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Rotary Program 9-13-21 Trudy Henry - Text-to-911 service

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 13, 2021



Biography

Trudy Henry began her career in Communications in July 1994 as a Communications Officer with the Covington-Newton County 911 Center in Covington, Georgia. While employed with Covington-Newton County 911, she was promoted and assigned as supervisor, 1998. As a supervisor, Trudy supervised four communications officers, handled disciplinary actions for employees assigned to shift, investigated complaints/libelous incidents, and supervised the training of new personnel assigned to her shift.

Henry was selected as the Operations Manager in June 2003. As the Operations Manager Henry facilitated the purchase of equipment and remodeling of a new location for the 911 Center. Covington-Newton County 911 moved into the new location in November 2003. In this position, Henry oversaw the hiring process for communications officers, review all complaints/libelous incidents, investigate complaints involving team leaders, supervise and assist the CALEA accreditation process, review and create training for the 911 center, create and implement policy and procedure changes, monitor and complete payroll for all 911 center employees, primary contact for all equipment vendors for the Center, and participate in the budget process with the City of Covington and Newton County.

Henry was appointed as the 911 Director at Covington-Newton County 911 in July 2019. In October 2019, Henry facilitated another move for the 911 Center. In this position, Henry maintains professional relationships with all of the public safety agencies the 911 Center serves.

She works closely with the 911 Board of Governors, and oversees the 911 Center's budget.

Henry earned a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from Mercer University in 2003 and a Masters of Education degree from Troy University in 2005.

Georgia POST Certifications:

Basic Communications Officer

General Instructor

Supervisory Certification

Honors:

Member of the 911 Advisory Committee appointed by Governor Nathan Deal

Steering Committee for Youth Leadership Newton County

Newton County Leadership Program

Veterans of Foreign War Award

Employee of the Year

Superintendent's Award

Who's Who Historical Society ♦ International Who's Who of Professional Management

Professional Memberships:

Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO)

Topic: Tuesday Rotary Meeting: Trudy Henry - Text-to-911 service

Time: September 14, 2021 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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September Birthdays & Anniversaries

By Joseph Davidson on Wednesday, September 1, 2021

September Birthdays

Gary Steele 9/12

Lloyd Kerr 9/21

Billy Smith 9/30

September Anniversaries

Ricky & Nancy Mock 9/4

Lauren & Dean Poynter 9/6

Amy & Thomas Kephart 9/10

Johnny & Judy Smith 9/12

Terry & Patricia Ozburn 9/29

Membership Anniversaries

Taylor Beck 1 Year

Thomas Kephart 14 Years

Stacey Cotton 24 Years

Birthdays

Gary C Steele
September 12th
Lloyd Kerr
September 21st
Billy S. Smith
September 30th

Wedding Anniversaries

Ricky Mock
September 4th
Lauren Poynter
September 6th
Thomas Kephart
September 10th
Johnny S. Smith
September 12th
Gena McLendon
September 25th
Terry Ozburn
September 29th

Club Member Anniversaries

Stacey Lanier Cotton
09-09-1997
24 Years
Thomas Kephart
09-01-2007
14 Years
Taylor Beck
09-29-2020
1 Year

Rotary Club of Covington Future Programs and events

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 13, 2021

Meetings are being held at Covington First United Methodist Church at 12:00pm
Zoom Virtual Meeting starts at 12:20 PM

09-14-2021 - Trudy Henry - Text-to-911 service

09-21-2021 - Stacey Guerrero - Newton County Christian Learning Center

09-28-2021 - Car Show Planning and Preparing

10-03-2021 - Rotary Cars of the Past Car Show

10-05-2021 - Canceled for Car Show on 10-3 (Car show is our meeting)

10-12-2021 - To be announced

10-19-2021 - Annette Shepherd - Hospice Care

10-26-2021 - Hunter Hall - Community Business

11-02-2021 - Serra Hall - Economic development

11-09-2021 - Terri Badour - American Red Cross

11-16-2021 - Elaine Cook - Alzheimers

11-23-2021 - Meeting Canceled for Thanksgiving

11-30-2021 - Official visit by District Governor Mike Berg

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Rotary Cars of the Past Covington Car Show

