

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 - July 20, 2006

Iona Pendergast,
"Charter School"

Rotarian of the Day: Mark Bell

Last Meeting - July 13, 2006

Dr. Linda Irwin-DeVitis,
"Early College Program"

Rotarian of the Day: Frank Bacon



Visit Our Website

www.milledgeville Rotary.org

Make-up Online

www.rotaryclub.org

Dates to Remember

August 19, 2006 - District Seminar, Vidalia, Georgia

September 14, 2006 - District Governor Visit - Bill Blankenship visits the club

Absentees

Adams, Barlow, P. Brown, Cleveland, Cooper, Cox, Daniel, Dean, Eberhardt, Fontenot, Gandy, Gheesling, Grant, Gray, Jones, Kirkwood, Matthews, McNeill, Morgan, Mullis, Parker, Peevy, Prather, Puckett, Purvis, Reese, Romines, Scott, Truelove, Williams, Zarkowsky

 **CART Fund:** Gerald Adkins will match Donation of \$29.00 - Thanks!!

50/50 Club - July 13, 2006
Scott Brown with the winning ticket was unsuccessful in his draw.

36 Cards Left **Pot: \$484.00**



Next Week's Program

Presentations by the Board of Directors

Our club heard from President Keith Barlow and Program Director Bob Haney at the July 6 meeting about plans for the year. At next week's meeting, remaining directors will highlight plans for the year in their areas of emphasis. President Keith has asked the directors to reactivate the committee structure to assist them in their work, giving more Rotarians the opportunity to participate in the good work that we do in Leading the Way.

David Jackson - Club Service I
Jeff Gray - Club Service II
Nolan Stephens - Vocational Service
Travis Strickland - International Service
Bobby Murphey, Jr. - Community Service

Last Week's Program



Dr. Linda Irwin-DeVitis and Collen Daniel-Tyson from Ga. College & State Univ. were the guest speakers at last week's Milledgeville Rotary. They spoke on the Early College Program that will start this fall and include students from both Baldwin and Putnam Counties.

Upcoming Programs

July 27--Presentations by Board of Directors

Rotarian of the Day: William Black

August 3-- Lori Muggridge and RYLA Student Participants, "RYLA 2006"
Rotarian of the Day: Fred Van Horn



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

MEMBER PROFILE

Keith Barlow

Keith was born in Columbus, Georgia and grew up as a preacher's son. He moved throughout South Georgia and finished High School in Macon. He has lived in Milledgeville for the last 20 years, which is longer than any place he has lived. Keith works at the Union-Recorder as the VP of Sales and Marketing. This is a new position for him. He served as General Operations Director for almost 11 years before this new appointment. Keith has a wife, Paige and 2 wonderful boys, Kevin and Branden. Paige works at Putnam County High School as their Art Teacher and Kevin attends Eagle Ridge Elementary School. Keith joined the Milledgeville Rotary Club in 2001. He is serving his fourth year on the Board of Directors. He recently moved into his new position as President and is very excited to hold this position. He plans to work closely with his Board of Directors and involve as many members as possible in the accomplishments of the club for this coming year.

District News - 2007 District Conference Information

Savannah, Georgia will play host to the 2007 District 6920 Conference, to be held May 4, 5 and 6, 2007. Online registration is estimated to begin on January 1, 2007, but some information is already available on the District website at <http://www.rotarydistrict6920.net>

Rotarians planning to attend must make their own accommodations, but can save some money by mentioning the Rotary District Conference Discounted Rate at the Savannah Marriott Riverfront, which provides a single/double occupancy room for \$165 or suites ranging from \$205 for a Junior, to \$225 for an Executive Suite. One bedroom is discounted to \$325 and two bedrooms are \$490.

Savannah Marriott Riverfront

100 General McIntosh Blvd.

Savannah, Georgia 31401

Phone: 912-233-7722

Web Site: www.marriott-hotels.com/savrf

Notes:

Registration Fee includes all materials, and break snacks. Meals and Social Events may be purchased on Conference Registration Form. Our district conference is a business oriented conference and is not suited for small children. Dress Code: Business casual for plenary sessions, Friday lunch, and Sunday brunch. Coat & Tie for Friday evening and Saturday evening.

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 - Big Sky Restaurant, 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 - Rotaractors raise the roof in Benin

Students at Agla Primary School in the coastal city of Cotonou, Benin, were accustomed to attending classes under a roof of corrugated metal sheets perched precariously on wooden poles. The makeshift classrooms without walls often flooded during inclement weather. When this happened, some parents in the school's poverty-stricken neighborhood said the school was unsafe and kept their children at home.

But that changed because of Rotaract, Rotary's service program for people ages 18-30. With help from a British Rotarian, Beninese and British Rotaractors built three new classrooms for the school over two weeks in January.

The volunteers were participating in a Rotaract Overseas Project coordinated by Brian Stoyel, a past president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. In 1992, Stoyel came up with the idea of sending Rotaractors from Britain and Ireland overseas to do service work. Any Rotaractor willing to work under difficult conditions, to pay his or her own airfare, and to raise sufficient funds for the project could join the team.

"Rotaractors come from various occupations. I don't mind what kind," Stoyel says. "They don't have to have any particular skills or knowledge of a language of the area they are traveling to."

For the Benin effort, the team used all of the £19,000 it raised to help procure construction materials and cover associated costs. On average, Stoyel notes, £12,500 is enough to fund a project.

Claudette Dudley, of the Rotaract Club of West Berkshire, England, organized Christmas sales and an auction on eBay to raise her share of funds before traveling to Benin.

"I was really eager to take part in a practical project where you know where the money is going," she says. "Without education, the children in Agla didn't have much of a future to look forward to, and this was the perfect opportunity to make a real difference."

Each Rotaract Overseas Project aims to provide an essential community resource, usually a building to improve or promote education, health care, or cultural awareness. The projects must be selected or approved by their beneficiaries, involve local Rotarians, and use locally available products. "I don't believe in going into another country with a European design," Stoyel says.

Since the program's inception, Rotaractors have traveled on eight missions to help build and refurbish community centers, libraries, medical clinics, orphanages, and other institutions. These projects have taken place in countries including Bulgaria, Gambia, Malawi, Romania, Tanzania, and Uganda.

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 (Roger Noel).