

## Club Calendar

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

- 8/7 Gary Black, Commissioner Georgia State Agriculture
- 8/14 Sam Olens, President, KSU
- 8/21 Paul Morris, President, Atlanta Beltline
- 8/28 No Regular Meeting - Family of Rotary Event Will Replace

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 8/9 Jack McElfish
- 8/9 Todd Lawrimore
- 8/21 George Duncan

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/12 Steven Jordan
- 8/10 Julia Bernath
- 8/22 Bob Belmonte
- 8/10 Sally Wyeth Mclaughlin

## 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

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Buckhead January 13, 1972

Active Membership: 49  

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### President Will MacArthur'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 [www.sandyspringsrotary.org](http://www.sandyspringsrotary.org). 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

### August 7, 2017 Gary Black, Georgia Agriculture Commissioner

On August 7, 2017, Gary Black, Georgia's State Agriculture Commissioner, will speak to the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs.



Serving his second term, Commissioner Gary W. Black is the sixteenth Georgian to hold the office of Commissioner of Agriculture since the department's inception in 1874.

Black earned a degree in Agricultural Education from the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. Throughout his 35 year career in agriculture he has championed sound state and federal policies impacting food safety, science-based environmental stewardship and agricultural marketing.

He would rather be referred to as Lydia's husband and Ward and Caroline's dad. He and Lydia raise commercial beef cattle on the family farm in Commerce. Black serves in the Sunday school and music ministries of Maysville Baptist Church.

The Georgia Department of Agriculture administers a variety of programs which all have a primary goal - to maintain the state's viable farm industry and protect the consuming public.

[Farmers & Consumers Market Bulletin](#)

[Three Plates One Purpose, Dog & Cat Sterilization Program](#)

[Students' Page](#)

[Georgia Grown](#)  
[Executive Chef Program](#)  
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## ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS

President Will MacArthur  
President-Elect Fred Ferrand  
Secretary Mike Stacy  
Treasurer John Neill

### LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

## July 31, 2017 - Zach Thomas



On July 31, 2017, Zach Thomas spoke to the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs about leadership, mentoring and how his leadership style has evolved. Zach was Eagle Scout of the Nation in 1995, graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point and served his country as an Airborne Ranger Infantry Officer. He has started multiple companies and been featured in Newsweek Magazine and on Good Morning America. He married his high school sweetheart and they homeschool their six children on their family farm where he grew up. His varied interests include studying leadership and entrepreneurship, farming, riding his Harley, working on old cars with his son and dad, camping and spending time with his family. He is currently the Owner/Operator of a Chick-fil-A franchise and serves as an Operator Coach for new franchisees for Chick-fil-A, Inc. He serves on the board of Life Impact, a non-profit ministry, where he volunteers his time to coach Christian Vetpreneurs (Military Veteran Entrepreneurs). To sponsor a Veteran submit your request to Life Impact. He also serves on [Congressman Tom Graves' Service Academy Selection Board](#).

Follow Zach's leadership blog at [leaderfarming.com](#) and [subscribe to take a free quiz](#) to determine your natural leadership style. Follow his personal blog at [thomasfamily.farm](#) where he writes about his faith, family, and farming.

"As a lifelong student of leadership and entrepreneurship, I consider my Chick-fil-A franchise with over 90 team members a laboratory for innovation and cultivating next generation leaders. My company, Locum Restitution LLC, Latin for "a place of restoration" is a leadership development company that just happens to sell chicken!"

For more photos, go to [Zach Thomas Photos](#)

### SPECIAL EVENTS

## 2017 Dan Keels Scholarship Winners Recognized

On July 31, 2017, during the meeting of the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs, the Sandy Springs Rotary Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, recognized the four recipients of the 2017 Dan Keels Scholarships. The scholarship award is \$2,000.00, paid towards the winners' tuition. One recipient, Gianna Scerbo, was unable to attend and will be given her certificate later. The 2017 winners are:

**Kaylyn Hanna Winters**, Mt. Vernon Presbyterian School, Class of 2017, entering Savannah College of Art and Design;

**Rebecca Nicole Langfelder**, Riverwood International Charter School, Class of 2017, entering the University of Georgia;

**Gianna Isabella Scerbo**, North Springs Charter High School, Class of 2017, entering University of Georgia; and

**Arion J. Perkins**, North Springs Charter High School, Class of 2017, entering Kennesaw State University.



Above: Kaylyn Hanna Winters, joined by her father, 4th from the left.



Above: Arion J. Perkins, joined by his mother and sister.



Above: Rebecca Nicole Langfelder, joined by her mother.

Gene Jordan, President of the Sandy Springs Rotary Foundation, Inc., led the program and introduced Kaylyn, Rebecca and Arion, all who were accompanied by members of their families. The Sandy Springs Rotary Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, annually recognizes the outstanding academic and personal achievements of exceptional, young adults who pursue advanced education through its Dan Keels Scholarship Program, which awards tuition scholarships. This year's scholarship award is \$2,000.00 for each recipient, which is paid towards tuition expenses at the winners' respective schools.

The Sandy Springs Rotary Foundation, Inc. celebrates and encourages young adults who embrace Rotary International's motto of "Service Above Self" and who exhibit exemplary academic, community service and leadership qualities. Established in 1989 by the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs, the Sandy Springs Rotary Foundation, Inc. operates exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. Many of the recipients have exhibited leadership qualities while participating in their high school's Interact Club.

The Dan Keels Scholarship is a scholarship program established in honor of the late Dan Keels who, as a member of the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs and as Chaplain of Northside Hospital, gave extensively to his community throughout his lifetime and inspired people through his lifetime of community service.

The upcoming year's application form will be found on the website for the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs at [Rotary Club of Sandy Springs Website](#)

For more photos, go to: [2017 Dan Keels Scholarship Winners](#)

#### **MEMBER RECOGNITION**

### **Advance Notice: Wear Your Pins to Lunch**

Heed Advance Notice: Wear those Rotary pins to lunch. Starting September 1, 2017, members who don't wear their Rotary pins to lunch will be politely asked to purchase a \$5 pin at Check Point Charlie, a/k/a the sign-in desk. Obviously from the picture below, there are correct ways to wear your pin.



## CLUB ESSENTIALS

### GREETERS/INVOCATION

#### **Next Week's Greeters and Invocation**

**August 7, 2017**

GREETER A: Jordan Hutchinson

GREETER B: Steve Jordan

INVOCATION: Nancy Schroeder

If you are unable to serve as a greeter or give the invocation, please be responsible for finding a replacement.

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### ROTARY MONTHLY THEME - AUGUST - MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

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