



Club Calendar

JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

January 26	Derek Waugh Georgia Sports Hall of Fame
January 28	Rotary Leadership Institute Americus, Georgia
February 2	Club Assembly Board Meeting @ 5:45 PM
February 9	Rick Perkins SCTC Award Winners

Our Rotary Family

BIRTHDAYS

January 22	Bruce Bartholomew
January 24	Bobby Shapard
January 29	Mark Milam Eddie Johnston

ANNIVERSARIES

January 23	Ed & Molly Worrell
	Eric & Annie Worrell
January 31	Henry & Ann Walker



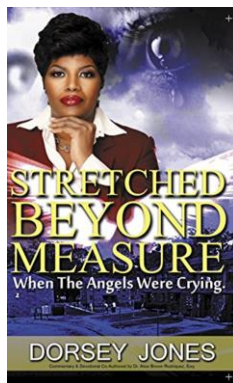
THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

When The Angels Were Crying



Jones

Dorsey Jones gave an inspirational and emotional program that ended in a standing ovation by her audience recognizing her for her perseverance and determination in overcoming being a sex slave as an 11 and 12 year old. "Children don't wake up one day at 11 years old to be sexually exploited and abused," Jones said. But, as an 11 and 12 year old, she was passed among the men in her community in Bainbridge. The ordeal had far-reaching impacts on her. Her self-esteem was destroyed. She had no trust in her family. She became a wanderer, staying with 32 different families. She even hitchhiked to Norfolk to stay with her late father's family for a while, but she returned to Bainbridge where her high school counselor recognized that she was homeless and helped her find a home. Eventually, Dorsey ended up with a family who took her in, loved her, and cared for her. She joined the Job Corps at Morris Brown College and eventually entered school there. "I had to leave the Job Corps because I was a student," she said. "I was given a key to a dormitory room." That was the first time she really had a place to live on her own. Jones earned a degree in Criminal Justice from Morris Brown, and she now serves as a Probation Officer with the Fulton County Juvenile Court. "I live my passion to rescue young girls in trouble and to encourage them to discover their true potential and believe in themselves," she said. "I am human. I am special. I am important. I am happy," she added. Her real message to the Rotary gathering, however, was



'Stop Human Trafficking'. She asked everyone assembled to support this cause, to work on it continually, and educate others. Jones wrote the book, *Stretched Beyond Measure: When the Angels Were Crying*, in which she spoke of her pain and humiliation from her own exploitation and her story of overcoming, but not forgetting, her struggle to become a woman with courage, determination, and hope. "I stand before you today as an icon, a believer, and a motivator," she said. She asked all to support her by purchasing her book and passing it along to young girls to encourage and motivate others. As Dorsey accepted the customary gift of towels to our speakers, she said she did not plan to open this package because she wanted it to serve as a reminder that for a long time in her life she had no towels and wash cloths. She wants the gift to serve as her own continued motivator to educate.

MEMBERSHIP

Sweetheart's Event Set for March 18th

Charles Woodroof and Don Crider are organizing this year's Sweetheart's Night event and have scheduled this annual Club Outing for Saturday, March 18th, at the Poplar Ridge Farms on Blanton Mill Road. The Barn is actually on a working cattle farm, but Charles and Don promise there will be no paddies in which to step when you and your sweetheart arrive. There will be a buffet dinner featuring a Cajun Cookout, and there will be plenty of opportunity to dance on the sawdust-covered floor to the tunes of Wayne Chastain and his band. Festivities begin at 4:30 and end at 8:30 PM. So, mark your calendars for our annual Sweetheart's Night on March 18th. More details will be forthcoming.

KIRBY PROPOSED AS NEW MEMBER

James Edward Kirby (retired), formerly a member of the Rotary Club of Marietta Metro, has been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Griffin by Stephanie Windham. If approved, his classification will be Textiles: Consultant – Management. Please offer any comments regarding this membership proposal in writing to Yvonne Langford on or before February 1, 2017.

GRIFFIN ROTARY ONLINE

griffinrotary.org

THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Thanks to all who attended this week's meeting. We had no make ups this week giving us an attendance of 68%. For those who could not attend Thursday's meeting, please know that you were missed and we hope to see you at our next meeting.

MAKE UPS (0): None reported

MISSING SPOKES (40): Bruce Bartholomew, Tim Blevins, Skipper Burns, Eric Callahan, John Dillon, Dennis Easthope, Allen Edwards, Chris Edwards, Bennie Evans, Jim Fortune, David Galloway, Adam Greer, Eddie Grogan, Tim Hearn, Lew Hunnicutt, Ben Johnson, Eddie Johnston, Clint Kent, Terry Killingsworth, Alton Knight, David Knight, Dave Lamb, Doug Lane, David Luckie, Henry Mabbett, Mark Milam, Jim Ogletree, John O'Neal, Scott Owen, Mark Peek, John Plageman, Tony Powell, Hal Rahn, Jason Robinson, Jeff Rosecrans, Thom Sandwich, Daniel Searcy, Bill Shapard, Brooke Tardy, Kelvin Williams

Dare to Be Better Recognition



Philip Smith was recognized for his efforts as organizer of Griffin Rotary's Annual Blood Drive on January 12th with his very own Dare To Be Better award and certificate. This year's blood drive collected 51 units. On a serious note, we all thank you, Philip, for all that you do for our Club and our community and Your Service Above Self and always Daring To Be Better.

William's Snapshots



Get those makeups for missed meetings in two weeks before or two weeks after your absence.

Wear your name badge at meetings to be counted present.

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ED OUTLAW

Assistant District Governor

RAYMOND RAY

District 6900 Governor

JOHN F. GERM

Rotary International President



MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

Monday – 12 Noon	Henry County	PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough
Monday – 12:15 PM	Fayetteville	Village Cafe, Fayetteville
Monday – 6:30 PM	Coweta-Fayette	Senoia Coffee Company, Senoia
Tuesday – 12 Noon	Barnesville	Lamar Co. College & Career Academy
Tuesday – 12 Noon	Jackson/Butts Co.	Daughtry Park, Jackson
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	Newnan Country Club, Newnan

Rotary eClub One – One Makeup per Quarter