



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dr. Jeff Blick
GCSU Anthropology
and Archaeology

Rotarian of the Day
Mark Archer

OCT. 8 MEETING

Our GRSP student, Andres Ibera, spoke to the club about his country, Colombia, the third largest Spanish speaking country in the world, located in South America. Colombia exports large amounts of coffee, sugar, and flowers as one of the largest producers in the world of these crops. He enlightened club members with explanations of many different types of food Colombians enjoy, as well as their festivals. Andres is most appreciative of Rotary for this opportunity to study in the U.S.



GRSP student Andres Ibera and President John Ferguson



Heather Langston receives her blue badge

VISITING ROTARIANS

None

GUESTS

Jennifer Jones.....Justin Jones
GRS Student Pontus Ferno.....
Renee Fontenot

ABSENTEES

S. Brown 2, Cooper, Cox, Davidson,
Drinkwater 2, Eberhardt, Entrekin,
Eubanks, Gandy, Grant, Gunn, Hall
2, Parker, Peters, Reese, M. Roberts,
S. Roberts, Sibilsky Jr., Sibilsky III,
Tyson, Van Horn 2, Yearwood.

MAKE-UPS

Kennedy Online
Kennedy Jones Co.
Chandler Morning Make-Up
Oliver Morning Make-Up

RICH BERTOLI MEMORIAL CART FUND

\$10⁵⁵ TOTAL: \$2,443⁹¹

50/50 CLUB

33 Cards Left
Pot: \$370⁰⁰

CLUB BLOG

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

Upcoming Programs

- Oct 22 - PDG Robert Lynn author, poet and Rotarian
- Oct 29 - Janet Wyndham-Quin artist and gallery owner
- Nov 5 - Rotary Auction (no meeting)
- Nov. 12 - Evelyn Sweet-Hurd author of "His Name was Donn"
- Nov 19 - Todd Shiver and the GCSU Jazz Combo
- Nov 26 - No Meeting
- Dec. 3 - Dr. Dorothy Leland President, GCSU
- Dec 10 - Baldwin Middle School Band Presents Seasonal Music
- Dec 17 - Baldwin High School Chorus Presents Seasonal Music
- Dec 24 - No Meeting
- Dec 31 - No Meeting

Upcoming Rotary Auction

Auction Teams: Don't let collecting items for the auction slip up on you...it will be here before we know it! If you have collected a bigger and exciting item, let Renee or Randy know so we can promote those before the event.

DISTRICT 6920 NEWS Raffle Update

Jerry Adkins & Heather Langston accepted "The Challenge" from Laura Thompson at last week's meeting and purchased \$100 each worth of District Raffle tickets...THANK YOU JERRY & HEATHER!!!

District 6920 clubs are reporting fairly good success with sales of the raffle tickets. We encourage everyone to continue to work diligently to sell the vacation raffle tickets.

We will give away four exciting and interesting 8-day trips (including airfare, hotels, taxes and transfers) to our lucky winners at the district conference at Jekyll Island in April. Grand Prize: a trip for 4 to Honolulu and Grand Maui, Hawaii; Second Prize: a trip for 2 to Hamilton, Bermuda; Third Prize: a trip for 2 to San Francisco, California; Fourth Prize: a trip for 2 to Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100. The net proceeds of the sale of the raffle tickets will be donated to qualified Rotary charities to create Paul Harris Fellow and/or Will Watt Fellow Awards. Raffle proceeds will be available on a matching basis for Rotarians who want to make a contribution toward a Paul Harris Fellow or a Will Watt Fellow. For example, if a Rotarian has contributed \$500 toward a Paul Harris Fellow and will make an additional \$250 contribution, the district will match the contribution with \$250 from the raffle proceeds. The Rotarian becomes a Paul Harris Fellow and the club gets credit for the full \$500 contribution. The contribution can be directed toward the club's Every Rotarian Every Year or PolioPlus goal.

For an update on ticket purchase status and further information visit www.rotarydistrict6920.net.



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Child mortality rate drops worldwide

Improved antimalaria measures and simple health practices have contributed to the decline of child deaths worldwide, according to a report released by UNICEF in September.

The study showed that an estimated 8.8 million children under five died in 2008 compared with 12.5 million in 1990, a drop of 28 percent and the lowest since recordkeeping began

in 1960, UNICEF says. "These new figures underscore the importance of the work that Rotary does," says 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee, who chose to focus on child mortality during his term. "The great majority of child deaths are preventable, and most of them can be prevented with relatively inexpensive interventions — something as simple as a water filter, anti-

otics, or a trained birth attendant."

The UNICEF report attributed the drop in child mortality largely to health interventions such as immunizations, vitamin A supplements, improved prevention of mother-to-child HIV/AIDS transmission, and the use of anti-malaria mosquito nets.

Although all regions of the world have made progress, millions of children still die each year, with 40 percent of those deaths occurring in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, India, and Nigeria, according to the report.

Lee's emphasis on reducing child mortality inspired clubs and districts to initiate new projects and come together for two international conferences devoted to the issue.

In 2008, more than half

of all World Community Service health projects focused on reducing child mortality, involving medical clinics, health care training, and nutrition, according to Rotary International's ProjectLINK database.

Here are a few examples of innovative Rotary club projects that are addressing child mortality: • Rotary clubs in Great Britain, Ireland, and Tanzania collaborated to form Rotarians Eliminating Malaria in Tanzania. The group used two Matching Grants and one Health, Hunger and Humanity Grant to provide more than 200,000 mosquito nets to communities in and around Arusha.

• To help improve maternal health, members of the Rotary clubs of Bagé-Minuano, Rio

Grande do Sul, Brazil, and Jackson Hole Supper, Wyoming, USA, are establishing a center to collect and redistribute breast milk at a hospital in a low-income area of Bagé.

• The Rotary Club of New Manila Heights, Quezon City, Philippines, launched a project in 2007 to treat 90 children under the age of 10 for tuberculosis. Headed by a Rotarian physician, the effort provides medicine and distributes food to the children.

"It's important to recognize the progress we've made, and how we've made that progress," Lee says. "But we also need to acknowledge that there is still a great deal left to be done in the area of child mortality — and that there is a very great deal that we as Rotarians can and should be doing."



A UNICEF study released in September shows a drop in child mortality worldwide.

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