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Club Calendar

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH IN ROTARY

September 7

Dr. Steve Wrigley Chancellor **University System of** Georgia

Board Meeting @ 5:45 PM

September 14

Brad Bohannon Georgia Lottery Corporation

September 21

Dick Morrow Update on Griffin-Spalding

Airport

September 28

Lea Folds, GSCS **Growing Your Workforce & Our Community with Work-**

Based Learning

Our Rotary Family

BIRTHDAYS

September 2

Tony Powell

Jerry Walker 10 **Howard Wallace**

10 **Wade Miller**

12 **Niles Murray**

Dennis Easthope

ANNIVERSARIES

September 3

Brian & Tracee Upson

Otis & Ellen Blake

Frank & Carolyn Harris

CLUB FALL OUTING SET FOR OCTOBER 12

Brant Keller announced that our annual Club Fall Outing will be held at Cherokee Rose on October 12. Clay shooting and tomahawk throwing begin at 3 PM. Dinner will be served at 5:30. Please sign up using the sheets placed on tables at upcoming meetings or contact Brant.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM **Hauer Explains Demographic Shifts**

This week's program included lots of demographic terms like population growth, migration, empty-nesters, baby boomers, and a new one - DINKs (Dural Income No Children, which is a growing segment of our population). Mathew Hauer of UGA's Carl Vincent Institute of Government used these terms and lots



Mathew Hauer

of data and statistics from census reports, the IRS, and other sources to explain past, current, and even predicted shifts in demographics in Georgia. Using a population growth curve dating 1900 to 2010, Hauer showed how the state's population growth remained level until about 1960 when a dramatic increase in Georgia's population began. He explained that, at that time, an increased availability and usage of air conditioning and changes brought about with the civil rights movement saw an influx of people into the state, especially into urban centers. Since then, the migration into the state has continued with a diversified economy. In fact, 51% of our 2010 adult population was born in another state! Migration, however, slowed considerably with the economic downturn in 2008, but as the economy improves, numbers migrating into the state

are gradually increasing and rebounding to levels seen in the 1990s. During the period of economic slowing (2010-2015), a decline in population growth was widespread in the state except for in urban areas. A total of 7 counties accounted for 2/3 of the state's population growth during that period with 4 of those counties (in metro Atlanta) accounting for 50% of the state's growth. This phenomenon was not unique to Georgia as Hauer showed on population maps of the entire U.S. Our rural areas continue to lose population numbers, while urban areas grow. Migration from rural counties is a financial and economic drain to those communities. Hauer observed that several rural counties have never really recovered from the Great Depression, and some have not recovered from the Civil War and the Reconstruction era. In fact, average ages of Georgians reflect that rural to urban shift. Hauer reported that the average age in Georgia is in the 30s, but the average age in rural counties is over 50. He also noted that the largest age group of our population in the state is sn those who are currently working. But, in the next few years, those in retirement age will increase two-fold, while those between the ages of 45 and 64 will increase only 4%. And, we can also expect our population to become increasingly diverse.

....By Wayne Gardner

GRSP Weekend Event Host Family Needed

John Quinn, GRSP Trustee, thanked those in the Club who have volunteered as host families or providing transportation for GRSP students next weekend for the event in Clayton County. But, we need one additional family to host some students for Friday and Saturday nights. Please contact John to volunteer.

GRIFFIN ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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District 6900 Governor Alec Smythe shared a list of Rotary charitable foundations and funds that are receiving donations to assist with relief and recovery efforts following the devastation of Hurricane Harvey in east Texas. The immediate need is funds to assist in cleanup, debris removal, and rebuilding. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated and put to immediate use. Please donate to any or all of these funds directly.

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DISTRICT 5910

Rotary District 5910 Charitable Foundation, c/o Bobbie Applegate, 985 IH-10N, Suite 111, Beaumont, TX 77706

DISTRICT 5890

District 5890 Charities, Inc., c/o Jackie Barmore, 3525 Preston Avenue,
Pasadena, TX 77505

DISTRICT 5840

District 5840 Foundation, Attn: Bobbie Barnes, Treasurer, PO Box 13, Boerne, TX 78006

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MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough Monday - 12 Noon Henry County Monday - 12:15 PM Fayetteville IHOP, Fayetteville Monday - 6:30 PM Coweta-Fayette Senoia Coffee Company, Senoia Tuesday – 12 Noon Lamar Co. College & Career Academy Barnesville Tuesday – 12 Noon Jackson/Butts Co. Daughtry Park, Jackson Tuesday - 12:15 PM Thomaston/Upson Co Thomaston-Upson Senior Center J. Henry's Restaurant, Griffin Wednesday - 7:30 AM Griffin Daybreak 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

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