

## LUNCH SETUP UPDATE

### President Alex's Message

André Hadley Marria  
Governor, District 6900  
Rotary Club of Thomasville



Dear Roswell Rotary-

This week we have the honor of hosting District Governor André Marria. I hope that we can have a full house to welcome her. She is an amazing woman with great compassion, humor, and vision. Her message will not disappoint and I expect that it will be an energetic meeting.

I want to address our LUNCH SETUP. As I said in my introductory remarks, "It's a cinch by the inch, it's hard by the yard." I believe that we are making progress, and I ask that you stay encouraging to the board and the caterer.

- One of the setbacks has been that our warmers in the kitchen have been out of commission.

*-We have placed a service order and are awaiting repairs.*

*-We have also purchased a warmer that will arrive prior to our Thursday meeting - this should greatly help to ensure that we have hot chicken.*

- We will have sweet tea, regular iced tea, and water on the tables this week (in the same containers that the water was in last week) as well as in the back (along with coffee and tea).
- We are addressing increased main courses and side choices.
- It will be helpful that when you sit, you sit at a table with at least one other person.

*-The servers have been instructed not to serve a table until at least two people are seated.*

*-The servers have also been instructed to serve food from 12 to 12:15.*

- Rolls (and butter) and desserts will be placed on the tables ahead of time as well as salad dressing (which will be in bowls rather than packets) and salt/pepper.
- We will have ample serving utensils on the table.

Please give family style a chance - a few more weeks - until we can get it to where we believe it should be and befitting our club. As you may have noticed,

## MEETINGS

July is Maternal and Child Health Month

- 7/27 District Governor Visit
- 8/3 Congressman Dr. Rich McCormick
- 8/10 Do Nguyen - Rotary Service Above Self
- 8/17 Tomer Zvulun - Atlanta Opera
- 8/24 Golf & Tennis Tournament Pep Rally
- 8/31 Maurice Smith - USDA / Foster Care
- 9/7 SC House Rep Brandon Guffey - Gavin's Law
- 9/14 no meeting

## EVENTS

- 7/30 End Human Trafficking Now - Braves Game
- 8/2 Hump Day
- 8/15 Rotary Means Business (district networking event) August
- 8/16 Tennis Clinic
- 8/17 Alive in Roswell
- 8/19 Walk with a Doc
- 8/19 Area 13.1 Half Marathon - 10K - 5K - Benefitting End Human Trafficking Now
- 8/23 Summer Blood Drive

## LEADERSHIP

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| President       | Alex Kaufman         |
| President-Elect | Nancy Alterman       |
| Treasurer       | Leslie Bassett       |
| Secretary       | Trummie Patrick, III |
| Public Image    | Becky Nelson         |
| Membership      | Bob Clarkson         |

we are seated and more respectful to our speakers, we are reconnecting with our fellow Rotarians in a more intimate setting, and we have been ending our meetings earlier. The purpose of this elevated experience is, in part, to improve the dining experience for both our members and our guests, as well as to hopefully make our lunch meeting more inclusive feeling in order to attract and keep new members. In short, it is to be beneficial for all concerned.

Thank you for your patience. There are a lot of exciting things ahead for Roswell Rotary!

President Alex

## Our District Governor is on Fire for Rotary! Program Thursday: DG Andre' Marria



So excited about welcoming District Governor to Roswell Rotary this week! We are hoping to have every single table FULL! DG Andre' will be giving an update on her vision, Rotary International's vision, and the District goals for this year.

A little about our DG...

