

Rotary

Club of Griffin



THE GRIFFITARIAN

DISTRICT 6900 CLUB NUMBER 4129

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Club Calendar

AUGUST IS ROTARY MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MONTH

August 18	Brian Kemp, Georgia Secretary of State
	Prep HS Football Outlook SHS, GHS, PHS
August 25	DG Raymond Ray Official Visit
	Board Meeting @ 10:30 AM

Our Rotary Family

BIRTHDAYS

August 18	Bill Hardee
August 20	Billy Thomas
September 2	Tony Powell

ANNIVERSARIES

August 21	Wade & Jill Miller
August 23	Josh & Lauren Sprayberry
August 31	Thom & Linda Sandwich
September 3	Brian & Tracee Upton
September 7	Otis & Ellen Blake Jennifer & Gary Hilton

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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM Dekle Shares Musical Talents



Mike Dekle

Mike Dekle was once a classical musician who played the violin from middle school through college including the Georgia All-State Orchestra and the University of Georgia Orchestra. But, once he picked up a guitar given to him as a gift, he immediately loved the new instrument and challenge. He soon was performing and writing music. "I consider myself a great observer of what people do, and I write music about that," he said. The Athens insurance businessman and Rotarian then performed a number of his songs adding some background information and thoughts on the events that inspired each song. He started with his *Road Kill Café* saying that

he wished he had royalties for all the roadside restaurants and diners that had and were using his title. He explained he wrote his *No Trash in My Trailer* after having to inspect a trailer for his insurance company. That song was recorded by Gene Watson and later by Colt Ford when it became a hit song. Watson apparently wanted to rename the title to "Trailer Trash," but Dekle resisted saying that the song was really about a very proud lady who actually had no trash in her trailer. Dekle also spent some time in Hashville "paying my dues in the music business." In Hashville, he was impressed with the many curbside musicians playing along Lower Broadway. From that came his song, *Music Is What I Sing*. He sang *Don't Love Make a Diamond Shine* which was inspired by the excitement a co-worker had with her engagement. One of his biggest hits, *Size Matters*, performed by Joe Nichols followed as a spinoff of his diamond song. Dekle concluded with the song *Times Were Hard* that underscores a fighting spirit in America regardless of whether the battle is a disease, terrorism, or other enemy. We thank Mike for sharing his talents with Griffin Rotary.

Help Update Griffin Rotary Website



Brett Bell

Our new Griffin Rotary website was launched on August 1 thanks to the effort led by Brett Bell. Brett is now asking that all members go to the website (www.griffinrotary.org) to update or enter your profile on that site. You can upload a picture of your choice for your profile. The new website has the Rotary brand and provides easily accessible links to District 6900 and Rotary International. The emphasis, however, is on Griffin Rotary, and it provides a global internet presence for our Club and our service to our community and the world. It also is 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 site to get even more from your Rotary membership.

PLAN FOR DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOW!

Contact John White to make your reservation for attending District Conference next April. DG Raymond Ray promises that this Donference will be very unique fill with events and fun. It will be aboard a cruise liner!

GRIFFIN ROTARY – AN EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR CLUB

SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY EDUCATORS



Corey Letson and Stephanie Windham still have tickets for the upcoming Partners In Education fundraiser on August 19th and 20th at the Griffin Welcome Center. Adam Grubbs and special guest performers will give a concert, *Fly Me To The Moon*. Tickets are \$20 each, and 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.

VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH GRSP CONCLAVE

Volunteers are needed for the GRSP Student Conclave Sept 9-11 to be held in Clayton Co. Contact John Quinn to volunteer to host students, provide transportation, and/or assist with the events.

WILLIAM'S SNAPSHOTS

Please enjoy these images from our meeting. From upper left clockwise to lower left. Steve Mulder leads singing; President Janice Wallace; Pres. Janice presents Mike Dekle with gift; David Knight and John Plageman; Songwriter Mike Dekle presented our program, and; Tim Hearn introduced guests.



THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE = 71%

MISSING SPOKES (36): Bill Baldwin, Mack Bullard, Pricha Bunya, Eric Callahan, Will Childs, John Crouch, Charlie Doughtie, Nat Doughtie, Chris Edwards, Jim Fortune, Adam Greer, Bill Hardee, Brent Huckaby, Ben Johnson, Charles Jones, Terry Killingsworth, Don King, Alton Knight, David Luckie, Henry Mabbett, Patrick Michel, Mark Milam, Jolene Northrop, Jim Ogletree, John O'Neal, Scott Owen, John Quinn, Hal Rahn, Med Roach, Thom Sandwich, Bill Shapard, Josh Sprayberry, Chrystal Swygert, Bobby Wheaton, Kelvin Williams

MAKE UPS (0):

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

Wear your name badge at meetings to be counted present.



**ROTARY CLUB OF GRIFFIN, GA
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OFFICERS

- President - Janice Wallace
- Vice-President - Allen Edwards
- President-Elect - Tom Gardner
- Treasurer - Art Hammond
- Secretary - Yvonne Langford
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- Club Chaplain - Med Roach
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- Photographer - William Wilson

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ED OUTLAW

Assistant District Governor

RAYMOND RAY

District 6900 Governor

JOHN F. GERM

Rotary International President

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