

# ROTARY SATELLITE CLUB OF STONE MOUNTAIN PASSPORT

FREE RANGE ROTARIANS



Satellite Club of Stone Mountain  
Passport, District 6900, Zone 34

## Monthly Newsletter Monday, September 9, 2024

[freerangerotarians.org](http://freerangerotarians.org)

Our next business meeting is **Wednesday, Sept. 11** at 6:00 pm EDT. Our social meeting will be **Wednesday, Sept. 25** at 6:00 pm EDT. The members-only meeting will be **Tuesday, Sept. 24** at 6:00 pm EDT. The meeting links are available on our website, above.



## Chair's Welcome

Hello fellow Passport Rotarians, Happy September. Fall is coming and I am ready for it. September is also Basic Education and Literacy ("BEL") month in the world of Rotary. Monthly themes give us a chance to consider the various areas of focus throughout the year. So, for BEL month I would like to tell you about the Guatemala Literacy Project ("GLP"). GLP is a project that I have supported both as an individual and as part of my former club. It provides books and educational materials to rural Guatemalans with a sustainable twist. The materials are provided to the school/community at no cost. But, the school charges a nominal amount to the students for the books. The funds generated are required to be used to buy books for students in following years at affordable prices. This way the project seeds a perpetual source of materials for future students. GLP also sponsors trips for supporting Rotarians to travel to Guatemala to learn about the project. I have not been but have thought that it would be a great way to see Rotary in action. Anyone want to go? Speaking of projects, this past month we have started making progress on the Polio Eradication updates we are hoping to produce as video pieces that can be used by clubs as a meeting program to update members on the effort. We will provide an update at the September business meeting next week. As a reminder, we are now having a third monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

## Serving Together, Apart

We need your help to round out our newsletters! We'd like to continue to feature service projects of any size that our members take on. This could be a one time project or something you do consistently. Please share projects (photos are optional but encouraged!) with Lindsay McVicar. Thank you!

## District News

[rotary6900.org](http://rotary6900.org)

This is in addition to the business meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, and the informal social meeting on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Unlike the 4th Wednesday meeting that is always informal and open to guests, this 4th Tuesday meeting will be just for Passport members. It may be used for any specific club business, such as if we need to have a board meeting or a meeting to plan specific projects. Or, it can just be an informal meeting. It is not mandatory for you to attend but will work as a "make-up" to show participation if you need to miss the other meetings that month.

I look forward to seeing you next Wednesday at our business meeting - on Zoom at 6pm on Wednesday, September 11th!

Take Care,  
Ed Outlaw

## Club Leadership

Chair **Ed Outlaw**

Treasurer **Margie Kersey**

Secretary **Michele Weston**

Chair Elect **Alan Janssen**

IP Chair **Gillian Leggett**



## Service Above Self

### Freedom Series:

View discussions with Herb Elfring and LT Col Harry Stewart Jr. here:

<https://www.youtube.com/@SatellitePassport>

The videos are also accessible on our club website, linked on the first page of the newsletter!

## August Meeting Recap

On August 14, 2024, Michele Weston shared a moment of reflection that emphasized that volunteers are ordinary people who make a difference. We are also keeping Ron Kersey, Will MacArthur, Gillian Leggett, and Darlene Drew's family in our thoughts.

In December, the Commemorative Airforce Base in Peachtree City will host a Women of World War II event. This will be featured as a part of the Freedom Series.

Margie Kersey shared a Rotary Moment from when she was first invited to join the Clayton County Daybreak club. Her father knew he didn't need to worry about her anymore because she could go anywhere in the world and find support with Rotarians.

The club discussed proposed Polio educational videos, possible global grants or work in Peru, and updates on other emerging infectious diseases. These projects can be discussed further at our 4th Tuesday meetings.

Margie got straight As in her first semester of her PhD program and Chair Ed Outlaw's son finished the Appalachian Trail!

## Passport by the Numbers

- August Volunteer Hours: 341
- Members: 18
- Sunshine Dollars: \$25

The club can determine the cause to which this Rotary year's Sunshine Dollars will be donated.

## Family of Rotary

### Birthdays:

Dorothy Edwards - 9/29

Darlene Drew - 10/16

Michele Weston - 10/26

### Rotary Anniversaries:

Michele Weston - 9/1 (16 years)

Gillian Leggett - 9/5 (11 years)

Tracy Swearingen - 9/27 (19 years)

