

# "THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

March 19, 2025

## Meetings

March is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

3/28 General Meeting - Adam Forrand, President and CEO, Greater Perimeter Chamber - "Advancing Regional Economic Prosperity"

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

3/7 Jackie Cuthbert  
3/8 Louise Barden  
3/8 Ken Levy  
3/9 Pat McMahon  
3/12 Pavittar Safir  
3/20 Anne Glenn  
3/22 John Mills  
3/31 Alison Norris

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3/13 Laura Kann (27)  
3/19 Jennie Springer (17)

## Rotary Online

<https://dunwoodyrotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am  
Embassy Suites - Atlanta  
Perimeter Center  
1030 Crown Pointe Pkwy  
Atlanta, GA , GA 30338



### No Dunwoody Meeting This Friday

## Join Us for Thirsty Thursday at Hob Nob and/or DeKalb Rotary Council Breakfast on Friday

There's no meeting at the Embassy Suites this Friday. However, there are two great opportunities to meet up with your Dunwoody friends:

- Join us for **Thirsty Thursday at Hob Nob**, 1221 Ashford Crossing, Dunwoody GA 30346. Festivities begin at 5:30 pm.
- The **DeKalb Rotary Council will hold its annual breakfast for members of the eight clubs in Dekalb County this Friday, March 21, at Georgia Piedmont Technical College** (495 North Indian Creek Drive, Clarkston, GA 30021). The activities will begin at 7a with a buffet breakfast. We'll have awards for Teacher of the Year, and recognize Rotarians with the Show Rotary Cares award (in honor of our own PDG Bill Mulkey) and the You are the Key award (in honor of PDG Bob Grant from Stone Mountain, who was also an Honorary Member of our club). The speaker for the event is Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, the newly elected CEO of Dekalb County.

We encourage you to attend both events. The club will pay for your breakfast, so let Rick Woods know (if you haven't already) at [sdoowrm@gmail.com](mailto:sdoowrm@gmail.com) with the subject line "DeKalb Breakfast" to indicate your attendance. Check with Rick if you'd like to know about any carpooling arrangements.

## Do You Want to Win a Raffle Ticket?

Each Friday, we'll give a raffle ticket to the first person who can answer a question drawn from either the slide show that runs at the meeting's start OR the weekly bulletin! You're a winner even if you don't get the ticket - because you're better informed about all that the Rotary Club of Dunwoody has to offer ... and all that we do to make a difference! Start studying now! First question will be coming your way next Friday, March 28.

### Service and Fellowship

## It's Bounds Garden Saturday!

## LEADERSHIP

President	Louise Barden
President Nominee	David Burr
Immediate PP	Jack Sparks, Jr.
Vice President	Matthew Johnson
Treasurer	Carter Stout
Secretary	Alison Norris



Ready to play in the dirt with your friends from the Rotary Club of Dunwoody? Then this is your lucky Saturday (right on the heels of the St. Patrick's Day luck of the Irish). Join Ranger Fred Bounds as he continues this week's celebration of the green at Bounds Gardens, the traffic island across from the Dunwoody Library! We'll be there - with gloves and our favorite garden tools - at 9 am. this Saturday, March 22. Hope you can join us!

### **Golf Tournament Update**

**While You're Thinking Good Weather for May 19,  
Also Consider ...**

**“The most  
important shot  
in golf is the  
next one.”  
– Ben Hogan**



Tournament planning is going well with new sponsors added each week. Consider the \$25 Participating Sponsorship if you can't sponsor, play or volunteer!

We really need your help in gaining a sponsorship for the \$5,000 Gold sponsor, another \$3,000 Silver sponsor and an event sponsor for \$2,500 Putting Contest. All come with special signage at the event and on the website.

