



# Rotary



## The Rotary Club of Macon

### ♥THROBS

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**May 22, 2023**  
**Spring Picnic!**

On Monday, May 22 we will not have our regular meeting at the church, but be sure to join us at 6:00pm at the Hay House for our annual Spring Picnic. If you have not yet sent in your RSVP, please respond no later than May 19, by clicking this link: <https://tinyurl.com/2or28we7>

### Link for Zoom Recording

Click here to view the recording of our May 8 meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/2pypy9yk>. Zoom works well for recording most of our meetings but is not ideal for music, so this recording does not do justice to the musicians who performed today.

### FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS approved by the Board of Directors:

#### May, 2023

29 No meeting – Memorial Day

#### June, 2023

5 Cultural Trifecta: Murals & Melody  
12 Update on Wesleyan College  
(note: meeting at Wesleyan)  
19 No Meeting  
26 Changing of the Guard

Jamie Gaudet  
Meaghan Blight, President

#### July, 2023

3 No Meeting – Independence Day holiday  
17 Piedmont Health Update

Steve Daugherty, CEO of Piedmont Health



## MEETING May 15, 2023

Attendance: 57

57.3% - 54 in person, 17 Zoom, plus 24 guests

CART \$55.76

Club Membership 143

Former President George Lee officiated the meeting for President Susan, who was called for jury duty. After ringing the bell, he gave a special thanks to Cam Bishop, who filled in for Jackie Riley as piano player and would also be accompanying some of the musicians in the program.

Kaleigh Borck (one of the Morning Music Club's Maerz Award winners) then came forward to sing the Pledge of Allegiance and received a hearty ovation. Kathryn Dennis offered today's prayer.

George then welcomed our many guests, who were mostly members of the Macon Music Club or family of the performers. He offered birthday wishes to Charlie Jay, whose birthday is today, and Keisha Callins who celebrates tomorrow. Upcoming birthdays through June 4 are George McCanless, Seth Clark, Ron Freeman, Lori Palmer, Jeff Ruggieri, and Kris Vaughn. Club anniversaries include Robert Bowen, Jeff Ruggieri, Kathy McCollum, Lima McGuire, Jim Manley (16 years), Fred Morgan (22 years), Nancy White (26 years), Marshall Butler (29 years), and Milton Heard (28 years).

He then reminded the club that Macon Bacon Rotary night is June 17 (RSVP link follows below). We will not meet at the church next Monday but will have our Spring Picnic at the Hay House from 6:00pm. Ethiel Garlington came up to give more details on the party, which includes barbecue and live music. Monday, May 29 is Memorial Day so we will not meet that day.

It was then time for CART brags, and George explained to the guests that this stands for Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust. A lot of good brags followed, including these:



The club was then treated to a special performance by the three winners of the Morning Music Club's Maerz Award. They were introduced by George Lee, who puts this program together every year. It's one of the most widely anticipated. The club is grateful to George for his efforts.



The performers were as follows:

KALEIGH BORCK (Maerz Judges' Discretionary Runner-up Award Winner) is the daughter of Kevin and Christal Borek who enjoys playing guitar, acting and writing. She is a senior at the Academy for Classical Education (ACE), where she is active in ACE Music and Theatre; participating in spring musicals, as well as being an active member the ACE Singers Advanced Choir and the International Thespian Society. Kaleigh finds love in singing, and recently received a first-place award in the girl's solo category at the GHSA State Literary competition. She plans on pursuing studies in Environmental Science and Music at Middle Georgia State University (MGSU) and wants to continue performing. Kaleigh is a student of Delaine Crutchfield.

AUSTIN CARTER (Joyce Martin Award Winner) is the son of Austin and Karen Carter and is a senior at Macon's Academy for Classical Education (ACE). In addition to participating in the ACE High School Orchestra, Austin is also the only double bassist in the Atlanta Youth Wind Symphony. Most recently, he served as principal bassist of the 11th and 12th grade full orchestra at GMEA All-State. He was also the runner-up at the Augusta Symphony Orchestra Youth Concerto Competition, Senior Division. In the field of composition, he has been selected as winner of the GMEA Student Composition Contest and as one of three participants in the newly founded Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Four Seasons Composition Challenge. Austin plans to attend college and major in double bass performance. Austin is a student of Dr. Nahee Song.

ELINOR FENIMORE (Joseph Maerz Award Winner) is the daughter of Rob and Monica Fenimore (her accompanist) and is a senior at Stratford Academy. She is the president of both the Drama Club and the Georgia Thespians Troupe 2716. She has performed in many school and community theatre productions at Stratford, Theatre Macon and Macon Little Theatre (MLT). Elinor is busy - having played Ms. Hannigan in Stratford Theatre's *Annie* last month and this week she is playing #14 in *The Wolves* at MLT for a number of performances. Elinor's greatest passion is performing, and she plans to pursue a BFA in Musical Theatre at the college level this fall. Elinor is a student of Marie Roberts.

