

THE BULLETIN

August 21, 2020

Home of Immediate Past District Governor Jim Squire & Past District Governors Frank Bentley, Ralph Thurmond, and Barry Smith

Meetings

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

Our Rotary Family **BIRTHDAYS**

8/9 Todd Lawrimore

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

8/10 Sally Wyeth Mclaughlin (7)

8/10 Julia Bernath (45)

8/12 Steven Jordan (63)

8/22 Bob Belmonte (33)

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 Welcome to the Sandy Springs Rotary Club

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Welcome Sandy Springs Rotarians to the new Rotary year. It will be hard to top last year but we'll do it with your help & support. Kudos to past president Nancy Schroeder and PDG Jim Squire for your service and helping the club receive many awards at the District Celebration including our second "Club of the Decade" designation.

Some changes are being made in our club's meeting program to make it more varied & interesting. We will be adding the Sandy Springs Business Spotlight, a third raffle drawing, and wine one meeting a month. Members are now asked to come a little earlier as lunch will begin at noon with the program to start promptly at 12:15. Along with our traditional club events & projects we'll have a couple more service projects/media events, membership events (Rotary Pizza Night at Pontoon) and different Family of Rotary social events. I look forward to engaging with you to make it a exciting year.

Visitors are welcome to experience the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs' hospitality and energy. Meetings are typically the 1st, 2nd & 4th Mondays. Lunch is served at noon and the 1 hour program begins at 12:15. Hilton Perimeter Suites, 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30328. Reserve a spot by going to our website at <u>www.sandyspringsrotary.org</u>. Join your fellow professionals, community and business leaders, and learn how Rotary can benefit your future. Experience Rotary Making Things Happen in Sandy Springs!



Previous Program Rick Walker shared his vision of cars in the future.

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On Monday, August 17th, Rick Walker gave an audience of about 20 including 3 online Rotarians an excellent vision of cars of the future.

"We'll see more electric vehicles, especially trucks."

Base platforms for electric cars will become more standardized. Driverless vehicles will be more common (like the one running now in Peachtree Corners). Driverless trucks are now running out in some western states. What is not settled yet is the liability issues for driverless vehicles. Current battery technology with low driving ranges likely will improve and the cost/benefit will tilt toward more electric versus gas. But gas-

LEADERSHIP

President John Neill President-Elect Charan Shikh Treasurer Zac Boswell Secretary Scott Einfeldt Foundation Will MacArthur powered vehicles will be still be around for years. Power companies will develop more battery storage capacity to capture solar & wind generation to meet peak demand needs. The Rotary Club of Sandy Springs would like to thank Rick for sharing a glimpse of what is to come from his unique perspective.

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The text that follows is biographical information about Rick provided before this meeting.

Rick started his career with Ford Motor Company as an engineer, was an Executive Vice President with a major Tier 1 automotive supplier for 14 years, and is now President and CEO of GAMA, the Georgia Automotive Manufacturers Association.

Rick is also currently a Partner at Clements Bernard Walker PLLC - a law firm specializing in Intellectual Property (patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and related matters), Trade Association, and Business Law. He is a Registered Patent Attorney. He specialties include various automotive technologies such as autonomous and sensor technologies, as well as medical devices, industrial products, technology systems, and trade associations, among other related areas.

He is the author of numerous published articles on innovation, quality and profitability; was named one of the "Latest Generation of Atlanta CEOs and Power Brokers", Atlanta Journal Constitution, and received the International Entrepreneur of the Year Award from the Society of International Business Fellows.

He holds both undergraduate and graduate engineering degrees from the University of Detroit, a law degree from the University of Detroit, and completed The Executive Program at the University of Michigan, I School of Business Administration.

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Upcoming Program Scott Johnson, Founder of The Warrior Alliance to address the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs

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On Monday, August 31st Scott Johnson will be visiting the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs.

Scott is the Founder and President of The Warrior Alliance and has over 30 years of experience as a corporate software and consulting services executive. He began his non-profit career by establishing two non-profit organizations in support of people with disabilities and transitioning military veterans. Scott's business career spans numerous leadership roles in executive management, sales, operations and services to include Vice President-Global Services, PTC, Inc. and Area Vice President, Keane, Inc. In these positions, Scott's responsibilities included business strategy, merger and acquisitions, organizational change management, sales organization leadership, market development, outsourcing and operational profit and loss. His business experience spans federal and state government as well as business development across the Americas, Europe, Far East and Asia. Mr. Johnson graduated with high honors from Michigan State University where he received a number of academic awards and is a founding associate of the University of Alabama's Executive MBA MIS program.

All are welcome to visit the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs. Please come out and give Scott a warm Rotary welcome.

More information about Scott and The Warrior Alliance can be found here: https://www.thewarrioralliance.org/

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Family of Rotary Event Family of Rotary night at Brooklyn Cafe

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PLEASE JOIN US ON AUGUST 24TH FOR HAPPY HOUR (6:00PM) AT BROOKLYN CAFE

220 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs GA 30328 Come for the free appetizers and stay for the delicious contemporary neighborhood cuisine.

!!Bring the whole family!!

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