

# NEWSLETTER

February 2, 2018



## Club Calendar

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

- 2/9 Anna Moldrup- "My Year in the USA"
- 2/16 Jeff Shaw - "Out of Darkness"
- 2/23 Club Assembly for members only
- 3/9 Mike Parks - "Rotary Youth Exchange Program"

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 2/3 John Carr
- 2/4 Laura Kann
- 2/7 Buzz Law
- 2/10 Eleni Bafas
- 2/18 Chris Smith
- 2/26 Bill Koss
- 2/27 Bob O'Brien

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/14 Erich Schuetz

## Rotary Online

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

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am  
The Westin Atlanta Perimeter  
North H  
7 Concourse Parkway  
Atlanta, GA 30328

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of

**Topic: Alzheimers - Are you at risk?**

**Speaker this week: CHARLENE JOHNSTON HALL**



Charlene, an Air Force brat, is a Pyote, Texas native. She attended high school in Savannah, Georgia and the Panama Canal Zone. She is an alumna of the Canal Zone Jr. College and the Women's College of Georgia, where she served on the Honor Council.

As a political activist, Charlene had the honor of serving on the Platform Committee of the Republican Party and also as a Delegate to the Republican National Convention. She has worked on many state and national political campaigns, including those of the late President Ronald Regan, President George H.W. Bush, U.S. Senator Mack Mattingly, and the late U.S. Senator Paul Coverdell.

In 2006, Charlene and Robert led a team of 20 people to Uttar Pradesh, India to participate in a Sub National Immunization Day with Rotary International. With a firm conviction that Polio will be eradicated, she has spoken to several Rotary and other groups on the need for continued vigilance against the disease. In addition, she also speaks about the devastation of Alzheimer's Disease, along with the Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust, and the prevention of the childhood drowning program, Josh the Otter. She is active in support, along with Robert, of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody, District 6900, Rotary International, and The Rotary Foundation. In 2017, she received from Rotary International, the Rotarian Spouse/Partner Award for Humanitarian Service through Rotary.

Since 1974, Charlene has been an active member of P.E.O. International, where she has served in every office of her local chapter. She has taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School many years. Charlene is an artist, working mostly in acrylics and oils. She also is a decorative wall and cabinet painter.

Charlene and Robert live in metro Atlanta where they spend a good deal of their spare time with their 7 grandchildren. They are active members of Peachtree Presbyterian Church.

Sandy Springs April 25, 1984

Active Membership: 91



## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

President	Rick Otness
President-Elect	Rick Woods
Secretary	Mike Parks
Treasurer	Lawrence Domenico

Posted by Bill Mulkey

## DISTRICT 6900 NOMINATION AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2020-2021

**District 6900 Nominating Committee selects Kirk Driskell as District Governor Nominee Designate for 2020-2021**

The District 6900 Nominating Committee has selected **Timothy Kirk Driskell** from the Rotary Club of Alpharetta as our District Governor Nominee Designate, to serve as Governor in 2020/2021.

Kirk will be District 6900 Governor when **Mike Parks** serves as President of the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody**. Kirk was president of the Alpharetta Club in 2015-2016. He served as District Service Chair in 2016/2017 and is presently serving as an Assistant Governor. During Kirk's year as president, Alpharetta won a number of awards, including Best Club and Best Membership Growth; Kirk was also recognized with the Sheffield Leadership Award, which is presented to the Rotary Club President in each category who exemplifies extraordinary leadership traits and executed their responsibilities in an exceptional manner.

Kirk grew up in the Rotary Club of Alpharetta, where his father Ken was a charter member and past president. Continuing the family tradition, his daughter Cambri recently launched an Interact Club at Kings Ridge Christian School with close to 50 of her peers. Professionally Kirk is an entrepreneur, having established or acquired and managed successful business in real estate, dog breeding, and auto services. Beyond his family and his faith, his true passion in life is helping others, especially men struggling with addiction. All who know him say Kirk is a remarkable man who truly walks his talk. Kirk is married to Deena and they have three children, Cambri (15), Knox (13) and Knowlton.

## YOUTH STUDENTS AT THE SEACAMP IN FLORIDA



Our D6900 Rotary Youth Exchange students had a wonderful opportunity to gather together with all of the other RYE-Florida inbound

students (D6990) in the Florida Keys at Seacamp ([www.seacamp.org](http://www.seacamp.org)). This annual trip is always one of the highlights of the year for our exchange students. Seacamp has hosted RYE for more than 26 years and this year, after struggling because the Hurricane Irma that hit them last September, the Staff have done their best putting everything together to make this happened and recovering themselves. The **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** participated in this great experience by sending our inbound student Anna Moldrup from Denmark, and our fellow rotarian **Tania López** as chaperone in company with the other five students from our District (Nazuna (Japan), Moritz (Germany), Louis (France), Livia (Brazil), Nut (Thailand))

The students had the opportunity to learn environmental education and create environmental awareness, utilizing snorkeling and scuba diving to help to remove marine debris also they receive instruction on the ecology of coral reefs, seagrasses, sponge flats, mangroves, sandy and rocky shores, and terrestrial communities all this in different scenarios, through games, and a very creative and fun ways, making the experience unique.

