

# Rotary Club of Gainesville Newsletter



## Meeting Location:

First Baptist Church Banquet Hall  
751 Green Street  
Monday at 12:30 PM  
Lunch begins serving at Noon  
Founded in 1923

## Links:

[Club Website](#)  
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## Club Leaders



[Ron G. Quinn](#)  
President



[Christina D. Jones](#)  
President-Elect



[Marsha Hopkins](#)  
President-Nominee



[Joey Tripp](#)  
Secretary



[Zachary T. Propes](#)  
Treasurer



[Julia Gesch Hayes](#)  
Membership Director



[William D. Lee](#)  
Membership Vice Director



[Lindsay Allison](#)  
Public Image Vice Director

## Lane Walberg - CEO and President of the Georgia Mountains YMCA



Lane Walberg became the President and CEO of the Georgia Mountains YMCA in October 2022. He is the former Senior Vice President of Operations of the YMCA of Memphis & The Mid-South. His Y career spans 21 years, including experience at all levels of leadership in various sized YMCA associations, including: Memphis, Tennessee, Jackson, Mississippi, Charlotte, North Carolina, and St. Petersburg, Florida.

When asked what he's most excited about regarding the Y, Walberg said "I'm not sure I can choose one area to be most excited about. There are so many areas of service to be excited about in the future. We have the privilege to serve thousands of children, families and members through our Afterschool program, Early Learning Centers, and at the J.A. Walters Family YMCA. With so many miles of waterfront in Hall County, I do think it's important we continue to equip all our youth with the life skill of water safety and swimming."

Lane earned a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Business Administration and Management from Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi. He is a former Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Collierville, Tennessee and is a huge Tennessee Vols fan!

Lane and his wife, Mary Kate, have seamlessly transitioned to Northeast Georgia and are enjoying all Gainesville has to offer.



Carol M. Colón  
Club Administration  
Director



Robert E. Cuttino Jr  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Jon Peterson  
Rotary Foundation  
Director



Michele L. Rasmussen  
Public Image Director



Kathleen Owen  
Club Administration  
Vice Director



Chris Davis  
Service Projects  
Director



Liz Coates  
Youth Services Vice  
Director



Jennifer Tarnowski  
Youth Services  
Director



Mike McGraw  
iPast President

## Paul Harris Fellow Recognitions and GRSP Will Watt Fellow and Hue Thomas Fellow Recognitions

The  
**Rotary**  
Foundation



### MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW RECOGNITIONS

PRESENTED BY  
**JON PETERSON**  
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR



### WILL WATT FELLOW AND HUE THOMAS FELLOW RECOGNITIONS



PRESENTED BY  
**MARTHA ZOLLER**  
GRSP  
FOUNDATION BOARD  
DIRECTOR

## Annual Rotary-Kiwanis Golf Tournament - May 16, 2024 Update



Annual Rotary-Kiwanis  
Golf Tournament

2024 Rotary-Kiwanis Golf Tournament  
Honoring  
CHARLIE THURMOND & TOM PARIS  
Chattahoochee Golf Club - Thursday, May 16, 2024  
1:00pm Shotgun Start



### Update from Todd Ferguson, Golf Tournament Chair:

We have filled our volunteer positions. Thank you!

Our 50/50 Raffle club goal is **\$9,000**, and we are currently at **\$6,620**. We need to raise an additional **\$2,380** to reach our Raffle goal.

A graphic featuring several pink raffle tickets with the word "TICKET" and numbers like "04016" and "683151" visible. The background is purple with yellow geometric shapes.

**YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR  
GOLF TOURNAMENT BY  
PURCHASING 50/50  
RAFFLE TICKETS!**

**TICKETS ARE \$20 EACH,  
OR YOU CAN PURCHASE  
6 TICKETS FOR \$100.**

A small portrait of Todd Ferguson, a man in a dark suit and red tie, with his arms crossed.

Todd Ferguson, Golf Tournament Chair  
770-654-5672 or [tferguson@jtstratford.com](mailto:tferguson@jtstratford.com)



Future Program on May 20, 2024 - Gainesville Game Changer Program featuring Abit Massey

# ROTARY CLUB OF GAINESVILLE

## Game Changer Program



May 20, 2024

12:00 pm

**FEATURING  
ABIT MASSEY**



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We are anticipating a large crowd for our final 2023-2024 Gainesville Game Changer Program featuring **Abit Massey**. The deadline for RSVPs will be Wednesday, May 15th at noon. Please reply to [carolcolon.rotary@gmail.com](mailto:carolcolon.rotary@gmail.com) with the names of all guests who will be attending. The final guest list will be submitted to Governor Kemp's office on Wednesday afternoon, so don't forget to RSVP.

## May is Youth Services Month

# MAY IS YOUTH SERVICES MONTH

*"Leadership is  
not about the  
next election,  
it's about the  
next  
generation."*

~ Simon Sinek



**Rotary**  
District 6910

[rotarydistrict6910.org](http://rotarydistrict6910.org)

[@rotarydistrict6910](https://www.instagram.com/rotarydistrict6910)

May is Rotary's Youth Services Month. Let's celebrate the opportunities Rotary gets to connect with youth!


## Upcoming Schedule

**Rotary**  
Club of Gainesville



**UPCOMING EVENTS  
SCHEDULE**

<b>MAY 16</b>	Annual Rotary/Kiwanis Golf Tournament Chattahoochee Golf Club - 1:00 pm
<b>MAY 20</b>	11:00 am BOD Meeting "Game Changer Program" featuring Abit Massey
<b>MAY 25</b>	Midland Music Fest Outdoors at the Smithgall ARTS CENTER Gates open at 5:00 pm
<b>MAY 27</b>	NO MEETING Memorial Day Holiday



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## Birthdays



[Ashley M. Carter](#)  
May 15th



[David H. Stanley](#)  
May 17th

### Wedding Anniversaries



[Kate Sievert Cook](#)  
May 15th

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