

The Rooks Report

Final Edition

Commissioner Shana M. Rooks
Clayton County District 3

December 30, 2016



Farewell!

My 2013 Accomplishments

- ◆ Opened the new South Clayton Recreation Center
- ◆ Implemented a monthly district newsletter called *"The Rooks Report."* The first copy was titled *"Integrity & Pride"*
- ◆ Started a monthly community meeting called *"First Saturday Talk"*
- ◆ Supported Northbridge Estates by attending their court case against their HOA and an investment company
- ◆ Assisted Shadow Creek Subdivision in getting their neighborhood cleaned with the assistance of County staff and personnel at the request of a constituent
- ◆ Met with the Clayton County Board of Health when the pool and clubhouse in Northbridge Estates was not in proper usage condition
- ◆ Initiated a "blitz" in the River's Edge Community after being advised about a rash of home burglaries and neighborhood concerns
- ◆ Held a special meeting for Panhandle Valley about overgrowth in their community resulting in a massive overgrowth clean-up
- ◆ Created the Commissioner Shana M. Rooks Academic Scholarship and the Shana M. Rooks Community Service Scholarship and awarded two \$1,000 scholarships to two deserving Freshman in college



Congratulations 2013 Commissioner Shana M. Rooks Academic and Community Service Scholarship Recipients



Academic Scholarship Recipient
Terence Lee and his dad Terence Lee, Sr.



Community Service Scholarship Recipient
Keon Brown and his dad Keith L. Brown

Proclamations I Presented in 2013

- ◆ Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., honoring their National Founder's Day



- ◆ The month of April as Child Support Services Month



- ◆ Lovejoy High School for being named among the Best Nationwide



- ◆ Colonel Raymond King of Mundy's Mill AFJROTC

- ◆ Mundy's Mill High School Football Team for an outstanding Season



My 2014 Accomplishments



- Voted unanimously by the Board to serve as Vice-Chairman
 - ◊ Steered the county through “Atlanta Snowmageddon 2014” in the absence of the Chairman
- Voted to Pass the Budget
- Voted to Save Southern Regional Hospital
- Voted to allow for 2015 SPLOST projects to be considered; some are:
 - ◊ Dog Parks
 - ◊ Small Business Incubator
 - ◊ Clayton County Welcome Signs
 - ◊ Continued Support to Public Safety
 - ◊ Continued improvements in transportation and development
- Voted to allow the citizens to decide if Clayton would join MARTA
 - ◊ Public Transportation restored in March 2015
- Voted to allow the development of walking paths by the PATH Foundation throughout the county
- Two Job Fairs held at South Clayton Recreation Center
- Moved Commercial Code Enforcement to Police Department and hired more enforcement officers to hold businesses accountable just as homeowners are about the aesthetics of their businesses
- Reorganized the Animal Control Board
- Held and Organized Clayton County Fall Festival in Hampton

My 2015 Accomplishments



- Get Fit Clayton launch at Gerald Matthews Athletic Complex
- MARTA Started Service In Clayton County (March, second phase started in August, third phase started in December)
- Hosted two HOA Bootcamps
- H.O.P.E. for Homeowners Housing Summit
- Voted to Save Southern Regional Hospital by finding a financing source
- Spear-headed River's Edge Golf Course purchase to become River's Edge Walking Trails
- Produced a Public Service Announcement for Childhood Cancer Month
- Spear-headed Diabetes Awareness Education initiative for the county
- Partnered with the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) to host a Small Business Local Enterprise (SLBE) business mixer
- Partnered with Community Outreach in Action, Inc. to feed 86 Clayton County families with Thanksgiving Baskets
- Partnered with Community Outreach in Action, Inc. to feed 40 Clayton County families with Thanksgiving Baskets and provided toys to 40 kids

