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Today's Guest Speaker
Bill Dunaway
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TOPIC: "Marietta - Then and Now"



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Chartering of The Atlanta Brasil Rotary Club
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Wednesday, March 20th, 2019

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BE THE INSPIRATION



Today's Speaker: Bill Dunaway



Bill is a lifelong resident of this area graduating from Marietta High School in 1957; earned a degree in Pharmacy from the University of Georgia and a Master's degree at Harvard University Business School. Bill joined his father (also a Rotarian) in their Pharmacy – Dunaway Drug Stores. While under his management Dunaway's expanded to 18 stores covering northwest Georgia. After he sold his Drug Stores in 1989, Bill opened the 1848 House, a fine dining restaurant in Marietta. From 2002 until 2009 Bill was the full-time Mayor of Marietta. Bill is a "Power Walker," enjoys reading and is an active member of the National Ski Patrol.

Community service:

- Kennesaw State University, adjunct faculty member
- Kennesaw State University Foundation, Trustee Emeritus
- Atlanta Regional Commission, board member
- Marietta School Foundation board member
- Georgia Pharmacists Association, past president and board chairman
- Georgia Preceptors in Pharmacy, past president
- Georgia Pharmacy College Alumni Society, past president
- Georgia Pharmacy Advisory Board, past president
- Georgia State Delegation to the 1986 White House Small Business Conference, past vice chairman
- Georgia State Department of Human Resources, former board member
- Cobb Landmarks
- Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art
- Past member, Leadership Atlanta Alumni Board
- Marietta Board of Lights of Water, past chair
- Metropolitan Mayors' Association, executive committee
- Vice President of Metro Atlanta Mayors' Association
- Cobb-Galleria Convention Authority
- Cobb Community Services Board
- Cobb County Board of Health
- Friends of the Strand
- Georgia Trend Magazine's Most Influential Georgian, 2007

Bill and his wife Dot have three daughters, Dawn, Ann, and Claire.

LAST CHANCE TO



SIGN UP FOR MARIETTA READS!

Monday – Park Street
Tuesday – Dunleith & Hickory Hills
Wednesday – Lockheed & West Side
Thursday – A. L. Burruss
Friday – Sawyer Road



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of the Year!*



**Welcome – Call to Order
President Jesse Evans**

Invocation

**Introduction of Rotary International District 6900 Governor
District Governor’s Greetings and Remarks
The Charge to the Atlanta Brasil Rotary Club President/Officers
and to the
Atlanta Brasil Rotary Club Members Present
by
District Governor Court Dowis and President Jesse Evans**

The Rotary Club of Atlanta Brasil Charter Members:

Clarissa Costa, Alex Costa, Carlos Mendes, Luciana Santos, Lao Rimanelli, Naia Slack, Josiani Carolino, Sergio Rodrigues, Roseanne Rodrigues, Cristiane Pope, Ticianni Christofolli, Ramon Sanchez, Jauana Eidelwein, Maico Eidelwein, Adilson Abraão, Joana Martins, Raphael Mello, Leslie Hankey, Robert Pope, and Otávio Lira;

Honorary Club Members: District Governor Court Dowis, Assistant District Governor Mark Barbour, Rotary Club of Marietta President Jesse Evans,

Rotary Club President Elect Chris Bethel

Presentation of Charter – District Governor Dowis

Affirmation of Commitment

President Elect – Chris Bethel



PRESIDENT COSTA

Welcome to Atlanta Brasil Club President Clarissa Costa

Clarissa Costa became a Rotarian in 2008, as a member of Rotary Club Natal Potiguar, Natal, District 4500 - Brazil. She has a long history serving in leadership roles with Rotary Youth Exchange in her native Brazil, where she was one of the founders and first presidents of Rotary Club Natal Tirol. She was for many years the Short Term Youth Exchange Chairperson for District 4500, and currently serves as a member of the RI board for the New Generation and Service Program, and she is also the webmaster for its international website and database software.

Ms. Costa is also a ROTEX, being a Rotary Youth Exchange student in Georgia, USA over 20 years ago. President Costa moved with her family in 2015 to the Atlanta area and she is now the founder President of the Atlanta Brasil Rotary Club.

WHEN WE LAST MET

Minutes from the March 13 Meeting

President **Jesse Evans** called the meeting to order and predicted that we are in for an exciting meeting. He said that there were only 6 balls left in the bag and he felt that today would be the day for the red ball to appear. More on this later.

Lee Pence was called to handle the Invocation. Lee indicated he had a recent opportunity to spend some time with one of the few remaining World War II veterans and wanted to dedicate the prayer to those who have served their country which he did.

