



# Rotary Club of Dalton Newsletter

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## This Week:

October 14

Kevin Brunson - *Director Program - Vocational Services Awards*

## Upcoming Meetings:

October 21

Jason Parker  
*Rotary R&R*

October 28

Don Cope  
*Georgia Public Service Commissioner - Tim Echols*

November 4

Tom Bundros  
*"Heart Awareness" - Shelley Armstrong & Terran Anderson*

November 11

John Minor  
*Looper Speech & Hearing - Kathie Edwards*

November 18

Director Program  
*"Operation Smile" - Trisha Spivey*

November 25

Ralph Smith

## Welcome New Members

Beth Royalty, the new priest at St. Mark Episcopal, sponsored by John Hutcheson, was inducted as a new member.



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## Proposed Constitutional Amendments on the November Ballot

By: Kathryn Sellers



David Elrod explained what a yes vote will mean to Dalton State College (DSC). When DSC was envisioned in 1963, it was announced that Dalton had won the latest college over the competition, Cartersville and Rome, but there were two conditions: We must 1. Provide the property and 2. Pay to build the college. With Truett Lomax's leadership, the property was identified before I 75 was there, and the four owners were persuaded to gift the property. A May 1965 there was a referendum on the ballot to issue bonds to build the five buildings of the college for \$1.8 million. This passed with 98% of the vote!

In 2005, the Foundation bought the Wood Valley apartments and the eleven acres, negotiated for \$3.7 million. (Sometime in the late 60s this undeveloped property was offered to the college for \$30,000. The college could not afford that at the time.) In 2009 this property was leased to the Board of Regents for student housing. Now there are 292 students living in this 40-year old property. The college foundation wants this property to be used for student housing, built by a private developer. The plan is to use the three

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acres that are closest to the campus for the housing and the apartments on the remaining acres will be torn down. In the interim, other apartments nearby will be utilized.

On this and eight other campuses in Georgia, there is a desire for private development for student housing. This bill would continue the university system's tax exemption for any private development on college campuses. This development would be at the developer's own expense and leased to the college for housing. The college would market the housing to the students. This is only the second time the voters have had a say in this college that has touched 100,000 lives over the 50 years. This bill needs a YES vote.

Brian Anderson spoke about the leadership in Dalton that has always had a culture of getting things done. The redevelopment bill on the ballot is another tool for the economic development leaders to be able to get things done that they haven't been able to do. It will create an agency – a group of people who will make the decisions concerning districts to redevelop. They will plan and develop the properties that may be from one piece to many blocks square. The developer will finance it himself, assuming all risks. As the improved and appreciated land becomes more valuable is it then taxable. It is essentially a reimbursement plan for the City.

Brian summarized by saying "vote YES" on every ballot issue. People in incorporated cities will have to vote twice – in their city and in the county. Vote YES, twice! The other ballot issue is to prohibit an increase in state income taxes. Vote YES.



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## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Member Birthdays

Ward, Barbara K. (BARBARA)  
Stone, Sandra S. (SANDRA)  
Rich, Michael Bart (BART)

### Birthday

16-Oct  
16-Oct  
19-Oct

### Partner Birthdays

Ryman, Mary  
O'Neill, Lin  
Bowling, Becky

### Member Name

Ryman, Milton J. Jr.  
O'Neill, Michael Paul  
Bowling, John

### Birthday

17-Oct  
19-Oct  
20-Oct

### Member Anniversaries

Winter, Larry E. (LARRY)

### Start Date

18-Oct-05

### Years

9

### Wedding Anniversaries

Wright, William B. Jr.(WILLIAM)  
Mathis, Ginger Minor (GINGER)

### Partner's Name

Betty  
Thomas (TOM)

### Anniversary

14-Oct  
20-Oct

### Years

56  
8

