Roswell Rotary Club

Rotascope

JUNE 26, 2025

Youth Committee -The Rotary Year Ahead



Coming in HOT! The 2025-26 Rotary year perfectly overlaps the school calendar and this year is robust. So much to look forward to as our Roswell Rotary Club leans into celebrating our 75Th anniversary with RRC President Trummie Lee Patrick at the helm and **Angela Medley becomes the board chair for all Youth-Focused activities**. But, of course, because the opportunities are great so too are the needs. Where can you help? What ideas do you have so our Roswell youth are better servant leaders?

The first week of August we will be holding the **annual Youth 101** meeting for those of you involved as well as those of you interested in learning more. Details to follow but, if you want more information now, call Angela now. There is room for you.

We start off the year with the 2nd annual **Huskies Helping Huskies (HHH) Backpack Drive for School Supplies** immediately following the Thursday, July 24th meeting. This is a phenomenally important boost to a Roswell Rotary inspired 501(c)3 but also for our club! Why? The school supplies are bought by you who feel so lead through the supplied QR codes, they are delivered to Temple Beth Tikvah for project chairs Rabbi Alex Shuval-Weiner and Priya Crumpton to organize then bring to Roswell Area Park for those in attendance to stuff the 40+ backpacks after the July 24th meeting. It is energizing. Last year we all left that first service project feeling blessed because we knew it was impactful AND fast. Let's do it again.

MEETINGS

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

7/3	No Meeting at Roswell Rotary
7/10	President Trummie Lee's Vision
7/17	Clark Dean - Connection, Community + Convergence
7/24	Attorney General Chris Carr
7/31	Coaches John Coen, John Thompson, Ray Manus, Pete Poulos, Wayne Smith + Coach Tim McFarlin
8/7	Jenn Gray - Why Rotary?
8/14	Mike Linch - Host of the Linch with a Leader Podcast
8/21	Danny Wuerffel - Fmr. New Orleans Saints Football QB

EVENTS

6/27	Incoming President Lee Patrick Installation Party
7/17	Alive in Roswell with Roswell Rotary Club
7/24	Back to School Supply Backpack Stuffing
7/31	Roswell Rotary—Youth Services Takes Over Variant Brewing
8/6	Tennis Clinic
8/16	Walk w a Doc featuring Pain Mgmt Specialist Dr Joseph Kundukulam with Align Spine and Pain Institute
8/20	Pint for a Pint Blood Drive
8/21	Alive in Roswell with Roswell Rotary Club

LEADERSHIP

President	Nancy Alterman
President-Elect	Trummie Patrick, III
Treasurer	Katie Anderson
Secretary	Leslie Bassett
Public Image	Kathryn Igou

Traditionally the last youth event of the year is RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) for 6 rising Roswell youth leaders to attend in early June. RRC sponsors these area high school students. They will meet other evolving youth leaders throughout District 6900, they become better in touch with their own leadership style and come back home to live into it. It is a very tangible example of the Rotary Motto of Service Above Self for the RYLA leadership pours themselves into the next generation annually.

The 9 months in between are filled with fishing, note-writing, serving food, reading and encouraging. We hope you take the time to learn more about our Interact Clubs, Student/Teacher Awards, reading essays or scholarship applications. Of course, if you would rather jump into any one of our annual events like Leadership 20/20, Skipper Hoke Football Banquet or Roswell Relays, there is room for you. The list goes on and there is room for new ideas too. ***We look forward to engaging all of you.***

What's Happening at RRC for Youth 2025-26

Youth Service Projects- where Will YOU Fit in?



The arc of the school year is the way to really embrace the Youth Calendar for it is immense and incredibly rewarding. Whether you volunteer for 1 or several youth-focused programs/projects, we see the impact the Rotarians as much as we do in the students, the staff and the world at large. Having been mentored by Rotarian Greats like Dave Schmidt, Sid Disher and Becky Stone, Michael Schoppenhorst and I became active members fairly immediately in the Roswell Rotary Youth activities.

