

"THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

July 12, 2023

Meetings

July is New Rotary Year Month

- 7/14 General Meeting - Tapestri
- 7/21 General Meeting
- 7/28 General Meeting
- 8/4 General Meeting

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 7/8 Raymond Mesa
- 7/12 Beverly Mulkey
- 7/18 Roy Wise
- 7/25 Frederick Bounds

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 7/3 Frederick Bounds (15)
- 7/5 Russell Reams, DBA, Jr. (9)
- 7/7 Brian Harper (15)
- 7/10 Lawrence Domenico (30)
- 7/10 Ken Levy (46)
- 7/11 William Thiele (27)

Rotary Online

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

ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am
Le Méridien Atlanta Perimeter
111 Perimeter Center West
Atlanta, GA , GA 30346



This Week's Speaker

Join Us to Welcome Tapestri at LeMeridien This Friday



This week we will hear from Maja and Limia of Tapestri, a non-profit organization dedicated to creating opportunities for immigrant and refugees survivors of violence through education, community organizing, direct services, and advocacy to help them reclaim ownership over their lives! President Jack has selected Tapestri as the recipient of the money we donate to honor our speakers for the coming year - and we will have an opportunity in the next week or two to assemble backpacks for students who are benefiting from Tapestri's services.

Maja is the Anti-Human Trafficking Program Director, designing and providing trainings and outreach on human trafficking on a local, state-wide, and national basis to mainstream service providers, law enforcement, and community organizations. She holds a Master's in International Relations and a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Georgia State University.

Limia is Tapestri's Domestic Violence Program Director. With the organization since 2009, Limia currently manages program coordinators and conducts multicultural training programs for court personnel, Law enforcement and immigrant communities. She coordinates the Interpreter training and maintains the database for interpreters as well. She has a Bachelor of Art in Sociology and a Master's in Public Administration with a concentration on non-profit management from Kennesaw State University

Let's Hear It for Next Week: It's Fun, Fellowship and Football Week!

Next week we'll have both Thirsty Thursday - place to be revealed in next week's bulletin - AND (drum roll please) our annual visit from Tony Barnhardt with his outlook on the 2023-24 college football season. Bring family, friends, potential Rotarians to either of these amazing events!

Networking Opportunity

Rotary Means Business - Tuesday, July 18

LEADERSHIP

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| Fundraising | Bob O'Brien |
| President | Jack Sparks |
| President-Elect | Louise Barden |
| Immediate PP | Jennifer Shumway |
| Treasurer | Carter Stout |
| Secretary | David Burr |
| Membership | Mike Irvin, Jr. |



Join Rotarians from around Atlanta metro this coming Tuesday, July 18 at 6:00 pm. We've moved to a NEW Location: Mutation Brewing Company, 5825 Roswell Rd NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328. There's free parking. Arrive early as you'd like, grab a table and use the free wifi.

As Rotarians, we often want to do business with other Rotarians, but it's hard to find a resource because our occupational classification system - with more than 1,000 classifications - doesn't always work. The unintended consequence is that you can't find a Rotarian who performs a service, provides a product or is an expert in a specific field.

Last month we kicked off a truly valuable Classification Project. This month we'll provide an update for our 'Beta Test' that you are invited to participate in. <https://dpw1d901g0s8f.cloudfront.net/13662.jpg>

Ready to Serve?

There are opportunities on the horizon where we can "bring hope to the world" and have some fun doing it:

- Later this month, we'll fill **backpacks with school supplies for some of the students served by Tapestri**. Allison North is coordinating this effort. Watch for a call to action!
- August 5, we are joining forces with all the other clubs in the DeKalb Rotary Council to **collect used medical equipment for FODAC** to be refurbished distributed to people in need of the equipment. See the article later in the newsletter and contact Dave Burr if you have questions and/or want to volunteer
- We are in search of a **host family (or two who might share) for the coming Georgia Rotary Student Program year** - starting very soon and running through May 2024. As you'll learn in our GRSP program later this month, the student lives on the university campus - our host family is "family away from home" - having the student over some, including the student in holidays, and coordinating activities with the club. There's a bit more to the job - contact Jackie Cuthbert if you might be interested.

Save the Date!

**A Little More About FODAC Equipment Pick-Up:
Saturday, August 5**



For the last several years, Dunwoody has participated in the DeKalb Rotary Council's annual FODAC (Friends of Disabled Adults and Children) equipment drive. This year, the event will take place Saturday, August 5! The group will meet at the back patio of the 57th Restaurant, which is located next to PDK Airport on Clairmont Road in Chamblee, at 8:30 AM on Saturday August 5th where we provide breakfast and drinks for the volunteers and give everyone a few minutes to socialize before heading out to pick up equipment about 9 or 9:30. Everyone is usually done between 1 and 2. We would love to have anyone that is interested in volunteering join us. This is a really good hands on project and is also a good project to bring prospective members to as well.

The Council will be looking for more trucks, trailers and volunteers to help collect donations. It's a good hands-on project and a great way to introduce prospective members to Rotary as they get to contribute, see the results of their efforts and interact with Rotarians from several clubs.

Over the years, this project has collected approximately \$1,800,000 worth of durable medical equipment from local residents and businesses in the metro Atlanta area that is refurbished and redistributed to those in need in our community by FODAC.