# Sandy Springs Rotary Club

## THE BULLETIN

June 28, 2020

Home of District Governor: Jim Squire &

Past District Governors Frank Bentley, Ralph Thurmond, and Barry Smith

## **Meetings**

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

# Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

6/3 Bob Belmonte

6/6 Steven Jordan

6/6 James Paschal

6/13 Sally Wyeth Mclaughlin

6/23 Rusty Paul

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6/11 Steve Soteres (34)

6/14 Fred Ferrand (34)

6/28 Linda Randolph (34)

## **Rotary Online**

https://sandyspringsrotary.org https://rotary6900.org/ https://rotary.org/

## ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS

Mondays, 12:15 pm Hilton Suites 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE

Sandy Springs, GA 30328

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

## **President Nancy Schroeder's Welcome Message**

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs, I welcome you to visit our club and experience the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs' hospitality and energy. We meet on Monday for lunch at 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the Hilton Perimeter Suites, 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30328. You can reserve a spot by going to our website at <a href="https://www.sandyspringsrotary.org">www.sandyspringsrotary.org</a>. Join your fellow professionals, and community and business leaders, and learn how Rotary can fit in your future. Experience Rotary Making A Difference!



#### **Upcoming Program**

## Jim Squire regaling his past year as District 6900 Governor



Want to know what it is like to be a Rotary District Governor? You have come to the right place. This Monday, June 6th the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs will be hosting District Governor Jim Squire to the podium where he will regale us of his experiences of the 2019-2020 year.

Our DG is a person of action guided by our motto of Service Above Self, as evidenced by his many years of service to his community, his profession and Rotary. His Rotary service includes the 2017 International Convention Executive Committee, District Youth Services Chair and Assistant Governor, where he won the District AG of the Year Follow Me award. He has served on the Rotary Laws of Life Board, volunteered at several District Conferences, and graduated from the Rotary Leadership Institute.

There is much more to be learned from Jim so, please join us Monday at 12:15 and bring your questions.

More biographical information about District Governor Jim Squire can be found here: https://sandyspringsrotary.org/user/6818



#### **Upcoming Program**

## Kit Cummings, Teaching with Laughter, Goosebumps and Tears





#### **LEADERSHIP**

President Nancy Schroeder
President-Elect John Neill
Treasurer John Neill
Secretary Mike Stacy
Foundation Will
MacArthur

Public Image Todd Lawrimore Please join the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs in welcoming an award winning author and teacher, Kit Cummings to the podium on Monday, July 13th at 12:15.

Award-Winning Author and Teacher Born and raised in Atlanta, Kit earned a BBA in Marketing from the Terry School of Business at the University of Georgia, and he also holds a Master of Theology. Kit founded Power of Peace Productions, Inc. and brings his experience working in some of the most dangerous areas in the world to inspire change in prisons, schools, and the faith-based community-and he does it with high energy and laughter as the catalyst. Kit has challenged people to aim higher in corporations, athletics, addiction and recovery, churches, prisons, and more. He has journeyed on tours through Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America, and has negotiated peace between some of the most notorious gangs inside the U.S. prison system. Kit has spoken about his powerful peace projects at the Gandhi Global Peace Summit in Durban, South Africa, and he's planted seeds of peace all around the world. Recently Kit has taken his Forty Days to Freedom program into Cartel-controlled La Mesa prison to work with prisoners, as well as addicts and at-risk youth in some of the toughest areas of Tijuana. Kit has authored four books, including the award-winning Peace Behind the Wire, a Non-Violent Resolution, and he also launched Power of Peace Radio. Kit's new release Protect the Dream takes young people on a forty-day journey of character and leadership development designed to teach kids to dream big dreams and protect those dreams at all costs. The Power of Peace Project raises up much-needed positive role models in our schools and communities. What's next? Kit has now launched his POPP Community Peace Initiative in Selma Alabama, and that work is the subject of his next book. So, the question is: are you ready for the Power of Peace?

Mr. Cummings is easy to find on the web. Here is one link you may want to visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZNls5Um21p4



#### **Special Event**

## Did you miss John Neill's Induction Celebration?



Saturday, June 27th the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs inducted John Neill as president for the coming year. We certainly understand if you did miss the even. Here are some photos from the dinner for you to enjoy.



Here is a link to all the photos taken during the celebration: https://rotaryclubofsandysprings.zenfolio.com/p755345292



#### **Previous Program**

## Captain Mike Lindstrom of the Sandy Springs Police Department Shared a Few Thoughts about recent events



Captain Mike Lindstrom of the Sandy Springs Police Department addressing the Rotary

On June 22 our very on Mike Lindstrom, Captain with the Sandy Springs Police Department made a presentation to our club about the current issues of policing especially in the city of Sandy Springs.

Mike's job includes responsibilities running the K-9 unit, bicycle unit and street crime unit. One of his main themes was how proud he and his department are about the support they get from the Sandy Springs community. He further commented that the incident that took place in Minneapolis could never happen in Sandy Springs. He discussed how the management of a police department is always evolving and the Sandy Springs policy, only being in existence a few years has been able to learn from the successes and mistakes made by other police departments. Much of the issues dealing with today began with the Covid pandemic. He complimented the city government of Sandy Springs for being so well prepared for such an event. He commented that the police never ran out of gloves, masks or other necessary equipment. Also discussed was how effective the Sandy Springs Citizens Patrol has been and what a help they provide riding around giving out parking tickets!

Something most of us do not know is that the City of Sandy Springs has a huge number of license plate readers which makes apprehending car thieves and other criminals so much easier than in years past. Our police department has a great staff keeping them on the cutting edge of these new technologies.

Lastly he talked about how well the Sandy Springs Police Benevolent Fund has done and what wonder support it has gotten from the community. They have a huge fundraiser golf tournament every Spring.

The Rotary Club of Sandy Springs would like to thank Captain Lindstrom for the work he each day to protect and serve the citizens of Sandy Springs.



