



# ROTARY MONTHLY THEME - OCTOBER - ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

October 1, 2017

## Club Calendar

October is Economic and  
Community Development Month

- 10/2 Dr. Abbott, Update on  
Leprosy
- 10/16 Public Safety Awards
- 10/23 Emory Mulling
- 11/6 Bob Snelling, on William  
Wilberforce, the  
Parliamentarian  
responsible for removing  
slavery from the British  
Empire

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 10/9 Ashley Garrison
- 10/9 Lisa Stueve
- 10/14 Billy Lovett
- 10/28 Morris Moore

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/24 Todd Lawrimore
- 10/12 Eugene Jordan

## Rotary Online

<https://sandyspringsrotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>

## ROTARY CLUB OF SANDY SPRINGS

Mondays, 12:15 pm  
Hilton Suites  
6120 Peachtree Dunwoody  
Road, NE  
Sandy Springs, GA 30328

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### President Will MacArthur's Welcome Message

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs, I welcome you to visit our club and experience the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs' hospitality and energy. We meet on Monday for lunch at 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the Hilton Perimeter Suites, 6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30328. You can reserve a spot by going to our website at [www.sandyspringsrotary.org](http://www.sandyspringsrotary.org). Join your fellow professionals, and community and business leaders, and learn how Rotary can fit in your future. Experience Rotary Making A Difference!



## UPCOMING PROGRAM

### October 2, 2017 Dr. Cynthia Abbott on Leprosy and Other Dermatological Conditions

On October 2, 2017, Dr. Cynthia Abbott will speak about the state of the disease of leprosy.

## BRINGING HEALTH CARE TO ISOLATED ISLANDERS, BY CYNTHIA ABBOTT, MD

Monday, June 15th, 2015



My 18-year-old son is serving 6 months of a GAP year with MV YWAM PNG Ship (Youth With A Mission) as a volunteer on a medical ship in Papua New Guinea. This is a new ten-year project funded largely by the Papua New Guinea government along with private donations from Australia, New Zealand, and around the world. I was accepted as a their first volunteer dermatologist on one of the pilot outreaches this summer and was given the amazing opportunity to bring my whole family on this partially refurbished medical ship bringing health care to isolated islanders. I was asked to make recommendations for refit stage 2 to include dermatologic diagnosis and treatment. I saw and treated amazing things including diagnosing 3 new cases of leprosy, yaws, psoriasis, HIV, cutaneous TB, and various jungle infections. My teens assisted in the dental clinic with suction and education, taught personal skin and body hygiene to school-age children, demonstrated how to throw an American football, played games, and sang songs. My husband designed a mobile iPad app to assist in data collection and tracking from the over 300 villages the ship will be serving through each year. Overall, it was a life changing experience serving these generous, friendly, adaptive and attentive villagers who have lived through Stone Age to Rocket Age in less than a generation. We saw villages built on stilts above tides that washed trash from nearby cities shores, villages built on stilts above muddy river beds that flooded monthly so villagers painted themselves with mud to prevent mosquito bites and malaria, villages on pristine island paradises 5 hours by canoe from a store with only a solar charger to power a single light bulb. Amazing contrast! Amazing people! Amazing experience. Dr. Abbott is fundraising to help get "Donations for dermatologic ...needed for sustainable dermatologic care. [and] This equipment could also be utilized by

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President	Will MacArthur
President-Elect	Fred Ferrand
Secretary	Mike Stacy
Treasurer	John Neill

general practitioners or gynecologists with minimal extra training or adaptations." [To donate follow the link to her indigog site.](#)

<https://life.indiegogo.com/fundraisers/dermatology-equipment-for-papua-new-guinea>

### LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

**9-25-2017 Joe Payne, Founder VASSIC, LLC**



On September 25, 2017, Joe Payne, founder of VASSIC, LLC, spoke to the Rotary Club of Sandy Springs. According to the company's website, "Vassic offers customized



Internet-based telecommunications solutions for small and medium-sized businesses. We work with the major providers to give you the power you need, while making sure you get the attention you need. With our services you can increase productivity, benefit from complete mobility, flexibility, increased security, and telecommunications systems integration."

## ROTARACT NEWS

# October 25, 2017 World Polio Day

From Rotary.Org:



## World Polio Day 2016 highlights Rotary's progress to end polio

Where are we in the fight to eradicate polio? What's left to do? And why does it cost so much? Rotary's World Polio Day event on 24 October will answer these questions and more.

Health officials from our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative will join Rotary leaders and special guests at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, to give a status update on the eradication campaign.

The wild poliovirus has caused fewer new cases of the disease so far this year than this time last year, but recent setbacks in Nigeria — which was re-classified as polio-endemic in September 2016 — underscore the need for vigilance.

Yet the detection of new cases in northern Nigeria also demonstrates that surveillance efforts are reaching children even in areas affected by conflict. The challenge now is to contain the outbreak and boost immunity in affected areas until the virus is eradicated worldwide.

This year also saw the largest and fastest vaccine rollout in history, as 155 countries and territories switched from the trivalent oral polio vaccine to the [bivalent oral polio vaccine](#). The bivalent oral polio vaccine protects against the only two strains still in circulation and reduces the likelihood of vaccine-derived cases.

- Stream the 24 October event live at [endpolio.org](#).
- [Register your World Polio Day event](#) for a chance to be recognized in Atlanta.
- Share the live-stream and educate your social networks about the campaign to



#endpolio.

WORLD POLIO DAY OCTOBER 24th

## CLUB ESSENTIALS

### GREETERS/INVOCATION

#### Next Week's Greeters and Invocation

**October 2, 2017**

GREETER A: Adam Bowling

GREETER B: Ed Ukaonu

INVOCATION: Bill Snellings

If you are unable to serve as a greeter or give the invocation, please be responsible for finding a replacement.

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