

August 2, 2007

Rotary Programs

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

Rotarian of the Day: Renee Fontenot

Last Meeting - 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



Scott Wood spoke to the Club on his duties as Milledgeville City Manager.

Guests

Chief Woodrow Blue Mark Bell
 Greg Waller Jimmy Eubanks
 Kevin Barlow Keith Barlow
 Ken Kenyon Larry Kenyon
 Pat Hall Ed Hall

Absentees

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

Makeups

Wes Owens (4)
 (2) Newburgh, NY
 (2) New Windsor, Cornwall, NW
 Renee Fontenot
 Odessa, Midland, Alpine, TX

 **CART Fund:** Arthur Gunn will match **Donation of \$19.65 - Thanks!!**

50/50 Club - July 26, 2007
 Henry Pope with the winning ticket was unsuccessful in his draw.
50 Cards Left Pot: \$75.00



August 2007 Rotarian Birthdays

Jerry Adkins	Arthur Gunn
Randy Beasley	Jan Nichols
Michael Cleveland	Tom Perrin
Lee Dennis	Mark Scott
Al Gandy	



August is Membership Month

Why is membership growth important for Rotary?

As we start the new Rotary year, let's reflect on some of the reasons that membership growth is important to Rotary.

- Membership growth increases Rotary's capacity for service.
- New Rotarians bring fresh ideas, new interests, and increased energy to clubs.
- More members increase the volume of support for the Rotary Foundation. Diversity in membership ensures that the club is relevant to the entire community.
- Service-minded individuals are given the opportunity to help their communities through Rotary.
- More members create a larger network for both local and international fellowship.
- New and younger members ensure the future of Rotary and its work.

Upcoming Program

Next Week - August 9 - Larry Entrekin, Craig Massee Insurance - Outlook for real estate sales in GA's Lake Country
Rotarian of the Day: Merritt Massey

August 16 - Tim Lowrimore, Director of Forest Policy, Georgia Forestry Association

Rotarian of the Day: Tommy Jefferson

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



IN LOVING MEMORY OF Rose Baugh Bacon

(From Rose's funeral)

Success

That person is a success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who gained the respect of intelligent people and the love of children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who looked for the best in others and gave the best that he had.

-Bessie Anderson Stanley

Please keep Rose's family in your prayers.



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.

District News - District 6920 Goals, 2007-2008

I. PROJECTS

- *Place 120 disabled students in competitive employment district-wide
- *Strengthen and continue Medical Equipment Transport Service (METS) Project
- *Support the Caribbean initiative from ten clubs
- *Sponsor Youth Exchange activities
- *Sponsor an International Water Project
- *Promote eradication of hunger in the district
- *Promote literacy projects in the district

II. FOUNDATION

- *Reach a goal of \$400,000 - Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)
- *Obtain 20 Benefactors; 5 Bequest Society Members

III. MEMBERSHIP

- *Continue the Rotary Rookie of the Year Award
- *Grow the District Membership by 1%
- *Organize 1 new Rotary club
- *Organize 1 new Rotaract club
- *Organize 1 new Interact club
- *Create a District-wide Membership Seminar for 100 club leaders

IV. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- *Obtain attendance of 200 at Annual District Seminar
- *Obtain attendance of 150 at District Assembly
- *Obtain attendance of 400 at District Conference
- *Participation by 20 clubs in Group Study Exchange (GSE)
- *Provide a seminar for club secretaries and treasurers

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 - School uniform project boosts Brazilian students' pride

When we think of typical Rotary projects that promote literacy and education, donating books or tutoring children might come to mind. But Rotarians from Mexico and Brazil thought of school uniforms and gym shoes — and made a big difference in the lives of children from Tanabi, Brazil.

Since 2003, Tanabi Rotarians have volunteered as tutors at the Lar das Crianças (Children's Home), an institution in Tanabi that provides free extracurricular programs for 150 children, ages 7-11, from low-income families. Most public schools in Brazil operate only for a half day, so at the Lar at-risk kids from low-income communities in Tanabi find a safe place to continue learning and playing while their caretaker works. The home offers before- and after-school activities, such as classes in music, dance, English, computer skills, and swimming, as well as provides nutritious meals.

While visiting the project on an Individual Grant, Ted Rose from the Rotary Club of Colima, Mexico, saw an opportunity to add to the project.

"I noticed that the children who came to the Lar were shabbily dressed, some more so than others," says Rose, who came to Brazil on the invitation of Tanabi Rotarian Cândido Garcia Soler, a dentist who met Rose when he volunteered at Project Amigo in Colima in 1998.

"If all the children dressed alike, they would be on a more even footing with each other," says Rose, who has volunteered at the project twice, including for two months in 2004.

In 2006, the Rotary clubs of Tanabi and Colima formed a partnership for a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant, inviting the Rotary clubs of Pihuamo, Coquimatlan, and Villa de Alvarez, Mexico, to join them and the Rotary Club of Columbia Center, Washington. With District Designated Funds and the matched grant, the total project funding of US\$12,150 helped the clubs purchase uniforms for all of the children. In addition, each student received school supplies, gym shoes, swimsuits, and caps.

"Many of the students and teachers were very moved when they saw the packs, which because they received them in December, became almost like Christmas presents for the kids," says Soler.

Tanabi Rotarians have seen the students' interest in learning and participating in activities intensify after the packs unified them as a cohesive group. "The uniforms have not only leveled the playing field, they have hugely contributed to the children's sense of self-worth and self-pride," says Rose.

It was also a boost for many of the Mexican clubs, for whom this was the first international project outside their local communities. The Tanabi Rotarians continue to host Rotarian tutor volunteers from overseas, fostering the language and geography skills of the Tanabi kids.

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.milledgevilleerrotary.org