

January 10, 2008

**Rotary Programs**

**This Week** - Teresa Conner - Hospice of the Oconee  
**Rotarian of the Day** - Gene Trammell  
**Last Meeting** - Dan Ryder, our GSRP student from Wales  
**Rotarian of the Day** - Rich Kisida

**Last Meeting**

**Dan Ryder, GSRP student from Wales**  
**Guest speaker, January 3 meeting**



Dan Ryder our Rotary International Student from Wales gave a presentation on his native country of Wales.

**Visiting Rotarians**

None

**Guests**

Dan Ryder.....Club  
Andrew Neely ..... Bill Neely  
Jamie Saturley ..... Jim Saturley  
Sharon Seymour.....Faye Gilbert  
Ruqaiyah Farrar ..... William Black

**Absentees**

Anderson, Barlow, P. Brown, Carlton, Cooper, Cox, Dean, Gandy, Geeter, Gheesling, Grant, Hattaway Sr., Kennedy, Kirkwood, Kisida, Leavitt, Marcott, Matthews, McAfee, McRee, Miller, Mullis, Murphey Jr., Murphey Sr., Oliver, Peters, Purvis, Reese, Settle, Thornton, Tyson, Van Horn, Watson, Williams, Zarkowsky

**Makeups**

Renee Fontenet ..... Grey  
Wes Owens..New Windsor and Cornwall (2)  
Jim Mills..... Tennille



**Rich Bertoli CART Fund:**  
**\$37.55 - TOTAL: \$833.67**

**50/50 Club - 50/50 Club -**  
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Mark Scott had the winning ticket. He was unsuccessful in his draw.  
44 Cards Left **Pot: \$197.00**



**Mark your calendar now for the**  
**District 6920 Conference**  
**in Macon April 18-20, 2008.**

**Watch for further**  
**information online at**  
**rotarydistrict6920.net.**

**Refer a Colleague to Rotary**

Do you know a friend, family member, or colleague from your business or profession in another locality who has all the qualities of a good Rotarian? Rotarians are adults of good character and good business or professional reputation, who hold or have held an executive position with discretionary authority in any worthy and recognized business or profession. If you are an active member of a Rotary club in good standing and know someone suited to Rotary, then consider referring them for membership.

Once you have identified a qualified candidate, complete and submit an online form at [www.rotary.org/membership/prospective/referal.html](http://www.rotary.org/membership/prospective/referal.html). The information you provide will be forwarded to a Rotary club in the candidate's locality. You can also download the form, print it out to be completed by hand, and fax it to RI headquarters at 1-847-866-9446. *Please be advised this form cannot be used to refer a person to your own club. Please see the club secretary for your club's recruitment protocol.*

**Upcoming Programs**

**Next Week - January 24**  
Dr. Tom Adams UGA Bio-fuels from Pine trees  
**Rotarian of the Day - Quay Fuller**

**MEMBER PROFILE**  
**Robbie McNeill**



Robbie McNeill was born and grew up in Florence, South Carolina. He attended South Florence High School and Francis Marion University, graduating with a degree in

Sociology and a commission in the United States Army. He was sent to Ft Benning, Georgia, to complete the Infantry Officer Basic Course and Airborne School. Upon completion of training, he married Carrie Stamey of Florence, South Carolina. They started their new life together by driving across county to Ft Lewis, Washington, his first assignment, where he served as an infantry platoon leader in the 9th Division. They have been married 21 years and have three children.

After a military career that saw Robbie serving as platoon leader, company executive officer and company commander he left the military to pursue a banking career. During the next 17 years Robbie worked for three different banks living in Beaufort, Greenville, and Florence South Carolina. In 2006 Robbie and his family moved to Milledgeville to work for BB&T. Robbie and Carrie have three children: Bryant, 20 - US Army Ranger 1/75th ranger battalion stationed at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah; Caitlin, 17 - Junior at Baldwin High School where she is a varsity tennis and softball player; and Luke, 2 - at home keeping his mom and dad young. Robbie is a Business Services Officer with BB&T. His responsibilities include delivering a myriad of business products to local businesses and servicing the bank's loan portfolio. Robbie is very active at Sinclair Baptist Church. He enjoys long distance running and bow hunting.