Visitors and guest were introduced by **Sandeep Kapoor**. There were 7 in total including those who work with President Jesse in the Cobb Cold Case Section.

President Jesse had several announcements. He thanked those who were able to attend last week's meeting at the Extension. He said we received a gracious thank you note for our attendance and financial support.

Also, he wanted to express appreciation to several members who donated resources to enable the Rotaract Club members to attend the District Conference which will occur starting April 25-28.

Mark Barbour reminded us that the new Brazil Rotary Club will be Chartered next Wednesday. This is the 15th time our club has sponsored a new club.



MARK BARBOUR

Don Barbour reminded members that more volunteers are needed to



DON BARBOUR

read to 2nd graders. Sign up or call Don to volunteer.

President Jesse called Lance Burchett to come forward to be inducted into the club. He is being sponsored by **Debra Day**. Lance is employed by Kennesaw State University in the development function. He has served as president of several other clubs and was warmly welcomed.

President Jesse asked for any Sunshine reports. **Jim Fausett** indicated that he had a suggestion that potentially could turn into one of the biggest fundraisers ever for the club. He suggested a policy that Mark Barbour be required to contribute 5 bucks to the Sunshine fund every time he interrupts or "blurts out" spontaneously. Not to be outdone, Mark immediately blurted. He offered \$20 to the fund for the next 4 blurts.



NEW MEMBER LANCE BURCHETT (C)
WITH SPONSOR DEBRA DAY AND PE CHRIS BETHEL

President Jesse called on **Reuben Green** to introduce our program. Judge Green indicated that Hank Klibanoff joined Emory University after a 36 year career in journalism. He has worked with papers in Mississippi, the Boston Globe, Philadelphia Inquirer and AJC. He is an author who has won a Pulitzer Prize and many other awards involving journalism. He is a graduate of Washington University and Northwestern. He resides in Atlanta and is married with 3 children.

Hank directs the Georgia Civil Rights Cold Cases Project at Emory University which engages Emory undergraduate journalism students in examining unsolved racially motivated murders during the civil rights era. He indicated the project began with journalist interest in southern cases where justice has not been fulfilled. He said the south has many legacies some that are wonderful and some horrific. Hank indicated that Justice can be achieved by discovering what really happened and publicizing it.

Hank presented several cases of minority victims who had been beaten and killed and their attackers, who went free for years before being brought to justice. Examples include Sam Bowers who was free for 30 years after murder and Bobby Frank Cherry who bombed a church in Alabama killing 4 little girls. He even bragged about it openly.

Another example was Isaiah Nixon who was murdered in 1948 for voting. He was a father of 6 in Montgomery County, a hard-working laborer in the turpentine industry. Two white men beat him up and shot him for voting. His wife is still alive at 95. His family fled Georgia and years later when they returned could never find his gravesite. The Emory students working this case researched it and located the grave site 67 years later for the family to see. The nephew of the now dead man who



GUEST SPEAKER PROFESSOR HANK KLIBANOFF

killed Isaiah read about the case and met with the family to apologize. In a way some justice prevailed.

After questions President Jesse thanked Professor Klibanoff and indicated a book would be devoted to the Marietta Schools in honor of his presentation.

Jim Kellogg and **Marla Blackstone** handled the opportunity drawing. Remember 5 black balls and 1 red ball. First drawing **Daniel White**, now 4 black balls and 1 red. Second drawing **Charles Kilgore**, alas now 3 black balls 1 red. More to come next week.

Amber Patterson led the club with the pledge to the flag and the 4-way test recitation.

There being no further business President Jesse closed the meeting. 🌐

~ Scribe : Warren Gordon
~ Photos: Dale Covington

ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS!

Marietta Rotary is working with the other 5 Cobb County Rotary Clubs (Cobb Rotary Council) as well as District 6900 to encourage young membership by scheduling networking events.

A strategizing meeting is scheduled at the law office of Marla Blackstone (678-290-8088) 346 Lawrence St., Marietta from 6 to 8pm tomorrow, March 21. Food and drink are provided. Your ideas are needed.

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBER LANCE BURCHETT



Lance Burchett serves as Vice President for University Advancement and CEO of the KSU Foundation at Kennesaw State University where he directs and coordinates all KSU fundraising. Lance has worked in higher education for over 30 years and has raised over \$600 million. Lance graduated from the University of Arkansas where he was a walk-on quarterback under then head coach Lou Holtz as well as a Phi Beta Kappa graduate.

During his 25+ years of Rotary perfect attendance, Lance became a Paul Harris Fellow, served as President of Rotary Clubs in Arkansas, Florida, Missouri, and received RI's Presidential Citation Award.

