





December 22, 2025

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Treatment Month



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## Meetings

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- 12/22 No Meeting Christmas and Hanukkah Holidays
- 12/29 No Meeting New Year's Holiday
- 1/5 Georgia State Legislators. House of Representatives: Betsy Holland (D) and Deborah Silcox (R)
- 1/12 No Meeting: Register for Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 1/19 Rotary on the Road @ Scouting America
- 1/26 Joe Zadik. FBI Cybersecurity Special Agent for the Southeast Region, and Bryant Tow, Leapfrog Chief Security Officer
- 2/2 Adam Chamberlain. President & CEO, Mercedes-Benz USA
- 2/9 Robert Ross Johnson Humanitarian Award Luncheon

## Events

- 12/24 Holiday Ham Haul
- 1/15 Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 1/17 Pawsitivity Partnership with Buckhead Rotarians Delivering Pet Food with OpenHand
- 1/19 Board of Directors Meeting
- 1/22 Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 1/30 Night at the ASO Chamber Music on the New Goizueta Stage
- 1/30 ASO
- 1/30 Buckhead Rotary Night at the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

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## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

12/3 Betsy Barge  
12/5 Edward Lindsey, Jr.  
12/6 Brandi Smith  
12/7 Denise Starling  
12/9 Ryan Neff  
12/19 Jeff Clark, Jr.  
12/20 Taos Wynn  
12/23 Cathy LaMon  
12/24 Judge Gardner, III  
12/25 Maggi O'Brien  
12/29 Brent Adams  
12/30 Randall Martin  
12/31 Greg Davis

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

12/8 Matt Jollay (8)  
12/15 Mark Johnson (52)  
12/17 Catherine Land-Waters  
(48)  
12/21 Greg Davis (51)  
12/21 Jack Hellriegel (62)  
12/30 Edward Lindsey, Jr. (37)

## Rotary Online

<https://buckheadrotary.com>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>



## LEADERSHIP

President	Shelley Hammell
President-Elect	Jeff Clark, Jr.
Immediate PP	Denise Starling
Vice President	Jeff Clark, Jr.
Treasurer	Radu Zernoveanu
Secretary	Michael Stimpert
Public Image	Mark Meltzer
Sergeant-at-Arms	Garth Peters

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