## THE GRIFFITARIAN

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## DESTINATION GRADUATION PROJECT LAUNCHED



**Doris Christopher**Chair of Career
Development

Doris Christopher announced Thursday that Griffin Rotary is launching an innovative educational project aimed at decreasing the high school dropout rate in Griffin-Spalding schools. Christopher asked for everyone's assistance in this ambitious project which is slated to begin this school year. The initial step will be an art and design competition in which ninth graders will be charged with creating and designing their 2018 graduating class pen. The best-of-the-best designs will be recognized. And, those competing will be asked to sign a commitment to remain in school and graduate in 2018 with the pen designed in their first year in high school. Students also will be given discount cards to use at places of business in the community showing community support of their "We become graduation coaches," Christopher said. "By reducing our dropout rate, we improve the quality of life for all in our community."

## THE KITCHEN DRAWER - UNIQUE PUBLISHING NICHE



**Ben Johnson** 



Amson Stanley



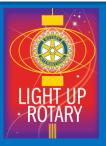
**Ashley Popham** 

The Kitchen Drawer, a Griffin-based publication, has established its own unique niche among various hardcopy and online locally-based publications. Ben Johnson, publisher and creator of the magazine, wants a medium that preserves past and current history while promoting new ideas and the quality of life in our It also serves as an excellent venue for local business advertisement. Allison Stanley, Editor, says, "We want to build a stronger, more involved community. We're telling the stories of our area as they are actually happening." Stanley shared two of her favorite stories published in The Kitchen Drawer. Both were human-interest stories of people caring about their communities. She also noted that the staff is very involved in the overall artistic design of each issue. "Even our ads are artistic works," she added. Ashley Popham, Marketing Director, says they have launched a new website (kitchendrawer.net) with a business directory, community calendar, digital issues, and much more. Kitchen Sink Marketing was also recently launched and provides a marketing service for businesses. If interested in building an affordable marketing system for your business, please visit their website (kitchendrawer.net/pages/kitchen-sink). The Kitchen Drawer staff also welcomes pictures, stories, or story ideas from their readership. Simply email those to staff@kitchendrawer.net.



# JULY IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

District 6900 Online www.rotary6900.org



## Club Calendar

July 24	NEW TEACHER RECOGNITION
	Ouimby Melton III - Speaker

## July 31 Fred Morris – Wood Turning

# July 31 DISTRICT 6900 AREA DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR 6:30-9:00 PM @ Southern Crescent Technical College

August 7 Ryan Coleman – Lanier Sports

August 14 Prep Football

Local High School Coaches
Preview of Upcoming Season

August 21 Club Assembly

August 28 Jere Morehead UGA President

## Our Rotary Family

## Happy Birthday To

Chris Holdorf		July 19
CITIS HOIDON	_	July 19
Rita Cowart	-	July 20
Jim Ogletree	-	July 20
Corey Letson	-	July 22
George Granade	-	August 10
David Luckie	-	August 11
Nicholas Granade	-	August 12

### Anniversary Wishes To

Tony & Lisa Powell	-	July 18
Charlie & Chris Doughtie	-	July 21
Doris & Dennie Christopher	-	July 21
Jim & Lynn Dunaway	-	July 21
Niles & Dottie Murray	-	July 28
John & Elaine White	-	July 30
Bill & Anne Thomas	-	August 5
Charles & Julie Penny	-	August 8
Rita & Charles Cowart	-	August 9
Darrell & Lori Whatley	-	August 10

## More Griffin Rotary News



Barbara Jo Cook announced SCTC's annual **Red Carpet Gala** on August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the SCTC Griffin location. \$85 per ticket; corporate sponsorships are available. Call 770-229-3417 for info.



Steve Mulder is asking for volunteers to lead song and pledge this year. Please contact Steve. Here's an opp for Jim Fortune to lead singing of R-O-T-A-R-Y.



Our new **Club Handbooks** are here! If you did not pick one up at Thursday's meeting, they will be available at our July 31<sup>st</sup> meeting. Thank you, Jim King (winner of Best Supporting Actor in The Green Beret) for your work on this project.

## ROTARY FOUNDATION NOTES

## WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION?

The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary International. It is a non-profit that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of The Rotary Foundation who share its vision of a better world. Its sole mission is to support the efforts of Rotarians through Rotary's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian and educational programs in your back yard and around the globe.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS GOOD WORKS!



## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISTRICT 6900 AREA DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR IN GRIFFIN JULY 31ST

Membership and Rotary Foundation will be the topics of this special seminar offered at Southern Crescent Technical College on July 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. Contact President Jeff if you want to attend. Club will pay the \$20 registration for you.

GRIFFIN-SPALDING HUMANE SOCIETY CHILI COOKOFF - OCTOBER 8TH

Griffin Rotary will again help sponsor this Humane Society fundraiser. We also need a chili chef or chefs to enter their own chili in the competition. Contact President Jeff to volunteer.

#### MILLIE THE READING DOG RETURNS

Contact Carrie Zeiger to volunteer to help Millie read to local children visiting the Library. The date remaining is July 28 at Flint River Regional Library at 6:00 on that night.

#### THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE REPORT = 71%

MISSING SPOKES (33): Jerry Arkin, Kevin Barlow, Lynda Bolton, Jim Burgess, Eric Callahan, Virginia Church, Bill Cooper, Bill Dallas, Chris Edwards, Eddie Grogan, Bill Jones, Clint Kent, Terry Killingsworth, Don King, Alton Knight, David Knight, Henry Mabbett, Mark Milam, Mark Peek, Bubba Penny, Randy Peters, John Plageman, Tony Powell, John Quinn, Med Roach, Thom Sandwich, Bill Shapard, Josh Sprayberry, Brian Upson, Janice Wallace, Ann Walker, Darrell Whatley, Carrie Zeiger

MAKEUPS (0): None reported

#### **MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION**

Henry County Monday 12 Noon @ PJs Sidewalk Cafe Fayetteville Monday 12:15 @ Frank's at the Olde Mill Monday 6:30 PM @ Senoia Coffee Company Coweta-Favette Jackson/Butts Co. (12:00) Tuesday 12 Noon @ Daughtry Park Thomaston/Upson Co. (12:15) Tuesday 12:15 @ Southern Crescent Tech Griffin Daybreak (7:30 AM) Wednesday 7:30 AM @ J. Henry's Restaurant Clayton County (12:15) Wednesday 12:15 @ Holiday Inn - Jonesboro Fayette Daybreak (7:15 AM) Thursday 7:15 AM @ Windham Peachtree City Newnan (12:00) Friday 12 Noon @ Newnan Country Club

Rotary eClub One - One Makeup per Quarter

## LIVE BY ROTARY'S FOUR-WAY TEST

#### **GRIFFIN ROTARY ONLINE**

griffinrotary.org

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President-Elect - Allen Edwards
Treasurer - Art Hammond
Secretary - Yvonne Langford
Sergeant-at-Arms - Adam Greer
Club Chaplain - Bill Hardee

Bulletin Editor - Wayne Gardner GRSP Host Chuck Copeland

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