

Rotary Programs

This Week - November 8 - Lynwood Chandler, Principal, Baldwin High School
Rotarian of the Day: Bert Williams
Last Meeting - November 1 - Steve McDade, Baldwin County Sheriff's Department
Rotarian of the Day: Sam Watson

Last Meeting

Steve McDade

Guest Speaker, November 1 meeting



Steve McDade of the Baldwin County Sheriff's Dept was the club's guest speaker Nov 1. His talk was geared around domestic violence and touched on the importance of Sam's Voice. Sam's Voice is a program designed for school-aged children to heighten their awareness of domestic violence. Milledgeville was the first city to start such a program but the goal is to see it expand nationwide.

Visiting Rotarians

Paula Fuller.....Thomson

Guests

Roger DonohueTara Peters
 Jeff McAfeeGene Trammell
 Hulane GeorgeCarl Buice
 Judy QuinlanJan Nichols

Absentees

P. Brown, Carlton, Cooper, Cox, Dahanayake, Daniel, Davidson, Eberhardt, Ennis, Ferguson, Fontenot, Gandy, Geeter, Gheesling, Hall, Hattaway Jr., Hattaway Sr., Jackson, Kenyon, Kirkwood, Matthews, Murphy Sr., Neely, Noel, Pope, Purvis, Settle, Sibilsky III, Sibilsky Jr., Tyson, Weimer

Makeups

Jan NicholsOnline
 Jim JohnsonTennille
 Jim MillsTennille



Rich Bertoli CART Fund:
\$40.39 - TOTAL: \$468.86

50/50 Club - October 25, 2007

Fielding Whipple had the winning ticket. He was unsuccessful in his draw.
50 Cards Left Pot: \$52.00



Rotaract is Alive in Dublin

The first Rotaract Club in District 6920 was chartered on the campus of Middle Georgia College in Cochran. It was a very active club and *THE* club to belong to on campus. However, with the retirement or deaths of college leaders who were Rotarians, the club no longer exists in Cochran.

But a Middle Georgia College Rotaract Club does exist today, on the Dublin Center Campus of Middle Georgia College. The active club is now in its sixth year and is sponsored by the Dublin Rotary Club.

Last year Middle Georgia College voted Dublin Rotaract Club as the third best club in the entire college and the president was also recognized for outstanding service.

This year's Rotaract Club is off to a fast start with an excellent slate of officers who were installed at a Dublin Rotary Club luncheon meeting. The club has several projects of its own and works closely with the Dublin Rotary Club. For example, they work with Dublin Rotary during the month-long St. Patrick's Festival by manning a break location for the multitude of bikers who participate in this event. They serve at the annual Joint Civic Club Luncheon attended by hundreds of people. They are also involved in a literacy project by collecting books, coats, and jackets for needy people. They assisted in serving meals and cleaning up at a Shamrocks and Stars event which raised money for a well in Africa. The list goes on and on. Their enthusiasm is contagious!

You can read more about the Dublin Rotaract Club on our District 6920 Web site, www.rotarydistrict6920.net.

November 2007

Rotarian Birthdays

David Daniel	Jim Mills
Jimmy Eubanks	Roger Noel
Jeff Gray	Charles Purvis
Halsey Leavitt	Edward L. Sibilsky III



MEMBER PROFILE
Charles "Merritt" Massey



Charles "Merritt" Massey was born in 1962 in Tifton, Georgia. His father, Charles Massey, worked for the State Farm Insurance

Company for 47 years. Merritt's mother, Carolyn Massey, raised him and his two brothers. In 1986 Merritt was awarded a BA in Business Administration from Georgia State University with a Major in Insurance. In July 1987 he married Jan Stone from Tifton, and that November they moved to Milledgeville. A month later, Merritt established the Merritt Massey State Farm Insurance Agency. In 1990 he and his wife had twin boys — Chase and Drew Massey, who are now in the 11th grade at Georgia Military College. Merritt has served on the boards of the First Baptist Church Deacons, the Chamber of Commerce, the Milledgeville Rotary Club, Exchange Bank and the Evergreen Baptist Lay Leadership.

Merritt is a founding Member of Evergreen Baptist Church and a graduate of Leadership Baldwin. He holds both a Mortgage Broker's License and a Securities License.

