

#### Meeting Location:

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

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#### Martha Zoller - Featured Speaker April 15, 2024



Martha Zoller is a force on the conservative political landscape. She hosts "The Martha Zoller Show†on heritage station WDUN for Jacobs Media in Gainesville, Georgia, coming full circle to the place where it all began. After graduating in 1979 from The University of Georgia with a degree in Journalism from the prestigious Grady School of Journalism, she worked in the corporate world and met a payroll. She is a wife, mother, and a grandmother. She's stayed at home and juggled children and working priorities. Martha Zoller knows there is no glass ceiling and women can have it all, just not at the same time. A lifelong learner, Zoller completed her MA in Political Science in 2021 at the University of Georgia's School of Politics and International Affairs. Her thesis was on women's

electoral success in the GOP.

Until June 2019, Zoller was the State Director of Field Offices for Governor Brian Kemp. From 2014 until 2018, she worked for Sen. David Perdue in senior staff positions and then joined the Brian Kemp for Governor campaign in a senior outreach position in 2018. In 2020, Martha chaired the Super PAC Georgia United Victory (GUV) and does regular consulting with candidates across the conservative spectrum.

In September 2011, Martha announced her candidacy for Congress in Georgia's new 9th Congressional District and left the airwaves on May 11, 2012, to campaign full time. Martha made it to the runoff in that race but did not win the runoff. Martha's profile was raised substantially in this race, and she used this to further conservative causes, help Mitt Romney during the presidential election, attempt to increase our majority in the House of Representatives and to turn around the United States Senate. Martha joined Real PAC as a grassroots consultant in September 2012 through February 2013.

While best known for her media career, Martha also managed her husband's primary care medical practice. Before starting in radio, Martha was a stay-at-home mom. After college, Zoller was a retail buyer, managing as many as 60 employees and a budget of \$10 million a year.

Martha joined the Cox Radio group on WXKT FM 103.7 in November 2009. In 2013, she joined WGAU in Athens from 6 to 9 am for "Zoller and Bryant.†On March 11, 2013, "Zoller and Bryant†went statewide in Georgia. Martha began her talk radio career in 1994 after being a regular caller to WDUN AM 550. Her first call to the station was prompted by Hillary Clinton's lament that "she could have stayed at home and baked cookies.†She hosted at WDUN AM 550 from until 2009. From 2008 to 2011, Martha was syndicated on GNN. In 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010 and 2011, 2012, 2014, Martha was named to the "Heavy Hundred†Talk Show Hosts in America by Talkers Magazine. For 2005, 2006 and 2007, Martha has been named to James magazine's list of Most Influential Georgians, and in 2005 Georgia Trend magazine named Martha as one of Georgia's most influential members of the media. She is a regular panelist on Fox 5 Atlanta's The Georgia Gang, has been seen on CNN, FNC and MSNBC and has appeared on ABC's World News Tonight, The Newshour on PBS and NBC's The Today Show. Martha has written for Human Events Online, Pajamas Media, Daily Caller, and various other publications. Martha's first book, Indivisible: Uniting Values in a Divided America, was released in November 2005 from Stroud and Hall Publishers. In 1997, Martha won to GABBY for Best Locally Produced Talk Show in Georgia. From 1996 to 2001, Martha hosted the award-winning public affairs program, "The Brenau News Forum.â€

In 2014, Zoller launched zpolitics.com a Georgia based political blog which operated until 2018.

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In 2005, Martha added defense expert to repertoire of talents by completing the Department of Defense's oldest civilian training program, JCOC, Martha visited with members of all the branches of the service, saw what they can do on their bases around the country and was briefed by Sec. of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Richard Myers. In July 2005, Martha was part of the one of the first trips by radio talk show hosts to Kuwait and Iraq, which included live broadcasts from Iraq. We were briefed by General John Custer of the United States Army and General Abdul Qader Jassim of the Iraqi Army, as well as interviews with scores of men and women in uniform. It was a life-changing experience. Martha returned to Iraq in January 2007 and took a Gold Star Father back to thank the troops. She is also involved in many projects directly relating to support of the troops and participates in Freedom Alliance events and fundraising around the country.



#### **Classification Talk - David Stanley**



Robert E. Cuttino Jr Sergeant-at-Arms



<u>Jon Peterson</u> Rotary Foundation Director



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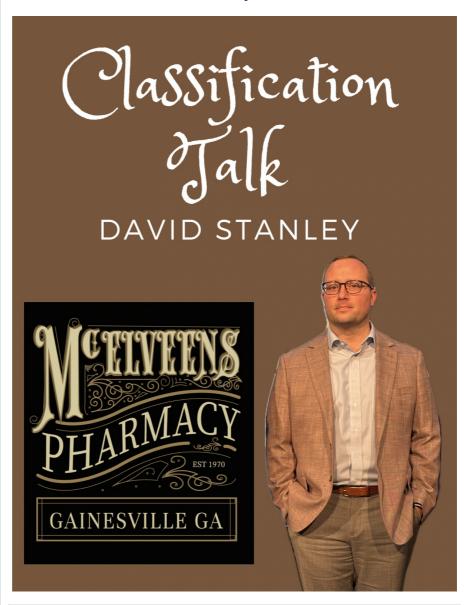
<u>Liz Coates</u> Youth Services Vice Director



<u>Jennifer Tarnowski</u> Youth Services Director



Mike McGraw iPast President



#### **Environmental Project - Pollinator Kits**



Service Project Director Chris Davis is pleased to announce another successful project by the Rotary Club of Gainesville. Kim Marks and Maranda Martin, of Elachee Nature Science Center, coordinated this Pollinator Kit event. Special thanks to President Ron Quinn, Richard and Kathy Oates, and the cadets from Riverside Prep Academy who helped assemble the kits.

#### **2023-2024 District Grant Completed**



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Thanks to Nosleivys Falcon, HUB Director, for coordinating our 2023-24 District Grant. On April 9th and 11th, approximately 75 students from Gainesville High School received skills-based training on how to recognize, help prevent and respond to teen mental health issues.

#### Thirsty Thursday - April 18, 2024



#### **Welcome New Member Carla Baker**



Carla Baker was inducted on April 8, 2024. Welcome to the Rotary Club of Gainesville!

#### **Save the Dates**

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

MAY 16 - ROTARY/KIWANIS ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

MAY 18 - DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

MAY 25 - MIDLAND MUSIC FEST



#### **Upcoming Schedule**



## UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULE

**APR 77** 

Chris Carr, Attorney General of Georgia

APR **29** 

Panel featuring Hall County Judges -Moderator Judge John Breakfield

MAY 6 Abby Burles - Love Your Story and Caroline Filchak - Hope for Hall



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Lane Walberg, Georgia Mountains YMCA President and CEO

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#### **Birthdays**

Frank Moore Henry April 15th



John McCollum Hayes III April 16th



Bill Sanders April 17th

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**



<u>Christina D Jones</u> April 18th