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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Stapleton Updates Rotary on New Airport Progress



Bob Stapleton
Griffin-Spalding County Airport
Authority

Mr. Bob Stapleton of the Griffin-Spalding County Airport Authority provided an update on the construction of the new airport. Stapleton began his remarks by emphasizing how important the new Green Valley Industrial Park is to Griffin and Spalding County. He feels the new airport will be a valuable asset to the new industrial park due to its location and the ability to handle corporate jets. He noted that Green Valley has impacted the local economy by \$268 million dollars. And, he stated that the airport will be a strong asset in helping to further grow the local economy as well as contributing to the growth of the community. Our local airport is part of a national system. A state-wide system plan calls for the airport to be located in this area. Construction of the new airport will satisfy that plan as well as keeping pace with airports in surrounding areas. Stapleton iterated that the vision for the new airport that is now being implementing is using a carefully constructed strategic plan. He stated the longer runways are opening another front door for the community by being able to land jets that the current airport is unable to accommodate. The new runways will be 5000 ft long and 100 ft wide and can be extended in the future. The 20-year plan allows for the ability to expand runways, if needed. The new facility will have an Instrument Landing System for precision instrument approach for incoming planes. To use this system, there must be a 200-ft ceiling which this area has most of the time. The airport will have visual glide slope instruments as well. Bob feels the new airport will be used by everyone in the community particularly by our business sector. Most of the tenants at the existing airport will be relocating to the new airport, but the Airport Authority is looking for new tenants as well. Bob stated that the Airport Authority needs to work closely with the Development Authority. And, he ended by saying the main entrance to the airport should be connected to Green Valley Industrial Park.

By George Granade



ROTARY'S FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all
concerned?

Four New Rotarians Inducted on Thursday



Club President inducted four new Rotarians during Thursday's meeting. Pictured left to right are Otis Blake (sponsor for Charles Gilbert), Charles Gilbert (CFO Rock Springs Church; Finance – Religious Organization), Steven Jones (Galloway & Lyndall LLP; Legal – Utilities Law), Craig Ogletree (Georgia Power; Utilities - Administration), Brett Bell (sponsor for Steven Jones), David Galloway (sponsor for Craig Ogletree), Rita Cavanaugh (Magistrate Court Judge), Yvonne Langford (sponsor for Rita Cavanaugh), and President Randy Peters. We welcome these new members to our Rotary Family!

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Art Hammond (left) of the Griffin Area Concert Association accepts a donation from Griffin Rotary President Randy Peters in support of GACA programming.



President Randy Peters presents Steve Mulder with a donation to the Griffin Choral Arts Association in support of their programming.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will welcome 150 new teachers on Thursday's meeting. Arrive early. Serving will begin at 11:20.

We are looking for members to make up a golf team to the participate in the annual Partners In Education fundraising tournament. Please contact President Randy if you are interested.

Sonny Hunt continues to recover at Brightmoor, and Henry Walker is recuperating at home. Keep both in your thoughts and prayers.

Club Calendar **JULY BEGINS THE NEW ROTARY YEAR**

July 26 **GSCS New Teacher** Welcome

Edna Aikens, Speaker

August 2 'The Elegant Magic' of **Peter Morrison**

Board Meeting @ 5:45 PM

August 9 Jason Clark, Southeastern Reptile

Rescue

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

George Granade August 10 **David Luckie**

13 John Newton

Tamara Ison

Bill Hardee

ANNIVERSARIES

July 28 Niles & Dottie Murray John & Elaine White

Eric & Lynn Pitts August 1

Daniel & Stephanie

Searcy

David & Roxanne Galloway

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MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

Monday - 12 Noon **Henry County** PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough Monday - 12:15 PM Fayetteville IHOP, Favetteville

Monday - 6:30 PM Coweta-Favette Senoia Coffee Company, Senoia Tuesday - 12 Noon Barnesville Lamar Co. College & Career

Academy Daughtry Park, Jackson Tuesday - 12 Noon Jackson/Butts Co.

Tuesday - 12:15 PM Thomaston/Upson Co Thomaston-Upson Senior Center Wednesday - 7:30 AM Griffin Daybreak J. Henry's Restaurant, Griffin

Wednesday - 12:15 PM Clayton County Holiday Inn, Jonesboro Thursday - 7:15 AM Fayette Daybreak Windham , Peachtree City Friday - 12 Noon Newnan Country Club, Newnan Newnan

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