
President's Message

Supporting Roswell's Youth

Roswell Rotary has always actively worked with and supported the youth of Roswell. In the early days, Roswell Rotary helped raise money at Roswell High School for the football field and stands and established and led Interact Clubs at Roswell High School and The Cottage School. Today, Roswell Rotary actively supports 12 Interact Clubs, participates in the Youth Day Parade, honors Students and Teachers from our local schools, provides vocational expertise at Career Days, volunteers at the Dream Field, awards Scholarships to high school seniors and so much more. Many of us are actively working with the youth of this community because this investment is critical to their success in life and the overall health of Roswell—and benefits us, too!

Over the last few years Roswell's youth have been under siege, with two teenagers murdered by a mentally disturbed youth, teen suicides, and drug overdoses and deaths. While our members have been very involved in our schools, it is clear that our youth need to be even more connected to leaders in our community. Roswell Rotarians have an incredible opportunity to connect with our youth and build trusting relationships that will allow us to empower them to dream big and change the world.

This week, Ron Clark will share with us ways to connect with youth and build these trusting relationships.

Don't miss it!
President Becky

This Week's Speaker

Ron Clark



Known to many as "America's Educator," Ron Clark is the 2000 Disney American Teacher of the Year, a two-time New York Times Bestselling author, the subject of a television movie and the founder of The Ron Clark Academy. Ron is regularly featured on network and cable television (The Today Show, CNN and Oprah,) and was dubbed by Ms. Winfrey as her first "Phenomenal Man."

Ron Clark brings charisma, energy and devotion to the education profession. Ron pioneered innovative projects in rural North Carolina working with minority students in a low wealth area. His highly effective programs garnered national attention and led to a White House invitation to be honored by the President of the United States.

In addition to his many duties as an educator, Ron Clark is a much sought after keynote speaker. He shares the uncanny adventures he has had in the classroom and speaks of his experiences teaching in Harlem. Within his humorous and heartwarming stories, he delivers a message relevant to each of us. It is a message of hope, dedication and the never-say-never attitude required to achieve goals and dreams.

Charity Spotlight

Star House



Mission:

To enrich the community by promoting academic success and empowering lifelong achievement for children in need.

Fast Facts:

- Founded in 1993 by a group of Junior League volunteers, Star House just celebrated its 25th Anniversary.
- **3,514** kids live in poverty in North Fulton, despite being one of the most affluent areas in Georgia.
- **14%** of Roswell children live below the poverty level.
- **1 in 6** kids who don't read proficiently by 3rd grade do not graduate high school
- **300,000+** children in Georgia are unsupervised from 3 pm to 6 pm (juvenile crime peak time).
- Star House serves **270** at-risk children in four Roswell schools with after school programs that provide assistance with homework and test preparation as well as key skills to help them make positive life choices.
- Star House provides over **37,000** nutritious snacks to its students each year.
- Star House provides elementary summer camp which helps students bridge the gap by focusing on academic retention during the summer.
- Nearly all elementary school students passed their core classes with the vast majority receiving B's or better.
- 10 out of 21 current members of the Board of Directors are Roswell Rotarians.

Find out more:

Service Opportunity

Volunteer for Rivers Alive this weekend