

**July 17, 2008**

**District 6920 News  
Pooler Club Awards  
Paul Harris Fellowships**

At the June 27 meeting of The Rotary Club of Pooler, DGE Kenan Kern awarded three members with Paul Harris Fellowships. Members receiving the recognition were Wilson Roberts, Charles Archer and Frankie Fort. In addition, DGE Kern awarded David Skadeland with a Multiple Paul Harris Fellowship Award.

**Rotarians of the Year**

While only one person is chosen by the selection committee as the district's Rotarian of the Year, each club recognizes its own Rotarian of the Year. Jim Bruce, Webmaster and President of the St. Simons Island club, produces the monthly District 6920 newsletter and has asked club presidents to email him the name of their Rotarian of the Year in order to recognize them for their accomplishments and commitment to their respective clubs. He also encourages us to send him news and information about our club to him. His email address is web-master@rotarydistrict6920.net or on the Web site www.rotarydistrict6920.net.

The club Rotarians of the Year recognized to date are: Bill Quinn, Kings Bay; Jean Iaderosa, Savannah East; Jeff Kublin, Effingham County; Charles P. Olliff, Statesboro; Roland Berry, Wamer Robins; Boyd Yarley, Eastman; Louise Fortson, Waynesboro; Nancy White, Macon; Richard W. Collins, Savannah West; Michael Smith, Glynn County; Alfie Cofield, Claxton; Mick McCay, Savannah Sunrise; Danny Grace, McIntosh; Carl Thornton, Jr., Augusta West; Matt Turknett, Cochran; Jackie Wilson, Douglas; Vicky Betrosoff, Centerville; Carlos McNair, Ashburn; Ernie Cavallaro, Downtown Macon; Dick Marcott, Milledgeville; Michele Daughtery and Gail P. Green, Valdosta Sunrise; Wells Hood, Skidaway; Chris Roessler, Glennville, Troy Gay, Millen; and Frank Moye, Sandersville.

**UPCOMING  
DISTRICT 6920 EVENTS**

**August 15, 2008**  
Assistant Governor Meeting  
Southeastern Tech, Vidalia, GA

**August 16, 2008**  
Rotary Foundation &  
Membership Seminar  
Southeastern Tech, Vidalia, GA

**August 22, 2008**  
GRSP Conclave  
Americus, GA

**September 25, 2008**  
District Governor Kenan Kern  
to visit Milledgeville Rotary

**2008  
Conclave  
Americus, Georgia  
August 22-24, 2008**



Conclave events are planned at several locations throughout Americus. The atmosphere you experience on the plains of Southwest Georgia will inspire you throughout the weekend.

Lodging at the Historic Windsor Hotel offers spacious rooms and will be at the hub of activity for Saturday evening. Located in the heart of Downtown Americus, southern hospitality will surround you with shopping, eateries, and beautiful turn of the century architecture.

The Conclave begins with a Trustees meeting on Friday. Students first register at the Student Success Center on the campus of Georgia Southwestern State University (GSW). Here they will meet their host families for the weekend. All Rotarians are encouraged to join students on Friday evening for a "formal" welcome and buffet dinner catered at Convocation Hall (the Storm Dome) of GSW. As the name implies, excitement will be in the air.

Saturday meetings will be held in the conference rooms of the GSW Student Success Center. Student meetings cover a variety of topics such as local laws, customs, and courtesies. After lunch served on campus, students spend the afternoon assembling and rehearsing their entertainment for the evening. Students, host families, and Rotarians gather Saturday evening at Windsor Hotel Grand Dining Room for a meal that is sure to please all! After dinner, the show will begin at the historic Rylander Theatre, conveniently located two blocks from the Hotel. The highlight of the evening is uplifting entertainment by the students in their traditional/native dress.

Sunday morning, the students will meet their rides back home at 9:00 a.m. and begin the exciting year ahead as a GRSP student!

For more information and online registration visit www.milledgeville 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.

**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.

**International News**

**Taiwanese Rotary scholar's 'news' story**

Former Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar April Kuan is an accomplished news director in Los Angeles.

Sixteen years ago, Kuan left her job as a news anchor in Taiwan to earn a master's degree in the United States.

The decision to leave wasn't easy. Kuan had already finished her undergraduate degree and was working as an anchor and reporter at CTS, a major Chinese broadcasting company.

She had hoped to study at an East Coast or West Coast university. The Rotary Club of Taipei Po Ai, Taiwan, sponsored her to go to Ohio State University instead.