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, August 2, 2021

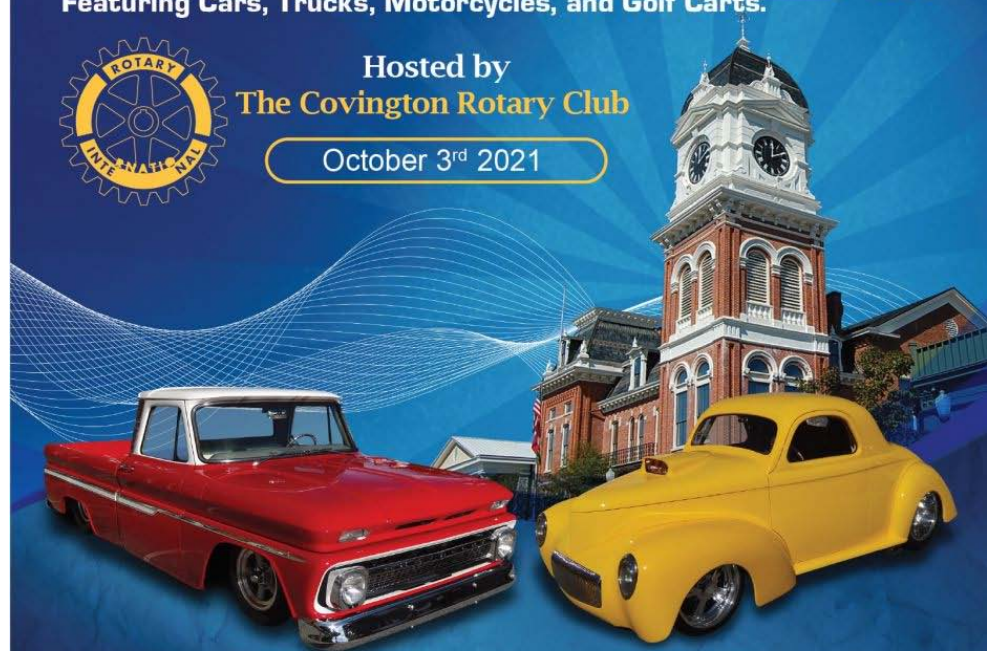
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October 3rd 2021



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8 am - 4 pm

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Registration 8am-1pm \$25
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left onto GA-36/Clark to the square
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left onto GA-36/Clark to the square

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RSF Rotary serves 300 meals at Liberty Station USO

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 13, 2021



Active military service members and their families enjoying a picnic dinner on the lawn provided and served by the RSF Rotary Club.

On Wednesday, Aug. 25, the Rancho Santa Fe Rotary Club held its annual dinner at the Liberty Station USO.

USO stands for United Service Organizations and is the nation's leading charitable organization in serving active-duty service members and military families.

The RSF Rotary USO dinner this year served over 200 adults in the military armed forces and over 100 of their children.



Rotarians Paulette Britton, Vicki Wiik and Tome Koss thanking the military at the USO Dinner

RSF Rotary provided a picnic dinner outside on the lawn at Liberty Station. Teri Swette, RSF Rotary Community Service co-chair, remarked that the bingo and Pinkberry frozen yogurt machine were a big hit with the children and great fun was had by all.

Idabelle Gutierrez of the Liberty Station USO thanked the RSF Rotary Club for participating every year in their monthly dinner program.

The RSF Rotary ♦wants to thank our military for their service!♦



Rotarians Jim Sagona and Peter Tompson, Rotary President Dr. Elizabeth Christensen, and Rand Christensen serving beverages at the USO Dinner

Are you interested in doing charitable activities with the RSF Rotary's fun group? RSF Rotary is always looking for new members. No business experience required.

Contact Membership Chair Amy Wynne at wynneamy2@gmail.com for more information.



