

STONE MOUNTAIN VIEWS



Rotary Club of Stone Mountain, Georgia, USA Established 1965

Classification Brief

Kenneth Von Browner



Kenneth Von Browner was born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the third oldest of four siblings, born to Christine White. He graduated at the top of his class from Brown High School in 1982. After receiving his high school diploma, Kenneth attended Tuskegee University on a football scholarship, where he studied Electrical Engineering. At a young age, Kenneth started under the mentorship of Samuel L. Dicks of Dicks Cosmetics. It was here that he learned valuable business management tools that would later inspire him to start enterprising. In 1992, Kenneth started working for Waste Management of Georgia where he worked in the commercial division for over five years. Although Kenneth worked primarily for Waste Management, he also worked as a Private Security Officer in the City of Lithonia and operated a small carpet cleaning business. During this time, he met his wife, Sandra Allen. They married in 1993, and together raised six children and have fourteen grandchildren.

In 1996, Kenneth Browner founded KES INC., a Licensed Healthcare Agency that has supported the Metro-Atlanta Community for over 25 years. KES INC., serves children, and adults with Intellectual Disabilities. Kenneth is a Board Member of Disabled in Action and very active in the disabled community. He is a member of DeKalb Chamber of Commerce and Stonecrest Business Alliance. He is also a member of the St. Paul AME Worship Center in Lithonia. In 2008, he received the Visionary Award for outstanding performance in the community. Presently, Kenneth interfaces diligently with government and community agencies to promote strong relationships with KES INC, and the community that we serve.

Presidential Initiatives

Initiatives Overview



Rotary International President Jennifer Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and make the most of their club experiences. During her year, Jones will focus on four presidential initiatives that Imagine Rotary: advancing our commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI); creating a welcoming club experience; empowering girls; and expanding our reach.

Imagine: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)

Diversity is one of Rotary's longstanding core values and greatest strengths. Jones knows there is more to be done to ensure that Rotary's culture exemplifies our values of diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Rotary, with input and guidance from the DEI

Task Force, has strengthened our commitment to DEI, resulting in a greater focus on celebrating every



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Satellite Chair



Darlene D. Evans
Secretary



Michele Coats Weston
Satellite Secretary



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Treasurer



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Satellite Treasurer



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President - Nominee



Cynthia Dorsey Edwards
Membership Chair



Carol Carlene Phillips
Rotary Foundation Chair



Alfred J. Lipphardt
iPast Satellite Chair



Irvine Weekes
iPast President

Events

No Events found

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Birthdays

Irvine Weekes

individual's contributions, advancing equity, and creating a more welcoming and inclusive culture.

President Jennifer Jones encourages each of us to do our part to ensure Rotary is a welcoming and inclusive community by:

1. Learning more about DEI in Rotary, including understanding definitions and how to celebrate and respect our differences.
2. Determining why DEI matters to our club and community and how using DEI principles can help our club grow and become stronger.
3. Raising awareness of DEI, including creating a DEI committee in your club that reflects the demographics of your community.
4. Taking action on DEI in our club and community for instance educating yourself about underrepresented groups in your community in order to become a more knowledgeable and effective advocate for DEI.

Learn more and take action by reading the DEI presidential brochure

Find additional resources on our DEI web page.

Watch what Jones hopes to accomplish with DEI [Click here](#)

Imagine a welcoming club experience: Comfort and Care

Rotary has an important role to play to ensure that the club environment and experience is welcoming, inclusive, and enjoyable for all members and participants. Surveys show that comfort and care is the single greatest driver of satisfaction and our most powerful tool for retention. This begins with listening to and understanding what members and participants want out of their Rotary involvement. We often speak of the importance of "exit interviews" to better understand why former members leave. But why wait for them to leave? Jones urges club leaders to incorporate "entrance interviews" as well to understand the needs and expectations of new members at the outset. And of course, be sure to regularly survey all existing members, to ensure they have an opportunity to share thoughts about their membership experience.

Watch Jones talk about her Comfort and Care initiative [Click here](#)

Empowering Girls

Jones will continue past RI President Shekhar Mehta's Girls Empowerment initiative, recognizing that empowered girls become empowered women. Share your Girls Empowerment projects on Showcase.

Imagine Impact: Expanding Rotary's reach media tours

Imagine Expanding Rotary's Reach Throughout the year, Jones will visit eight service projects that represent each of Rotary's areas of focus and polio eradication. The tour will provide examples of how Rotary can make a measurable difference, while introducing Rotary to new audiences and potential partners and influencers.



[Get the most out of your Rotary membership](#)

How do I start?

Get the most out of your membership by participating in club projects and activities.

Here are some ideas:

- Serve on a club committee where you can use your skills
- Identify a need in your community and suggest a hands-on project to address it
- Work with a youth service program sponsored by your club, such as Rotaract or Interact
- Host a Youth Exchange student
- Help organize your district's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards programs
- Recommend a colleague or friend for membership in your club



July 29th



[Suzanne S. Sykes](#)
August 3rd



[Scott Bonzer McEvoy](#)
August 5th



[Thomas L. Smith](#)
August 8th

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How can I meet other Rotarians?

Rotary's global network provides a great opportunity to expand your contacts and friendships to other countries while creating a foundation of support with communities around the world.

Explore Rotary's global opportunities:

- Attend Rotary's annual convention
- Connect with Rotarians around the world who share your hobbies and personal interest or your service interests
- Join a Discussion Group to exchange ideas on topics you're interested in
- Get involved with your club's international service projects
- Participate in a vocational training team
- Join the Cadre of Technical Advisers

Resources & reference

- [Rotary Basics](#)
- [Connect for Good](#)
- [The Rotary Foundation Reference Guide](#)
- [The Rotarian or your regional Rotary magazine](#)

Tools

- Take a course in the Learning Center
- Enroll in a webinar
- Watch features on Rotary projects
- Check our discussion groups

Rotary support

- Your sponsor
- Club members
- Club committees

Rise against Hunger





One of our long time partners, Dunwoody UMC, is hosting a container event on Saturday, August 20. During this event, 5 shifts of volunteers will package over 285,000 meals - filling an entire shipping container which will leave the event and head straight for Nicaragua. They are extending an invitation to the community to join them in helping them to pack the meals. Below is the link to sign up for a volunteer shift. A donation is NOT required to participate.

[REGISTER](#)

Live Stream Link



[Join online](#)

Meeting ID: 810 1364 3756

Password: 811906

Find your local number:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/kxl1osqB2>

Or

Join us in person at the **Smoke Rise Country Club** located at

**4900 Chedworth Dr,
Stone Mountain, GA 30087**