André has been a Rotarian since 2005 when she joined the Rotary Club of Thomasville. She served as Youth Services and Foundation chairs prior to serving as Club President in 2018-19. As President, André received the District 6900 Sheffield Leadership Award. She is a Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society member, Major Donor Level II, Will Watt Fellow, Hue Thomas Fellow, and Jake Cheatham Fellow. André also received the Avenues of Service Citation from the Rotary Club of Thomasville in 2021. She served as an Assistant Governor from 2020-2022. André currently serves as District 6900 Governor and the Chair of the District 6900 Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. In 2023 André was recognized as one of six members honored by Rotary International President Jennifer Jones as "People of Action: Champions of Inclusion," for her work in helping to create a more inclusive world. She is graduate of Rotary Zones 33-34 Emerging Leaders 2020 Summit of Champions, is a member of the International

## ROTARY CLUB OF ROSWELL

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/>

## BIRTHDAYS

|      |                 |
|------|-----------------|
| 7/27 | Walt Woliver    |
| 7/29 | Matthew Thomas  |
| 7/29 | Leigh Brown     |
| 8/2  | Gene Beckham    |
| 8/3  | Martha Spencer  |
| 8/3  | Mike Ivkovich   |
| 8/4  | Ryan Williams   |
| 8/4  | Vanessa Snyder  |
| 8/7  | Ryan Gehricke   |
| 8/8  | Jay Pittroff    |
| 8/9  | Jennifer Briggs |
| 8/10 | Kathryn Igou    |
| 8/12 | Richard Dreger  |
| 8/13 | Lori Allen      |
| 8/13 | Mike Mizell     |
| 8/13 | Ross Patton     |
| 8/15 | Dr. Betty Price |
| 8/17 | Jacque Digieso  |
| 8/18 | John Albers     |
| 8/19 | Susan Rumble    |
| 8/20 | Debbie Cwalina  |
| 8/22 | Becki Campolito |

## YEARS OF SERVICE

|      |                        |
|------|------------------------|
| 7/25 | James Rains (15)       |
| 7/25 | Jack Tolbert, Jr. (38) |
| 7/26 | Dave Hallman (22)      |

Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians, and is a Rotary Leadership Institute Discussion Leader for the RLI Sunshine Division.

André spent thirty-four years in public service with the Georgia Department of Human Resources, retiring as the Director of the Thomas County Department of Family & Children Services (DFCS) in November of 2008. She is a Licensed Therapist and published Author.

André has received numerous awards and recognitions to include the 2016 John C. Burns III Licensed Professional Counselors Association Lifetime Achievement Award for her 39 years of service and endorsement of the Profession of Counseling. She is a Past Trustee of the Thomasville Thomas County Chamber of Commerce and a Two-time Distinguished Toastmaster of Toastmasters International. She is a member of The Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia, and a member in good standing of the Thomasville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

André Hadley Marria graduated from the Fort Valley State University in 1973 with a B.S. degree in Music, and in 1975 with a M.S. degree in Mental Health Counseling.

André's proudest accomplishment was to serve as a 9-11 Ground Zero Red Cross Disaster Mental Health First Responder in New York City in 2001. André has been married to Evangelist Walter Marria, Jr. for Fifty Years, and they have two birth children, two children given by God and eight grandchildren.

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| 7/26 | Albert Mazzeo (5)                      |
| 7/27 | Grant Miller (1)                       |
| 7/27 | Justice Brakache (1)                   |
| 7/28 | Chris Archer (12)                      |
| 7/28 | Jack Wyche (18)                        |
| 8/1  | Steven Palmer (7)<br>7 years in Rotary |
| 8/2  | Chris Webb (1)                         |
| 8/3  | John Carruth (28)                      |
| 8/4  | David Young (35)                       |
| 8/6  | Elwyn Gaissert, II (42)                |
| 8/13 | Richard Meer (31)                      |
| 8/20 | Trummie Patrick, III (8)               |
| 8/20 | John Wolfe (31)                        |

## 2023 Golf & Tennis Tournament Update

# Volunteers for 9-11 Rotary Golf & Tennis Tournament



The Aubrey Greenway Golf Tournament and Hagan Cup Tennis Classic planning committees are all underway and working hard to make this year's event one of our best! With the 9-11 tournament date, the tournament will focus on honoring Roswell first responders. They are the people who are there for our community whenever tragedy strikes. What better way to honor them on this sacred day and to show our mission of service above self. Make sure you jump in to give your time and talent as a volunteer for our largest fundraiser of the year!

