



Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

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This Week:

February 9
Bob Kinard
*Carl Campbell - Dalton
Whitfield Economic
Development Authority*
Board Meeting

Upcoming Meetings:

February 16
Patty Mooney
*Coach Tony Ingle of
Dalton State College*

February 23
Director Program

March 1
Scott Delay

March 8
Norris Little

March 15
David Pennington

March 22
NO MEETING

March 24
Rotary R&R
*Dalton Convention Center
Social @ 6pm
Dinner @ 7pm*

March 29
Larry Winter

The New Hamilton Cancer Institute

By: Kathryn Sellers



Hamilton Medical Center (HMC) is again embarking on a significant initiative in order to stay abreast of the newest technologies and care standards for cancer screening, diagnostics and treatment. The planned \$30 million facility will be built on property directly across from Hamilton Medical Center on Memorial Drive. As past president David Aft stated, HMC has always been "unapologetically ambitious" to provide for this community.

Rotarian Jeff Myers, HMC President and CEO, introduced Rotarian Gary Howard, Vice President of Hamilton Medical Center, who stated that there are 1.6 million cancer diagnoses per year with 1 of 3 women and 1 of 2 men likely to deal with the diseases. There are 1,300 new cases in the Hamilton area annually with 715 of those in Whitfield and Murray counties alone. (As an aside, he stated that this number is not above any state or national averages for our population.) There is a "staggering demand for capacity, with ten times the need for those people age 65 and above."

The 18 months of planning by Oncology Solutions analyzed the need for diagnostics, admissions, consultations and treatment, and, along with staff and physicians wanted to answer the question "what if all cancer care was under one roof here? ESO Architects of Nashville started work on the planning for the building with expanded services, 38,000 sq. ft. on three levels. The architectural firm is working with staff, physician and patients to define the needs. The state Certificate of Need is expected in March and the Project will begin in July and should culminate in 2017. The existing Judd and infusion centers will be repurposed.

The Whitfield Healthcare Foundation under Scott Sellers, Chairman and Rotarian Robert Smalley, campaign cabinet chair, has offered complete support of the "collaborative oncology building for a healing, patient-centered environment" and are developing the campaign to raise \$8 million of the funds from local sources.

Core staffing exists but will need to be expanded. The "best in class services, building and technology" will be more enticing to attract physicians and technicians.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Chappell, William (WILLIAM)
Caperton, Robert (ROBERT)

Birthday

12-Feb
15-Feb

Partner Birthdays

Henson, Jean

Member Name Birthday

Henson, Paul E. Jr. 14-Feb

Member Anniversaries

Bronson, William III(WILLIAM)
Ward, Barbara K. (BARBARA)

Start Date

2/13/2007
2/15/2000

Years

9
16

Wedding Anniversaries

Cruse, Lesley Dale (DALE)

Partner's Name

Amy

Anniversary

12-Feb

Years

34

