Rotary Club of Dunwoody

The Friendly Breakfast Club

SEPTEMBER 1, 2017

This Week's Speaker: Tina Wilkinson, Solarize Dunwody

Tina Wilkinson is a member of the Solarize Dunwoody coalition.Solarize is a community-based solar photovoltaic (PV) group-purchasing program, that allows area homeowners, businesses and nonprofits to save on the cost of solar. The Solarize model was pioneered in Portland Oregon in 2009 and has been spreading across the country, currently serving the needs of more than 250 communities. Solarize Dunwoody is the 4th such community-based program in Georgia.

Tina is a trustee at Dunwoody United Methodist Church and is a newly commissioned Earth Keeper in the United Methodist Church. Tina is a life-long supporter of education and the Dunwoody community.Currently, she works part-time for WT Café, a school lunch outsourcing company. In the past she has served as an elected parent representative on the school councils of Peachtree Charter Middle School and Vanderlyn Elementary, and in various other volunteer roles in the community. Tina was honored to be chosen as the City of Dunwoody's Sustainability Hero for 2015.

Tina retired in 2001from a career in Wachovia's corporate and investment banking international division, where she was Senior Vice President of Risk Management, with responsibilities for Europe, Turkey, and Israel.

Tina and husband Scott reside in Dunwoody.Their children Ben(17) and Anna(15) are students at Dunwoody High School.

Bounds Gardens at Monroe Park Spruce-up Goes On with No Disruptions

Sprucetarians **President Rick Otness, PP Tina Philpot, Erich Schuetz, Warren Turner, Mr. & Mrs. Baku Daruwall and Fred Bounds** convened at the now named Bounds Gardens at

MEETINGS

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

9/1	Tina Wilkinson, CEO Solarize Dunwoody
9/8	Filipe Bassani, Brazil
9/15	Michael Starling, Director Economic Development, City of Dunwoody
9/22	Rebecca Pond -Analytics Drive Business Choice
9/29	Katie Williams (Ex Dir of CVBD) - Dunwoody Above and beyond
10/6	Jim George (State Farm)
10/13	Sarah Morrison - CEO of Shephard's Center
10/20	Sheffield Hale (CEO Atl Hist Cntr)-m Building for the Future

EVENTS

9/12	Future Presidents Meeting
9/14	Board of Directors Meeting
9/23	Dunwoody Diners
10/1	GRSP Student Welcome BBQ
10/7	Bounds Garden Cleanup
10/7	Monroe Park - Bounds Gardens Cleanup
10/15	2017 RunDunwoody
10/29	Family of Rotary Pumpkin Party

BIRTHDAYS

9/6	Chris Gutschenritter
9/18	Marion Bunch
9/20	Jason Creech

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

9/4	Charlene Hall (37)
9/4	Robert Hall, Sr. (17)

Monroe Park. Channeling **PP Gary Lane**, we all agreed that there was no place we'd rather be.

There were no signs that the park had attracted the attention of passionate actors from the left and/or right ends of the political spectrum. Thankfully we didn't receive any attention from Hurricane Harvey like the poor souls in Texas.Tropical Storm #10 stayed away, moving up the southeastern sea coast.

It was a light day of weeding, clipping, and sweeping. "I was a little embarrassed that I didn't have more for the gang to do, but they showed no signs of disappointment'", said Park Ranger Fred Bounds, resplendent in floppy hat and industrial strength knee pads.

There are two more spruce-up dates scheduled for this calendar year, October 7 and November 18.Pine Straw time!

Roughly 20 years ago, former Dunwoody Rotarian Monroe Brock got the club involved in beautifying a traffic island across the street from the Dunwoody library. After Monroe left the club, Fred Bounds stepped in. The club voted recently to designate the park as Bounds Gardens.I will always think of this spunky little piece of real estate by the former name, but to acknowledge the recognition from my fellow Rotarians, I will compromise and call it Bounds Gardens at Monroe Park.Come out and join us, "The Few, the Proud, the Sprucetarians"!

ROTARY ONLINE

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

ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am
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SOCIAL MEDIA

LEADERSHIP

President	Rick Otness
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Interact, RYLA and RCD a trifecta for a success. 2017-2018 Character Education.

School is back in session…. On Sunday evening August 27, 2017 nine RYLA participants, currently all members of DHS's Interact Club, met with Rotarians George Stewart, David Gordon and Warren Turner over hamburgers and hot dogs to discuss the rollout of this year's Character Education Program.

From Left to Right RYLA Attendees (Year Attended): Delzin Daruwalla (2017), Zoe McMullan (2016), Mac Johnston (2017), Samantha Cameron (2017), Claire Turner (2016), Zoe Sirmans (2016), Charley Casey (2016) Lindsey Puckett (2016), and Kate Smith (2017). Missing Autumn Toms (2017)

Earlier this year DHS Principal Mr. McFerrin and Interact Club sponsor, DHS Faculty, Ms. Sturken, met with Stewart, Gordon & Turner and committed to allowing DHS students help with the 2017-2018 Character Education Program. Additionally, Mr. McFerrin is encouraging all Dunwoody Elementary School Principals to support this initiative.

