

## VOTE!



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OCTOBER 12 - 30

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## No Tricks, Just Treats

Good news: Richard Harker, President and CEO of the Historic Oakland Foundation, is doing well. His car was totaled on Monday morning just before our meeting, but he walked away without a scratch. It turns out even the head of Oakland Cemetery isn't ready to become a permanent resident. He invites everyone to check out Oakland Cemetery's Halloween tours next year.

Monday's Pink Out turned the room into a sea of pink for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Thank you for showing up in color, it was an impressive display - **especially Miriam's high heels!** Special thanks to Liz Loretto, who stepped up on the spot to share powerful

## MEETINGS

October is Economic and Community Development Month

- 11/2 David Cummings, Partner and Founder; Atlanta Ventures
- 11/9 John Tien, Professor, The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, the School of Cybersecurity and Privacy
- 11/16 The Rev. Dr. Richard Kannwischer, Senior Pastor, Peachtree Presbyterian Church
- 11/23 No Meeting - Happy Thanksgiving
- 11/30 Darin Schierbaum, Chief of the Atlanta Police Department
- 12/7 No Meeting: See You at the Holiday Party
- 12/14 Dan Gertsacov, President and CEO, Big Green Egg
- 12/21 No Meeting: Happy Holidays

## EVENTS

- 10/30 Chastain Glow Halloween Event for Horizons Atlanta Scholars
- 11/1 Buckhead Rotary ATL United Group Night!
- 11/5 Street Grace Fundraiser with Jeff Foxworthy and Ernie Johnson
- 11/17 Horizons Atlanta Thanksgiving Basket Assembly
- 11/21 Pawsitivity Partnership with Buckhead Rotarians Delivering Pet Food with OpenHand
- 12/8 Holiday Party @ Cherokee Town & Country Club
- 12/14 Board of Director's Meeting
- 12/15 Horizons Atlanta Holiday Celebration

insights on the issue and about her organization, IRIS.



This Halloween, my biggest fear is an empty ballot box. Early voting is still open this week, and Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3. Please do your research then get out there and VOTE (<https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/>)

Friday is Glow Chastain starting at 5pm at the C..., and costumes are a must. Bring a bag of candy to hand out and brace yourself: our Horizons Atlanta scholars will judge us at our booth, and they show no mercy. Best costume wins a \$100 gift certificate to Valenza. Better yet, you'll meet the kids your Rotary Club is supporting. Dignity is optional. Showing up with a great costume is not.

Then, on Sunday, Nov. 1, we cheer on Atlanta United against Toronto at 4:30 p.m. Tickets went out electronically this week. If yours vanished like a ghost, email Allie Geisler at [alliegeisler@td.com](mailto:alliegeisler@td.com).



Happy Halloween! Looking forward to seeing you Friday, in costume!

## Monday's Meeting: David Cummings, Partner and Founder Atlanta Ventures

On Monday, we're welcoming **David Cummings**, the mastermind behind Atlanta Tech Village, Pardot, and Atlanta Ventures. David isn't just a serial entrepreneur with over 10 startups under his belt; he's someone who pours his wealth and energy back into pouring gasoline on local ideas. He literally wrote the playbook on "engineering serendipity"—creating spaces where chance encounters spark multi-million dollar companies right here in our backyard.

**What he's bringing to the table for Buckhead Rotarians:**

## BIRTHDAYS

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| 10/31 | Matt Oja                |
| 11/3  | Charlie Rigby           |
| 11/4  | Raymond Reynolds        |
| 11/4  | Ford Donohue            |
| 11/4  | Emily Schickner         |
| 11/5  | William Gentner         |
| 11/5  | Stephen Craft           |
| 11/7  | Daniela Demaria         |
| 11/11 | Youri Wims-Rico         |
| 11/12 | Humberto Garcia-Sjogrim |
| 11/12 | Kari Kirkley            |
| 11/14 | Alan Redding            |
| 11/15 | Beth Howell             |
| 11/18 | Jordan Jones            |
| 11/18 | Ben Bowen               |
| 11/22 | Radu Zernoveanu         |
| 11/24 | Travis Bowden           |
| 11/27 | Harrison Davis          |

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

|       |                     |
|-------|---------------------|
| 11/17 | Emily Schickner (1) |
| 11/17 | Matt Oja (42)       |

## 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  |

- **Real Talk on Building Community:** David will share how he transformed a Buckhead skyscraper into the nation's 4th largest tech hub, creating thousands of local jobs and raising billions in venture capital.
- **The "People-First" Business Playbook:** Why culture, long-term trust, and human relationships will always beat flashy tech—a principle every Rotarian can get behind.
- **What's Next for Atlanta:** A peek inside his latest bold move—reinvesting in South Downtown to revitalize Atlanta's historical roots.

[Click here to RSVP and Connect on Zoom](#)

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## Glow Chastain & Buckhead Rotary

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# GLOW CHASTAIN



FRIDAY, FROM 5 PM TO 7 PM AT  
CHASTAIN PLAYGROUND  
**OCTOBER 30**

FREE  
COMMUNITY  
EVENT



GLOWING  
DECOR



CANDY &  
GOODIES



FUN FOR  
THE WHOLE  
FAMILY



COSTUMES  
ENCOURAGED!



ALL ARE  
WELCOME!

SPECIAL THANKS FOR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT



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## District Conference: Buckhead Rotary Goes to Asheville

Mark your calendars: from April 22 to 25, 2027, District 6900 heads to Asheville, North Carolina, for our annual District Conference, and we want a big Buckhead Rotary group there with us.

Here are three reasons to come along:

**Friendships that last.** District Conference gives us something our Monday lunches can't: four days together. There are shared meals, long conversations and evenings out with fellow Buckhead Rotarians. Some of the best friendships in this club started at a District Conference, and yours could be next.

**Rotary beyond our club.** You'll meet Rotarians from clubs across District 6900, hear what they're working on, and come home with new ideas and new friends. It's the best way to see the power of Rotary beyond our own club.

**The Blue Ridge, Rotary-style.** Asheville is one of the most beautiful cities in the Southeast. It sits in the Blue Ridge Mountains and is known for its art, food and views. Seeing it in a Rotarian setting, alongside friends, makes it even better.

**How to register.** Registration is \$350 per person. The host hotels are the Embassy Suites and the DoubleTree in downtown Asheville. Book the group rate through the links on the event page, and your room comes with breakfast tickets. The registration fee goes up on January 1, so sign up early.

**[Click Here to Register](#)**

See you in Asheville!