# Rotary Club of Brookhaven

# THE BULLETIN

October 22, 2018

#### Club Calendar

October is Economic and Community Development Month

10/24 4th Wed.: No Meeting Scheduled

10/31 5th Wed.: No Meeting Scheduled

11/7 Brad Bryant, Georgia Student Finance Commission (Mtg host: Eleni Nega)

11/14 Cat McAfee, Executive Director of LaAmistad, Inc. (Mtg host: Bill Smith)

#### **Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS**

10/1 Josh Moreland 10/3 Elisabeth Dillard

10/5 Richard Burroughs

10/7 Brendon Planz 10/9 Mike Swahn

10/24 Gary Henschen

## WEDDING **ANNIVERSARIES**

10/10 Justin Alford (5)

10/21 Bonnie Hardage (18) 10/30 Jared Sobelson (8)

# **Rotary Online**

https://brookhavenrotary.org https://rotary6900.org/ https://rotary.org/

#### **ROTARY CLUB OF** BROOKHAVEN

Wednesdays, 12:15 pm Capital City Country Club-

## **November 7 - Brad Bryant**



Brad Bryant serves as Vice President, REACH Georgia, a needs-based mentorship and scholarship program administered by the Georgia Student Finance Authority (GSFA). Prior to coming to GSFA, Bryant served as General Counsel and Executive Director of the Georgia Foundation for Public Education.

Bryant's experience in school board governance spans over 25 years. Governor Sonny Perdue appointed Bryant to the Georgia Board of Education in 2003 and he served in that role until Governor Perdue appointed him to fill the unexpired term of State School Superintendent Kathy Cox. He served on the DeKalb County School System Board of Education for 12 years, including seven years as chair. Bryant has been an active member of the Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) and the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) and served as president of both organizations. He continues to serve as a NASBE mentor for new state board members. In 2017, Bryant was recognized nationally by NASBE its Distinguished Service Award.

Bryant is a graduate of Presbyterian College, University of Georgia and Mercer Law School.He clerked for Judge Wilbur D. Owens, U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia. He currently is a member of the Board of Trustees of Presbyterian College, the Georgia Supreme Court's Justice for Children Committee, Voices for Georgia's Children and the State Bar of Georgia. He has served as a member of Georgia's Education Reform Commission and Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice.

Bryant is married to Kay, a RTI specialist for DeKalb County Schools. They live in Atlanta and have two grown children and two grandchildren.

#### November 14 - Cat McAfee

Guest/Vis 53 West Brookhaven Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30319 Sponsored by the Rotary Club of

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Active Membership: 34



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Cat DaCosta McAfee is the Executive Director of LaAmistad, a nonprofit organization serving Latino students and families throughout metro Atlanta. Founded in 2001 at Peachtree Presbyterian Church, LaAmistad began as a way to help Latino children in the neighborhood with their homework.

Initially involved as Athletic Director, McAfee rose through the ranks to her current position in 2012. Her passion for the students, the families, and service to the community fuel her daily work. She is deeply involved in the community, serving on Atlanta Public School's Advisory Committee, Georgia Coalition for English Language Learners, and the Georgia Department of Public Health Brain Trust 4 Babies Committee. McAfee is also a founding board member for Atlanta Classical Academy, a tuition-free, open enrollment, K-12 public charter school opened in 2014.

## Chef Tom Kent Leads Brookhaven Rotary at the **Atlanta Chili Cook-Off!**



Brookhaven Rotary was well-represented at the 7th Annual Atlanta Chili Cook-Off, with Tom Kent leading the charge! Special thanks to Karen Kropp, Elisabeth Dillard, and

Lee Kent for helping to serve Chef Tom's chili and Brunswick Stew to hundreds of guests!!