



Rotary



The Rotary Club of Macon

THROBS

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Salvation Army

Sgt. Melissa White & Cheryl Coleman

FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS approved by the Board of Directors:

November

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| 7 | No Meeting, but may attend Crimestoppers | Veteran's Day |
| 14 | Club Assembly and Birthday Tables | Rotary Foundation and Club Goals |
| 21 | No Meeting | Thanksgiving |
| 28 | Current State of Healthcare | Robert Luisana |

December

- (There are no regular Club meetings in December)
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| 6 | Christmas Party at Idle Hour – please note it is on Tuesday this year |
| 12 | Burdell-Hunt event. Stay tuned for more information! |

Link for Makeup

Due to the absence of the church AV system, Zoom was recorded with a phone. Click here for the recording of the October 24 meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/2ynhr97z>

New Member Approvals

At their meeting of October 18, the Board approved the membership applications of Jana Heaton (In-store Banking) and David Thompson (Distiller). Members have 10 days to make comments in writing to President Susan Welsh.

MEETING October 24, 2022

Attendance: 55.5% - 47 in person, 24 Zoom, plus 2 guests

CART \$21.00

Club Membership 148

Once again, the club met in the “Gathering Place” downstairs. President Susan rang the bell to start the meeting and welcomed our speaker, Lisa Rackley of the UGA Small Business Development Center. She welcomed our guest Andrew Eck, who spoke to our club October 3.

Steve Allen threatened to make us sing in Sanskrit to celebrate Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights, but deferred to the decision to sing *America the Beautiful*. Sherie Marshall offered a wonderful prayer submitted by Rebecca Grist.

Susan then celebrated member birthdays, one club anniversary, and wedding anniversaries.



President Susan then noted that today is World Polio Day. She would have liked to show a wonderful video produced by the Rotary Foundation but since we were meeting downstairs without our usual AV equipment she encouraged members to watch it themselves. The video is available at <https://youtu.be/qclNuCOyQBY>

She said she was recently in Pennsylvania and picked up a commemorative \$1 Pennsylvania coin that celebrates the polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk in the early 1950's. She passed the coin around for the members to see.

Susan then asked for brags, which help support CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust). As usual, we had some good ones. Sherrie Marshall reminded the club that Read for the Record is this Thursday at Burdell Hunt Elementary. Here are some brag highlights:



Susan then asked Susannah Maddux to introduce the speaker, Lisa Rackley. Lisa is Area Director of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) operated by the University of Georgia. Susannah said they have worked together professionally and she's proud to call her a friend. When asked what Macon could do to support small business, Lisa answered “shop local and be kind.”

Lisa grew up in Warner Robins and holds a BS in Human Resources Management from Florida State University and an MBA from Georgia College. Her background is in HR and she has served as Area Director

for the SMDC since 2018. SBDC provides tools, training and resources to help small businesses grow and succeed. Designated as one of Georgia's top providers of small business assistance, the SBDC has 18 offices ranging from Rome to Valdosta to serve the needs of Georgia's business community. The Macon office serves 19 counties, from Butts and Putnam in the north to Telfair in the south, and includes Bibb, Houston, and Laurens Counties. Lisa said that if a small business owner calls their office, they will ask a series of questions to determine what the business needs, starting with a business plan and moving to marketing, financing, legal issues, and even international business.

The members had many questions, and you can view the entire presentation at <https://tinyurl.com/2ynhr97z>.



Donations 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 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.

Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events

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

Viewing of Monday meeting recorded on Zoom	See current Throbs link
Anytime	Rotary Project or Rotary Committee Meeting
Anytime	Volunteer at Macon Volunteer Clinic
Oct. 24, 2022	Crossroads Counseling Center Golf Tournament

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 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 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 Ethiel Garlington 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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