We continue to look for a potential \$20,000 Signature sponsor. Rick Woods has contacted EVERY car dealership in our area with no luck so no surprise that this is not an easy task. The sub-committee formed to address large corporate sponsorship solicitation will now be addressed by the Business Connections Committee recently formed as part of the membership survey results compiled by Peter Sherman. Please contact Hoshi Daruwalla if you want to serve on this committee.

We have openings in \$1,000 Hole sponsorships (we have 16 so far) as well as opportunities to become a \$250 Contributing sponsor (we have 4 so far), a \$100 Donating sponsor (we have 1 so far) or even a \$25 Participating sponsor (we have NONE so far)!

Merchandise choices are being finalized by their sponsors this week and orders will be placed soon. We will have beige hats this year.

Neal MacDonald made an appeal to the membership last week asking for help in acquiring auction items such as restaurant gift cards (we have \$100 from Marlow's Tavern) and other retail type gift cards, baskets of your own design such as wine or cosmetics and destination packages to lake homes, hotel weekends or beach vacations. We'll have some jewelry items (we have a \$1,000 Gift Crad from Lauderhills Fine Jewelry and a Women's Sport Watch from Worthmore Jewelers) and possibly some sports and movie memorabilia on consignment. If you have items at home to donate, please make sure they are new and unused. Please contact Neal MacDonald if you want to serve on this committee.

The most current information can be found on the tournament website at [www.rcdgolftournament.com](http://www.rcdgolftournament.com). Please direct contacts to the most excellent website that

is up-to-date and looks great thanks to Hoshi who is making almost daily updates.

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### Wine Fellowship

## Join Marion and Austin Bunch for WineFest - March 23

Marion and Austin Bunch have invited all who are interested to home this Sunday, March 23 from 4 to 6 PM for a BYOB winefest. Participants also are asked to bring an appetizer to share. Their condominium is one of two towers at the corner of Peachtree and Lakeview - specifically at PLAZA TOWERS, 2575 Peachtree Rd. NE, unit ... [\[more\]](#)

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### Service Opportunity

## Let's Get Ready for the USO - April 10!



We invite all members, especially those who are new or have not yet volunteered for a Day of USO service, to consider joining us for this special opportunity to give back to our military personnel. I assure you that at the end of the day, you will feel fulfilled and appreciated by those you serve, who will respond with, "Yes Sir" or "Yes Ma'am" in heartfelt gratitude.

#### Event Details:

Date: Thursday, April 10, 2025

Location: USO, Hartsfield Airport

Shift: 9 AM to 3 PM

We plan to serve an "All American" lunch featuring hot dogs with all the fixings, chips, fresh fruit, snack bars, and homemade cookies. To add an extra treat, E. 48th Street Market will kindly donate 75 servings of baked ziti and meatballs. You can help as a volunteer at the USO, or by baking cookies we'll take with us to share with our military friends. Read on! [\[more\]](#)

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Getting to Know You

## Denise Brodsky, Advocate and Grandma!



Last Friday, we were delighted to host Denise Brodsky as our guest speaker when she reviewed how Clubhouse Atlanta supports the local community. This week, we highlight her as a Rotarian and club member.

Denise was initially attracted to Rotary for the powerful collaboration and community connection it fosters. She emphasized the value of building relationships with like-minded individuals. Her favorite Rotary memory with our club is participating in last year's Fourth of July parade, where she forged deeper bonds with fellow members. Denise expressed a desire to see our club engage more actively in advocacy. She believes many members harbor strong passions for specific causes and would benefit from advocating for public policy changes.

This past weekend Denise had family visit from Arizona and the photo shows her on top of Stone Mountain with two grandsons. Looking ahead, she is planning a ladies' vacation this June to visit Arizona, joining her sister, sister-in-law, and niece for a well-deserved getaway. We thank Denise for her insightful presentation and her commitment to our club.

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## **Save Your Bottle Caps!**

We're planning an art project at Anchor Place that will require LOTS of plastic bottle caps - save all sizes and colors (ask your friends to help) and bring them with you to Rotary! We hope to do the project in early summer.