



Homewood Keynotes 03.14.2024

Speaker

Rachael Dollins, Attorney

"How to plan for when you do not die.

Making a Living Will aka Health Care Directive."

Homewood Rotarian, Rachael Dollins, will share with us the importance of having a Living Will.

March is a busy month!

- We kicked off with our St Patrick's Day fundraiser at Valley Hotel on Saturday, March 2. To date, funds raised total \$45,000 with expectations of that number possibly being finalized at \$46,000. Expenses will likely be finalized at around \$15,000.
- On Thursday, March 7, club members occupied a table at the Assistance League of Birmingham's One Starry Night at The Club. We gathered some great ideas for our St Patrick's Day auction line-up!
- Saturday, March 9, found Courtney Miller, Jo-Ann Bradley and Jennifer Kyle attending District Grants Training.
- Rotaract of Birmingham hosted a Brews and Beats social on Sunday, March 10 at Monday Night Brewing. Mary Lou Reynolds and Jennifer Kyle represented Homewood Rotary and continued to make connections to recruit Rotaractors who will be seeking a Rotary Club as they age out of Rotaract.
- And...check out 2 additional service projects next week highlighted in this bulletin!

SERVICE PROJECT #1 - Thursday, March 21 at Assistance League of Birmingham, 1755 Oxmoor Road

We'll meet at ALB at noon for lunch and to help:

- restock Operation School Bell inventory - we have experience doing this!
- bring spring/summer clothes out of the storage UNIT and into the intake area - "requires muscles"
- take clothes out of bins and put on hangers - requires knowing how to hang up your clothes!

ALB volunteers have been working hard to remove all the fall and winter garments and replace them with spring and summer garments. As a result: 12-14 bags of children and adult clothing was donated to Jefferson Co BOE Care Closets and 14+ bags of clothing were donated to the Shelby Baptist Ministry Thrift Store.

NONE OF THE DONATED CLOTHES ARE BEING WASTED!

Additional opportunity: If you'd like to learn more about Operation School Bell, you may observe ALB in action as children are coming in on Wednesday, March 20 from 9:15-11:00am. Please let Jennifer Kyle know if you would like to be there as an observer so that ALB can be notified.



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Director-At-large

Club Meeting

Homewood
Meets at Homewood
Library Main Auditorium.
Third Thurs service or
social - call 205-566-
8693 for info.

1721 Oxmoor Road
Homewood, AL 35209
Time: Thursday at 12:00
PM

District Leaders

SERVICE PROJECT #2 - Friday, March 22, 9:00am-noon - Ruffner Mountain Nature Preserve

Location: 1214 81st Street South, Birmingham, AL 35206

"We welcome you to join our Volunteer Coordinator and Conservation Director as we tend to the area right outside our main gate. We plan on reinstalling a garden of native plant species in hopes of making a more welcoming entrance into the park! This workday will involve some preparation of the grounds for the native plants to then be planted, as well as some miscellaneous tasks around this area. Thank you in advance for the generosity of your time, and we look forward to accomplishing some great work!"

What to bring: work gloves, water bottle, sunscreen, pruners (if possible)

What to wear: closed-toed shoes, long pants, a long-sleeve shirt

Instructions on how to sign up for the Rotary Club Workday - this is required:

1. Access the volunteer application via this link: <https://jeffcogreenways.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=84223>. This link can be shared to anyone who is expecting to come volunteer. *(Note: Every individual wanting to volunteer must complete this application before signing up for the event).
2. Once this application is submitted, it'll prompt you to a page where a password will be required to submit in order to access the job and shift details. The password is: **RuffnerRotary1977**.
3. After the password is put in, your club members will have access to the shift details for the "Ruffner Mountain Rotary Club Workday" event for which they can sign up by clicking the "Sign Up To Volunteer" button below . There's only one shift from 9:00 am-12:00 pm to select.
4. After all of this is done, a confirmation email will be sent to the applicant with the shift details of the workday!

Save the Date:

Saturday, 4/5, 9am-3pm - District Training Assembly, Gardendale Civic Center (club pays registration)

Breakouts 1A/1B/1C - 10:10 - 11:20

Secretary & Treasurer Roles & Responsibilities

Youth Services: Interact, RYLA & Youth Protection

Engagement & Membership Leads

Breakouts 2A/2B/2C/2D - 12:30-1:45

Secretary & Treasurer: Status, RI compare & Calendars

Public Image

Developing Successful Fundraisers

Leading Your Club Committees

Birthdays: 3/5 Ben Johnson, 3/8 Crystal Lee, Robert Sprain 3/25, Mary Lou Reynolds 3/25

Club Anniversaries: Mike Hathorne 3/25/1999 - 25 years



Mary Grace
Evans
District
Governor

Events

March 20th

Homewood Club Board Meeting (virtual)

March 21st

Homewood Service Project

Speaker: Service project at Assistance League of Birmingham

March 22nd

Homewood Service Project

Speaker: Ruffner Mountain Nature Preserve - Replanting the entrance to the center

March 28th

Homewood Weekly Club Meeting

Speaker: Chuck Holmes

Subject: Alabama Humanities Alliance

April 4th

Homewood Club Assembly

Speaker: Club Assembly

April 11th

Homewood Weekly Club Meeting