

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:

The Rotary Club of Stone Mountain

Honors America's Armed Forces Heroes

"All Gave Some – Some Gave All"



Colonel Chuck Guta, US Army (Retired)

Greater Atlanta Chapter President

Association of the United States Army (AUSA)



*Rotary International President Ron D. Burton
District 6900 Governor Blake McBurney
Assistant Governor Bill Weeks
Rotary Club of Stone Mountain President Cynthia Edwards*



**Colonel Charles (Chuck) Guta,
United States Army (Retired)**

**President Greater Atlanta Chapter Association of the United States Army
Speaker, September 17, 2013 Rotary Club of Stone Mountain**



Last week you read the bio of our speaker for today, Colonel Chuck Guta. If you were like me you were immensely impressed with his military achievements spanning a 31 year career and civilian accomplishments since retiring from service. But these were words and Colonel Guta is so much more than words. I asked President Cynthia and Bulletin Editor Dwain for a few lines so I could share some of my reflections of Eagle 6, Chuck Guta. In military/combat operations eagle 6 is the call sign used to communicate between units. The Eagle in this case not only refers to a symbol of our courage and strength but indicates his rank Colonel (the eagle being the rank's symbol). The 6 refers to the senior commander of the unit. Colonel Guta's branch of service or Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) is the Transportation Corps.

Can you fathom the monumental task of moving tremendous numbers of troops and their equipment on a national scale all over the world and in too many cases to hostile environments? That was one of Chuck's responsibilities. Now imagine the woeful task of bringing those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms home to their families. You might place yourself with the families of those whose loved ones have not come home, who have no closure because their loved one is missing in action or being held as a prisoner of war. In today's global war on terrorism our technological advances in medicine and procedures is such that if the wounded are treated within the first few minutes of being injured the survival rate is about 98-99 percent. But with that success comes the task of caring for those who have borne the battle and the families devoted to them. Since retiring Chuck has been working unceasingly to provide help and employment assistance to those suffering significant disabilities. Hate war, love the warrior. Chuck Guta is a warrior.

Chuck and his wife Susan are the proud parents of 21 year daughter, Crystal. And much of that pride stems from the fact that several months ago Crystal completed her four years of Army Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) at North Georgia College and, by order of the President of the United States was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant, Transportation Corp, the United States Army. The Guta's and I speak a language that many of you have heard so please join me in extending a hearty HOOAH! to Crystal, Susan and Chuck. Job Well Done!!

What you may have missed last week...



President Cynthia Edwards leads discussion at Club Assembly.



PP Mark DiGiovanni reads responses and results from recent club survey.

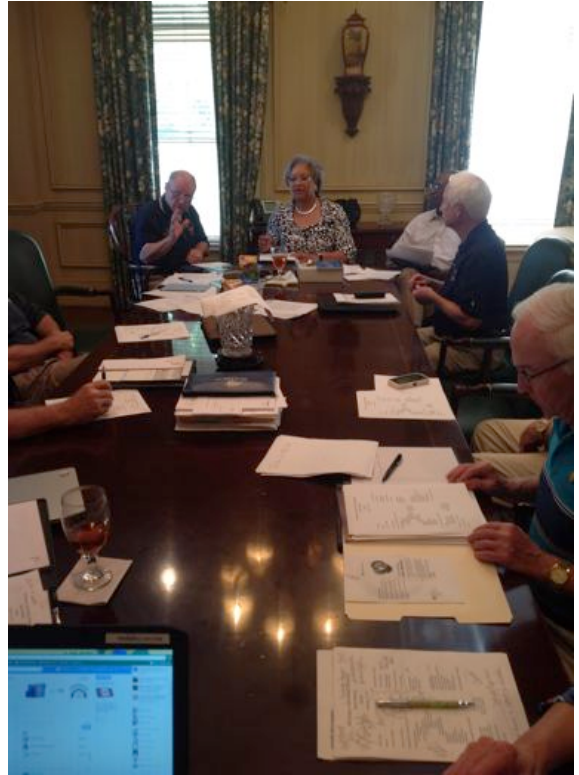


Rotarian Lorrie King, a public health professional, shares an interesting fact in our weekly Member's Vocational Moment. " As you can see on a member's face, it was quite interesting!



Members enjoying socializing and networking.

Rotary Club of Stone Mountain Board Meeting



Board members are deeply engaged in managing priorities and working towards club goals.



Club Secretary, George Miranda is clearly enthusiastic and happy about the outcome of the board meeting!

ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION!

Club Announcements:

START TIME: Please arrive to the weekly meeting in enough time for you to socialize, go through the buffet and be seated by 12:14 p.m. **We will begin the meeting promptly at 12:15 p.m.**, so that we may end promptly at 1:15 p.m. At our request, the Smoke Rise Country Club has begun setting out the food by noon, which will assist us in starting our meetings as indicated.

