

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

President Fred Ferrand'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. Join your fellow professionals, and community and business leaders, and learn how Rotary can fit in your future. Experience Rotary Making A Difference!



Last Week at Rotary

Terri Denison, District Director of the Small Business Administration Gave Overview of Her Duties

On Monday, March 25th, Terri Denison informed the Sandy Springs Rotary Club about the role of the Georgia Small Business Administration.

Terri began her presentation with a very much shortened version of the the SBA mission: "The SBA of Georgia covers the entire state and supports the U.S. economy through the creation of small businesses."

Terri proceeded next to the "Three C's". She spoke about the Capital Access the provide to reduce risk exposure and provide better terms. The second C stood for Counseling. The SBA partners with University of Georgia and provides free one-on-one counseling and strategic planning. The third C was for Contracting Assistance. She made it clear that the federal government is by far the largest customer in the world and the SBA helps in the facilitation of those contracts.

MEETINGS

March is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

- 4/1 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 4/8 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 4/15 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 5/6 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 5/11 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 5/13 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 6/3 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs
- 6/10 Rotary Club of Sandy Springs

BIRTHDAYS

- 4/5 Benjy Dubovsky
- 4/18 Keith Sanders
- 4/20 John Neill

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/29 Jim Squire (11)

ROTARY ONLINE

- <https://sandyspringsrotary.org>
- <https://rotary6900.org/>
- <https://rotary.org/>

ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS

Mondays, 12:15 pm
Sandy Springs, Georgia
Wyndam Atlanta Perimeter
6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road,
NE
Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Aside from those duties above which you might expect and of particular interest, she told us of two things that most people don't know about the SBA. The first had to do with the very special role the SBA plays to partner with FEMA in times of disaster. They help businesses survive and bridge the gap while normal activities are suspended and people are working to bring the community back to its feet. The second activity had to do with renters and homeowners to keep them from losing valuable investments and provide a stable base to survive a disaster.

The Rotary Club of Sandy Springs would like to extend a warm thank you to Terri for taking time from her busy schedule to speak to our club.



More information about Terri Denison and the SBA can be found here:

<https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba-team/sba-leaders...>



Upcoming Program

Takashi Shinozuka, Consul General from Japan to address the club



On Monday, April 1st, Mr. Takashi Shinozuka will be speaking to the Sandy Springs Rotary Club.

Mr. Takashi Shinozuka graduated from the University of Tokyo with a law degree in March 1978 and joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) the following month. From 1979 to 1981, he was enrolled in the Foreign Students Course at the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA) in Paris.

Mr. Shinozuka was appointed as First Secretary at the Embassy of Japan in Myanmar in February 1991 and returned to France shortly after.

In November 1993 he held the post of First Secretary at the Embassy of Japan in France. He was promoted and worked as Councillor until mid-1996. Following this tour of duty in France, he was presented with the award of Officer of the National Order of Merit (France) (Officier de l'Ordre du Merite) by the French Government.

In 1996 he joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bureau of

SOCIAL MEDIA



LEADERSHIP

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Economic Affairs as Director of Second International Economic Affairs Division.

During his term in Tokyo, he assumed responsibilities at the National Institute for Research Advancement (NIRA), and also at the Cabinet Office of Japan where he dealt with the issue of Abandoned Chemical Weapons in China.

In 2004 he joined the Imperial Household Agency as Master of Ceremonies and was later promoted to Vice Grand Master of Ceremonies.

He arrived in Atlanta, Georgia for his first United States Appointment as Consul General for the Consulate of Japan (managing the Southeastern states) in January 2016 and is a proud member of the Rotary Club of Atlanta. The State of Georgia recognized him as an Honorary Georgia Citizen in September 2018.

Mr. Shinozuka is joined by his wife and twin daughters. They attend the Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Buckhead, Atlanta. Please come out and give Mr. Shinozuka a warm Rotary welcome.

More information can be found at:

https://www.atlanta.us.emb-japan.go.jp/CGshinozuka_aisatsu_E.html



Other News

Meet Our Newest Member, Dr. Mark Rabin

We are excited to announce on Monday, March 25th the Sandy Springs Rotary Club inducted its newest member. Dr. Mark Rabin is a semi-retired Dentist. He and his wife Noreen live in Sandy Springs and like to travel and he enjoys golf as a hobby.

He will be a welcomed member and fit right in with the club as he is already dropping the one-liners. He says: "Always remember the "F" word before bed each evening.FLOSS!" This is a man after Fred's own heart.



Rotary Calendar

A "Look Ahead" for SSRC Meetings*



*as of March 26th - It is possible there could be changes



Is your name mentioned below?

Greeters and Invocation Leader for 4/01/2019



Rotary Club of Sandy Springs Greeters & Invocation leader for next meeting. (04/01/2019)

Invocators, as per the "Make it fun and they will come." theme, have a joke ready!

Greeter A:

Ben Cohen

Greeter B:

Will MacArthur

Invocation Leader:

Phil Farias