

# NEWSLETTER

January 5, 2018



## Club Calendar

January is Vocational Service Month

1/12 J. Tom Morgan(Esq) -

1/19 PCMS QuizBowl

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

1/6 Roy Wise

1/11 Jim Glass

1/20 Brian Harper

1/21 Terry Nall

1/27 Robert Hall

## ANNIVERSARIES

1/19 Tim Le

1/23 Tina Philpot

1/25 David Gordon

1/28 Bill Woulfin

## Rotary Online

<https://dunwoodyrotary.org>

<https://rotary6900.org/>

<https://rotary.org/>

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am  
The Westin Atlanta Perimeter  
North H  
7 Concourse Parkway  
Atlanta, GA 30328

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of  
Sandy Springs April 25, 1984

Active Membership: 91  

## \*ALERT\* This Friday's Meeting Venue: HILTON -- PERIMETER SUITES

The hotel is located on Peachtree Dunwoody Rd, just north of the intersection with Hammond Drive. The address is:

Hilton Perimeter Suites: [6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30338](https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/atlphpe-hilton-perimeter-suites-Atlanta-Georgia.html)

## This Week's Speaker: Lee Thomas

Lee Thomas will be speaking about:

**The Film Industry in Georgia**



Lee Thomas is a Deputy Commissioner at the Georgia Department of Economic Development, and division director of the Georgia Film, Music & Digital Entertainment Office. A native Atlantan, Lee received a Bachelor of the Arts in Radio-TV-Film from UGA, a Master's Degree in Film Studies from Georgia State University, then entered the Tisch School of the Arts Doctoral Program in Cinema Studies at New York University. She returned to Atlanta in 1996 to work for the Georgia Film and Videotape Office as a project manager, and then became a location specialist for the office in 1998. After finding locations for film and television projects for 12 years, Lee became director of the film division in 2010.

## ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

President	Rick Otness
President-Elect	Rick Woods
Secretary	Mike Parks
Treasurer	Larry Domenico

## Save the Date: January 12th

We have a famous and popular speaker coming to speak to our club on Friday, January 12, J. TOM MORGAN. You might want to consider bringing your spouses and friends to hear him because he is coming to Atlanta just to speak to our club! J. Tom is recognized on three fronts: as an exemplary trial attorney in private practice, as a distinguished District Attorney for DeKalb County for 12 years, and as a nationally recognized advocate for children.

J. Tom will devote his talk primarily on the prosecution of crimes against children. He was the first prosecutor in Georgia to specialize in the prosecution of crimes against children, and he has appeared on The Oprah Winfrey Show, The Today Show, CNN's Talk Back Live, Court TV, and 48 Hours. He has lectured to prosecutors and law enforcement officials in more than 30 states, Puerto Rico and Europe. J. Tom has authored articles on child abuse and was instrumental in drafting and lobbying for laws that provide more protection for children in child abuse cases.

He has also committed to educating young people and helping them avoid being both victims and perpetrators of crimes. He is the author of *Ignorance Is No Defense, A Teenage's Guide to Georgia Law*, now in its fourth edition, which explains over 100 laws in Georgia that impact Georgia teens.

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## New Payment Options for Paying Dues



There are now two new payment options to make paying your dues easier, that became available with the October 1, 2017 invoices. These will continue to be available for the invoices coming out on or about **January 1, 2018**.

In addition to being able to mail in a check, you may now also pay by credit card or ACH, right from the electronic invoice. There is no additional charge for this using this method of paying.

If anyone has any questions, please contact **Cathie Brumfield** at: [\(770\) 350-1552](tel:7703501552)

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## Looking for the fountain of youth? Try hanging out with younger people



Dunwoody Elementary School (DES) would like to establish a relationship between our older and younger generations who reside in the same community. DES is seeking RCD retirees, who are able, to come to the school once a week (30-minute commitment) and support instruction in the classroom. Individual volunteers will be matched with a teacher who will establish lines of communication with the volunteers.

Volunteers will be asked to help with math and reading fluency and possibly other activities that could benefit from an extra pair of eyes and hands. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact **Warren Turner**, RCD Youth Services Director ([turner@cardinalpoints.com](mailto:turner@cardinalpoints.com) or 404-664-6000) for more details.

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## Ring in the New Year with the world leaders of tomorrow!

Jan 12 to 14, RCD will host 41 GRSP students from countries throughout the world. These young potential leaders will learn more about service above self and leading others in making this world a better place for us and future generations.

You are welcome to attend all events at Oglethorpe University on Saturday and Sunday morning.

Highlights include —

Jan 13, Saturday morning “Fierce Conversations” by executive coach and former RCD president Larry Hart.

