

April 2019 - Deborah Wright

Congratulations to our April Volunteer of the Month, Deborah Wright! Deborah began volunteering with Atlanta Track Club in 2012 and has become a staple in our food and fluids section of our finish chutes. She volunteers with the Club over 20 times per year and always looks forward to the camaraderie with fellow volunteers.

Do you remember your first time volunteering? What brought you back again?

My first volunteer assignment with Atlanta Track Club was the 2012 Thanksgiving Day Marathon. I remember the weather was beautiful. The race was well organized. The energy displayed by the staff and volunteers definitely inspired me to continue volunteering.

What is your favorite Atlanta Track Club event? Why?

My favorite Atlanta Track Club event is the Publix Atlanta Marathon. As always, organization and planning skills are carried out to perfection. It's so rewarding to see the enthusiasm for running and walking embraced by the community.

What is one of your best memories from volunteering at any race?

The best memories from volunteering at any race is looking forward to seeing so many familiar faces of both race participants and volunteers. And also meeting and working with new volunteers. I appreciate receiving so many thanks from the race participants and staff.

What is your favorite thing about volunteering with Atlanta Track Club? What brings you back?

My favorite thing about volunteering with Atlanta Track Club is the camaraderie of the people. It has a family feeling. I continue to volunteer because it's my way of giving back to the community and I simply enjoy everything Atlanta Track Club offers. The staff is so easy to work with and caring.



Do you have a favorite volunteer assignment?

My favorite volunteer assignment is working food/fluids at the finish line. The reason is because I enjoy seeing the sense of accomplishment and excitement on the faces of all the runners/walkers. I like to extend congratulations and a job well done.

Do you have any advice or words of wisdom for any new Atlanta Track Club volunteers?

My words of wisdom for any new Atlanta Track Club volunteers are...give it a chance and recognize that Atlanta Track Club staff is appreciative of your time and service. Most of all have fun.

What organizations do you volunteer with beyond Atlanta Track Club?

I volunteer with my neighborhood association, the Atlanta Dogwood Festival, Family 2 Family Stuff the Bus, Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl, Chili Cook Off in Brookhaven, Trees Atlanta and most recently Super Bowl LIII Team ATL. Giving back is my main objective.



What do you do for a living?

I am retired and presently a professional volunteer. I previously worked for Eastern Air Lines as a Flight Attendant/Supervisor and Taylor & Mathis as Property Manager for Georgia-Pacific Center.

Tell us something interesting about yourself.

I have many hobbies. I enjoy crafting, walking, floral arranging, gardening, yard work and attending Atlanta Falcons football games.