RSF Rotarians Mary Murray, Suzan Holcomb and Heather Manion proudly serving meals to the military

Mount Airy Rotary Club, fire company raises \$51,000 at second annual duck race

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 13, 2021



Attendees watch the 2nd Annual Mount Airy Duck Race at the Mount Airy Fire Co. Carnival Grounds on Sunday. The event is sponsored by the Mount Airy Rotary Club and the MAVFC, and benefits the fire company, rotary scholarships and community

projects.

The entrance to the Mount Airy Duck Race was hard to miss Sunday afternoon.

Two rows of delightfully fashionable cardboard cut-out yellow ducks ♦ some decked out in feather boas, others wearing sequined masks and bucket hats ♦ lined the narrow roadway leading up to the Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Company activities building. Another mallard, this one giant and inflatable, greeted families at the top of the hill.

Mary Jo Burkett smiled merrily as she watched people mill about, snacking on popcorn being sold by Scout Troop 829 and pushing baby strollers. The event ♦ organized by the fire company and Mount Airy's Rotary Club ♦ had been a lot of work to put together, said Burkett, area governor for Carroll County rotary clubs, but it had all been worth it.



Reese Baker, 7, left, and Quinn Baker, 5, help staff members pick up ducks during the 2nd Annual Mount Airy Duck Race at the Mount Airy Fire Co. Carnival Grounds on Sunday.

♦Just to see all these people,♦ she said. ♦There's no alcohol, it's just some simple food and a crazy thing about ducks.♦

In the months leading up to the town's second annual duck race, the fire company and the Rotary club put a siege of yellow rubber duckies up for adoption. People could claim one duck for \$10, three for \$20 or eight for \$50. Over 20 prizes were up for grabs on Sunday, for both random winners and the speediest ducks.

By the time the big day waddled around, 3,839 ducks had been adopted, raising over \$50,000 for the fire company and the Rotary, said Dick Wilcher, the club's immediate past president.

According to the event's website, the town's rotary club will spend \$7,000 in college and technical scholarships, donate about \$34,000 to various community organizations and purchase all materials for the ♦Spooky Trail,♦ among other activities. The money raised will also be vital for Mount Airy's fire company, which had to cancel its carnival ♦ typically its biggest fundraiser ♦ for the second year in a row this summer, said Dennis Regulinski, the company's assistant treasurer.

Regulinski had another important job on Sunday. Big block letters on the back of his neon T-shirt announced his temporary title: ♦DUCK DUMPER.♦



Larry Tressler III looks at a duck swimming in a rubber duck pool before the 2nd Annual Mount Airy Duck Race at the Mount Airy Fire Co. Carnival Grounds on Sunday.

Just after 2 p.m., he stood at the top of a make-shift canal across from a wooden board carrying three plastic crates piled high

with rubber duckies. A Rotarian sat behind him, clutching a thick fire hose that was gushing water.

◆5, 4, 3, 2, 1,◆ a volunteer counted down as rosy-cheeked children squirmed with anticipation. Then, Regulinski and another volunteer set the tiny birds free down the plastic-lined river.

◆And they◆re off!◆ the voice over the loudspeaker called.

They didn◆t get far. A ducky traffic jam quickly developed near the top of the stream, inciting chuckles among the spectators. But it didn◆t take long for a volunteer to come to the rescue, giving the reluctant athletes some encouragement with a bubble-gum pink broom. After the fire company upped the power of the hose, the next race went much more smoothly.

When the Rotary club first brought the idea for the duck race up to the town council, not everyone was enthused. One council member rolled his eyes at the concept, Wilcher recalled, laughing. But it turned out to be wildly successful, he said. This year, the organizers added food and games to the event, along with a special duck race just for kids.

Still, Regulinski couldn◆t resist making a joke.

◆I don◆t want to ruffle anyone◆s feathers,◆ he said slowly as a grin spread across his face, ◆but I don◆t think this is all it◆s quacked up to be.◆

◆And that◆s all I got,◆ he added.

