

### "THE FRIENDLY BREAKFAST CLUB" NEWSLETTER

January 31, 2024

### **Meetings**

January is Vocational Service Month

2/2 General Meeting - Dana Rickman, President, Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education

2/9 General Meeting - Jennie Stipick, Dunwoody Rotary Foundation Chair

3/1 General Meeting - Mary M. Cohen, Anchor Place Respite

3/8 General Meeting - Chris Clark, Georgia Chamber

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

1/1 P. Game

1/2 Jeannette Jezerinac-Prince

1/11 Jim Glass

1/20 Brian Harper

1/29 Kobelah Svensen Bennah

1/30 Anita Augello

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1/23 Tina Philpot (16)

1/28 Bill Woulfin (16)

### **Rotary Online**

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

### ROTARY CLUB OF DUNWOODY

Fridays, 7:15 am AC Hotel Atlanta Perimeter -Bar Peri 40 Perimeter Center Pl NE This Week's Speaker

# Dr. Dana Rickman, President, Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education



Join us this Friday at the AC Hotel to welcome Dr. Dana Rickman, the president of the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education. Before becoming President, Dr. Rickman served as vice president and as research and policy director. In those roles, she led the EdQuest Georgia Coalition, coordinated the Education Policy Fellows Program (EPFP) and was the primary author of the Georgia Partnership's annual Top Ten Issues to Watch report and the Economics of Education.

**GRSP Leadership Weekend** 

One Week Until the World Arrives in Dunwoody!



#### **LEADERSHIP**

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It's just two weeks until the Georgia Rotary Student Program Class of 23-24 scholars arrive in Dunwoody for a weekend filled with fun, service projects and leadership experiences. The 42 students in this year's class are amazing - and we invite each and every one of you to play a part in the weekend's festivities. It's an international experience that's only minutes away from home - all activities take place at the Dunwoody Annex on North Shallowford.

There are plenty of responsibilities - Big to Small - so contact Meredith Morris or Jackie Cuthbert to learn about how you can help. We still need two or three hosts for the weekend and volunteers to help with registration, the Rise Against Hunger event, gathering supplies, set-up, and refreshing our snack supply, setting up for lunch Saturday.

This year, we're inviting all our host families and volunteers to join us for pizza and game night at the Annex on Friday. Let Meredith know if you're coming, and bring your favorite game to share!

Saturday night dinners will be on your own with your students. Contact Jennie Stipick if you would like to join up with other host families for Saturday night.

On Friday afternoon, students will pack 10,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger. Saturday, they hear about the Civil Rights Movement, consider what their own legacy might be, and participate in a Courageous Leadership discussion. And Sunday, they'll be in competition as they design practical, focused service projects that could make a difference in the world.

# Sad News **Charter Member Charles Pittard Passes Away**



Charter Member Charles Pittard passed away on January 24, 2024. His wife Pat passed away in November. Charlie was active in the club until the late 1990s. He grew up in Duluth and graduated from UGA. Charlies served in the Coast Guard, worked for Shell Oil, and spent most of his career in real estate. He and his wife Pat were very active in Dunwoody United Methodist Church. You can read his full remembrance at Legacy.

A joint memorial service honoring Charlie and Pat Pittard will take place on Friday, February 16, 2024 at 1:00 PM in the sanctuary of Dunwoody United Methodist Church, 1548 Mt. Vernon Rd., Dunwoody, GA 30338. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to Dunwoody United Methodist Church.

## Golf Tournament Update **Dottie Wants Gifts!**



No, not for herself - for the auction that's part of our May 13 Golf Tournament. She's looking for adventures, artwork, wines and other libations, things like charcuterie boards and wine glasses, for example. All you contribute will help our FORE! the Memories fund-raising efforts - with proceeds going to the Alzheimer's Longest Day

program and our Dunwoody Charitable Fund. So let's gather lots of gifts! Contact Dottie Toney Ransom if you have something for the auction.

We're also looking for golfers and sponsors - visit **FORE! The Memories website** 

# **Anchor Place Respite-Dunwoody Hosts Community Event**

As you know, we are working on a partnership with Anchor Place Respite-Dunwoody. We are excited to announce that they are hosting a community event entitled "Compassion: Encountering Dementia with Meaningful Action" on Sunday, March 3, 2024 2-3:30pm at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 4755 North Peachtree Rd., Dunwoody.

Our dynamic featured speaker will be Daphne Johnston, Founder & CEO of The Respite for All Foundation. Daphne will be offering great information about Alzheimer's and other dementias. She will also offer actionable recommendations for how to be a better friend, neighbor, coworker, and fellow parishioner to families whose lives are touched by dementia.

Please spread the word about this community event and consider attending.

**Community Announcement** 

**DeKalb County Announces Change in Water Bill Accounts** 



DeKalb County has migrated its billing system to a new platform. Due to this migration, all customers have been assigned a new account number.

To receive your new account number before your next statement, please email dekalbwaterservice@dekalbcountyga.gov or call 404-378-4475, and press 1.



Dave Burr saw this post about a change in DeKalb County's water/sewer billing numbers on NextDoor and thought it would be useful for many of our members.