

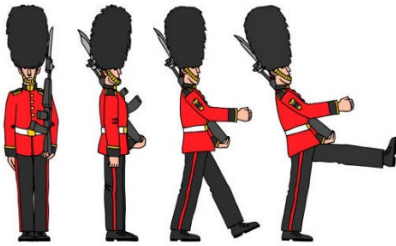


The Rotary Club of Macon

 **THROBS**

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June 24, 2024
Changing of the Guard



Please join us next Monday, June 24 for a very important meeting when we mark the end of the terms of President Stephanie Folsom and her board, and formally install Danny Gibson and his board. Please be on hand to show thanks for all the hard work these people do for our club!

July 1 marks the beginning of the Rotary Year and, along with President Danny Gibson, the new Board consists of the following:

Howard Holleman, Treasurer
Jim Crisp, Secretary
Cater Thompson, Sergeant at Arms
Stephanie Folsom, Past President
Rebecca Grist, President-Elect
Andrew Eck, Grants and Community Service Chair
Jimmy Asbell, Programs Chair
Gene Dunwody, Membership and Social Chair
Marcus Tripp, Rotary Foundation Chair
Lori Palmer, Public Image Chair
Billy Fickling, Vocational Services Chair
Nancy White, Youth Services Chair

Steve Allen is returning as Club Administrator/Executive Secretary.

No Zoom Link

There was no meeting June 17

FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS AND CLUB EVENTS:

June, 2024

24 Changing of the Guard – Stephanie Folsom to Danny Gibson

July, 2024

1 No meeting – July 4 holiday

8 Bragg Jam Olivia Walker

15 Macon Water Authority Gary Bechtel & Ron Shipman

16 Board meeting

22 Macon Action Plan Alex Morrison

29 No meeting (fifth week)

RI president-elect Announces 2024-25 Presidential Theme



The Magic of Rotary. That’s the presidential theme for the Rotary year starting July 1, 2024.

Rotarians create that magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member of Rotary, Rotary International President-Elect Stephanie Urchick said.

“Don’t misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words,” Urchick told incoming district governors at the Rotary International Assembly on January 8. “It’s up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member.”

Urchick, a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, said she saw the magic of Rotary on display when she was helping install water filters in the Dominican Republic. Two boys were watching as dirty water entered the filter, then ran out clean at the other end.

“One of the boys grabbed my sleeve and said, ‘Show me the magic again,’” she said. “Obviously, the water filter wasn’t magic. We worked hard to transport those filters, install them, and work with community leaders in the area to maintain them. But those boys knew that easy access to clean water would change their lives. Knowing that I played a small part in that certainly changed my life.”

Last Call (this year) for CART

There is only one club meeting left before the end of our fiscal year. Please help us to once again be the top club in CART giving! We collect money in the blue buckets at each meeting, but also rely on donations by check or online (<https://mycartfund.org/login.cfm>). And don't forget that half our lottery pot winnings also go to support CART.



-- Donate to Rotary Foundation --

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

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, POLIO PLUS FUND, WORLD FUND, or DISASTER RESPONSE FUND, then just follow easy steps to make payment. Checks payable to Rotary Foundation can also be given to the club and we will forward the payment.

Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events:

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

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 15th of the following month. **Members are encouraged 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 great 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 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.

Club Membership Applications

We are purpose-driven leaders of influence and action. To sponsor a prospective candidate to join our membership, contact Membership Chair Charles Olson EOlson200@msn.com 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 Charles 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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