Lance and Sherry have been married over 31 years and live with their daughter, Malia who is a freshman at Mt. Paran where she plays soccer. Sons Halen and Chase live in Bellingham WA and Orlando FL respectively. Chase and his wife, Caroline, have 3 beautiful children.

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

JESS LOPER



Jessica Loper (Jess) holds her Bachelors from the University of S.C. and her masters from Clayton State University. She is a 29 year old former collegiate volleyball player. Jess relishes teamwork and all kinds of sports as well as cooking, baking, hiking, and time spent with loved ones. Jess feels blessed to work as a psychological counselor. Jess specialize in teens and individuals struggling with trauma or addictions and is sponsored by Jeff Cooper

Jess's faith enables her to live her life with a consistently positive and grateful outlook. Jess volunteers weekly at her church and also teaches a weekly class for her former employer, Atlanta Mission. Jess's parents taught her the importance and fulfillment of community involvement through Rotary. Jess lives in midtown with her puppy, and her cat. Jess loves working in beautiful Cobb County!

KIT CUMMINGS



Kit Cummings and his lovely bride, Terrie Cummings, live in Whitlock Hills. Kit holds a Business BA from UGA and a Masters Degree in Theology. Kit is an author, teacher, keynote speaker and peace activist. Kit began the Power of Peace program in 2010 and Terrie works as Marketing Director. Together they spread a message of personal power, potential, and improvement to schools and prisons where

he has brokered peace agreements between some of the most notorious gangs in the US prison system.

Kit works to bring positive change in troubled communities and has been to some of the most dangerous areas in the world, using high energy and laughter as a catalyst for healing. Kit has journeyed through Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America and Kit has authored four books and focuses on providing positive role models in schools and communities.

SANDEEP KAPOOR



Sandeep is proud of the family he and his wife, Valerie, have created boasting four bright and beautiful children, Mitchell, Kevin, Tanner and Ashton. Sandeep holds a BA Engineering from Birla

Institute of Tech in Pilani India and an MBA from the University of West Georgia. After working in the software services business, Sandeep has been part of Chick-fil-A enterprise for more than 15 years starting in Knoxville, TN followed by Denver, Colorado and now is the Franchised Operator of Chick-fil-A at 2005 Macland Crossing Cir, SW Marietta, GA 30008 (678-355-5297).

Sandeep has provided Service above Self to the Rotary Clubs of Denver, Colorado, Morristown Tennessee, Carrolton, GA. and now intends to contribute his time and talents to our Rotary Club of Marietta. Sandeep has worked with United Way and is a graduate of Leadership Georgia '94. He is a member of the Due West United Methodist Church in Marietta.

CHUCK CORE



Chuck and his lovely bride, Barbara, met and started their family in Boulder, Co. Chuck and Barbara, recently celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary and moved from Texas to Marietta to be near their daughter, Jessica Fraser. Chuck's life recently became more relaxed when he retired as the owner of two UPS stores in the Austin, Texas area. Chuck is a cyclist, a biker, a golfer and a formidable poker player.

Chuck has enjoyed the new friendships he has already formed in Marietta Rotary and looks forward to applying his professional skills and life experiences toward being of service to the Marietta Community.

Rotary's Meal at MUST Ministries, 14 March 2019

SPONSORED BY MARIETTA ROTARY

by Dale Covington

Music from "The Pines of Rome" wasn't wafting through the PA system at MUST Ministries last Thursday, but it surely might have been. Rotary District 6900's Italia chefs—**Harold Hobbs** and his son Adam, **Jim Trapnell** and **Marlys Williams** - prepared and baked Italian Hamburger Casserole using 34-pounds of ground beef mixed with a pasta sauce of Romano & Ricotta Cheeses along with mozzarella and parmesan cheeses. Fresh garden salad, mandarin orange slices and slices of artisan breads completed the meal. **Lewis Lipsius**, **Doug Haynie**, **Dr. John Knox** and **Dale Covington** served the trays to 80-homeless diners that day. Arrivederci.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 27, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – Benjamin Fischer-Valuck, MD Emory Winship Cancer Institute/ Proton Therapy Radiation Oncologist
Wednesday, April 3, 2019		NO MEETING
Wednesday, April 10, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – Dr. Jere Morehead, President, University of Georgia
Thursday, April 11, 2019	10:30 AM	Cook and Serve at MUST Ministries
Wednesday, April 17, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – Ron Sifen – Transportation in Cobb County
Wednesday, April 24, 2019		NO MEETING
Thursday - Sunday, April 25 – 28, 2019		District Conference – Sand Destin, Florida
Wednesday, May 1, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – TBA

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