RCD should know within the next 5-10 days which of the six Dunwoody cluster elementary schools will be participating this year. Once a final number is known, Rotarians and Interactors will be matched with the participating schools and jointly teach character education to the 4th and 5th graders there.

Character Education takes 20-30 minutes once a month and focuses on the following monthly Character Traits: September-Respect for Others, October-Fairness, November-Citizenship, December-Compassion, January-Perseverance, February-Courage, March-Self-control, April-Honesty and May-Self-respect.

If you would like to know more about this project, please contact **Warren Turner** via email wturner@cardinalpoints.com or by phone 404-664-6000.

Laws of Life – Changing Lives One Essay at a Time

Last Friday was the annual Laws of Life (LOL) Teacher/Rotarian Workshop and Luncheon held at the Georgia Tech Hotel & Conference Center to celebrate the record-setting 48,836 students who submitted LOL essays in the 2016-17 school year, and kick off the start of another school year.This Georgia Rotary program is by far the largest essay contest in North America, with more than 580,000 essays written since the contest began. It promotes both literacy and good character among high school students.

Almost 100 Georgia teachers and Rotarians attended, including 3 from our club – John Mills who serves on the State Board that oversees the contest, Dunwoody Youth Services Chair Warren Turner, and our club's liaison with Dunwoody High School (DHS) **George Stewart.**. **Former RI Director Robert Hall** made a brief appearance.

Also attending was DHS English Teacher Heather Carter (Pictured below), who is the new chair of the school's contest for the coming

year.She was extremely impressed with how well the contest is run and how passionate students, teachers, principals, and Rotarians spoke about it.

Susan Mason was recognized and thanked as she retires from serving as founding Executive Director of the State contest for 11 years.She was a driving force in the creation of a Rotary controlled 501(c)(3) corporation to administer the contest, has been the glue that held the multitude of moving parts together during that time, and the engine which drove the program to record student, school, and Rotary participation year after year.

RCD Passions: 100% Survey Participation Goal

Hello RCD!

Whether you know it or not, your president Rick Otness and his team have been working tirelessly, for a few years now, on strengthening the core of our club both internally and externally. The driving organizational structures of the club, on which everything we do sits, operates, and ideally thrives, have been under relentless attack by the team. If we are not structurally and internally sound, things slip through the cracks. We have become a complex organization. 92 members, with massive passion. Not only have you donated over $1,000,000 to Rotary International but all told close to $4,000,000 combined has passed through the club on various projects throughout our over 35 years of existence. A truly herculean effort.

One thing we don’t know enough about are each individual club members passions. There are times when we’d like to have more robust information When making decisions and some of this information will help that. Some of it is to more clearly understand what’s happening in the Dunwoody Community, to be a better connecting point. Sometimes for those in leadership, because of the complexity of the club, it feels like the club is running us versus us running our club.

In order to find out what you as a group, and you individually, are truly passionate about as well as better finding our links to and within the Dunwoody Community, we’ve created a survey to begin

to map our connections. We aim to take advantage of our reach because of who we are individually and collectively, and further enhance the Rotary Club of Dunwoody in membership, and philanthropy.

It’s important that we get your opinions.

If you joined Rotary to have one of your passions become a larger than local idea, like RFFA, or a Georgia Laws of Life, we don’t want to know that until after it’s too late. We want to know it now. If you think we should spend more of the money that’s amassing in the RCD Foundation, or build a larger corpus, we need to know. If you think we spend too much internationally vs. locally, we would have no idea what you as a club want us to do operationally, without this information.

So it’s important the each and every one of you complete the survey. Otherwise someone other than you will be running YOUR club.

BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS



At the August Board of Directors meeting, two proposed amendments to our Club's By-Laws were passed, subject to their being approved by the membership. Both are intended to increase the types of membership that are available for our members.

The first relates to members who no longer live in our area (they have moved away), but wish to retain membership in the Rotary Club of Dunwoody (RCD). Examples of current members that could switch to this membership category would be Laura Kann and Susan Schwall. Several other prior members might choose to rejoin the Club. This "Out of Town" category will allow them to be excused from regular attendance requirements and will result in their dues payments being reduced, but not eliminated. They will retain voting rights in the Club.

The second amendment creates a membership category for Corporations. However, the individual(s) who qualify will still be considered to be "the member" (not the Corporation). Corporations

will be allowed to replace their member (assuming the replacement meets the Club's membership requirements) without payment of additional initiation fees. Each new member will still be required to make payment of $100 to the Rotary Foundation at the onset of their membership.

The RCD Board may from time to time make other offers to Corporations to encourage their participation in Club programs, but these offers will not be part of our By-Laws, as

they are likely to change over time.

All RCD members will be asked to vote on these two amendments over the next two weeks. The official "'language" for each amendment will be made available for inspection of the members according to our normal process for amendment changes.

From the desk of the Newsletter Editor

Send your Newsletter submission to: **rcdnewsletter@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.

Thank you!
Cassandra Mills, PMP, ITIL, REALTOR