Prior to joining the Milledgeville Rotary Club, Robbie was a member of the Florence West Rotary club in Florence, South Carolina, for 10 years. Robbie feels that Rotary is a top notch organization and shows the best side of humanity.

**Definition of Rotary**

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide, who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are approximately 1.2 million Rotarians, members of 31,936 Rotary clubs in 166 countries.

Rotary is not a political organization, but all Rotarians are vitally concerned with everything pertaining to good citizenship and the election of good men and women to public office.

Rotary is not a charitable organization, yet its activities exemplify the charity and the sacrifices that one should expect from people who believe that they have a responsibility to help others.

Rotary is not a religious organization, but it is built on those eternal principles that have served as the moral compass for people throughout the ages.

**Object of Rotary**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise through the development of acquaintance as the opportunity for service, the promotion of high ethical standards in business and professions, through service in one's personal, business, and community life, and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace.

**RI Mission Statement**

The mission of Rotary International is to support its member clubs in fulfilling the Object of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration.

**ONGOING MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES**

(1) Earn a make-up for sponsoring a new member. (2) Earn a make-up by volunteering at a local school. (3) Earn a make-up for visiting another Rotary Club. (4) Earn one make-up per quarter by visiting the e-club at [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) and taking the "test!" Print the receipt and give it to the Club Secretary (Halsey Leavitt).

**International News**

**Foundation looks to the future with new goals**

Enhancing Rotary's public image and asking clubs and districts to partner more with The Rotary Foundation are just two of the new 2008-09 Foundation goals.

Foundation Trustee Chair-elect Jonathan Majjiyagbe asked the more than 530 district governors-elect attending the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, to accept the duty of achieving the goals and to Make Dreams Real .

The 2008-09 Foundation goals are:

1. Keep our promise to eradicate polio.
2. Embrace the two pillars of support for The Rotary Foundation: the Annual Programs Fund through Every Rotarian, Every Year and the Permanent Fund .
3. Participate in Your Foundation/Our Foundation, a "lend a hand" program for sharing funds from club and district foundations to permanently establish the Rotary World Peace Fellows program and support global polio eradication.
4. Enhance Rotary's public image .
5. Support the Future Vision Plan of The Rotary Foundation.

The first two items are similar to the 2007-08 goals of eradicating polio and ensuring contributions to the Foundation. The last three, however, are new.

If Rotarians work together toward the third goal of supporting Your Foundation/Our Foundation, Majjiyagbe

believes the Foundation can both permanently endow the Rotary World Peace Fellowships program and help eradicate polio.

"Many Rotary clubs and districts have their own endowment funds or foundations, some of which have greater funds than our Rotary Foundation," he said. "In the past, The Rotary Foundation has sometimes viewed these entities as competitors for Rotarian contributions, but I would like to change that perspective. I would like to see our relationship move from that of competitors to partners."

The Foundation can accomplish much more if club and district foundations contribute at least 10 percent of their funds to the polio eradication effort and the peace fellowships program, said Majjiyagbe. He also urged Rotarians to use their affinity credit cards , which have raised US\$5.5 million for the Foundation since the program's inception in 2000.

With so much to accomplish, now is the ideal time to work on the fourth goal of enhancing Rotary's public image, a task that must be carried out at the grassroots level. "Better public acknowledgement will help us attract new members to our Rotary clubs, and it will help us attract new donors to our Foundation," he said.

The last goal of supporting the Future Vision Plan will help keep the Foundation viable, make it more efficient, and "meet the needs of the ages," said Majjiyagbe.

**ROTARY WEBSITES**

Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)  
District 6920: [www.rotarydistrict6920.net](http://www.rotarydistrict6920.net)  
Milledgeville Club: [www.milledgeville Rotary.org](http://www.milledgeville Rotary.org)