

## Club Calendar

January is Vocational Service Month

- 1/31 Charles Smith - R.T. "Skipper" Hoke Award Program
- 2/7 Col. Dwight Schmidt and Leadership 2020
- 2/14 Egbert Perry - CEO, The Integral Group & Former Chairman, Fannie Mae (thru 2018)
- 2/21 Anna Roach - Chief Operating Officer Fulton County - Behavioral Health Update

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 1/1 Fritz Berendsen
- 1/1 Ken Briggs
- 1/1 Andrew Dalby
- 1/1 Ron Redner
- 1/4 Jere Wood
- 1/7 Jeff Hamling
- 1/7 Lee Patrick, III
- 1/7 Anthony Nearhood
- 1/10 James Sheffield
- 1/10 Chris Good
- 1/12 Bruce Peoples
- 1/13 Michael Nielsen
- 1/17 Alicia Hughes
- 1/18 Myron Segraves
- 1/19 John Watton
- 1/21 Gary Garrett
- 1/23 Kurt Hilbert
- 1/24 Jim Sturm
- 1/24 Kay Howell
- 1/25 David Bourne
- 1/27 Joseph Kincaid
- 1/30 William May
- 1/31 John Reddick
- 1/31 Blake Turner

### President's Message

## FOOTBALL CREATES LEADERS!



It's Super Bowl week! I am excited and ready to check one of my bucket list items off the list and watch the G.O.A.T. engineer a Super Bowl win! In an interview this week, Robert Kraft owner of the New England Patriots explained how he believes empowering people, encouraging them to take risks, and creating an ego-less culture has helped the Patriots thrive over the years. Plus, a little luck. Culture is the key which is what we heard from Coach Bohannon last week and is true for all of our organizations.

Atlanta and Georgia are welcoming the world and lots of people are involved in making this a great week for over 1 million visitors. Sadly, the Super Bowl also increases human trafficking and our own Dave McCleary is working tirelessly with several partners to raise awareness about human trafficking and reach victims. Well done, Dave!

This week, we welcome the Roswell High School Football Team who were Region Champions this season and honor one of RHS' team leaders with the Skipper Hoke Leadership Award! Charles Smith will share his experiences on the football field and working with students and creating leaders.

North Fulton Community Charities activated the warming center twice last week and it may be activated again this week. We need your help! Please sign up to get the activation email and help if you can when the center is activated! You do not need any training, just a heart for service. Ed Klaas, Katha Stuart and I participated in the Point-In-Time Homeless Count. Over 40 homeless people were located in one night. NFCC is providing a warm place for these folks on the coldest nights. Let's help care for those less fortunate. Contact Mike Nielsen if you can help.

There are only 5 spots left in the Entrepreneurs Workshop! So far we have raised \$5,200 to end polio with this great project! Be sure to thank Hal Coleman and Mike Prewett and to share this opportunity to build a successful business with people you know! It starts Feb. 7!

See you Thursday!

President Becky

### This Week's Speaker

## Charles Smith



Charles Smith is a Behavior Specialist for Rome City Schools. Charles grew up in Rome, GA where he was a football and baseball star. He played on back-to-back football championship teams in 1977-1978. After graduation, he attended the University of Georgia, playing on the 1980 National Championship team and ultimately graduating with a BS degree in Social Service. He also earned a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Ashford University. After graduation, Charles returned

## SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| 1/4  | Paul Lang (29)             |
| 1/4  | Dick Zorn (29)             |
| 1/5  | Melissa Weaver (2)         |
| 1/5  | Kathryn Igou (2)           |
| 1/5  | William Noethling, Jr. (2) |
| 1/11 | Sean Nickerson (6)         |
| 1/11 | Kenneth Davis (12)         |
| 1/12 | Jere Wood (1)              |
| 1/15 | Karen Pilcher (4)          |
| 1/16 | Kym Mwansa (5)             |
| 1/16 | Michael Nielsen (22)       |
| 1/19 | Susan Rumble (8)           |
| 1/20 | Joseph Kincaid (14)        |
| 1/23 | Jack Stephens (33)         |
| 1/28 | Kevin Suchecki (3)         |
| 1/28 | Chris Good (3)             |
| 1/30 | Charles Pettett (44)       |
| 1/30 | Mindy Jones (22)           |
| 1/31 | James Gray (21)            |
| 1/31 | A.D. Dalton (34)           |

## Rotary Online

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

### ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
Community Activities Bldg,  
Roswell A  
10495 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA 30075

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of  
Atlanta April 18, 1951  
Active Membership: 241

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ROSWELL  
P.O. Box 783

home to Rome where he lives and serves his community. Charles has been Head Football Coach of Rome Middle School, responsible for the Distinguished Gentlemen Group at Anna K. Davis Elementary School, started the Positive Parenting Program with his wife, Regina, and much more. Charles was voted Heart of the Community award in 2017 for his service to the youth in Rome. He is married with six children.

## New Member Spotlight



Marcus Smith is a New Jersey native, but has been in the south for over 20 years. He earned an undergraduate degree at Clemson University and a doctorate of veterinary medicine at Auburn University. During the first half of Dr Smith's career he practiced critical care medicine at a referral hospital in Marietta. Five years ago Dr. Smith purchased Chattahoochee Animal Clinic in Roswell and has been serving the Roswell community as a general practice veterinary hospital ever since. His veterinary hospital mission is not only to be a leader in veterinary care for the Roswell community, but also to have a positive impact in the local community. His veterinary clinic has had the opportunity to take part in numerous fundraising events for several animal rescues in the Atlanta area. Chattahoochee Animal Clinic has participated yearly in toy drives benefiting local charities and has sponsored local fundraising events, such as Shamrockin for a Cure, which benefits the cystic fibrosis foundation.

