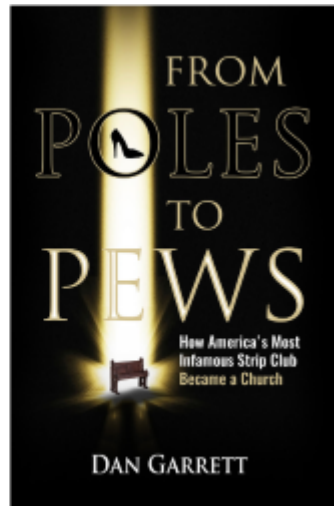


## President Nancy's Message



### Protecting Yourself from Identity Theft

At our recent Roswell Rotary meeting, Sindy gave a compelling and eye-opening presentation on identity theft. The alarming rise in cybercrime has left many of us questioning the safety of using our devices and credit cards. While her talk revealed the dark side of digital theft, it also empowered us with the tools and knowledge to stay safe.

It's easy to feel anxious about the risks, but with the right precautions, you can continue using your devices and credit cards confidently. After all, it's not about avoiding technology altogether—it's about being proactive and informed.

### This Week's Speaker - Dan Garrett on His Inspiring Journey from "The Pole to the Pew"

This week, we are thrilled to welcome back Dan Garrett, a former Roswell Rotarian, who will be speaking about his powerful book, "The Pole to the Pew." In this compelling account, Dan shares the incredible story of how he and his team transformed the infamous Pink Pony—once a well-known adult entertainment venue—into a vibrant community center and house of worship.

For years, the Pink Pony was a source of controversy in the area. However, Dan and his team saw an opportunity for redemption. Through dedication, collaboration with community leaders, and a commitment to positive change, they faced the daunting challenge of converting the site into a space where people could come together, support one another, and strengthen their faith.

Dan will discuss the many hurdles they encountered along the way, including legal struggles and opposition, as well as the remarkable success of turning a divisive establishment into a place that now serves as a pillar of the community. The journey from "The Pole to the Pew" is a testament to the power of vision, perseverance, and faith in creating lasting, meaningful change.

We are excited to hear Dan's story of how this transformation was achieved, and the inspiring message of hope and unity it brings. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from Dan Garrett and learn how a place once seen in a negative light became a symbol of growth and community restoration.

## MEETINGS

January is Vocational Service Month

- 1/23 Dan Garrett - From Poles to Pews
- 1/30 Stephanie Stuckey - CEO Stuckey's Corporation
- 2/6 Mike Haynes - Skipper Hoke / Football Leadership
- 2/13 Skip Myers - Internet Safety + How to protect your kids
- 2/20 Dan Corso - Atlanta Sports Council
- 2/26 Leadership 2020
- 2/27 Leadership 2020 - Dave McCleary - EHT
- 3/6 Ben Young - Editor & Chief of Georgia Trend Magazine

## EVENTS

- 1/22 Hump Day at Osteria Mattone
- 1/24 Veterans Dinner at the American Legion Post 201
- 1/27 RUMC Job Networking
- 2/5 "Pint for a Pint" Red Cross Blood Drive
- 2/10 RUMC Job Networking
- 2/12 Building a Playhouse
- 2/13 Career Day Roswell high School
- 2/24 RUMC Job Networking

## LEADERSHIP

President	Nancy Alterman
President-Elect	Trummie Patrick, III
Treasurer	Katie Anderson
Secretary	Leslie Bassett
Public Image	Kathryn Igou

## ROTARY CLUB OF

Join us for this week's meeting as we welcome Dan Garrett back to Roswell Rotary!

Let's stay safe out there!

Nancy Alterman-Roswell Rotary President 2024-25  
Service above Self- 770-262-6300

## Dan Garrett Speaker & Author From Poles to pews



Dan Garrett



We welcome Dan Garrett, author of "From Poles to Pews: How America's Most Infamous Strip Club Became a Church" to Roswell Rotary to learn how the infamous Pink Pony was reborn as a place of worship-.and what a story!

His presentation will focus on the topics of taking a risk, disrupting the status quo, working as a team, and other aspects of starting something from scratch. These lessons we all can use as we strive to serve!