JUDGES for the 2023 Morning Music Club's Maerz Scholarship Competition were:  
Dr. Lev Ryabinin, GCSU piano; Else Allen, GCSU Flute, and Dr. Rebecca Lanning, MGSU voice.

Kaleigh Borck began the program, accompanied by Cam Bishop on piano. She showed the range of her vocal talents by performing two classical pieces and two from Broadway plays.



Kaleigh was followed by Austin Carter, winner of the Joyce Martin Award, on double bass. All were classical pieces; the first two were accompanied by Cam Bishop on piano and the third was a solo, Bach's *Minuet from Cello Suite No. 1*.



The third and final performer was Elinore Fenimore, winner of the Joseph Maerz Award. Elinore is a vocalist and was accompanied on piano by her mother, Monica Fenimore. Elinore dazzled the audience with two classical pieces and two from Broadway.



All three performers received standing ovations. As always, the meeting ended with recitation of the Four Way Test.



# Rotary at the Macon Bacon!

The Downtown Club has organized a special event for June 17. Join District Governor Heather Kellen and fellow Rotarians for a night of fun and baseball. We'll have a special section, and a Rotarian will even throw out the first pitch! It's also Hawaiian Night, so grass skirts are permitted (though not encouraged). Tickets are \$17 each and that includes all-you-can-eat hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches and more. You'll also get a Macon Bacon hat.

If you haven't signed up previously, PLEASE let Steve Allen ([steve@eggmedia.com](mailto:steve@eggmedia.com)) know if you want to attend, so we can submit a head count as soon as possible.



## Donate to Rotary Foundation and CART

Club members can make donations to The Rotary Foundation or the CART Fund online line using credit cards or EFT. These can be made in memory of, honor of, or personal donations. They can be setup as recurring or one-time. Follow these easy steps:

**The Rotary Foundation:** Go to <https://rotary.org/> If you have never signed in you will need to register so it credits your Paul Harris Fellow account and our club. You may need our District number 6920 and club number 4202. Once registered you can SIGN IN to MY ROTARY then click DONATE button in upper right. Check the area ANNUAL FUND, DISASTER RELIEF FUND, or POLIO PLUS to donate, then just follow easy steps to make payment.

**CART FUND:** <https://mycartfund.org/Login.cfm> follow the online instructions. You will need our **Club number 4202** and **District number 6920**.

## Vocational Spotlight

See <http://maconrotary.com/vocational-spotlight.php> to read more information on Rotarians featured monthly on our website <http://maconrotary.com> If you would like to be included in a Vocational Spotlight, please contact Cater Thompson [cater.thompson@jonescork.com](mailto:cater.thompson@jonescork.com).

## Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events

### Reminder - Makeups can only be used two weeks before or after a missed meeting

May 8, 2023	Malcolm Burgess Golf Classic, The Brickyard
Anytime	Rotary Project or Rotary Committee Meeting
Anytime	Volunteer at Macon Volunteer Clinic
Viewing of Monday meeting recorded on Zoom - See current or past Throbs link	

## HOW TO MAKE UP MISSED MEETINGS

Please make up missed meetings to help our club's attendance percentage rank with District 6920 and Rotary International. Our attendance is reported each month to the district and is required to be reported before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month. **Members are required to maintain an attendance average of 60%.** Missed meetings must be made up **14 days before or after the meeting you miss.**

See list above of approved makeups. You can make up from the comfort of your home or office online at <http://rotaryclubone.org/> They will email a notice of the makeup to the Club Administrator and you will be credited. Also,

attendance at another Rotary Club is a good option when you are traveling!

When you make up using the **Zoom link** of our meetings listed in meeting summary above or makeup in person at another club please send an email immediately afterwards to the Club Administrator, [steve@eggmedia.com](mailto:steve@eggmedia.com) so your makeup can be recorded. Do not expect the club you visit to report to our club.

### **Excused Absences**

Members have the opportunity to receive a board approved Excused Absence during a long-term family, health, or business crisis. When a member realizes they have a situation that will keep them from attending Monday meetings for an extended period they can contact the Club Administrator or President with the reason. This contact needs to be immediate and not after the crisis. The board can approve a beginning and ending date and attendance is excused on club and district level. Short term absences are best made up online.

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### *Club Membership Applications*

*We are purpose-driven leaders of influence and action. To sponsor a prospective candidate to join our membership, contact Membership Chair Ethiel Garlington [egarlington@historicmacon.org](mailto:egarlington@historicmacon.org) or any member of the Board of Directors to ensure a vocational classification is available for your candidate. Once the Classification Committee approves the classification, invite your new member candidate to a weekly meeting. If the candidate expresses interest in joining our club, then ask Membership Chair Ethiel to send the candidate an invitation to apply online. Once the new member candidate completes the application, Board members review the application. Then, new member candidates are presented for formal approval at the monthly Board meeting. Once approved by the Board, new member candidates are announced in Throbs. Unless there is objection by any existing member, the new member is scheduled for orientation and formal induction. All members of our club need to think about who would make good Rotarians!*

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