Volume 93

GEORGIA'S FIRST KIWANIS CLUB

Number 8

JANUARY 28, 2014

ROBERT RAMSAY, VP Georgia Conservancy

A native of Toccoa, GA, Robert Ramsay graduated from UGA with a B.A. in Anthropology. While in college, he worked as a professional fly fishing guide, a career that he enjoyed for decade while splitting his time between Montana, Alaska, Patagonia Argentina and Arctic Russia.

Upon leaving the guiding profession, Ramsay spent five years working as a financial advisor for Raymond James Financial Services.

Longing for an opportunity to work in the conservation field, Ramsay became the first full time president of the American Fly Fishing Trade Association where he worked to grow participation in the sport and advocating for protection and restoration of freshwater and marine habitat, both critical for survival and growth of sport fishing in this country.

In 2010, Ramsay became VP, Development for the Georgia Conservancy. He is a past member of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership's policy council and Board of Directors of Casting for Recovery. He is a current supporter of the Costal Conservation Association and Trout Unlimited. Ramsay is an avid angler who takes every opportunity to enjoy the natural wonders offered by our state.

Introduction – Bill Jones Invocation – Kathy Kite **FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

THE HONORABLE KASIM REED Mayor, City of Atlanta

Mayor Kasim Reed serves as the city's 59th Mayor. He was first elected to the Georgia General Assembly in 1998 as State Representative for District 52, was reelected in 2000, and served two terms as a member of the House Judiciary, Education and Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Committees. In 2002, he continued his leadership as the State Senator for District 35, and served on the Senate Judiciary, Special Judiciary, Urban Affairs, Higher Education, Ethics, Transportation and the State and Local Government Operations Committees.

Mayor Reed was a partner at Holland and Knight LLP, an international law firm with offices in Atlanta. He served as campaign manager for Mayor Shirley Franklin's first and second campaigns. Following her election in November 2001, Mayor Franklin selected him to serve as a co-chair for the Transition Team.

Mayor Reed's civic leadership and service have been nationally recognized in numerous publications. He was named the 6th most influential African-American in the nation in 2012 by The Root and Governing Magazine named him one of the top state and local government officials of the year in 2011. He is a graduate of Howard University, where he received his BA, JD and honorary Doctor of Laws. Reed is a member of Cascade United Methodist Church.

Introduction – Phil Smith Invocation – Lisa Wise

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY

- 11 Mindy Binderman, GEEARS
- 18 STAR Student Day, Randell Trammel, YMCA
- 25 Claude Collins, "China"

MARCH

- 4 Todd Stein, International Affairs
- 11 Dent Thompson, Phoenix Air
- 18 Ted Ryan, History of Coca-Cola
- 25 Alan Essig

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

February 20th! Kiwanian Happy Hour

March 1st – Nominations for Club Board of Directors

March 15th – Division One Rally

March 28th – Spring Gala

April 1 – Annual Club Elections – No Fooling!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

- 2 Burt Vardeman
- 3 Tom Mason
- 4 Michael McPherson
- 7 Alan Gould
- 7 Carey Rountree
- 7 Chris Benner
- 17 Eloise Alexis
- 17 Gene Pearce
- 19 Susan Kelley
- 20 Jim Edwards

- 21 George Kalafut
- 21 Michael Szalkowski
- 26 Laura McCarty
- Alok Deshpande
- 28 George Lancaster

INTERCLUBS

Friday, January 24, 2014, Northside, 12:15 pm at

Peachtree Presbyterian Church. Mike Halpin,

mhalpin@wpba.org

Monday, January 27, 2014, Druid Hills, 12 Noon at Petite

Auberge Restaurant. Jack McFarland,

akjcmcf@bellsouth.net

Wednesday, January 29, Galleria/NW, 12 Noon at

Crowne Office Suites, 3470 Windy Hill Road, Ste. 300. Rae

Weimer, rweimer@atlantaopera.org

Tuesday, February 4, Peachtree, 7:30 am at Landmark

Diner, 3652 Roswell Road. Bob Wiggins, 404-522-1701.