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## Rotary Club of Dunwoody The Dunwoody Early Riser eBulletin ... The Friendly Breakfast Club

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[Al Blackwelder, AG Rhodes Health](#)

**Mar 16 2012**

[Mark P. Becker - President, GSU](#)

**Mar 23 2012**

[C. Jones Hooks, Jekyll Island Authority](#)

**Apr 6 2012**

[GRSP Student Presentation](#)

**Apr 13 2012**

[Chris Clark, Georgia Chamber of Commerce](#)

**Apr 20 2012**

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**Apr 27 2012**

**NO MEETING**  
*"District Conference counts as our meeting"*

**May 4 2012**

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**Cindy Lou Harrington** is an award-winning singer/songwriter and acoustic guitarist with five independent albums releases through Atlanta-based GOC Music and Southern Tracks Records. Her performances have included opening for Kathy Mattea at Atlanta's Fox Theatre and sharing the stage with established country-rock acts, Sawyer Brown, Neal McCoy, and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band. Off-stage, for over 27 years, Harrington's audience has consisted of disabled students, many of whom have had a major impact on her life and music. She credits her "special kids" with the inspiration for her song, "Let Me Win," which was performed at the 1996 Paralympics Torch Ceremony.

Harrington has kicked off Atlanta Braves games five times with her performance of the National Anthem and she has received acclaim for her "keynote-song" presentations at conventions and conferences in Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, and New York, sharing the podium with authors and speakers such as Wayne Dyer, Jeb Bush, and Neale Donald Walsch. In the year 2000, the State of Georgia and Civitan International honored her with one of the State's highest citizenship awards: "The Big Heart Award." This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated "a truly humanitarian spirit, a commitment to good citizenship, and a dedication to improving the lives of Georgians." The first music composer to receive that award, she joins a list of honorees that have included football coach, Vince Dooley, major-league baseball player, Dale Murphy, and Senators Sam Nunn, Zell Miller, and Max Cleland.

We are thrilled and honored to have Cindy Lou with us for our Valentine's Day meeting. She is a wonderful performer and a true friend of Rotary!

### URGENT! HELP NEEDED!!!!

The countdown clock is ticking down the hours to the Governor's Ball -- **Saturday, March 3**. Be sure to check here each week for updates and the latest "breaking news" about the Ball and how you can help!

### Upcoming Events

**State of the City**

Feb 21 2012

**New Member Forum**

Apr 14 2012

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP!

The Governor's Ball is one of a handful of Club activities that calls for "all hands on deck." This event truly takes a village to make it happen. Every Club member needs to lend a hand (or several hands) by volunteering to help with one or more of the following:

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[Quote of the Week - Accomplishment](#)

We **DESPERATELY** need several volunteers to assist with:

**auktion set-up,**

**check-out**

**clean up** (read on for more information)

We welcome all helping hands but the tasks listed above are really key.

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The last auktion will close at 10:15 to 10:30. We must be out of the Club (completely, totally) at 12:30 am as they have a Sunday morning event that needs re-setting. So, the band will stop at 11:00, bar will close and everyone will need to check-out. So those volunteering for checkout and cleanup know that it will be done by shortly after midnight!

Look for the signup sheets on the tables and see **Past President Anne Glenn** or **Jim Floyd** to help.

### Don't Be Home Alone!



Life in Atlanta will hopefully be very, very lonely from **April 26-29**. During that time, all the "happenin" Dunwoody Rotarians will be in Sandestin, Florida at the District 6900 Conference to be held at the Sandestin Resort. This will be a fabulous meeting with the theme "Rotary Heroes" and a chance to hear great speakers, spend time with your family and Rotary friends, enjoy wonderful social events, and likely to celebrate the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** winning some awards! And with our own **Past District Governor Bill Woufin** chairing the conference, we know that it will be fun and first class!

**To register for the conference**, go to [http://rotarydistrict6900.org/Conf\\_Home.php](http://rotarydistrict6900.org/Conf_Home.php). Registration by March 1 is \$175, after that and until April 1 it will be \$195 and at the Conference the price is \$225. So far, we have over 25 members and spouses registered and we're looking for you to join the fun!



