

## "THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

September 8, 2021

## **Meetings**

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

9/10 Frank Buonanotte, Entrepreneur and Commercial Real Estate Investor

9/17 No meeting - join us for Thirsty Thursday

9/24 Bob O'Brien Hosts Panel of Dunwoody Restaurant Owners, "Customer Service and Innovation"

10/1 Regular Meeting

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

9/6 Chris Gutschenritter9/18 Marion Bunch

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

9/4 Robert Hall (51)9/4 Charlene Hall (41)

## **Rotary Online**

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

#### ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am
Le Méridien Atlanta Perimeter
111 Perimeter Center West
Atlanta, GA, GA 30346

#### This Week's Speaker

## Frank Buonanotte, Entrepreneur and Commercial Real Estate Investor ... in Person and via Zoom



Join us this Friday at in person at Le Meridien or on Zoom at <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86202979419">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86202979419</a> to hear from Frank Buonanotte, Founder and Chairman of Barrett Rand Corporation. Frank is an investor in small to medium sized companies and commercial real estate.

His investments in companies include ownership stakes in a minor league baseball team, an investment bank specializing in middle market companies, a home furnishings retailer, and a software firm which he recently sold to a large publicly traded company. His investments in real estate are focused on in-town, irreplaceable properties that can be redeveloped to higher and better uses.

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#### In the News

## Congratulate Ardy Bastien, Dunwoody's Newest City Council Member, and Lorri Christopher, MOXIE Award Winner

During its August 23 meeting, the Dunwoody City Council unanimously approved the nomination of Villard "Ardy" Bastien to fill the unexpired term of Pam Tallmadge in City Council Post 1.

And, at the 2021 Gwinnett County Chamber of Commerce "MOXIE" awards, Lorri Christopher received the Greater Good Award for her fine work with the City of Peachtree Corners and beyond.

#### **Rotary Youth Exchange**

## Join the 2022-23 Informational Session Next Tuesday in Dunwoody ... And Ask How You Can Help with RYE



Our informational session for parents and students interested in the 2022-23 Rotary Youth Exchange scholarships takes place next Tuesday night, September 14 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in Dunwoody. Applications for the are open now to high school students in District 6900, including children and grandchildren of Rotarians. This event is open to all - you must sign up in advance on the District 6900 page of the Florida Rotary Youth Exchange website.

Rotary Youth Exchange is shifting into gear to recruit outbound exchange students for the 2022-23 school year, and to recruit host families for our inbound student for that school year. Please direct any interested people to me, Deb Cameron, at dsc630@gmail.com. You can also direct people to the Rotary Youth Exchange website: <a href="mailto:ryese.org">ryese.org</a>. (It helps if interested people know that we are in District 6900.)

#### **LEADERSHIP**

President Carter Stout

President-Elect Jennifer Bowler

Immediate PP Ardy Bastien

Treasurer Cathie Brumfield

Secretary Louise Barden

Membership Brian Harper Foundation Jennie Stipick

Public Image Jackie Cuthbert We would love a few good volunteers from our club to help with recruiting and other activities related to Rotary Youth Exchange. You need to be an approved volunteer to interact with the inbound and outbound students – it is a U.S. State Department requirement. Becoming an approved volunteer involves a background check and a short state department training – all on line! Easy!!! Please let Deb know if you are willing to help with this amazing program.

#### **Opportunity to Serve**

# Join Volunteer Day at the Dunwoody Nature Center This Saturday



Plan to join us this Saturday, September 12 from 9:00 AM to noon at the Dunwoody Nature Center. The Center needs all the volunteers it can get to help with projects on the property - and your support can help us increase the impact we will have on the Dunwoody Nature Center.

The activities involve proper social distancing, but allow volunteers to be close enough to share encouragement and humor. Go to the Dunwoody Nature Center website to sign up and complete a volunteer waiver. Wear your Dunwoody Rotary shirt, bring your water and gloves, and plan to enjoy fellowship with your club members and other volunteers!

Also note that the Nature Center's premier fundraising gala, Monarchs & Margaritas, returns to the Dunwoody Nature Center Saturday, September 18th! Looks like you can register for that on the website too!

#### **Club Calendar**

### What's Happening in September and October



Here's a way to keep up with all that's happening with the Rotary Club of Dunwoody. If you would like to add an event - or add a story to the bulletin, send an email to Jackie Cuthbert at cuthbert@mindspring.com by Tuesday evening.

- Sept 10  $\stackrel{\text{Meeting: Frank Buonanotte, entrepreneur and commercial real estate investor}}{\text{Investor}}$
- Sept 11 Dunwoody Nature Center service project
- Sept 14 Rotary Youth Exchange Information session in Dunwoody sign up in advance at RYESE.org
- Sept 16 Thirsty Thursday with Rotaract Club of Atlanta, Dunwoody Tayern
- Sept 17 No meeting
- Sept 21 Board meeting: Zoom 7:30 am
- Sept 21 Attorney/CPA Rotary Means Business, 6:30 pm at Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant, Perimeter
- Sept. 24 Meeting: Bob O'Brien hosts panel of Dunwoody Restaurant owners
- Oct. 1 Meeting: to be announced
- Oct. 3 GRSP and Global Grant Scholar Welcome Party Bill and Les Woulfin's home
- Oct. 7 Board dinner with DG Mary Ligon

Oct. 8	District Governor Mary Ligon visits Dunwoody
Oct. 9	Dunwoody Nature Center service project
Oct. 15	Meeting: Stephanie Freeman and Shavonne Reed, Dunwoody Perimeter Chamber of Commerce
Oct. 19	Board meeting: Zoom 7:30 am
Oct. 19	Attorney/CPA - Rotary Means Business, 5:30 pm at Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant, Perimeter
Oct. 21	Thirsty Thursday, Dunwoody Tavern
Oct. 22	No meeting
Oct. 23	Bounds Garden clean-up, 9:00 AM
Oct. 29	Meeting: to be announced