# Sandy Springs Rotary Club

## THE BULLETIN

July 4, 2021

Home of Immediate Past District Governor Jim Squire &

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

## **Meetings**

July is New Rotary Year Month

### **Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS**

Linda Randolph 7/15 Nancy Schroeder

## WEDDING **ANNIVERSARIES**

7/19 Brandon Neill (0)

# **Rotary Online**

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

### **ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS**

Mondays, 12:15 pm Sandy Springs, Georgia Hilton Perimeter Suites 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE

Sandy Springs, GA 30328 ×× ×

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER Welcome to the Sandy Springs Rotary Club



Welcome Sandy Springs Rotarians, friends and guests.

So far, this Rotary year has been challenging coping with the COVID-19 pandemic. We thank all who have been able to attend meetings in person and on Zoom. Although our service projects have been limited by the virus we have been able to help school children needing distance learning and for those in our community needing food. We are also doing great with our medical recycling program benefiting seniors. I thank our club members and officers in working hard to hopefully have our club once again achieve "Club of the Year" status.

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 www.sandyspringsrotary.org. Join your fellow professionals, community and business leaders, and learn how Rotary can benefit your future. Experience Rotary Making Things Happen in Sandy Springs!







### **Upcoming Program**

## **Gail Jokerst - Leveraging the Positive Approach**



Gail Jokerst is a graduate of The University of Tennessee with a degree in communications. She was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, Sigma Chi Fraternity Little Sisters, Rho Lambda and Phi Eta Sigma Honor Societies.

She has spent the majority of her career working in the publishing industry in sales, sales management, and leadership development. She began her career with American Directory before a 10-year career with American City Business Journals, where she was a year over year sales leader nationally with the Atlanta Business Chronicle.

Following, she joined Time Inc. where she served in leadership positions within the divisions of SPC, Custom Publishing, and Southern Living Magazine. At Southern Living, she developed and managed the top-producing region. She also served on the launch teams of Coastal Living, Cottage Living, and others, and was a part of the Leadership Development Program.

### **LEADERSHIP**

President Nancy Schroeder

President-Elect Charan Shikh

Treasurer John Neill

Treasurer Brian Ghannam

Secretary Scott Einfeldt Membership Bill Snellings

Foundation Will MacArthur Since, Gail has worked for boutique publishing companies, creating magazines and advertising programs, both digital and traditional, for iconic brands including John Deere, Sotheby's International Realty, Trust Company, Callaway Golf, and Little PINK Book.

Gail currently has her own business, Brightside Works, where she leverages the positive approach, she utilized over the course of her career in developing creative solutions for her clients and developing employees by identifying and leveraging their strengths. She is a Gallup-Certified Strengths Coach.

She has been involved in numerous philanthropic efforts and is currently honored to serve as President of the Sandy Springs Society where she works with approximately 300 volunteers in raising awareness and support for the local community through fund raising events and donations to local charities within Sandy Springs.

This meeting can be attended in-person at the Hilton Suites. 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, NE Sandys Springs Georgia The meeting begins at 12:15pm and ends at 1:15pm

This meeting can also be attended via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83053297439
Meeting ID: 830 5329 7439



### **Past Program**

## **Atlanta Angels Describe Their Mission**

On Monday, June 28th Amanda Price and Savannah Pierce described their own brand of creative and helpful augmentation to the foster care system that the Angel Alliance has brought to the Atlanta area. The Angel Alliance is a national non-profit organization serving twenty-two cities around the U.S. and currently 10 counties around Atlanta. The mission statement for the Angel Alliance is to walk alongside children, youth, and families in the foster care community by offering consistent support through intentional giving, relationship building, and mentorship.



Though only in their first year serving Atlanta, and despite COVID-19, they have already had the opportunity to aid foster care children and families 500 times. Amanda and Savannah described how helpful and important a good foster family can be for a child. They know that each child needs consistency and care from those closest to them to promote success. They then described the many ways a foster family can struggle and often fail because of unforeseen challenges.

To help families with foster children, the Angel Alliance has created a special service called the Love Box program. This is an actual cardboard box that can contain meals, groceries, cloths, shoes, and household supplies. The boxes can also contain encouraging notes, gift cards and gas cards as well as other resources that help

"Every child deserves a healthy adult that knows the color of their eyes and the passions of their heart."



In photo from left to right: Amanda Price, John Neill 2021 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs President, Savannah Pierce

The Angel Alliance can use your help. The most important thing they need are volunteers. The two described several levels of commitment that are needed. The first is called an Angel Ally. This program uses volunteers for one-off emergency situations. A second level of commitment could be becoming a \$33 monthly donor. Just \$33 a month can support one child through their program.

The Rotary Club of Sandy Springs would like to thank Amanda and Savannah for their dedication to the lives of all the foster children they support. Each life they improve touches our community in a profoundly helpful way.

These photos and more can be found in their original resolution at: https://rotaryclubofsandysprings.zenfolio.com/p864475650

More information about the Atlanta Angels can be found here: https://www.atlantaangels.org/



Calendar

A Quick Glimpse of our July Rotary Meeting Dates

