



## PURCHASE YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR CHANCE TO FOLLOW THE DAWGS TO DEATH VALLEY ON OCTOBER 13TH

Go to [griffinrotary.org](http://griffinrotary.org) to purchase your raffle tickets for your chance to win four 50-yard line tickets to the UGA-LSU game in Baton Rouge on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The travel package includes round-trip airfare from Atlanta to New Orleans for 4, hotel accommodations for 2 room for 2 nights, and ground transportation to and from the game. All proceeds go to our 2019-20 Community Project Fund. To date, we have sold 228 tickets. Forty-eight Rotarians (40%) have purchased a total of 76 tickets (33% of ticket sales). Drawing will be held at our September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. You can purchase tickets up to the drawing at our meeting on Thursday.

## SHANNON ELLER OF BRIGHTER TOMORROWS CONSULTING SPEAKS



Shannon Eller

Shannon Eller, Clinical Director and owner of Brighter Tomorrows Consulting (BTC), explained that their counseling service is the largest private family practice south of I-285 in Georgia. BTC serves about 300 families each week for various needs including addictive behavior, anger management, and mental health issues. Located at 1850 North Expressway in Griffin, BTC will see almost every person who comes in for counseling. The only real exception is sex offenders who they cannot see because of the nature of the practice counseling many who have experienced traumatic events including sex offenses. A number of referral resources, including the courts system and DFACS, are linked to BTC from Spalding, Lamar, Upson, Butts, Henry, Clayton, and Fayette counties. The practice is staffed by 27 professionals. All counselors have at least Masters level postgraduate degrees, and all are licensed and certified with training in education and supervision. Eller noted that their patients have been as young as 2 years old and as old as 102. "It takes commitment from a family to seek and to remain in counseling services," she added. "We must meet them and their needs." In addition to providing highly qualified staff, BTC has added an outside classroom with a greenhouse, planters, bean bag targets, and other outdoor activities. They also have a music program and an art program that helps with diagnosis and treatment. BTC is addressing real needs in our community. Eller invited anyone to visit the facility. For more information, visit their website at [www.brighter-tomorrows.com](http://www.brighter-tomorrows.com).



## BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND



The Follow the Dawgs to Death Valley raffle is building our Community Project Fund for the 2019-20 Rotary Year. Thanks to all who responded to our plea to buy tickets at Thursday's meeting. Pres-Elect Charlie Penny, who is leading the charge with this major fundraiser, reports that we have sold over 200 tickets. That's "break-even" for the raffle. Tickets sold from now on will actually build our fund. 200 additional tickets sold can mean \$10K in the fund; 600 total sold can mean \$20K. You can purchase tickets online or even on-site just before the drawing next Thursday. Please purchase. And, please encourage others to purchase tickets.



## GABRIEL AND RAFFLE DRAWING NEXT THURSDAY



Our GRSP Student, Gabriel Deller from Brazil, will be our featured guest at Club Assembly on Thursday. Gabriel will provide a brief introduction to himself, his family, his native Brazil, and impressions of GRSP and UGA. We will also be drawing THE WINNER of our Follow the Dawgs to Death Valley raffle.

## FIRST COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME



Gabriel, our 2018-19 GRSP Student, had his very first live experience with U.S. college football last Saturday as UGA hosted Austin Peay in their season opener. Overall, he enjoyed the whole experience starting with fans setting up tailgating the night before the game in front of his dorm. He and two friends were able to tailgate with one of their families on Saturday. Gabriel was impressed with the number of people who came to Athens to tailgate and fill Sanford Stadium to see the game. He and his friends sat in the student section next to the band "which was very loud but very fun." He added that he is still

learning the rules but appreciated the game. "The only negative point for me was that the match stops a lot and the sun was burning me," he said. "I really need sunscreen!" He told Anna and Skipper that, "Like you love football here, in Brazil we love soccer. But, the experience at the games is different. I don't know if it's just college football, but it seems like the games are more like a social event to be with friends, tailgate, and have fun. This is not common in Brazil where we go to games to watch the game and cheer for the team." He added that, "I like this new experience and, for sure, I will be at other games. Go Dawgs!" Chances are Gabriel enjoyed the U.S.-Brazil soccer "friendly" on Friday much more. He had to be pleased with the 2-0 Brazilian win and excellent showing of Douglas Costa, who was likely the best player of the match. But, the U.S. fans were also pleased and encouraged with the young U.S. side and their energy, aggressiveness, and being so dangerous on their set plays. The U.S. stood its ground against some of the best European club players.

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## FOLLOW ROTARY CLUB OF GRIFFIN



## Club Calendar

### SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Sept 13	Club Assembly Raffle Drawing GRSP Student And More
Sept 20	Chris Craft Nao Media Social Media & Digital Marketing
Sept 27	Prep Football Report Head coaches from GHS, SHS, PCHS
	State champion Lady Jags

## Our Rotary Family

### BIRTHDAYS

September 7	Jerry Walker
10	Howard Wallace
10	Wade Miller
12	Niles Murray
13	Dennis Easthope
19	John White
24	John Rainwater
26	Walter Jones
30	Clint Kent

### ANNIVERSARIES

September 7	Otis & Ellen Blake
9	Frank & Carolyn Harris
18	Alan & Lany Dodson
27	Bobby & Linda Chappell

### OUR CARE AND THOUGHTS

Keep Bobby Chappell in your prayers.

## 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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