

Rotary Club of Gainesville Newsletter



Meeting Location:

First Baptist Church
Banquet Hall
751 Green Street
Monday at 12:30 PM
Lunch begins serving at
Noon
Founded in 1923

Links

[Club Website](#)
[Facebook](#)
[Instagram](#)
[LinkedIn](#)
[New Member Online Form](#)

Club Leaders



[Tommy Howard](#)
President



[Bill Hall](#)
President -
Elect



[Joseph Alan Tripp](#)
Secretary



[Christina D Jones](#)
Treasurer



[Mike McGraw](#)
Membership
Chair



[Lindsay Allison](#)
Public Image
Chair

[Michael W. Giles](#)

Dan Solla, JD, PTSD Foundation of America



"Hope and Healing for the Invisible Wounds of War: Support and Treatment for our Communities' Combat Veterans"

Dan Solla is the Managing Director of the PTSD Foundation of America's-Atlanta/North Georgia Chapter. The PTSD Foundation of America operates an 80-bed residential treatment and interim housing facility for combat veterans, facilitates local peer-based support groups, and organizes recreational and outdoor events, outings, and challenge expeditions for veterans and their families. Mr. Solla's work and passion is helping other combat veterans struggling with adjustment to civilian life, combat trauma, PTSD, addiction and thoughts of suicide.

Mr. Solla is a veteran of the United States Army Infantry, having served as a rifleman in the 1st Armored Divisions 1/36 Infantry Battalion out of Ray Barracks Freidberg, Germany. He served 15 months as a rifleman in Iraq during the invasion of 2003-2004 and was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for actively engaging in ground combat with the enemy. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Tennessee and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee College of Law in Knoxville. A resident of Flowery Branch, he is a member of the American Legion Post 7 in Gainesville, a parishioner of St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Oakwood and father to Jude and Zen Solla.



**PTSD FOUNDATION
OF AMERICA**

Students of the Month



Avery Spain, Chestnut Mountain Elementary



Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Alison Bagwell
Smith
Sergeant-at-
Arms



Angela Kay
Blackstock
Community
Service & On-
To Conference
Chair



Carol M. Colon
Club Admin &
Program Chair



Amy Haralson
Kienle
Youth Services
Chair



Kim English
Marks
Youth Services
Co-Chair &
Rotaract
Sponsor



Tom D.
Calkins
iPast President



Chad Bingham
Assistant
Governor



Yoselin DeNova, Fairstreet Elementary



Jaime Perez, Jr., Tadmire Elementary

10 Million Meal Challenge Starts This Week!

Zones 33-34 ♦ Ten Million Meal Challenge ♦ begins today, September 16th and runs through September 27th and we need your support for this great cause. You can help by donating food, donating funds or volunteering. Any size gift is welcome and appreciated.



Click here to donate >> <https://www.gamountainfoodbank.org/donate-money/>

JOIN THE

10 Million Meal Challenge

Collaborate with Feeding America Food Banks in Rotary International Zones 33 & 34 to make a lasting impact on ending hunger in the Southeast, where 1 in 5 children go hungry.

SEPTEMBER 16 - 27

A two week, signature "10 Million Meal Challenge" food and fund drive competition will take place from September 16-27 to coincide with Feeding America's Hunger Action Month. During the two week period, Clubs across RI Zones 33 & 34 will donate food and funds to their Feeding America food banks in a collective effort to reach the 10 Million Meal goal.

Clubs will be awarded "meal points" for volunteer hours, food donations and dollars donated during each of the two competition years that started January 2019 and end in September 2020:

In November of each year, a Club winner will be recognized in each Rotary District and one overall District winner will be recognized in each Zone. Club and District winners will be ranked on a per capita basis according to the club's membership at registration.

- ▶ **\$1 dollar donated = 4 meal points**
- ▶ **1.2 pounds donated = 1 meal points**
- ▶ **1 volunteer hour = 10 meal points**

**WE
NEED
YOU!**

Here's how you can help:

- 1. Donate **foods** to your local food bank.**
- 2. Donate **funds** to your local food bank.**
- 3. **Volunteer** with your local food bank.**

For more info on how Rotary Club of Gainesville is participating, please contact Kay Blackstock at kay@gamountainfoodbank.org



Meet Catherine Henderson from Lakeview Academy

Catherine will represent the Rotary Club of Gainesville as our 2019 Charity Ball Belle Candidate at the 68th Annual Charity Ball event on December 14, 2019.



Annual Fall Cookout Coming Up Sept. 30th



SEPT 30, 2019 ROTARY CLUB OF GAINESVILLE

President Tommy Howard invites you and your family to attend our Annual Fall Cookout. Bring a guest and share the Family of Rotary experience.

We will serve fish, french fries, coleslaw, baked beans, hush puppies and banana pudding. Children can enjoy hot dogs and there will be chicken for non-fish eaters!



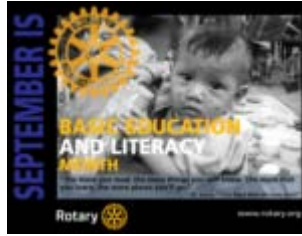
**Rotary Club of
Gainesville
Annual Fall
Cookout**

**In Honor of
Lewis Coker and
Buck Ward**



6:00-8:00 PM
American Legion
2343 Riverside Drive
Gainesville, GA 30501

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month



Basic education and literacy is one of The Rotary Foundation's six areas of focus. We know that basic education and literacy are essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace.

More than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. That's 17 percent of the world's adult population. Rotary's goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy.

Rotary members fight adult illiteracy by working with local advocates to offer community literacy programs. Rotary members invest in the future by giving scholarships to students who have the potential to change our communities.

Upcoming Club Events



10 Million Meal Challenge
September 16-27

Annual Rotary Club of Gainesville Fall Cookout
September 30

Annual Auction
November 4

Upcoming Schedule

Date	Meeting or Event	Invocation and Pledge
September 23, 2019	Dr. Anne Skleder, President of Brenau University	Brian Lackey
September 30, 2019	Annual Fall Cookout	
October 7, 2019	SPLOST VII ♦ Hall County	Christina Jones
October 14, 2019	Holiday ♦ Columbus Day	
October 21, 2019	Michael Link, Community Relations director, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Development Disabilities	Dana Miller
October 28, 2019	Sonja McLendon, Chief of Operational Excellence, Northeast	David Lloyd

	Georgia Health System	
November 4, 2019	Annual Auction	Steve Farkas

Birthdays



[Ashton Grace Meeks](#)
September 16th



[Joe C. White](#)
September 16th



[Philip A. Wilheit](#)
September 18th



[Cheryl A. Vandiver](#)
September 20th



[William Brent Cochran](#)
September 23rd

Wedding Anniversaries



[LaDon T. Shaw](#)
September 16th



[Beth H. Baldwin](#)
September 22nd

Mailing Address:
PO Box 382
Gainesville, GA 30503