



# MILLEDGEVILLE ROTARY - MARCH 5, 2009



## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Oscar Antelmann, our GRSP student, will address the club on the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin wall.

**Rotarian of the Day**  
Fred VanHorn

## LAST WEEK, FEB. 19



The Rotary Club celebrated Peace Day this past Thursday in an open meeting in front of the courthouse. BG Stewart Rodeheaver, Deputy Commanding General, First U.S. Army, was our featured speaker and did an amazing job addressing the crowd. He, of course, spoke on how peace is a person-to-person business.



Keith Barlow introduced Mark Archer (left) to the club as the newest Rotary member.

Thanks to the Baldwin Band and ROTC for helping us celebrate this day. Also, our Rotary District Governor Kenan Kern was in attendance and spoke on Rotary's efforts for peace in the our communities, nation, and the world.



## FEB. 19 MEETING

### GUEST SPEAKER

Jim Thomas was the guest speaker for the Feb. 19 meeting. Mr. Thomas is a lawyer, public speaker, author, and writer and founded Alliance for Integrity, LLC. He spoke on the meaning of integrity and the importance of it in our everyday lives.



Jim Thomas with Rotarian Ed Weimer



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## VISITING ROTARIANS

None

### GUESTS

Geneva Braziel . . . . .Lyn Chandler  
Mark Archer . . . . .Keith Barlow

### ABSENTEES

Bacon, Black, P. Brown, Buice, Burke, Collins, Cox, Dahanayake, Davidson, Dennis, Dyer, Eberhardt, Fontenot, Fuller, Gandy, Gheesling, Grant, Jones, Kenyon, Kirkwood, Massey, McRee, Peters, Prezioso, Sibilsky III, Seymour, Stewart, Strickland, Tyson, Van Horn

### MAKE-UPS

None

## RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

\$23<sup>78</sup> TOTAL: \$1,970<sup>02</sup>

### 50/50 CLUB

45 Cards Left

Pot: \$186<sup>50</sup>

## FEB. 26 MEETING VISITING ROTARIANS

None

### GUESTS — None

### ABSENTEES

Archer, Aycock, Black, S. Brown, Burke, Clark, Cleveland, Collins, Cooper, Cox, Dahanayake, Davidson, Dyer, Eberhardt, Fuller, Gandy, Gheesling, Kirkwood, Matthews, McRee, Mullis, Neely, Noel, Peters, M. Roberts, S. Roberts, Sibilsky III, Tyson, Watson, Yearwood

### MAKE-UPS

Cleveland, Watson

## RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

None

### 50/50 CLUB

None

## LOCAL CLUB NEWS

Quay Fuller, Broker/Owner of RE/MAX® Central Realty and leader of The Quay Fuller Team, was inducted for her 8th consecutive year into the Middle Georgia Association of Realtors® 2008 Circle of Excellence during the association's luncheon Feb. 18. She was the highest grossing Realtor® to be inducted into the program, having sold over \$5 million in real estate. Today while we are meeting she is attending the RE/MAX® International convention in Las Vegas where she is receiving 2 more sales commission awards: The 100% Club Award and the RE/MAX® Hall of Fame Award. Congratulations on your accomplishments, Quay!

## Foundation Fact

### Ferst Foundation for Childhood Literacy Event

Robin H. Ferst, Founder, and the Ferst Foundation Board of Directors invite you to attend an historic

### CELEBRATION

of the partnership between Rotary International, the Dollywood Foundation, and Ferst Foundation for Childhood Literacy.

**DATE:** Friday, March 6, 2009

**TIME:** 11:00 am - 12:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:**

AmericasMart  
Building 2, West Wing, 4th Floor  
235 Williams Street, N.W.  
Atlanta, GA 30303

## ROTARY USA NEWS

### Membership leaders discuss economic crisis

By Jennifer Lee Atkin, Rotary International News — 2 March 2009

Regional Rotary International membership coordinators (RRIMCs) discussed how to respond to the worldwide economic crisis when they met in Chicago for an annual training event in February.

The RRIMCs, who work with districts and clubs to improve membership recruitment and retention, also focused on ways to achieve diversity and increase retention rates.

Judi Beard-Strubing, an RRIMC from Zone 23 in the USA and a retired Wall Street financial adviser, noted that some Rotarians are resigning from their clubs as a result of job loss or economic difficulties.

During a discussion led by Beard-Strubing and John Gomes, a member of the RI Membership Development and Retention Committee and a former RRIMC from South Africa, participants suggested that Rotary clubs help struggling members pay their dues by establishing support programs, or even dipping into district funds to offset some of the cost. Other ideas included:

- Allowing club members to attend meetings without having to pay for a full meal
- Finding a less expensive venue for club meetings
- Surveying club members about why they value Rotary, and contacting members who have stopped attending meetings to find out why
- Offering a job networking service to unemployed club members, such as through a club or district web site

RRIMC James Ives from Michigan, USA, cautioned that steps should not be seen as lowering the value of Rotary.

José Ubiracy Silva, a Regional Rotary International Membership Coordinator from Brazil, shares his thoughts during an open discussion at the recent RRIMC Training Seminar.



Jamie Berg

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Foundation awards 30,000th Matching Grant

By Peter Schmidke, Rotary International News — 3 March 2009

More than 20 children in India with congenital heart defects will soon benefit from the 30,000th Matching Grant awarded by The Rotary Foundation.

The Foundation approved a grant of US\$15,000 in December for the project, a collaboration between the Rotary clubs of Cochin Midtown, Kerala, India, and Sandbach, Cheshire, England. The grant will help fund surgeries to correct heart irregularities in children between the ages of three months and 18 years in southern and northern India.

The clubs have each contributed \$5,000 toward the project. Their districts, 3201 (India) and 1050 (England), have both provided \$5,000 from their District Designated Fund, for a total of \$35,000.

The project is being coordinated through Gift of Life International, an organization supported by Rotary clubs worldwide. It's the latest development in the ongoing efforts of the Cochin Midtown club and District 3201 to provide open-heart surgeries to 105 children from indigent families by 2010, Rotary's 105th year.

During the past two years, clubs in District 3201 have organized four other Matching Grant projects for surgeries, and have independently funded several other surgeries as well.

Through the Matching Grants program, the Foundation provides a dollar-for-dollar match for every District Designated Fund contribution to a project, and a 50-cent match for every dollar of additional contributions.

Since 1965, the Foundation has matched contributions for international service projects in 199 countries at a cost of more than \$335 million. In 2007-08 alone, the Foundation approved \$43.8 million for 2,424 Matching Grant projects in 137 countries.



Rotary Images/Alyce Henson  
Children are all smiles at the Padre Francisco Da Motta school in Brazil, the recipient of a previous Rotary Foundation Matching Grant. In December, the Foundation approved the 30,000th Matching Grant for a project to correct heart irregularities in children in India.

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