

## 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 - November 30** - Jane Sowell on the Milledgeville/Baldwin County Convention and Visitors Bureau  
**Rotarian of the Day: Bob Haney**

**Last Meeting - November 16** - Laurie Wallace, Cooperative Business Education Program at Baldwin High  
**Rotarian of the Day: Tom Davidson**

## Last Meeting



Laurie Wallace, Business Instructor/CBE Coordinator at Baldwin High School, spoke about the Cooperative Business Education program at the school and the role of business leaders in ensuring its success by mentoring students in the workplace.

## Guests

Pat Hall.....Ed Hall

## Absentees

Black, P. Brown, Carlton, Cooper, Cox, Daniel, Dyer, Eberhardt, Ennis, Fuller, Gandy, Gilbert, Griffith, Hicks, Hines, Matthews, McNeil, Muggridge, Nunn, Peevy, Prather, Purvis, Reese, Richardson, Saturley,, Settle, Sibilsky, Stewart, Strickland, Theus, Truelove, Tyson, Williams, Yearwood, Zarkowsky

## Makeups

Paul Dean .....Jones County  
Scott Brown.....Jones County



**CART Fund: Lamar Fields will match Donation of \$29.00 - Thanks!!**

**50/50 Club - November 16, 2006**

Bobby Murphy, Jr. with the winning ticket was unsuccessful in his draw.  
**39 Cards Left Pot: \$450.00**



## This Week's Program

**Jane Sowell**

Jane Sowell, Executive Director of the Milledgeville Convention and Visitor's Bureau, will speak to the Club.

## Next Week's Program

**Claudia Ramirez**

Our GRSP student, Claudia Ramirez, will discuss her experience as a GRSP student and share some information about her country, Colombia.

Karen Brooks will be putting up the Rotary tree in the Children's wing of ORMC on Friday morning at 9 a.m. if anyone would like to come help.

Volunteers need to come to the new part of the hospital, on the 4th floor.

## Give to the Foundation by shopping online

Now you can enjoy the delights of shopping - while at the same time supporting The Rotary Foundation. RI has formed a partnership with the online shopping mall CareClicks.com, which offers savings on the items of nearly 800 quality online merchants including Avon, Barnes & Noble, Gap, and Sears. Another benefit: If you access CareClicks.com through the link featured at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), a percentage of each purchase you make goes to The Rotary Foundation. If you have an existing account with any of the merchants, you can still use that account. So happy shopping - your purchase will make a difference.



## Upcoming Programs

**December 7** - Claudia Ramirez, GRSP Student  
**Rotarian of the Day: Ken Eberhardt**

**December 14** - Oak Hill Band  
**Rotarian of the Day: Jimmy Eubanks**



The Rotary Club of Milledgeville

MEMBER PROFILE

## Ed Weimer

Ed was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and lived both there and St. Joseph, Michigan until his family moved to Connecticut when he was 9. After graduating from high school in CT, Ed returned to his midwestern roots by attending Indiana University, where he received a BA in political science in 1975. Soon after graduating, Ed accepted a manager trainee position with JC Penney Co. in Chattanooga, TN. By the time Ed left Chattanooga in late 1980 to accept a promotion in the Athens, GA, Penney store, he had both a wife (Patti) and a daughter (Dee, 1980). Ed found Georgia to his liking, as he worked in various management capacities around the state with Penney's for the next 21 years. By this time he had added sons Aaron (1985) and Andrew (1998; no, that's not a typo).

After a year in Penney's corporate headquarters in Plano, TX, Ed retired from JC Penney in 2002, moved back to Milledgeville and began a second career as a financial consultant with AG Edwards here in Milledgeville. He finds great satisfaction in his work by being able to make a positive difference in the financial lives of his clients.

In October 2006, Ed celebrated 29 years of marital bliss to Patti, who is a Senior Secretary for the Athletic Department at Georgia College & State University. Daughter Dee, known to many Rotarians as Donna, is an active member of the community and can be seen making people happy at Arby's. Aaron is a senior at GCSU majoring in International Business, and Andrew is an incredibly active second grader at Creekside Elementary.

In Ed's spare time, he enjoys yard work, reading, and, particularly, coaching youth athletics. He also prizes his membership in Rotary, which he feels is the finest and most worthwhile service organization in the world.

## District News - November is Foundation Month

Every year in November we focus on OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION. Contributions to the Annual Fund earn Rotarians recognition items that reflect their level of giving. The giving goal of \$100 per Rotarian each year is reflected in OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION "Every Rotarian Every Year" goal.

Thousands of humanitarian grants have helped Polio Plus nearly complete worldwide eradication of this crippling and killing disease. Hundreds of thousands of people in the world, for the first time, have clean water, have access to medical care, have reading and writing ability, have shelter, have clothing, and have hope. That hope is a result of Rotarians working to make our world a better place to live through our collective synergy and the good works of OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION.

When you donate your taxdeductible \$100 EREY contribution to the Annual Fund, that money is invested for three years. After three years, the whole \$100 comes out of investment and is used to fund good works and grants that help promote world peace and cultural understanding. The investment proceeds pay for the administrative operating costs. No fee is subtracted from your contributions. Your contributions to OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION are handled with extraordinary efficiency and effectiveness.

- DG Bill Blankenship

## 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 - Rotary UN Day fosters local, global partnerships

More than 1,200 Rotarians from 42 countries gathered in New York to learn how to meet humanitarian needs worldwide by working more effectively with United Nations agencies.

The annual Rotary Day at the UN, held 4 November, featured panels on literacy, water, health, and hunger. Speakers included officials from the UN and its agencies, who encouraged collaboration and praised Rotary's work with the World Health Organization and UNICEF in the global effort to eradicate polio. Since 1985, Rotary has contributed more than \$616 million to a polio-free world.

Keynote speaker Margarita Wahlstrom, a top UN official, outlined the world's leading humanitarian priorities and said \$1.5 billion is needed for the crisis in Darfur, Sudan. "The brutality is almost beyond belief," she said. She also cited problems related to global warming, such as an island in the Pacific that floods every year. "We're not prepared for this," she said.

A few attendees questioned the UN's effectiveness and pointed to allegations about misconduct. Wahlstrom and other speakers outlined how the UN is addressing such issues. "We are working to create a culture of individual responsibility," she said.

The UN should be "congratulated for seriously looking at these issues," RI President Bill Boyd said. "It's easy to look at the United Nations and see its mistakes. It's important to look forward."

Rotary's relationship with the UN dates to 1945, when 49 Rotarians acted as delegates, advisers, and consultants at the UN Charter Conference. Sylvan Bernet was honored by RI President Boyd at the event for his years of service as an RI representative to the UN.

Panelists also included Rotary leaders and club members, who showcased related projects in Brazil, Ethiopia, and Nigeria. This year, the program included a separate event, held at the UN complex, for youth interested in humanitarian service.

Addressing this year's theme, "Rotary's unfinished business," Boyd told the audience: "Even though we will never bring about a perfect world, we have no excuse not to try....And if we leave a better world than was left to us, then we have not failed."

Following the afternoon's discussions at the UN, Rotary Foundation Chair Luis Vicente Giay hosted a dinner and brunch the following morning on the topic of Rotary's role in promoting world peace. The events included presentations of alumni of the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution program, which the Trustees have identified as the Foundation's top fundraising priority. Trustees have approved an initiative to raise \$95 million to permanently endow the Rotary Centers.

## 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).