According to Merritt, "The person that influenced my life the most was my Grandfather on my mother's side. He was a businessman. He had integrity, wisdom, and vision. He had five farms, two trucking companies, and other investment and real estate holdings. He served on many boards and was a leader in the Baptist faith."

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.

Rotary, UN celebrate common goals

In Tanzania, villagers buy mosquito nets through a Rotarian-supported program that aligns with the United Nations' goal to reduce malaria. In Kenya, families build Rotarian-funded rainwater collection tanks, complementing UN efforts to prevent deaths, especially among children, linked to poor sanitation. In Romania, farmers receive heifers through an effort backed by a Rotary Foundation grant that goes hand in hand with the UN goal to fight hunger.

These stories were highlighted during Rotary-UN Day at UN headquarters in New York City as ways Rotarians are helping the United Nations advance its goals to improve lives around the world. Held annually, the occasion celebrated the organizations' 62-year partnership. More than 1,300 Rotarians, UN officials, Interactors, and Rotaractors from 48 countries attended the day of panel discussions on water, literacy, health, and hunger on 3 November.

Rotary's relationship with the UN dates back to 1945, when 49 Rotarians acted as delegates, advisers, and consultants at the conference that founded the global association of governments. Today, Rotary holds the highest consultative status offered to any nongovernmental organization by the Economic and Social Council, which oversees many specialized UN agencies.

"Ever since the United Nations was founded, you have been a wonderful partner to our organization," UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said to Rotarians in remarks delivered by Kim Won-soo, deputy chef de cabinet and special adviser. "You have worked with the UN for health, literacy, and poverty eradication. You have promoted peace through your exchange programs. You have helped people understand what the UN is, what it does, and what it can do."

Ban and Kiyotaka Akasaka, UN undersecretary-general for communications and public information, praised Rotary for working on the UN Millennium Development Goals, which aim to slash poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy, and other social ills by 2015. But more work is needed, Akasaka said.

"It is intolerable that 72 million children are not in primary school. Maternal health remains a scandal, and HIV is growing faster than treatments can be made available," he explained, adding that climate change threatens to undermine work toward all the goals.

Progress is being made, though, according to speakers featured throughout the day. Stephen Nicholas, a member of the Rotary Club of Yonkers, New York, and a professor at Columbia University Medical Center's

Department of Pediatrics, said better, cheaper medication and intervention during pregnancy has almost completely diminished the number of HIV-infected infants at the clinic he founded in New York City's Harlem neighborhood. Nicholas has also helped develop a family AIDS program in the Dominican Republic. Now a World Community Service project, it aims to reduce the rate of mother-to-child HIV transmissions and the number of AIDS orphans.

More details on this story are available on Rotary International's Web site, www.rotary.org.

Singer Beyoncé Knowles immunizes Ethiopian children against polio

Rotarians taking part in a polio immunization campaign in Ethiopia recently enjoyed a boost of star power for the eradication effort. Singer Beyoncé Knowles, scheduled to perform in Addis Ababa, met the group and helped administer the oral polio vaccine before taking the stage on 20 October.

The 26-year-old, who immunized 10 youth said, "I want to encourage all ... parents to give this vaccination to their children. It really benefits their health."

"Beyoncé was so impressed [with] our commitment to not only provide funding but to make the trip to administer the vaccine," said Ezra Teshome, of the Rotary Club of University District of Seattle, Washington, USA, who led the effort. Teshome immigrated to the United States from Ethiopia in 1971 and has headed up seven other immunization drives in his homeland.

The fight to end polio has made significant progress in Ethiopia, which has not reported a single case of the disease this year. The country recorded 22 cases in 2005 and 17 in 2006 after an outbreak in the Horn of Africa.

In addition to raising and contributing funds, over one million Rotarians have volunteered their time and personal resources to help vaccinate more than two billion children in 122 countries during national immunization campaigns.

Rotary Foundation's Future Vision Plan

The Rotary Foundation's Future Vision Plan will bring about many sweeping changes in the coming years while simplifying processes and expanding opportunities for Rotary clubs and districts. On Rotary International's Web site, www.rotary.org, you'll find aspects of the plan as approved by the Foundation Trustees and the RI Board at their recent meetings.

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 and taking the "test!" Print the receipt and give it to the Club Secretary (Halsey Leavitt).

ROTARY WEBSITES

Rotary International: www.rotary.org
 District 6920: www.rotarydistrict6920.net
 Milledgeville Club: www.milledgeville Rotary.org