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CAN WE REALLY LEARN FROM HISTORY?



Stan Deaton Georgia Historical Society



Stan Deaton of the Georgia Historical Society is hopeful that the human race can learn from history. In speaking to Rotarians Thursday, Deaton used World War I (noting that August 4 marked the 100 year anniversary of Great Britain entering that War) to emphasize his hope. The Great War actually began when Archduke Ferdinand of Austria and his wife were assassinated in Sarajevo by 1 of a group of 5 Serbs and 1 Bosnian. The act led to the declaration of war by Austria-Hungary on Serbia and declarations of war by Russia, Germany, and England within weeks. WWI is acknowledged as the most horrific war of all times. Deaton stated that over 37 million casualties (deaths and severe wounds) occurred over the next 4 years. He used the death of 18-year-old British foot soldier Alec Reeder on July 1, 2016, at 0-Hour of the Battle of the Somme to underscore the quote, "One death is a tragedy. The death of millions is a statistic." Reeder's mother, Rose, tirelessly worked to find some knowledge of her son's death and the location of his remains. She even traveled to France several times in her search, but she died in 1954 never knowing more than he died in battle. Reeder's family never recovered from the grief over his battlefield death. Deaton said, "Now! Multiply that family's grief by 37 million!" Deaton also spoke to the impact of the carnage of WWI in causing the economic instability of Europe and the economic collapse of Germany, which led to German discontent, rebellion, fascism, and eventually The Third Reich. "What if there had been no Great War?" Deaton asked. He stated that much of the history of the 20th Century would likely be very different including no WWII, no Bolshevik Revolution, no Great "Our world would have been very Depression, etc. different," he said. Basically, a Serbian assassin's bullet started this chain of events. Deaton asked what we might do now and in the future if an incident like this occurred again. "Could we negotiate to avoid such an event as this?" he asked. Yes, Stan Deaton, can we learn from history?



Rotary

Our Rotary Family

Happy Birthday To

Walker Cook	-	September 26
Walter Jones	-	September 26
Marty Wynn	-	September 27
Clint Kent	-	September 30

Anniversary Wishes To

Don & Emily King Bobby & Linda Chappell September 26 September 27

GRIFFIN ROTARY CLUB SUPPORTS OUR COMMUNITY NONPROFITS



Left – President Jeff Jacobs presents a donation to Barbara Jo Cook of Southern Crescent Technical College in support of a scholarship for their Culinary Arts Program. **Middle** – President Jeff presents donation to GrifFin Choral Arts with Alice Blake and Steve Mulder accepting. **Right** – The Rotary Golf Team is all smiles at the GS Education Foundation Annual Golf Tournament fund raiser.

GRIFFIN ROTARY - AN EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR CLUB

New Member Proposed

Will Childs has been proposed for membership by Robert Parker. If approved, Will's classification will be Religion - Christianity - Missions. Will is Area Director for the Young Life organization.

Please direct any comments on Will to Yvonne Langford in writing on or before September 24, 2014.

DISTRICT GRANT IN ACTION AT SA COMMUNITY CENTER

Our District Grant check was presented to Josh Hinson of the Salvation Army to support 5 student scholarships for the Army's Community Center for Boys and Girls. Dick Brooks, accompanied by James Jenkins, Sid Esary, Chuck Copeland, Jerry Walker, and Jeff Jacobs, made the presentation to Hinson.







Reminders for Ogletree et al.

Annual Club Outing at Cherokee Rose – October 2

Jed Clampett would be proud as Griffin Rotarians convert 'shooting a round of golf" to an actual clay shoot. Contact Tim Hearn to reserve a spot for shooting and/or dinner.

Stepping Stones Bourbon, Belles and Bowties - November 11

Check with Lee Thomas to attend Stepping Stones major fundraiser at Strickland Store in Concord for an evening of bourbon tasting and fun.

Southern Crescent Culinary Arts Fundraiser – September 25

Contact SCTC at 770-229-3417 to purchase tickets to assist in building the scholarship fund for this new program.

Friends of the Library Fun Auction – September 21

3:00 to 6:00 PM at the Bailey-Tebault House. Tickets \$25 at the door. Fun and Music with Live Auction starting at 3:45 PM.

Business Day @ UGA Griffin - October 3

The Terry Business College is holding this special event. The keynote address from 10 AM to 12 Noon is on Ecomonic Outlook 2015 with the event culminating with CEU course credit option for CPAs. Great event for all! Visit www.uqa.edu/griffin for more information.

MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION

Henry County Monday 12 Noon @ PJs Sidewalk Cafe Coweta-Fayette Jackson/Butts Co. (12:00) Thomaston/Upson Co. (12:15) Griffin Daybreak (7:30 AM) Clayton County (12:15) Fayette Daybreak (7:15 AM)

Fayetteville Monday 12:15 @ Frank's at the Olde Mill Monday 6:30 PM @ Senoia Coffee Company Tuesday 12 Noon @ Daughtry Park Tuesday 12:15 @ Southern Crescent Tech Wednesday 7:30 AM @ J. Henry's Restaurant Wednesday 12:15 @ Holiday Inn - Jonesboro 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

ROTARY FOUNDATION NOTES

WHAT IS EVERY ROTARIAN, **EVERY YEAR ALL ABOUT?**

This initiative by the Board of Trustees of The Rotary Foundation encourages EVERY ROTARIAN to participate in a Foundation program that truly makes a difference in the world each and EVERY YEAR, and encourages EVERY ROTARIAN to contribute to the Foundation's Annual Fund at an amount in which they are able, EVERY YEAR. The Rotary Foundation even has banners for clubs where every member contributes some amount to the Foundation and the annual per capita is US\$100 and a banner for clubs where every member contributes at least US\$100 per year. Think about what you can do to help us meet our Annual Giving goal...which is the goal to make positive change in the world around us?

IF YOU ARE PART OF THIS INITIATIVE, THE CLUB THANKS YOU FOUR YOUR SUPPORT



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