

# "THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

April 9, 2025

## Meetings

April is Environment Month

## 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 Otness (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



## LEADERSHIP

President	Louise Barden
President Nominee	David Burr
Immediate PP	Jack Sparks, Jr.
Vice President	Matthew Johnson

## This Week's Speaker

**Dan Corso, President, Atlanta Football Host Committee Inc.**



Join us this Friday at the Embassy Suites to welcome Dan Corso, President of the Atlanta Football Host Committee Inc. Dan joined the Atlanta Sports Council (ASC) in 1999 after serving as Vice Chair of the Festival Division for the 1998 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. As the President of ASC, Dan facilitates the growth and development of sports in metro Atlanta by recruiting for major regional, national, and international sporting events.

Treasurer Carter Stout  
Secretary Alison Norris

Since Dan has been with ASC, it has hosted several prominent sporting events such as the NCAA Men's and Women's Final Four, MLB, NHL, and NBA All-Star Games, WrestleMania XXVII, and ACC and SEC Basketball Tournaments. Most recently, the ASC managed the effort to successfully recruit the 2018 College Football Playoff National Championship, Super Bowl LIII (2019), and the 2020 NCAA Men's Final Four. During his time at the ASC, the organization has been named Sports Commission of the Year by the National Association of Sports Commissions four times (2000, 2004, 2006, and 2015).

Corso is President of the Atlanta Football Host Committee Inc., for the 2018 College Football Playoff National Championship, and serves on the Board of Directors for the Atlanta Convention & Visitors Bureau and College Football Hall of Fame, and is on the Advisory Board for the Celebration Bowl.

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**Golf Tournament: May 19, 2025**

## **Are You Signed Up to Help with FORE the Memories?**



We are counting on your support! This is our biggest fundraiser of the year - and this year's tournament will provide support for the Alzheimer's Association - The Longest Day, Anchor Place Respite - Dunwoody and our RCD Charitable Fund that helps support ALL our other activities. It all takes place on Monday, May 19 at St. Marlo and we're counting on you to be part of it.

Take your next step now and become a Sponsor (for as little as \$25 or as much as you'd like to share), sign up to be a Tournament Day volunteer, or make a donation to the auction that will take place once the golfers come off the course.

Need more information?

- The most current information can be found on the tournament website at [FORE! the Memories - Rotary Club of Dunwoody Charity Golf Tournament](#).
- You can also contact Bob O'Brien at [OBrienInsuranceAgencyllc@outlook.com](mailto:OBrienInsuranceAgencyllc@outlook.com) or Event Co-Chair, Charlie Augello at [italian@e48thstreetmarket.com](mailto:italian@e48thstreetmarket.com) with suggestions and questions.

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**Calling All Volunteers**

## Dunwoody Arts Festival - May 9-11



In just one month Dunwoody Village will be transformed into a thriving artist market. 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 [kgbrandt1@comcast.net](mailto:kgbrandt1@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>.

## **A Few Things to Know About Dunwoody Rotary and Anchor Place**



You should already know that part of the FORE! the Memories golf tournament proceeds will go to Anchor Place Respite Care in Dunwoody. You should should also know:

- We're working hard and having fun at Anchor Place - every Monday and Thursday. Just ask Dunwoody volunteers Fred Bounds, Ron and Louise Barden, Tina Philpott, Les Woulfin and Jackie Cuthbert.
- Want to volunteer? Anchor Place will hold volunteer training on May 6 from 10 am to noon. Contact Mary Cohen if you'd like to be part of that training.
- A big celebration is being planned - Anchor Place will soon mark its one year anniversary and we're planning a big picnic on June 14. Watch for more details!
- We're planning an art project at Anchor Place that will require LOTS of plastic bottle caps - save all sizes and colors (ask your friends to help) and bring them with you to Rotary! We will need a lot of BLUE caps to make an Anchor - milk offers a good source of blue!