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Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

<http://www.daltonrotaryclub.org>



This Week:

June 13

Henry Tharp

Chattanooga Food Bank

Upcoming Meetings:

June 20

Kevin Brunson

Family of Rotary

(5:30 pm at DGCC)

June 27

Bruce Satterfield -

Passing of the Gavel

Burr Park: So Cool You Have To Wear Shades

By Darla Chambliss

Past President David introduced the presentation, an update on the **Burr Performing Arts Park and Showalter Stage in downtown Dalton**. The park is a philanthropic gift of the sunglasses-clad Jeanne Burr, made in the form of a \$1 million donation to establish it and a permanent endowment to ensure its future.



David Aft

Designed by local architects Lowell and Nathan Kirkman, the park encompasses about 1.4 acres. The design plan includes a change in the topography to include earthen berms; specifically two seating berms and a sound berm. The sound berm will act to “roll” the sound back to the sloped lawn seating area – this should provide for some great performance sound.

The main performance site, *The Showalter Stage*, will accommodate large dance productions, while the smaller performance areas will enable local musicians and other artists to perform. David addressed the *economic driver* potential of the venue and noted the park is within walking distance of 25 restaurants and downtown shopping. The Showalter Stage is named in recognition of Anthony Johnson Showalter. Showalter is perhaps best known for writing the music and chorus of “*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*” published in 1887.

JEANNEFEST 2017 was a free concert drawing 600 folks with dogs and children in tow — it forecasts the popularity of the **2018 Summer Concert Series** that is planned post construction. The Dalton Downtown Development Association will manage the property and booking. All interested in learning more are encouraged to visit www.communityfoundationnwga.org

President Bruce closed the meeting by thanking Past President David for the excellent program.

Announcements

April Schneller thanked the club on behalf of her daughters (Kelsey and Meghan Schneller) for the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) camp scholarships. Her daughters wished to tell our club, “We had a blast! Thank you!” The Schnellers were RYLA camp scholarship recipients.

A Family of Rotary event will be held at the DGCC on Tuesday, June 20th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in place of the regular lunchtime meeting. This “drop-in” membership event is the perfect opportunity to bring a friend or colleague that you feel would make an excellent Rotarian. Contact President-elect Kevin Brunson for more information.

Former **Georgia Rotary Student Program** (GRSP) students Isabel Vinterbladh and Kathrin Hennie received a warm Dalton homecoming after extremely long flights. Isabel traveled from Sweden and Kathrin from Germany.

Club Officers:

- Bruce Satterfield**
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- Kevin Brunson**
President-Elect
- Frank M. Hogshead**
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- Jason Parker**
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- Phil Woodward**
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- Scott Minter**
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- Archana Srivastava**
International Service Chair
- Greg Dent**
Foundation Chair

June 13th Birthdays and Anniversaries

<u>Member Birthdays</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Sanders, Drayton M II (DRAYTON)	13-Jun
Bledsoe, Jonathan L. (JONATHAN)	14-Jun

<u>Partner Birthdays</u>	<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Little, Billie	Little, William Norris Sr.	13-Jun

<u>Member Anniversaries</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Years</u>
No member anniversaries this period.		

<u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>	<u>Partner's Name</u>	<u>Anniversary</u>	<u>Years</u>
McClure, Douglas E (DOUGLAS)	Storm	14-Jun	14
McDonald, David L (DAVID)	Frances	15-Jun	48
Scott, William M. (WILL)	Catherine	16-Jun	5
Dobbins, Chuck (CHUCK)	Donna	16-Jun	44
Didier, John M. (JOHN)	Cathy	19-Jun	35

