

**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 26** -Scott Wood, Milledgeville City Manager - speaking on what a city manager does and what his duties include

**Rotarian of the Day:** Keith Barlow

**Last Meeting - July 19** - Fred Bright - Area District Attorney

**Rotarian of the Day:** Tommy Jefferson

**Last Meeting**



Area District Attorney Fred Bright spoke to the club.

**Visiting Rotarians**

Blair Brown .....Greene/Putnam

**Guests**

Kay Anderson ..... The Club  
 Bob Willis .....Rod Theus  
 Allison Truelove .....Michael Truelove

**Absentees**

Bacon, Barlow, Beasley, Bertoli, Black, Brandt, P. Brown, Carlton, Cooper, Cox, Daniel, Dean, Dennis, Fontenot, Fuller, Gandy, Gilbert, Griffith, Hattaway Sr., Massey, McRee, Miller, Murphey Sr., Neely, Oliver, Owens, Peters, Pope, Purvis, Reese, E. Sibilsky, Thornton, Trammell, Weimer, Whipple, Zarkowsky

**Makeups**

Scott Brown ..... Greene/Putnam  
 Roger Noel .....Online



**CART Fund:** Michael Truelove will match **Donation of \$6.00 - Thanks!!**

**50/50 Club - July 19, 2007**

Bo Sibilsky had the winning ticket.

The drawing will be this week.

51 Cards Left **Pot: \$58.00**  
this week



**Club Rotarians of Year**

While only one person is chosen by the selection committee as the district's Rotarian of the Year, each club recognizes its own Rotarian of the Year. The district has asked club presidents to email the name of their Rotarian of the Year so that we can recognize them for their accomplishments and commitment to their respective clubs. The club Rotarians of the Year that have been received to date are: Bill Quinn, Kings Bay; Jean Iaderosa, Savannah East; Jeff Kublin, Effingham County; Charles P. Olliff, Statesboro; Roland Berry, Warner Robins; Boyd Yarley, Eastman; Louise Fortson, Waynesboro; Nancy White, Macon; Richard W. Collins, Savannah West; Michael Smith, Glynn County.

Also receiving the honor are Alfie Cofield, Claxton; Mick McCay, Savannah Sunrise; Danny Grace, McIntosh; Carl Thornton, Jr., Augusta West; Matt Turknnett, Cochran; Jackie Wilson, Douglas; Vicky Betrossoff, Centerville; Carlos McNair, Ashburn; Ernie Cavallaro, Downtown Macon; Dick Marcott, Milledgeville; Michele Daughtery and Gail P. Green, Valdosta Sunrise; Wells Hood, Skidaway; Chris Roessler, Glennville, Troy Gay, Millen; and Frank Moye, Sandersville.

**Upcoming Program**

**August 2** - Attendance awards, and Paul Harris/Will Watt photos

**Rotarian of the Day:** Bob Haney

**Important Dates**

**August 4:** District Seminar, Vidalia  
**August 11:** Goodbye to Polio Celebration, Warm Springs

**August 24-26:** Georgia Rotary Student Program Conclave, Augusta

**October 27:** Membership Seminar, Dublin

**October 27:** Club Secretary's Workshop, Dublin



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

**MEMBER PROFILE**

**James D. "Jim" Mills**

Jim Mills grew up on the shores of Galveston Bay, Texas. He graduated from High School in Alvin, Texas, studied pre-engineering at Alvin Junior College and went on to graduate from Rice Institute (now Rice University) in Houston. While in university, Jim and Carolyne, his wife, married. During more than 50 years of marriage, they have accumulated five beautiful daughters – three of whom are now living in Texas, one in West Virginia, and the other in Georgia – and several grandchildren.

Jim worked for about eight years in the construction and oil industries in Texas before going abroad. He organized and ran a consulting and supply company that provided engineering services and equipment to governments and multinational companies. He lived and worked in a variety of countries in the Middle East (Lebanon, Kuwait, & Iran), Europe (England, Scotland and Germany) and the Far East (Singapore and Indonesia).

While living in Singapore, Jim did volunteer work at the Singapore Mental Hospital. From that experience, he decided to return to the States and go back to graduate school to study clinical psychology. One of his professors lured him to Milledgeville, where he opened a psychotherapy practice. Although "retired" now, Jim still does some mental health consulting work for the State of Georgia and Child and Family Guidance.

Jim is a long-time volunteer with the American Red Cross and serves as a Manager for Disaster Mental Health Services and the Red Cross Critical Response Team. He has worked on about 40 major disaster relief operations, including the 2001 World Trade Center terrorist attack and Hurricane Katrina. In 2002 the White House Freedom Corps honored him with the Call to Service Award.

