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# Rotary

# PAIR OF CLIMBERS SHARE STORY OF BROAD PEAK







Broad Peak, also known as K3 in the Karakorum Mountain Range in Pakistan, reaches 26,414 ft above sea level and is the 12<sup>th</sup> highest mountain in the world. The peak poses a challenge for adventuresome climbers with the first successful ascent made in 1957. John Quillen (Knoxville, TN) and Brian Moran (Conyers, GA) took the challenge of climbing Broad Peak in 2013. Quillen wrote the book, Tempting the Throne Room: Surviving Pakistan's Deadliest Climbing Season 2013, chronicling their failed ascent that summer. Both were on hand Thursday to talk about that adventure. As it turned out, their ascent to the summit was cut short and abandoned when Moran suffered a shattered lower leg in a fall. The team was actually on their last acclimatization descent to the Base Camp at 15,500 ft just prior to embarking on the ascent to the summit. Quillen said that it took a day with lots of help from other climbers to splint the fracture and get Moran from Camp 2 (20,000 ft) to the Base Camp. Once in Base Camp, they waited 6 days for the weather to clear for evacuation by Pakistani Army helicopters. In their travels, acclimation to the altitude for their climb, and the evacuation of Moran from the mountain, the pair of U.S. climbers worked closely with other climbers. Among those was a trio of Iranian climbers - Aidin Bozorgi, Pouya Kelvan, Mojtaba Jarahi - who were planning to establish a new trail to the summit. Jarahi was instrumental in helping get Moran to safety after his accident. And, there was a father-son climbing duo who also helped after the accident. The Iranian team successfully reached the summit on their new route, but they could not find the trail for descent and perished on the mountain. The father and son were also killed in an avalanche. As Quillen noted, 2013 was the deadliest climbing season for Broad Peak and the Karakorum range. He wrote his book to share their experiences with others. Quillen and Moran definitely have that inner drive and determination that many pioneers of new frontiers must have.

# ROTARY IS SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER

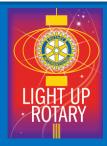


**Holiday Food Packaging for Salvation Army** is Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, from 5 to 8 PM at the Old Family Store on Thirteenth Street. Come out to help sort and pack.

174 Hours of Ringing at the Kettle and Counting! Thanks to all you Rotarians, Interact Club members, Rotoact Club members, and members of several businesses and organizations who have donated their time to ring the bell at the Salvation Army Kettle. Please donate generously to this worthy cause.

# DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH IN ROTARY

District 6900 Online www.rotary6900.org



### Club Calendar

**December 16** Salvation Army Holiday

Food Packaging - 5 to 8 PM @ Old Family Store on

13<sup>th</sup> Street

**December 18 Christmas Program** 

Steve Mulder

December 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS

January 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR

January 8 Annual Rotary Club Blood

**Drive** - First Baptist Church

January 15 To Be Announced

January 20 Chamber of Commerce

**Business After Hours –**Hosted by Griffin Rotary and

Daybreak Rotary

January 22 No Thursday Meeting

# Our Rotary Family

# Happy Birthday To

Skipper Burns - December 16 Hal Rahn - December 17 John Quinn - December 17 Robert Parker - December 19

# Anniversary Wishes To

Chris & Lynn Holdorf - December 13

Kelvin & Wynema Williams - December 14

Jim & Barbara King - December 16

Walker & Barbara Jo Cook - December 19

Contributors to this issue of The Griffitarian were William Wilson (pictures), Dave Lamb (Attendance Report), Chuck Copeland (Foundation Notes), and Wayne Gardner (Editor)

## GRSP HOST FAMILY SOUGHT



John Quinn, GRSP Trustee and past host family for GRSP students, announced that he and President-Elect Allen Edwards are looking for a host family for next year's GRSP Student. A early decision for the host family allows that family to be involved in the selection process. John said that he and Christy can attest that hosting a student is a great experience and builds lasting friendships. Please contact John or Allen for more information.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTES



#### Annual Blood Drive Set for January 8th

Philip Smith announced that Griffin Rotary's Annual Blood Drive Event will be held on January 8<sup>th</sup> at the First Baptist Church. He asked that all volunteer to either donate blood, platelets, and/or get family members and friends to give.



#### Rotary to Host Business After Hours January 20th

Griffin Rotary and Daybreak Rotary will be hosting the Chamber's Business After Hours event on January 20<sup>th</sup> at the Welcome Center. Please mark your calendars to attend. This will be a great opportunity to showcase what Rotary is and does for our community.

Congratulations to Stephanie Windham for being named an Assistant District Governor for 6900. Her term will begin July 2015.







# THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE = ?%

#### **MISSING SPOKES: Report Not Available at Press Time**

MAKEUPS (33): Don Crider, Adam Greer, Bill Hardee, Jeff Jacobs, James Jenkins, Jim King, Yvonne Langford, Matt Rahn @ Board Meeting; Kevin Barlow (2), Dick Brooks (2), Skipper Burns, Ann Cherrette (2), Tom Gardner, Nick Granade, Jeff Jacobs (2), Beau Luckie, Steve Mulder (3), Jolene Northrup (2), Charles Penny (2), John Plageman, Josh Sprayberry (3), Brian Upson (2) @ Salvation Army Kettle Project

#### **MEETING MAKEUP INFORMATION**

Monday - 12 Noon Henry County Monday - 12:15 PM Favetteville Monday - 6:30 PM Coweta-Favette Tuesday – 12 Noon Jackson/Butts Co. Tuesday - 12:15 PM Thomaston/Upson Co. Wednesday - 7:30 AM Griffin Daybreak Wednesday - 12:15 PM Clayton County Thursday - 7:15 AM Fayette Daybreak Friday - 12 Noon Newnan

PJs Sidewalk Café, McDonough Frank's at the Olde Mill, Fayetteville Senoia Coffee Company, Senoia Daughtry Park, Jackson Southern Crescent Tech, Thomaston J. Henry's Restaurant, Griffin Holiday Inn, Jonesboro Windham, Peachtree City Newnan Country Club, Newnan

Rotary eClub One - One Makeup per Quarter

#### LIVE BY ROTARY'S FOUR-WAY TEST

## ROTARY FOUNDATION NOTES

# WHAT IS A ROTARY PEACE FELLOW?

Established in 2002, each year, Rotary selects individuals from around the world to receive fully funded academic fellowships at one of the peace centers. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship/field study expenses. Two types of peace fellowships are available. We offer master's degree fellowships at premier universities in fields related to peace and conflict resolution and prevention. Programs last 15–24 months and require a practical internship of 2–3 months during the academic break.

#### HAVE SOMEONE IN MIND? NOMINATE HIM/HER BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!



#### **GRIFFIN ROTARY ONLINE**

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