

# Rotary

## Club of Griffin



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## Griffin Rotary Launches New Website

Brett Bell announced the launch of Griffin Rotary's new and updated website on August 1. The new website definitely has the Rotary brand and provides easily accessible links to District 6900 and Rotary International. But, the emphasis is on Griffin Rotary and our Service to Humanity. It provides a global internet presence for Griffin Rotary while serving as a valuable resource for our own members including a club roster, calendar of events, a member blog, our Griffitarian, and the ability to send mass emails to our membership. There are even instructions on how to best to navigate and use the site. No password is required for this one, so go on the web to get even more from your membership in Griffin Rotary! First step! Complete your profile including uploading a photo of your choice! <https://griffinrotary.org>.

## Club Calendar

### AUGUST IS ROTARY MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MONTH

August 11	Mike Dekle Country Music Songwriter
August 18	Prep HS Football Update SHS, GHS, PHS
August 25	DG Raymond Ray Official Visit  Board Meeting @ 10:30 AM

## Our Rotary Family

### BIRTHDAYS

August 10	George Granade
August 11	David Luckie
August 13	John Newton
August 16	Tamara Ison
August 18	Bill Hardee
August 20	Billy Thomas

### ANNIVERSARIES

August 9	Daniel & Stephanie Searcy
August 15	George & Jill Granade

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[www.rotary6900.org](http://www.rotary6900.org)

**GRIFFIN ROTARY ONLINE** [griffinrotary.org](http://griffinrotary.org)

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### THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

## Huckaby Entertains and Inspires



**Huckaby**

Darrell Huckaby of Athens presented an entertaining and inspirational program at Thursday's meeting. Huckaby is a lay-minister, humorist, author, and retired educator who uses his many personal experiences to share with his audiences and readers. He is a native of Porterdales where he grew up in a 4-room mill village house with no bathroom. He shared that he did not have inside facilities until he was in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. And, now, he is quite proud to own and live in a home with 5 indoor bathrooms (6, if you count the back porch). Huckaby first met Griffin's Bill Haisten in the 1960s when Bill acquired his telephone number and called him regularly. So, Darrell shared a number of stories of his times with Bill. He also shared a story of his kitchen remodel that started with a trip to Lowe's to buy a light bulb but turned into a much larger project (as he calls it. "the \$60,000 light bulb"). We laughed with him as he told about his 3 children, his days as a student at UGA, and college football. But, his program turned to a more serious slant as he explained his battle with prostate cancer that almost took his life. The cancer had metastasized to his bones before he went to Houston where M.D. Anderson prescribed treatments to stop further spread. After undergoing even further treatments after the cancer emerged from remission, Huckaby is now pronounced cancer-free and cured! His 10<sup>th</sup> book, *Yea Though I Walk*, chronicled his battle against cancer and became a best seller. He ended by quoting the lyrics of *Ragged Old Flag* by Johnny Cash which honored the men and women who serve in our military. Those lyrics are performed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6vsXbQZvJo>.

.....By Stephanie Windham, On The Scene Reporter Extraordinaire

### LAWS OF LIFE ESSAY PROJECT



Griffin Rotary kicked off its annual support of the Georgia Laws of Life Project for 2016-17 as President Janice Wallace presented Stephanie Windham with a donation in support of this year's Contest. Each year, local high school students are encouraged to submit their own essays to the contest which are judged locally and against statewide submissions. It is definitely an activity that enhances literacy, communication skills, and introspective ethical thought.

**GRIFFIN ROTARY – AN EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR CLUB**

## IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY EDUCATORS



Corey Letson announced that tickets for the upcoming fundraiser for Partners In Education are available for purchase. Adam Grubbs and special guest performers will give a concert, *Fly Me To The Moon*, on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at the Griffin Welcome Center at 7:30 PM each night. Tickets are \$20 each. All proceeds will fund teacher scholarships and classroom grants for our local educators. Tickets are 90% tax deductible. See Corey or Stephanie Windham for tickets or more information.

## THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE = 64%

**MISSING SPOKES (45):** Bill Baldwin, Mack Bullard, Eric Callahan, Will Childs, John Crouch, Steve Crouch, John Dillon, Alan Dodson, Jim Dunaway, Chris Edwards, Bennie Evans, Jim Fortune, Wayne Gardner, George Granade, Adam Greer, Chris Holdorf, Brent Huckaby, Lew Hunnicutt, Tamara Ison, Ben Johnson, Eddie Johnston, Bill Jones, Walter Jones, Brant Keller, Clint Kent, Terry Killingsworth, Don King, Alton Knight, David Luckie, Henry Mabbett, Josh Messer, Mark Milam, Jolene Northrop, John O'Neal, Randy Peters, John Quinn, Hal Rahn, Thom Sandwich, Bill Shapard, Philip Smith, Chrystal Swygert, Lee Thomas, Brian Upson, Ann Walker, Kelvin Williams

### MAKE UPS (0):

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

## WILLIAM'S SNAPSHOTS



From upper left clockwise to lower left. Program Chair Katy Arrowood "hits another home run" with Darrell Huckaby as our speaker. Brett Bell announced the launch of our new Griffin Rotary website and showed members some of its new features. Speaker Darrell Huckaby really entertained those in the audience with his many stories from his own personal experiences.



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### OFFICERS

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Membership	-	Chris Holdorf
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### ED OUTLAW

Assistant District Governor

### RAYMOND RAY

District 6900 Governor

### JOHN F. GERM

Rotary International President

## MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Plan for District Conference Now!** Contact John White to make your reservation for attending District Conference next Spring. This one will be on a cruise!

**Need Volunteers for GRSP Student Conclave Sept 9-11!** Contact John Quinn to volunteer to host students, transportation, and/or assist with the events.

## 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**