

April 23, 2025

## Meetings

April is Environment Month

- 5/2 General Meeting
- 5/9 General Meeting
- 5/23 General Meeting

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 4/9 Kathy Brandt
- 4/12 Mike Irvin, Jr.
- 4/16 Jennie Springer
- 4/29 Lawrence Domenico

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/1 John Mills (36)
- 4/3 Pavittar Safir (17)
- 4/7 Cathie Brumfield (41)
- 4/23 Roy Ethridge (17)
- 4/28 Rick Otnes (17)

## Rotary Online

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

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am  
Embassy Suites - Atlanta  
Perimeter Center  
1030 Crown Pointe Pkwy  
Atlanta, GA , GA 30338



## No Meeting This Week

### Fans Head to District United Conference

Many of our members will head out this Friday morning to Jekyll Island, Georgia - home of the first ever United District Conference - where Districts 6900, 6910 and 6920 will join together for fun and fellowship. We are excited that one of the featured speakers - Bishop Lawson, will address a Saturday break-out session about Respite for All, the organization supporting and inspiring groups across the nation like our own Anchor Place. Anchor Place director Mary Cohen and her husband Scott will be joining us at Jekyll.

Enjoy your week and we'll see you at Embassy Suites next Friday, May 2.

## Golf Tournament Update

### Here's Where We Stand ... And Where We Need Help!

Our FORE the Memories tournament is fast approaching - with tee-off on Monday, May 19. Here's where we need your help now:

- Putting Contest Sponsor: Signs need to be ordered by May 1 and we're still hoping to find a sponsor at the \$2,500 level. If we don't, the club will be that sponsor.
- Golfer Names and Handicaps: If your sponsorship comes with golfer benefits, please send the names (and handicaps if you have them to Rick Woods sooner rather than later, so we can start building the gate list for St. Marlo. If you are a sponsor and NOT paying golf, please try to fill your foursome as we want to have 90-100 golfers actually playing at the tournament!
- Auction: We have many items in the auction but are happy to have more - please contact Neil MacDonald.
- Weather: It never hurts to start praying for good weather on the 19th!

We should have a press release out to publications such as The Dunwoody Crier and the Dunwoody and Sandy Springs Reporter next week.

Thanks to all who are already supporting our big fundraiser for the year!

## Calling All Volunteers

### Dunwoody Arts Festival - May 9-11



## LEADERSHIP

President	Louise Barden
President Nominee	David Burr
Immediate PP	Jack Sparks, Jr.
Vice President	Matthew Johnson
Treasurer	Carter Stout
Secretary	Alison Norris

It's only two weeks until Mother's Day weekend, when Dunwoody Village will be transformed into an artist's village. And you can be part of its transformation - as a volunteer for the Dunwoody Arts Festival.

As a Dunwoody Rotarian - or a member of the Dunwoody family of Rotary - you have an opportunity to participate! Consider this your call to volunteer. The 15th annual Dunwoody Art Festival features artisans from across the country, a creative Kidz Zone, entertainment and tasty festival food. Mark your calendar now. Be part of the team that will make this 2025 signature event a "best-ever" success.

The Rotary Club of Dunwoody has been part of the Festival since its inaugural year in 2010. In exchange for the amazing volunteer support by Dunwoody Rotarians and Atlanta Rotaract, the Rotary Club of Dunwoody receives a complimentary (\$2,000+ value), well-located exhibit space (\$2,000+ Value) at the festival. We utilize this exhibit as the center for the Rotary Club's community outreach - a place where we have recruited new members and enlisted potential Rotary Youth Exchange host families and outbound students.

There are two ways to help:

- **Be a Festival volunteer:** Welcome artists and help them set up on Friday (6-9 pm) and/or Saturday (6-9 am)
- **Be a Rotary Club of Dunwoody ambassador:** Help share our story with the community. We will staff the booth from 10 am - 4 pm on Saturday and Sunday; let us know when you might be able to help that happen.

You can register by completing a form on Friday, or contacting Jay Brackman (404-483-5886 or by email at [atlcubsfan@gmail.com](mailto:atlcubsfan@gmail.com)) or Kathy Brandt (404-797-0705 or email at [kbrandt1@comcast.net](mailto:kbrandt1@comcast.net)). Please include name, cell phone #, requested shifts, and t-shirt size.

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### Service Opportunity

## Special Olympics Comes to Emory University in May



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**2025 SUMMER STATE GAMES @ EMORY UNIVERSITY  
MAY 16-18, 2025**

Dunwoody Rotary, Special Olympics Georgia needs you at 2025 Summer State Games! Look below to contact Leksi Whatley for more information or scan/ click below.



**CLICK HERE**



Contact us to learn more!

- (770) 414-9390 Ext. 1111
- [Leksi.Whatley@SpecialOlympicsGA.org](mailto:Leksi.Whatley@SpecialOlympicsGA.org)
- <https://www.specialolympicsga.org>



Special Olympics Georgia will host the Summer State Games at Emory University this May! We have donated money AND want to be there in force to support this wonderful initiative. We have been asked to help out with the swimming competition.

You can find out more about the volunteers needed by clicking on [this link](#). Then you can sign up to volunteer using the camera on your phone and the QR code in the picture. As the poster suggests, more information also is available by calling 770-414-9390, ext. 1111; by emailing [Leksi.Whatley@SpecialOlympicsGA.org](mailto:Leksi.Whatley@SpecialOlympicsGA.org), or by visiting the website - <https://www.specialolympicsga.org>.

## **Celebrating Our Impact on Students at Dresden Elementary**



As most of you know, for many years the Rotary Club of Dunwoody has supported literacy among the students at Dresden Elementary - with a new book every year for every student during the holidays. We have partnered with the school's Librarian/Media Specialist to select those books. This past year, our partnership took a new direction - with support for Dresden's electronic book library - called SORA.

Electronic books have changed school libraries and public libraries too. When Amazon introduced the Kindle, readers were able to carry their entire book collections wherever they went. Students can still check out hard copy books from the Dresden library, but they can use SORA too. At Dresden, more than 80% of the students are learning English and I've in homes where only Spanish is spoken. The students can read and listen to digital books at home on family's phones/iPads to help improve their English.

You can watch more of Dresden's story in a video produced by Lisa Flanagan, Teacher-Librarian; contact Roy Ethridge by email at [ethr4533@bellsouth.net](mailto:ethr4533@bellsouth.net) for the link.

### Dunwoody Diners

## Dunwoody Diners Heads to Lawrenceville ... June 14

Join us for a fabulous evening of great food, fellowship, and theatrical entertainment. The Dunwoody Diners will be having dinner at Dominck's on 6/14/25 (Time to Be Announced). The address of Dominck's is: 197 W Crogan St, Lawrenceville, GA 30046, phone 770-277-8477. After dinner, we will be attending the play "Waitress" at the Aurora Theater. The address of the Aurora Theater is : 128 Pike Street, Lawrenceville, GA 30046, phone 678-226-6222. **Please note that you will have to order your own tickets. Also, please order your tickets soon.**

Please RSVP to [sherrylevy13@hotmail.com](mailto:sherrylevy13@hotmail.com) with your number of attendees by 6/11/24. This promises to be a wonderful evening!