

# Rotary



# Club of Oconee County

[www.oconeecountyrotary.org](http://www.oconeecountyrotary.org)

## Club Meeting

Oconee County  
Meets at Oconee Veterans Park  
Main Building  
3500A Hog Mountain Road  
Watkinsville, GA 30677  
Time: Tuesday at 07:00 AM

## Club Leaders



Michael J. McCleary  
President



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President - Elect



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Secretary



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President - Nominee  
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Membership Retention  
Chair



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Public Image Chair



Rodney Patton  
Rotary Foundation  
Chair



Kirk Shook  
Training Officer  
Vocational Service Chair

## Tuesday, March 4, 2025 - Matt Brewster, Photography from Oconee County



Matt Brewster was born and raised in Winterville, Georgia. After graduating from Cedar Shoals High School, he attended, graduated from, and worked at the University of Georgia for 13 years.

Marigold Solutions was founded in 2016, focusing on photography services specializing in real estate and new construction. As a side project that quickly took off, he began building a portfolio of prints featuring his photography of various North Georgia locations.

Today, the company has grown its reach by providing real estate and new construction photography throughout the state, incorporating drone imaging, virtual tours, and interior design photography. Services have also expanded to include headshots and event photography.

Matt Brewster currently lives in Athens, Georgia, where he has grown his business with a dedicated team assisting in photography services. He stays involved in the community as an active member of the Athens Area Home Builders Association and works closely with Piedmont Athens Regional and his hometown of Winterville, Georgia.

## RYLEA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Act Now! RYLEA 2025 Registration is Open – Limited Spots Available!

Exciting news—**RYLEA 2025 is officially open for registration!** This is your opportunity to empower the next generation of leaders by sponsoring students for an unforgettable four-day leadership experience at **Tallulah Falls School from May 29 – June 1, 2025.**

With only **80 spots available**, now is the time to secure your students' participation before it's too late!

RYLEA is more than a camp—it's a **transformational experience** that builds confidence, leadership skills, and lifelong friendships. Your support makes all the difference. Don't let your students miss out—**commit today!**



Marcia Wilbur  
Family of Rotary



DeeDee Gaines  
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



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Sergeant-at-Arms



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Brock Toole  
Club Fellowship Chair



Jeffrey S. Hackleman  
RYLA Coordinator



Joseph Keith Carter  
iPast President

**Last year our club sponsored four students (two from OCHS and two from NOHS). Please contact Jeff Hackleman with any questions.**

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## Next Speakers

March 11th - State of Oconee County Schools, Dr. Branch

March 18th - RYLA Students

March 25th - Innovations in Precision Agriculture, Dr. Lorena Lacerda, UGA

April 1st - Lt. Gov. Burt Jones (pending)

April 8th - No Meeting (Spring Break)

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## Ticket Sales

Participate in Ticket Sales by using the Venmo app. Get it on your phone and send money to @Oconee-Rotary.

**2/25 ticket sales - Cash: \$40 Venmo: \$10**

**Current Total: \$1,931**

**There are 33 cards left in the deck (no jokers!).**

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## Events

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## Birthdays



[Kailey Page Winn](#)  
March 7th