"I was a little disappointed at first," Kuan confesses. "But then I met my husband there."

Kuan spent a year with the Rotary Club of Dublin-Worthington, Ohio, sharing stories about the people and culture of Taiwan. Her professional success, good grades, and ability to reach out to other people made her a natural choice for an Ambassadorial Scholar.

After graduating with a master's in journalism and public relations, Kuan used the knowledge and skills she gained during her time in Ohio to land a job with LA 18 KSCI-TV, a leading Asian-language television station in Southern California.

Kuan quickly moved up the ranks to news director. She credits her decision to stay and pursue her career in the United States in part to the warmth and kindness shown her by her host family, Rotarian G. Courtney Chapman and his wife.

LA 18 covered the recent RI Convention in Los Angeles. There, Kuan met other Ambassadorial Scholars and Rotarians from Taiwan, like RI Director Jackson San-Lien Hsieh.

"I was introduced to several Rotarians here [in Los Angeles], and I am going to start contacting them and see if there is a way I can give back."

Kuan notes that after LA 18 aired the story about the convention, the station received several inquiries about how to get involved with Rotary. She referred viewers to the RI Web site.

"In the past, Rotary events were held in small circles and only a few members of the media would come. Now people blog and share information," Kuan said. "Right now I see new blood and new faces and a new way of doing things."



Kuan, a former Ambassadorial Scholar, is a news director for LA 18 KSCI-TV in Southern California, USA.

**Korean march promotes Rotary**

District Governor Kwang Heum Baek wasn't too proud to peel off his sock and show his blisters after he and more than 5,000 Rotarians trekked through Gyeongsangbuk-do Province in Korea to promote Rotary.

A resounding success, the effort drew new club members, raised money, and generated positive press coverage for Rotary.

Rotarians in District 3630 marched relay-style through the province every weekend from July through December 2007. Baek, the district's 2007-08 governor, was one of only 11 Rotarians who walked the entire 374 miles.

Along the route, participants donated their time, money, and resources to communities in need, providing free medical care, coordinating blood drives, and raising money for scholarships.

**New members**

The march generated US\$718,000 and drew 458 new club members. (During his term, 700 new members joined clubs in District 3630, Korea's largest district, with 106 clubs and 6,018 Rotarians, according to Baek.)

This innovative approach to promoting Rotary was Baek's brain-child. Though his primary aim was to raise awareness about the organization and increase membership, he also wanted to inspire Rotarians to demonstrate Service Above Self. The march was covered in local and national newspapers and on radio and television.

Generating excitement about the event was Baek's greatest challenge, he says. Club members were initially reluctant to take on such an immense project, so he relied on support from past district governors and rallied Rotarians to the task. In the end, the effort was wildly popular.

"The march began in the middle of a hot summer. Rain or shine, we walked and were greeted by Rotarians with a great deal of enthusiasm," Baek said. "Their enthusiasm is the driving force of District 3630."



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**Rotary Programs**

**This Week** - New Director of Lockerly Arboretum addresses the Club  
**Rotarian of the Day** - Jimmy Eubanks  
**Last Meeting** - New President's Address  
**Rotarian of the Day** - Bo Sibilsky

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Last week Lamar Fields presented his new president's address to the club. "Chef" Lamar serves up some roast beef earlier in the spring.

**Visiting Rotarians**

None

**Guests**

Linda McKnight .....Billie Brown  
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Cindee Busbee .....Tommy Jefferson  
Laura Thompson .....Tommy Jefferson  
Mark Strom .....Mike Holmes  
Shawn Roberts .....Bo Sibilsky  
Blanche Lamb .....Lyn Chandler  
Pat Hall .....Ed Hall

**Absentees**

Anderson, Beasley, Bell, Burke, Clark, Collins, Cox, Davidson, Dean, Eberhardt, Gandy, Gheesling, Grant, Griffeth, Jefferson, Kirkwood, Matthews, Mullis, Murphey Jr., Nelson, Noel, Peters, Prezioso, Romines, Saturley, Scott, Seymour, Shields, Sibilsky Jr., Strickland, Thornton, Trammell, Truelove, Tyson, Van Horn, Williams, Young

**Makeups**

None

 **Rich Bertoli Memorial CART Fund:**  
\$30.82 TOTAL: \$1466.29

**50/50 Club - July 10, 2008**

Karen Brooks had the winning ticket. She was unsuccessful in her draw. 21 Cards Left Pot: \$1039.00



**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).

**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)