Saturday afternoon presentation on “Toxic Charities” by Anne Hallum of AIR Guatemala followed by Food Packing with Rise Against Hunger. We will package over 10,000 meals in about 90 minutes and have a great time doing it.

Jan 14, Sunday morning is the “Shark Tank” when the student teams will present their proposals for a service project to a panel of Rotarian judges.

If you would like to be a judge, contact Warren Turner.

If you would like to attend the other sessions, please come!!!

For additional information, contact

Louise S Barden [404-423-8226](tel:404-423-8226) or email [lbarden@comcast.net](mailto:lbarden@comcast.net)

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## RLI next sessions are on 01/20/18

**Rotary Leadership Institute:** The next RLI opportunity will be in Thomasville Georgia on **1/20/2018** at Southern Regional College. Parts 1,2,3 will be offered, as well as a new Grad Course in Membership for those who have completed Part 3. The next opportunity after that to attend RLI sessions will be a little closer to home. It will be held on March 10th at Tucker Middle School (26 Idlewood Toad, Tucker, GA 30084). Registration is \$100 per course. D6900 Rotarians may register at <http://www.IsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77348671>.

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a series of three sessions that must be completed in sequence. Attendees will spend the day in a single session ( Part 1 for first time attendees) , so it will eventually require you to spend three days to complete the RLI course. The sessions teach you about Rotary and will give you a solid grounding in Rotary. It also provides an opportunity to meet Rotarians from across the District 6900. One factoid that you may find interesting is that those who attend RLI have a much greater chance of staying in Rotary, presumably because they realize how to get so much more out of being a Rotarian. If any questions contact Rick Otness ( [otness\\_r@mindspring.com](mailto:otness_r@mindspring.com) ).

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## RCD End Polio Now Fundraising: 100% RCD Participation Goal!

Between now and June 30th we will be working on getting every member in the Rotary Club of Dunwoody to become a donor to our Club's *End Polio Now* effort. The size of the contribution is up to each individual donor, but the goal is to get 100% participation by the members. Those of you that attended the RI Convention last June know just how close we are to eradicating this disease. But the final steps are the always the hardest to achieve. RI has committed to raising more than \$150 Million from its members over the next three years. Our Club's campaign will help to achieve a small portion of the required effort.

Donating can be done by logging on to the club's website (<https://Dunwoodyrotary.org> ) and clicking on the *End Polio Now* icon

The screenshot shows the website for the Rotary Club of Dunwoody. The main navigation bar includes links for 'About Us', 'Calendar', 'News', 'Resources', 'Club Finder', and 'Admin'. Below the navigation bar, there are several featured sections. The first is '4TH OF JULY PARADE' with a photo of a group of people. The second is 'WELCOME TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY'. The third is 'DO NOT MISS OUR FEATURED EVENT OF THE ROTARY YEAR' with a sub-section for 'THE 2018 GOVERNOR'S BALL - MARCH 3, 2018'. The fourth is a red 'END POLIO NOW' button with a white arrow pointing to it. At the bottom, there are sections for 'NEWS FROM DUNWOODY ROTARY' and 'FACEBOOK'.

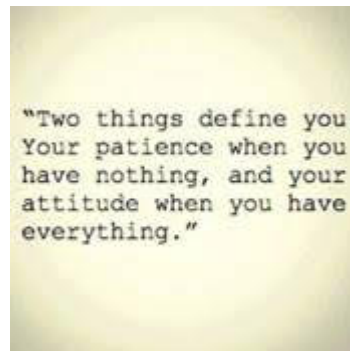
Then click on the Contribute button.

The screenshot shows the website for the 2017-2018 Polio Fund Raising. The 'Contribute' button is highlighted with a black arrow. Below the navigation bar, there is a table with columns: Club, Type, Area of Focus, Rotary Year, and Committee. The table shows 'Dumwoody' as the Club, 'Fundraiser' as the Type, 'Other' as the Area of Focus, and '2018' as the Rotary Year. Below this table, there is a text box stating: 'The Club is seeking \$60,000 in donations to help "End polio" from Businesses and Individuals. Click on the "Contribute" button on screen, and you will be taken to our donation page.' To the right of this text is a table with columns: Dates, Start, End, Projected, and Actual. Below this is another table with columns: Beneficiaries, Volunteers, Hours, Cash, In-Kind, Gross, and Net. The 'Funds Raised' row shows \$0 in both Gross and Net columns. Below the tables is an 'ATTACHMENTS' section with two cards: 'CASES ARE DOWN' and 'WE ARE CLOSE'.

That will take you to the donation page.