DUES & FEES: Our Assistant Treasurer (and Former Treasurer for many years), Harry Strack, made a report on our finances at our Club Assembly last week. He also shared that several members are behind in paying dues. If you are having difficulty with your finances, please let us know. With your heart in Rotary, we would like to ensure that you stay with us and will work with you to get caught up. No names have been publicly mentioned. Your conversations with the club leadership will be kept confidential. However, if you **are not** having financial challenges, but you are delinquent in your payments, please submit your funds to Harry Strack or Bud Schooler on Tuesday.

ATTENDANCE: **Our goal is to achieve 100% attendance with all members at each meeting.** If circumstances cause you to miss our weekly meeting, be sure to make up your meeting by attending another club's weekly meeting; by participating in a service project, Board meeting or committee meeting; or by making up online by accessing the Rotary International website. **All documentation confirming make-ups must be provided to George Miranda, Club Secretary within a week of the missed date.** Online make-up confirmations will be automatically sent to George.

MEMBERSHIP: **Continuously be on the lookout for potential Rotarians. Remember, our goal is to attract them, not just recruit them.** With this in mind, we are working to become more involved in assisting the organizations that we financially support. From publicizing our community service, people who have similar interests may be attracted to join our club. Begin to make a list of friends who are like you and/or have similar interests that fall in at least one of Rotary's six areas of focus, but who you have not asked to join you at a Rotary meeting. Invite them!

SURVEY: Results from the survey created to solicit your opinions on key issues for our club were presented last week. However, **only 50% of the club completed the survey.** If you did not complete the survey, please take time to do so by clicking on the link: (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/stonemountainrotary>). You will be taken to the survey to complete. Your opinions count, and although we have presented results, if any significant changes in the data occur or new ideas are submitted, we will revise the report and share with members. These survey results are helping your board in planning and decision-making.

DG VISIT: District Governor Blake McBurney will visit the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain on **Tuesday, October 8, 2013, for an evening meeting.** We will have a Board meeting at 5:30 p.m., and the general meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Smoke Rise Country Club. Please invite your spouse, other friends, and potential Rotarians to this meeting.

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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Announcements

September 17th Set-up and take down.....Mac Willet and Bill Witcher
 September 24th Set-up and take down.....Hiram Allen and Chris Brand
 October 1st Set-up and take down.....Doug Coil and Gerald Crane

Birthdays.....David Hess

Anniversaries.....None

Upcoming Programs	
09/17/2013	Colonel Chuck Greta - Department of Defense: A Reflection on POW/MIA
09/24/2013	Lorrie King - 50 Cents. Period.
10/01/2013	Anresa Davis & Leslie Chapman – Senior Living
10/08/2013	DG Blake McBurney – DG Visit
10/15/2013	TBD
10/22/2013	Dr. Jabari Simama President of GA Piedmont Technical College
10/29/2013	TBD

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."

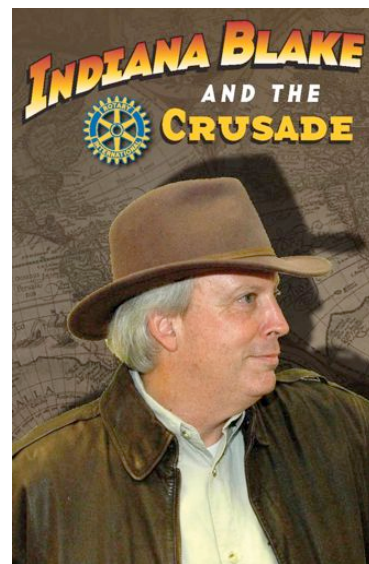
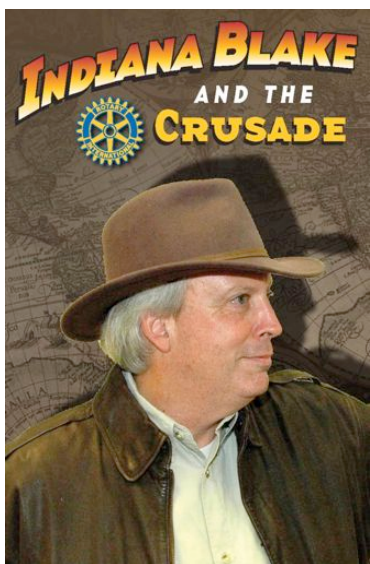
Our members are actively involved in the local community with programs and projects in the city of Stone Mountain and surrounding areas. Realizing that the boundary of the world's borders are ever growing, Stone Mountain Rotarians are also involved in humanitarian and educational projects in India, Central 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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