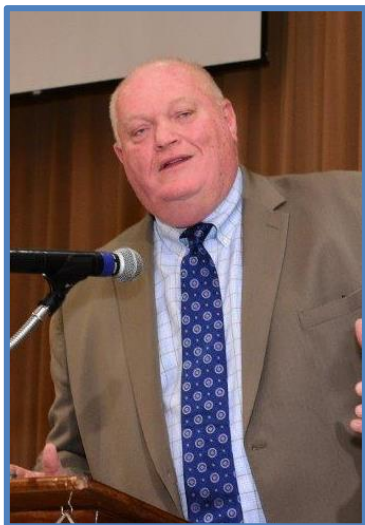




THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

ABAC's President David Bridges



David Bridges
President
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural
College

David Bridges, President of Abraham Agricultural College (ABAC), spoke on his school's history, mission, recent accomplishments, and future plans. Bridges is a native of South Georgia and a graduate of ABAC. In fact, he is the only ABAC alum who has become ABAC President. ABAC opened its doors in 2008 as one of several co-educational schools emphasizing agricultural and mechanical programs that were established by the General Assembly to address the insufficient educational opportunities for students in rural Georgia. President Bridges proudly points that, "110 years later, we are the only one of those schools that has remained open with the same mission." Bridges feels that it is incumbent upon ABAC to provide our next generation of agricultural professionals with the education and resources to succeed. "After all, agriculture is the largest industry in our state," he said. Thirty-five percent of the students at ABAC are indeed enrolled in their agricultural and natural resources program of study. But, he added, there are a number of other stellar programs offered there. Their nursing program touts an almost 100% passage rate for certification. That program could actually grow, but there is a lack of qualified faculty available to expand the program, and there is a lack of hospitals to offer adequate clinical experiences for the students. ABAC also has a unique Associate Degree in the fine arts, and their program on jazz is phenomenal. The Biology major is their largest single degree program. It is not a general biology major, but one that is aimed for those wishing to pursue a professional degree in medicine, graduate school, or more. The educational experience at ABAC goes beyond the classroom so that students acquire more than subject knowledge, but also work skills, work ethic, and problem-solving. Therefore, students are provided opportunities to work and to participate in internships and co-ops. "We want to give our students an opportunity for a life-changing experience at ABAC," he said. "We want to prepare them for life!" Bridges added that ABAC has a lot to offer. Fees at ABAC are the lowest of all the colleges in the University System of Georgia. Their foundation has \$1.6 million in funds earmarked specifically for student scholarships. Bridges closed by saying that he is obviously passionate about education and educational opportunities for all. But, he is also passionate about restoring the vitality of rural-based communities. ABAC recently established a Center for addressing those needs.

Celebrate The Year of Making a Difference

Saturday, June 30th
National Infantry Museum
Columbus, GA

5:00 Cocktails / Reception
5:45 Awards Part I
6:30 Dinner
7:00 Awards Part II



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Four-Way Test



Ann Walker

Ann Walker provided what might be noted as one of our more enjoyable educational programs on Rotary's Four-Way Test. Ann began with a brief history of the creation of the Test and its adoption by Rotary International. She then used a PowerPoint with cartoons and caricatures to stress that our interpretation of each step of the Test can be a matter of perspective on the topic. Our Four-Way Test remains as our nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for our use in personal and professional relationships. Of the things we think, say or do, we should ask:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Club Calendar

JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH

<p>June 28 Induction of Officers and Board for Rotary Year 2018-19</p>	<p>June 30 District 6900 Celebration of the Year of Making a Difference</p>
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Our Rotary Family

BIRTHDAYS

June 23	Crystal Swygert
26	Steve Crouch
26	Alan Dodson
July 04	Doug Lane
04	Randy Peters

ANNIVERSARIES

June 25	Andrew & Alice Blake
28	Bill & Jan Cooper
July 06	Bobby & Ginger Shapard
08	Charles & Andrea Woodroof

Rotary Supports GSCS REACH Program



Jim Smith, Superintendent of Griffin-Spalding County Schools, and Kimberly Willis-Green, Executive Director of Communications & Partnerships, received a donation for Club President Tom Gardner in support of the GSCS REACH Program.

MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

Monday – 12 Noon	Henry County	PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough
Monday – 12:15 PM	Fayetteville	IHOP, 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

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