential member to complete and submit online.

All members of our club need to think about who would make good Rotarians. There are many classifications that could be filled. If you know of someone check with Kathryn Dennis, Classification Chair first to make sure there are no conflicts with other members. The process is easy and rewarding to bring in new members.

## [www.maconrotary.com](http://www.maconrotary.com)

### Excused Absence

Members have the opportunity to receive a board approved Excused Absence during a long-term family, health, or business crisis. When a member realizes they have a situation that will keep them from attending Monday meetings for an extended period they can contact the Club Administrator or President with the reason. This contact needs to be immediate and not after the crisis. The board can approve a beginning and ending date and attendance is excused on club and district level. Short term absences are best made up online as indicated below.

## HOW TO MAKE UP MISSED MEETINGS

Please make up missed meetings to help our club's attendance percentage rank with District 6920 and Rotary International. Our attendance is reported each month to the district and is required to be reported before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month. **Members are required to maintain an attendance average of 60%.**

Missed meetings must be made up **14 days before or after the meeting you miss**, it is in our club's Constitution!

You can make up from the comfort of your home or office online at <http://rotaryclubone.org/> They will email a notice of the makeup to the Club Administrator and you will be credited.

When you make up using the **Zoom link** of our meetings listed in meeting summary above or makeup in person at another club please send an email immediately afterwards to the Club Administrator, [cecilcoke210@gmail.com](mailto:cecilcoke210@gmail.com) so your makeup can be recorded. Do not expect the club where you make up to report to our club.