

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:

Club Assembly



*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...



President Cynthia Edwards, and PDG Al Lipphardt induct a Gillian Leggett as a new member to the Rotary Club of Stone Mountain.



President Elect Chris Brand takes a photo with members of the Agnes Scott Rotaract Club after he served as the speaker at their meeting.



President Cynthia Edwards and members of her Board of Directors present a \$250 check to Steve Bradshaw, representing PRISM, (Pride Rings in Stone Mountain) to support their annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Luncheon, December 13th at Georgia Perimeter College.

(L-R) Bud Schooler , Harry Strack, Steve Bradshaw, Cynthia Edwards and Bill Witcher.



Rotary Club of Stone Mountain Members having dinner at a local restaurant before a group visit to see the Holiday Lights at the Atlanta Botanical Garden

The Prez Says ... **Happy Thanksgiving!**



As we move into the holiday season, I wish you ... and your families ... a Happy Thanksgiving! While Thanksgiving Day was begun to show thanks for the “blessing of the harvest of the preceding year,” for most of us, it has expanded to celebrate and express thanks for all of the blessings in our lives.

You and your families are some of the great blessings in my life for which I have and will express thanks. Each of you, in some way, has contributed to expanding my world. I enjoy planning, working, problem-solving, and helping others alongside you. I am thankful for your support.

So, I hope that you have a wonderful time during the next week, enjoying Thanksgiving with your families, friends, and other loved ones. While we are in the company and comfort of our special ones, remember and say a blessing for our service men and women as well as for those who have lost loved ones and those who are ill, homeless or otherwise in need, especially our fellow Rotarians. And, when you can, continue to reach out to help others.

May God continue to be with you.

With Rotary love,

Cynthia

Thanksgiving Day (Jour de l'Action de grâce in [Canadian French](#)) is a national holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada as a day of giving thanks for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year. Several other places around the world observe similar celebrations. It is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November in the United States and on the second Monday of October in Canada. Thanksgiving has its historical roots in religious and cultural traditions, and has long been celebrated in a secular manner as well. As President of the United States, George Washington proclaimed the first nation-wide thanksgiving celebration in America marking November 26, 1789, "as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favours of Almighty God." Thanksgiving, currently celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November by federal legislation enacted in 1941, has been an annual tradition in the United States by presidential proclamation since 1863 and by state legislation since the Founding Fathers of the United States. In modern times the President of the United States, in addition to issuing a proclamation, will "pardon" a turkey, which spares the bird's life and ensures that it will spend the duration of its life roaming freely on farmland.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

Club Announcements

Rotary Club of Stone Mountain will hold its holiday party at the home of Bud Schooler on Saturday, December 14, 2013. Details will be sent out soon...

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.

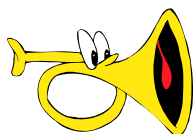
DUES & FEES: Thank you for working with our Assistant Treasurer, Harry Strack, to ensure that our individual financial accounts are up-to-date. Remember, currently, our personal dues and assessments provide the majority of the funding for our club's work and support to other organizations.

ATTENDANCE: 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!



As one of our holiday service projects, our club will, again, support the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program. PP Bill Hawes will provide us with names, genders, and ages of children for whom we may donate gifts. We may also purchase items that will be made available for children and seniors whose names may be submitted to the Salvation Army closer to the season's holidays.



Announcements

November 26th Set-up and take down.....Lorrie King and Al Lipphardt
 December 3rd Set-up and take down.....Ron Lunsford and Scott McEvoy
 December 10th Set-up and take down.....George Miranda and Diana Robinson

Birthdays.....Mark DiGiovanni 11/30

Anniversaries.....None

Rotary Club of Stone Mountain Upcoming Service Projects

Sue Kellogg Library

Just a reminder to members that collecting books for the Sue Kellogg Library is an ongoing project. Bring, Bring, Bring!!! Should you need assistance, please get in contact with Dora Jackson at the next meeting.

Upcoming Programs	
11/26/2013	Club Assembly
12/3/2013	Phyllis Miller, Executive Director, DeKalb Rape Crisis Center
12/10/2013	Ben Spivey and Christina Ottis, Amaji Health Information System
12/17/2013	Salvation Army Band (Holiday Program)
12/24/2013	No Meeting
12/31/2013	No Meeting
1/7/2013	Ann Rosenthal Executive Director, Tucker CID
1/14/2013	Colonel Ben Malcolm, US Army (Retired)
1/21/2013	Leonardo McClarty President/CEO, DeKalb Chamber of Commerce
1/28/2013	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."

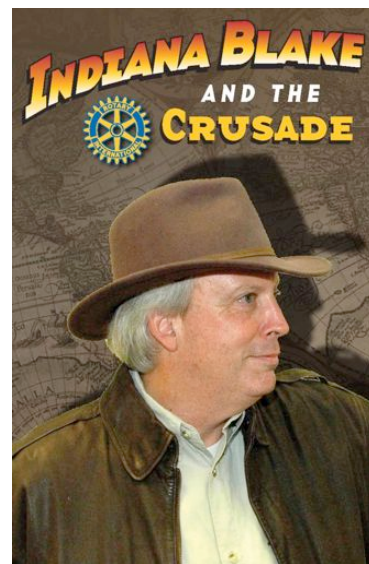
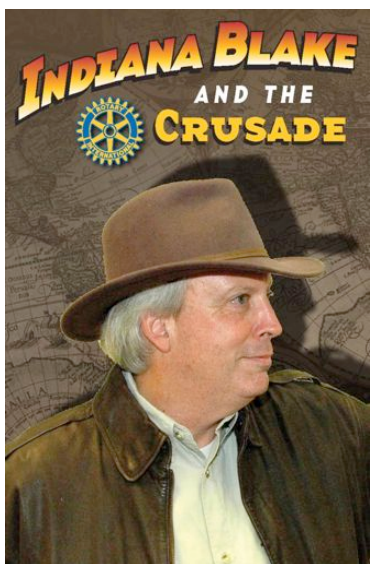
Our members are actively involved in the local community with programs and projects in the city of Stone Mountain and surrounding areas. Realizing that the boundary of the world's borders are ever growing, Stone Mountain Rotarians are also involved in humanitarian and educational projects in India, Central 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
4900 Chedworth Drive, Stone Mountain, GA 30087
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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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