

Rotary



Club of Dougherty County (Albany)

Club Meeting

Dougherty County (Albany)
Meets at Austin's Firegrill
2817 Old Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707
Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM



Snow Day In Southwest Georgia!

In case you missed it (how???) last week's meeting was canceled due to SNOW!! You read that correctly, the Dougherty County Rotary Club had to cancel a meeting because it SNOWED!! I hope everyone stayed warm and enjoyed this record-breaking event...here are some pictures of how club members spent their snow day!!

Club Leaders



Robin V. Major
President
President-Elect



Becca Cook
Secretary



Tommy Clark
iPast
President
Treasurer



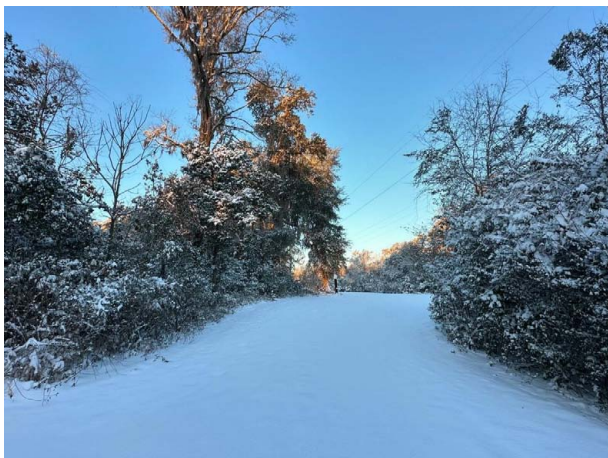
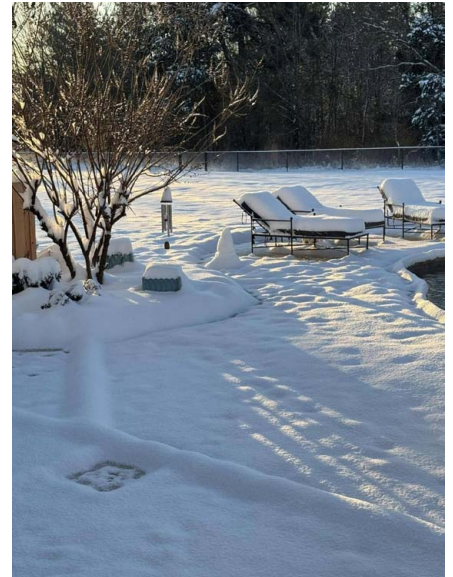
Jessica Zurheide
Public
Relations
Chair



Gayle B. Woolard
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Mary E. Ligon
Club
Executive
Secretary
Club
Service
Chair
Club
Learning
Facilitator



Birthdays

Randi Tatum
January 27th
Mary E. Ligon
February 3rd
W. Clay Chester
February 10th
Heath Allegood
February 11th
William J. Peterson
IV
February 19th
John C.
Funderburk
February 21st
Jennifer Dozier
February 22nd

RSVP Now for Our January Social

The January social is Thursday, 1/30, from 5:30 - 7:30 at Doublegate and RSVPs are needed so plans can be completed because this is hosted by the club. Bring your family to enjoy the fellowship before we have a full month of service activities beginning Saturday with the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build funded by the Rotary Foundation and our three local clubs.

[RSVP for the social now!](#)

[Last Chance to register for SHP bed build on Saturday, 2/1](#)

Service Project: February is a very busy month!

February is a busy service project month for us. In addition to Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed build on Saturday, February 1st, we have our quarterly packing of food boxes at Feeding the Valley on Tuesday, February 25th which will be distributed in our Helping Hands Food Distribution project on Thursday, February 27th. Reserve these dates on your calendar now because we need everyone's participation.

Saturday, 2/1 - Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build 9:00-1:00)- volunteer sign up [here](#)

Tuesday, 2/25 - Feeding the Valley packing food boxes 12:00-2:00) - RSVP [here](#)

Thursday, 2/27 - Helping Hands Food distribution (2:30-5:00) - RSVP [here](#)

And we are back on 1st and 4th Fridays at Alice Coachman to pack rescued food into totes for weekend take home.

Friday, 02/07 - Robin Strickland, Becca Cook, Randi Tatum

Friday, 02/28 - Morgan Carpenter, Becca Cook, Gayle Woolard

Phoebe Living and Learning Community Tour



We have been invited to tour Phoebe's new Living and Learning Community on Thursday, March 20th at 12:00pm. Please RSVP using the link below if you plan to attend!

[Tour the Living and Learning Community - RSVP](#)

Service Project: Helping Hands Volunteers for Upcoming Dates

Upcoming service days and volunteers:

Friday, 02/07 - Robin Strickland, Becca Cook, Randi Tatum

Friday, 02/28 - Morgan Carpenter, Becca Cook, Gayle Woolard

Friday, 03/07 - Robin Strickland, Randi Tatum Gayle Woolard
Friday, 03/28 - Robin Strickland, Becca Cook, Amber Chilson

Arrive at Alice Coachman by 12:30.

Please find your own replacement and notify teammates.

Take pictures of the packing activity for social media. A 10 second video would be great! Wear your Rotary shirt!

Happy Happy Birthday!!



January is here! What better way to show a fellow Rotarian that you care by wishing them a Happy Birthday!!

Sonya Spalinger – January 2nd
Mary Bickerstaff – January 3rd
Morgan Carpenter – January 19th
Joseph Watkins – January 20th
Randi Tatum – January 27th

Laws of Life

It is that time of the year - essay judging season is just around the corner! As a Rotary Club Contest Sponsor, our club members are invited to participate in the judging process which will kick off with the essay due date of February 10, 2025.

School-Level Essay Judge overview:

- Essay Judges in teams of three are assigned 30 to 48 essays from one or more high schools one week prior to their Team meeting.
- It should take about three hours of your time to read and score assigned essays over a one-week period.
- All scoring should be submitted 48 hours before your Team Meeting.
- On the day of your Team Meeting, teams use **GoTo** to meet and select school-level winners and Honorable Mentions.

If you wish to be an Essay Judge:

Complete the [Volunteer Sign-Up Form](#) at your earliest convenience:

1. Choose your training option
2. Sign Up for your team at the [Essay Judge Team Meeting Sign Up Genius](#)

- Once completed, you will receive a Google calendar invite for your training session.
- We urge everyone to attend the training.
- If you cannot attend, a recording of the training session will be made available following the session.

Events

January 30th, 5:30-7:30 PM

[Dougherty County \(Albany\) Monthly Social](#)

February 4th, 12:00-1:00 PM

[Dougherty County \(Albany\) Weekly Club Meeting](#)

February 11th, 12:00-1:00 PM

[Dougherty County \(Albany\) Weekly Club Meeting](#)

February 1st, 8:30-12:30 PM

[Service Project: Sleep in Heavenly Peace](#)

February 7th, 12:30-1:30 PM

[Service Project: Helping Hands Food Packing](#)

February 18th, 11:00-12:00 PM

[Dougherty County \(Albany\) Monthly Board Meeting](#)

February 18th, 12:00-1:00 PM

Dougherty County (Albany) Weekly Club Meeting

February 25th, 5:00-7:30 PM

Dougherty County (Albany) Monthly Social

February 25th, 12:00-2:00 PM

Service Project: Feeding the Valley