\*\*\*\*Please give something now. We will be keeping you posted on our Club's progress toward "being all in".\*\*\*\*

## RCD Caring Hands



An oft-quoted maxim says, "No one cares how much you know, until they know how much you care". - Theodore Roosevelt

The cards for members and their families that circulate during our meetings are one way to express shared joy over good news or shared concern about difficulties experienced. As one of our members recently stated at his return from surgery, getting a card with heartfelt greetings from all the members present helped him feel better and heal sooner.

Once we know our friendly breakfast club is also a caring club, our dedication to "Service Above Self" is stronger and we look forward to participating in projects and events with other Rotarians. If we are in need of a service, the first call made will be to a Rotarian.

So, if you are aware of an approaching or past event worthy of celebration or concern, please tell **Dottie Toney-Ransom** at [tonydot@me.com](mailto:tonydot@me.com). You can also write it on either a yellow card (for joy) or a blue card (for concern) and leave it on the table, or place it in Dottie's hand at the end of the meeting.

We ARE a very caring club! Thank you for helping to make it so.

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## Updated Personal Information in R.I. Database Needed



We need your help. The **Caring Hands** Committee reports several members have written back advising they received birthday cards wishing them well, and although they are appreciative of the thought, have indicated it was not their birthday.

We have traced the problem back to the information members have listed in the Rotary International database.

We ask for each of you to log into the **Rotary International** database (<https://rotary.org>) and review the data listed for you (i.e. birthday, anniversary, etc.) in the "**My Rotary**" section. Once you have verified the information listed is correct, you need to save the record to trigger a download that will also update the information listed in the District database. (*Hint: If you make any change you get the option of saving the change. If record is correct make a minor change and then change it back to have the option of saving changes*)

If you make a good faith effort to update, but for some reason can't access the RI database, please send the following information to: [RCDSecr@gmail.com](mailto:RCDSecr@gmail.com)

- Your Name
- Your Birthday
- Your Wedding Anniversary
- Your Spouse's Birthday

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## ROTACON 2018

Rotacon 2018 is only three months away. Rotacon 2018 is a district conference designed to engage Rotarians, their guests, and families for a weekend full of inspirational stories, entertaining sessions, and educational breakouts. It is an opportunity to enjoy time with your fellow club members and get to know 1,000 Rotarians and their guests from all over District 6900 in a relaxing and entertaining environment that is [Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort](#).

This year, the 2018 District Conference will take place from April 26-29.

Rotarian and Guest Conference Registration is \$245 through March 31, 2018. Register before January 18<sup>th</sup> to be eligible to win one free conference registration. Other prizes are also available. Accommodations and rates per night at the Village and Grand Complex Buildings vary. Beachside Studio \$243; Beachside 1 bedroom \$265; Beachside

2 Bedroom \$340.00, Beachwalk 2 Bedroom \$249; Bayside 3 Bedroom \$312. Bayside at Sandestin –Guest room \$150.00; Village 2 Bedroom \$286.00; Grand Complex Studio \$180.00; Grand Complex, 1 Bedroom \$200; Grand Complex, 2 Bedroom \$286.00; Grand Complex, 3 Bedroom \$355.00. The Cut off for reservations is March 17, 2018. After that date rooms will be sold on a space available basis.

Visit the website <https://rotary6900.org/v2/page/378> for registration and more information.

For more information and questions please feel free to contact Ardy at [ardy11422@yahoo.com](mailto:ardy11422@yahoo.com).

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## From the desk of the Newsletter Editor

Send your Newsletter submission to:  
[rkdnewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:rkdnewsletter@yahoo.com)



Our Club's Weekly Newsletter typically consists of:

- Speaker bio
- New Member Name(s)
- Featured article(s) (regarding events, service projects, or on-going topics general club administrative items, etc..).
- Foundation initiatives or other topics of interest to Members and with value for our Club archives.
- Announcements (seeking volunteers, advertising service projects, etc.)
- For Your Calendar (Club and other activities we encourage members and/or their spouses to attend, including Family of Rotary events)
- Member News (birthdays, anniversaries, accomplishments, Caring Hands)

Please keep in mind key components to include with your submission:

- Title of your article
- Description of the activity
- Dates, Time, Location, deadline, etc... (especially for upcoming events)
- Key Points of Contact Information and/or a link to reference website for details
- Names and/or headcount of Rotarians (and others) participating,
- The reaction of those benefiting and the numbers of those benefiting.
- Picture(s)

Please also tell me the number of weeks would you like the article published.  
Finally, the deadline for articles to run in the current week are **Mondays by 5 p.m.**

If you have any questions feel free to ask me!

Thank you!  
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