



Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

<http://www.daltonrotaryclub.org>

This Week:

December 16

*Christmas Message -
Robin Lindsay*

Upcoming Meetings:

December 23

No Meeting

December 30

No Meeting

Club Officers:

David Aft

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Jason Parker

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Human Trafficking Right in our Midst!

By: Kathryn Sellers



David McCleary, a Rotarian from the Roswell Club, presented information about the problem our society is facing with human trafficking. Rotary has taken note and has committed to providing awareness about the issue with actions for prevention and slowing the problem. With 34,000 clubs worldwide, Rotary can make a difference in this issue as they have in polio.

McCleary stated that you may think this is a problem with a lower class of people and places like sleazy nightclubs but it can happen to any child, boy or girl, from any type of background. It is especially prevalent with the 1.6 million runaways each year and the 1 in 4 who are sexually abused by the time they are 18. The children at most risk and the most vulnerable are both affluent and poor; those who have been previously abused; those who are typically unsupervised or the parents don't know their friends; or those from dysfunctional families. (Over 60% of children are on free lunch!) The average age is 12 – 14 and their life after being taken is usually only seven years because of beatings and abuse. The aggressor may come from friends or from neighbors.

Warning signs to look for are having an older boyfriend, expensive jewelry or clothes – gifts from the boyfriend and have access to phones and computers without parental oversight. Victims are usually looking for love, may want to walk home or to the store alone, and may come home with a tattoo of the friend's name. The older person befriends the younger, gains commitment and devotion and then takes the younger one.

Other means of obtaining children are by peer recruitment, parents selling children, false advertising for modeling, acting, dancing or photo sessions, sexting, by simple seduction and coercion and internet enticement. After being saved, the girl usually says "they chose me."

You may think this happens in "other places." In 2012 there were 134 children rescued in the Atlanta area and many more who were not. A startling statistic is that 7,200 men paid for sex acts in our area – 300 per day! This is a \$32 – 39 billion business globally and \$9.8 billion in the US. In the Atlanta area it is \$290,000 business.

What is being done?

Awareness and Advocacy:

- Hot line is being advertised every place children are.
- It is now mandatory reporting for those volunteering with kids.
- Website for information: endhtnow.com

- Video: "How to Stop the Candy Shop"
- Programs for early children: "Kidsmartz" and middle and high school: "Chosen"
- Hotline posters in schools, hotels, etc
- GBI trainings for police

Prevention:

- Rotary has a HT Committee to disseminate information, especially in schools. (Rotaract and Interact helping)
- Classes provided for large groups and health classes
- Large conclave at the Carter Center in 2015 for which you can register at www.endhtnow.com

First Baptist's Men's Chorus – our Twentieth Treat!

By: Kathryn Sellers



Bill Ireland introduced First Baptist Men's Chorus who entertained Rotary again this year. It was determined that they have been jump-starting every Rotary Christmas for 20 years or more.

Larry Flanagan, the group's leader, provided background for each selection and its significance to the Christmas season. The selections were very diverse and included typical standards, such as "Drummer Boy" and a new version of Jingle Bells which was originally written in Savannah Georgia, to a Caribbean carol "Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy," a gospel song "Jesus What a Wonderful Child" and Elvis's "Blue Christmas." They concluded with "have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" which was their musical wish for all.

Interact Club Rings the Bell for the Salvation Army



Jordon McKinney, Makayla Karabensh, Erin Goldberg, Molly Lambert.



Charlie Alderman and Henry Stevenson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

	<u>Birthday</u>
Fultz, Arthur Paul (ARTHUR)	4-Dec
Laughter, R Lynette (LYNN)	4-Dec
Cruse, Lesley Dale (DALE)	6-Dec
Anderson, Brian (BRIAN)	9-Dec
Burt, Amanda (AMANDA)	11-Dec
Barnwell, William L (BILL)	14-Dec
Sigmon, Peter Reid (PETE)	15-Dec

Partner Birthdays

	<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Maret, Carla	Maret, Michael S.	3-Dec
Parrott, Eugenia	Parrott, V DeForrest III	10-Dec

Member Anniversaries

No member anniversaries this period.

Wedding Anniversaries

	<u>Partner's Name</u>	<u>Anniversary</u>	<u>Years</u>
Jones, J Sherwood III(SHERWOOD)	Danielle	2-Dec	19
Satterfield, Bruce A. (BRUCE)	Kayanne	3-Dec	26
Alderman, Paul Wayne Jr.(PAUL)	Alicia	5-Dec	22
Sponcler, Maurice M. Jr.(MAURICE)	Betty	7-Dec	46
Johnson, Larry Alan (LARRY)	Kathy	8-Dec	30
Minor, John Tom III(TOM)	Ida	10-Dec	59
Wright, Thomas L (THOMAS)	Joanne	12-Dec	55
Petty, Tiffany Oxford (TIFFANY)	Brad	15-Dec	13

Four Way Test