Jan 22 5pm - 7pm

## Hump Day at Osteria Mattone



**OSTERIA  MATTONE**  
1095 Canton St.

## ROSSELL

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
Roswell Area Park  
Bill Johnson Community Activity Building  
10495 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA 30075

## ROTARY ONLINE

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

## SOCIAL MEDIA



## BIRTHDAYS

1/21	Gary Garrett
1/23	Kurt Hilbert
1/24	William Noethling
1/24	Dr. Kay Howell
1/25	David Bourne
1/26	Courtney Lott
1/28	Priya Crumpton
1/30	William May
1/31	John Reddick
1/31	Blake Turner
2/3	Chris Patterson
2/6	FJ Levy II
2/9	Angela Freeman
2/10	Richard Meer
2/15	Bruce Smith
2/15	Grace Peoples
2/18	Gordon Owens

## YEARS OF SERVICE

1/23	Jack Stephens (39)
1/24	Andy Williams (6) 13 years in Rotary
1/30	Mindy Jones (28)
1/31	Allen Dalton (40)
2/1	David Bourne (52)

Date Changed- Jan. 24

## Holiday Dinner at American Legion Post 201-Volunteers needed



2/2	Lee Dodson (11) 47 years in Rotary
2/8	Dutch Earle (18) 27 years in Rotary
2/11	Alex Kaufman (15)
2/11	Langdon Hollingsworth (4)
2/17	Roger Wise, Jr. (14)

### Christmas Dinner for Veterans

On Friday January 24, 2025 (**Note Date Change**), Roswell Rotary is hosting the Christmas Dinner for the Veterans of the American Legion Post 201 and the Alpharetta VFW at the American Legion Post 201 located at:

201 Wills Road  
Alpharetta, Ga. 30009

The dinner is to be held at 6 pm. This is an annual sit-down dinner event for our Veterans. **Roswell Rotary** will be providing the dinner, and the **Rotary Club of North Fulton** will be providing the desserts. Rick Silver, who is a Mentalist, will be providing a dynamic entertainment show for the Veterans that will be no less than spectacular and fun!

We are looking for 5 people for set up and break down and at least 10plus servers. As we will be serving the Veterans in their seats. We will need to set up an assembly line of food plate preparers and then hand them off to the servers who will physically serve the Veterans. They will also clear the plates when completed.

[Volunteer Here](#)

Feb. 5 8am-2pm

## Blood Drive Coming Up-New Location Roswell Junction

# Blood Drive

New Donor Location!

Roswell Junction  
340 S Atlanta St  
Roswell, GA 30075

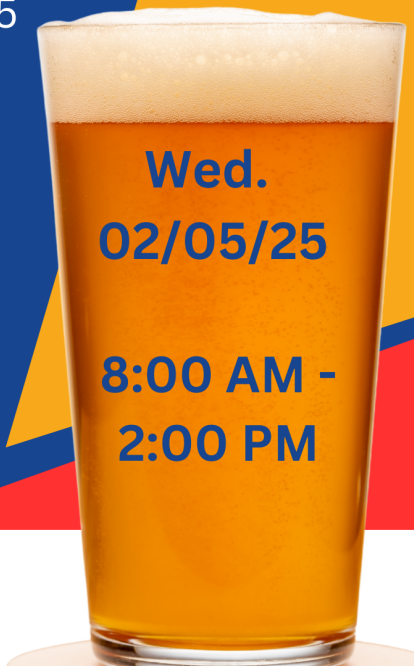


Give a Pint,  
Get a Pint

Get a  
Free Pint of  
Variant Beer

Wed.  
02/05/25

8:00 AM -  
2:00 PM



**ROSWELL JUNCTION**  
COUNTER + TAP + SOCIAL

**Rotary**  
Club of Roswell 

Feb. 13th 7:45 am

**Career Day Volunteers Needed for  
Roswell High School**



## Volunteers needed for Roswell High School Career Day

Thursday, Feb. 13th  
11595 King Rd Roswell, GA 30075  
Arrive 7:45 am

To sign up and for more info: [CLICK HERE](#)