On the personal side, Dr. Smith is married with 2 young boys. His family is active through the Roswell Rec programs and he has helped coach his oldest in just about every sport. When Dr Smith has any free time...honestly there is no such thing. But what he enjoys in his theoretical downtime is watching college football on the weekend or being out on the lake during the summer.

## Charity Spotlight



### The Cottage School

#### Mission:

To build a sense of self for students with special learning needs through academic and experiential programming, and to prepare individuals for fulfillment of their true potential as confident, productive, and independent adults.

#### Fast Facts:

- The Cottage School was founded in 1985 by Rotarians Jacque and Joe Digieso as an alternative to traditional academic models.
- TCS is fully accredited by AdvanceEd, for SAIS and SACS serving students from 4<sup>th</sup> grade through high school.
- TCS was named by the Masters in Special Education Resource Guide as one of their Top 50 Best Private Special Needs Schools in the United States.
- TCS provides a comprehensive academic college preparatory curriculum that meets Georgia high school graduation standards and HOPE scholarship requirements.
- By providing a balanced blend of academic and experiential programming, students acquire a strong sense of their individual skill set and develop the confidence to venture into areas of academics, athletics, and social interaction that, in the past, may have seemed beyond their reach.
- TCS Interact Club is very active participating with the Atlanta Humane Society, Be The Voice, and Relay for Life North Fulton among other initiatives.
- Numerous Rotarians have been involved in TCS since its beginning including several Rotarians who currently serve on the TCS Board of Directors.

## Roswell, GA 30077

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| President                | Becky Stone    |
| President-Elect          | Gordon Owens   |
| Immediate Past President | Lisa Carlisle  |
| Treasurer                | Terry Taylor   |
| Secretary                | Lynne Lindsay  |
| Foundation Chair         | Danny Tompkins |
| Membership Chair         | Karen Pilcher  |
| Public Image Chair       | Karen Schwank  |
| Service Chair            | John Carruth   |

### PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

- Cheryl Greenway 2012-13
- Bob Hagan 2015-16

### FAMILY OF ROTARY

Our membership cares deeply about the needs and concerns of our members. We don't want to miss an opportunity to reach out in friendship when such concerns arise. The chairperson of this committee is Lynn Dunn and all news should be directed to her at [lynn.dunn@rmcpa.com](mailto:lynn.dunn@rmcpa.com)

Find out more:

[www.cottageschool.org](http://www.cottageschool.org)

### ENTREPRENEUR'S WORKSHOP

## INVITE AN ENTREPRENEUR!

## How To Start A Business, Make It Grow And Turn It Into A FUN, THRIVING...and PROFITABLE Future!

This 6 week workshop led by Hal Coleman is for those individuals who either already own a small business and want to know how to make it grow faster...or dream of someday owning their own business but don't know how to get started!

WHEN: February 7, 14, 21, 28 and March 7 and 14 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Century 21 Connect Realty, 880 Holcomb Bridge Road, Suite 150, Roswell, GA (Next to Brookwood Grill)

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [Click Here](#)

### Be The Inspiration

## Rotary International President Barry Rassin Visits Roswell Rotary!

**Rotary International President Barry Rassin will Visit Roswell Rotary on February 16, 2019 at Blessed Trinity High School, 11320 Woodstock Road, Roswell, Georgia 30075**

### District Interact Conference and Lunch Meeting Agenda:

9:30 - 11:30 District 6900 Interact Conference

11:30 - 12:30 Registration, Supply Collection\* and Lunch (\$15 per person-except for Roswell Rotarians, then no charge)

12:30 - 2:00 Roswell Rotary Special Meeting - Featured Speaker Rotary International President Barry Rassin

2:00 - 3:00 Interact members pack items destined for Puerto Rico

### Service Project:

In honor of President Barry's visit to Roswell, please make a donation or bring the following supplies for delivery to Puerto Rico: Adult diapers, body lotion, Wet Ones, Ensure and vitamin drinks in powdered form.

**Please Register [Online](#)** For more information, please contact Becky Stone at [Rebecca.Stone@StonePC.net](mailto:Rebecca.Stone@StonePC.net) or 770-634-2717.

### Evening Reception:

There is also another great chance to meet and interact with Barry and Esther Rassin

that evening at the home of Bob Hagan. Tickets can be purchased for the champagne reception at 5pm and/or the cocktail reception at 6pm. Proceeds will go to the Polio Plus Program. **So get your tickets to the reception** by [CLICKING HERE](#). For more information about the reception, please contact PDG Bob Hagan at [bhagan@sterling-health.com](mailto:bhagan@sterling-health.com)

### **TIME TO REGISTER!**

## **DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT SANDESTIN!**

*The Rotary Bandit is racing to SanDestin arriving April 25 - 28, 2019 singing:*

- *We are Sandestin bound and down, loaded up and truckin',*
- *We're gonna do what they say can't be done.*
- *We've got a long way to go and a short time to get there.*
- *We are Sandestin bound, just watch ol' "Rotary Bandit" run.*

**District Conference registration is now open.**

**Be sure to get your Adult Big Wheel Team together for Thursday night! The First 5 Teams from Roswell Rotary will be FREE! See Michael Gould to sign-up your team!**

[Click Here](#) to Register.

**See you there for Adult Spring Break!**

### **Roswell Rotary History**

## **A Blast from the Past!**



Senator Johnny Isakson spoke to Roswell Rotary during Lou Tabickman's year as President of Roswell Rotary (2014-2015) and was given the coveted Roswell Rotary Parrot Shirt! I'm sure Sen. Isakson treasures that shirt as much as we do!

## **Last Week at Rotary**

