



Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

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This Week:

June 14
Dr. Margaret Venable
*DSC - State of the
College*

Upcoming Meetings:

June 21
Rob Bradham
*John Trent - Georgia
Ports Authority*

June 28
Jason Parker
Passing Gavel

July 5
**No Meeting / DGCC
Closed**

July 12
Bruce Satterfield
Rotary Year 2016-2017

July 19
Linda Blackman

July 26
Patty Mooney

August 2
Seth Cole

August 9
**No Meeting / Joint
Meeting with Kiwanis
on August 8th**
*Ronnie McClurg / High
School Football Preview*

August 16
Bruce Satterfield
District Governor Visit

Haig Mill Reservoir to Add Recreational Activities

By: Kathryn Sellers



A City of Dalton partnership between Dalton Utilities and Dalton Parks and Recreation Department is diligently working toward a large project at the Haig Mill Reservoir. Five plus years ago, Mayor Pennington had a vision to provide recreational uses for this reservoir. In 2015, the voters past the SPLOST that contained 7.2 million dollars for modifications to Brookwood and to Lakeshore Parks and to develop Haig Mill Park around the reservoir.

The lake was constructed in 1993-1995 and stores 750 million gallons of water for Dalton. It is a 124-acre lake and is a deposit for 10 square miles of drainage. Because it this is part of the storage system for Dalton's water supply, requirements from environmental agencies have control over what happens in and around the lake.

Ty Ross introduced Leslie Rush of Dalton Utilities and Steve Card of Dalton Parks and Recreation as "two of the finest civil servants in the community." Mr. Rush described the lake behind the lower Haig Mill dam as a Class I with a normal pool of 26' and a dam height of 55'. Because it is a raw water supply and it is a pool for less than 100 miles of drainage, there have been no recreation activities in the past. In 2005 the utility was required to renew their reservoir management plan permit so they are working with Georgia EPD for Environment planning to try to modify the allowable uses. All the requirements have to do with what would affect water quality, safety and security. Dalton is requesting approval for fishing, hiking, non-motorized boating, a playground and educational facilities. This plan would not allow non-native plants, fires, clearing foliage or trees, humans in the water, hunting or any pet/animal use.

Mr. Card said that the City had incredible vision to plan this project. The project will certainly benefit the quality of life in Dalton to help to recruit and retain young professionals. Planned for the focused area on a point off Old Haig Mill Road are a lodge or large pavilion that will have a 280 degree view of the lake that could be rented for various events like a wedding, a 5K trail with the possibility of adding another 1 1/2 miles of trails, fishing piers, and educational spaces for environmental education. There would be boat rentals, restrooms, a playground and other activities, sand volleyball and outdoor classrooms. The main entrance will be off both Old Haig Mill Road and Haig Mill Road. It is hoped that Dalton State College and the public schools could utilize the property for cross county training and events and well as a rowing team plus its ideal educational opportunities.

Maintenance will be added to the responsibilities and budget of Dalton Parks and Recreation department.

As a Tier 2 SPLOST project the money must be in hand for this project so the planning is going on while the money is being accumulated. The original plan was to have it shovel ready by the end of 2016, but the permitting time table is difficult to estimate as the EPD has the protection for safety and security its topmost focus.

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Bledsoe, Jonathan L. (JONATHAN)
Ross, Tyson J (TY)

Birthday

14-Jun
18-Jun

Partner Birthdays

No Partner birthdays this period.

Member Name

Birthday

Member Anniversaries

Bledsoe, Jonathan L. (JONATHAN)

Start Date

6/20/2006

Years

10

Wedding Anniversaries

McDonald, David L (DAVID)
Scott, William M. (WILL)
Dobbins, Chuck (CHUCK)
Didier, John M. (JOHN)

Partner's Name

Frances
Catherine
Donna
Cathy

Anniversary

15-Jun
16-Jun
16-Jun
19-Jun

Years

47
4
43
34

