

## Meetings

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

- 12/3 Tony Barnhardt - CBS Sports College Football Insider
- 12/10 Gary Black - Agricultural Commissioner
- 12/17 Holiday Inn Ros-Vegas
- 12/24 No meeting.

## Events

- 12/4 Holiday Gift Wrap
- 12/8 Honor Air Fund Raiser - Sharp Shooters
- 12/12 RPD Gift Delivery

### LEADERSHIP

President	Lynne Lindsay
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### PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

Cheryl Greenway 2012-13  
Bob Hagan 2015-16

### ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
Holiday Inn

### President's Message

## December



December being the last month of the year cannot help but make us think of what is to come.

I reflect on how our lives have changed. We removed obstacles, found new ways to connect, and embraced new approaches to service. As we have made it to the end of the year, think positive because thoughts are like the steering wheel that moves our life in the right direction.

Cheers to a beautiful holiday season and all good things to come!

### This Week's Speaker

## The SEC Network



Tony Barnhart is in his 45th season of covering college football for radio, television and the internet. He is currently in his seventh season as a college football analyst for The SEC Network and is a columnist for TMGcollegesports.com. Previously he was a college football analyst for CBS Sports and a reporter for ESPN's College Game Day. He spent 25 years at The Atlanta-Journal Constitution as a college football writer. Tony has authored five books on college football. Two of the books are the autobiographies of Vince Dooley and Larry Munson.

Tony is a 1976 graduate of the Henry W. Grady School of Journalism at the University of Georgia. He has been inducted into the school's Grady Fellowship, signifying career achievement and contributions to Journalism. In 2016 Tony received the Contribution to Amateur Football Award from the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. In 1999 Tony was named the Georgia Sports Writer of the Year. On Oct. 6 Tony was named to the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.

Tony and Maria, who just celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary, live in Dunwoody, Ga. Their daughter (Sara) and son in law (Brian) live in a "divided household" with Sara as UGA Bulldog and Brian a Michigan State Spartan. Tony and Maria have a granddaughter, Sloane, who came into the starting lineup of life on Aug. 23, 2012. Their second grandchild, baby boy Beau, was born on Aug. 2, 2020.

**Thursdays, 11:45 - 1:15 PM | Holiday Inn**

## Meeting Protocol Virtual and In-Person



You can participate either way.

1) Join us at the Holiday Inn. We have expanded our space to include all three ballrooms. Tables are set according to CDC guidelines. The Holiday Inn is located

909 Holcomb Bridge Road  
Roswell, GA 30076

## Rotary Online

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



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Text: *CLUBALERTS*  
To: 41411

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

12/4 Michael Hernandez  
12/11 Sean Nickerson  
12/12 Maurice Hilliard, Jr.  
12/15 Tod Baker  
12/20 Becky Nelson  
12/22 David White  
12/24 Vivian Bankston  
12/26 Lou Tabickman  
12/31 Lee Hollingsworth  
12/31 William Noethling, Jr.  
12/31 Melissa Weaver  
12/31 Steve Forbes, Jr.  
12/31 Lee Jenkins, Jr.  
12/31 Dazia Fumbah

## YEARS OF SERVICE

12/1 Gary Garrett (43)  
12/1 Kevin Head (4)  
12/3 Rich Simons (1)  
12/3 Jim Byrd (1)  
12/7 Andrew Dalby (20)  
12/7 Craig Simons (20)

behind the Olive Garden at 909 Holcomb Bridge Rd, Roswell, GA 30076.

2) Join us virtually at 12:15pm by computer, tablet or phone via [CLICKING/TAPPING THIS LINK](#). **THIS IS A NEW ZOOM LINK.** If you are asked, the password is **Roswell**.

**Tuesday, Dec. 8th/5:00-8:00**

## Honor Air Fundraiser at Sharp Shooters



Enjoy a night of fun and guns to benefit our WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Veterans. Bring your own gun, safety gear and non steel core ammo or you may rent a gun for free and/or purchase safety gear and ammo from Sharp Shooters.

\$25 per person with all proceeds going to support our Honor Air trip in spring 2021.

From 5:00 to 6:00 PM Certified Fire Arms Instructor, Maddy Scholar has volunteered her time for a FREE shortened version of Handgun Fundamentals. Maddy is a Rotary Global Grant Scholarship recipient. While completing her masters, she is currently teaching Handgun Fundamentals, Home Defense, Concealed Carry, Emergency First Aid Fundamentals, and Women's Self Defense. Classes are limited to 25 and are first come, first served. **Let Alicia know ASAP if you would like to attend.**

We will be serving a light dinner.

See you there!

**Dec 4th & 12th RPD Gives for The Holidays**

## Gift Wrap and Delivery



The Roswell Police Department has requested our help in wrapping and delivery of holiday gifts to 300 local families.