**To register for the Thursday night dinner cruise**, look for information about the cruise on the Conference page. There are only a few spaces left for this fabulous outing so don't delay!

**To reserve accommodations**, you can either explore the options on the District website or you can ask for one of the rooms in the Dunwoody block. **President Laura** has reserved 30 studios (essentially regular hotel rooms) and 10 one bedrooms (the sleeping room is separate and there is a full kitchen). The studios are \$168 per night plus 11.5% for taxes and 10% for the resort fee. The one bedrooms are \$186 per night plus 11.5% for taxes and 10% for the resort fee. Look for the room reservation form at our meeting on Friday and **turn in completed forms to President Laura** who will submit all our reservations to the hotel.

Besides the Conference programs and events, the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** will have a great Hospitality Suite. **President Laura** is promising a well stocked and lively hospitality suite open pretty much whenever someone wants to hang out. **PDG Bill Woufin** has reserved a big corner suite for us with a big balcony looking out over the central grounds.

So note your calendar and sign up now for a wonderful few days at the beach!

### Dresden Elementary School's Career Day 2012

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On **Friday, March 30th, from 8:30 - 1:30**, Dresden Elementary School will hold their annual Career Day. **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** "Dream Makers" team members are needed to share their careers. Members will go from classroom to classroom to present.

In previous years, the day is broken down to 6 sessions with some travel time between each session. Each volunteer presented for 5 sessions with the 6th session left for a break. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

If you are available to join the team and share your career, please contact Don Griffing, at [degriffing@comcast.net](mailto:degriffing@comcast.net).

...go anywhere

### RunDunwoody 2011 and Peachtree Charter Middle



At our meeting on Friday, the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** will present a check for \$4,300 to the Peachtree Charter Middle School Foundation to support the goal of improving health and fitness education for the entire student body. Funds will be used to purchase a Promethean interactive white board for the Health Education classroom. This will enable students and teachers to utilize proven, state-of-the-art learning methods supported by the same technology available in core curriculum classrooms. The school will be represented by Principal Mr. Scott Heptinstall and Teacher

of the Year Lisa Magness.

This check represents part of the proceeds from **RunDunwoody** and is in keeping with the 2011 theme of **RunDunwoody - Rotary Race to Serve**. Goals for the 2011 significant community event were to "build stronger, safer communities... around the corner and around the world". The **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** has

developed a multifaceted partnership with Peachtree Charter Middle School. Significant volunteer support for PCMS includes:

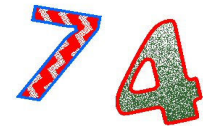
- Volunteer coaching for Quiz Bowl Team
- Volunteers teaching Junior Achievement "JA – It's My Business" to all 6th graders – the "basics" of entrepreneurship
- Volunteers to help stage PCMS 5K Run Fundraiser
- Volunteers to help PCMS host DeKalb County Special Olympics Baseball Skills Day

**Deb Cameron** serves as the Club's Relationship Manager with Peachtree Charter Middle School.

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, October 21, 2012** for **RunDunwoody 2012** and prepare to help **The Rotary Club of Dunwoody** help our communities.

#### Are You One of the 74?

The **LIST OF 74** is not a good place to be. It is the Dunces Corner, the B Team, the Delinquent Denizens -- you get the idea. As of last Friday before our meeting there were 74 members of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody who had either **NOT DONATED A GIFT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S BALL** or failed to let anyone know about a gift they plan on donating.



We need everyone in this Club to participate in the effort to make the 2012 Governor's Ball a great success. Anyone and everyone can **donate a bottle of wine** for the wine toss or **get a restaurant gift certificate**. Put together a collection of Atlanta Experiences: Tickets to the Atlanta History Center, the backstage tour of the Fox Theater, tickets to the Aquarium and the Zoo --

It is really quite simple: just donate something that you would like to have and would bid on. And get the item and the form in NOW so that we can produce a catalog. Your delay will end up making someone else scramble at the last minute to get the catalog produced.

**INVITE GUESTS; DONATE GIFTS; recommend SPONSORS OR BECOME A SPONSOR** . See **Jim Floyd** about sponsorship opportunities!

