



# Greenville Rotarian

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# Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING

Join us at the Westin Poinsett Hotel Tuesday, August 23 at 12:00



Beth Padgett Moderator

## **Domestic Violence Panel**

South Carolina consistently leads the nation in the number of women assaulted by their partners, and Greenville County often has the highest rate of domestic assaults in our state. When he was State Attorney General, Henry McMaster identified domestic violence as the No. 1 crime problem in South Carolina. Our state generally is ranked either No. 1 or No. 2 in the terms of women killed by men in domestic violence situations. The Attorney General's Office has noted that more than 36,000 victims report a domestic violence incident to law enforcement statewide every year, and this finding is even more staggering in light of evidence that at least one-half of the instances of domestic violence are not reported.

A panel of local experts on domestic violence will explore why domestic violence is so prevalent in South Carolina, what changes are needed in our state, and how we can break the generational cycle of violence found in so many homes. The panel discussion will be moderated by Beth Padgett, Executive Director of Compass of Carolina, and the panelists will be:



**Neil Sondov**, M.Ed., LPC, CEAP, is a Senior Therapist in the Family Violence Intervention Program at Compass of Carolina and has over 20 years' experience serving perpetrators and victims of domestic violence. In addition to facilitating psychoeducational groups focusing on domestic violence, Neil has developed batterer intervention programs and collaborated on the local and state level to strengthen domestic violence services to help assure the safety and well-being of those impacted by DV. He currently serves on Governor Nikki Haley's Domestic Violence Task Force and is a past member of the Board of Directors for the South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic violence and Sexual Assault.



Becky Callaham, M.Ed, LPC, is Executive Director of Safe Harbor where she has worked for 16 years. Becky has worked in human services since 1986, when she worked part time at a homeless shelter in Charleston, SC during college. It was during this time that she developed a passion for working with people who have been oppressed and marginalized. She is a graduate of Leadership Greenville and Leadership Oconee County, is a Founding member of the Domestic Violence Council of Greenville County, and has served on the Board of Directors for South Carolina Coalition against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and served two terms as Domestic Violence Chair.



**Judith Munson** is Assistant Solicitor for the 13th Judicial Circuit that includes Greenville and Pickens Counties. She has been the Criminal Domestic Violence Unit Head for the Solicitor's Office since 2010. She is frequently asked to teach classes on the law, courtroom procedure and testimony, and particularly topics that deal with criminal domestic violence.

**INVITE A FUTURE ROTARIAN AS A GUEST -- FREE (That's right, FREE!)** 

Includes a delicious lunch, an inspiring program, and free parking.

Preregistration is required. Walk-up cannot be accomodated

## **President's Message**

#### Wisdom from President Stephanie Lewis

I was interviewed this week by GreatUpstate.com about why I joined Rotary (stay tuned for future podcast @Facebook.com/StoriesOfTheUpstate). The answer: I got involved in Rotary because it gave me a platform to work with community leaders on international and local service projects. What other organization offers the chance to connect with community leaders to do good in the world as well as in Greenville?

Why did you join Rotary? It is different for everyone, but we want to hear from you! Please take five minutes to fill out our membership survey so that we can help you get the most out of your membership. Click here to go to the survey.



#### Here's what's going on around the Club:

#### **Networking**

We are hosting a "Greenville Top Guns" event at the Poinsett Club on September 28 from 5:30pm-6:30pm featuring our own member and keynote speaker Carlos Phillips, President and CEO of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce. We have invited over 100 community and business leaders to attend. Please RSVP to me at lewiss@jacksonlewis.com if you are interested in attending and inviting a guest.

Also mark your calendars for our relaunched Happy Hour (aka Rotary Connect: The Idea Hour) at Hall's Chophouse on Monday, October 3 at 5:30 (we will skip September because of Labor Day). This is a great chance to get to know other Club members and have fun! Invite a prospective Rotarian, and you may be the winner of the President's Membership Challenge (\$1000 cash prize/donation to the member who brings in the most new members by January 15, 2017)!

#### **Service**

We had a big turnout of Rotarians from our Club and other area Clubs who volunteered at the **Greenville Literacy Association's Book Sale Take Down** on August 14. Check out our Club's Facebook page for pictures from the event <a href="https://www.facebook.com/GVLRotary/">https://www.facebook.com/GVLRotary/</a> Our Club is doing great work to end illiteracy in Greenville!

We are working next to organize an emergency blood drive for The Blood Connection in response to the flooding in Louisiana. More details will be announced soon.

You will also hear from Francie Tanner at our next Club meeting about our **New Member Capstone Service Project**. Francie will announce an exciting partnership with Mill Village Farms where our Club will provide volunteers for hands-on work with students at Title I schools in Greenville. Don't miss our meeting August 23 for the launch of this new service project!

#### Share the Gift of Rotary

Don't forget that August is "Invite a Friend to Rotary" month. A perfect opportunity to invite guests will be August 23 when Beth Padgett leads a panel discussion on domestic violence. Pre-register your guests, and they will attend for free if they are serious potential members.



## The President's Challenge

#### Win a Cool Grand in Cold Cash

Any member who brings in the most new members by January 15, 2017 will get a cash prize of \$1,000; or for those "Service Above Self"-minded folks, a donation of \$1,000 to the charity of your choice.

To qualify, bring in at least two new members who pay their dues by mid-January. If there is a tie, the prize will be split among winners.