Interact is the year long program that serves really as the foundation for almost all of the rest of the programs or events. Always the over-achiever, Roswell Rotary currently sponsors 14 clubs in 13 private and public schools located in Roswell. Why 14 in 13 schools? Well, we have a middle school and a high school

ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

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

ROTARY ONLINE

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

BIRTHDAYS

6/26	William Lindsey
6/26	David Young
6/28	Ridge Cannon
6/29	Lisa Carlisle
6/30	Tori Alterman
7/1	George Polatty
7/5	Bob Hagan
7/6	Jack Wyche
7/7	Elizabeth Greer
7/11	Craig Simons
7/12	Andy Williams
7/13	Scott Moscow
7/13	Langdon Hollingsworth
7/16	Mike McRay
7/17	Jack Tolbert
7/18	Matt Ritchie
7/19	Alex Kaufman
7/23	Steven Palmer

YEARS OF SERVICE

7/1	Alicia Hughes (13)
7/11	John Ross (8)
7/12	Rich Austin (13)
7/12	Jeff Kramer (2)
7/12	Alvin Nash (2)
7/16	Don Horton (10)
7/16	Mishel Miller (1)

in The Cottage School. Each Interact Club reflects the student body in the school because it is a student-led organization with no GPA or service hours requirements. With this freedom, each club really represents the scope of the student body from areas of interest, demographics and ages. Furthermore, we actually sponsor clubs in almost all of the elementary schools for the 4th & 5th graders. Rotary International endorses clubs in middle school and high schools. Our elementary schools have their own curriculum which dovetail into the middle school jargon and suggestions.



Some standout examples from our clubs:

- **Mimosa Elementary/ 2025-26 Rotary Liaison Gabriel Prado** – This Title 1 school renewed their Interact Club since COVID shut it down. They collected 3 boxes of sneakers for impoverished communities through the www.RecycledShoeProject.com, over 300 pairs of glasses for the RRC trip to Costa Rica AND they planted 5 trees on their campus!
- **Elkins Middle School/2025-26 Rotary Liaison Michael Schoppenhorst** – Highly active Interact Club they start their school year with an annual Sale of Takies to raise funds for their service projects, they also sponsored and installed 2 Peace Poles!
- **Centennial High School** started this year with no committed Rotary liaison but great substitutes, a teacher sponsor learning on the go, a supportive principal and exactly 2 students. They ended up sponsoring the Coaches Hospitality Suite for a Track & Field Spring event and sent 2 different student to RYLA! Watch out 2025-26

For your reference:

- Elementary School Clubs meet once a month, receive a $250 SEED check and are required to complete at least 1 service project due per semester.
- Middle School Clubs meet 2x a month, receive a $500 SEED check and are required to complete at least 2 service projects per semester.
- High School Clubs meet 2x a month, receive a $1,000 SEED check and are required to complete at least 2 service projects per semester.

7/16	Drayton Robertson (1)
7/16	John McCool (1)
7/17	Dr. Betty Price (11)
7/17	Mike Agurkis (11)
7/18	Steven Malone (1) 2 years in Rotary
7/18	Sam Lane (1)
7/20	Michael Hernandez (25)
7/20	Robert Button (25)
7/22	Becky Stone (16)

We need Rotary Liaisons for 2025-26… The yellow highlighted clubs are our focus…

- Blessed Trinity – Bill Swank needs a 2nd liaison to partner with him
- Centennial HS – Needs 2 Liaisons
- Cottage School HS – Ron Cowan needs a 2nd liaison to partner with him
- Cottage School MS – Needs 2 Liaisons with Sid Disher being their Advisor
- Elkins Pointe MS – Michael Schoppenhorst needs a 2nd liaison to partner with him
- Mimosa ES – Gabriel Prado needs a 2nd liaison to partner with him
- Mt Park ES – Priya Crumpton needs a 2nd liaison to partner with her
- Roswell North ES – Vivian Bankston needs a 2nd liaison to partner with her
- Sweet Apple ES – Needs 2 liaisons
- Vickery Mill ES – Stacy Perlman needs a 2nd liaison to partner with her