Hunger Paynes takes top honor at Springfield Rotary Food Truck Competition

By Joseph Davidson on Monday, September 13, 2021



Hundreds of people walk up and down Cliff Park Drive eating from food trucks and watching Ohio State on a jumbotron screen Saturday during the Springfield Rotary Gourmet Food Truck Competition. BILL LACKEY/STAFF

Hunger Paynes won the \$10,000 competition prize at Saturday◆s Springfield Rotary Gourmet Food Truck Competition.\

The event, held in Veterans Park, attracted thousands of visitors to the competition that showcased 28 food trucks from around the region.

Hunger Paynes won for its signature dish Beef Short Rib Arcini as awarded by a panel of local judges. A veteran of all seven competitions, it◆s the first prize the Dayton-based food truck has taken at the Springfield event.

Runner-up for the \$5,000 prize was Greek Street Food Truck of Centerville with its Pan-Seared Sea Scallops, while Fetty◆s Street Food of Columbus placed third for Pork Satay Tacos and earned \$2,000.

A new entrant this year, The Wicked Lobstah from London, took the People◆s Choice and a \$1,000 prize as voted by 500 attendees on the competition◆s mobile app.

Proceeds from the event go toward several Springfield Rotary Club charitable causes and events, including locally for children with disabilities.

RI President's September Message

By Joseph Davidson on Wednesday, September 1, 2021



Shekhar Mehta

President 2021-22

September 2021

I am sure you are having an enriching experience as you ***Serve to Change Lives***. One of the ways you can make the greatest change in a person's life is to help them learn to read. Literacy opens up the world to us. It makes us better informed about life in our own communities and opens vistas to other cultures. Reading and writing connects people and gives us another way to express our love for one another.

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in Rotary. Enhancing literacy skills is critical in our pursuit of reducing poverty, improving health, and promoting peace. In fact, if all students in low-income countries left school with basic reading skills, it would result in a significant cut in global poverty rates.

Without education, illiterate children become illiterate adults. Today, 14 percent of the world's adult population — 762 million people — lack basic reading and writing skills. Two-thirds of that group are women. Literacy and numeracy skills are essential to obtaining better housing, health care, and jobs over a lifetime.

Especially for girls and women, literacy can be a life-or-death issue. If all girls completed their primary education, there would be far fewer maternal deaths. And a child is more likely to survive past age 5 if he or she is born to a mother who can read. Improving outcomes for more people worldwide is possible only if countries remove barriers to education for girls. The economic argument for doing so is clear: In some countries where schooling is geared toward boys, the cost of missed economic opportunity is more than \$1 billion per year.

Empowering people through education is among the boldest goals we have as Rotarians. We don't have to travel far from our homes to encounter those whose lives are being curtailed because they struggle with reading, rely on others to read for them, or cannot write anything more than their own name.

Starting this month, consider how your club can ***Serve to Change Lives*** through literacy: Support local organizations that offer free programs to support adult literacy or local language learning, or that provide teachers with professional development centered around reading and writing. Become literacy mentors, or work with an organization like the Global Partnership for Education to increase learning opportunities for children around the world. Have conversations with local schools and libraries to see how your club can support their existing programs or help create needed ones in your community.

In India, the TEACH program, a successful collaboration between the country's Rotary clubs and its government, has demonstrated how to scale up literacy efforts to reach millions of children. And at a time when schools across India were closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the program's e-learning component reached more than 100 million children through national television.

Literacy is the first step out of poverty. As Nobel laureate Malala Yousafzai has noted, "One child, one teacher, one book, and one pen can change the world."

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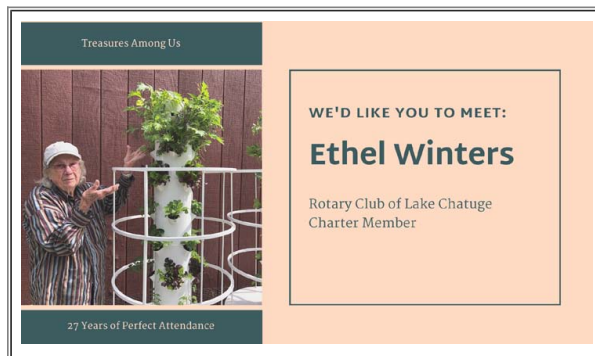
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