



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Jim Thomas will bring us a message about Alliance for Integrity

Rotarian of the Day
Ed Hall

LAST MEETING, FEB. 12



Last week, Rotarians were treated to a tour of the new jail off of Highway 22. Thanks to Sheriff Masee and his staff for being so accommodating.



Larry Mullis having some deep thoughts about the inside workings of the jail.



Renee Fontenot doesn't look like her one free call is working out for her.

FEB. 5 PROGRAM



Craig Coleman, Justin Jones, and Laura Thompson, the club's newest members, gave their classification talks at the Feb. 5 meeting.



Also, old-timer Tommy Jefferson "re-gave" his classification talk as well. We are happy and blessed to have them all in the club!

FEB. 5 CLUB DATA

VISITING ROTARIANS

None

GUESTS

Sandy Baxter Renee Fontenot
Mark Archer Keith Barlow
Paba Amarakooa Ajantha Dahanayake

ABSENTEES

Adkins, Brooks, B. Brown, Cleveland, Cox, Davidson, Eberhardt, Gandy, Grant, Hattaway, Kennedy, Murphey, Parker, Peters, Pope, Prezioso, Sibilsky, Strom, Tyson, Williams, Yearwood

MAKE-UPS

Brooks, Cleveland, Strom

RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

\$19²⁶ TOTAL: \$1,946²⁴

50/50 CLUB

**46 Cards Left
Pot: \$160⁵⁰**

Upcoming Programs

We will meet offsite for our Feb. 26 Peace Day meeting. On March 5 our GRSP student, Oscar Antelmann, returns to talk about the 20th anniversary of fall of Berlin wall. And Jim Wolfgang will give us a Baldwin 20/20 update March 12.

Foundation Fact

Examples of Foundation Use of Contributions

- US\$100 helps provide for one elementary school in Zambia
- \$500 helps provide a small watch-repair business for six disabled workers in the Philippines
- \$5,000 helps provide enough vaccine to immunize 10,000 children against polio

ROTARY USA NEWS

N.C. Rotary to celebrate 104 years Feb. 23

By Arnold R. Grah, Rotary International News — 12 February 2009

District 7720 (North Carolina, USA) has big plans for celebrating Rotary's anniversary, 23 February, this year.

All 45 clubs in the district have committed to carrying out a service project, ranging from reading in schools to improving home accessibility for residents with disabilities, sometime between 20 and 28 February as a way to let their communities know about Rotary's good work.

"It's actually an idea from our assistant governors," says District Governor Vivian Mott. "We're calling it the District Days of Dreams. The projects were varied to cover all of this year's emphases, including child mortality.

"Many times, the service that happens in our communities comes from the Rotary club," she adds. "This is just another opportunity to be more explicit about it."

Every club and district is encouraged to use the anniversary of the first Rotary club meeting, designated as World Understanding and Peace Day, to share the story of Rotary's local and global contributions.

Alumni to address world's problems

By Jennifer Atkin, Rotary International News — 17 February 2009

"We must take the best minds in the world and help them become agents for global problem-solving," says Rischard, who will be the keynote speaker at the Rotary Alumni Celebration taking place 20 June in Birmingham, England.



Jean-François Rischard, author of *High Noon: 20 Global Problems, 20 Years to Solve Them*, will speak at the Rotary Alumni Celebration.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Building bridges to save lives

By Donna Polydoros, Rotary International News — 16 February 2009

The Nithi River used to claim as many as 50 lives each year near the Kenyan villages of Kajuki and Mutino.

But a Matching Grant project carried out by the Rotary clubs of Meru, Kenya, and Middleton, Greater Manchester, England, helped fund a bridge that allows villagers to cross the river safely, transforming the economies of the villages in the process.



Mutino villagers ford the Nithi River during the dry season to demonstrate the difficult conditions.

Before the bridge was constructed, Mutino villagers had to make a 30 mile roundtrip journey to cross the river at a safe point, making it difficult to reach Kajuki for supplies and medical services. Often in emergencies, villagers would try to ford the river, and many died as a result.

"Life was never the same again for these people," says Meru club president Julius Gatobu

Mwithimbu, reflecting on the results of the project. "People started traveling from far away just to come and feel the joy of walking over this river that had previously claimed the lives of their loved ones."

During the July opening ceremony for the bridge, Mwithimbu and John Brooker, district grants subcommittee chair, stood side by side, struggling to hold back emotion as they watched a group of Kenyan women helping a pregnant friend wade across the river. The women were demonstrating what their lives had been like before the bridge's opening.

"It hit home to me when they took the pregnant woman across how important [the bridge] is. During the rainy season, the river can rise 2 meters high or more," says Brooker.

Read the complete story online at www.rotary.org.

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