



## Message from the President: Love is in the Air

Buckhead Rotary hosted a fun, educational, and creative pre-Valentine's Day event at the Boyce Ansley School for its 95 students in grades K-6, benefiting LifeLine Animal Project. Students made toys for shelter cats and dogs and created Valentine's drawings to show their affection for individual animals. A special guest foster dog, Jolly Boy, gave students the chance to enjoy some hands-on time, and the day concluded with Valentine cookies for all. This project was made possible in part by a grant from The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International to support education.

Thank you to our fabulous volunteers; Sam Alston, Karla Arriola, our GRSP student Dani Bergamo, Anne Breedlove (Jim's wife), Miriam Falaki, Kathy Finnn, Molly Guenther, Joe Hammell (Shelley's husband), Beth Howell, Jimmy Paulk, Maddie Puhly, Ty Tippett, Carl Wilhjelm and most especially Anne Stuhler who made this day possible with all her coordination leading up to this event.



**Supporting education:** Boyce Ansley School Students  
Interaction with Rescued Dogs and Cats

Rotary Club of Buckhead

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## MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

- 2/16 No Meeting President's Day
- 2/23 Governor Kemp and Georgia First Lady, Marty Kemp
- 3/2 Hands-On Volunteer Activity Benefiting Girl Scouts and Inspiration from their Community Projects
- 3/9 No Meeting: Volunteer for Shepherd Center Tuesday Dinner Service
- 3/16 No Meeting: Register for Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 3/23 Joe Zadik. FBI Cybersecurity Special Agent for the Southeast Region, and Bryant Tow, Leapfrog Chief Security Officer
- 3/30 Kyle Waide, President & CEO, Atlanta Community Food Bank
- 4/6 Griff Lynch. President and CEO, Georgia Ports Authority

## EVENTS

- 2/11 SHARE Pizza Night
- 2/16 Board of Directors Meeting
- 2/19 Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 3/7 Dog for a Day (or a Few Hours) at the lush and scenic Chastain Park
- 3/10 Shepherd Center Family Dinner Volunteer Event
- 3/16 Board of Directors Meeting
- 3/19 Thirsty ThirdsDay
- 3/21 Pawsitivity Partnership with Buckhead Rotarians Delivering Pet Food with OpenHand

## BIRTHDAYS

- 2/11 Bill Barney
- 2/14 Kevin Glass
- 2/14 Edward LaRocco



- 2/15 Sean Mikula
- 2/15 Patty Webb
- 2/16 Michelle Middlebrooks
- 2/19 Mark Meltzer
- 2/22 Emily Carter
- 3/5 Carol Gray Walker

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

## ROTARY ONLINE

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

## SOCIAL MEDIA



## LEADERSHIP

President	Shelley Hammell
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## **Pawsitively Delightful: Saturday, February 21**

Lend a paw (or a hand) through our Pawsitivity Partnership bringing together Buckhead Rotarians supporting LifeLine's mission to keep pets with their people. We are delivering pet food to those in need. We will meet at OpenHand for an orientation and then each carload will hit the road to help our furry friends and their people.

Pawsitivity Partnership with Buckhead Rotarians Delivering Pet Food with OpenHand

Rotary Club of Buckhead

February 21, 2026 10:00 am— 1:00 pm

**[Click Here to Sign Up](#)**

OpenHand, 1380 West Marietta St NW, Atlanta, GA 30318



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## Thirsty Thirdsdays: Hosted by Kevin & Stephanie Glass

Cheers! February Thirsty ThirdsDay

February 19, 2026 5:30 pm— 7:30 pm

Kevin and Stefani Glass will host us at their home this month, 260 Rumson Road, just off of Peachtree Rd in Buckhead. This is a great time to bring a prospective member.

We will enjoy wine, beer, and light snacks. There is no charge for members, guests are \$10. Please sign up so we have enough food and drinks.

**RSVP TODAY! [Click Here](#)**

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## Rotary Club of Buckhead - Dog for a Day!

Pick up a Dog for a Day from LifeLine and enjoy a nice stroll through Chastain Park. Each dog walker will be given a bag of niceties which includes dog treats and everything you will need for your excursion. Come stroll with your fellow Buckhead Rotarians for a healthy walk and stress relief, yours and the dogs.

RSVP Here: March 7, 2026 10:00 am— 12:00 pm

If you don't want to get a dog but would like to stroll with us, please meet at 10:45 am outdoors, look for the Buckhead Rotary tent. We will have short and longer walks for everyone who is interested.

Prefer to just mingle with your fellow Rotarians over lunch, please join us afterwards at Ponko Chicken 2896 Chamblee Tucker Rd., Atlanta, 30341 around 1:00 pm. Please note meals are available for purchase and are the responsibility of the individual.

All Rotarians are welcome!



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## Welcome to the World Luke!

One of our newest Rotarians, Eddie LaRocco and his wife Erin, welcomed their son, Luke Edward LaRocco, to the world in January! Let's celebrate!

