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ROBERT WATTS

Interim President, Georgia Perimeter College

"IS COLLEGE WORTH IT?"

ob Watts, who previously served as interim president of Georgia Perimeter College (GPC) from 2005-2006, began his second stint as interim president on May 14, 2012. GPC serves 27,000 students in metropolitan Atlanta on four campuses in Clarkston, Decatur, Dunwoody and Newton, and at a center in Alpharetta. The College, which is approved by the Board of Regents to offer limited baccalaureate degrees, is the largest associate degree-granting institution in the USG.

Prior to coming to GPC, Watts was serving as interim president of Georgia Highlands College. He has an extensive career in the University System. He was chief operating officer for the USG since 2006. He has served as a senior policy advisor to the chancellor as well as the interim director of the Gwinnett University Center and was the interim president at Middle Georgia College.

He first joined Georgia Perimeter (then known as DeKalb College) in 1986, and served as director of Institutional Research and Planning and executive vice president for Fiscal Affairs. Previously Watts served as a budget analyst for the Legislative Budget Office of the Georgia General Assembly and as a Humanities Scholar in Residence for the General Assembly.

Watts earned both a bachelor's and master's degree from Florida State University, in Tallahassee. He also holds a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University's Bologna Center, in Bologna, Italy.

Introduction – John O'Kane **Invocation** – Susan Prutzman

MAY 7, 2013 LAW DAY

ATTORNEY GENERAL SAM OLENS State of Georgia

am Olens was sworn in as Georgia Attorney General on January 10, 2011. He was Chairman of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners from August 2002 through March 2010. Previously he served as Cobb County District 3 Commissioner, Chairman of the Atlanta Regional Commission, Vice-Chair of the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District, appointed by Governor Perdue to represent the 6th District on Georgia's Department of Community Affairs Board, and a member of Ezor & Olens, P.C.

Olens also serves on the boards of various non-profit organizations, including the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta. He is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the 2008 Tom Bradley Leadership Award by the National Association of Regional Councils and the 2007 "Excellence in Public Service Award" by the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute. For the past six years, Georgia Trend magazine has listed Olens as one of the "100 Most Influential Georgians."

Olens graduated from the Emory University School of Law. He is a registered mediator/arbitrator has been admitted to the Georgia and U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit; the United States Supreme Court; and the District of Columbia. He and his wife Lisa have two children, Lauren and Jonathan.

Introduction – Bill Jones Invocation – Kirk Dornbush

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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INTERCLUBS

Monday, April 29, Druid Hills, 12:00 noon at Petite Auberge Restaurant. Jack McFarland, akjcmcf@bellsouth.net Tuesday, May 7, Peachtree, 7:30 am at Landmark Diner, 3652 Roswell Road. Bob Wiggins, 404-522-1701. Friday, May 17, Northside, 12:15 pm at First Presbyterian Church. Mike Halpin, 678-686-0360 or mhalpin@pba.org.

Do you play the Piano??? If so, we are looking for a couple of back up pianists to play when John Hemby is out of town. Please contact office@kiwanisatlanta.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

A couple of club outings are coming up!!! A Trip to Camp Kiwanis on Friday, May 10th and then Zoo Atlanta on Saturday May 11th! Contact office@kiwanisatlanta.org for more info!

Orders for Parking Permits for July – December are \$37.50 and now being taken. Sign up May 21 or 28, or email office@kiwanisatlanta.org

If you want more information on obtaining Andrew Nagorski's book (our April 2 speaker), Hitlerland: American Eyewitnesses to the Nazi Rise to Power (Simon & Schuster), you can order