

**Speakers** 

Sept. 16, 2021 Lynn Jackson, Northside Hospital, courtesy of Paula Malmfeldt

**Sept. 23, 2021**FALL BREAK -- NO MEETING

Sept. 30, 2021
Dawn Phipps, Forsyth
County Arts and
Learning Center,
courtesy of Mitch Young

Oct. 7, 2021
Transportation and
Development, Brett
Johnson, CEO Vertical
Earth and David McKee,
Assistant County
Manager of Forsyth
County, courtesy of
Dennis Gravitt

Oct. 14, 2021 Charlene Hall, C.A.R.T.

Oct. 21, 2021
Ruth Goode, United
Way of Forsyth County,

#### **Club Meetings**

Forsyth County (Cumming)
Meets at New Academies of Creative Education
1160 Dahlonega Hwy.
Cumming, GA 30040
Time: Thursday from 12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

(Use entrance off Pilgrim Road, third left from Hwy. 9, then take first right, 1160 is the second building, which has two sets of double doors on the front. Use the doors to the right.)

## This Week in History

# Francis Scott Key pens "The Star Spangled Banner"

On September 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key pens a poem which is later set to music and in 1931 becomes America so national anthem, The Star-Spangled Banner.

The poem, originally titled The Defence of Fort M'Henry, was written after Key witnessed the Maryland fort being bombarded by the British during the War of 1812. Key was inspired by the sight of a lone U.S. flag still flying over Fort McHenry at daybreak, as reflected in the now-famous words of the Star-Spangled Banner: And the rocket red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.

Francis Scott Key was born on August 1, 1779, at Terra Rubra, his family sestate in Frederick County (now Carroll County), Maryland.

He became a successful lawyer in Maryland and

courtesy of Deana Jordan

Oct. 28, 2021
Lilli and Lou Myers,
authors of "Killing My
Cuba," courtesy of Ken
Terry

Nov. 4, 2021 Steve Mickens, CEO Boys and Girls Clubs of Lake Lanier, courtesy of Deana Jordan

The following dates are currently open for programs, the club members beside the dates are due up to help fill those program dates:

Nov. 11 -- Terry Smith Nov. 18 -- Kevin Tanner

If you are not able to come up with a program, or need help, please let Stephanie Woody know ASAP. Once you have your program set, please also let Stephanie Woody know at

swoody@forsythnews.com. Your help is greatly appreciated!

**Club Leaders** 



<u>J.B. Bader</u> President

<u>Denise Leeson</u> On-To Conference Chair President-Elect Washington, D.C., and was later appointed U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia.

On June 18, 1812, America declared war on Great Britain after a series of trade disagreements.

In August 1814, British troops invaded Washington, D.C., and burned the White House, Capitol Building and Library of Congress. Their next target was Baltimore.

After one of Key s friends, Dr. William Beanes, was taken prisoner by the British, Key went to Baltimore, located the ship where Beanes was being held and negotiated his release.

However, Key and Beanes weren tallowed to leave until after the British bombardment of Fort McHenry.

Key watched the bombing campaign unfold from aboard a ship located about eight miles away. After a day, the British were unable to destroy the fort and gave up.

Key was relieved to see the American flag still flying over Fort McHenry and quickly penned a few lines in tribute to what he had witnessed.

The poem was printed in newspapers and eventually set to the music of a popular English drinking tune called To Anacreon in Heaven by composer John Stafford Smith.

People began referring to the song as The Star-Spangled Banner and in 1916 President Woodrow Wilson announced that it should be played at all official events.

It was adopted as the national anthem on March 3, 1931.

Francis Scott Key died of pleurisy on January 11, 1843.

https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/key-pens-star-spangled-banner

# **Upcoming Events:**

\* Sept. 25: Club Service Project: Lake Lanier Shore Sweep (For more info, contact Jeremy Skinner)



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Robert Lee Parrish Secretary



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<u>Chuck Welch</u> Laws of Life Contest Chair



<u>Burton Blackmar</u> Youth Services Chair



<u>Austin McNeely</u> Interact Club Sponsor



<u>Claire H. McDonald</u> iPast President

- \* Sept. 27: 25th annual Challenge Scholarship Golf Tournament, Crystal Falls Golf Club
- \* Oct. 12: Bagwell Boat Cruise
- \* Nov. 9: Club Social: Freedom Mill, 2730 Spot Road, Cumming, GA 30040
- \* Dec. 5: Christmas Party TBD

If you have any upcoming events that you would like to see in the bulletin, please reach out to Stephanie Woody at swoody@forsythnews.com.

## **Rotary Club of Forsyth County**

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For more information about our club click on one of the links below:

Website
Twitter
Facebook
Instagram

If you have a question about the bulletin/programs, or have a program of interest to the club, please contact Stephanie Woody at <a href="mailto:swoody@forsythnews.com">swoody@forsythnews.com</a> or mobile 678-878-0516.

