# **Rotary**Club of Brookhaven

## THE BULLETIN

March 18, 2019

#### **Club Calendar**

March is Water and Sanitation Month

- 3/20 Mr. Tim Crockett: "Veteran completes solo Atlantic row after nine weeks"
- 3/27 4th Wed.: No Meeting Scheduled
- 4/3 Ed McBrayer: Executive Director of the Path Foundation
- 4/10 Brent Morris, Peachtree
  Benefit Group/Healthcare,
  health marketplace, and
  policy update

# Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 3/3 Jonathan Byrd
- 3/11 Jared Sobelson
- 3/19 Bob Cunningham

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3/8 John (Jack) Willis, III (33) 3/11 Gary Yandura (33)

#### **Rotary Online**

https://brookhavenrotary.org https://rotary6900.org/ https://rotary.org/

#### ROTARY CLUB OF BROOKHAVEN

Wednesdays, 12:15 pm Capital City Country Club-Guest/Vis 53 West Brookhaven Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30319

#### March 20 - Tim Crockett



Tim a native of Hereford, England, joined the Royal Marine Commandos in 1990, after passing out he went on to join C Coy 40 Cdo. While only serving a short couple of years in 40 Cdo Tim was extremely busy between boxing for both the Corp and the Navy, winter deployments to Norway, a ski instructor's course and Op Haven where he was deployed along with the rest of the unit. Tim joined the Special Boat Service in 1992 and saw service in a number of environments from the jungle to the Arctic, eventually leading a maritime counter-terrorist team specializing in anti-piracy and anti-smuggling initiatives. After deployments to the Balkans and Latin America, he became the senior instructor and assessor for the United Kingdom's Special Forces selection course based in Hereford, England.

Tim moved into the private sector in 2001 to pursue a varied career providing security (to a number of private clients) in a number of areas, including; executive close protection, threat and vulnerability assessments, risk evaluation to projects and personnel, and the implementation of security management proceedures in West Africa, Middle East, South East Asia and Latin America.

Tim is currently Vice President of Security for Healix International, a firm headquartered in Surrey, UK, but with global operations providing Travel Risk Management services, medical support and repatriation services, focused security risk, crisis management, travel safety services and training to companies seeking to keep their personnel safe both at home and abroad.

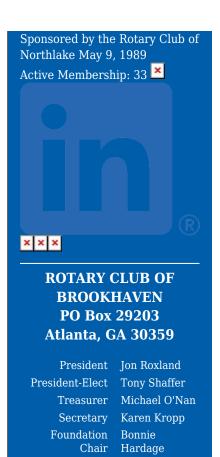
Prior to joining Healix, Tim was senior director of Global security operations for Turner Broadcasting Services a leader in global media and entertainment. Here Tim was responsible for the safety and security of all personnel, assets and facilities outside of Atlanta including the many CNN assignments into hostile environments.

For two years beginning in 2002, he worked within a CNN, training their personnel to operate in hostile environments and co-coordinating all of their field safety and security requirements before, during and after the last Gulf War. He attended the first U.S. Department of Defense media training course and made recommendations to the P.A.O (Public Affairs Office/officer) personnel at the Pentagon to better tailor the course to help prepare embedded journalists for the dangers of covering the war.

Tim has given presentations on safety and security training in a number of forums in the media, humanitarian (NGO) and energy sectors, including the Media Leaders meeting at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland in 2005. Tim has appeared on a number of major news networks (CNN, CBC, Fox News) and has been quoted in several publications and the print media.

Tim remains an avid traveller, and the Crockett family, for the past 60-plus years and three generations, has been involved in the travel industry. So, as well as working alongside clients in hostile environments, Tim has a wealth of experience in providing solutions for clients undertaking routine travel domestically or internationally.

While working with the media, he has helped contribute to safer newsgathering. He has been honored by the Royal Television Society, the Overseas Press Club of America and won a Peabody Award his role in CNN's 'Terror on Tape' series and a second



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Peabody for his role in '72 Hours Under Fire' where he helped get a CNN news team safely into the isolated suburb of Babr Amr, in the besieged city of Homs, Syria. Tim also served on the first Board of Directors for the Homeland Security Foundation of America, a non-profit organization for Public Safety, Energy Security and Health & Human Services, and was the chair for the Foundation's Public Safety Committee.

Tim's latest challenge was to row solo 3,000 nautical miles across the Atlantic in support of veteran's mental health. Starting in December 2018 Tim was one of the 28 teams taking part in the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge, thought to be the World's toughest challenege. After 63 days 2 hours and 37 minutes Tim arrived in English Harbour, Antigua, you can find more information here at <a href="https://www.tamethekraken.org">www.tamethekraken.org</a> as he is still looking to build more support and bring on a few more supporters for his chosen charities.

# April 3 - Ed McBrayer



Ed McBrayer is a Georgia native and Aerospace Engineering graduate from Georgia Tech. He worked for NASA and Martin-Marietta Corp on the Skylab project supporting the astronauts with stowage management during space flight.

Ed built his own home in 1973 and enjoyed the experience so much, he resigned his position at Martin-Marietta in Denver, and entered the construction industry where he built over 1000 new homes from 1974 to 1986.

Ed volunteered as Planning Commissioner in the city of Englewood Colorado during the early 1980's. The Greenway Foundation was building the South Platte River trail through Englewood at the time and asked Ed, as the Commissioner and an avid cyclist, to participate in the planning and design of the trail.

Ed returned to Atlanta in the late 1980's where there were few sidewalks, no bike lanes, and certainly no trails for enjoying his favorite past time. When the Olympics were announced for Atlanta, Ed and a few of his friends realized that in order for Atlanta to be an adequate host, there had to be pedestrian and bicycle facilities around and between the Olympic venues. In 1991, Ed helped form the PATH Foundation, a nonprofit organization with a mission of connecting the Atlanta region with a network of trails for commuting and recreating.

Under Ed's leadership, PATH has built over 235 miles of trails throughout the region. He has persuaded cities and counties to allocate over \$100 million while helping his board raise another \$50 million from private sources to build trails. He has inspired scores of additional jurisdictions nationwide to form public-private partnerships for the purpose of advancing trail construction.

He has served on the Transportation Enhancement Advisory panel, the Congestion, Mitigation, and Air Quality project selection committee, and other statewide selection committees that guide distribution of federal and state funding to worthy trail projects. He has helped many jurisdictions establish trail master plans and design specifications to guide trail development. Ed was recently awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Urban Land Institute for his work at PATH.

Ed also serves PATH as a construction manager where he oversaw development of the Silver Comet Trail, one of the longest paved trail system in the U.S, the Island Trail system in St.Simons, Ga, the Spanish Moss Trail in Beaufort S.C., and the Carrollton Greenbelt in Carrollton, Georgia.

Ed was Treasurer of the DeKalb Development Authority for six years, is an instrument rated pilot, a certified Scuba diver, a certified kick boxing instructor, and an active cycling instructor at LA Fitness in Atlanta. He has taught group fitness continuously for 39 years. He serves as a mentor for Georgia Tech students through the Georgia Tech

Student-Alumni organization.