Roswell Youth Council will launch the 2025-26 academic year as a partnership between the City of Roswell and Roswell Rotary Club. **Coordinated by Becky Nelson (who is looking for another Rotarian to lead)**, the RYC will be no more than 16 sophomore or juniors from the public and private high school Interact Clubs who want to learn more about how to make an impact in their city. They will nominate themselves for a position by August 30th for the selections to be made by September 15th which will include an endorsement by the Interact Teacher liaison. RYC participants will meet 5x in the academic year which will include:

- Late September & 1st Saturday of October to be an Ambassador to a City Council member or the Roswell Mayor for the Youth Day Parade,
- Mid-November to explore their personal leadership style and learn how to work with other leadership styles,
- Mid-February to tour key City Departments, meet the leadership and learn how their role in the resident's daily lives
- Mid-March to tour the city gems including the historic homes, the parks and other landmarks that make the City of Roswell a special place to be from while exploring careers and services of being a public servant.
- April to choose the theme for the 2026 Youth Day Parade and celebrate the year.



Rotary Youth Exchange is truly a stand-above the rest Rotary International program offering scholarships to high school students to study abroad for one school year living with 3 host families to make an incredibly immersive experience. The Rotarians work with the area high school counselors as well as through the Interact Clubs to promote the application to their students for the outgoing portion while also recruiting 3 local families for the incoming student. ***Roswell Rotarian Alesia Booth aided by Vivian Bankston and Lynne Lindsey have been leading this program for several years but they are looking for new leadership to mentor.***



Float for the Roswell Youth Day Parade, coordinated by Roswell Rotarians Jack Wyche and Joe Gillespie as well as RHS Construction Teacher Kevin Squires, a design is decided and building the float begins with students from the area Middle School and High School Interact Clubs. Jack registers for the parade, provides the truck & trailer then makes sure we have enough candy to throw to the crowd. The parade is the first Saturday of October for all Interact members to walk along.



RHS Career Day, coordinated by Kadijah Vickers and Carrie Weatherford in conjunction with the CTAE teachers, Roswell Rotarians are asked to sign up to talk about certain career-focused topics and/or their own career path. Talks begin in September to determine the best date for the academic year.



Student & Teacher of the Year Awards, Roswell Rotarian James Stone is point person, reaching out to the 16 private and public schools in September, November and December, to have them sign up for one of 4 slots the 3rd

Thursday of January, February, March & April.



Skipper Hoke Football Banquet, *Roswell Rotarian Michael Curling is point person looking for a 2nd to shadow in 2026*, recognizes the football player from the football programs at Blessed Trinity, Fellowship and Roswell High School who best exemplifies the Rotary Motto of Service Above Self. Traditionally held the first Thursday of February (after signing season), the featured speaker is one that talks through the trials of football leadership.



Leadership 20/20, coordinated by Roswell Rotarians Becky Nelson & Frederick Levy, invites evolving student leaders who have been nominated by a Roswell HS teacher or staff. Historically the last Thursday of February, each student can only attend once allowing more to experience the 1-day leadership workshop. The morning is exploring their own leadership style and how to work with other leadership styles. The afternoon offers breakout groups on topics suggested by the RHS counselors.



Read Across America, coordinated by Roswell Rotarian Kadijah Vickers with Carrie Weatherford, where Roswell Rotarians & friends spread out to read the same Dr Seuss book the first Friday of March to each kindergarten class in our public and private schools. The classes get to keep the book!



Roswell Relays, coordinated by Becky Nelson, Michael Curling, Mindy Jones, James Stone & Shannon Harrison, is the middle Saturday in March for the oldest and largest Track & Field meet in Georgia boasting 27 teams. Split into two committees: Mindy & Shannon host the best coach's hospitality suite in the southeast while Michael & James coordinate hundred+ volunteers through the parking, set-up, events and clean-up.

Laws of Life

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

THE GEORGIA ROTARY CLUBS
LAWS OF LIFE
ESSAY CONTEST

Laws of Life Essay, *coordinated by Roswell Rotarian Vivian Bankston looking for a 2nd to shadow her for 2026*, this District 6900 essay contest encourages high school students to write about a true experience that exemplified a life lesson. The winners of each Roswell participating school are invited to ready their essay to a Rotary meeting typically the last Thursday of April.