#### Fabulous! Absolutely Fabulous!!

With only **3 weeks** left before the big event (**22 days or 528 hours**) there are some fabulous items to look forward to at the 2012 Governor's Ball:

##### Champagne & Diamonds

\$50 per glass and only 100 glasses will be sold. In one of those 100 glasses will be a **\$5000 diamond** courtesy of **Jewelry Artisans**.

##### "Image of the Ball" by Henry Blackmon

Mr. Henry Blackmon has been recognized as a gifted artist from childhood and has earned numerous awards throughout his illustrious career as a professional artist and art teacher at Dresden Elementary School. In honor of the many years of support the club has provided to the children of Dresden, Mr. Blackmon will be combining a number of his talents as he creates his painting "Image of the Ball" during the Governors Ball on Saturday evening March 3, 2012.

As the ball begins, the artist will place a fresh canvas on an easel, start mixing his acrylic paints and begin to capture the unique styles, colors and emotions of the ball while it is happening. As the subjects of this work of art, our guests will want to observe his progress throughout the evening and witness "Image" come to life. Mr. Blackmon plans to complete the painting by the end of the ball and present it to the winning bidder who will take home this unique piece destined to be included in the new owners' cherished collection.

##### Sky High 4th of July Party

See the best of all Atlanta fireworks (Lenox Square, Stone Mountain and Centennial Olympic Park) from one of Atlanta's premier hi-rise condominiums. Join your friends at **Marion & Austin Bunch's** home for an evening of dinner, beverages and spectacular views of the City party. Bids for this item will be taken on a per couple basis. Since space is limited, the top 12 bids will be invited to the grand event. And if you want to entertain your friends bid for more than one couple.

Also look for the **Perfect Italian Holiday**, a **Pig Roast with the Woulfins**, and a get-away to **Angel Fire, New Mexico!** And, of course, there will be MUCH MUCH More!

### Essay Readers Needed

by Brian Bonser

The Rotary Club of Dunwoody is a sponsor of Rotary's Georgia **Laws of Life Essay Contest**. We have a long-standing relationship with contest with some of our members serving on the Board and Advisory Board. As the Chair of the Laws of Life Essay Contest for our club, I would like you to consider volunteering your time on this project.



#### Rotarians Needed as Volunteer Essay Readers and Judges for Laws of Life Essay Contest

Like to read? Need meeting make-up credit? Then volunteer to read and judge essays submitted to Rotary's Georgia Laws of Life Essay Contest, the largest character values and ethical literacy essay contest in North America. More than 40,000 high schools students write a short (500 – 700 word) values-based essay each year. You will be reading the top essays submitted by participating Georgia high schools, and helping select the 150 school winners who will receive recognition and cash prizes. The essays provide an eye-opening glimpse into the hopes, struggles and everyday lives of teenagers in our community. Serving as a Rotarian reader and judge is an excellent way to see how core values – such as those contained in Rotary's Four-Way Test – are experienced by a younger generation.

Essay reading sessions will be at the home of Susan Mason, a Rotarian and the contest director. The required commitment for a meeting make-up credit is to read for at least 2 hours, **any time between 9 AM and 6 PM on February 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 29**. To sign up for a time slot to read essays, contact Susan ([georgialawsoflife@gmail.com](mailto:georgialawsoflife@gmail.com); 404.367.9453). Location: 840 Woodley Drive, Atlanta, GA 30318, near Atlanta Memorial Park and Bobby Jones Golf Course.

For additional information on this program, to watch a 4-minute contest video, or to read last year's winning essays, visit our all-new website at [www.georgialawsoflife.org](http://www.georgialawsoflife.org).

### Junior Achievement in a Day!



We have a different sort of commitment in store for us this spring – we'll teach "JA in a Day" at Dresden Elementary. The commitment for that is a single half day and will be for an as yet to be determined day in early May.

There are additional opportunities to support Junior Achievement this spring for those interested:

- Chamblee Middle School – they need volunteers to teach "It's My Business" to 6th graders or "JA Global Marketplace" in the single day format on **February 24th**
- Kingsley Elementary– they need volunteers to teach each of the first thru fifth grade curriculums in the single day format on **March 30th**.

These two opportunities are beyond our usual commitment but offer additional JA volunteer opportunities for Rotarians that can't make our other dates work in their schedule.

