

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



Club Leaders



[Robin V. Major](#)
President



[Becca Cook](#)
Secretary



[Tommy Clark](#)
iPast President
Treasurer



[William J. Peterson IV](#)
Membership Chair



[Jessica Zurheide](#)
Public Relations Chair



[Gayle B. Woolard](#)
Rotary Foundation
Chair



[Mary E. Ligon](#)
Club Executive
Secretary
Club Service Chair
Club Learning
Facilitator

Birthdays

Kerri B Keffe
August 29th
Smith Wilson
August 29th
Becca Cook
August 30th

Helping Mamas

Rotarians Robin Major, Katie Wright, and Liz Knight assisted fellow Rotarian Patrice Williams,

Director of Helping Mamas Albany, with her organization's mobile distribution! Their efforts helped serve 448 women and children with over 6,600 diapers and over 3,700 feminine products!! Thank you to those who volunteered their time to make a difference in our community, you embody what the spirit of Rotary is all about!



RSVP for our BIG day!!

If you haven't already marked your calendar, take out a red pen!! Tuesday, August 27th is a busy day full of great opportunities and fellowship for our club! Our District Governor, Gordon Owens, will be here visiting with our Club and participating in our various events throughout the day. Let's show him what sets our club apart from the rest!

- We have the opportunity to pack food boxes and other services at Feeding the Valley food

bank from 12:00 - 2:00. Boxed lunches will be ordered, please [RSVP here for lunch as a volunteer](#) for a proper head count! Our service has a great impact on our community, come enjoy the fellowship and know you are making a difference to those in need of food.

- We are excited to meet for our monthly social later that event at 5:00pm at Pretoria Fields! District Governor Gordon Owners will join us for pizza, beer, soft drinks, fellowship, and some fun! Socials are a great way to get to know your fellow club members outside of a weekly meeting. Come unwind after a long day with your friends, families welcome!

8/13 Meeting Update



Last week we had the pleasure of hearing from Matt Atkins about one of his many passions, Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Sleep In Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a volunteer-driven nonprofit dedicated to building and delivering hand-made, fully furnished beds to children in need. SHP's mission is to tackle childhood bedlessness, which is estimated to affect nearly 3% of the population. That means in the service area of the Albany Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace, around 3,500 children do not have beds.

We want to thank Matt for sharing his passion with us. Our club is very excited about the opportunities to partner and volunteer with SHP in the near future!

Pictured L-R: Mary Ligon - Club Service Chair, Marr Atkins - Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Robin Major - Club President.

Upcoming Meeting 8/27

Tiffany Terrell is the founder of a Better Way Grocers, a mobile grocery store initiative she started in 2017. Recognizing the need for better food access in local food deserts, she created this concept to bring nutritious food directly to communities in southwest Georgia.

Using a retrofitted school bus as a one-aisle grocery store, Terrell and her team offer reasonably priced, healthy food options. They also provide health education to help address chronic food-related



education to help address chronic food-related illnesses such as diabetes, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol.

This inspiring project makes a real difference in our community, and we are excited to hear more. Don't miss Tiffany Terrell at tomorrow's meeting!



Can't Make It In Person? We Still Want to See You!

Great news! For those who cannot attend in person, we now offer the option to join the meeting virtually via Zoom. Of course, we still want to see your smiling face in person, but if life is getting in the way that do, zoom in and don't miss!

[Zoom Meeting Link 8/20](#)

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Becca Cook: Class of 2024



Help us congratulate our fellow Rotarian Becca Cook who has been selected as a member of the Leadership Albany Class of 2024!

Becca is an Executive Assistant at Colony Bank and a bank leader at Colony Leadership Academy. Becca provides high-level administrative support and assistance to the CEO and other executives on her team.

She provides the same level of support and assistance in her role of Secretary for the Rotary Club of Dougherty County!

We appreciate the time and effort Becca puts into making sure our club runs smoothly, help us celebrate and wish her the very best! Congratulation Becca!

Happy Happy Birthday!

What better way to show a fellow Rotarian you care than wishing them a Happy Birthday!



August Birthdays:

Merrit Garnto - August 2nd
Kerri Keefe - August 29th
Smith Wilson - August 29th
Becca Cook - August 30th



Events

August 20th, 12:00-1:00 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) Weekly Club Meeting**](#)
August 27th, 11:00-12:00 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) Board Meeting**](#)
August 27th, 12:00-2:00 PM
[**Service Project: Feeding the Valley**](#)
August 30th, 12:30-1:30 PM
[**Service Project: Helping Hands Food Packing**](#)
September 10th, 12:00-1:00 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) Weekly Club Meeting**](#)

August 23rd, 12:30-1:30 PM
[**Service Project: Helping Hands Food Packing**](#)
August 27th, 11:00-2:00 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) - DG Gordon Owens Visit**](#)
August 27th, 5:00-7:30 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) Monthly Social**](#)
September 6th, 12:30-1:30 PM
[**Service Project: Helping Hands Food Packing**](#)
September 17th, 11:00-12:00 PM
[**Dougherty County \(Albany\) Board Meeting**](#)