



Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

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This Week:

June 30
David Aft
Passing of the Gavel

Upcoming Meetings:

Club Officers:

David Aft
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Northwest Georgia Healthcare Partnership The Next 20 Years

By: John Hutcheson



Rotarian Skeeter Pierce introduced Rotarian Greg Dent, Executive Director of the Northwest Georgia Healthcare Partnership, and Esther Familia-Cabrera, Director of the Partnership's Community Health Workers/Promotoras. Greg began with an overview of the agency's history and mission. Founded in 1992, it serves Whitfield, Murray, and Gordon Counties with 11 full-time employees and a budget of \$600,000, seeking "to improve community health by identifying sustainable solutions to significant health issues via innovation, benchmarking, and application of best practices." Since studies have shown that 51% of the factors influencing individuals' health status arise from personal lifestyles, the Partnership's four Vision Elements are built around healthy lifestyles, quality of life/end of life, disease management, and access to healthcare. In each of these areas value is created and measured clinically, socially, and financially.



Esther described how the Partnership works to bridge cultural differences within the community, using trained healthcare workers who emphasize preventive healthcare, often in response to referrals or requests from schools, businesses, and industries. Greg continued by summarizing how the Partnership's primary focus has evolved from indigent care to a broader stress on disease management and is now moving toward analysis and

influence on public policy from the healthcare perspective. In the future it hopes to expand geographically by extending its work into Dade, Walker, Chattooga, Catoosa, Gilmer, and Fannin Counties, and functionally by becoming a respected voice for the un- and underserved, a research partner for academic institutions such as Dalton State, and a regional center for piloting healthcare solutions from the State and Federal governments. In addition, it can also serve as a fiscal agent for smaller nonprofits, an incubator for community projects, a contractor for industry providers and insurers, and a consultant for cultural competency and nonprofits.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Parker, Hoyt Jason (JASON)	4-Jul
Wright, William B. Jr. (WILLIAM)	5-Jul
Maney, Clifford E. (CLIFF)	6-Jul

Birthday

Partner Birthdays

Alderman, Alicia

Member Name

Alderman, Paul Wayne Jr.

Birthday

3-Jul

Member Anniversaries

<u>Member Anniversaries</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Years</u>
Burt, Amanda (AMANDA)	30-Jun-04	11
Johnson, Larry Alan (LARRY)	1-Jul-13	2
Mathis, Ginger Minor (GINGER)	1-Jul-13	2
Dent, Gregory J (GREG)	1-Jul-14	1
Baucom, Timothy Len (TIM)	1-Jul-12	3
Weaver, William B (BILL)	1-Jul-69	46
Thomas, Don R. (DON)	1-Jul-73	42
O'Neill, Michael Paul (MIKE)	1-Jul-10	5
Jones, J Sherwood III(SHERWOOD)	1-Jul-96	19
Peterfreund, Allen David (ALLEN)	1-Jul-13	2
Gilreath, Judy Ellen (JUDY)	1-Jul-13	2
Cole, Seth A (SETH)	1-Jul-14	1
Sponcler, Maurice M. Jr.(MAURICE)	1-Jul-80	35

Wedding Anniversaries

<u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>	<u>Partner's Name</u>	<u>Anniversary</u>	<u>Years</u>
O'Neill, Michael Paul (MIKE)	Lin	30-Jun	31
Blackman, Linda T (LINDA)	Bill	1-Jul	48
Sutherland, George W. (GEORGE)	Phyllis	1-Jul	48
Blackman, Bill M (BILL)	Linda	1-Jul	48
Johnson, Roy Glenn (ROY)	Pat	2-Jul	49
Harris, Kevin W (KEVIN)	Lezlie	3-Jul	33
Brooker, Robert H. (ROBERT)	Janet	5-Jul	45
Parrott, V DeForrest III(DEFORREST)	Eugenia	6-Jul	57

Four Way Test

