

Rotary

Club of Forsyth County (Cumming)



Speakers

May 2, 2024:
GRSP Student
Pedro and Laws of
Life essays,
courtesy of Denise
Leeson

May 9, 2024:
Challenged
Scholarship
Presentations

May 16, 2024:
PJ Girvan,
Cumming Police
Department
update, courtesy of
Denise Leeson

May 23, 2024:
Laurie Cole,
Children's
Healthcare of
Atlanta, courtesy
of Julie Brennan

May 30, 2024:
Pepe Fundora,
courtesy of Julie
Brennan

June 6, 2024:
Hattie Hunter,
Integrated
Leadership Skills,
courtesy of Jane
Ahearn

The following dates are currently open for programs. If your name is beside the date, you are responsible for finding a speaker for that date. Please let

Club Meeting

Forsyth County (Cumming)
Meets at FoCAL Center
1150 Dahlonega Hwy.
Cumming, GA 30040
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Officially reported Polio cases (as of April 25, 2024)

** there is a week lag in reporting*

Wild poliovirus (WPV)

Total global WPV1 cases in 2023: 12

Total global WPV1 cases in 2024: 4 (compared with 1 for the same period in 2023)

Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV) cases

Total global cVDPV cases in 2023: 523

Total global cVDPV cases in 2024: 22 (compared with 62 for the same period in 2023)

Upcoming Events:

Dine for the Cause! Tuesday, **May 7**, 5 to 9 p.m. at Meadows Woodfire Grill. 20% of proceeds will be donated to serve the children and youth in Mentor Me North Georgia community-based programs. Reservations are encouraged - go to www.meadowgrill.com.

Boys & Girls Club Mulch Day! Saturday - **May 11**, 9:30 a.m. at the new Boys & Girls Club at 2150 Antioch Road. Members, spouses and hard-working off-spring are welcome and encouraged to come out! Shovels, rakes and wheelbarrows are needed as well!**Club Social:** Tuesday, **May 14**, 5:30 p.m., Mike Smith's house.

District Assembly! Saturday - **May 18**, Breakfast & Check-in @ 7:30 a.m. - Classes from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Empower College & Career Center in Jefferson, GA. **Registration ends May 11.** You may register on DacDB or the District website. This is a great way for new members to learn more about Rotary and ways you might get involved.

Walk for Recovery! Sunday - **May 19**, registration begins at 2:30 p.m. at the Cumming City Center.

*** If you have any upcoming events that you would like to see in the bulletin, please reach out to Stephanie Woody at swody@forsythnews.com.**

Rotary International Monthly Themes:

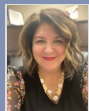
MONTH	THEME
May	Youth Service
June	Rotary Fellowships

Stephanie Woody know as soon as you have someone confirmed:

June 13: OPEN
June 20: OPEN
July 11: OPEN
July 18: OPEN
July 25: OPEN

If you are not able to come up with a program, or need help, please let Stephanie Woody know ASAP. Once you have your program set, please also let Stephanie Woody know at swoody@forsythnews.com. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Club Leaders



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Laws of Life Contest
Chair



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Sergeant-at-Arms



Taylor H. Rice
Charities Chair

This week in history

1918

GM buys Chevrolet

On May 2, 1918, General Motors Corporation (GM), which will become the world's largest automotive firm, acquires Chevrolet Motor Company. GM had been founded a decade earlier by William C. "Billy" Durant, a former carriage maker from Flint, Michigan, whose Durant-Dort Carriage Company had taken control of the ailing Buick Motor Company. On September 16, 1908, Durant incorporated Buick into a new entity, General Motors, which by the end of that decade had welcomed other leading auto manufacturers including Oldsmobile, Cadillac and Oakland into its fold. In 1910, with GM struggling financially, stockholders blamed Durant's aggressive expansionism and forced him out of the company he founded. In November 1911, he launched Chevrolet Motor Company, named for his partner, the Swiss race car driver Louis Chevrolet. Still the owner of a considerable portion of GM stock, Durant began to purchase more shares in the company as his profits from Chevrolet allowed. In a final move to regain control, Durant offered GM stockholders five shares of Chevrolet stock for every one share of GM stock. Though GM stock prices were exorbitantly high, the market interest in Chevrolet made the five-for-one trade irresistible to GM shareholders. With the sale, concluded on May 2, 1918, Durant regained control of GM. Just two years later, however, he was pushed out for good by Pierre S. DuPont, whose family's powerful chemical company had begun investing in the fledgling auto industry by buying GM stock in 1914. Pierre DuPont subsequently rose to the chairmanship of GM's board and became president in 1920. In an agreement made that same year, DuPont paid off all of Durant's debt; in exchange, the controversial founder left the company. Durant refused to bow out of the automotive industry, however, founding Durant Motors in 1921 and producing a line of cars for the next decade. The onset of the Great Depression in the early 1930s put an end to Durant's career in cars, and he threw his entrepreneurial energy behind a string of bowling alleys located near the Buick complex in Flint, Michigan. When this venture failed as well, Durant faded from the public eye. He died on March 18, 1947, at the age of 85, just weeks before the passing of another automotive pioneer: Henry Ford.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Rotary Club of Forsyth County

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For more information about our club click on one of the links below:

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[Instagram](#)

If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at swoody@forsythnews.com or mobile 678-878-0516.



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Youth Services Chair



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