Proclamations For Community Activism I Presented in 2015



Judith Bradberry



Chris Gallagher



Joseph Ector



Community Outreach In Action

My 2016 Accomplishments



- Held a Winter Weather Preparedness Seminar
- Held a Spring Fling at South Clayton Recreation Center
- Hosted a Meet the Candidates Forum for District 3 Commissioner Candidates at South Clayton Recreation Center
- Issued two \$3,050 scholarships for two deserving students from Mundy's Mill and Lovejoy High Schools
- Held a back to School Bonanza and S.T.E.M. Fair at South Clayton Recreation Center
- Voted for a 3% pay raise for county employees and a 5.5% additional pay increase for county law enforcement and emergency personnel.
- Worked tirelessly on establishing a rebranding plan for the county
- Spear-headed the renovation and re-opening of Bonanza Park
- Guided the purchase of property on Flint River Road for the new District 3 Recreation Center and Intergenerational Senior Center
- Held a Fall Festival at South Clayton Recreation Center
- Partnered with Community Outreach in Action, Inc. to feed 58 Clayton County families with Thanksgiving Baskets

Proclamations For Women Making History I Presented in 2016



Gerrian Hawes



Dana Lemon



Eudis Conner

2016 Academic Scholarship Recipients



Donovan Fraser Mundy's Mill High School



Joshua Robinson Lovejoy High School

**CLAYTON COUNTY RECOGNIZES
SHANA M. ROOKS
DISTRICT 3 COMMISSIONER
CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

- WHEREAS:** Shana M. Rooks is a native of Dublin, Georgia and a graduate of Spelman College and Tulane University School of Law. In 2012, Shana M. Rooks was elected Commissioner of Clayton County's District 3 and has successfully served a four-year term; and
- WHEREAS:** In 2016, Shana M. Rooks was elected Superior Court Judge and became the first person in the history of Clayton County to serve as a Commissioner and then a Judge; and
- WHEREAS:** During her time as Commissioner of District 3, Shana M. Rooks accomplished many milestones and achievements. She initiated moving commercial code enforcement from the Department of Community Development to the Police Department, advocated and successfully brought MARTA services to the County, hosted two HOA Bootcamps and hosted the H.O.P.E for Homeowners Housing Summit; and
- WHEREAS:** Shana M. Rooks spear-headed the now county-wide Diabetes Awareness Education Lunch and Learn, facilitated the River's Edge Golf Course purchase through SPLOST, hosted quarterly community meetings called "First Saturday Talk", initiated two county-wide restrictive no-parking ordinances, and was a strong proponent of Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) opportunities for major work being done in the county; and
- WHEREAS:** The Clayton County Board of Commissioners congratulates and honors Shana M. Rooks on her many accomplishments as Commissioner of District 3. She is celebrated and recognized for her appointments as Vice-Chairman of the Board in 2014, Certified County Commissioner through the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG), a graduate of the Regional Leadership Institute, and named by Atlanta Business Chronicles as 2014 "Top 40 Under 40"; now
- THEREFORE:** I, JEFFREY E. TURNER, Chairman, on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize and celebrate Shana M. Rooks as she successfully transitions from Clayton County Commissioner of District 3 to Clayton County Superior Court Judge. I encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing and celebrating this momentous event and occasion.





South Clayton Recreation Center and Sector 3 Police Precinct Opening



First Saturday Talks





Show on the Road



**Chief Magistrate Judge
Daphne Walker's Retirement**



Thanksgiving Appreciation Dinner





State Capital Visit with Governor Nathan Deal



Mayfest



Community Garden



MARTA Job Fair



Visiting Frank Bailey Senior Center



Fall Festival



Holiday Luncheon For Directors



First Saturday Talk



County Clerk Shelby Haywood's Retirement



Transportation Panel Forum Speaker



Get Fit Clayton Ribbon Cutting



First Saturday Talk



**H.O.P.E.
For
Homeowners**





HOA Boot Camp

**Fallen Sector 3
Officer Darryl
Wallace's Funeral**



River's Edge Walking Trails Ribbon Cutting



Community Servants Day



Winter Weather Preparedness Seminar



**Meet The Candidates For District 3
Commissioner Forum Moderator
Condace Pressley**



**Meet The Candidates For District 3
Commissioner Forum
(Felicia Franklin Warner)**



Spring Fling



Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway



Bonanza Park Re-opening



Final First



Back To School Bonanza and S.T.E.M. Fair



Thank you District 3!