



# MILLEDGEVILLE ROTARY - MAY 27, 2010



## TODAY'S PROGRAM

Chris Smith  
Honorary Consul of the  
Kingdom of Denmark

**Rotarian of the Day**  
**Arthur Gunn**

## MAY 20 PROGRAM

Amy Wright, Director of the Old Capital Museum, visited the club last week to speak about the wealth of historical artifacts of Milledgeville and Central Georgia exhibited within the Old Statehouse, located on the ground floor.



**Amy Wright and President Ferguson**

## VISITING ROTARIANS

None

## GUESTS

Cecil Parker . . . . . Ace Parker  
Andrew Weimer . . . . . Ed Weimer

## ABSENTEES

Aycock, Baxter 2, Buice 2,  
Dahanayake, Drinkwater, Dyer,  
Ennis, Grant, Harrison, Kenyon 3,  
McRee, S. Roberts, Strom,  
Watson, Williams

## MAKE-UPS

Watson . . . . . Morning Make-up

## RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

\$18<sup>00</sup> TOTAL: \$2,656<sup>21</sup>

**50/50 CLUB**  
**Pot: \$0**

**Jimmy Eubanks won the pot!**

## CLUB BLOG

Please check out the club's blog and FEEL FREE TO MAKE COMMENTS or use the site to find information about past meetings and view many photos of past events.  
<http://milledgeville Rotary.wordpress.com>

## 2009 MILLEDGEVILLE ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

### Baldwin High School

**Mr. Edward Hampton Pelton**  
3.45 GPA, 1460 SAT, 20 ACT

Hampton is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Mark Pelton

#### Honors and activities include:

Member of BHS Marching Band, Jazz Band, Symphonic Band, Beta Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Varsity Soccer and Wrestling. Active with Habitat for Humanity, Milledgeville Food Bank, Christmas for the Needy, Pumpkin Patch for Children, and was a Bible School volunteer at FUMC.

Hampton was a Joint Enrollment student at GCSU and he will attend GCSU next year.

### Georgia Military College Preparatory School

**Mr. Will Parker**  
3.56 GPA, 1440 SAT, 21 ACT

Will is the son of Ken Parker and Angie Harper

#### Honors and activities include:

National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, All-Baldwin County QB, Varsity Football, Basketball, Baseball, and Drill Team. Will actively participated in the many community service activities sponsored by the GMC Prep School.

Will was also a Dual Enrollment student at GMC Junior College and will attend Georgia Military College next year.

### John Milledge Academy

**Miss Candace Bevins**  
3.97 GPA, 1670 SAT, 23 ACT

Candace is the daughter of Mark and Renita Salter

#### Honors and activities include:

National Honor Society, Senior BETA Club, Honor Roll, Ranked #3 in her class at JMA, Varsity Cheerleader, and Anchor Club. Candace works at Little Caterpillars

Daycare Center and plans on being a nurse. Candace has also been a Dual Enrollment student at GCSU and will attend GCSU next year.



**Left photo, President Ferguson congratulates the scholarship recipients, left to right: Candace Bevins, Hampton Pelton and Will Parker. Right photo: the three students proudly display their awards.**

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June 3 — Ed Grisamore, Macon Telegraph

June 10 — Ed Shelor, GMC

June 17 — Transition Meeting

June 24 — Kathy Groseclose, Animal Rescue Foundation



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Giving Ugandan children a second chance

Mulambu Joshuah is not likely to forget his fifth birthday.

He spent the day recovering from heart surgery that will allow him to attend school again in his village outside of Kampala, Uganda.

Mulambu was 1 of 20 Ugandan children who received free heart surgeries through Gift of Life India. The program is among 65 throughout the world supported by Rotary clubs and established to arrange cardiac care for young children whose families cannot afford it.

The surgeries were funded by a US\$105,000 Rotary Foundation Matching Grant sponsored by the Rotary Club of Delhi Midwest and District 3010 (India), and all 17 districts in Korea.

The children, between the ages of 11 months and 12 years, arrived in New Delhi over a three-month period starting in January. Doctors at the Escorts Heart Institute and Research Centre and the

National Heart Institute performed surgeries to correct their congenital heart defects. Several of the children needed immediate attention.

"Many of them were overdue," says Dr. A.C. Peter, a member of the Rotary Club of Delhi East End and Gift of Life India national coordinator. "After surgery, all these patients can lead healthy and productive lives like any other child."

District 7250 (New York, USA) established Gift of Life India in 2002. Since its inception, the program has treated more than 500 children from India, Kenya, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Sudan, with support from Rotary clubs and Matching Grant funds.

It also receives help — including medical team coordination and prospective patient lists — from Gift of Life International, formed in 2003 to assist Gift of Life programs around the world.

### Making connections

January's Matching Grant project arose because of connections from a similar effort a year earlier, when the Indian program agreed to arrange two surgeries as part of Gift of Life International's Our Hearts Are in Uganda



**Twelve-year-old Atugonza Bevalin with her mother after surgery made possible by a Matching Grant Gift of Life India project. Also pictured are Dr. A.C. Peter (left), RI President-nominee Kalyan Banerjee (fourth from left) and his wife Binota, District Governor Ashish Ghosh (fourth from right), and Past RI Director Sushil Gupta (third from right).**

campaign. Sixty Ugandan children were treated in 13 countries.

Bret Halvorson, a member of the Rotary Club of Emerald City (Seattle), Washington, USA, and a native of Korea, escorted one of the children and her mother from the airport in Seoul to a local hospital. Wanting to help more Ugandan youth, Korean Past District Governor Sangkoo Yun and Youngsuk Yoon, then district governor-elect, suggested a follow-up project to Halvorson, a Gift of Life beneficiary himself.

The three met with Peter, Past RI Director Sushil Gupta, and Gift of Life International founder Robert Donno at the 2009 RI Convention in Birmingham, England, where they worked through details of the January Matching Grant project.

"Everything came together nicely," says Halvorson. "I'm just happy that I can be a part of that — to pay it for-

ward to these children who are in the same position that I was."

Korean Rotarians pooled District Designated Fund (DDF) allocations. Grace Agwaru, a member of the Rotary Club of Soroti Central, Uganda, and the first Gift of Life beneficiary, worked with fellow Ugandan Rotarians to identify candidates for the program and help their families understand the surgery and make travel arrangements. Delhi East End club members met the children at the airport and visited them almost daily in the hospital.

"Raising DDF from all 17 districts in Korea was a major task, but we had the pronounced leadership of Yoon from District 3650," says Yun, who stressed the role of the Rotary network in completing international service projects.

Gift of Life India also recently received a pledge of \$110,000 from Rotarians in Taiwan for future surgeries.

## 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)