

The Rotary Club of Stone Mountain

Stone Mountain Views

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*Putting "Service Above Self" in Stone Mountain since 1965
100 % Paul Harris Fellow Club*

This Week's Program:

Stephanie Jolluck of Coleccion Luna



A social entrepreneur, Stephanie Jolluck started Coleccion Luna in 1999 at age twenty-six focused on women's empowerment, alleviating poverty, preserving tradition, sustainability, and promoting cultural diversity and understanding. For the past thirteen years she has travelled to Guatemala to work directly with the Mayan Indians on a line of beaded jewelry and accessories, as well as textiles created with PURE LOVE from their reclaimed Indigenous clothing using Fair Trade practices.



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Stephanie Jolluck of Coleccion Luna (cont'd)

Soon after returning from studying at Universidad de Guadalajara Mexico and finishing her degree at Georgia State University in Latin American Literature and Anthropology, Jolluck found herself volunteering on a Mayan Indian Co-op in Guatemala in 1997. She spent three weeks giving her time and energy to an NGO that helped empower Indigenous women who had survived the violent Guatemalan Civil War that had recently ended after 36 years. These women's strength and resilience displayed after they had witnessed such horrors during the war had a profound impact on Jolluck. She then backpacked alone for 2 months and rapidly fell in love with the rich and vibrant colors of their textiles and other handicrafts. Jolluck explored the country and the Anthropologist and Designer in her grew amazed at the 2,000-year-old textile tradition that was slowly disappearing. She could not bear the thought of this beautiful tradition going extinct and wanted to share it with the world. She also witnessed extreme poverty for the first time and noticed that most living in poverty were the very ones creating the beautiful, ingenious, awe inspiring weavings and art; it was a contradiction that didn't make sense. All of the experiences on her first travels to Guatemala changed Jolluck forever and became the inspirations behind Coleccion Luna.

Jolluck travels a 4-6 six times a year to the Highland Region of Guatemala, working directly with the artisans on her designs. It is a partnership: the line of textiles is created from reclaimed Mayan Indigenous clothing ~ "huipiles" (blouse like garments), "corte" (skirts/utilitarian fabric), "faja" (belts) that are hand-woven, hand-embroidered, woven on a backstrap loom, woven by treadle loom, or machine embroidered. Jolluck gives them her designs and they create the items from their gently used clothing that is based on a 2,000 year old textile tradition. A cottage industry, the artisans work in the comfort of their homes and when they have free time, giving them liberty to work and tend to their family responsibilities. The beaded jewelry is a new handicraft that arrived to Guatemala less than 20 years ago. It is inspired from the rich, colorful textiles and one can see the designs reflected from the patterns found in the traditional Indigenous clothing. Coleccion Luna works with a women's co-op located on the shores of Lake Atitlan. The co-op employs 90+ women and the women can choose to work in one of 3 houses together with other women from the community or out of their homes. Coleccion Luna weaves together ancient traditions with modern home and fashion accessories; each piece tells a unique and sacred story of the Mayan culture.

Jolluck is inspired by the Indians and the country she calls her second home. After more than a decade of working with the same families and communities, they have become her "Guatemalan family"; she has become a "madrina"/godmother to her artisans' childrens. On several levels Jolluck uses Coleccion Luna as a vehicle to support various humanitarian organizations focused on women & girl's empowerment in her artisans communities and beyond including: CARE www.care.org , Safe Passage www.safepassage.org , 50 Cents Period. www.50centsperiod.org , and Emmanuel Jal's www.emmanueljal.com "We Want Peace" campaign www.wewantpeace.org . Jolluck is also a founding member of Sustenance Group www.sustenancegroup.org an Atlanta-based coalition of business professionals who contribute their time and talents to activism, nonprofit fundraising, and educational activities.

Upcoming Speaker: **Chuck Guta Key Account Manager DoD/Army**



Chuck Guta joined NISH as the DoD/Army Key Account Manager (KAM) in November 2012. He oversees the strategic development and growth of NISH business with the Army to annually increase and positively impact the employment of people with significant disabilities. Chuck is a results-oriented leader and manager experienced in government contracting and logistics management with experience leading complex, diverse, performance oriented and challenging organizations in acquisition, contracting, and logistics.