Michael Curling is heading up the volunteer committee and has the sign up genius link ready for you to grab your volunteer spot and become a part of this fundraising effort. Roswell Rotarians do not disappoint and we cannot wait to see this whole club pulling together to make this tournament truly historic!

[CLICK HERE](#) to secure your volunteer spot. You will not regret one second of the time you dedicate to this event! For more information, contact Michael Curling [michael.curling@gmail.com](mailto:michael.curling@gmail.com)

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Great Deal!

## Rotary Shirts for Sale

Clearance on Roswell Rotary Shirts!

See Nancy Alterman at  
Rotary this week



Blue Parrot Shirt

**\$5**



Red V Neck (Women's Only)

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July 30, 2023 1:30 pm— 4:30 pm

## Braves vs Brewers Game: End Human Trafficking NOW



Meet us at the ballpark on July 30th!

### Atlanta Braves vs. Milwaukee Brewers

Join us as we bring more awareness to Human Trafficking in Georgia. \$12 of every ticket sold will go back to End HT Now. Tickets are subject to availability. Parking can be purchased at [braves.com/parking](https://braves.com/parking).

Get Tickets: <https://fevogm.com/event/Endhuman2>

Add To Calendar

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## Great Speaker + Two New Members! After Hours Meeting Recap



Roswell Rotary After Hours had a spectacular first meeting of the Rotary year last week! It was a patriotic evening as the club welcomed guest speaker Colonel Richard H. White who serves as Director & Chairman of the Board for the Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame (GMVHOF). He spoke on his organization and how inductees are chosen for inclusion based on valor, achievement and service. Members were blown away by the stories he told and his passion for Veterans.

Additionally, RRC President Alex and RRAH Chair Brooke officially welcomed two new members to the Rotary family. Welcome, Lauren Darby and Thomas Orr!

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## Blood Drive: Make It Personal for Henry

**Rotary Club** Summer Blood Drive

**Wed. Aug 23**

**Location:** Houck's Grille  
10930 Crabapple Rd B130  
Roswell, GA 30075

**For Details Contact:**

- Hal Schlenger
- Darrell Bartlett
- Jonathan Crooks

*"Saving a life with your blood donation...true service above self"*

**GIVE A PINT**

**GET A PINT**

**Sign Up to Donate Your Pint!**

Graciously Supported By: Houck's Grill & Variant Brewery

**Make It Personal**

*Jonathan "Henry"*  
*Grandson of Jonathan Crooks*

The photo above is my grandson Jonathan "Henry". Henry is in italics because it's his middle name and that's what we call him. He is now 15 months old.

Henry was born with a Familia problem. He carries a low platelet count. He will carry 90,000 to 95,000 platelets at any given time. Normally people will carry 150,000 to 450,000. I personally carry 250,000 while my daughters, Kristine, (Henry's mother), Vivian and Henry's maternal grandmother only carry 50,000 to 70,000 as did his great grandfather.

What this means is, Henry will bruise very easily and take longer to heal. He is a very active normal 15-month-old, but still, we must watch him more closely for injury because he doesn't clot as easily as you or I. Though he will lead a normal life, as those before him, there could come a time when the need to have more platelets available to him may present itself. Platelets are one of the four

components of blood. They can be harvested from blood that is donated. However, it MUST be donated in order to have them available.

I tell you all of this because we have our next Rotary Blood Drive coming very soon and I am reaching out to you to ask that you donate so that people very important to me can have something available to them, if they should ever need it. You see, this is personal to me. What I ask you to do is look at your own family, friends and even just acquaintances and find the reasons that exist that make giving a pint of blood personal to you. You just never know when that pint you give might just save someone very close to you. So please, make it personal to you. For the person who receives it, I guarantee, it's personal to them and you will be a blessing.

[Schedule an appointment here](#)

For more information, contact [Hal Schlenger](#), Darrell Bartlett or [Jonathan Crooks](#)

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## **Rotary Last Week**

