

President John's Message

R.T. (Skipper) Hoke Leadership Awards



For at least 32 years Roswell Rotary has honored a player on the Roswell High School football team who exemplified leadership throughout his football career. This award is voted on by his peers - his fellow football players. Originally called the Outstanding Leadership Award, for years we invited the entire football team, coaches, and cheerleaders to join us for lunch to honor the recipient of the award. Before Roswell Rotary began this tradition, the local Jaycees held a yearly banquet for the community to present a similar award.

Longtime member Skipper Hoke was a banker, community leader, and a huge booster of all things Roswell High School and its sports teams. For years he helped lead our Roswell Rotary Relays, often working the scoring table throughout the day. After his death in 2016, we renamed this award after him to honor the impact and dedication Skipper gave to our young people and athletics in our community.

Last year, we expanded our awards to honor leaders from our two other high schools on Woodstock Road - Fellowship Christian and Blessed Trinity Catholic High Schools. This week we welcome the award winners, their families, and coaches to our lunch meeting to receive these honors. Our keynote message will be given by new Georgia Tech Offensive Coordinator Buster Faulkner. Having just been on the staff at the National Champion Georgia Bulldogs for the last three years, Buster was essentially the quarterback coach and instrumental in the success of their star QB Stetson Bennett.

Hope to see you Thursday as we honor these fine young men.

MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

- 2/9 Skipper Hoke Leadership Awards - Buster Faulkner keynote speaker
- 2/16 Hearing Life - Susanne Lynch & Rebecca Knox
- 2/23 Leadership 2020 - Zach Fields keynote speaker
- 3/2 Steve Holman - Voice of the Atlanta Hawks
- 3/9 Georgia Public Policy Foundation - Kyle Wingfield
- 3/16 When Different Religions Meet
- 3/23 Let's Celebrate Our Charity Partners
- 3/30 Spring Interact Program - Michael Schoppenhorst

EVENTS

- 2/7 RR After Hours Club - STAR House - Stephanie Christiansen
- 2/11 Hearts for Honduras
- 2/18 RR After Hours - Unity Garden Service Project
- 2/21 Rotary Means Business
- 2/21 RR After Hours Club
- 2/22 Hump Day - The Vick
- 3/2 Read Across Roswell
- 3/4 Roswell Beer Festival supporting STAR House

BIRTHDAYS

- 2/9 Angela Freeman
- 2/10 Richard Meer
- 2/15 Bruce Smith
- 2/15 Grace Peoples
- 2/18 Gordon Owens
- 2/20 Lenna Castagna
- 2/21 Michael Gould

R.T. (Skipper) Hoke Leadership Awards Buster Faulkner - Keynote Speaker

Offensive Coordinator at Georgia Tech



Buster Faulkner, who boasts 18 years of experience on college football staffs – including 11 as an offensive coordinator – and three national championship rings, is in his first season as the offensive coordinator at Georgia Tech.

Faulkner comes to Tech after winning two national titles in three seasons as an offensive quality control assistant for quarterbacks at Georgia (2020-22). At UGA, he played a significant role in constructing and fielding one of the college football's top offenses, highlighted by the Bulldogs finishing in the top five nationally both in scoring (41.3 ppg) and total offense (501.1 ypg) in 2022. Georgia quarterback Stetson Bennett IV finished fourth in voting for the 2022 Heisman Trophy in Faulkner's final year on the UGA staff.

Prior to his three-year stint at Georgia, he spent the previous 10 seasons as offensive coordinator at Southern Miss (2019), Arkansas State (2016-18), Middle Tennessee (2011-15*) and Murray State (2010). His 11 seasons as a coordinator also includes a season as OC at Valdosta State in 2008. He also coached quarterbacks at Central Arkansas in 2009, coached QBs at Valdosta State in 2007 and was a graduate assistant at Georgia in 2006.

In all, he has won three national championships, six conference titles and five division crowns at the collegiate level and a state championship at the high school level as a player and coach at Parkview High School.

He and his wife, Tia, have a son, Harrison, and two daughters, Hadley and Haisley.

2/22	Becky Stone
2/22	Bill Wolff
2/24	Dutch Earle
2/27	Leonard Greski
2/27	Justice Brakache
2/28	Alexandria Shuval Weiner
3/3	Don Horton
3/3	Jeff Kramer
3/3	Ken Vaughn
3/4	Tillie O'Neal-Kyles
3/5	Steve Dorvee
3/7	Nancy Alterman

YEARS OF SERVICE

2/8	Dutch Earle (16) 25 years in Rotary
2/11	Alex Kaufman (13)
2/11	Langdon Hollingsworth (2)
2/17	Roger Wise, Jr. (12)
2/23	Richard Stilley (6) 8 years in Rotary
3/2	Gene Beckham, III (23)
3/4	Ken Briggs (41)
3/7	Amy Brannen (10)
3/7	Terry Taylor (10)

ROTARY ONLINE

<https://roswellrotary.club>
<https://rotary6900.org/>
<https://rotary.org/>

ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
Roswell Area Park
Bill Johnson Community Activity
Building
10495 Woodstock Road
Roswell, GA 30075

LEADERSHIP

President John Carruth
President-Elect Alex Kaufman

Event Date Saturday Feb. 11
Hearts for Honduras Tickets on Sale



Immediate PP	Terry Taylor
Treasurer	Trummie Patrick, III
Secretary	Nancy Alterman
Public Image	Michael Gould

Information and tickets at h4hroswell.com

Sandestin FL Apr. 27-30
Pig Roast and Corn Hole and a Rockin' Good Time
District Conference 2023



District Conference ... is it just a bunch of meetings and listening to speeches? Not if Roswell Rotary has anything to do with it. Arrive on Thursday and make your way to the best Hospitality Suite ... Roswell Rotary's ... where it is always Rockin'!!

With a District Governor who taught agriculture at UGA, what better way to kick it off than with Pig Roast and Cornhole tournament on Thursday evening. Green Acres may be the place to be, but Arnold the Pig will not survive the first night! And after last fall's Polio Cornhole warmup event, Roswell Rotary is sure to rule!

We are a mighty force for good during the year and an even mightier force for FUN at the conference. We need your fun and creativity and cornhole skills! Make your reservations today!

[Registration and Accommodations Link](#)

Rotary Last Week

