

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.

Rotary Programs

This Week - May 17 - Past President Robbie Hattaway, Jr., on GRSP; Classification Talks; Members' Vote on Bylaws Changes

Rotarian of the Day: Robbie McNeill

Last Meeting - May 10 - Rotarian Jack Carlton will speak about manufacturing mustard gas in WWII and also about his experience with the Navy beachjumpers.

Rotarian of the Day: David McMillan

Last Meeting



Rotarian Jack Carlton shared experiences of his service in World War II with the Club. Jack worked as a chemist at Huntsville Arsenal manufacturing mustard gas and then served as a Beachjumper with the U.S. Navy during the war.

Visiting Rotarians

Lu Frier ByrdGreene-Putnam

Guests

Jim CarltonJack Carlton
Ralph VealCharles Ennis
Jay Knight.....Jeff Gray

Absentees

Bertoli, P. Brown, Cooper, Cox, Daniel, Dyer, Fuller, Gandy, Geeter, Grant, Haney, Hattaway Sr., Hicks, Jackson, Kirkwood, Long, McRee, Mullis, Murphey Sr., Neely, Nelson, Oliver, Peevy, Prather, Purvis, Reese, Romines, Saturley, Scott, Stephens, Watson, Yearwood



CART Fund: Ed Hall will match Donation of \$25.57 - Thanks!!

50/50 Club - May 10, 2007

John Ferguson with the winning ticket was unsuccessful in his draw
46 Cards Left Pot: \$159.00



Mercury Hybrid Winner



Karen Brooks is the winner of the new 2008 model Mercury Mariner Hybrid! Karen was present when Trustee of the Rotary Foundation Rolf Horndler drew the winning ticket Saturday evening, May 5, at the Rotary District 6920 Conference at the Marriott in Savannah. Karen is pictured here receiving her keys from District Governor Bill Blankenship. The net proceeds will be divided between the Rotary Foundation and the Georgia Rotary Student Program.



Upcoming Programs

May 24 - Program to be Announced
Rotarian of the Day: Jerry McRee

May 31 - Meredith Vasquez, Executive Director of Goodwill Industries for the Central Savannah River Area
Rotarian of the Day: Bert Williams

June 7 - Ted McCullough, Plant Manager of Plant Branch
Rotarian of the Day: Larry Mullis



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

MEMBER PROFILE

Rich Kisida

Rich was born in New York but his family moved to Florida before he entered grade school. He grew up in Miami, and his family moved to Gainesville Florida when he was in high school. He attended Ga. Tech, where he received his engineering degree in Industrial & Systems Engineering.

Rich and his wife Cindy have been married for over 25 years and have a daughter Jami who is 23. They lived most of their married life in Gwinnet County. They visited Milledgeville when their daughter started GCSU, loved the area, and moved to Milledgeville about 4 years ago.

Rich was a Vice President with Wachovia Bank and also worked for a number of consulting firms conducting market research, market assessments, business case analysis, and project management in the banking industry. He is now a registered appraiser with jCj Analytics -- working in middle Georgia on land and commercial property appraisals. His wife is events manager at Cuscowilla, and their daughter is finishing her Bachelors degree at GCSU.

Rich's hobbies are music, reading, photography, billiards, and fishing. He has good PC skills and is looking forward to serving the community through the Rotary.

District News - Rep. Kingston Emphasizes Key Issues at Kickoff Luncheon

The war in Iraq, making health care more accessible and alternate fuel programs were issues that U.S. Representative Jack Kingston says are the important issues facing Americans today.

"We are so obsessed with Trump vs. Rosie, Anna Nicole - whose baby is it? -, and Imus," said Rep. Kingston, who has represented Georgia's 1st district for 14 years. "We are making these things the big debate. I think the big debate is Iraq: do we have an interest in it or not?"

Rep. Kingston, who represents 25 Georgia counties, said it must be determined what America is doing in Iraq and what it is going to do. "These are the things that are worth debating," he said. "It is important when America makes a commitment, that we not establish a reputation of leaving when the going gets tough."

Citing insurgencies as headline grabbers, Rep. Kingston insisted that America has yet to lose a battle in Iraq. "Talk to the soldiers or better yet, talk to their spouses who are raising the children alone," he said. "That is definitely inspirational."

Other issues that need to be given the utmost attention by Congress include energy and fuel efficiency, as well as making health care more accessible.

Rep. Kingston, who is a past member of the Savannah South Rotary Club, applauded Rotary's work in Polio eradication. "Rotary should be very proud of what it has done with Polio, but I think you should also look at some other things," he challenged. "There are 40 million people in this world who have AIDS and HIV."

As he concluded his remarks, Rep. Kingston said the state is a large one that has great things to be excited about. With the seventeenth largest economy in the world, Georgia also boasts the addition of 245 new companies last year alone.

"Eighty million people fly through Atlanta each year," he said. "It is expected that number will rise to 120 million in the next five years. It is the biggest airport in the world. I think it's a really exciting time to live in Georgia," said Rep. Kingston. "This is the land of opportunity."

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 - Club offers hospice option for care of terminally ill patients

It took 12 years of hard work for the Rotary Club of Richmond, British Columbia, Canada, to complete their hospice project. The effort was the brainchild of Nancy Yurkovich, a retired nurse and wife of a Rotarian.

Selling her idea to her husband, Anthony, a retired medical doctor, and to his fellow club members in 1994 was the easy part. Residents of Richmond, a city with a population of more than 160,000, had to be convinced of the need for a community-based facility for the care of terminally ill patients.

Wilbur Walrond, a past president of the Richmond club, says, "this was difficult because people are generally reluctant to discuss terminal illness, especially when it affects those very close to them." To start public discussion on such a sensitive subject, Yurkovich made presentations and wrote articles in local newspapers. She explained how families and patients would benefit from being able to choose among the options of care at home, in the palliative care unit at Richmond Hospital, or at a free-standing community hospice.

"Being able to offer choices within a well-integrated continuum of care will help people to face the end of life with comfort ensured, values and decisions respected, and families supported," Yurkovich noted.

The necessity of providing such choices had been driven home over the years by long illnesses and deaths in the families of eight area Rotarians. The Rotarians added their authoritative voices to Yurkovich's convictions.

"It was the trust that these families placed in us that gave us the determination to pursue our dream of a free-standing hospice in our community," says Walrond.

After several fundraisers and a cosponsorship agreement with the Salvation Army, the club contributed more than C\$500,000 (US\$435,430) toward the effort. Construction started in May 2001 and three years later, the hospice opened its doors to patients. In August, RI President-elect Wilfrid J. Wilkinson visited the C\$2 million (US\$1,741,700) facility, which is run with the help of Canadian government grants.

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).