



Our Year Begins with Sleeves Rolled Up

Introducing our newest signature project: Horizons Atlanta

For 75 years, Buckhead Rotary has lived Service Above Self—and our first meeting of the 2026-27 year proved that legacy has never been stronger. From the opening minute, it was everything our club does best: purpose, energy, and impact.

We started not with speeches but with our hands. Before the meeting was fully underway, we stuffed 100 Buckhead Rotary backpacks for Horizons Atlanta scholars heading back to school in a few weeks. There's no better way to open a year of service than with work that makes a difference right away.



MEETINGS

July is Maternal and Child Health Month

- 7/20 No Meeting
- 7/27 William Pate, President and CEO, Atlanta Convention & Visitors Bureau
- 8/3 Lee Cuthbert, Director of Operations, Georgia Film Office, Georgia Department of Economic Development
- 8/10 Sonny Perdue, Chancellor, The University System of Georgia
- 8/17 No Meeting
- 8/31 Comer Yates, Executive Director, Atlanta Speech School
- 9/7 No Meeting: Labor Day holiday
- 9/14 F. Sheffield Hale, President & CEO, Atlanta History Center

EVENTS

- 7/23 Thirsty Thursday
- 7/28 Opioid Overdose Rescue Box Training - Atlanta Fire Department
- 7/30 Opioid Overdose Rescue Box Training - North Atlanta High School
- 8/17 Board of Director's Meeting
- 8/24 Rotary on the Road @ Open Hand Food Bank
- 9/21 Board of Director's Meeting
- 10/17 Healthy Pet Event as part of the Pawsitivity Partnership with LifeLine
- 10/19 Board of Director's Meeting

BIRTHDAYS

- 7/17 Elizabeth Martin
- 7/21 Kevin Andrews



That momentum carried straight into welcoming Horizons Atlanta as our new signature project. Ann Marie Bedtke, Kelsey Bunker, and former Horizons scholar Christian Aguilera-Ramirez shared the transformative impact of their programs—and how Buckhead Rotary will support their work at The Galloway School (Scott Elementary), The Temple (Toomer Elementary), and Atlanta International School (Garden Hills Elementary). To mark the partnership, we presented Horizons Atlanta with a \$50,000 gift from the Buckhead Rotary Foundation.

- 7/23 Jared Guyer
- 7/24 Peter Jensen
- 7/26 Jimmy Cook
- 7/30 Dave Peterson
- 7/31 Benjamin Vayens
- 8/1 Collette Brown
- 8/5 Richard Higgins
- 8/6 Blake Beyer
- 8/6 Ken Clary
- 8/8 Madison Puhly
- 8/9 Matthew Jollay
- 8/13 Fotemah Mba

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/3 Kari Kirkley (24)

ROTARY ONLINE

<https://buckheadrotary.org>
<https://rotary6900.org/>
<https://rotary.org/>

SOCIAL MEDIA



LEADERSHIP

President	Jeff Clark, Jr.
Vice President	Radu Zernoveanu
Treasurer	Rosa McHugh
Secretary	Marilyn Morgan
Public Image	Andrew Amerson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Scott Thompson



And that gift is just the start. This year we will distribute \$237,500 to 17 charities across our community—75 years of service, still building, still growing, still just getting started.

Meet our 2026-27 Leadership Team



CLUB OFFICERS & OPERATIONS



Radu Zernoveanu
Vice President

Leading executive functions



Rosa McHugh
Treasurer

Managing financial health



Gabrielle Baker-Jones
Club Administrator

Overseeing daily operations

STRATEGIC COMMITTEE CHAIRS



Outreach & Image Chairs



Drew Amerson
Public Image



Miriam Falaki
Horizons Atlanta



Growth & Engagement Chairs



Molly Guenther
Membership



Allison Geisler
Social



Jeff Nicholson
Speakers



Club Service & Foundation



Marilyn Morgan
Foundation Benefit



Scott Thompson
Sergeant-at-Arms



Volunteers Needed

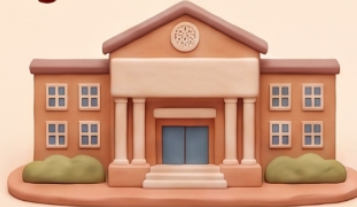
Opioid Overdose Rescue Box Training Support

Service in Action: Opioid Overdose Rescue Training

Training Sessions & Logistics



**Session 1:
Fire Station #28**
Tuesday, July 28, 2026,
from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM.



**Session 2: North
Atlanta High School**
Thursday, July 30, 2026,
from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM.



Deployment Support:
Help firefighters master the use
of Rotary Opioid Overdose
Rescue Boxes.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

Thirsty Thursday Next Week

No Meeting on Monday, July 20th

Buckhead
Rotary
Club



THIRSTY THURSDAY



THURSDAY,
JULY 23



5:30 PM



HOSTED BY
KARLA ARRIOLA
Address provided upon RSVP

GOOD DRINKS ★ GREAT FRIENDS ★ GREAT CONVERSATIONS

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How to Register for Thirsty Thursday

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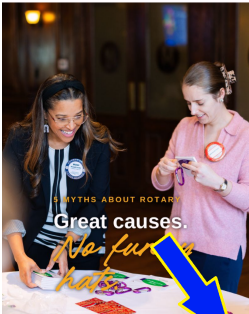


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Great causes, zero tasseled hats. 🧢
No, we're not the Shriners (though we love those folks). Here are the 5 most common myths about what Rotary actually is. ...more



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