High School Graduating Senior Scholarships, coordinated by Roswell Rotarian Angela Medley, awards 5 scholarships that exemplifies different pillars of the Rotary motto of Service Above Self, Power of One and the Patsy Wolff Female leadership. The applications are gathered by end of March so the winners can be announced by the end of April.



RYLA – Rotary Youth Leadership Award is typically the first full weekend of June. Roswell Rotary sponsors 6 rising sophomores or juniors from the high school Interact Clubs to be impactful leaders the following year.

June 27-Doubletree Roswell

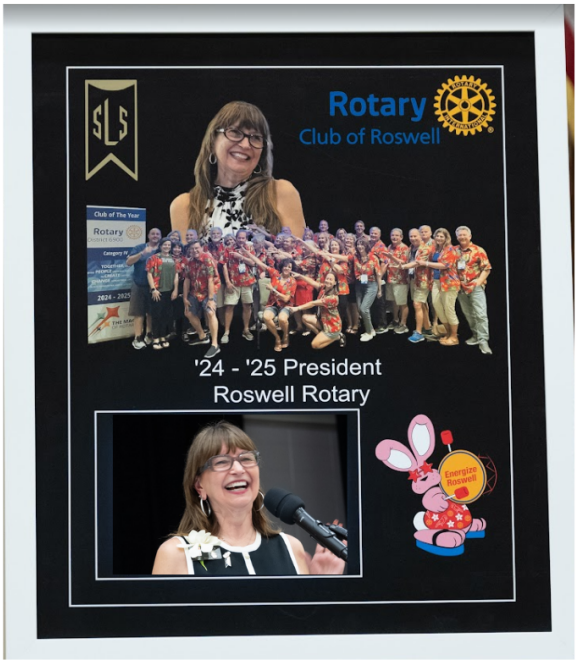
It's Here! Trummie Lee's Installation Party tomorrow



Reminder for all who have purchased tickets for Trummie Lee's big night!

Join your fellow Club members on Friday, June 27th at the Doubletree Hotel Roswell at 6pm. Food, drinks, live music courtesy of Sam and Savannah, dancing, and Trummie Lee starting off his Roswell Rotary presidential year. The fun begins at 6pm, installation program at 7:30pm, and dancing an celebration continue from 8pm-9:30pm. Suggested dress is business casual but we are Roswell Rotarians, so parrot shirts and parrot hats and anything else goes! See you Friday!

Rotary Last Week


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Club of Roswell
'24 - '25 President
Roswell Rotary
Energize Roswell


Passing of the Bunny

The Winner





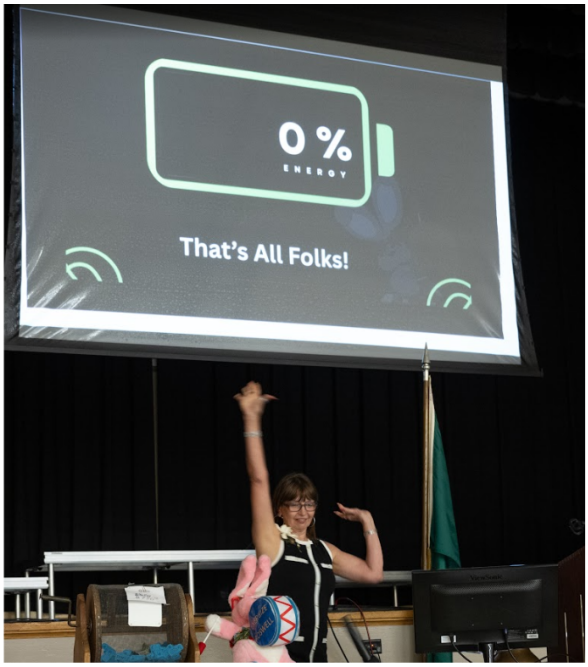
Awards











Golf & TENNIS
Tournament Planning Meeting



He’s Back!



