

**FAMILY OF ROTARY Meetings**

Our membership cares deeply about the needs and concerns of our members. We don't want to miss an opportunity to reach out to you. Regular Meeting Solicitor- General Pam Bettis of this committee is NAME and all news should be directed to her at FAMILY ADDRESS

8/26 Regular Meeting

**LEADERSHIP**

- President Rick Perry
- Vice President Torrie Sunstrom
- Vice President Leslie Erwin
- Treasurer Laura Crumbley
- Secretary Amy Lemelin
- Service Matthew Rix
- Public Image Amy Lemelin

**ROTARY CLUB OF HENRY COUNTY**

Mondays, 12:00 pm  
 Macon Street Tacos  
 16 Macon Street  
 McDonough, GA 30253

**Rotary Online**

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



**2024 Pass the Gavel Dinner**

We had a wonderful Pass the Gavel dinner this past Saturday evening . What a great night of fellowship, food and appreciation. Our president, Rick Perry Jr. did such a great job recognizing and thanking each board member for their hard work and dedication this year as well as sharing a heartfelt testimonial of how Rotary has impacted his life thru unexpected friendships and support. We Thank you Rick for the leadership you have given to Henry County Rotary and we look forward to another year with you as president. Congratulations to the following Award recipients:

George Elliott Fogle - Rotarian of the Year-Debbie Donaldson Realtor

Tom Wise- Spirit of Rotary Award-Amy Marshall Lemelin

George Siggins - Spouse of the year Award-Jessica Gibson Rhynes

Let's keep it going 2024-2025

#therotaryway

#40YearsOfService #HenryCounty #JoinUs







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## Safe Haven for Girls in Need

Thank you to Sabrina Crawford, founder and CEO of GiGi's House as well as Amy Watkins, Active Volunteer for speaking ... [\[more\]](#)

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## A Visit from Judge Holly Veal

Thank you to Judge Holly Veal for speaking with our club during Monday's luncheon.

Serving as a Civil & Criminal Judge with Henry County Superior Court, Judge Veal is widely known for her honesty, fairness, and sound judgment. The insights she shared about the court system and especially Drug Court were eye opening. To hear that since 2018 the court is experiencing an "avalanche" of Mental Health cases is disheartening but there is hope for restorative defendants due to programs that work to treat the Trauma that caused the behavior or the addiction. Judge Veal is passionate about this work and says it is a good investment and use of tax payer money. This work often helps reunite families, rehabilitates and restores defendants to productive citizens. Thank you Judge Veal for the passion you have for your job and for the work you do to improve our community..







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### **A Visit from Henry County Police Chief, Mike Ireland**

Thank you to Police Chief Mike Ireland for spending time with our club yesterday. It was an honor to host you as our guest speaker. The Henry County Police department has certainly grown over the years and continues to do so as our county grows. Chief Ireland expressed his appreciation for commanding a department that promotes from within and awards based on performance, allowing all voices to be heard. Chief Ireland is especially proud of what all the men and woman are doing there and spoke on the successes around body cameras and the scrutiny that goes into screening and hiring of new cadets. The department offers extensive training as an investment in new hires even prior to the Academy, helping to ensure the best of the best are serving our community. Thank you for your leadership and for working every day to make Henry County safe.



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**Upcoming Service Project**



# DONATE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

August 17th, 2024 9:00  
am - 1:00 pm

All equipment donated helps us provide medical equipment to those in need for little to no cost.



## GENTLY USED ITEMS NEEDED

- ✓ Wheelchairs
- ✓ Strollers
- ✓ Scooters
- ✓ Strollers
- ✓ Rollators
- ✓ Canes
- ✓ Crutches
- ✓ Hoyer Lifts
- ✓ Shower Support
- ✓ Hospital Beds
- ✓ Adaptive Vans
- ✓ Bathroom Equipment
- ✓ Children's Adaptive Equipment

**Drop-off Location:**  
First Baptist Church  
101 Macon Street  
McDonough, GA 30253

**To arrange large pick ups**  
Call FODAC before 8/14  
770-491-9014 x 114  
After 8/14 Call Mathew Rix  
616-481-4104

## Upcoming Event

Date Set for October 21st