Jim joined the Milledgeville Rotary Club in 1991 because he "was attracted to the principle of promoting peace in the world thorough service to those in need of a helping hand." According to Jim, "I have traveled a lot of miles, survived a couple of shooting wars and had a heck of a lot of fun doing it. However, I have also seen the effects of abject poverty and disease. I specifically remember the terrors of Polio of the 40s thru the 60s. Thus Project Polio is very dear to me and I'm proud to be able to be a part of it."

Jim is a Will Watt Fellow, a Hue Thomas, Jr. Fellow, and a five time Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. In 2006, the Club recognized him with the President's Award for " Exemplifying Service above Self." He currently serves as Chaplain to the Club.

**District News - 'Say Goodbye to Polio'**

Anticipation is building for the opening of the Smithsonian Institution's exhibit "Whatever Happened To Polio?" at Roosevelt Rehabilitation Center in Warm Springs this summer. In celebration of the exhibit's opening, the three Georgia Rotary Districts are teaming up to mark the occasion.

On Saturday, Aug. 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Rotarians from around the world will attend a ribbon cutting of the display on permanent loan from the Smithsonian National Museum of American History. Admission to the event, which will draw distinguished guests such as RI President Wilf Wilkinson and his wife Joan, Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue and Georgia Rotary district governors, is \$10; children under 6 are admitted free.

In addition to the ribbon cutting, numerous activities are being planned, including a golf tournament, a game room for older children, live entertainment, a project fair for Rotary clubs throughout the United States and much more. Bring your lawn chair for an old-fashioned picnic on the lawn.

To register for the event, go to [www.rotarydistrict6900.org](http://www.rotarydistrict6900.org) and follow the link from the homepage. If you have questions or need guidelines for participating in the project fair, contact Marsha Hyer, District 6920 Chair, Family of Rotary, at [mhyer@cox.net](mailto:mhyer@cox.net) or Margie Kersey at [margie@callkbs.com](mailto:margie@callkbs.com).

**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
- Uptown Macon**- Thu 12:00 - Goodwill Career & Conf. Ctr., Macon
- 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 - Project aids Iraqi land-mine victims**

More than 50,000 Iraqi women and children have lost limbs to land mines, leaving them unable to work or attend school. Prosthetic limbs are very expensive in Iraq, and with hospitals frequently shutting down because of wartime conditions, prostheses — or even basic medical care — are difficult to find.

In response, the Rotary Club of Montgomery Village, Maryland, USA, along with District 7620, created a Rotary centennial project in 2003 — the Basra Prosthetics Project — to help train Iraqi Ministry of Health physicians in Basra and raise money to provide necessary prosthetic limbs and equipment.

Montgomery Village Rotarians enlisted the help of numerous Rotary clubs as well as outside organizations for the project. In 2006 after three years of fundraising, they were finally ready for their first training mission, but traveling to Basra was no longer safe. With the help of the Jordanian Embassy in Washington, D.C., the King Hussein Medical Center in Amman, Jordan, opened its doors to the project. Members of the Rotary Club of Amman Cosmopolitan also opened their homes to the project by hosting all the volunteers.

In May 2006, eight Iraqi doctors and six people with amputations joined trainers and Rotarians in Jordan to learn how to correctly fit prostheses and get trained in prosthetic physiotherapy. The goal of this mission was to teach doctors to make more prostheses accurately and quickly to help more civilians.

"There are up to 5,000 amputees, not only from Basra but from three other nearby areas," says Dr. Muslim A. Yousef, manager of the Basra Prosthetic Center in Iraq. "Currently, we can only produce approximately 50 prostheses monthly."

Linda A. Smythe, chair and founder of the Basra Prosthetics Project says, "It would take years just to make prosthetics for those 5,000 people, but that number is constantly rising. We are trying to train Iraqis to look after their own people by teaching them how to make more prosthetics and fit them faster."

To date, the Basra Prosthetics Project has received more than US\$400,000 in donations from Rotarians and other project partners, including Al Hussein Society for the Habilitation/Rehabilitation of the Physically Challenged; the Jordanian Embassy in Washington, D.C.; Hanger Orthopedic Group; the International Monetary Fund; the Iraqi Ministry of Health in Baghdad; the Mosaic Foundation; Physicians for Peace; Security International; and the U.S. Department of State. The project still needs to raise money for training and supplies and to collect prosthetic devices.

"It brings tears to your eyes to see it happen," says Smythe. "Nothing has moved me more than seeing amputees get up and walk – you know you have affected their lives in so many ways."

Contact the Basra Prosthetics Project ([linda.a.smythe@kp.org](mailto:linda.a.smythe@kp.org)) for information on how to help.

**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](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) and taking the "test." Print the receipt and give it to the Club Secretary (Halsey Leavitt).