

# "THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

October 18, 2023

## Meetings

October is Economic and  
Community Development Month

- 10/27 Ahmed Sendze Konde,  
GRSP Student, Gabon
- 11/3 David Silver, GM Perimeter  
Mall
- 11/10 Veteran's Day Program:  
Major General William B.  
Dyer III,

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 10/2 Felicia Voloschin
- 10/7 Mike Parks
- 10/13 Terence Shortal
- 10/22 Teak Pacetti, Jr.
- 10/24 Bill Woulfin
- 10/24 Charlene Hall
- 10/24 Denise Brodsky

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/2 Ed Godshall (15)
- 10/6 Alison Norris (33)
- 10/10 Lorri Christopher (42)
- 10/12 Gary Lane (20)
- 10/17 Jennifer Shumway (2)
- 10/25 Dottie Toney (9)

## Rotary Online

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

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am  
AC Hotel Atlanta Perimeter - Bar  
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## It's a Special Week!

We hope you read through to the end, but if you don't, at least know that it's back-to-back Thursday and Friday events:

- Tomorrow is Thirsty Thursday at the Dunwoody Tavern - where we'll draw the winning ticket for the first of this year's Whiskey Raffles - festivities begin at 5:30 pm. There are still tickets available for the drawing!
- Friday we welcome Brad Raffensperger, Georgia Secretary of State, as our speaker ... and continue our quest for a Scholarship Drawing winner, with the pot up to about \$1,000.

## This Week's Speaker

## Brad Raffensperger, Georgia Secretary of State

40 Perimeter Center Pl NE  
Atlanta, GA , GA 30346



## LEADERSHIP

President	Jack Sparks
President-Elect	Louise Barden
President Nominee	Matthew Johnson
Immediate PP	Jennifer Shumway
Vice President	Louise Barden
Treasurer	Carter Stout
Secretary	Dave Burr
Sergeant-at-Arms	George Stewart, Jr.



Join us this Friday at the AC Hotel to welcome Brad Raffensperger, Georgia Secretary of State. It's a great opportunity to bring a guest - especially one who might be interested in Rotary!

Brad Raffensperger is Georgia's 29th Secretary of State, first elected in 2018 and overwhelmingly re-elected in 2022. The Secretary's top priority is secure and accessible elections. The Secretary's top priority is secure and accessible elections.

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**Time is Running Out  
Whiskey Raffle Meets Thirsty Thursday - Tomorrow  
at Dunwoody Tavern**



Now is the time to buy tickets for Whiskey Raffle #1 - just ahead of tomorrow night's drawing at our monthly Thirsty Thursday event.

- Just [click this link](#) to travel to the raffle site - as of this writing we have sold 110 of the 175 targeted to sell. You can share the link with your friends!
- Come to the Dunwoody Tavern on Thursday, Sept. 19, for fun, fellowship and to find out who will win the first of this year's three whiskey raffles!

Thanks for your support!

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#### **Service Opportunity**

**Special Olympics Basketball ... November 3 ... Sign Up and Do Your Homework**



On November 3, starting at 9am, we will be volunteering at Peachtree Charter Middle School in support of the Special Olympics athletic challenge. We are seeking club members to come out and help with these amazing kids. Let me tell you what this event isn't. It isn't taxing on the intelligence. It isn't demanding of physicality. It isn't a fashion show. Now let me tell you what this event is. It is fun. It is engaging. It is heart-warming. And it is memorable. We have 12 volunteers so far and we need about 8 more.

This is not a new event for our club. We've supported this event for many years. This year, however, there is some bureaucratic paper work that needs to be completed. First, you'll have to complete the Volunteer Application and Release Form and acknowledge the Code of Conduct. This will take about 5 minutes. Then you have to watch the video and take the quiz for Mandated Reporters. When you work with children it is mandated that you be watchful for signs of abuse. If you suspect abuse, you have to report it. The video and quiz will explain the process and take about 50-60 minutes. Click "more" to get started on your "homework" - the experience is well worth the effort! [\[more\]](#)

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## **History Did Not Repeat Itself, But That's Good News for You**

Last week, we came close to repeating history - with a major Dunwoody Scholarship drawing on Friday the 13th! No one so lucky as this story from the club's fifth anniversary year ... January 20, 1989 ... "What are the odds that Someone named Friday would win thirteen dollars not once but two times on the same day in our Scholarship drawing on Friday the 13th? Al Friday did! Believe it or not!"

The good news ... about \$1,000 in this week's Dennis Crean memorial scholarship drawing. Play to win!

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## **Fellowship and Fun Here's to Our Wine Tasting Fellowship**



Thanks for hosting the club, Meghan Berry as we restart our Wine Fellowship group! Oh so many wines to sample - and the blind wine taste testing was a hit!! Good thing there was so much good food, too.

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**Thanks for Your Service**

## **Dunwoody Volunteers at FSHD Fundraising Event**





Good walk for a great cause last weekend with Rotary Club of Dunwoody volunteers Hoshi & Baku Daruwalla, Jennifer Shumway & Jud Shumway, Bob & Andrea O'Brien. The team handled check-in and then did the walk with the whole group. FSHD made their \$50,000 goal today for work and research for this rare form of Muscular Dystrophy!

## Dunwoody Rotary to Help Honor Vietnam Veterans



At our August 25 meeting we heard from John Butler, Board Chair for the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association, about plans to install a beautiful monument in Dunwoody's Brook Run Park to honor both American and Vietnamese soldiers who fought and died in the Vietnam War. This story includes images of the planned monument and information about it. The RCD Board approved to commit the Charitable Fund to match donations of Club members up to \$2,500 so we can meet or exceed the \$5,000 level to have the Club's name and Rotary logo engraved on the monument. We wanted you to know we are currently at \$1200 in Rotarian donations - about half of what we hope to raise by November.

If you'd like to participate, please make your tax deductible contribution to "Dunwoody Rotary Charitable Fund" and put "Vietnam War Memorial" on the memo line. Then give

or mail your check to RCD Treasurer Carter Stout as soon as possible.

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## **North Atlanta Rotary Hosts Whiskeys of the World Fundraiser ... October 21**

The Rotary Club of North Atlanta will host its Whiskeys of the World fundraiser this Saturday night, October 21. General admission tickets are still available and the club could use some additional volunteers to help with registration, escorting VIPs, assisting with the Masterclasses (checking tickets, arranging chairs, etc.), verifying tickets for general admission, etc. If you are interested in attending, visit the [Whiskies of the World/Atlanta website](#). To see about volunteering, contact Club President Mike Emanuele at [memanuele@horizonstaffing.com](mailto:memanuele@horizonstaffing.com). Our club and the Rotary Club of North Atlanta are part of the DeKalb Rotary Council.

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Saturday October 21

Intercontinental Buckhead

3315 Peachtree Rd NE Atlanta GA 30326

General Admission      6:45pm-9:30pm