

STONE MOUNTAIN VIEWS



Rotary Club of Stone Mountain, Georgia, USA Established 1965

Rotarians to the rescue

By Leslyn E. Weekes on Saturday, August 7, 2021



Above picture shows RCSM President Irvine Weekes meeting with Dr. Vincent Hinton, principal of Stone Mountain Middle School to receive the PPE supply

Rotary member, Leslyn Weekes, desperately needed masks for teachers and students at Stone Mountain Middle School. She asked Rotary for help and Rotary member Chris Brand, president of Friends of Disabled Adults and Children, FODAC, did not hesitate to come to the rescue. He delivered 2500 KN95 masks to Rotary president Irvine Weekes who promptly took them to Dr. Vincent Hinton, principal of Stone Mountain Middle School, picture above right. Rotary and FODAC save the day!

ON DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

By Irvine Weekes on Sunday, August 8, 2021



I just got finished reading a book called LET'S TALK ABOUT HARD THINGS by Anna Sale, published by Simon & Shuster of New York, May 2021. At first blush one would not think that this book would relate to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, but when one begins to digest the text, one concludes fairly quickly that it has a lot to do with the question. I believe that for most of us, diversity, equity, and inclusion has to do with how we feel about individuals, our relationship with them, and our reactions to them. What Anna Sales does in her new book is to broaden the canvas and ipso facto introduce her readers to a much more penetrating and comprehensive look at diversity, equity, and inclusion.



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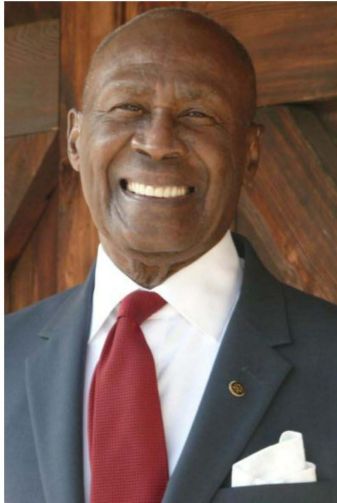


Christopher D. Brand
AG Regional Director

Events

August 10th
[Stone Mountain Weekly Club Meeting](#)
No guest speaker for this week's meeting

LET'S TALK ABOUT HARD THINGS invites us to talk about Death, Sex, Money, Family, and Identity. I can't think of many harder things to talk about. How open are we about discussing death, or the feared diseases like cancer for example that can be so traumatic? Are we willing to learn that open discussion will lead to greater empathy and an opening of windows of understanding by all parties? Sex is another of the hard questions that we avoid talking about except pejoratively. Most of us I venture never have conversations about sex, and intercourse not sexual- is predominantly with those of conventional habits, but Anna Sales demonstrates the growth in understanding that we can develop about the human condition and diversity of interests by openly raising the question of sex and sexual behaviors. Money is one other Hard Thing that Sales talks about. Money is like oxygen, she says. It flows in and out of our lives, and when you're short of it, nothing else matters. It is emotional and it's also this concrete thing. Individuals should talk to each other about money, but we don't much, either out of embarrassment for having too little or out of concern about others knowing that we have much. Families and couples should talk about money, but often don't. We may conclude here that open discussion of money can lead those with little to an awareness of money management and acquisition and those of means, to awareness of new ways to use their wealth in humanitarian pursuits. I would like to link Family and Identity together for the purposes of this exercise and beg the readers indulgence for choosing my personal experience as an example in this case. I happened to have received my post-secondary education in a city more than 5000 miles from my homeland, and in a place where most of the people had never been face to face with a man of my race or complexion. This set the stage for much discussion. Not only was I answering questions on campus about my family and culture, my country and it's sports, it's government and business practices, but folks in the wider community also asked me the same questions. Not only was I learning and studying in a new country and a new community, but my hosts were also learning about me and my people and country. Keep reading. Keep looking for opportunities to promote Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.



I want to give a special shout-out to our Committee Chairs. Doing much of the heavy lifting behind the scene we often over look their importance as we highlight the roles of the more glamorous directorships. In this spirit I want to specially mention our gratitude to: Fund Raising Chair, and Membership Chair, Cynthia Edwards; Strategic Planning Chair, Durl Jensen; Service Projects Chair, Carol Phillips; Club Communications Chair, David Ce'sar; Program CoChairs, Eric Watson and Durl Jensen; Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair, Leslyn Weekes; Club Administrator and Sergeant at Arms, Hikie Allen; Meeting Set up and Breakdown, Scott McEvoy and Tom Smith; Lunch Coordinator, Leslie Freeman Green; Training Coordinators, Margie Kersey and Gillian Leggett.

Critical Race Theory by Jody David Armour

By David Cesar on Sunday, August 8, 2021

"Critical Race Theory"
Jody David Armour
Tuesday, August 10, 2021
6:30 PM PDT Zoom program

*Jody David Armour is the Roy P. Crocker Professor of Law at the University of Southern California. A widely published scholar and popular lecturer, he studies the intersection of race, law, morality, psychology, politics, ordinary language philosophy, and the performing arts. His latest book, N*gga Theory: Race, Language, Unequal Justice, and the Law, looks at America's criminal justice system – among the deadliest and most racist in the world – through deeply interdisciplinary lenses.*



Armour is a Soros Justice Senior Fellow of The Open Society Institute's Center on Crime, Communities & Culture.

"I am not what cognitive science would call a 'prototypical' nigga."



To reserve your spot and receive the ZOOM link send email request to:

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contact@rotaryclubofworldpeace.org

Live Stream Link

Sunday, July 18, 2021

You can join the weekly meeting LIVE on the first Tues of the month from your computer, tablet or smartphone via this permanent link:

[Join Online](#)
 Meeting ID: 979 7366 3426
 Password: 425312

This week's meeting will be a continuation of last week's Board Meeting. Board Meetings have always been open to all members of our Club.

August 17th
Stone Mountain Weekly Club Meeting

Birthdays



[Thomas J. Smith](#)
 August 8th



[Marjorie W. Kersey](#)
 August 10th



[Daniel Murray](#)
 August 11th



[Darlene D. Evans](#)
 August 11th



[Harry Strack](#)
 August 12th



Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/j/aeHBNjvwg>

To visit the Passport club on the 4th Wed of each month click [HERE](#):

Find your local number:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/kd6s4jCv7g>

Or

Join us in person at the *Smoke Rise Country Club*
located at
4900 Chedworth Dr, Stone Mountain, GA 30087

Note: Starting September 2021, Zoom meetings will only be available the first Tuesday of the month.

