

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
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Club Leaders



[Amanda Willis](#)
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Club Administration Director

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Youth Services

Zoom Link for Today's Meeting

Rotary Gainesville is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rotary Club of Gainesville Hybrid Club Meeting 2021-2022

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

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John F. King, Georgia Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner



Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King, the first Hispanic statewide official in Georgia history, was sworn into office July 1, 2019.

Before becoming Doraville Chief of Police, Commissioner King served the Department in many capacities, including as a Detective and Deputy Chief over enforcement operations. Prior to that, Commissioner King was an Atlanta police officer beginning in 1985. While at the Atlanta Police Department, he worked various assignments including Red Dog, Organized Crime/Intelligence. Commissioner King's career also includes assignments to both FBI and DEA as a Task Force Agent. In 1987, while at the Atlanta Police Department, King received the Chief's Blue Star for being injured in the line of duty as a result of criminal attack with a firearm.

A native of Mexico, King made a meaningful impact by building bridges among Doraville's diverse populations and implementing youth education and crime-prevention programs in his role as Chief of Police. Recognizing the international composition of Doraville's community, King made it a priority to hire bilingual police officers, place multiple languages on police cars, and ensure effective translators and public defenders were employed at the City Courthouse. Commissioner King's initiatives include Anti-Gang education programs for elementary school



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Bill Hall
iPast President

students and parents. He worked with the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to establish an education program for prospective small business entrepreneurs and worked with state, county, and local leaders to implement a safety and speed reduction program targeted to Buford Highway to reduce the number of pedestrian fatalities. Commissioner King is also a member of Leadership DeKalb.

In addition to his former roles in the Atlanta and Doraville Police Departments, King serves as a Major General in the U.S. Army National Guard assigned to NORAD and U.S. Northern Command. King was the former Commander of the 48th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and has deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Iraq, and Afghanistan. He served as the Military Advisor to the Deputy Minister of Interior for Security for Afghanistan, who oversaw an agency of over 96,000 police officers. Commissioner King has won many awards for military and public services, including the Bronze Star Medal and Combat Infantryman Badge, the Meritorious Service Medal, and a NATO award for his service in both Bosnia and Afghanistan, among others. He also received the El Salvador gold medal for achievement in 2006.

King received his Bachelor of Arts degree in criminal justice and public administration from Brenau University and a master's degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. Commissioner King was a graduate of class #229 in the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA, and a graduate of the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange program to Israel (GILEE).

Commissioner King is also fluent in Spanish.

Annual Fall Cookout Coming Up Sept. 27th



**SERVE TO
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ROTARY CLUB OF GAINESVILLE ANNUAL FALL COOKOUT

You and your family are invited to the club's fall fish fry on September 27. Bring a guest and share the Family of Rotary experience.

This year's event is hosted by Riverside Military Academy and its president, COL Stas Preczewski at his campus home, Mitchell Quarters, 907 Lake Warner Drive.



Mitchell Quarters

Riverside Military Academy

September 27, 2021

6:00 - 8:00 PM

August is New Club Development Month

MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

“Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success.”

HENRY FORD

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AUGUST



Upcoming Schedule

Date	Meeting or Event	Location
August 30, 2021	Board of Directors Meeting ♦ 11:00 am	Gainesville First Baptist
August 30, 2021	John F. King, Georgia Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner	Gainesville First Baptist
September 6, 2021	No Meeting ♦ Labor Day Holiday	
September 13, 2021	Amanda Wilbanks, Founder and CEO of Southern Baked Pie Company	Gainesville First Baptist
September 20, 2021	No Meeting	
September 20, 2021	Board of Directors Meeting ♦ Board of Directors Zoom Meeting - 11:00 am	
September 27, 2021	Annual Cookout	Mitchell Quarters, Riverside

		Military Academy
October 4, 2021	◆What the Pandemic has Taught Us◆ with Panelists Mike Giles, Carol Burrell and Rob Fowler	Gainesville First Baptist
October 11, 2021	No Meeting ◆ Holiday	

Birthdays



[LaDon T. Shaw](#)
August 29th



[Frank K. Norton Jr. Jr.](#)
August 30th



[Mimi Collins](#)
September 5th

Wedding Anniversaries



[William Brent Cochran](#)
August 31st



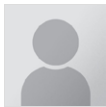
[Hector Luis Colon](#)
September 1st



[Carol M. Colon](#)
September 1st



[M. Haydee Anderson](#)
September 1st



[Andr P Pereira](#)
September 1st

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