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**Wondering how to get more involved with your**

## Rotary Club?



We have added a new resource to the website – it's called the Opportunity Book and provides a summary of many of our projects that serve the community or help us build awareness of the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** and attract new members. You can see the volunteer opportunities for each project and learn more about a project's history/funding. Most important, we've provided the contact information for the project chair, so that you can ask questions and get involved now.

To view the Opportunity book, go to <https://dunwoodyrotary.org/resource/737> ... You can review projects there or download a copy to your desktop.

We plan to expand this resource to include a section about opportunities to help with the Club's day-to-day operations and our Family of Rotary events. Help us do that by letting **Jackie Cuthbert** know what you'd like to know more about – you can email Jackie at [cuthbert@mindspring.com](mailto:cuthbert@mindspring.com) or call her at 770-597-1183.

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## The Rotary Club of Dunwoody need volunteers

### Rotary Dunwoody Volunteers Needed for the 2018 Dunwoody State of the City.

We need volunteer assistance to help the city of Dunwoody with the setup of their annual State of the City event. **The Rotary Club of Dunwoody** volunteer efforts give us great exposure to one of the cities premiere events. Our Rotary Dunwoody President **Rick Otness** will be introducing the speakers.

Below are details on the event:

When: Thursday, Feb. 22nd

Where: Crowne Plaza Ravinia Hotel (4355 Ashford Dunwoody Rd. across from Perimeter Mall).

Volunteer Information:

Time	Volunteers Needed	Activity
2-3pm	1	Pickup Crier papers
3-5pm	10	Gift bags and table setup
5-6pm	5	VIP volunteers
5-7pm	5	Registration setup
9-9:30pm	3	Cleanup

Please contact **Tom Lashway** at [tomlashway@gmail.com](mailto:tomlashway@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer and the times you are available.

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## 25th Annual Rotary Club of Dunwoody Governor's Ball



### **SAVE THE DATE: March 3, 2018, Westin Concourse.**

There is a large percentage of members who donate items each year and We're quite sure that trend will continue. If you plan to donate or solicit a donation please indicate so as early as possible. This will allow us to get the Greater Giving database in order and will also allow us to create an Auction Catalog earlier in the process.

Now is the best time to bring gifts that you already have!

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## **2018 DISTRICT CONFERENCE**



### **SANDESTIN GOLF AND BEACH RESORT MIRAMAR BEACH, FLORIDA - APRIL 26-29, 2018**

With touches of technology, entertainment, innovation, and opportunities to sweat and serve, **Rotacon2018** is a district conference designed to engage Rotarians, their guests, and families for a weekend full of inspirational stories, entertaining sessions, and educational breakouts. Enjoy time with your fellow club members and get to know 1,000 Rotarians and their guests from all over District 6900 in a relaxing and entertaining environment that is [Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort](#).

If you've been to district conference before, you'll notice a few things different at Rotacon 2018. Opportunities to learn (in breakout session format) about compelling

Rotary programs as well as engaging lifestyle learning sessions have been added. General sessions will be designed to take place within 90 minutes so that more time can be dedicated to enjoying time with fellow Rotarians, family, and friends. And perhaps the biggest difference will be that celebration of club achievements will take the form of an Oscars-style service award night in lieu of our traditional club achievement awards which are being moved out of the district conference program to a separate celebration later in the Rotary year.

If you've never been to a district conference, you'll find that Rotacon 2018 is designed with the average Rotarian and guest in mind.

Bring the family and enjoy an incredible, entertaining weekend in a beautiful setting!

**REGISTRATION - NOW OPEN!**

**HAVE QUESTIONS? DIRECT THEM TO RYAN CLEMENTS, DISTRICT CONFERENCE CHAIR, AT [RYAN.CLEMENTS@ACICMS.CO](mailto:RYAN.CLEMENTS@ACICMS.CO)**

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR



Send your Newsletter submission to:

**[rcdnewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:rcdnewsletter@yahoo.com)**

Our Club's Weekly Newsletter typically consists of:

- Speaker bio
- New Member Name(s)
- Featured article(s) (regarding events, service projects, or on-going topics general club administrative items, etc..).
- Foundation initiatives or other topics of interest to Members and with value for our Club archives.
- Announcements (seeking volunteers, advertising service projects, etc.)

·For Your Calendar (Club and other activities we encourage members and/or their spouses to attend, including Family of Rotary events)

·Member News (birthdays, anniversaries, accomplishments, Caring Hands)

Please keep in mind key components to include with your submission:

·Title of your article

·Description of the activity

·Dates, Time, Location, deadline, etc... (especially for upcoming events)

·Key Points of Contact Information and/or a link to reference website for details

·Names and/or headcount of Rotarians (and others) participating,

·The reaction of those benefiting and the numbers of those benefiting.

·Picture(s)

Please also tell me the number of weeks would you like the article published.

Finally, the deadline for articles to run in the current week are **Mondays by 5 p.m.**

If you have any questions feel free to ask me!

Thank you!  
Tania López

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