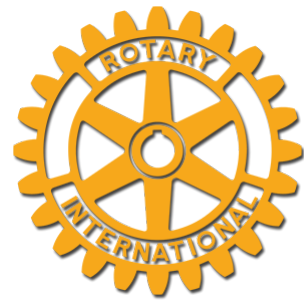


Rotary

Club of Forsyth County (Cumming)



Speakers

Nov. 24, 2022

HAPPY THANKSGIVING, NO MEETING

Dec. 1, 2022

program courtesy of Dennis Gravitt

Dec. 8, 2022

Mike McGhee, full-time adventure seeker through cycling and hiking, courtesy of Steven Kronenberg

Dec. 15, 2022

Director of Tourism for Discover FOCO, Joni Buford, courtesy of Julie Brennan

Dec. 22, 2022

NO MEETING, Merry Christmas!

Dec. 29, 2022

NO MEETING, Happy New Year!

Jan. 5, 2023

Dr. Steven Smith, VP of Regional Campuses, UNG, courtesy of Tyler Dominy

Jan. 12, 2023

Football Pool Finale, courtesy of Denton Ashway

Jan. 19, 2023

OPEN

Jan. 26, 2023

Slade Gullidge, Vice President of Economic Development, Forward Forsyth

The following

Club Meeting

Forsyth County (Cumming)
Meets at the FoCAL Center
1150 Dahlonega Hwy.
Cumming, GA 30040
Time: Thursday from 12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

(Use entrance off Pilgrim Road, third left from Hwy. 9, then take first right, 1150 is the first building.)

This Week in History

1849

John Froelich, inventor of the gas-powered tractor, is born

John Froelich, the inventor of the first internal-combustion traction motor, or tractor, is born on November 24, 1849, in Iowa.

At the end of the 19th century, Froelich operated a grain elevator and mobile threshing service: Every year at harvest time, he dragged a crew of hired hands and a heavy steam-powered thresher through Iowa and the Dakotas, threshing farmers' crops for a fee.

His machine was bulky, hard to transport and expensive to use, and it was also dangerous: One spark from the boiler on a windy day could set the whole prairie afire. So, in 1890, Froelich decided to try something new: Instead of that cumbersome, hazardous steam engine, he and his blacksmith mounted a one-cylinder gasoline engine on his steam engine's running gear and set off for a nearby field to see if it worked.

It did: Froelich's tractor chugged along safely at three miles per hour. But the real test came when Froelich and his team took their new machine out on their annual threshing tour, and it was a success there, too: Using just 26 gallons of gas, they threshed more than a thousand bushels of grain every day (72,000 bushels in all). What's more, they did it without starting a single fire.

In 1894, Froelich and eight investors formed the Waterloo Gasoline Traction Engine Company. They built four prototype tractors and sold two (though both were soon returned). To make money, the company branched out into stationary engines (its first one powered a printing press at the Waterloo Courier newspaper). Froelich was more interested in farming equipment than engines more generally, however, and he left the company in 1895.

Waterloo kept working on its tractor designs, but between 1896 and 1914 it sold just 20 tractors in all. In 1914, the company introduced its first Waterloo Boy Model "R" single-speed tractor, which sold very well: 118 in 1914 alone. The next year, its two-speed Model "N" was even more successful. In 1918, the John Deere plow-manufacturing company bought Waterloo for \$2,350,000.

<https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/john-froelich-inventor-of-the-gas-powered-tractor-is-born>

Upcoming Events:

dates are currently open for programs:

- Jan. 19
- Feb. 2
- Feb. 9
- Feb. 16
- Feb. 23

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 swody@forsythnews.com. Your help is greatly appreciated!

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Dec. 4: Annual Christmas Party

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
November	The Rotary Foundation
December	Disease Prevention and Treatment
January	Vocational Service
February	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
March	Water and Sanitation
April	Maternal and Child Health
May	Youth Service
June	Rotary Fellowships

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

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



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