Wrapping is Friday, Dec. 4th from 11:30AM until early afternoon. Bring a friend and stop by the Police Station at Hill Street.

Delivery is Saturday, Dec. 12th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We will be riding with an officer. Pres. Lynne will be assisting Santa as Ms. Claus. Volunteers are needed, especially anyone who would like to dress up. Elves, here is your chance!

Contact Pres. Lynne at [lynnehindsay@outlook.com](mailto:lynnehindsay@outlook.com) for details.

**Nov. 12th - Dec. 10th Bring Unwrapped Toys**

## Foster Care Collections



Foster Care has a special request for children ages 10 - teenagers. Toys and clothing for older kids is often overlooked.

Boys clothing size 3 through men's medium is needed. No socks or undies, please. Wal Mart gift cards are welcomed.

Let's show these young folks some extra love. Reach out to June Brown at [meacert@mindspring.com](mailto:meacert@mindspring.com) or Nancy Alterman at [nanraa@bellsouth.net](mailto:nanraa@bellsouth.net) with questions.

12/8 Matt Thomas (9)  
 12/8 Danny Broadway, II (9)  
 12/9 Alan Christian (10)  
 12/9 Tillie O'Neal (10)  
 12/11 Michele Johnson (13)  
 12/12 SaraBeth Huntley (7)  
 11 years in Rotary  
 12/12 Bill Swank (7)  
 12/13 John Greaves (8)  
 12/13 Jeff Hamling (35)  
 12/17 Gregory Pierce (11)  
 12/17 Adele Hamilton (11)  
 12/19 Dave McCleary (18)  
 12/20 Ed Klaas, II (2)  
 12/20 Marcus Smith (2)  
 12/20 Blake Turner (2)  
 12/21 John Reddick (3)  
 12/21 Dennis Canata (25)  
 12/31 Maurice Hilliard, Jr. (56)  
 12/31 Alicia Hughes (51)  
 12/31 Frank Brown (46)

## 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)

## Make A Joyful Sound Choir Voices Needed



Do you love to sing? Welcome to the Roswell Rotary Choir! In this case, you don't have to be great at singing, but enjoy the spirit

Join Bruce Peoples and Don Horton this Thursday, Dec. 3rd @ 11:15 for rehearsal. The performance will be at our Dec. 17th Holiday Inn Ros-Vegas meeting.

## Salvation Army - Rescue Christmas - Red Kettle Team



The Salvation Army is gearing for up Christmas. But this year is different. They are expecting a 155% increase in request for assistance this holiday season.

Rescue Christmas is to help The Salvation Army compensate for what is anticipated to be a considerable decline in donations in red kettles this year due to store closures and reduced foot traffic in stores throughout the area.

Join the Salvation Army Virtual Red Kettle team at <https://give.salvationarmygeorgia.org/team/306919>. Click "join team" and complete the information to se up a fundraiser page for yourself. You can then share this link with others.

If you are able to volunteer, you can sign up at <https://salvationarmymyatlanta.volunteerhub.com/lp/redkettleaic/>

Thank you in advance.

## New Member Profile Brenda Blanton



Brenda has dedicated over 40 years to serving the residential real estate needs of families and individuals relocating into and out of Georgia. Her career began in 1978 as a REALTOR® in the state of Georgia and her first year in business she was the recipient of the Athens Board of REALTORS® "New Face of the Year" Award in 1979 and REALTOR® of the Year in 1983 and 1995.

A Life Member of the Million Dollar Club, Phoenix Award, Silver Gold and Emeritus for 40 years of success, by 1986 she had achieved her Associate Broker's Designation and opened her own brokerage which later became Prudential Blanton Properties then Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Blanton Properties. She has consistently ranked in the top 3% of sales professionals in her company nationwide.

She has been extremely active in her community of Athens, GA since the late 1960s in many civic organizations and charities including The Athens Rotary, American Heart Association which she is co-chairing GO RED this year with her daughter, DeAnn Blanton Golden, American Cancer Society, and many others. She was a member of the charter class of Leadership Athens. A member of Tuckson Methodist Church of Athens led by Rev Malone Dodson and later First Methodist Church.

Brenda is married to DeWitt Blanton, PhD, a retired professor from UGA's School of Pharmacy. DeWitt is currently residing in memory care in Hillland Hills. Her daughter DeAnn a resident of Roswell GA.

Brenda relocated to Roswell to be closer to her daughter and 2 grandchildren, Grace 12 and Wilson 9. She is delighted to continue her tradition of helping families make their next best move whether in Athens or Roswell or anywhere in Georgia or across the nation and globe. "Home is where the heart is" and nothing warms Brenda's heart more than bringing people home!

## **Rotary Last Week**

