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Club Calendar

APRIL IS ROTARY'S
MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH

April 26-29 Rotacon 2018

Sandestin, Florida

April 27

No Meeting Rotacon 2018

May 03

Hon. Drew Ferguson

U.S. Congress

Board Meeting @ 5:45 PM

May 10

Orla McDevitt GRSP Student

May 17

Laws of Life Essay

Winners

May 24

Memorial Day Program Jim King & Philip Smith

Our Rotary Family

BIRTHDAYS

April 26 Bill Baldwin 28 Ann Walker

30 May 01 Tommy Hopkins Tom Gardner

May 01

Nat Doughtie

03

Nat Doughtie

04

Yvonne Langford Henry Walker

07

John O'Neal

ANNIVERSARIES

May 03

Corey & Caroline Letson

15

John & Christine Quinn

16

Crystal & Tom Sywgert

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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM Character Education in Scouting



Terry Whitaker

Terry Whitaker, Assistant Scout Executive / COO with the Flint River Council of the Boy Scouts of America, brought us a program on the mission and organization of Scouting. Whitaker told that the Boy Scouts dates to 1907 when it was founded in England by Lord Baden Powell. William Bryce brought scouting to the U.S. in 1907 after being impressed with a young scout who unselfishly assisted him in a heavy fog while visiting London. Scouting has seen extraordinary growth and diversification. Scouting is a character education program that prepares young people for leadership with the keys to success resting in the Scout Oath and the Scout Laws. "You don't have to become an Eagle Scout to benefit from the program," Whitaker added. Cub Scouts are for elementary school aged children with a focus on the family and building independence and self-reliance. The Boy Scouts are for boys in middle school and high school ages. Self-development and building physical and mental

strength are focuses for this group. Leadership skills are further developed as the scouts are youth-led. Two other programs are co-ed. Venturing is for 14-20 year olds and emphasizes building character, promoting citizenship, and developing physical and mental fitness. Exploring is also co-ed and for youth 14 to 20 years old. This avenue of scouting is more career-based with hands-on experience in various professions. The Boy Scouts educate through outdoor activities. There are also 140 merit badges they may earn which are largely for workforce preparedness. Whitaker shared that there are 25 scouting units in Spalding County with 634 young people registered in scouting last year. Sixteen scouts completed their Eagle Scout rank last year, representing 8.8% of the total number of scouts, which exceeded the national average of 6%. Whitaker concluded that scouting is Fun With A Purpose. And, he noted that there are many ways in which adults can get involved: (1) volunteer in a scouting unit; (2) serve as a merit badge counselor in your field of expertise; (3) assist in a capital campaign.



SERIES ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONCLUDES

A series of articles on human trafficking in the Sunday editions of the *Griffin Daily News* during April concludes with an article on Dorsey Jones as she told her story to Daybreak Rotary of her exploitation as an 11-year-old. Griffin Rotary, Daybreak Rotary, and GDN have teamed together in this project in hopes of increasing awareness of human trafficking in our community.

REMINDER
NO MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH

Griffin Rotary Recognized by Salvation Army



Wayne Gardner, co-chair of our Salvation Army Committee this year, proudly displayed a plaque awarded to the Club as the First Place among Groups in the community in collecting donations during the Red Kettle Drive in November and December. Gardner thanked all members for their donations of money to the kettle and especially their donation of time in ringing the bell at our kettle. During the 300+ hours of ringing, our kettle collected an average of over \$92 per hour of ringing. Gardner also noted that Kroger's was recognized as the business location collecting the most donations. Thanks to all who participated.



Rotary Spring Fiesta – May 19th

We are rolling our Annual Fundraiser, our Membership Drive, and the Annual Spouse's Night into ONE BIG SPRING EVENT. Our SPRING FIESTA will be on Saturday, May 19th, from 4 to 8 PM at the new Mystic Acres on Williamson Road. The food will be catered by La Parrilla with games, prizes, and a Reverse Raffle. Mark your calendars! Bring your spouse or significant other. And, invite prospective members!

UPDATE YOUR ENTRY IN OUR CLUB HANDBOOK by contacting Jim King (email, call, or see).

WANT TO SERVE AS GRSP TRUSTEE? Please contact John Quinn for information and/or to volunteer.

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE COMING TO GRIFFIN

Rotary is in transition and, as an organization, should always be in transition to keep pace with changes in our world, our community, and in attracting the best of the best to Rotary and to Griffin Rotary. Here is the chance for you to step up and be part of that transition. Register for Rotary Leadership Institute to be held June 16th at Southern Crescent Technical College here in Griffin. For more information, contact Stephanie Windham.

MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

Monday - 12 Noon Monday - 12:15 PM Monday - 6:30 PM Tuesday - 12 Noon

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Thursday - 7:15 AM

Friday - 12 Noon

Wednesday - 7:30 AM

Wednesday - 12:15 PM

Barnesville

Jackson/Butts Co.
Thomaston/Upson Co
Griffin Daybreak
Clayton County
Fayette Daybreak

Newnan

Henry County

Fayetteville

Coweta-Fayette

PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough IHOP, Fayetteville
Senoia Coffee Company, Senoia Lamar Co. College & Career
Academy
Daughtry Park, Jackson
Thomaston-Upson Senior Center
J. Henry's Restaurant, Griffin
Holiday Inn, Jonesboro
Windham, Peachtree City
Newnan Country Club, Newnan

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