

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. The ideal of service is fostered; 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.

February 8, 2007

Rotary Programs

This Week - February 8 - Mayor Richard Bentley on the state of the city
Rotarian of the Day: Jeff Gray

Last Meeting - February 1 - Denise Creel of Easter Seals Middle Georgia
Rotarian of the Day: Joe Grant

Last Meeting



Easter Seals Middle Georgia Director of Development Denise Creel spoke about the formative years of Rotary and the Easter Seals organization, the role of Paul Harris as an early supporter of Easter Seals, and today's Easter Seals emphasis in working with people with disabilities.

Guests

Ajantha DahanayakeJerry Adkins

Absentees

Bell, P. Brown, Carlton, Chandler, Cooper, Cox, Daniel, Dennis, Dyer, Eberhardt, Fuller, Gandy, Hattaway Sr., Hicks, Hines, Jackson, Kenyon, Kisida, Marcott, Mills, Muggridge, Murphey Jr., Murphey Sr., Neely, Nunn, Prather, Purvis, Reese, Richardson, Roberts, Settle, Strickland, Van Horn

Makeups

Jason MillerOnline



CART Fund: Rose Bacon will match
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50/50 Club - February 1, 2007
Rose Bacon with the winning ticket was successful in her draw.
Congratulations!



This Week's Program

Mayor Bentley
Mayor Richard Bentley will discuss the state of the City of Milledgeville.

Next Week's Program

Valentine Party
In lieu of a Thursday meeting, the Club will assemble on Friday evening at the Country Club for the annual Valentine party.

2007 District Conference

Savannah, Georgia
May 4, 5 & 6, 2007

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Upcoming Programs

February 15 - No meeting [Valentine Party on February 16 counts as our regular meeting]
Rotarian of the Day: Arthur Gunn

February 22 - Club meets downtown for The Price of Freedom: Peace Day Observance at the Peace Monument [counts as our regular meeting] with speaker Mr. Morris Graybeal, Executive Director of the Georgia War Veterans Home [lunch on your own]



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

MEMBER PROFILE

Cathy Settle

Cathy Settle is a Milledgeville native. She became the Baldwin County Tax Commissioner in July 1995. She has worked in the office for 18 years and has worked in every aspect of the office prior to taking office. Prior to her employment at the tax office, she was employed by the Social Security Administration for seven years.

Cathy is an active member in the Georgia Association of Tax Officials (GATO). She has served on various committees within GATO. She is currently a member of GATO's Legislative committee. She was named Tax Commissioner of the Year in 2003 by her fellow tax commissioners.

She and her husband David have two children. Caitlin (9) is a third grade OE student and Colton (8) is a second grade OE student. Both children attend Creekside Elementary. Caitlin takes gymnastics and Colton is a Cub Scout and plays soccer and baseball. Both children keep her very busy.

Cathy joined the Milledgeville Rotary Club in 2001 and is the past Director, Club Service I for the 2003-2005 term.

Upcoming Events

February 13 - Rotary Board Meeting
February 16 - Valentine's Party. This will count as our regular meeting
February 22 - Peace Day Observance at the Peace Monument [counts as our regular meeting]

District News - District Simplified Grants Support Communities

For the past four years, Rotary District 6920 has been involved with the Foundation's District Simplified Grant (DSG) program. District Simplified Grants are a tool for Rotary districts to support short-term, humanitarian projects that benefit the community. The use of funds from The Rotary Foundation must promote active and personal participation of all Rotarians involved in the implementation of the grant. DSG funds must assist in the development of stronger Rotary networks as Rotarians implement projects that have been initiated by a Rotary Club in a project location.

Projects which receive TRF support should satisfy the real humanitarian needs of the receiving community. Districts can request up to 20 percent of District Designated Funds (DDF) for a grant to support multiple projects locally or internationally. Only districts may District Simplified Grants Support Communities apply for a DSG and they must ensure all expenditures are eligible according to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) policies and guidelines.

Interested clubs are required to submit a DSG application form in the fall. The application is reviewed by District 6920's DSG committee. This year, our district received \$22,169 for distribution to the clubs that applied. There were fourteen of our district's clubs that received grant funds. In past years, we've had as many as 18 clubs receive these funds.