We already have a few members who are starting strong. This club is great because of our ability to bring in new, talented, and engaged new members.

**Click here** for the membership application.

#### **Proposed New Members**

#### Jerry O'Neal

Business Development WCM Global Wealth Sponsors: Max Cochran and Don Koonce

#### Susan Nelson

Realtor, Keller Williams Realty Sponsors: Catherine Stoddard and Elizabeth Lyons

#### **Ryan Brown**

Owner, Next Level Essentials, LLC Sponsors: Ron McKinney and Stephanie Lewis

## Welcome to our Newly Installed Members



Elizabeth Baker



**Edward Wingate** 



Dee Compton

## Mark Your Calendar

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 23 Club Meeting, **Domestic Violence Panel**, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel

September 6 New Member Orientation, 5:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel
September 13 Club Meeting, **Peter Barth**, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel

October 3 Rotary Connect: The Idea Hour, Hall's Chop House

October 4 New Member Orientation, 5:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel

October 11 Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel

October 25 Club Meeting, Fall Fellowship Outing

November 7 Rotary Connect: The Idea Hour, Hall's Chop House
March 16 Carolinas PETS (President Elect Training Seminar)
June 10 Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia

June 30 District 7750 Awards and Installation Banquet, TD Center, Greenville, SC

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September 13
Peter Barth, Iron Yard

## **Service Above Self**

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Our Club is doing great work to end illiteracy in Greenville! Help us continue to suppor this incredible nonprofit making a difference in our community.





## WE ARE LISTENING:

### Your Opinions Count

The only way we can know what you want as a member of the Rotary Club of Greenville is by listening to you. We can only provide the best programs and speakers, the best service opportunities, and the best relationships and connections to Greenville and the world if we understand how our members want us to provide them.

With this in mind, please complete the member satisfaction survey. It will only take five or six minutes, and your input is invaluable.

Just click on the logo to the right to let us know how to continue to improve and make your membership amazing.!

Click here to complete the survey.





## **Update Your Contact Information**

It's time to update your member contact information, as we will soon be printing our member directory. If your contact information online is incorrect, it will be incorrect in the printed directory, as well.

If you haven't logged in before or have forgotten your login information, please email Mandy at clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org Our Club number is 6198 and check "Remember Me" when logging in, and you won't need to remember those again at the same computer.

Click on the "My Data" tab and review your contact information. You can, of course, use the "Update my Profile" button to make changes, which automatically update the Rotary office, District 7750 and Rotary International. Be sure and click the "Update" button to save your changes. Deadline is August 31.

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#### **The Object of Rotary**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:



FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

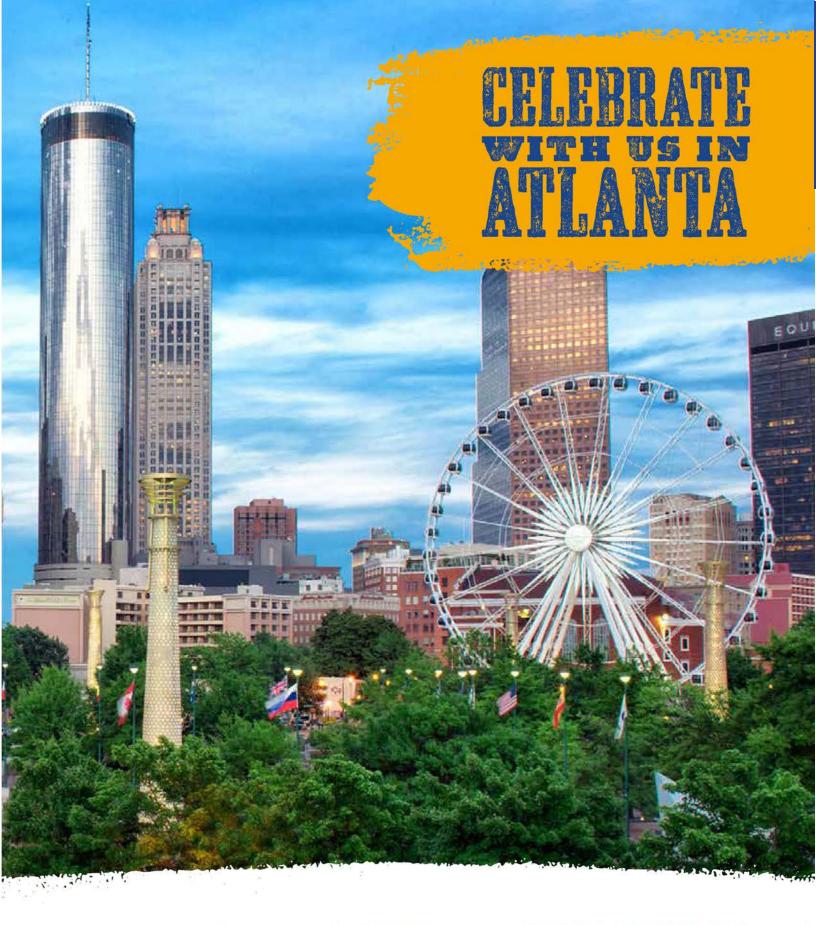
SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful

occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of

business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.







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#### Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



# The Greenville Rotarian

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#### **Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday - 8:30 am to 3:00 pm Friday - Closed