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**Deadline Feb. 27, 2025**

## **Patsy Wolff Scholarship**



### **Announcing Patsy Wolff Scholarship**

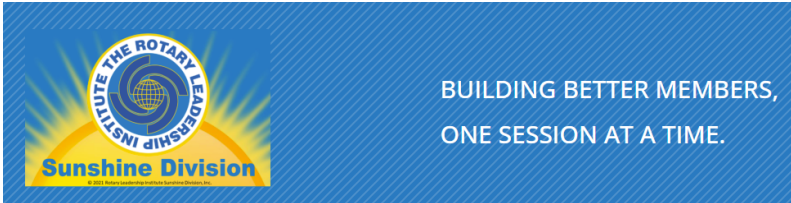
*for 2025 Roswell  
area female high  
school graduates*

This is exciting! The launch of the Patsy Wolff Scholarship is for 2025 Roswell Area HS female graduates. This scholarship, for \$1,500, will honor the qualities of Patsy Wolff as one of the first female Roswell Rotarians and a generous philanthropist in our community. The candidate will need to show her sense of community spirit and how her contributions exemplify the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self". DEADLINE for applications to the area HS Counselor's office is 3:30 p.m on Friday, Feb 27, 2025

[Application link](#)

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## **Rotary Leadership Institute**



**As Rotarians, you are all leaders, some in your community, some in your profession, and some in life in general..**

### **Why Participate?**

At RLI, our purpose is to give you the necessary tools and skills to be better Rotarians. As with every endeavor, the more you know about anything, the more interesting it becomes. Rotary is most assuredly one of those areas that the more you put into it, the more you get out of it. RLI can make that possible for you.

### **Investment in Roswell Rotary's Future**

Graduates of RLI are more likely to remain in, and be a bigger part of Rotary, than any other demographic. RLI is a great place for newly inducted Rotarians to quickly learn about the "Object of Rotary". Club Officers can build on their Rotary Knowledge to enhance their club experience. Club Presidents can expand on the skills gained at their President Elect Training Seminar. Long-time Rotarians can re-ignite the old Rotary flame, and at the same time share their experiences with the other participants. Roswell Rotary will reimburse you the \$100 (in-person session) or \$15 (online session) for the cost of the course! That is how much your club believes in the benefits of RLI.

Go to <https://www.rlisunshine.org> for course information, dates and registration.

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## **Your Pet Can be a STAR and Help End Polio NOW**



Welcome to the Kennel Klub, Millarky! Millarky is an adopted 2 year old mix who is in training to be a therapy dog with Happy Tails Pet Therapy Inc.

[Click Here](#) for information on how your pet can help to support the fight against polio!

The Kennel Klub was inspired by Zone 26 Past EPNC Greg and Valerie Owen's dog, Mollie, who is giving up \$10 worth of treats each month to be a Polio Plus Society member. Mollie, sporting a very special End Polio Now bandana on Rotary Zoom calls, quickly became the beloved mascot for End Polio Now in the Big West Zones. Mollie started asking her fellow four-legged friends to help her End Polio, and the Kennel Klub was born! And now Roswell Rotary Club's President's own Millarky has joined the club!

Within only weeks of launching, the Kennel Klub has raised over \$3,500 (that's over \$10,000 with the Bill and Melinda Gates 2:1 match). Rotary is committed to raising \$50 million per year, with every dollar to be matched with two additional dollars from the Gates Foundation. **How can you sign up your four-legged friend to join Millarky in the Kennel Klub?** Just click on the link above. You can also make a donation to honor a pet that has passed. By helping End Polio, our best friends can continue to make the world a better place. Help spread awareness by posting a pic on social media of your pooch in the bandana and hashtag it with #PPSKennelKlub. Let's End Polio once and for all! WOOF WOOF!

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**Eat More Protein - Your body is asking for this**  
**Juan's Fried Chicken update**



"Imagine right next to a piece of Juan's crispy fried chicken, is a piece of Juan's perfectly marinated tofu on your plate once a week. What would happen to you?"

Not only would it add variety to your meal, you'd also feel great knowing you're fueling your body with a true protein powerhouse!

At just 8 calories per gram of protein, tofu is one of the most efficient ways to meet your daily protein needs—helping you stay energized and strong throughout the day. Plus, it's packed with antioxidants that are "linked to reduced risk of prostate cancer and reduced risk of death from breast cancer, amongst its potent anti-inflammatory benefits," shared Abby Johnson of Harmony Nutrition in Alpharetta.

