



## Club Calendar

January is Vocational Service Month

### Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

1/1 Tamara Carrera  
1/1 Fran Farias  
1/5 Malcolm Kilpatrick  
1/7 Julia Bernath  
1/17 Mark Hancock  
1/20 James Soteres

## ANNIVERSARIES

## 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: 50 

### ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS

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

## 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

### 1-8-2018 William T. Parker, Author of "How Did You Get Here?", President of ABG Financial Services, Inc.

On January 8, 2018, William T. Parker, Author of "How Did You Get Here?" One Black Man's Journey through White Corporate America and President of ABG Financial Services, Inc. will speak to the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs.



From the website on the book,

"I have been a story teller almost from the time I learned to speak in coherent

sentences. I have used that skill, developed over a life time, to share my experiences in this book.

More importantly I am a "radical thinker", I have been told that I was "different" from my earliest memory, and I decided early on to use that "difference" to move in a direction contrary to the conventional wisdom.

I participated in the early Civil Rights demonstrations, which were designed to gain equal access to public accommodations, but then I decided to challenge the system by working to break down the barriers to success in the corporate world.

I started working in corporate America during the early years of the civil rights era.

My focus was to work my way up through the ranks of a major American corporation, and to help achieve economic parity for African Americans.

My objective now, is to reach into the hearts and minds of people with my story and to stimulate a new conversation about how young people today can deal effectively with the issue of race in the corporate environment.

Ultimately, I hope that "How Did YOU Get Here?" will inspire everyone to realize that life does not assign limitations to you based on other peoples perceptions.

Your dreams are always attainable."

Learn more at <http://www.howdidiyougethere.us/> where you may purchase copies of the book.

**PRIOR MEETING**

**December 18, 2017 Maggie Decan on the CDA Kids**



On Monday, December 18, 2017, Maggie Decan spoke to the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs about the children at the Child Development Association, based in Roswell. Ms. Decan succeeds Donna Smythe, as CEO/Executive Director of the CDA. Donna Smythe is the wife of Alex Smythe, the current District Governor of District 6900.

#### **Upcoming Club Event**

### **2-11-2018 3rd Annual Senior Prom**

The Rotary Club of Sandy Springs will host the 3rd Annual Senior Prom will be held on February 2, 2018 at the Dorothy Benson Senior Center. Live music, dinner and other "prom-like" components will make the evening fun for senior citizens. Attendance requires registration, but is of no cost to the attendees. Food is contributed by local restaurants. The event is coordinated by Kelly Fredrickson who will provide more details as the evening approaches. Enjoy photos from the prior Senior Proms at [2016 Senior Prom](#)











## **CLUB ESSENTIALS**

### **GREETERS/INVOCATION**

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

**January 8, 2018**

GREETER A: Chad Hagan

GREETER B: Chris Burnett

INVOCATION: Candace Apple

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 - JANUARY - VOCATION SERVICES MONTH

### **Habitat for Humanity and the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness join with Rotary to improve lives**

By Sallyann Price

Rotary has added two service partners that offer clubs new ways to collaborate with other organizations and strengthen their projects: [Habitat for Humanity](#) and the [International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness](#) (IAPB). Read more at <https://www.rotary.org/en/new-service-partners-bui...>



Habitat for Humanity, one of Rotary's newest service partners, builds homes for families in need, and provides opportunities for hands-on community service.

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