

# THE ROTOBORO

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## THE STATESBORO ROTARY CLUB

### Wes Harris — An Update on Bulloch County Agriculture

Rotarian Steve Healy introduced Wes Harris, County Coordinator, Bulloch County Ag Extension.

“This has been another rollercoaster year,” Wes said. He told the club that the continuing drought, record low temperatures in the spring, and some unusually heavy rain at other times in the growing season have combined to help some of our crops and to diminish the yield of others.

“The spring freeze hurt our wheat and peanut crops,” he noted. “In addition, a very dry



*Steve Healy and Wes Harris*

### *Crops Dusted In*

planting season forced farmers to practice ‘dusting in.’” [Ed Note: *The practice of planting seeds in dry soil is sometimes called, dusting in, it is generally considered to be an inferior way of starting crops*]

Wes was happy to report that our regional drought eased somewhat during the summer and this rescued the yield for some crops.

“The greatest challenges facing local farm-

ers,” Wes said, “are rising costs for: fertilizer, seed, chemicals and energy.” Wes said that rural communities need to encourage our representatives to support proposed enhancements to the Farm Bill which will provide more relief for those in the agricultural industry as well as promoting more fresh fruit and vegetables in our schools, and encourage work on energy alternatives from renewable sources. “With any luck,” Wes said, “the new bill will pass by Easter.”

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#### Upcoming Programs

- December 3 — Tim Chapman, Averitt Center/Emma's Holiday Follies (arranged by Hoke Brunson)
- December 10 — Fellowship Night, Gateway Pond House, Starts at 6:30, Dinner at 7:00.

### Greeters for Monday, December 3, 2007

**Jim Anderson**

**Mike Anderson**

**Ralph Andrews**

**Hank Arnold**

### Rotary Club Guests

Guest	Rotarian	Association
Donna Jones	Guest of the Club	Pianist
Ben Thompson	Dawn Cartee	OT VP Econ. Dev
Michelle Pittman	Club	GSU, Dir. Major Gifts
Oliver Cesar	Jocelin Cesar	Son
David Gardner	Tom Clark	Visitor from England
Trey Robertson	Todd Williford	Mill Creek Elem, Principal

#### Rotary Quote

"A politician is a man who thinks of the next election; while the statesman thinks of the next generation."

~James Freeman Clarke

### Members Absent November 26, 2007

Andy Aldred

Joe Mathews

Gregg Todd

James Austin

Bill Mathis

Fred Whitt

Keith Barber

Joey Maxwell

Lynda Williamson

John Barton

Bill Moore

**Total = 29**

Bob Bigley

Ricky Nessmith

Brad Blackmon

Sandy Newell

Buck Brown

Bob Olliff

Anthony Chappell

Hudson Powell

Joe Griffin

Philip Rehberg

Patrick Hopkins

Russ Rozelle

Russell Keen

John Rule

Whit Lord

James Stephens

Harry Mathews

Danny Taulbee

#### Rotary Word

"lagniappe"  
(LAN-yap) noun  
— An unexpected benefit, especially a small gift a customer receives with a purchase.

## Makeup Policy

**Online:** Missed meetings can be made up online. Just go to [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) and follow the directions. Please note that members can make up a maximum of four missed meetings online in any given year.

You can also do a make up by attending a meeting of the club's directors. The next directors' meeting is: Wednesday, December 19, noon, First Southern National Bank.

**In Person:** If you miss a meeting, you can make up at one of these nearby Rotary Clubs.

Day	Location
Monday	Savannah, 12:30 p.m., Desoto Hilton Swainsboro, 12:00 p.m., Catered Creations
Tuesday	Metter, 12:05 p.m., Western Steer Restaurant Savannah South, 12:30, Carey Hilliard's Restaurant on Abercorn Extension
Wednesday	Claxton, 12:00 p.m., Veteran's Center, Hwy. 280 W. Millen, 12:00 p.m., Community House Savannah West, 12:30 p.m., Regency Hyatt
Thursday	Sylvania, 12:30 p.m., R&D's Restaurant Downtown Statesboro, 7:15 a.m., R.J.'s Steakhouse
Friday	Savannah East, 12:30 p.m., Desoto Hilton

## Rotary Links

Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

Rotary District 6920: [www.rotarydistrict6920.net](http://www.rotarydistrict6920.net)

Statesboro Rotary Club: [www.statesbororotary.org](http://www.statesbororotary.org)

## The Four Way Test



1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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## Back Page — Announcements

**STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS** - Oslo, Norway, (The Georgia Rotary Student Program)

**Deadline: December 14**

*“Again this year the Norwegian Rotary Advisory Board has decided to invite three (3) young Georgia students to study in Norway next summer. We ask that your club select a candidate(s) for this award. The final selection will be made by a committee of Trustees in each District.”*

For more details see:

<http://www.statesbororotary.org/Announcements.html>

**A HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA** - Recognize a special someone (spouse, parent, grandchild, etc.) as a Paul Harris Fellow this holiday season. For more information, please contact Bill Bolen, Chair, Rotary Foundation/Paul Harris Committee, [wbolem@frontiernet.net](mailto:wbolem@frontiernet.net).