Why not give it a try? Even half a piece can make a difference! Pair it with your salad or veggies and let it soak up all those delicious flavors.

Adding tofu to your plate once a week is an easy and delicious way to stay healthy and meet your protein needs—especially as we age!"

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**Event to be Rescheduled**

## **Cottage School Career Day**

**To Be Rescheduled :  
Stay Tuned**



**Volunteer for Career  
Day at Cottage  
School**

education  
vision  
skills  
**career**  
interests  
values  
goals

Due to recent school days lost due to weather, this event will be rescheduled.

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## Looking for Veterans for Honor Air Trip April 9, 2025



### Honor Air Looking for Veterans



### Trip to Visit War Memorials April 9th



**CALLING ALL VETERANS** (who have never been on an Honor Air Trip)

Roswell Rotary Honor Air is accepting 50 applications from US War veterans, America's heroes, for a **complimentary free day trip to visit their Memorials in Washington DC on April 9, 2025.**

Many of the men and women who fought and sacrificed for our country have not had the opportunity to visit their own Memorials. Our World War II veterans and also our Korean War veterans are facing health challenges so time is of the essence for these great men and women. In addition, we want to give our Vietnam War veterans the "Welcome Home" they never received, honoring their service, sacrifice, and commitment to our country.

Here is how the Honor Air works: Approximately seventy World War II, Korean, and Vietnam War veterans plus guardians, a doctor and emergency personnel will gather at the Roswell, GA Community Center in the early morning hours and travel by motorcoach to the Atlanta airport. They will fly on a chartered plane to Washington, D.C. where they will be escorted on buses from the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport to the World War II Memorial. Then they will visit the Vietnam and Korean Memorials and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery. That same day they will return to the Reagan airport, fly back to Atlanta and then by bus to Roswell. Every veteran will have a volunteer guardian to personally assist them. Veterans will be encouraged to take advantage of the complimentary wheelchairs thoroughly out the day.

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Spring 2025

## Citizens Police Academy



**CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY**

11665

ROSWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ROSWELL, GEORGIA  
1854

"Serve with Honor,  
Protect with Courage"

**BECOME A CPA  
GRADUATE TODAY!**

**ROSWELL POLICE  
DEPARTMENT**

SPRING 2025:  
EVERY TUESDAY  
FEB 4TH - APR 8TH  
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

**CONTACT  
US NOW**

770-640-4192  
Community  
Relations  
PoliceCRU@roswell  
gov.com  
39 Hill St, Roswell,  
GA 30075

**OUR GOAL**  
The Citizens' Police Academy is part of the community policing efforts of the Roswell Police Department. We urge you, the members of our community, to participate and learn about your Police Department, its mission, and the men and women serving you in your community daily.

**LOCATION**  
Classes will be held at 39 Hill St, Roswell, GA 30075 at the police department and at 11565 Maxwell Rd, Alpharetta 30009 at the Roswell-Alpharetta Public Safety Training Center (RPSTC). 10 week long course held every Tuesday at 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

**SIGN UP >>>**



[www.roswellpd.org](http://www.roswellpd.org)

**LET'S GROW TOGETHER**

Sat, Feb 15 at 9:00am: Your body is asking for this

**Walk with a Doc: Community hike after discussing "Don't eat less. Eat smarter."**



[read more]

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Please Share

## **Star Spangled Banner Video**

**GA State Senator John Albers**

**Star Spangled Banner Video**



QR Code to Share



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Coming Up at RRC

**Save the Date: Making Roswell Rotary's  
Magic Happen**

## Save the Date



**Mary Trapp**  
Service Projects Chair



**Michael Curling**  
Social Chair

### **Hump Day**

Wed Jan 22 5-7pm  
Osteria Mattone  
[Add To Calendar](#)

### **Veterans Holiday Dinner**

January 24, 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
American Legion Post 201  
[Add To Calendar](#)

### **Pint for a Pint Red Cross Blood Drive**

February 5, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm  
[Add To Calendar](#)  
Contact 'Bloodsuckers' Darrell Bartlett or Hal Schlenger

### **Roswell High School Career Day**

Thursday Feb. 13 Arrive 7:45am  
[Add To Calendar](#)

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## Last Week at Rotary

Guarding Against Identity Theft





**Dancing to Get  
the Meeting Started**





