

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:

Anresa Davis and Leslie Chapman – Senior Living



When Anresa Davis' parents left the burdens of home ownership and chose a retirement community, they found a new lease on life. Seeing that transformation had a huge impact on her.

In 2000, Anresa Davis left a successful 25-year career in nursing to join the sales and marketing effort at Park Springs. Now, as Director of Sales and Marketing, she brings to the position a unique blend of clinical expertise, administrative experience and passionate concern.

"My parents' plan was to maintain control of their destiny by making their own choices. My siblings and I were so pleased – everyone in the family benefited. Helping members plan for the future, achieve a vibrant lifestyle and enjoy every day to the fullest has been a true privilege," she adds. Especially satisfying for Anresa is the degree to which Park Springs members have created, and embrace, a unique culture. Every day is new and full of opportunity here. Every night I go home with more than I came with."

Sharing the Park Springs story with others is Anresa's passion.

Anresa and her husband Phil are the proud parents of sons John and Steven.



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



What you may have missed last week...

Lorrie King – 50 Cents Period:

50 Cents.Period. was established upon the belief that every woman has the right to experience her period with dignity. When they started in 2010, a 50 cent package of sanitary napkins provided women and girls in India with the freedom to leave their homes and go to school. As they have grown, so has their mission, strategy, and focus.

Today, **their mission is to empower women and girls to stay fully engaged in their lives and educations without the stigma and barriers surrounding their period, gender, and reproductive choices.** They employ a holistic approach that seeks to empower women and girls through building their social and economic capacities. They focus our programs and advocacy in underserved, traditionally marginalized communities, addressing such issues as chaupadi (the forced, ritualized exclusion of women during menstruation), rape warfare, living with HIV and FGM (female genital mutilation), and by providing sanitary products, reproductive health education workshops and curricula, clean water, and sanitation facilities. In tandem with these efforts, we furnish linkages to care and connections to peer support and income generating projects. They seek long-term, mutually beneficial alliances with communities and NGOs working toward these ends, taking care to adapt our programs both culturally and contextually. To date, their programs have touched the lives of women, girls and their communities in five countries: India, Nepal, Uganda, Nicaragua, and right here at home in Clarkston, GA.

In 2012, 772 women and girls were supplied with basic sanitary products and underwear; 1600 persons gained access to clean drinking water; 513 school girls in rural India and Nepal were reached with reproductive health education; 300 boys and girls living in scheduled tribes districts received school backpacks and supplies, 20 girls who walked 12 miles to school were presented with bicycles, and 75 newly-arrived refugee women received health education, HIV testing, and OB/Gyn care for the first time in their lives.

This year, as these projects wind down, efforts are expanding to reach schools and fistula hospitals in West Africa, and their Women's Circle program serving refugee women and girls has grown to encompass 200 graduates, and spun off to include specialized services for rape warfare survivors. It is their honor to share their journey with Stone Mountain Rotary!

<http://50centsperiod.org/index.html>

What you may have missed last week...



PE Chris Brand and Dorothy Downey share a “great to see you” moment!



(in center) Dr. Angela B. Hairston, Principal, Stone Mountain Elementary School and two staff



Dr. Hairston and staff members expressing their appreciation for the club's Dictionary Project and sharing the impact it has made on some of Stone Mountain Elementary's teachers and students.



President Cynthia giving Lorrie King, Rotarian and Executive Director of 50. Cents. Period, this year's official speaker's gift.

A note from our Rotarians across the waters...

John and Sue Cox went to France for a weekend visit with the Hythe Rotary Club. During the time there, they spent a day at the Normandy D-Day Invasion beaches. As part of the visit they had a short service at one of the British cemeteries and laid a wreath on behalf of the British soldiers. Sue was asked to lay a wreath on behalf of the American and Commonwealth soldiers.

They also visited the main American cemetery near the Omaha Beach landing site. The 9387 crosses and Stars of David indicate the last resting place of all those American soldiers (1st, 4th and 29th Infantry) who died during the D Day invasion on June 6th 1944 and the following days and whose bodies were not repatriated after the end of the 1939 -1945 war.

John and Sue send their regards and look forward to seeing all of the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain members again in November.





A Jekyll Island Reunion – October 17-20, 2013

Due to popular demand, we are planning a club trip to Jekyll starting Thursday, October 17.

We will stay at Villas By the Sea, our old venue on the Island's North side.

Pictures are from Villas By the Sea – www.VillasbytheSeaResort.com

Special rates are: One Bedroom Islandside \$119; Oceanside \$129

Two Bedroom \$169 Islandside; \$179 Oceanside / Three Bedroom \$209 Islandside; \$229 Oceanside

(Rates are subject to 11% tax and 5% resort fee. Rates are per villa per night.)