In May 2004, Chuck retired at the rank of Colonel culminating over 31 years of service in the Army. As a leader in the Army, Chuck successfully commanded units at the brigade, battalion and company levels: The Defense Contract Management Command Atlanta, DCMC, DLA; The 502nd Transportation Battalion, Movements Control, 3rd COSCOM, V Corps, USAREUR, Wiesbaden, GE. Going into his final assignment, he was the last uniformed Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting, (PARC), at US Army Forces Command, then culminating as the first Director, PARC, Army Contracting Agency, (ACA), Southern Region, Fort McPherson, GA.

After his retirement from the Army in May 2004, he began working as a consultant for a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, The Logistics Company, in August of 2004. In January 2005, he was hired as VP, Business Development. His duties included assessment of new business opportunities and targets; development of capture plans for specific targets, establishment of bid/no bid recommendations for management; and management, review, and appraisal of department personnel. During his tenure within Business Development, the company grew five-fold through winning new Logistics Support Services work. TLC's revenue continued to increase and in 2008, TLC graduated from the Small Business ranks. In his most recent position as VP, Strategic Relationships, which he assumed in January 2010, his primary duties included: Voice of the Customer; Marketing and Capture Management at the Operational and Strategic levels; and Developing new and innovative approaches to identify possible business acquisitions.

Civilian and military advanced schooling and certifications include: Masters degree in Acquisition Management and Masters of Business Administration, Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, FL; The US Army War College, SCS, Carlisle Army Barracks, PA; Defense Systems Management College, DoD Program Management Course, Fort Belvoir, VA; Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS. A member of the Army Acquisition Corps and level three certified in Contracting and Program Management.

Chuck is the current President of the Greater Atlanta Chapter of the Association of the United States Army, (AUSA). Other memberships include: the National Contract Management Association, (NCMA), the National Defense Industrial Association, (NDIA), the National Defense Transportation Association, (NDTA) and the United Service Organizations, (USO).

Chuck is married to the former Susan R. Blozinski. They have one daughter, Crystal, age 21, who is in her senior year as an awardee of a four year ROTC Scholarship at North Georgia (Military) College and State University. They reside in Kennesaw GA.

What you may have missed last week...



Rotary Club of Stone Mountain members and guests alike sit attentively listening to our esteemed guest speaker, Reverend Peter Raye.



Reverend Peter Raye explains Healthy Nation's mission and how the program works



President Cynthia Edwards presents Reverend Peter Raye with Rotary M&Ms as a parting gift.

ATLANTA – OCTOBER 13, 2013

GEORGIA INTERNATIONAL HORSE PARK

Don't miss Atlanta's third annual Merrell Down & Dirty National Mud and Obstacle Series presented by Subaru on October 13, 2013! Here you will find course info, race day details, packet pickup info, and much more!

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

<http://www.downanddirtyudrun.com/event-cities/atlanta/>

PRICING INFORMATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE ON OCTOBER 10th
AT 6PM PST/9PM EST

	5K	10K
Open-December 31st	\$40	\$50
January 1st-July 14th	\$45	\$55
July 15th-August 4th	\$50	\$60
August 5th-September 22nd	\$55	\$65
September 23rd-October 6th	\$60	\$70
October 7th-October 10th	\$65	\$75
Race Day*	\$70	\$80

For further information, please contact Rotary

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You are invited to

the **Kick-off** of

Be ACTIVE: a GPTC Lifestyle

(Georgia Piedmont Technical College's Health and Wellness Program)

Film to be shown: Part I - HBO's "Weight of the Nation"

Post Film Discussions Led by
Local Health/Wellness Professionals and Community Leaders

FREE ADMISSION

Thursday, September 12, 2013

Conference Center – DeKalb Campus
495 N. Indian Creek Drive, Clarkston, GA 30021
Film 3:30 p.m. Panel 5:00 p.m.

Monday, September 30, 2013

Conference Center – Newton D Campus
8100 Bob Williams Parkway, Covington, GA
Film 3:30 p.m. Panel 5:00 p.m.

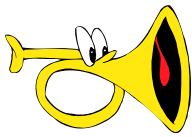
Who May Attend?

Georgia Piedmont Technical College's Employees and Students

General Public

Come join us to learn, get involved, get moving, and get healthier!

For more information, contact Cynthia Edwards at 404-297-9522 x 1112



Announcements

September 10th Set-up and take down.....Irvine Weeks and Michelle Weston
 September 17th Set-up and take down.....Mac Willet and Bill Witcher
 September 24rd Set-up and take down.....Hiram Allen and Myron Baynes

Birthdays.....None

Anniversaries.....None

Stone Mountain Club Members,

The Smoke Rise Country Club will have the buffet ready at noon on meeting dates. Please arrive in time to socialize, get your meal, and be seated for the meeting to begin at our regularly scheduled time. This will help us to have enough time to conduct Rotary business, share our business and personal announcements, and ensure that we allocate enough time to hear and interact with our special guest speakers.

