

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 - August 3, 2006

Lori Muggridge and RYLA Student Participants, "RYLA 2006"

Rotarian of the Day:
Fred Van Horn

Last Meeting - July 27, 2006

Presentations by Board of Directors
Rotarian of the Day:
William Black

Last Week's Program



Three Rotarians who lead the way--Karen Brooks, Jeff Gray, and Bobby Murphey, Jr.--spoke to the Club about plans for the year in their areas of responsibility on the Board of Directors. Each of them urged us to become involved in Club projects and to make this a memorable, successful Rotary year in service above self.

Guests

Robin LongFaye Gilbert
Holly Hattaway.....Robbie Hattaway

Makeups

Michael ClevelandOnline



CART Fund: Lori Muggridge will match
Donation of \$15.00 - Thanks!!

50/50 Club - July 27, 2006

George Clark with the winning ticket was unsuccessful in his draw.

34 Cards Left **Pot: \$556.00**



Next Week's Program

Vickie Lee, "Davis Performance Learning Center"

Vickie W. Lee, Director of Baldwin County Schools' Performance Learning Center, will speak on this important alternative for students in our public schools. Vickie is a past member of the Baldwin County Board of Education and currently serves on the Baldwin High School Advisory Board and the Youth Development Center Advisory Board. She holds the bachelor's degree in business administration and the master's degree in educational leadership. We look forward to hearing from Vickie Lee about the performance learning center and her work with students.

Visit Our Website

www.milledgeville Rotary.org

Make-up Online

www.rotaryclub.org



Upcoming Programs

August 10 - Vickie Lee, "Davis Performance Learning Center"
Rotarian of the Day:
Karen Brooks

August 17 - Gene Trammell, "Standards-Based Education"
Rotarian of the Day:
George Clark



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

MEMBER PROFILE

Karen Brooks

Rotarian Karen Brooks first joined the club in April 1994. At that time, she was the marketing director for Hatcher Square Mall. Currently, Karen serves as the Community Relations Coordinator for Oconee Regional Medical Center. She has been with Oconee Regional Medical Center since May 1999.

Karen has seen many changes in Rotary since she joined. Her first year, she served as Chairperson for the Attendance committee. Karen served on the Board of Directors from 2001-2003 and enjoyed every minute of it. She recently received her 8-year perfect attendance certificate. Karen says one of the best things Rotarians can do when they first join the club is GET INVOLVED. She has worked with attendance, public relations, Make a Difference Day, Valentine's dinner, auction, Christmas Baskets, Widows Day, Christmas Bear Project, and Peace Day. Karen prepared the materials for the International Award that the club received in 2002. What she enjoys most about Rotary is the fellowship with other Rotarians and the community service work.

Karen and her husband, Derek, own Brooks Equipment in Gordon. They have two daughters, Melissa and Tiffany and a granddaughter, Ava. Melissa graduated from Georgia College and State University and she and her family live in Gray. Tiffany recently graduated from The Medical College of Georgia and has moved back to Milledgeville.

Asked what she would like to say to other Rotarians: SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE! If their life has been enriched by their participation in Rotary at the local, regional or international level, let non-Rotarian friends and acquaintances know. SHARE THE EXPERIENCE!

Dates to Remember

August 19, 2006 - District Seminar, Vidalia, Georgia

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

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.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 - Dream Home Lottery fulfills promise in Canada

The Rotary Club of Guelph, Ontario, Canada, fulfilled a five-year, C\$500,000 (US\$440,917) commitment to two community hospitals by dreaming big.

Club member James Wadleigh explains that the Rotary Club of Guelph took "a big leap into the unknown" by initiating its Dream Home Lottery. "We were committing to the largest fundraiser in our history," he says. "Other long-standing projects were seeing declining or static revenues, so we figured 'Go big or go home.'"

According to club president, J. Clare Rennie, they were inspired by a nearby Rotary club that had been running successful home lotteries for years.

"Any club thinking of running a dream home lottery should talk with clubs who have already done it," says club member Colin Ferguson. "You also have to look at whether your local conditions are favorable for it — it really depends on the housing market and if you can make a profit after building the house."

Guelph provides the perfect environment. Each year, the club promotes the lottery in the community, selling tickets for C\$100 (US\$88) each. There is no limit on how many can be purchased per person. Ticket sales fund the construction of a luxury home, cover lottery administration costs during each pledge year, and raise C\$100,000 (US\$88,183) annually for the charity. The club also increases its profits by working with local contractors to ease construction costs.

Wadleigh recalls being relieved to break even in the project's initial year. Each year proved more successful, with this year's lottery selling out.

One of the major reasons for the project's success was support from local businesses. "They offered to purchase the tickets for their employees by a payroll deduction plan spread over several pay periods," says club member Douglas Gamsby, adding that this accounted for 2,000 to 3,000 tickets each year. "Two of our five homes were won by these employees."

This year's home, built in one of Guelph's most desirable neighborhoods, is valued at more than C\$600,000 (US\$529,101). Its high-end touches, such as vaulted ceilings and hardwood floors, helped drive the lottery's popularity.

To thank the Rotary club for its dedication and hard work, one hospital named its family birthing unit in honor of the club, while the other dedicated a garden in its honor.

The club is planning to continue its Dream Home Lottery at least another three years to help renovate a local hospice and support a program that provides growth and development opportunities for the developmentally challenged.

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).