Clubs that received the DSG funds this year have identified worthy projects within their communities that exemplify the meaning of Rotary, "Service Above Self." From purchasing groceries for needy families to distributing books to elementary age children, Rotarians throughout our district are working hard to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. Clubs have until May 1, 2007 to complete their club project and submit their final report forms to the DSG chair.

Area Rotary Club Make-Up Meeting Sites

Perry - Mon 12:00 - New Perry Hotel, downtown Perry
Macon - Mon 1:00 - First Presbyterian Church
Cochran - Tue 12:00 - Community House, 3rd St next to MGC
Warner Robins - Tue 12:00 - Wellston Center, 155 Maple St.
Centerville - Tue 7:30 - Piccadilly, 2745 Watson Blvd., Warner Robins
Downtown Macon - Wed 12:30 - Macon Centreplex, just off I-16
Jones County - Thu 12:00 - Landfall at Porter Subdivision clubhouse, Hwy 129, Gray
Sandersville - Thu 1:00 - Twin City Country Club, Hwy 68
Dublin - Fri 12:00 - Dublin Country Club, East off Hwy 441 N

International News - Learning the meaning of Rotary Shares

The 2007 International Assembly is now history. But what happened in San Diego will carry through to Rotarians everywhere as the group of 532 incoming district governors takes what they've learned back to their clubs in preparation for the next Rotary year.

The group found a common source of inspiration in the 2007-08 theme, Rotary Shares.

"This assembly is awe-inspiring," said Richard V. Fisher, the incoming governor of District 9270 from Durban, South Africa. "It's the experience of a lifetime."

The International Assembly, which ran from 28 January to 2 February, is an annual Rotary leadership development event in which seasoned Rotary leaders train and inspire the next group of district governors to help them prepare for the year ahead. Traditionally, it's here that RI leaders share their goals for the new Rotary year beginning 1 July.

"We lead you, so you can lead others," RI President William B. Boyd told the assembly participants, echoing the current RI theme, Lead the Way.

"We have high hopes and expectations that you will do what you can — and more," said incoming Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Bichai Rattakul to 2007-08 district governors. "Go forth from here and serve. Help and guide your clubs, sharing with them your strengths."

Filled with Rotary fellowship that pervades the meeting and armed with new Rotary resources, the future governors and their spouses are up for the challenges of the coming year.

"It's a great fellowship opportunity. And there is so much to learn," said District 9120 Governor-elect, Salu Osifumihe Ahmed, from Kaduna, Nigeria.

District 5710 Governor-elect Chuck E. Trimble, from Burlington, Kansas, USA, said the meeting reinforced ideas about Rotary he has had for years. Referring to this year's group discussions he said, "It's great to be in a room with 20 other district governors-elect and hear what they're thinking."

Discussion group topics included membership development and retention, public image, youth programs, The Rotary Foundation, and club support.

The family of Rotary — the support network that includes Rotarians' spouses — was active as well. While the district governors-elect were training, their spouses learned about Rotary in their own sessions. "I believe that I can help my husband [District 3830 Governor-elect Renato Magadia]," said Vicky Magadia, from Makati City, Philippines. "I'm adding to what he's learning here."

On Thursday, Rotarians and their spouses enjoyed International Festival Talent Night. With enthusiasm and in colorful national dress, Rotarians took to the stage to dance and entertain the crowd, showcasing the global flavor of the meeting.

In the midst of the festivities though, no one forgot what it meant to be a Rotarian. To raise funds for The Rotary Foundation, some Rotarians had their costume props auctioned off on stage by RI General Secretary Ed Futa. Australians raised US\$7,000 by selling a large inflatable kangaroo, an Italian group auctioned off a miniature "World Cup" soccer trophy for \$2,000, and Past RI President Frank J. Devlyn contributed \$1,500 to the Foundation by bidding on a sombrero from fellow Mexican Rotarians.

Besides the impromptu auctions, The Rotary Foundation raised, as of 1 February, \$225,000 in contributions at the assembly.

From the 14 volunteer sergeants-at-arms who kept the event running smoothly, to the Rotary leaders and trainers who shared their knowledge and experience, to the incoming governors who generously contributed to the Foundation and gave their time and energy to prepare for the year ahead, they all proved how Rotary Shares.

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).