



MILLEDGEVILLE ROTARY - JANUARY 21, 2010



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Kenyon Thweat
Clean Air Campaign
Rotarian of the Day
Ed Weimer

JAN. 14 PROGRAM



**Nancy Mills and
President Ferguson**

Nancy Mills of the American Cancer Society visited the club last week and introduced the Society's Cancer Prevention Study - 3 (CPS-3), which is a survey performed over time through individual volunteers' health screenings in order to better understand causes and preventions of cancer. Enrollment for the CPS-3 will be held at the Relay For Life of Baldwin County, April 30.



**Sandy Baxter received her Blue
Badge at last week's meeting.**

VISITING ROTARIANS

None

GUESTS

Pat McMahon Arthur Gunn
Pat Hall Ed Hall

ABSENTEES

Black, P.Brown, S. Brown, Buice, Cooper, Cox, Davidson, Dean 2, Drinkwater, Dyer, Eberhardt, Ennis, Fain, Jones, Johnson, Mullis, Murphey Jr. 2, Parker, Pope, M. Roberts, S. Roberts, Stephens, Weimer, Zarkowsky

MAKE-UPS

Johnson Clean up
Weimer Board Meeting
Dahanayake eClub
S. Brown. eClub
Hattaway. eClub

RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

\$8⁴ TOTAL: \$2,490⁰¹

50/50 CLUB
26 Cards Left
Pot: \$688⁰⁰

Upcoming Programs

Jan. 28 - DuBose Porter
State Representative
Feb. 4
Jean Aycock - ORMC
Feb. 11
Classification Talks
Feb. 25 - Rotary
High School Speech Contest
March 11
Greg Kaufman
Public Achievement program

DISTRICT 6920 RAFFLE

There will be no more "Challenge" at each meeting to sell tickets as was done at the end of last year. However, we still have tickets to sell for the District by the end of March so we still need help. You are urged to buy tickets for our club, which you can keep for yourself or sell to someone else! See Laura Thompson for tickets...1 for \$25 or 5 for \$100.

Don't forget that these Raffle proceeds are available on a matching basis for Rotarians who want to make a contribution toward a Paul Harris Fellow or a Will Watt Fellow. As an example, if a Rotarian has contributed \$500 toward a Paul Harris Fellow and will make an additional \$250 contribution, they will match the contribution with \$250 from the raffle proceeds — the Rotarian becomes a Paul Harris Fellow and the club gets the credit for the full \$500 contribution!

CLUB BLOG

Check out our Rotary blog for past meeting information at <http://milledgeville Rotary.wordpress.com>.

January is Rotary Awareness Month

January is Rotary Awareness Month — a time to learn more about our organization, and a time to focus on our public image. Raising awareness of Rotary is an important part of the RI Strategic Plan: The more Rotary is known for its good work, the more good work Rotary will be able to do.

As Past RI President Robert Barth of Switzerland said, "We believe that the Rotary pin on our lapel sends a message. It says, 'You can rely on me. I am dependable, I am reliable, I give more than I take. I am available.'"

Because of The Rotary Foundation, people around the world know that they can depend on Rotary in their time of need. It is the Foundation that allows Rotarians to say yes to calls for help, when otherwise we might be forced to say, "There is nothing we can do."

As Rotarians, you are here because you believe in Service Above Self. And as Rotarians, you know that through Rotary, you can have an impact beyond what you could ever hope to have as individuals. One person, no matter how great the talents and resources, is limited. Working alone, there is only so much that can be done. But when we work together, when we pool our resources with those of 1.2 million other Rotarians around the world — and with the resources of our Rotary Foundation — we can make a difference that will be remembered for generations. It is up to all of us.

Glenn E. Estess Sr.
Foundation Trustee Chair

RELOCATED VETERANS PROJECT

Let's not forget about the veterans project that needs items for these veterans displaced from their homes. Please contact Gerry Adkins or Jason Miller for item donations or further information.



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS **Afghanistan first to use new polio vaccine**

A new oral polio vaccine, developed to stop the transmission of the type 1 and type 3 wild polioviruses simultaneously, made its world debut during 15-17 December Subnational Immunization Days in Afghanistan.

An estimated 2.8 million children



A health worker administers the new bivalent oral polio vaccine to a child in Jalalabad, Afghanistan.

received the vaccine during the campaign, which was funded by the Canadian government.

According to the World Health Organization, the bivalent vaccine is also intended for introduction in India and Nigeria by late January and is expected to be a critical new tool in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Of the three wild polioviruses, known as types 1, 2, and 3, type 2 hasn't been seen anywhere in the world since 1999. This achievement led to the development of monovalent vaccines, which provide more effective protection against a single type than the traditional trivalent vaccine. In a clinical field

trial completed in June, the newly developed bivalent vaccine proved to be at least 30 percent more effective than the trivalent vaccine and almost as good as the monovalent vaccines.

As of 22 December, Afghanistan reported 31 polio cases in 2009, 28 of which occurred in the southern region. Families there are frequently on the move because of the changing security situation, limiting health workers' access to children. The bivalent vaccine simplifies the logistics of optimally protecting each child.

"The new vaccine will allow us to save time and energy and reach, eventually, many more children,"

said Sheila Noor, one of 21,000 health workers deployed by the Afghan Ministry of Health. "We explain to every mother that this time a new vaccine is used that will protect their children even better. They appreciate it."

One reason health workers encountered little resistance during the immunization campaign was the effectiveness of social mobilizers. Before the effort began, volunteers trained by WHO, UNICEF, and the health ministry visited homes and explained the importance of vaccination.

Another reason was the agreement of Taliban leaders to allow immunization in the areas they control.

Health workers who went house to house to vaccinate children carried letters from these leaders endorsing the campaign.

The ongoing effort to end polio in the country is staunchly supported by Rotary's Afghanistan PolioPlus Committee, chaired by Ajmal Pardis, a member of the Rotary Club of Jalalabad.

"Eighty-four percent of Afghans live in parts that are polio-free, and they are not being reinfected despite the vast movement [of people] we have in this country," said WHO spokesperson Peter Graaff. "We are doing quite well, even in areas that are either disputed or under control of insurgents."

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.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL 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) Sponsoring a new member. (2) Volunteering at a local school.

(3) Visiting another Rotary Club. (4) Earn one make-up per quarter by visiting the e-club at www.rotaryclubone.org and taking the "test." Print the receipt and give it to Club Secretary Halsey Leavitt. (5) Attend a Rotary Board meeting. (6) Attend monthly breakfast meeting.

ROTARY WEBSITES

Milledgeville Rotary: www.milledgeville Rotary.org District 6920: www.rotarydistrict6920.net Rotary International: www.rotary.org