Discounted Golf Passes and Complimentary Passes to Emerald Princess Casino Cruise are available.

If you plan to go, you will need to do two things:

Let Mark DiGiovanni know at **678 227-8142** or at mark113053@earthlink.net

Contact Villas By the Sea to make your reservation: **1-800-841-6262 ext. 2** (ask for Ryan)

For those who have gone to Jekyll for years, you know there's a good time waiting for you.

For those who haven't gone yet, a great experience awaits you!



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.

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. Visiting with and hearing remarks by DG McBurney is always an inspirational experience. He helps his audience to better understand the commitment to and the ideals of Rotary through his personal testimonies. So, let's have a full house!

DG McBurney's special focus is on supporting Food Banks. **Therefore, in his honor, we are asking all members to bring non-perishable food items to the October 8th meeting.** With your help, we hope to have a significant amount of food to contribute to the Stone Mountain Food Bank.

DUES & FEES: Thank you for working with our Assistant Treasurer, Harry Strack, to ensure that our individual financial accounts are up-to-date. Remember, currently, our personal dues and assessments provide the majority of the funding for our club's work and support to other organizations.

ATTENDANCE: We presented perfect attendance certificates for our 2012-2013 year at our September 24th meeting. If you did not receive your certificate last week, be sure to obtain it from President Cynthia at Tuesday's meeting. **At the end of the meeting, a group photo will be taken of all club 100% attendees from last year.**

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 should be provided to George Miranda, Club Secretary within two weeks 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 have been presented. 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. **We will close out the survey on October 4, 2013.**

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 Rotarian

Leisa Smith: leisasmith@juno.com



Announcements

October 1st Set-up and take down.....Doug Coil and Gerald Crane
 October 8th Set-up and take down.....Anresa Davis and Mark DiGiovanni
 October 15th Set-up and take down.....Lizbeth Dison and Cynthia Dorsey Edwards

Birthdays.....Lester Diamond 10/2
Lorrie King 10/7

Anniversaries.....None

Rotary Club of Stone Mountain Upcoming Service Projects

Hugs for Soldiers

On Tuesday, October 15, 2013, bring personal items to the weekly club meeting to donate to a joint project in which we are participating with the Stone Mountain Women's Club ---- Hugs for Soldiers. Go to <http://www.hugsforsoldiers.org/node/11> to see a list of suggested items for care packages as well as to learn more about the Hugs for Soldiers organization.

Medical Supply Sorting for Free Clinics/International

On Saturday, November 9, 2013, join us at Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC), from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to assist with sorting medical supplies for free clinics. To confirm your participation and/or to obtain more information, contact PE Chris Brand, Executive Director of FODAC, at 404-784-5957.

Upcoming Programs	
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
11/5/2013	Ray McKemie – Rotary Foundation
11/12/2013	Veterans Day Program
11/19/2013	Lee Cuthbert – The Rapid Growth of Film and TV Production in Georgia
11/26/2013	TBD

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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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

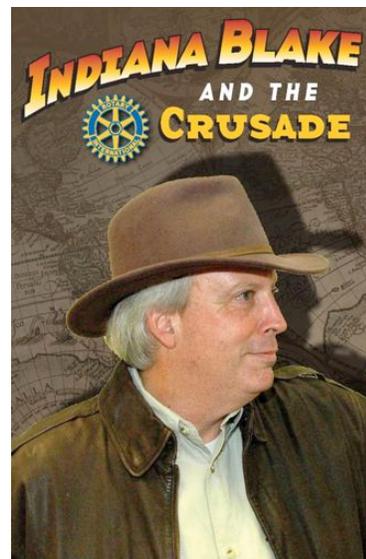
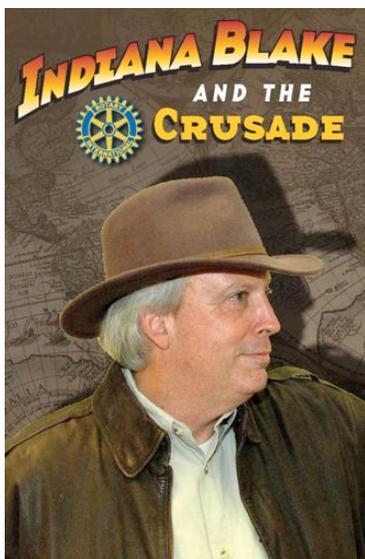
Youth Service.....Hikie Allen

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Director at LargePDG Margie Kersey

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