Thank you

Upcoming Programs	
09/10/2013	Stephanie Jolluck - Colleccion Luna
09/17/2013	Colonel Chuck Greta - TBA
09/24/2013	Lorrie King - 50 Cents. Period.

A Stone Mountain Rotary Announcement from Lorrie King



Three of the refugee families with whom 50 Cents. Period. works lost their homes in an apartment fire on Tuesday night. We are helping to coordinate relief efforts, along with their resettlement agencies and the Atlanta Red Cross. Furniture and clothing are pouring in, but we need some assistance with gathering personal toiletry items, cleaning supplies, kitchen and bath towels, underwear, socks, laundry detergent, and dictionaries/notebooks for their English classes. The families are newly arrived from Burma, totaling 19 persons in all. Any assistance our club can provide is much welcomed and appreciated. If you can help, please bring any of these items to our meeting next Tuesday, and I will collect and transport the items to the families.

Please let me know if you have any questions! Thank you!
 Lorrie

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About Us.....*The Friendliest Club in the South*

Mission Statement

Our mission is to distinguish the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain from other top clubs in District 6900 by consistently supporting the Object of Rotary through projects in each of the avenues of service; by eagerly extending the hand of fellowship; and by actions demonstrating our commitment to the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self."

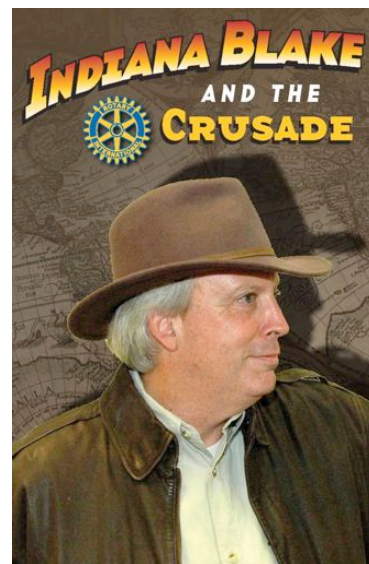
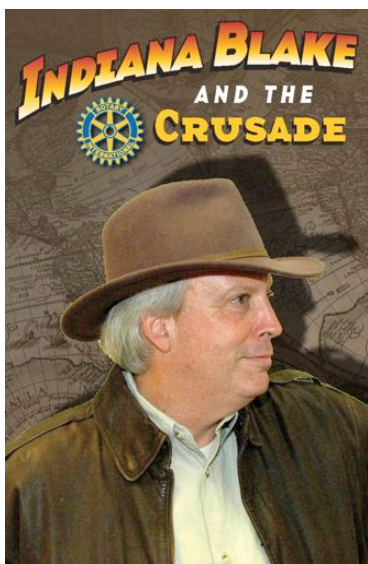
Our members are actively involved in the local community with programs and projects in the city of Stone Mountain and surrounding areas. Realizing that the boundary of the world's borders are ever growing, Stone Mountain Rotarians are also involved in humanitarian and educational projects in India, Central America, Europe, Asia, Africa – literally all over the world. Stone Mountain Rotarians can be counted on and called on. They honor commitment, value integrity, and unselfishly render "Service Above Self." Stone Mountain Rotarians are among Rotary's heroes!

We meet every Tuesday at noon at the Smoke Rise Country Club
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For more information about the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain, call 770-656-4363

2013 – 2014 Club Officers & Directors

- President.....Cynthia Dorsey Edwards
- President ElectChris Brand
- President Nominee.....Donna Jensen
- Secretary.....George Miranda
- Treasurer.....PP Bud Schooler
- Immediate Past PresidentPP Mark DiGiovanni
- Sergeant-at-ArmsRon Lunsford
- Club AdministrationPP William (Bill) Witcher
- Club Service Projects.....Chris Brand
- Community ServiceLorrie King
- Vocational Service.....Irvine Weekes
- International Service.....PP Bill Rosenfeld
- MembershipAG Durl Jensen
- FoundationPDG Casey Farmer
- Public RelationsPP Leisa Smith
- Newsletter.....Dwain Forbes
- Youth Service.....Hikie Allen
- Director at LargePP Bill Hawes
- Director at LargePP Harry Strack
- Director at LargePDG Margie Kersey
- Presidential Advisor.....PDG Al Lipphardt



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