For more information about JA or these specific opportunities contact **Patti Bunker** and check out [www.georgia.ja.org](http://www.georgia.ja.org).

### Get Ready for the District Assembly!

Rotary District 6900's **District Assembly** will be held from **8am to 2:15pm on Saturday, March 31** in Columbus, GA. The District Assembly is open to ALL Rotarians. District Assembly is a training session for everyone: incoming board members, new members and seasoned members.

The Assembly offers motivation, inspiration, Rotary information and new ideas. It is also a great way to meet Rotarians from other clubs.

- Incoming Board members will attend sessions relevant to their positions
- New members will have a workshop on basic Rotary information
- Seasoned members will have the opportunity to learn about new changes such as Future Vision and also gain in-depth knowledge about the Foundation.



**The Rotary Club of Dunwoody** will pay the registration fee for any and all members who attend.

Another important feature of a District 6900 Assembly is a review by incoming District Governor Cheryl Greenway of the program theme and emphasis of the new RI President, Sakuji Tanaka, Saitama, Japan for the coming year. District goals and objectives are also described and plans are developed for their implementation.

The Assembly starts at 8am-9am with a Continental Breakfast and the General Assembly begins at 8:30. Workshops by topics will be from 9:15-1:00 and Lunch will be served from 1:00-2:00 with adjournment and door prizes at 2:15pm. Please contact **President Elect Susan Schwall** and let her know you will be attending. We will arrange car pooling to Columbus after we know who will be attending.

#### State of the City: Rotary Help Needed



**Tuesday, February 21** is the date for the third annual Dunwoody State of the City Address. This is a significant event in our community and one in which the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** will once again assist the city.

The new mayor, Mike Davis, will deliver the address. Our own **President Laura Kann** will also speak. Guest speaker is Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Economic Development, Chris Cumiskey. He will speak on the Quality of Life and Economic Development.

The event starts at **7:00pm**, and **our help is needed from 4:00pm to 7:00**. We will help set up the items for the tables and direct visitors to the appropriate section of the room. This all takes place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Ashford-Dunwoody Rd.

If you cannot assist on this evening, we need volunteers to pack the 250 "goody" bags that will be at each attendee's seat. The date for this activity is **Thursday, February 16 from 3:00-5:00**.

See **Dottie Toney** to reserve your spot on the team of helpers for either February 21 at 4:00 or February 16 at 3:00. Come and be part of the fun of the preparation and the event itself!

#### Park Rangers Prevail!

by Frederick W. Bounds



Last Saturday February 4th, a **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** team whipped Monroe Park back into fine appearance and condition. Sweeping, weeding, pruning, and laying out of pine straw was the order of the day.

The following Rotarians (and one young future Rotarian) participated: **Kelly Hundley, President Laura Kann, Past President Gary Lane, Rick Otness, John Mills** and his son **Jack, Jean Holloway, Gary Meyer, Mimi Bounds**, and yours truly, **Fred Bounds**.

**President Laura** provided the leadership and the delicious donuts.

Fred Bounds  
Monroe Park Ranger

#### Member News

##### Happy Birthday!

Feb 12	Jeanne de Boer
Feb 17	Ken Wright
Feb 21	Marie Crean
Feb 26	Bill Koss

##### Happy Anniversary!

Feb 25	Patti Bunker and Stan Lambert
Feb 26	Doug and Mo Wright

#### Rotary Club of Dunwoody Information!

The following links will open The Rotary Club of Dunwoody's website for information on our leadership, recognition of our members' important contributions to the Rotary Foundation and the Georgia Rotary Student Program, along with Rotary's Four Way test. Please be sure to use these links to celebrate our many contributions:

[Rotary Club of Dunwoody Leadership 2011-2012](#)  
[Rotary Foundation Major Donors](#)  
[Paul Harris Society Members](#)  
[Rotary Foundation Bequest Society Members](#)  
[Rotary Foundation Paul Harris Fellows](#)  
[Our Support of the Georgia Rotary Student Program](#)  
[We are the Home of 3 Past District Governors!](#)  
[Our Service Above Self Recipients](#)

District 6900  
Rotary International Leadership

The Four Way Test and the Object of Rotary

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